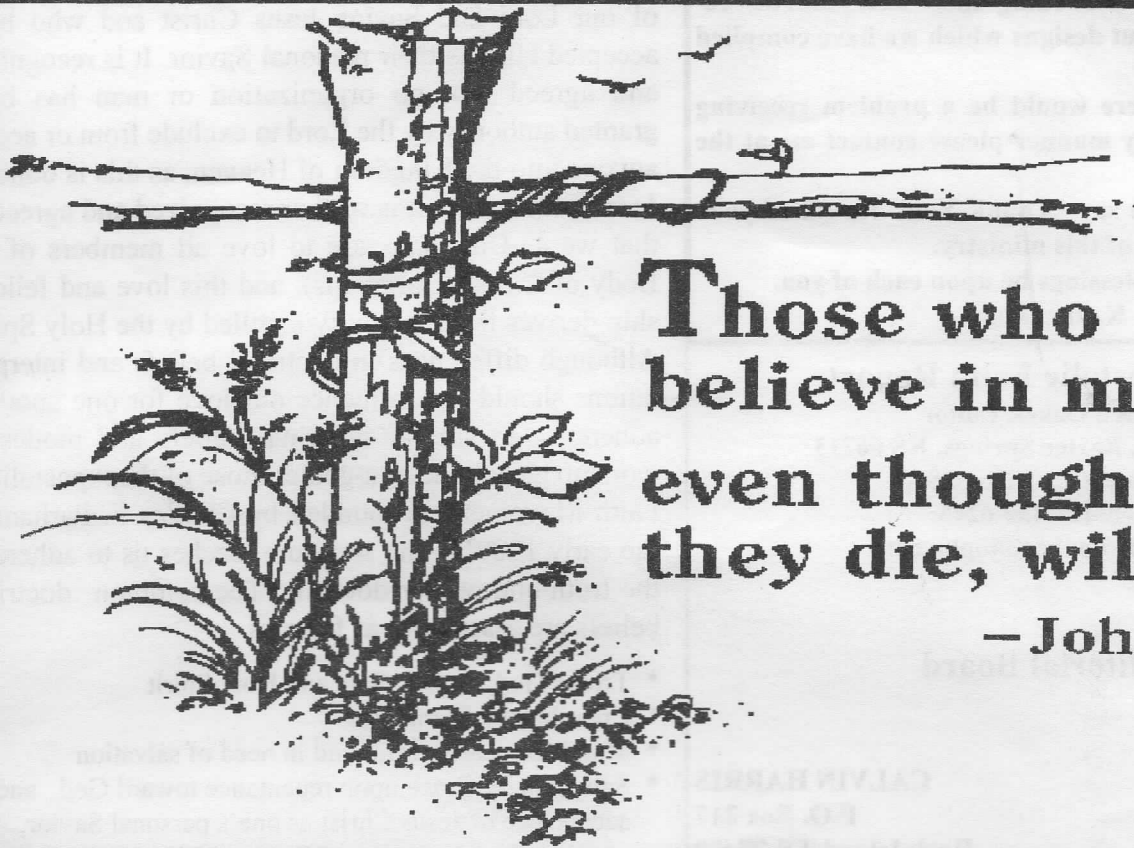


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even though  
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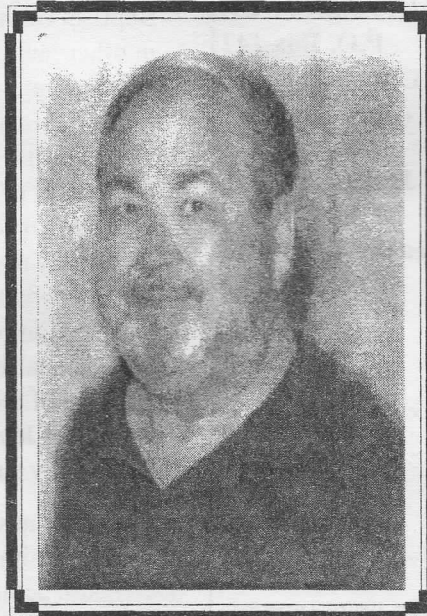
**— John 11:25**

*Naomi Ruth Busch*



*1924-2013*

*Rev. Wayne Wheeler*



*1944-2013*

*Juanita Lois Methvin*



*1928 - 2013*

### Back Cover

As you have noticed, there is a different layout on the back cover of this issue. After the Jan-March issue was mailed the post office experienced many copies being returned with no explanation. Several of you probably received yours much later than you should have. Since then, I have kept in close contact with USPS. They have been most helpful researching their new address requirements and layout designs which we have complied with.

