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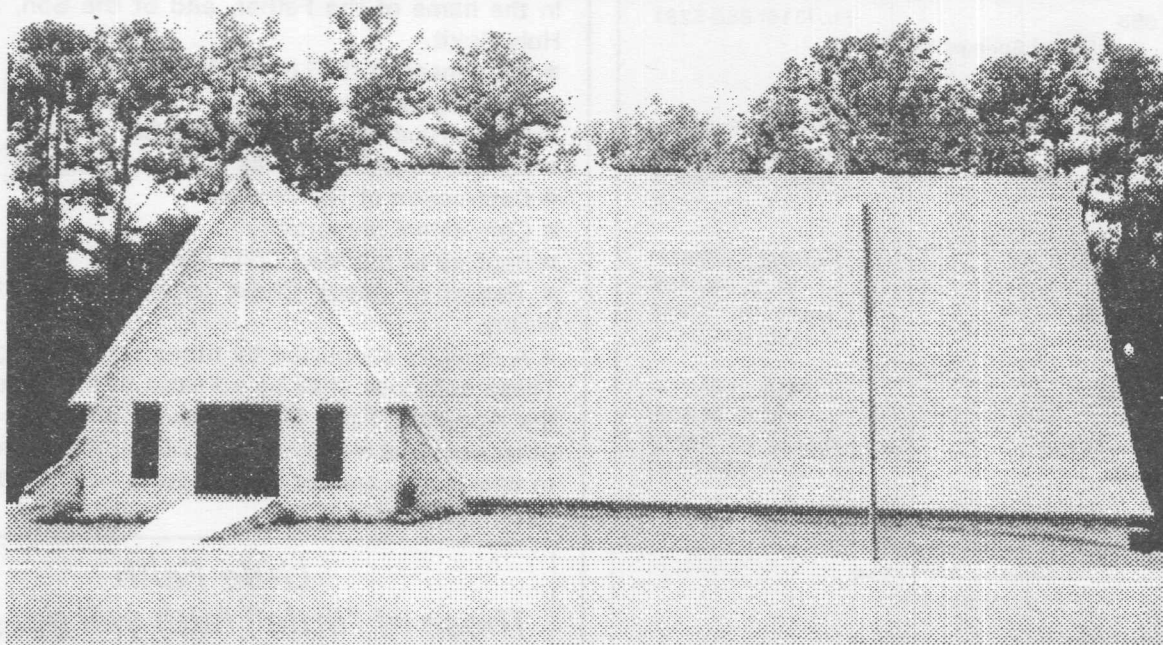
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BY LAWS OF THE Apostolic Faith Bible College, Inc. ARTICLE VII

Doctrine

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers who believe in the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and who have accepted Him as their personal Savior. It is recognized and agreed that no organization or man has been granted authority by the Lord to exclude from or accept anyone into the Kingdom of Heaven, as this is done by Jesus Christ only. It is further recognized and agreed that we as Christians are to love all members of the Body of Christ (Christians), and this love and fellowship derives from the unity instilled by the Holy Spirit. Although differences in doctrinal beliefs and interpretations should not influence our love for one another, adherence to similar doctrinal beliefs and modes of worship have bonded together those of the Apostolic Faith Movement as founded by Charles F. Parham in the early 1900's. The scripture teaches us to adhere to the truth and proper doctrine. The common doctrinal beliefs are essentially as follows.

- Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
 - Creation and Formation.
 - Man is basically sinful and in need of Salvation.
 - Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Savior, which is the conception of Spiritual Life.
 - Sanctification of the Spirit, Soul and Body, A second definite work of Grace by the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by the speaking in other languages.
 - Water Baptism (of all believers) by immersion in water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
 - Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
 - Washing of Feet.
 - Divine Healing through Jesus Christ for all believers.
 - Do not condone divorce and remarriage.
 - Destruction of the Wicked
 - Conditional Immortality.
 - Rapture of the Man Child Class.
 - Return of Jesus Christ to earth again; bodily and visibly.
 - A ministry supported by tithes and offerings.
- These doctrines shall be adhered to in the teachings of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time if they are not in consistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

Little Faith

Those of "little" faith will get greatly perturbed by "little" occurrences.
Selected

Cracks in the Walls

by Building Superintendent Tracy Grier, Alvin, TX.

The phone rang and I picked it up. The voice on the other end said, "I've got a problem. There are cracks in my walls and ceilings." Not the first time I've heard this and certainly won't be the last. Over 16 years I wish I had just a dollar for every time I'd heard it. Politely, I ask if they've looked to see if this problem is addressed in their warranty booklet they got at closing on their house. I already know they didn't look because they wouldn't have called me if they had. Again, politely, I tell them this problem is addressed under their warranty coverage. I then explain to them that what they are seeing, the hair line cracks in their raised ceiling angles and wall corners, is nothing to worry about, but to be expected as a result of the fact that their slab and everything we've built upon it are moving.

I go on to explain that their slab is designed to be basically a floating slab, reacting to the movement of the expansive soils it was built on. In times of drought the ground shrinks and the slab falls. In times of heavy rains the ground swells and the slab rises. And many times both situations exist at the same time on the same slab and its falling in one area and rising in another. This kind of movement will manifest itself inside the house by hair line cracks in sheetrock joints, where there is nothing but a layer of hardened joint compound over joint tape. I reassure them that their slab is doing what it was designed to do. That their foundation is fine. And what they are seeing inside is only natural, not warrantable, and their responsibility to take care of. I tell them they simply need to run a little calk along the hair line crack and touch it up with paint. Furthermore, I explain to them some things they can do to even out the moisture in the ground around their slab and protect their slab and minimize the evidence of slab movement.

It strikes me that our Christian walk is sometimes similar to this. Maybe you can relate to this. Something happens in our life, maybe nothing big, just a little problem. Immediately we're on the phone to God. We're almost accusatory in our tone with Him as we ask why this had to happen, like He planned for it to. Like nothing bad should ever happen and our life was supposed to be perfect just because we have this new life in Jesus Christ. We have what I like to call the apartment mentality, that somebody should fix our every problem because I'm just renting and we forget that now we own something and along with ownership comes a certain responsibility to maintain something on our own. After all, we expect the apartment manager to maintain what's his!

God knows, but He asks us anyway; "Have you read my word? You know it addresses every problem you'll ever have and some you never will. It's your guide, your handbook, your warranty. It contains my promises to you and I've never failed to keep a promise. But you know, I never promised you wouldn't have problems. I did promise you I'd deliver you from some and I'd see

you through the rest. I'd never leave you or forsake you. There's not a problem that my Son, Jesus Christ, didn't already face and defeat for you if you'll just believe in Him!"

Why is it when the problems, the cracks in our perfect lives, appear, that we start to question the foundation of our faith? We feel God has somehow abandoned us or won't see us through it. We feel we've been sold a bill of goods that we've gotten a lemon. How easily our boat gets rocked. How quickly we forget that Jesus is the cornerstone the sure and true foundation, that He can and will do what He was designed to do and what He purposed to do if we will just believe in Him and trust Him.

