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Christmas

Frances Benham Johnson

The stars lie still and cold on Christmas night
Above a frosty world, while all the earth
Rejoices, and the friendly candles light
The memory of the Christ Child's wondrous birth.

A carol, sweet with distance, fills the air
With music, and the scent of Christmas fir,
As though sent down the ages, seems to bear
To us a breath of frankincense and myrrh.

An echo of the joy three wise men brought,
When they foretold a small King's coming reign,
Brings us the peace which through the year we've sought,
And we believe in miracles again.

If Christ Had Not Been Born

By E. K. Cornell

Have you ever tried to imagine a world without Christmas? What if Christ had not come and the world had missed the true import of such a happy occasion as the Advent of the Son of God? Christ was given to the world as the unspeakable gift of God. John 3:16, God so loved . . . that He gave His only Son . . . God gave. And as an expression of gratitude to God for such a gift as Christ, the wise men brought their gifts and treasurers to lay at the feet of the Babe. It is God's gift that inspires our giving both to Him and to others. Isaiah the prophet, over 700 years before the birth of Christ (Isa. 7:14) said that a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call His Name Immanuel. Again Isa. said, (Isa. 9:6) "for unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the Government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." As we approach the coming Christmas season our joy perhaps is dulled by the specter of war. Man is searching for more deadly and destructive weapons as each day goes by which makes us wonder if the world has lost the true significance of Christmas, that of peace on earth, good will toward man. But thank God we can have the Prince of Peace reigning in our hearts, even in a war torn world. Let us thank God for this legacy of Peace we have in Jesus.

Let us suppose for a minute that there was no Christmas. No Christmas bells, no wreaths of Holly, no church to be found anywhere, no single book written about the Saviour. How tragic it would be when we came to the parting of the way with our loved ones and open our Bible seeking a message of consolation, but we would find no word of a glorious resurrection, we would be left only with hopeless despair,

for the Bible would have ended with the Book of Malachi of the Old Testament.

Again let us suppose Christ had not been born. What kind of a world would this have been? It would have been one in which child-life would not have come into its own. Bethlehem's manger taught us the value of all Babes.

In olden times children were offered up to be burned as human sacrifices, but Jesus taught love and care of children. If Christ had not come there would be no Sunday Schools, no institutions to care for under-privileged children, no orphanages.

What of womanhood in such a world? Even today in countries where Christ is not recognized, woman is considered little better than a beast of burden. She is downtrodden and is a mere chattel and a plaything of man. But praise God, where the Christ-Child, who was born of woman, is honored, the daughters of men take their places as equals, with rights and privileges in social and religious services and in the commercial and national world. Just contemplate the debt of love and gratitude which womanhood owes because of that first Christmas.

Think of it, a world without Christ would have been without a complete Bible, no hymns, no Easter, no hope, no Heaven. Countless millions would have been lost without a Saviour. But praise the Lord, He did give His only Begotten Son that we by Grace through Faith, might have eternal life in the presence of Christ Jesus.

Let us consider what manner of man is this Christ which changed the world at His birth. Christ was born in the meanest of Circumstances, but the air was filled with the Hallelujahs of the heavenly host. His lodging was a cattle pen, but a star drew wise men from afar to pay Him homage. His birth was contrary to the laws of life; his death was contrary to the Laws of death. No miracle is so wonderful as His life of teaching. He had

no cornfields or fisheries, but He could spread a table for 5,000 and have bread and fish to spare. He walked on the waters and they supported Him . . . His crucifixion was the crime of crimes but on God's side no lower price than His infinite agony could have made possible our redemption. When He died few men mourned, but a black crepe was hung over the sun.

Though men trembled not for their sins, the earth beneath shook under the load. All nature honored Him; sinners alone rejected Him. Sin never touched Him. Corruption could not get hold of His body. The soil that had been reddened with His blood could not claim His dust. Three years He preached His Gospel, He wrote no books, built no churches, attended no college, had no money back of Him, but after 1900 years He is the one central figure of human history. More books have been written about Him than any other man that ever lived; more lives have been changed for better because of Him, and His teaching. He is the theme of all preaching, the pivot around which the events of the age revolve, the only Saviour of the Human race. Was it merely the son of Joseph and Mary, was it human blood that was spilled on Calvary's hill which has worked such wonders in men and nations through the centuries? We can only say, "My Lord and My God".

God's Word tells us that this same Jesus will return before long to catch His Bride away. Are you ready for that soon return, because that day cannot be far off. The prophetic utterances of God's Word are being fulfilled before our very eyes. What better time than this Christmas season to yield your life to Him. Then and only then, will there be a Christmas in your heart. Then and only then can you have true peace in your hearts and good will toward all men.