In the future if there would be a problem receiving your copy in a timely manner please contact me at the address below.

I would also like to say "Thank You" for all of your prayers and support of this ministry.

May God's richest blessings be upon each of you.

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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 inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

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## COME AND DINE...

...was the theme of the 2013 AFBC Alumni and Friends Banquet. We feasted on delicious food and wonderful Christian fellowship. How blessed we are to have such dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

For several, 2013 marked their 50th year class reunion from AFBC and for a few their 60th!

Testimonies of God's faithfulness over the years were shared along with how God has multiplied ministries that had their start at AFBC.

The Alumni and Friends Association received a boost in funds thanks to well-known baking abilities of many and the great auctioneering skills of Rev. Ted Barker. We sold 8 pies and raised over \$700.00! I'm not sure, but at one point I think Bro. Ted sold a pie that didn't even exist! It was a lot of fun! Thank you for your generosity,

Many worked to make the banquet possible this year. It took an entire team to fill in for Sis. Kay Wheeler. We sure do appreciate all the work that goes into the Banquet from year to year.

The Alumni and Friends Association is an important part of the Apostolic Faith Fellowship. They are some of the School's most loyal supporters with prayer, finances and promoting the School with their time and talents. We appreciate you!

Lynette Brown



Ted ( who'll make that ?) Barker

# **APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE COLLEGE**



## **2013 FACULTY & STUDENTS**

**L to R Bottom Row -Jordyn Moser(C), Brian Moser (F), Cheryl Moser (F), Rhonda Waggoner (F), Bill Waggoner ( Supt.), Lynette Brown (F), Darla Oakes (F).**

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**4th Row- Jacob Evans (S-1), Rebekah Lyon (S-1), Jean Harrison (D), Debbie Stover (D).**

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**S-1- Student- 1st year**

**S-2- Student- 2nd year**

**S-3- Student- 3rd year**

**D- Drive in student**

**C- Child on Campus**

*"(One of the things) I learned was that there is a way to counter (wrong) beliefs with scriptures that God has given us."  
Graduating Student, 2013*

*"The best part of Bible School for me is the time I got be in the Word developing an intimate relationship with my Lord and Savior."  
Graduating Student-2013*

*"(After Bible School) I .... will continue to challenge myself to be a constant (Bible ) student and a constant servant of the Lord."  
-Graduating Student 2013*

## *Thank You From Graduating Class of 2013*

*"Bible School has really shown me the love of God and has taught me alot about myself and who I am in Christ."  
Graduating Student 2013*



Kyle, Joseph, Adriana, Melissa, Shiloh, Steven, Ethan, Seth and Andy

*" Bible School has been a tremendous blessing. It has allowed me to expand my knowledge of the scriptures and how they still,and always will, apply to life.  
Graduating Student-2013*

*"I believe Bible School has given me the ability to effectively lead and share what I know (about the Bible) with others."  
Graduating Student-2013*

*" Bible School... has really opened my eyes to a lot of things. There are so many things that I did not know were in the Bible... It has shown me how to talk with non-believers using scripture and not what I think.  
Graduating Student-2013*

*" A.F.B.C. has helped me grow so much in my relationship with God... It has shown me new ways to minister to the lost and has also strengthened my faith."  
Graduating Student-2013*

# ***God Remembers To Forget***

*by Rev. James E. Wallis*

On occasion I have been known to listen to “secular” music. Especially while driving long distances at night. I must admit to singing along with the performer of the music. One such performer recently captured my “talents”. It was Barbara Streisand as she sang a 1973 favorite, *The Way We Were*. It wasn’t necessarily the performer nor the melodious music that caught my attention, but the words: “Memories, like the corners of my mind, misty water-colored memories of the way we were. Scattered pictures, of the smiles we left behind, Smiles we gave to one another for the way we were”.

One of the lines in the song then asks a very interesting question: “Can it be that it was all so simple then? Or has time re-written every line? If we had the chance to do it all again tell me, would we? could we?” Then finally, it concludes with: “memories may be beautiful and yet, what’s too painful to remember we simply choose to forget.” I confess I have no idea what that song alludes to nor have I seen the movie by the same name in which Barbara Streisand stars with Robert Redford. I am simply trying to make a very important point: Memories pleasant or painful are very important.