Why do we feel our lives should be perfect and without trials when Jesus' wasn't? Satan assailed him as soon as He came out of the Jordan with John the Baptist. He tempted Him and tried Him. so we too will have to go through the times of drought, our testing in the desert and it will seem like our foundation is falling, but if our faith is secure in Jesus it will hold and perform and function as God intended. And likewise when we go through times of abundance and satan tempts us with all the good things in life and perhaps we start to swell up and think we're something, God brings us back to the reality that we are what we are, we have what we have, through Jesus Christ. As long as we know that we know who we are in Jesus Christ, as long as He is our foundation, the chief cornerstone of our lives and our faith then will be okay.

God has made provision for our problems and it's the blood of Jesus Christ, His only Son. Are you going to accept the responsibility for your life and apply the covering of the blood to those cracks, those problems or are you going to do as Job's wife suggested and curse God, deny your faith and tell everyone what a lousy builder He is. Cracks happen, life isn't perfect, nothing on this earth ever will be until Christ comes back again. He is perfection and He's preparing a place of perfection for us. But we've got to deal with this life here and now. Everyone is going to have cracks, problems in their lives. Where does your assurance lie? Out of what have you built your foundation? If your belief is in yourself or other men you're going to be very sorry. Maybe not today but someday that foundation will fail you and it won't be little cracks but major structural failure that you'll be experiencing. Get your eyes on Jesus Christ. Realize that He will see you through the droughts and the storms of life if He doesn't deliver you from them. Maintain and preserve your sure foundation by keeping your faith constant and consistent. Pray, read, sin not, and love one another, give yourself, all of yourself, to the Lord and trust in Him and He will be that sure foundation for you.

Apostolic Faith Bible College
Income and Expense

	JAN'98	FEB'98	MAR'98	APR'98	MAY'98	JUN'98	JUL'98	AUG'98	SEP'98	OCT'98	NOV'98	DEC'98	GRAND TOTALS
DEPOSITS													
General	44,425	7,652	15,805	39,072	9,357	5,697	3,575	17,566	4,936	23,686	2,511	10,321	184,602
Faculty	3,158	5,401	6,788	5,899	2,181	845	677	4,137	5,010	14,389	5,480	6,992	60,957
INVESTMENT													
Expense	36,410	633	4,705	578	3,985	688	85	11,479	135	135	3,898	732	63,463
Income		1,800	6,841	14,605	2,635		925	1,184	565	11,149		2,000	41,704
*NET INCOME = DEPOSITS (General + Faculty) - INVESTMENT (Income)													
NET INCOME	47,583	11,253	15,752	30,366	8,903	6,542	3,327	20,519	9,381	26,926	7,991	15,313	203,855
EXPENSE													
													CATEGORY TOTALS
Electric	701	807	760	768	573	851	765	935	1,253	2,096	1,052	746	11,307
Water / Trash	412	403	157	264	259	328	192	230	233	391	377	275	3,521
Natural Gas	1,185	1,180	1,072	1,683		483		242			91	467	6,404
Telephone	416	186	180	215	366	286	177	212	306	146	385	145	3,021
													24,253
Advertisement			71	447		613	73		50	74			1,329
Postage	160	245	192		18	172	36		39			160	1,022
Office Supplies	218	116	453	194	256	51	67	437	52		199	19	2,062
Other Supplies	171	55	145	203	127	37	100	338	61	194	62	368	1,863
Computer			15	206	58			375			20	2,000	2,674
Class Supplies	10		158	151	225	50		35	144	69	278	95	1,216
													10,166
Bus Fuel/Repair	95	1,481	3,351	80					32	1,538	329	210	7,117
Travel Reimbursed			100		61				100				261
													7,378
Insurance		211	691	5,730					131				6,763
Bldg Maint/Repair	788	143	74	27,178	462	1,118	1,116	501	456	8,061	287	762	40,947
Equip Maint/Repair		20	246		1,180			747	323	163			2,679
													43,626
Food	822	308	426	495		328		860	741	1,285	908	1,010	7,183
Misc		1,336	604		1,383	295				500	181	38	4,338
Donated Gifts	2,349	600	1,147	2,125	530	480	340	1,187	1,560	526	1,450	1,060	13,354
Faculty	5,840	5,740	6,925	5,965	2,045	880	440	3,890	5,580	6,975	5,915	6,975	57,170
TOTAL	13,167	12,833	16,767	45,703	7,544	5,972	3,307	9,989	11,064	22,020	11,535	14,330	174,231
*NET SURPLUS / LOSS = NET INCOME - TOTAL EXPENSE													
NET SURPLUS / LOSS	34,417	(1,580)	(1,016)	(15,337)	1,358	571	19	10,531	(1,683)	4,906	(3,544)	984	29,624

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1998 AFBC Accounting Report

(Ed. Note: The following comments refer to the facing spreadsheet.)

1998 SURPLUS / LOSS:

General Fund Deposits:	184,602
Faculty Fund Deposits:	60,957
Total Deposits:	245,559
Total Deposits:	245,559
Total Savings Withdrawn:	41,704
Total Net Income:	203,855
Total Net Income:	203,855
Total Expense:	174,231
Total Surplus:	29,624

1998 INCOME:

# of Contributing Churches:	40
# of Contributing Individuals:	337
# of Contributions:	1,473
Average Contribution:	\$ 167

Unusual Contributions

Neosho Church Sold:	30,000
Restoration Fund:	17,038
Cecil Lee Boles Memorial:	10,000
'84 People Mover Sold:	4,050
Arnett Church Sold:	2,000

Normal Contributions For School Operation 144,722

1998 EXPENSES:

Faculty	57,170
Buildings	40,946
Operations	16,925
Gifts	13,354
Travel	7,378
Food	7,183
Miscellaneous	4,337

Unusual Building Expenses

Drivit Chapel Exterior	26,321
New Windows Upstair	7,961
North Side of Chapel Re-Shingled	924
Women's Dorm A/C Unit	800
Chapel Concrete Skirt Poured	641

Travel Expenses

Bus Repairs	5,461
Bus Fuel	1,433

Spring '99 Promotional Tour

Mar 15, The Gospel Lighthouse of Odin, Odin, IL
 Mar 16, Faith Fellowship Church, Mattoon, IL
 Mar 17, High Forrest Church of God, Hohenwald, TN
 Mar 18, Living Waters Church of God, Mt. Pleasant, TN
 Mar 21, Bethel Community Church, Ashland, AL
 Mar 21, Shiloh Baptist Church, Lineville, AL
 Mar 22, Apostolic Faith Church, Hinton, AL
 Mar 23, Pine Hill Chapel, Pine Hill, AL
 Mar 24, Apostolic Faith Church, Hempstead, TX
 Mar 25, Recreation Acres Full G. Church, Houston, TX
 Mar 26, Eagle Lake Gospel Mission, Eagle Lake, TX
 Mar 28, Trinity Apostolic Faith Church, Alvin, TX
 Mar 28, Apostolic Faith Church, Katy, TX
 Mar 29, Christian Gospel Church, Alleyton, TX
 Mar 30, Trinity Full Gospel Church, Camp Wood, TX
 Mar 31, Vanderpool Community Church, Vanderpool, TX
 Apr 1, Apostolic Faith Church, Rockdale, TX

On March 15th at 7:00 AM the Promotional Team of 11 will leave on a 3,500 mile, 17 concert tour through the states of Illinois, Tennessee, Alabama and South Texas.