NOTE OF THANKS

We appreciate all the prayers for our baby. We know that surely it was the Lord that pulled him through. We thank the Lord for it all.

Jack and Marilyn Sluder

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GUYMON, OKLAHOMA—

Greetings from the heart of the pan-handle. In the past 15 months of our ministry here. We have experienced God's blessings in various ways for which we are certainly thankful.

Bro. Harrol Waterbury recently conducted a two-week Revival at our church. We believe that this was a time of great refreshing that will be reflected as lasting results for our church and community.

Many outstanding blessings were received including 2 being saved and 9 baptized in water. Perhaps the most significant portion of the Revival was the way God wonderfully blessed in every service with a mighty outpouring of His Spirit. Many commented that this was the best Revival they had attended.

All phases of the work are coming along fine and we certainly are thankful for God's help. If there are other college students that are attending now or that plan to attend at Goodwell A & M, we will welcome them along with those now attending there.

Edwin Modrick, pastor

Season's Greetings



Once again we come to the most joyous season of the year. May it be for you and your family a time rich with friendship and peace, love, and good cheer. Above all may you find the real meaning of Christmas within your lives that of remembering and serving Christ.

Rev. and Mrs. Gail Schultz and Gaylon Lee, and Rev. and Mrs. Howard Whiteley and Lachelle, as editors of the Apostolic Faith Report, wish each of you a very, very Merry Christmas in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ whose Birthday we now Honor and a Prosperous New Year through His Grace and Providence.



We want to announce
With pride and joy
The arrival of
Our Baby Boy!
Name: Timothy Curtis Sluder

Born: 8:20 A. M. Nov. 8, 1965
Weight 7lbs. 10½ oz.
Length: 19¼ inches.
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sluder
Fayetteville, Arkansas

BIBLE SCHOOL NOTES

Lines From The Superintendent's Desk

"Time and tide waits for no man," is not just a clever saying, but rather a true philosophy of life. It seems as though we no more than get plans made for youth camps, vacation Bible Schools, Camp Meeting, and Bible School, but what they have become a reality and passed on into history. May God teach us how to redeem or value time, for truly the days are evil.

WHAT IS TRUTH?

John 18:38

This question asked by Pontius Pilate over nineteen centuries ago is still plaguing the conscience of man today. I am thankful we have believed and found the Word of God to be the infallible TRUTH. There are many today who are bent on destroying this truth. They are not the Bible-burning type we read about in history, but work very subtly in denouncing the principles and power of the truth. We live in a society today that has a dual standard for everything. Let us be doubly careful that this "Spirit of Ambiguity" does not cast a shadow of uncertainty across the radiant Word of Truth.

With another term of Bible School almost finished; let me first say a big "thank you" to everyone who has prayed, worked, and given finance, to see our school progress as it has. It is a pleasure to work with such a dedicated Faculty as we have had again this year. May God reward them for their labours. Let our Movement ever pray that the real purpose for which this wonderful institution was established ever continue on. Offering unlimited knowledge to anyone dedicated to the search for the Truth of God's Word.

Sincerely,
F. E. Waterbury

PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Bill Yeakel
Mrs. B. R. Chitwood

MESDEMOISELLES' HOUSE NOTES

By Carolyn Long

As we near the closing of Bible School, we can look back to the many wonderful experiences we have shared. Although the time we have spent seems short it would be impossible to tell everything that has happened. Some of these experiences were light and on the humorous side. Saturday nights have been devoted to a Funspiration. One of these was a talent show. Each dorm room presented some form of entertainment and prizes were given, including a "Boobie Prize".

Comedy is placed in the background, however, when education is necessary. After a study of the Reformation, a film of the "Life of Martin Luther" was rented and shown November 20. Friday night, November 19, the students attended a Jewish service. After the service, the Rabbi gave us an opportunity to ask questions.

Our spiritual blessings haven't been confined to church. We have

enjoyed several exceptional dorm devotions. Whether it is sickness or a problem everyone is ready and willing to agree in prayer.

From time to time visiting ministers have added interesting variety to our daily routine. Bro. Gene Cornell lectured on "Gospel Work"; Bro. Roy Wooster taught a lesson on "Personal Witnessing"; Bro. Edwin Modrick presented a lesson on "Being a Pastor"; Bro. Ben Barker has shown us films of the Holy land and lectured on Prophecy. Board members and other ministers have visited and held chapel services. All have been a blessing.