This was dramatically brought to my attention recently as I watched a dear friend of several years struggle with trying to remember events long past. My friend looked at me with eyes filled with forgetfulness as I gently tried to probe a mind that could not, at least at that moment, recall events we both had participated in. That certainly did not diminish my opinion of my friend, but only made me want to cherish such past events and friends even more.

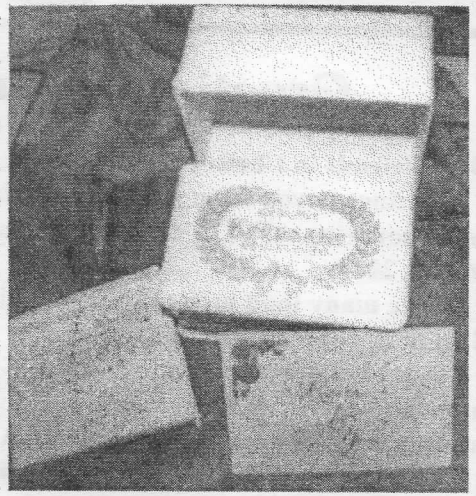
It also made me think of my own memories. Like the time when I was only four years old and my sixty year old grandmother caught a horse that we had named “Sparkplug” and hoisted me up onto his back. She then directed me to ride “Sparkplug” over a high rail fence and she climbed up on the fence and then onto “Sparkplug’s” back just behind me, and we rode out of the muddy orchard over to the house where she jumped off. Yes, memories are important because through good memories we can once again relive events that meant so much to us. Fortunately, when God created us He gave us the ability not only to remember good events, but like the song says “what’s too painful to remember we simply choose to forget.”

I wonder if that is what happens when God remembers to forget. Have we, as a human race, brought Him so much pain through our sinning that He simply chooses to forget all our sins? His forgetting sins probably has a lot more to do with His love for us, rather than the pain He feels. Yet, the Bible does teach us that Jesus suffered the pain of death for each of us. Nevertheless, God still chooses to forget our sin. For example, when we repent of our sins the Lord has promised, “Their sin I will remember no more” (Jeremiah 31:34 NKJV). I am so grateful that God has forgiven me of all my sins and that He has chosen, by His mercy and grace, to forget they ever occurred. I pray all who read this will find that same forgiveness, and experience the same gratefulness that fills my heart.

While God chooses to forget our sins, I am also very grateful that He remembers some things about us as well. One of my favorite Bible verses declares, “He remembers that we are dust” (Psalm 103:14 NKJV). In other words, God remembers that He is the creator and we are His creation. Although we are “fearfully and wonderfully made” (Psalm 139:14 KJV) and we should praise Him for His handiwork as the Psalmist did, we are still very much human, and God remembers that we are dust.

I have never been very fond of dust. And dusting furniture is not one of my favorite past times. However, occasionally, it requires attention. Not too long ago it required mine. As I dusted, first in one room and then another, I would pause and remember people and events associated in the receiving of each little trinket or picture. I finally got to the last bedroom. It is the bedroom that has Lavonda’s cedar “hope chest” in it. The chest was given to Lavonda by her parents on her sixteenth birthday. I carefully and lovenly dusted the outside, then out of curiosity I opened the chest and for the first time in many years looked inside. I just never made a habit of looking in the “hope chest”.

Inside the small box, which did not have a lid on it, I found the original, marble look-a-like, "ring box" with the words "Genuine, Keepsake Registered" on the lid. The word Keepsake was underlined. Also, underneath the ring box and inside the small white box I found the "Certificate of Registration and Guarantee" papers for the rings I had given to Lavonda when we were engaged on June 6, 1951. The certificate had been signed by Tony Drachenberg from Webb City, Missouri. Underneath the certificate papers was a little card with a picture of red roses on it with the words, "Roses for You" which was on the roses I also gave Lavonda that night. Lavonda had saved the "ring box, small card, and certificate safely in the "hope chest" all these years. Needless to say, a couple of tears ran slowly down my cheek and memories of the "way we were" flooded my mind.



I sat down on the bed and held the small ring box in my hand for several minutes and then got up and went to the book shelf close by and picked up my first preaching Bible. It is a worn-out, brown, real leather, KJV, Thompson Chain Reference Bible. Two pages in from the leather outside is a yellowed piece of paper held to the page by yellowed scotch tape with these words on it: " A little gift to remember June 6, 1951. To the sweetest guy I know". Underneath these words, signed in her beautiful handwriting, "Lavonda". As I looked at my Bible and the words Lavonda had written I thought, "I also did a little bit of saving."