Build The Wall With Nehemiah: The Man And The Mission & Knowing These Things The First Epistle of Peter

Rev. Mark Palmer of Anchorage, Alaska taught the above mentioned short-courses during two one-hour sessions for five days. His dad, Bob Palmer, accompanied him for evening services during the week. They ministered in the Baxter Chapel on Thursday evening.

The previous week Brother Mark had been in upstate New York teaching at the Pinecrest Bible Training Center.

He provided each student with a notebook and a series of handouts. The materials were excellent and the instruction was challenging. In addition to our students some of the area minister and layity attended.

We are in the planning stages for him to return in November for lessons on the subject of *Thankfulness* to coincide with *Thanksgiving Day Celebration* and a series of lessons on tracing the subject of *Redemption* through the Old and New Testaments. We look forward to his return.



They Are The Apple Of My Eye

by Graduating Student Keith Buschman

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." (Gen. 1:1-2) "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1) They were all there in the beginning. They? The Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. They were there at creation, and even before. They are *ever present* and *everlasting*.

As I walk through the country side, looking into the vast sky, I notice something far off in the distance. As I come closer to it, I notice it is a large apple tree that is just producing fruit. When I reach the tree, I notice that on the lower branches there are some big, red apples. I pull one down, and wipe it off on my shirt tail. I pull out my pocket knife, and cut it in half. There in the middle is a small group of seeds. Then I look back to the tree and wonder how a tree that big could come from such a small seed. "Only through the power of God could this be done," I think to my self. God is like that. He is huge. He has great power like the branches and the trunk. But what would an apple tree be without the apple? Just like Jesus, He was the Only begotten Son of God. Without Jesus there would be no life, just as the apple. Then I looked down and saw those seeds in the apple. Without the seeds in the apple, the tree would never have grown. The Holy Spirit was sent to help us grow, so that we can have power just as the tree. Together the apple tree, the apple, and the seeds, make a whole. Just the same as together, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, They make a whole. Without one there is no Trinity. Together they make the Godhead.

After thinking on these things I walked the rest of the way home. I cut the apple and began eating it. It is kind of hard to fathom, that something as complicated as the Trinity, could be summed up in a apple tree, an apple, and a apple seed. It was almost beyond my human mind to understand that, but God has given me His Holy Spirit, so why shouldn't we understand the deep things in Christ. Once I got home I decided to go to the scripture and maybe through the word I could gain even a better knowledge of the Godhead. I knew in the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth. I soon found out that God was not alone in the beginning, but Jesus and the Holy Spirit, were also present. I had found a little about the Godhead, but I felt that maybe I should research more about God, Jesus, and The Holy Spirit. Then search to see how they go together. Even though it was quite late by then, I couldn't sleep until I knew more. I went ahead and searched out the scriptures. With no better place to start than with God The Father, I decided to start with the characteristics of God.

As I looked into the scriptures I found out more and more about God. Most people think God is just a supernatural man that sits up in heaven and punishes us for

doing wrong. God is a God of judgement(Romans 14:10-12), as well as a God of punishment(Proverbs 16:5), but He is also a God of love(John 3:16), of goodness(Luke 1:53), of grace(Ephesians 1:6),and a God of mercy(Matthew 6:14). As I went on I found much more. He is also longsuffering to us(Numbers 14:18), full of knowledge(Psalm 142:3), compassion(Jeremiah 31:3), glory(Psalm 113:4), and even though we hurt Him and do wrong, He has always been faithful to us, and He has never broken His promises(Genesis 9:16) and He never will.

I was getting quite tired by then so I decided to put my studies down for the night, and I would resume them the next morning. As I laid down, a picture of the apple kept coming into my mind. The apple had a real deep meaning, more than I realized. The apple gave the tree life through the seed. So without the apple and the seed there would be no tree. That is when I realized, without Jesus there would be no God. As I thought about that it seemed strange, so I decided to get back up and search the scripture concerning Jesus, God the Son.

I knew that Jesus was the only begotten Son of God. I also knew that He had been present with God from the very beginning. Jesus came to earth through a virgin birth, lived a life as a human, and faced everything we face. In later years of His life He preached to many, healed many, and did many miracles. During His ministry many followed Him. They learned from Him as He spoke the word God had sent Him to preach. He then went to the cross and was crucified that we might be saved. Three days later He arose, and in that He conquered death, hell, and the grave(Revelation 1:18). He was on earth another forty days and then ascended up to heaven to be with His Father. Jesus did many great things, but He did so much more. I decided to write down all the scriptures on God that I had found earlier. By this time I was so into my study, I never noticed that I had been up all night studying out the scriptures.

There was so much to write down about Jesus. In His supposed failure, He gained victory over everything. Even though He died, He did not stay in the grave. He arose, and in that He gave us everything. "But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."(Philippians 4:19) By Jesus shedding His blood, He won every one of our victories, and through the blood of Jesus we can do all things(Phil. 4:13). Jesus gave His all that we might have life, but also life more abundantly(John 10:10). He died that we might all be saved and that none should perish(2 Peter 3:9). Jesus took 39 stripes on His back that we might have healing in our lives(Isaiah 53:5). Jesus was the ultimate sacrifice.

There was so much about Jesus in the Bible but, also, in other books. Even in non-religious books, they say that Jesus was the most important man in all of history. Jesus was the most influential person to ever walk the

They Are The Apple Of My Eye continued ...

earth. He has always been here from the beginning of history, but when He came to earth He made an impact so great on this earth, that no atheist could truly deny that He was not of this world and He was more than a normal human. He did live a life as a human, but He was not a human, He was, and is the Son of God.

When Jesus died and then arose again almost two thousand years ago, He did not leave us empty. Through His death and resurrection, and by the blood we were saved by faith. When He ascended back to heaven to be with His Father, He was true to His promise, and the Comforter came to dwell in the lives that accepted and asked for Him.