Learning is not just listening. It takes study. During study hours, you will most likely find students painting charts for Doctrine, coloring maps for history, working on themes for Prophecy, or murmuring memory verses for Evangelism. We realize that these things help to place Bible Truths in our hearts and minds.

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MESSEIERS REPORT:

R. B. Clanton

The greatest institution since marriage!

Bible School has its heights and depths just as any other life does. But the low places only make the high places better.

Just as there are victorys to be gained in this Christian instituton there are battles to be fought. One thought has stayed with me in this term of school, "Every battle and trial we fight has a glorious victory at the end."

The Boys make good use of the new carpet around the altar in the chapel. When problems beset them they take them to God who hears, understands, and answers in glorious ways. The girls also make good use of "Third Heaven" (The attic or third floor of the home.)

Bible School is fun! I don't want to leave the impression school is all

play and no work nor do I want you to think it is all work and no good times. There is a time for all things. Eccles. 3:4 A time for laughter and a time to be serious. Both of these are found in our school.

Fun time begins in the men's dorm late in the day, when study period is over. We enjoy one half hour of free time. Bro. Jacob Regier likes for things to be still at 10:30; however, some times Danny (Pete) Clanton, Russel Peck, Dale Ditto and others can't resist the temptation for further fun.

They set the stage (Glass of water above the door) Knock on the wall. "Paul! Paul!" cries Pete. "Come over quick we have a good joke for you"! Paul, liking a good joke, comes over and opens the door and gets the JOKE. Glasses make a sound that even the dean

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ARTICLE III

The Seventy Weeks of Daniel's Prophecy

DANIEL 9:24-27

By Robert Girouard

About ninety-three years after the decree of Cyrus allowing the Jews in his kingdom to return to Palestine and to build a temple, and about seventy-one years after the temple was finished, and thirteen years after the scribe Ezra came to Palestine to teach the law of God and to beautify the house of God, Nehemiah, cupbearer to the king of Persia, heard some distressing news about the Jews who were in Palestine. Nehemiah 1:1-4. The news about the sad state of the Jews in Palestine set Nehemiah to praying. Nehemiah 1:5-11.

One day when Nehemiah was before the king his countenance expressed such deep sorrow that the king inquired, why is thy countenance sad, seeing thou art not sick? This is nothing else but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid, and said unto the king, let the king live forever: why should not my countenance be sad, **WHEN THE CITY, THE PLACE OF MY FATHER'S SEPULCHRES, LIETH WASTE, AND THE GATES THEREOF ARE CONSUMED WITH FIRE?** Then the king said unto me, For what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the God of heaven. And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favor in thy sight, **THAT THOU Wouldest SEND ME UNTO JUDAH, UNTO THE CITY OF MY FATHERS' SEPULCHRES, THAT I MAY BUILD IT.** And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? And when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time. Nehemiah 2:1-8.

The authority that the king gave Nehemiah to build Jerusalem, together with the letters he wrote to the Persian governors west of the Euphrates river, and to Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, all furnished ample proof that he had received a commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem. Daniel 9:25. The book of Nehemiah is the only

place in scripture where a commandment to build Jerusalem may be found.

"This last is the only decree which we find recorded in Scripture which relates to the restoring and building of the city. It must be borne in mind that the very existence of a place as a city depended upon such a decree; for before that, any who returned from the land of captivity went only in the condition of sojourners; it was the decree that gave them a recognized and distinct political existence." Tregelleles.

When Nehemiah came to Jerusalem he rested for three days, then by night went to view the ruins of the city. At first he did not confide in any one the purpose of his mission. He did not tell the rulers, the religious leaders, nor the working people (the rest that did the work Nehemiah 2:11-16) why he had come. But after he had inspected the ruins of the city he urged the people to build up the wall of Jerusalem. And they said, Let us rise up and build. Nehemiah 2:17,18. Up until this time any feeble attempts that may have been made to build the walls of Jerusalem were unsuccessful and without royal sanction.

When Nehemiah came to Jerusalem the temple had been built for about seventy-one years. Thirteen years before he came, Ezra came with a large sum of money and beautified the house of the Lord. Ezra 7:27; 8:24-26,36. There it stood a beautiful temple in the midst of a ruined city. But this condition was not to continue much longer. Nehemiah was a great organizer, and assigned different parts of the work to different groups. It was a great task, the people were few in number, and the opposition was strong but because God was with them, and because "the people had a mind to work," they finished the building of the wall in fifty-two days. Nehemiah 6:15.

The commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem was given in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes, in the month Nisan. Nehemiah 2:1.