And isn't that what God does through our Lord Jesus Christ? Maybe not just a little bit of saving, but a whole lot of saving. He takes us and places us in Christ, like that small, white, ring box and He saves us and keeps us and one of these days He will reveal us. We have the firstfruits of the Spirit, but dust still waiting for redemption. "The creature made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God" ( Romans 8:20-21 KJV). And He did it all for us because "God remembers to forget". If Satan keeps trying to harass you for past failures and sins, just remember that God has promised that, if you have repented, your sins are forgiven and He does not remember them. Thank Him for a completed salvation and the promise that He loves you, and will keep you safely in His "hope chest" until the redemption of our body ( Romans 8:24 -25 KJV).

During the closing business meeting of the Apostolic Faith Bible College recently, Rev. Ted. Barker gave a recent report on the Retired Minister's Benevolence Fund. He shared that the purpose of the fund is to help retired ministers who have dedicated their lives in the spreading of the Gospel of Christ. Through this fund each one of us can say "Thank You" for a lifetime of service.

These funds are serviced through a special account at the Bank of Laverne, OK through the incorporation of the Laverne Trinity Faith Church. Sis. Willa Dean Johnston of Enid is the secretary and has done an excellent job. Every cent that is given to this fund goes to ministers and widows. There is no money taken for supplies or labor.

All praise, honor and glory goes to our Heavenly Father who continues to supply every need by using those who are listening to His "still, small voice". Thank you for listening.

All correspondence may be sent to:

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## Greetings From India

Dear Friends in Christ ,

Greetings to you from India. I was glad when I heard that you were honoring AFBC's class of 1953 at the annual banquet on May 7, 2013.

I have many fond memories of the blessings of God I received during my time and studies at AFBC.

First, I am grateful and amazed at God's wonderful ways and how He used Dr. Marcus Adair and the Midway, OK Church to make a way for me to come to the USA.

I cannot forget the friendship, hospitality and all kindness shown by the Adair family. It was Marcus Adair who introduced me to many dear ones and AFBC. Marcus and Mary were faithful partners in the ministry and loving friends all their lives. Their children and grandchildren continue to share in the ministry. At the new campus the Lord gave us for the India Bible College & Seminary, we dedicated and named the men's dorm "Adair Residence Hall" in honor and remembrance of their exemplary lives.

I was the only student from a foreign country at AFBC and all the other students and teachers were very kind and helpful to me.

I was blessed to have godly teachers who taught the Word of God with passion and sincerity and lived a life of faith. This appealed and resonated with my spirit, as I was raised in that atmosphere at home and in our ministry in India.

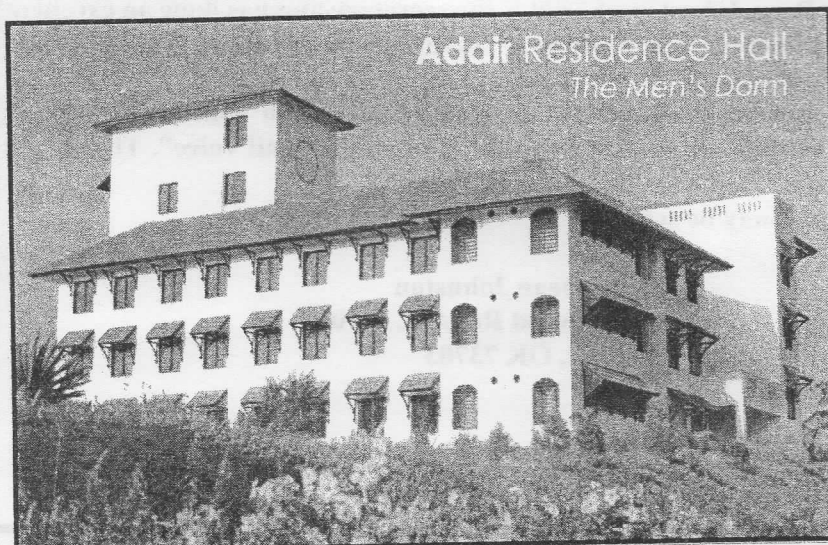
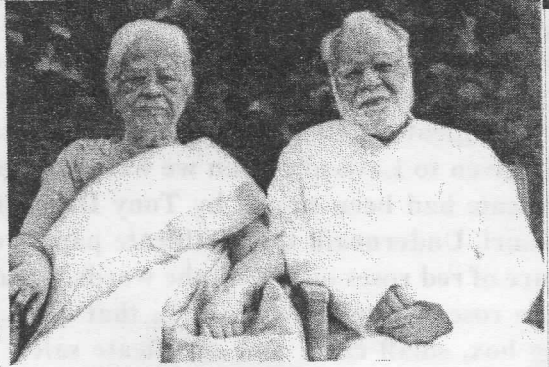
On weekends throughout the academic year at AFBC we were assigned to visit and share in nearby churches. I had opportunities to share about the work in India. In later years, several friends from these churches began to financially support the work of the Lord in India.