The Holy Spirit, the seed of the apple, or the third Person in the Trinity, was sent for many reasons. He came so that we would be comforted (John 14:26). When Jesus ascended, He told His disciples to wait in Jerusalem until they received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8), so that He would give them the strength to witness, and to go out and preach to the whole world. The Holy Spirit also gave them supernatural power, the true power and fire of God. In Acts Ch. 2, when they received the Holy Spirit, they all spoke in different tongues, and it seemed as if they were drunk. The Holy Spirit also gave them gifts of miracles, healing, tongues, interpretation of tongues, knowledge, wisdom, discernment, words of prophecy, and faith (I Corinthians 12). The Holy Spirit gave many great gifts, but He is also our comfort, our peace, and our strength. He gives us so much to help us live every day for Jesus.

I had learned so much and there was still so much I could not explain. I knew my worldly wisdom could never grasp the concept of the Trinity. But the Holy Spirit came to give us more understanding, to give us knowledge and understanding that didn't come from this world but from God the Father. As I closed my Bible, it had almost been 24 hours since the confrontation with the apple tree.

I then thought about the Garden of Eden and the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil. When I was little they always showed the fruit that Eve took from the tree was an apple. I know they really didn't know what type of fruit was on that tree, but I decided to see if it said anything about the fruit. It didn't but I found something even more amazing. In Genesis 3:22 it says, "And the Lord God, said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil." This is after Adam and Eve ate the fruit of the forbidden tree. The entire Godhead was present. Adam and Eve became as them in one aspect, they knew the difference between good and evil.

Even though man fell, God set up a plan that we might not have to live in sin and die, and that is why He sent Jesus to this earth to live, die, and to arise again. After Jesus left, God sent the Holy Spirit to be a comforter, a guide, a counsellor, plus so much more.

Together They were my everything. They even made

that apple tree grow.

What could I be without Them? I couldn't be anything. Why would I deserve to even eat one bite of an apple, let alone, live a blessed life, and to receive eternal life with Them? Only through the blood of Jesus Christ, and the mercy of God is it possible. Together, They had truly become the center of my life. Not only in word, and action, but in the heart most of all. The Godhead, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, were the apple of my eye (Deuteronomy 32:10).

I was getting hungry by then. Before I left my room I decided to pray. I decided to pray the Lord's prayer (Luke 11:2-4). As I prayed I noticed something I had never seen before. "Thine is the Kingdom, Power, and Glory, forever, Amen." (Luke 11:2-4) The Kingdom is God, the Power is the Holy Spirit, and the Glory is the Son Jesus Christ. After praying I decided to eat another apple. I walked back to the tree where this all began yesterday, and as I looked upon the tree I saw the Kingdom. Once I was under the tree I grabbed an apple and saw the Glory in that big, shiny, red apple. And as I cut it open, there in the middle were the seeds. Suddenly a picture of a huge Powerful tree, then the picture of the seed came back into mind. I ate the apple and went on my way, but I never would forget that day. My life was changed in a great way that day.

Biblical Miniature-Archive Building

by Yvonna Whiteley, Baxter Springs, KS

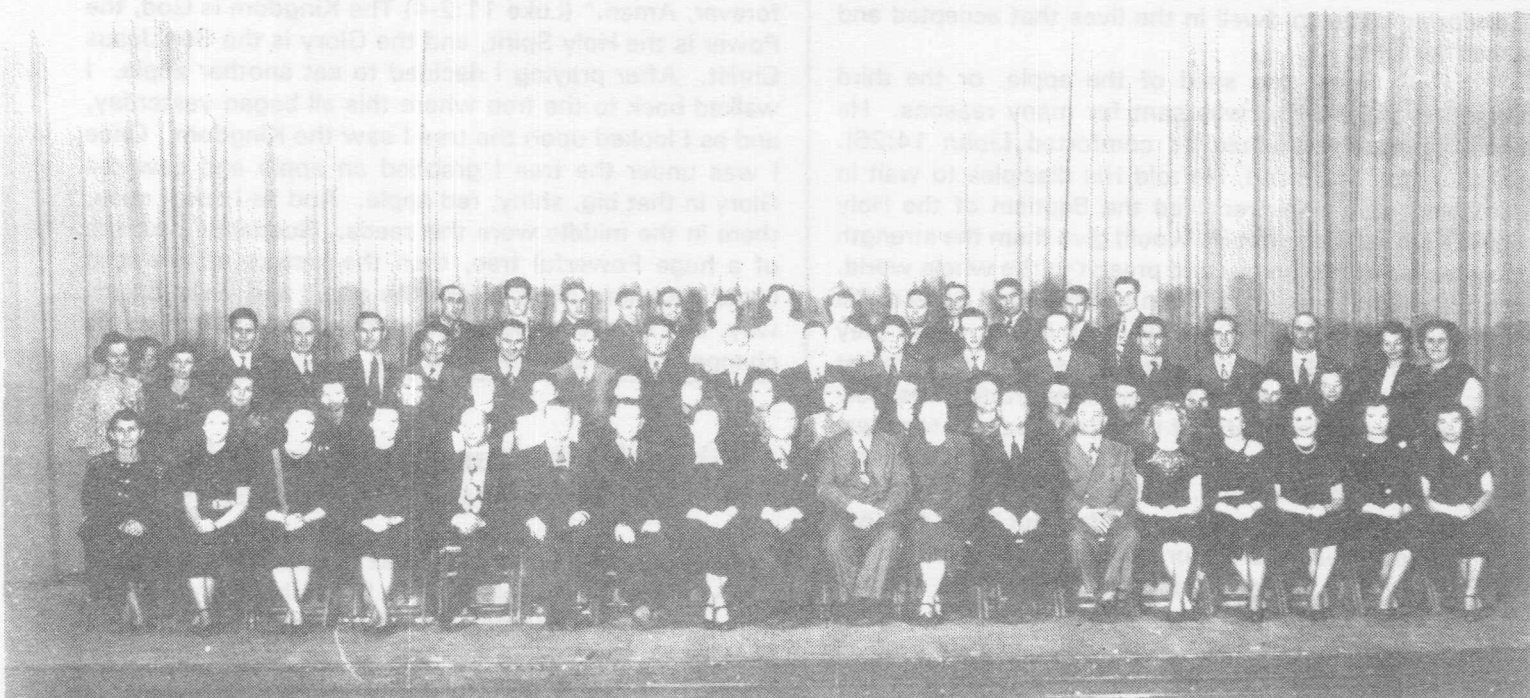
About one year ago Mrs. Lopez of Joplin, Mo. gave to the Apostolic Faith Bible College her collection of Biblical Miniature Dioramas which she had made over the past 50 years. She used these in teaching children about God. We feel very privileged to have this collection.

Upon accepting these, the AFBC Board and I discussed what to do about housing them. At present they are in a basement chapel room that is not large enough to use them ... excel for viewing.

A fund has been started to erect a building which would house the dioramas plus the Archives of the Apostolic Faith Movement back to our founder, Charles F. Parham. Tentative building plans have been drawn. Bro. Dennie Oakes said that with our men doing the building, it would cost about \$22,000. At present we have about \$3,000. Some are sending \$10 a month toward this. Others have made larger donations. We appreciate all those that have given.