The fact that no day of the month is given indicates that it was the first day of Nisan. The Jews frequently did not give the day on which an event occurred if it fell on the first day of the month. According to secular historians the first day of Nisan of the twentieth year of Artaxerxes was March 14th, B. C. 445. **THIS DATE MARKS THE BEGINNING OF THE PROPHECY OF THE SEVENTY WEEKS. DANIEL 9:25.**

A period of seven weeks of years or forty-nine years was spent in building the city of Jerusalem, its street and wall. We have seen that the wall was built in a period of fifty-two days. But there was much additional work to do in building the city and street. According to the version given in our first article, a moat was dug which would require much additional work.

Following the first period of forty-nine years there was another period of sixty-two weeks of years, or four hundred thirty-four years which began at the end of the first period and continued unto "Messiah the Prince."

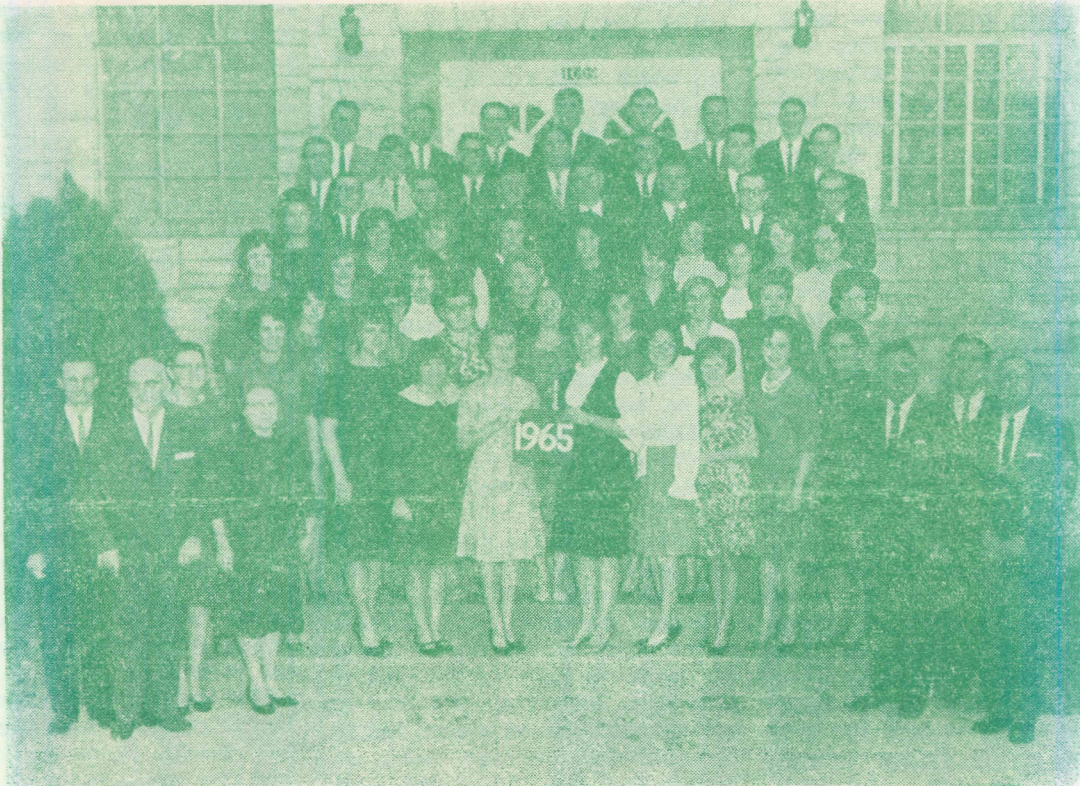
We are told that Messiah was to be cut off after the three-score and two weeks. Since the three-score and two weeks followed a period of seven weeks, we know that Messiah was to be crucified after sixty-nine weeks of years or four hundred and eighty-three years after the commandment was given to restore and build Jerusalem.

Now it is an interesting fact that shortly before His crucifixion Jesus was manifested as Messiah the Prince when He rode into Jerusalem on a mule. Matthew 21:1-9. He rode into Jerusalem on Sunday April 6th, A. D. 32. This date marks the end of the sixty-ninth week. A few days after this event Messiah was cut off, or in plain words Jesus was crucified. From the time that the commandment was given on March 14th, B. C. 445 to April 6th, A. D. 32, is exactly sixty-nine weeks or sixty-nine times seven prophetic years of three hundred sixty days, or 483 years.