For the past 60 years the Lord has been good to us. Just through the India Bible College & Seminary, the Lord enabled us to train and send more than 13,000 men and women for church planting and evangelism work. Thousands more have been trained through the Bible Colleges that our son, Valson and India Gospel Outreach have established in various parts of India.

We praise God that Mary and I have completed 63 years of a blessed married life together on April 27, 2013. God has blessed us with 4 children, 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

In September 2012, Mary and I completed 87 years of this earthly pilgrimage. Although physically I am not as strong as I was 60 years ago, I minister God's Word a few times a week as the Lord gives me grace and strength. I keep my sermons short and focus on one point, and all the people- especially the children-pay more attention! My children determine more of my schedule these days.

Please do remember us and the ministry in your prayers. We love to hear from you. God bless you and the ministry of AFBC.



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# Storm Season

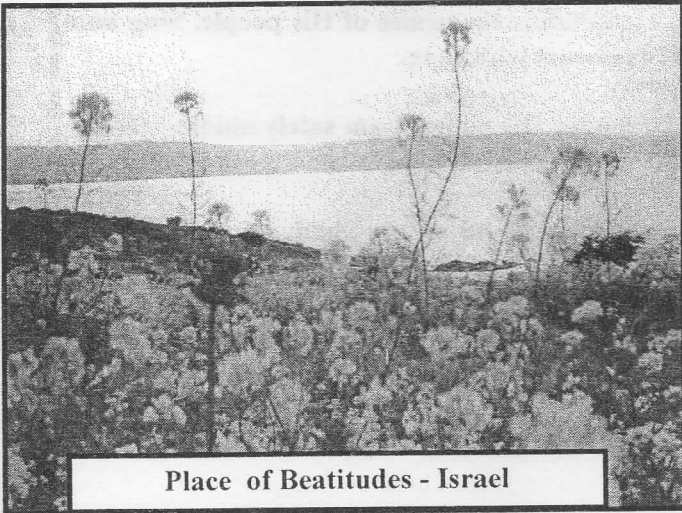
Every person has a different story and each person has a different difficulty in life. Some know difficulty more ( or it would appear so on the surface) than others. We all have difficulties whether physical, spiritual or mental. There is nothing ONE person can say to solve your difficulty. Perhaps we can encourage one another ( and even more so as we see the day arriving). No doubt you have heard lessons, sermons or read books on encouragement. Once again, I am not saying anything new to you. But as in all things that we remember, it is because of repetition. We find repetition in school as we grew up ( for learning), we find repetition from our parents (for learning), we find repetition in God's Word (for learning). So if many people repeat many of the same things to you-listen, it may be for your learning.

## Attitude

By nature some people are more positive than others, some are more negative. Our natural make-up should be yielded to God. Just by denying something is or isn't a certain way does not make it so. Some people like to float in the River DeNile (a.k.a. denial). Perhaps it is one way of coping. I like the attitudes found in Matthew

5:1-12 (The Beatitudes). Lyndel and I were able to stand on top of the the place in Israel in October 2010 known as the place of the beatitudes.

(We were with the Homer Allen's and other close friends on tour). He read those verses, and literally a holy hush came over our group. We stood there humbled in God's presence. Since that time I have read them over and over. It was sort of my "souvenir" from the moment. Those words and others will bless you as you apply them to your attitude during difficult time. Be still and know that He is God.



Place of Beatitudes - Israel

## Outlook

I seem to think this is different than attitude. Attitude to me is inward and outlook is, well, outward. Maybe outlook is the end result of attitude. When we lost all in the F-4 tornado in 2008, we had to 'walk in' as we had been away from home. It was along way to walk, and we stepped over many 'hurdles' to get home. As we came by our neighbors we saw destruction in their life, and were greatly saddened. As we came close to where our new home was, we stretched our necks to see where it had once been. There, on top of the hill was nothing. We had been holding hands, and we stopped to take a deep breath of reality. Lyndel said, "It's gone. It's all gone, but it's o.k." Wow! he said it was okay! And it was. His attitude from the scriptures that God would not put more on us than we could handle, was directly reflecting his outlook. "It' okay." It was okay. It was more than okay! *God was with us!*

## Storms

Storms come and go. Storms are in different forms. God never promised us a life without storms, difficulties or sorrow. He promised to be with us, so we can get through them with w testimony. I don't mean to 'over-spiritualize" every little point, but why not see the good in all things? There is enough evil right in our face, let's testify of the good. Every good and perfect gift comes from God. We know that God will work out all things for good for them who are called by His name. For Christians, all things will work for good. His good will is ours.