We would like to urge your Ladies' church group to make this a project or perhaps the entire church would like to make a contribution. It would be nice to have this in operation while Mrs. Lopez is still alive and could view it. Her heart's desire is to see it is being used again to teach children about God and his love.

**Apostolic Faith Church Bible College
ALUMNI NEWS
Class of 1949**



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Sanctification

by Graduating Student Tara Cloud, Joplin, MO.

A man bought a new house. It was the first house he had ever owned. It had a sturdy foundation and lots of room. It was able to withstand any storm. His favorite part, though, was the part everyone who drives by sees... the yard. A house can be wonderful, but if the yard is bad, no one notices the house. So he mowed, mowed, edged, and fertilized. Then, one day, his whole world fell apart. He saw a dandelion. Then another. They were all over the place!

How do you get rid of dandelions? Easy, you pull them off. So, the yard is all pretty and green with grass, just grass. About two days later, though, there are more blooms once again. So, you pull them again. They'll go away this time for sure. But, two days later... THEY'RE BAAAAAACK. No matter how many times you pull those stupid flowers up, they will continue to come back.

As with most weeds that take over your yard, dandelions have a root system. To stop the flowers, you have to stop the root system. You can pull up the whole root system, but you would pull up the whole yard. You can also get a spray, but that may kill the grass along with it. Either way, it'll be a lot of hard work getting the lawn back in order. Is it really worth it? You can probably drive around your neighborhood, or at least your town, and see someone who has found it isn't worth it. It may even be you! The yard has been taken over by weeds. The once green, plush grass has been choked, leaving bare or brown spots. You also see where people have even stopped mowing.

I illustrated this picture for you to aid in the subject of sanctification. When we are saved, it is like our new house. We have a foundation on the Word of God (Matthew 7:24-27). We have a lot of room for God to fill us with His wonderful blessings. The part we most cherish though is that we have been forgiven. Our sins have been taken away.

What everyone sees is the things we do, and, since we have been forgiven, we are turned from our wicked ways. We will never commit a sin again. Then it slips. We cuss, or we take a drink of alcohol, or we get into a fight, or whatever our weakness was, we fall into it once again. We pray, and it's forgiven. We'll never do it again. Once again, though, we fall.

Just like the dandelions in the yard, we have to get to the root of our problems. The root of these sins that keep popping up is the sin nature embedded in us. To pull all of the root up, though, we have to change ourselves drastically. Then, after we dig up all of the sin, we have to repair the rest of ourselves. It's a lot of work. Some either don't realize, yet, how to get rid of the root, or they don't want to go through all of that work. They either let the sins pop up and deal with them one at a time in vain, or they give up totally and let the sin overcome their lives, making their "homes" unnoticeable. When sin overtakes their lives, it kills off the once strong and pretty things God has placed there. Then it gets to

the point where God is separated from you by the sin (Isaiah 59:2).

In Isaiah 53, the prophet speaks of the servant of God. We know this, now, to be a prophesy of Jesus Christ, and His crucifixion. Verse 5 says, "...he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities..." Once again we see an underlying factor and an open air factor. A wound is an injury that involves broken skin. It brings the blood to the surface. Likewise, a sin, or transgression, is an act that is clearly seen. A bruise, however, is under the surface of the skin. It is detected by the blood discoloring the skin, but it is not directly seen. As is the sin nature, or iniquity, that lies within us. It is under the surface, but it is still detected, although not openly.

Sin is not evil doing. Sin is evil being. A man can reform himself in almost every way. We see many unsaved quit drinking, smoking, cussing, lying, stealing, etc. It's similar to what Jesus said to the Pharisees, "...ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess."

"The essence of sin is the right to one's self," says Oswald Chambers. When the first sin was committed, it was not because of any reason except that Adam wanted to be greater than what he already was. He did not love God enough to obey Him, but he loved himself. All of the Ten Commandments focus on giving to God and other men before yourself. In Mark 12:30,31 it records Jesus saying the two greatest commandments are to love God and to love your neighbor. Verse 31 concludes with, "There is none other commandment greater than these." The only other commandment would be to love one's self, and there is nowhere in the Bible that it says that. In fact, it says to "deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow [Jesus]." (Matthew 16:24)

When Adam esteemed himself more important than God, the sin nature was born in him. That nature is hereditary, and we are all now born with it. It is the nature that says, "I want...", and not "I will". It is the nature that Paul struggled with when he wrote Romans:

"For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I... Now then it is no more I that did it, but sin that dwelleth within me. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not... So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin."
(Romans 7:15,17,18,25)

It is also the nature that Peter, James, and John struggled with at the Garden of Gethsemane. Jesus saw this and told them, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Matthew 26:41)

This sin nature that says "I want" rather than "I will" is the nature even Jesus struggled with. In the Garden of

Santification continued ...

Gethsemane Jesus' prayer was, "Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done." (Luke 22:42) He had such a struggle with His flesh, His sin nature, that He sweat great drops of blood. Only in the most strenuous situations does that happen.

What these men taught us, though, by word and deed, is that we are more than conquerors in all these things. We must rid ourselves of all things exalting themselves against the knowledge of God. (II Corinthians 10:5) He called us to be holy. (I Thessalonians 4:7) Jesus' last prayer was for our sanctification:

"I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth... And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." . . . (John 17:15-17, 19)

The first part of this passage, Jesus prayed that we would be in the world, but not of the world. Paul discussed this also in Rom 12:2:

"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Then Jesus said we would be sanctified by the Truth, God's Word. We find in James 1 that the Word is used as a mirror. Some men read it, or hear it, and continue in their ways as if they hadn't.

God has made Himself very clear He wants us to be holy and righteous and without sin, and unblemished and unspotted. Do you have any doubts? Read:

Exodus 19:21-21, Psalm 51, Isaiah 5:2, Isaiah 66:17, Matthew 19:28,29, Mark 12:30,33, Luke 1:74,75, John 1:11-13, John 3:3-6, John 9:31, John 15:1-5, Romans 6, Romans 8:1-18, Romans 12:1,2, I Corinthians 2:16-3:3, I Corinthians 6:11, I Corinthians 15:34, II Corinthians 7:1, Ephesians 1:4, Ephesians 4:20-24, Ephesians 5:25-28, Ephesians 6:14, Phillipians 1:11, Colossians 1:21-23, I Thess. 3:12-4:7, I Thess. 5:22, I Timothy 4:4-8, I Timothy 6:11, II Timothy 2:21,22, Hebrews 2:11 Hebrews 6:1, James 1:27, James 5:16, I Peter 1:15-19, I Peter 3:11-17, I Peter 4:1-4, I John 3:3,9, I John 5:3,4 and 18.