According to the Julian calendar there were 476 years and 24 days in this period of time. Add for

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BIBLE SCHOOL CLOSING EXERCISES DECEMBER 14 AND 15



STUDENTS: Judy Anderson, Sandra Bachler, Joyce Bard, Clifford Barker, Keith Barker, Linda Barnett, Raymond Beckman, Myrtle Carney, Danny Clanton, Riley Clanton, Zinnia Clause, Gertrude Coates, Linda DeCocq, Dale Ditto, Wilma Glidden, Ruby Gregory, Billy Harris, Mary Helen Harris, Donna Hintergardt, Betty Ireland, Joel Karber, Dorothy Kinser, Alfred Littau, Cheryl Lohmann, Darlene Lohmann, Carolyn Long, Earl Malone, Ronnie Martin, Michael McClenagan, Texanna Messner, Eva Neff, Max Ollenberger, Kathy Papay, Russell Peck, Alan Poe, Ginger Raney, Lois Riley, Ernest Shifflett, Paul Shonk, Sandy Shook, Peggy Sutton, Charles Ware, Paul Wilkerson, Doris Williams, Linda Williams, Judy Wooster, James Chamberlain, and Samuel Chamberlain.

FACULTY: F. E. and Fran Waterbury, Gail and Edna Schultz, Jacob and Rosalie Regier, Howard Whiteley, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Arnold, Helen Arnold, and Carol Malone.

Christmas Cantata

"God In A Star"

Presented by the Music Department

Rev. Howard Whiteley, Director

Tuesday December 14 7:30 p. m.

ORDINATION SERVICE

Wednesday December 15 10:00 a. m.

Master of Ceremonies Rev. Jacob C. Regier

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

Song Choral

PRAYER

Song Solo

Song Male Quartet

Sermon Rev. Gail Schultz

ORDINATION

HOMECOMING SERVICE

Wednesday December 15 2:00 p. m.

Master of Ceremonies Rev. Edna Schultz

CONGREGATION SINGING

PRAYER

Special Singing Former Students

Speaker Rev. Harold Bollinger

COMMENCEMENT

Wednesday December 15 7:30 p. m.

INVOCATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

Speaker Rev. M. D. Methvin

Presentation of Certificates Supt. F. E. Waterbury



BUSINESS MEETING

DECEMBER 16, 9:00 A. M.

The annual business meeting of the Apostolic Faith Ministers and laymen will be held at the close of Bible School, 9:00 a.m., December 16, 1965.

Rev. Alford Whiteley's term as Board Member expires this year. An election will be held to recall Bro. Whiteley or elect someone to fill this position.

Each church and pastor has one vote for the election of a trustee for our Bible School Board.

Make your plans now to be represented at this meeting and for the close of Bible School. You will enjoy God's blessings and Christian fellowship.



Crusaders for Christ

12 INCH ANSWER

We are dealing with problems rather than questions this month. Two, so closely related, that I am going to consider them both in this article.

First, the fear of adulthood, its responsibilities and cares. Perhaps it can be catalogued as the fear of the unknown.

From the security of home, with older ones to make the decisions, no doubt the adult world does seem big and foreboding. In a sense we all have fears of the unknown. It is usually the weight of tomorrow that presses us down.

Remember, how as children you doubted your ability to carry out all the activities that teen-age years promised? Yet, today you fearlessly live these joyous years.

Fret not thyself of the tomorrow of adulthood. Life will prepare you for this age also. We do not jump from the first grade to high school in one day. We build from one assignment to another. Each grade prepares us for the one to follow. Just so, life is lived. From day to day we learn the art of growing up.

As responsibilities come, age and wisdom keep pace, if we allow ourselves to grow inwardly. We cannot do it by running from life. Face each day and problem as you meet them and you will find a similarity between them and daily school lessons. You cannot neglect daily lessons and successfully cram

for examinations. Neither can you dodge the issues of daily life and hope to be equipped to race an adult world.

If you evade small chores, always let someone else take the blunt of things, refuse to face life, then you are headed for trouble. You bid fare to be one of those emotionally immature persons who feel that every one is against them.

Meet and conquer the problem that seems big to you today, conquer it and in doing so gain confidence. You will blunder many times but you are learning. When bigger problems come, you will be better able to face them. Remember every age has its problems and its compensations. The Lord said, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

Now in the midst of this growing up problem is the emerging from the security and care of parents into the world where we must stand on our feet and be responsible for our own decisions.

This brings us to the second problem. That of not being trusted by parents, especially when you are a Christian girl.

In this there are several laws working. While there is a great transition for the young, there is also one for parents.

Parents have been young and know the pitfalls. Some may be carrying scars from lack of protection when they were young. Others who came through unscathed may look back at a near tragedy, still others may have had friends or

loved ones that were hurt by life. What ever the experience, often the parent would spare the child. While they have been young themselves and launched out, watching their own young leave the nest is a different thing.