Now be a doer of the Word, and not a hearer only. (James 1:21-25)

Melody in Your Heart

by Georgia B. Adams

Let a song flow over your spirit
Like a soft and refreshing rain;
Muse upon the words of the writer
And that song comes alive again!
Pause amidst the pain and struggles
As a song ministers unto you,
As it draws your thoughts to the Father

You'll discover pleasures anew.
Oh, they'll not be as this world regards
Wild pleasures, but then we do know
That joys multiplied by afflictions
Cause our stunted spirits to grow.
Like a rippling stream at our feet
So the songs of heaven and Jesus
Sift the worldly chaff from the wheat!
Store a hymn's melody in your heart
Keep the words ready on your lips,
It will turn Satan on his heels
As your heart and soul come to grips.
Just as calm often follows a storm
And a rainbow arches the sky,
Just so will the words of a great hymn
Bring the peace of heaven so nigh.

Faithful Is He Who Promised

by lone J. Simmons, Pampa, TX

"Have I not said it, yet will I not do it?
Nothing's too hard for me --- I am THE LORD!
Lo, have I promised and will not perform it?
TRUTH is my name and My oath is MY WORD!

Streams in the desert, a road where there seems none;
Light for your path when I'm leading the way.
Crooked and steep through the course of your journey,
I will make straight paths, if you will obey.

Trust in my wisdom, believe what I have promised.
When with your whole heart you seek for my will.
I will not fail to provide My direction,
If you but wait and expect and stand still.

Cease from your striving and see my salvation.
I do not panic, for I see ahead.
I know the purpose I've planned for your life; give your
anxious fears to Me, and trust Me, instead.

My Word is sure. Not a pledge or a promise
Nor a 'jot nor a 'tittle' of My Word will fail.
Nothing can add to it -- nothing supplant it -- and
No weapon formed to oppose will prevail.

Wait for my leading, and I will provide it.
Wait for my timing, and I will be your Guide.
Don't fear tomorrow -- I've already been there.
I know what it holds, and I'll walk by your side.

Seek first My Kingdom and seek for my Righteousness--
Not of yourself -- it's a gift of My Love.
All of these things shall be added unto you;
Life that's abundant and peace from above".

Faithful is He who has promised to answer
When in His Word and in Him we abide.
Doubt cannot conquer nor fear overwhelm us
While in the "cleft of the Rock" we will hide.

That More Abundant Life

by Bob Taylor, Laverne, OK

Jesus said in John 10:10, "*I am come that they might have life and they might have it more abundantly.*" It is God's will and God's divine plan that Christians have an abundant lifestyle available to them. However, because of sin in the world, life deals some very heavy blows to every one of us. Life is a bowl of roses when we live for God, but roses have some thorns, too. It doesn't matter what happens to the Christian that is so important, but what does matter greatly is how we are able to cope with the situation and accept life. Let us get a picture of Paul and Silas, who had not done anything wrong, but rather they were just helping their fellow man when they were suddenly placed in prison. A cold, damp prison in maximum security, with hand and feet in stocks. How uncomfortable they must have been to say nothing about the humiliation of being placed in this situation for preaching the gospel and helping people. Even at midnight, they were able to sing praises to God. How could this be? I wonder how many of us would if we were placed in the same situation? We are admonished to always praise the Lord and Paul says, "*again I say rejoice*", Phil. 4:4. Paul gives us the answer to how he and Silas coped, II Corinthians 4:6-9. They had a treasure in earthen vessels (their bodies) and that treasure was the knowledge of the glory (honor) of God in the face of Jesus Christ. The real reason that Paul and Silas could cope was that they were dead to self and Christ was living in them, by faith. Peter explains what Paul meant by Christ living in him. Paul showed a meek and quiet spirit, a spirit was in operation in Paul and Silas where they were easy to be imposed upon and they took tragedies of life in stride, calm and in control.

II Peter 1: 1-4 informs us that we get that meek and quiet spirit through our knowledge of the Lord. God's divine power hath given us all things through our knowing Jesus Christ. By these things we have great and precious promises given to us. We become partakers of God's divine nature. It is not enough to just accept the fact that Jesus said we would have life and life more abundantly. The scripture explains and tells us how we can obtain that type of life.

Bad things will happen to us in this life but we can cope with every situation because Phil. 4: 13 tells me that I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me. We can be happy wherever we are regardless of the circumstances.

In order for us to have that abundant life that God intended for us to possess, we must first possess that hidden treasure (Jesus Christ) in our heart. Then we must die to self, allowing Jesus Christ to live in us, taking first place in our lives. As a result of Christ taking possession of our lives, we'll have a meek and quiet spirit operating in our body. We will be easily imposed upon; ready to be used of the Lord of our lives in a sweet, calm with the members of our body and our emotion all under control. As the Holy Spirit leads us through these

difficult areas of our lives, we come to know Him better than ever before. We begin claiming God's great and precious promises and as a result we become partakers of God's divine nature. Through possessing God's divine nature, we find strength for everyday and regardless of the circumstances of life it does not steal our victory. Praise God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ who loved us and gave Himself for us!

Let's Have a Talk!

by Editor Karen Oakes, Joplin, MO.

Not long ago I was driving past a church in Joplin, Mo. and noticed the sign in the front yard. It said, "And God said, 'Let's have a talk.'" It reminded me of something that happened not long before in our home. One evening my husband, Dennie, and our 16 year old grandson, Brandon, had already gone to bed. Our other grandson, Brady, age 13, and I were still up. Brady said to me, "Grandma, before we go to bed can we talk?" I told him I'd really like to do that. We sat down at our kitchen bar and I asked him what he wanted to talk about. He began by asking me, "How was your day?" I told him how my day had been and then we talked about school, family, friends, scriptures and God. We had such a wonderful time together, just the two of us, talking and sharing our feelings. Finally we decided we'd go on to bed. It was so nice to feel that sweet communication with Brady. I began to think and wonder how many times God comes to us and asks, "Can we talk? Can we talk about your days, your feelings, your fears, your desires? Can I tell you of my desires for you?"

After that good talk Brady and I had, it made me want to have another talk and we felt much closer to each other. Is it not also true that when we take time to speak with our Heavenly Father that our desire to draw closer to Him grows? Each time we do we want to go back again and again and feel that special communion with Him. We become closer and the more we can share with Him, the more we love and trust Him.

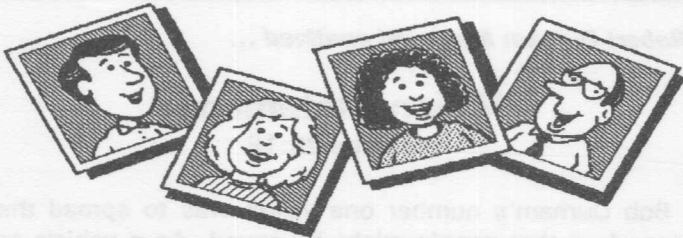
So, when I saw the sign that day, I knew that I wanted always to have that sweet communion with Him. How about you?

Money

Selected

Many years ago, a large London paper offered a prize to the person who gave the best definition of "Money." "The following was the prize winner.

"Money is an article which is an universal provider for everything but "Happiness" and an universal passport to everywhere but "Heaven".



NEWS ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

Pine Hill, AL

Praise the Lord for a work and workers with a vision! Pine Hill Chapel in Pine Hill, Alabama had an exciting weekend of services on September 19-20, 1998! After a *Ladies Prayer and Share Brunch* on Saturday morning, over 160 people attended the dedication of the new sanctuary and fellowship hall on Saturday evening. Mrs. Donna Allen, Neil Smith and the Pine Hill Chapel Choir ministered in song. Former pastors Leon Smith and Frank Arnall shared some memories and Bro. Jim Arnall gave the dedication message. Pastor Mike Brening anointed the altar and pulpit as the former pastors and area ministers Bob Lowery, Douglas Harvell, J.W. Smack and Tom Bouger joined in a prayer of dedication. Carolyn Vick shared a poem she had written. Sunday morning former pastor Jack Hopson shared some of his memories and special music was given by the choir, Kathy Lashley and Donna Allen. Bro. Mike Brening gave the message on *Faithfulness and It's Rewards*. Sunday afternoon Donna Allen presented the drama and song "*Mary's Song*", in which she told the story of Jesus, his life, death and resurrection, as seen through the eyes of Mary Magdalene.

We praise the Lord for the faithfulness of His people. From a tent revival in 1959 began the work in Pine Hill. Without God's servants and a people with a vision who have sacrificed, this work would not continue. We believe in these last days God has a mighty work to do and has raised up the Pine Hill Chapel to be a strong light to the community. Please come by and see us and worship the Lord with us. He alone deserves all of the praise!

Mike & Peggy Brening, Pastors

Taneyville, MO.

Wanted Youth Pastors or Leaders

Contact the Apostolic Faith church in Taneyville, Missouri Gary Hammett (417-546-3394) Chairman of the Board or Austin Sutton (417-546-3382) Pastor, for information and details.

Letters To The Editor

I'd like to offer my gratefulness to Bro. Joe Faries for his craftiness in building me a new saxophone case. The Old C Melody sax, that I used to play in church meetings, was an old one that I had repaired and the case that went with it was shot. He also repaired a tape recorder that used to let the tape run off the pulley. I am grateful to God for men who offer their experience for the cause of Christ.

In Christian Love
Earl Mansee

Birth Announcement



Dorris

Rev. & Mrs. Joel Dorris, Galena, KS. announce the birth of their daughter Merri-Grace Noel Dorris on Dec. 10, 1998. She weighed 9lb. 8oz. and was 21 inches long. Merri-Grace was also welcomed, with lots of

love, by her sisters Charity, Autumn, Chelsey and Kendra; and her brother Benjamin.

Her grandparents are Joe & Ruth Dorris of Purcell, MO. and Dennie & Karen Oakes of Joplin, MO. Her great-grandparents are Wanda Allgood of Joplin, MO. and Glenna Dorris of Galena, KS.

In Memory Of Dorothy Irene Jackson

Jan. 11, 1912 - Feb. 20, 1999

Dorothy Irene Jackson, 87, of Galena, Kansas, passed away on Feb. 20, 1999 at Mt. Carmel Regional Medical Center, Pittsburg, Kansas after an illness.

Mrs. Jackson was born on Jan. 11, 1912, in Seneca, Mo. Dorothy was married to Rev. George "Ted" Jackson on Dec. 1, 1932. They moved to Galena in 1947 from Seneca, Mo. He preceded her in death on Dec. 1, 1997.

She was a member of the Apostolic Faith Church, Galena, Kansas. She actively assisted her husband as he ministered throughout the area.

Surviving is one son, George Jackson, Galena, Kansas; one daughter Bonnie Comer, Riverton, Kansas; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren

Funeral services were held on Feb. 23, 1999 at the Spring Grove Apostolic Faith Church, Galena, Kansas with the Rev. Paul Clanton and Rev. Joel Dorris officiating. Burial was in Lowell Cemetery, Lowell, Kansas.

In Memory Of

Robert Durham

Nov. 11, 1993 - Dec. 29, 1998



Robert Durham, age 65, of Anderson, Missouri died on December 29, 1998 at St. John's Regional Medical center in Joplin, Missouri after a short illness.

Mr. Durham was born November 11, 1933 in McDonald County, Missouri to Albert and Ava Durham. As the son of evangelists, he traveled the United States from Alaska to Florida.

Bob was a bull-rider, a sailor, a successful business man with a career in sales. His last secular job was with Pitney-Bowes where he was consistently the salesman of the year.

He committed his life to the Lord fifteen years ago and founded a ministry called *Island Missions*. He was director of this ministry until his death. He distributed over two million Bibles, New Testaments and scripture books. He equipped fifteen Jesus film teams to minister in Cuba, Costa Rica, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic, Porta Rico, Trinidad, Guyana, Honduras, Guatemala, the Amazon River in Brazil, four films in Belize and one in Liberia, West Africa. In 1990, with his father Albert's help, he began a radio broadcast on the island of Roatan, Honduras, which is still ministering to an audience of 250,000 people on a daily basis. Robert also pastored a church in the country of Belize. He provided labor, equipment and beds for a hospital on the Mosquito Coast. Most recently, Robert raised funds for the construction for the first new church to be constructed in Havana since 1959. The list could go on and on but the one thing Bob held to be important was that people were hearing the Gospel and being saved.

Robert received his first ministers license from the *Full Gospel Evangelistic Association*. At his death, he was ordained by *Greater Ministries International* and by *Anchor Bay Evangelistic Association*. He was a member of the *International Charismatic Bible Ministries*. He was also a member of *Zion Word Church* in Anderson, Missouri.

Robert was a board member of the *Power and Light School of Evangelism* in Siloam Springs, Arkansas which also has a school in Havana, Cuba. He was a board member of *Caribbean Son Shine Ministries* located in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and he was on the board of elders of *Greater Ministries International Church* in Tampa, Florida.

Robert married Lawrice Roberts on July 22, 1988. She survives. He is also survived by three sons: Randy, Rick and Damon; two daughters Pam and Diana; two step-daughters, six grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

He was buried in Union cemetery at Stella, Missouri.

Robert Durham Memorial continued ...

Vision Statement

Proverbs 29:18

Bob Durham's number one vision was to spread the gospel so that people might be saved. As a vehicle to accomplish this, Bob founded and built *Island Missions*. He spent fifteen years laying the groundwork and building the foundations on which this ministry stands.

Bob's number two mission was that *Island Missions* continue if he were not able to. Of course he had old age in mind. None-the-less, the preparations he had made to that end are now being called into play. Brother Durham had hand-picked men and women who shared his vision and faith. The leprosy ministry, the Jesus Film ministry, the radio ministry, the Bible ministry, the outreach to Cuba and the search for a missions ship will all continue. We cannot fill Bob Durham's shoes, but we can build on the foundation he laid and we will. Your continued prayers will make this possible.