Often as the youth fears the world, the parent fears it for them and in so doing, many times are over-protective. It is far better to teach the young to swim than to try to keep their boat from upsetting, but this isn't an easy lesson to learn. Often what seems like mistrust is really fear for their youth.

The parent who teaches their child to meet life to the best of their ability, then impart to that child the thought that they trust them, and they have a weapon that can conquer many obstacles.

If you are unfortunate enough to have a parent who is suspicious and distrustful, though you have done nothing to deserve such an attitude, then you can only trust God for guidance.

If it is possible, after much prayer, to communicate, perhaps an understanding could be reached. If there is a barrier, there is also misunderstandings. If, after you have done all you can and no satisfactory solution is found, then seek God for grace and wisdom for yourself.

One thing is imperative, that you stay true to the Lord. If the enemy even plants in your mind the thought of failing God over the

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Children's Hour . . .

— Kathryn Cornell

LOST SURPRISE

(A true experience)

Debbie settled herself comfortably on the davenport and paged through the Christmas gift catalog.

"It's time to go to the chapel for the Christmas program," shouted her sister Sallie as she put on her coat and hat. "Miss Margaret told us to be on time and that they have a big surprise for us."

"I can wait until the program starts and still see the surprise", laughed Debbie.

"One of these days you are going to be too late," warned Sallie as she hurried out of the house.

The chapel was across the road from Debbie's house. For weeks she had stayed home until after the Sunday School session had started, then dashed over in time for the lesson and be marked present.

As Debbie turned the pages she saw a white stuffed cat to put on a bed. My! how she would like one. All the girls thought they were just the thing.

The house was quiet and cozy. The clock ticked softly. Debbie yawned and closed her eyes just for a moment.

Suddenly she heard people laughing and calling "Merry Christmas." She jumped up from the davenport and ran for the door, pulling on her coat. But when she opened the door, she saw the people coming out of the chapel.

Across the road she ran and pushed her way through the crowd.

"Look at our surprise," said Sallie as she hugged a white stuffed cat with shining green eyes and soft cuddly fur. "Each of the girls got one."

Debbie could hardly believe her eyes. She hurried to find Miss Margaret.

"I'm so sorry I didn't get to the Christmas program, but I fell asleep and just woke up," explained Debbie.

"I'm sorry, too, that you missed the program, and that you missed the surprise," answered Miss Margaret.

"Missed the surprise!" cried Debbie.

"Yes," said Miss Margaret, "Mrs. James gave the surprise only to the girls who were present. That's why we wanted everyone to be here. But you are too late."

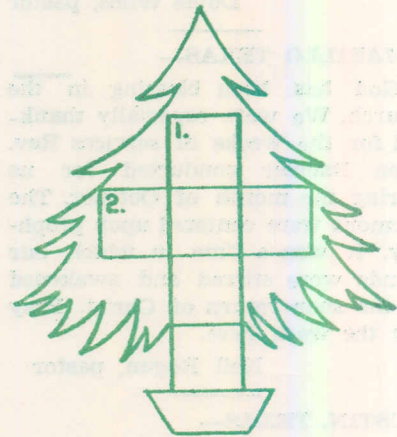
Debbie left the chapel with the words "to late" ringing in her ears.

She hurried home and off to bed, where she cried herself to sleep.

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REARRANGED WORDS

- (down) Because they believed God and His promises, the wise men came from the to find the Baby Jesus. Matt. 2:1)
- (across) Because of Abraham's faith, God provided a for an offering. (Genesis 22:11-13)



Rearrange all six of the letters in these two words to make two six letter words.

- M _ _ _ _ _
- S _ _ _ _ _
1. A title given to our Lord (Luke 8:24)
2. A word meaning brook (Amos 5:24)

Answer

1. (down) East
2. (Across) Ram
1. Master
2. Stream

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR DECEMBER

- 1.—David Lee Doty
- 3.—Debbie Scruggs
- 7.—Shawn Neff —
Sherri Stansberry
- 11.—Tonya Cornell
- 14.—Kayla Sue Jones
- 15.—Brenda Kay Gregory
- 16.—Lola Gift, Demi Jo Ulrich
- 17.—David Stump
- 18.—Ronnie Waterbury

(Ed. Note) To conserve space in this issue we have just listed the birthday names as above in place of using the calendar.

NEWS from the CHURCHES

MIDWAY COUNTRY CHURCH, LOGAN, OKLAHOMA—

We are glad to report we are enjoying showers of blessings in our Revival which is now in its third week. Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon have been bringing us wonderful messages in song and sermon. The entire church is receiving blessings and spiritual uplift. Several Christians are praying and seeking for deeper blessings. We have had wonderful altar services and some good testimony meetings. Crowds have been real good and we have had several visiting ministers who helped to boost our services along. We are thankful the Lord is being so good to our church and letting us enjoy the good services. Praise His Holy Name.