Nash Burrescia

Apr. 11, 1915 - Dec. 27, 1998

Nash Burrescia of Central Point, Oregon passed away on Dec. 27, 1998. Mr Burrescia was born on April 11, 1915.

On Nov. 15, 1951 in Quartzsite, Arizona he married Dorothy Oyler who survives. They moved to the Rogue Valley in 1994.

Mr. Burrescia owned and operated a service station for many years in Chico, California before his retirement. He also served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Nash loved the Lord and looked forward to being with Him. He loved to talk about Jesus and His soon coming. He liked for his wife, Dorothy, to sing "Farther Along" which she did at the memorial service.

His memorial service was held on Jan. 4, 1999 at the Eagle Point National Cemetery.

Survivors in addition to his wife include four children, two brothers, three sisters and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Carl Forbes

July 7, 1906 - Feb. 6, 1999

Carl E. Forbes, 92, of Rocky Comfort, Mo. was born July 7, 1906 in Miami, Oklahoma and departed this life on Feb. 6, 1999. He accepted the Lord as a young man and honored Him to the end. He traveled and worked in the gospel work for several years.



Carl Forbes Memorial continued ...

He married Pearl Carter April 8, 1934. They moved to Cowiche, Washington in 1946, returning in 1997. She survives. Additional survivors include Jerry Forbes, Tieton, Washington; Rex Forbes, Rocky Comfort, Mo. and Dr. Alvis Forbes of Jackson, Wyoming; eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Marshall, his parents, 7 brothers and 5 sisters.

Funeral services were held at Ozark Funeral Home in Anderson, Mo. on Wednesday Feb. 10, 1999. The Rev. Frank Arnall officiated. Burial was in Union Cemetery, Stella, Mo.

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.
Psalms 40:3

My Tribute To Uncle Carl

by Karen Oakes

I don't really remember the very first time I met Uncle Carl Forbes, but I think it was in June of 1958 shortly after my husband Dennie and I were married. It probably was at that first family reunion I attended as a young bride. It's hard to remember because Uncle Carl has always been there it seems. In the years that followed I became better acquainted with him and I began to notice that Carl Forbes was a wonderful man. Uncle Carl seemed to be good and kind but what really stood out to me was the song in his heart. Uncle Carl sang and whistled all the time but it was deeper than just loving music. It was more than being talented in music, more than the ability he had to teach music, more than loving to gather around the piano to sing. It was the song in his heart. He was a talented man but this song came from way down deep in his soul This song came from knowing and serving the Creator of all.

Moses had the same song for he said, "*The Lord is my strength and song and he is become my salvation; he is my God*". Exodus 15:2. David also declared that "*The Lord is my strength and song and is become my salvation*." Psalms 118:14. Isaiah said, "*Behold God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid, for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation*." Isaiah 12:2. Paul and Silas had the same song in the midnight hours.

Yes, this song goes deeper than talented voices and musical abilities. It flows from the very heart of God.

The last few years of Uncle Carl's life he had lost his ability to sing and whistle -- but the song was still there. The song still flowed out of his being because life's circumstances don't alter the song of God.

Uncle Carl's voice is still now, but the song still goes

Carl Forbes Memorial continued ...

on. He left with it deep in his soul. While he was here he taught many about the music he so loved but greater yet he taught about the song. He wanted everyone; family, friends and even those he didn't know to have the song in their hearts. What song do you sing? The Lord is that song; now and forever - accept him in your heart.

And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways thou King of saints.

Revelations 15:3

Max Eugene McGuire

June 6, 1929 - Jan. 21, 1999



Max Eugene McGuire, 69, 1918 Galena Ave. Galena, Kansas died on January 21, 1999 at his home.

Max was born June 6, 1929 in the Blackjack neighborhood in Galena, Kansas. His parents were Lloyd and Ruth McGuire. He had lived there all of his life. He worked as a carpenter for 27 years with Jones Bros. Construction Co. in Joplin, Mo. He retired in 1992 after working for Dalton Killenger Construction, Joplin, Mo.

He was a member of the Apostolic Faith Church in Galena where he enjoyed working on the church and parsonage. He was a member of the Carpenter's Union, Local #311 of Joplin, Mo. and had been awarded a 50 year membership pin. His hobby was working on cars and he loved to go to car shows. He was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Army from 1951-53.

Max was married to Della Kinkade on July 28, 1953 at Columbus, Kansas. She survives. Also surviving is one son, Keith McGuire, Parsons, Kansas; his mother, Ruth McGuire, Galena, Kansas; one sister, Ina Ruth Bailey, Dallas, Texas; and two grandchildren, Aron and Ben McGuire.

Funeral services were held on January 23, 1999 at the Apostolic Faith Church, Galena, Kansas. Rev. Howard Whiteley and Rev. Joel Dorris officiated. Burial was in Lowell Cemetery, Lowell, Kansas.

Prayer is not learned in a classroom. It is learned in a closet.

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**AFBC Final Concert
Ordination / Dedication Service**
May 12, 7:00 PM

'99 Celebration In Song & Verse
May 13, 10:00 AM
Contact: Savoy Grimmer, Supt.
(316) 856-3283

AFBC Graduation
May 13, 7:00 PM

AFBC Annual Business Meeting
May 14, 9:00 AM

AFBC Alumni & Friends Banquet
May 14, 6:30 PM
Ramada Inn, Joplin, MO
Contact: Yvonna Whiteley
(316) 856-3847

Midwest Youth Camp (Senior)
June 6-11, Laverne, OK
Chairman: Paul Morrison
(806) 653-2801

Midwest Youth Camp (Junior)
June 13-18, Laverne, OK
Chairman: Ron Brening
(580) 888-4555

South Texas Youth Camp
TBA, Sealy, TX
Chairman: To Be Elected

Four-State Youth Camp
June 19-23, Jr. Camp
June 23-26, Sr. Camp
Baxter Springs, KS
Chairman: Glenn Oakes
(417) 782-8933

Pine Crest Youth Camp
June 6-9, Pine Crest, MS
Chairman: Mike Brening
(334) 963-4742

Peaceful Pines Youth Camp
July 18-23
Chairman: Ross Briles
(209) 529-2127

Camp Meeting '99
July 26 - Aug. 1, Baxter Springs, KS
Chairman Lee Oakes
(417) 451-0175
For a room at AFBC contact
Savoy Grimmer (316) 856-3283

AFBC Work Week
Aug. 9-14

'99 Fall Term Starts
Aug. 16

**Holy Convocation
Watch-Night Service**
Dec. 29-31

Baxter Chapel
1009 Lincoln Ave.
Baxter Springs, KS.

Contact: Savoy Grimmer