Mrs. Deryl LaMunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, pastor

AMARILLO TEXAS—

God has been blessing in the church. We were especially thankful for the weeks of services Rev. Olen Bachler conducted for us during the month of October. The sermons were centered upon prophecy. It was a time in which our minds were stirred and awakened to the soon return of Christ. Pray for the work here.

Neil Ragan, pastor

AUSTIN, TEXAS—

In September 1962 Rev. and Mrs. Stephen Welsh came to Austin to begin a work. The Lord has blest in many ways. We have bought lots on the North edge of the city limits which will soon be in the clear of debt. For almost a year now we have been renting a church which

has proven to be much better than the other places we used before. We have an average of 25-30 attending Sunday School.

From time to time we have been having new people to come for services. We know that God is dealing with several. Do pray with us for them that they will come to know Jesus as their Saviour.

This past week-end we were privileged to have Rev. and Mrs. Gene Cornell for services. The timely messages blest our hearts and the presence of the Lord was felt by each one who attended and gave us a desire to be drawn closer to the Lord. We are always glad for those who come by this way as it is an encouragement to us.

Norma Busch, reporter
Stephen Welsh, pastor

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

The Lord blessed us recently with an outstanding Sunday morning service. Everyone was touched by the very Real presence of the Lord. It is miraculous the way God has supplied the need for our building program. Everything has been paid for as we go along. God is very good to us, indeed. We are all looking forward to the coming convocation.

Mrs. Bill Cornell, reporter
O. A. Busch, pastor

GALENA, KANSAS—

Words cannot express the gratitude we feel to God for the way He has blessed our church. Our attendance has been very good with our Sunday School running between 135-140 for the past 3 months consistently, and our Sunday night crowds flowing into our annex. We

have seen God save souls and sanctify believers even in the past month. Three of our people were baptised in water during the service conducted by the Bible School in our City Park, during October.

We're looking forward to the opening of our Christmas activities by the John Brown University Cathedral Choir which will present a concert of Sacred Christmas music in our church December 8th. We're praying that during the the Christmas season we will see souls turn their lives to God and find the real meaning of Christmas.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

PAMPA, TEXAS—

The Apostolic Faith Church in Pampa had 12 days of Revival services in November with Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Wallis. Candy and Randy helped with the singing on the week-ends. The Spirit of the Lord was present to convict of sin as the Gospel message went forth each evening. The Church was blessed and edified.

Robert Girouard, pastor

PURDY, MISSOURI—

The church here is coming along fine. We usually have in the 30's and 40's on Sunday morning. We have a nice group of people with which to work. We are so thankful to the good people of the Movement for their prayers and help in every way for Atriel and me. Atriel seems to be improving some. I have gained a lot of strength since I was in the hospital and we give God all the praise. Remember us in your prayers.

A. W. Ferguson, pastor

Copy Deadline 20th of Each Month

CAMPBELL COMMUNITY, ARK.

God is blessing in our services in this community. Our services have been very good and interest is still good. We trust that God will reach the hearts of many people here.

Bill Yeakel, pastor

DICKINSON, TEXAS—

God is blessing in our church. Many have felt the need of drawing closer to Him. Our altar services have been very good. We would like to announce a week of special services beginning Dec. 26, through Jan. 1st. We will have a watch night service. Weekly services are to begin at 7:30 and the watch night service at 8:00 p. m. We are going to have visiting ministers and extend an invitation to ministers and anyone wishing to come by and visit us.

Cora Grigg, reporter
Herman Hoke, pastor

ALVIN, TEXAS—

We are glad to report taverage Sunday school attendance for the month of October as 125. We are proud of this attendance as there has been much illness in our midst for which we pray God will undertake so that all can be in the good services we have been having. Several have been saved and other experiences reached in the last few months of regular services. We are praying for a Revival in the near future. Thankful for Rev. Olen Bachler to fill in for our pastor whlie he is in Canyon, Texas, for some services.

Mrs. Roberta Methvin, reporter
G. K. Kerr, pastor

HINTON, ALABAMA—

We are glad to report there is victory in Jesus all along the way, and we're so glad that God still answers prayer in the same old fashioned way. The Lord willing the Hinton Church will be completed this week (Nov. 17). The first service will be the Youth Rally, November 20. We are expecting the Lord to meet with us and to bless. We certainly appreciate the faithful labours of each one and also the financial support of each one that has helped on the church.

We are so glad Peggy and Jerome are at Pine Crest. They are doing a fine work there and we appreciate their help on the church here very much.

George Hintergardt, pastor

SUGARLAND, TEXAS—

We are certainly thankful for the goodness of the Lord to our lives. Our revival which began on October 31st closed Wednesday, November 10. Rev. and Mrs. E. K. Cornell were certainly a blessing to our church. Even though the attendance was small, we feel encouraged about the work here. We ask the prayers of Christian people that the church here will grow and fruit can be brought forth by the efforts of our church. We want to invite all ministers and Gospel workers of the movement to come visit our services and minister to us. We need your help.

Ollie L. Kinsler, pastor

Mesdemoiselles' House Notes—

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We also learn by experience. Students have been taking an active part in the services. We have especially enjoyed the sermonettes given by students during our morning chapel services. At this time students also have control of the song service. Here, Sis. Fran's piano students often perform for the first time..

Every Sunday afternoon gives us a chance to hold special services. This is sometimes at community rest homes or the Big Brother's Home between Joplin and Galena.

All of the girls have enjoyed this term of Bible School. I asked a few what they enjoyed most. Zinnia Clause liked the chapel service with prayer around the altar; Peggy Sutton has appreciated the Christian fellowship and people that you can depend on; Ginger Raney has enjoyed the Prophecy class; and Sandy Shook likes the dorm devotions and the Evangelism class.

The girls would like to thank the Board, our Superintendent, our Faculty and everyone who has had a part in making this a wonderful Term of Bible School.

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situation, he has hs claws in for a good battle. To forsake God, your only source of comfort, is to defeat your purpose. The distrust would still be there and more so.

You might argue, "I wouldn't care then, etc. You still have life and future at stake. **These youthful years are short at the most, but adult life is long. You can't afford, for a few resentful years, to throw away years of beautiful relationship with God and respect for yourself. Remember your life touches others for better or for worse.**

If there is no way to correct the situation, look to God for grace to stay true to Him and salvage what you can of these youthful years. There is still a lot of good in them.

Another thing, if you gain wisdom from God to handle this and stay true to Him, you will be better equipped for life later on. Nothing has befallen us but what is common to man and He will not suffer you to be tempted more than you are able to bear.

If any man lack wisdom, let him ask God who giveth to all men liberally and up braideth not and it shall be given him. All things work together for good to them that love the Lord and are the called according to His purpose.

There is nothing constant except change and this too will pass away.

This life is fleeting, but God is eternal. Stay close to Him and eternity with all it holds, is yours.

THE SEVENTY-WEEKS OF Daniel's Prophecy—

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leap years, 116 days. It is also well to bear in mind that in reckoning years from B. C. to A. D., one year must always be omitted.

476 years X 365 173,740 days
Add (14 March to 6th April inclusive) 24 days
Add for leap years 116 days

173,880 days
69 weeks of prophetic years of 360 days 69 x 7 x 360 173,880 days

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Messieurs Report—

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can't help hearing. In he comes! Into the water he goes barefooted!

Next morning finds the fellows up cleaning their dorms an hour early and also a special detail for two meals. But our punishment was worth the laugh.

Bro. Mike McClenagan and Bro. Russel Peck team up at times with their guitars and play for the girls during the break before bed time. Good aren't they girls?

The funspirations on Saturday night are something else. The last one was a talent contest. "Cowboy Copus" and his "band" were there featuring "Minnie Pearl 'Long'" on the piano. They sure were a fine looking group of "Gents" even if

they had some feminine way about them. There was one act I can't seem to believe even now. Bro. Mike brought his new "girl friend" over and man was she bashful. She sure had a feminine way though. "Skinny Ann Clanton" was her name I believe. She could stand to lose a little weight, I would think.

We need your prayers at school that the few remaining weeks will be the best (and perhaps most serious) of all, whereby we as students can gain what it will take to stand in the days which lie ahead of us. The Midnight cry is now being sounded! How is our oil? We need to be trimming our lamps and be ready to meet him! Jesus is coming soon!! Be Ready! Matthew 25:1-13.

LOST SURPRISE—

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The following Sunday, Debbie was among the first ones at Sunday school. She listened as Miss Margaret explained that the Lord Jesus had come the first time as a Babe, but that He had promised to come again.

"Just when he will come back we do not know, but it is my prayer that all of you will have received Him as Saviour, so you will be ready to meet Him when He does. But if there is one of you that is not ready I shall be glad to tell you how."

The first hand to go up was Debbie's.

"I don't want to be late again," she said to herself.

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