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Would I rather not have the storm?

Yes, or at least that is what I used to think. But having come through the storm, I have become a person of understanding of many storm related things. This knowledge help us to become brother or sister to one who has a storm. There is a "likeness", a 'similarity', a 'kinship' to one who has experienced the storm. We know some of the same feelings, we can minister one to another.

God never promised a life without storms, He promises the strength to weather it. What God does, is temper the storm with Grace. This makes us to rejoice that it wasn't as bad as it could have been. Without that grace, and knowledge of that grace in action, we 'stay' within that storm longer than we need.

## Song

Psalms 32:7- "Thou art my hiding place, thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance".

The preservation from trouble is the safe-guarding of our soul, not our dwelling. Surely we are tested to find if we will hold to God's hand. In everything give God thanks. He inhabits the praise of His people. Sing unto Him psalms and songs. Cry out to Him in love and let Him fill your heart with song.



There is one old song that I sing a portion of: "Under His wings, I am safely abiding-though the night deepens and tempests are tossed. Still I will trust Him, I know He is guiding, He is my Savior and I am His child."

Another part of an old song I have sung for comfort; "Hold on my child, joy comes in the morning. Weeping only lasts for the night. Hold on my child, joy come sin the morning, The darkest hour means dawn is just in sight."

So sing! Sing of your storm, sing of God's strength, sing for deliverance, sing for joy. Sing, if only you start with humming. Sing with tears, sing with laughter. Sin yourself into God's presence.

## Share

At the 'fulness' of time, write, speak of your battle and victory received. Pray that *some day, some how, some where*, your words will be healing balm to others. Testify that the Lord is good, God is all knowing, and in whatsoever state you will be, there is nothing that will separate you from the love of God.

Your Sister Friend in Christ  
Katherine Arnall



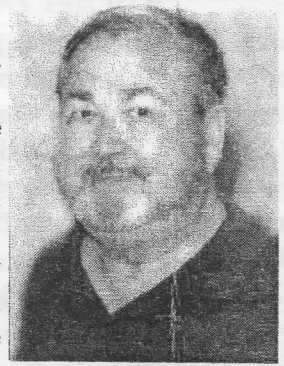
And he arose, and rebuked the wind,  
and said unto the sea, *Peace be still.*  
And the wind ceased, and there was  
great calm.     **Mark 4:39**

## Rev. Wayne Wheeler - 1944-2013

Rev. Wayne Wheeler, D.D., 68, Carthage, MO went home to Jesus on April 20, 2013. Wayne passed away at his home following a courageous five-year battle with cancer.

Harold "Wayne" Wheeler was born on July 14, 1944 in Helena, AR to the late Doce Wheeler and Daris Horne Wheeler. Wayne was raised in the Assemblies of God and was saved at a young age. He was called to preach when he was 12 years old. He lived with his family in West Texas until entering the U.S. Navy on July 27, 1961.

In 1969 Wayne was introduced to the Apostolic Faith Church by his fiancée, Kay Cass. Wayne fondly remembered his 1st Baxter Springs, KS Campmeeting, and often said that the "Apostolic Faith" people seemed like a big family-"I loved how everyone knew each other and welcomed others in". Wayne's love for Kay and for the Apostolic Faith would last the remainder of his life. Wayne and Kay were married in Odessa, TX on Aug. 30, 1969. Three daughters were born to this union. By 1972, Wayne and Kay and their daughter Cassie were attending the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs and Wayne later went on to earn his honorary Doctorate of Divinity through AFOL.



Returning to West Texas, Wayne pastored 3 Church of God churches. Then in 1981, he returned to Baxter Springs, KS and hung sheetrock in the new facility of the Bible College. In the fall of that year, he was asked to pastor his 1st Apostolic Faith Church in Taneyville, MO. He also pastored churches in Cave Springs, AR and Pine Hill AL. In 1991, Wayne was asked to pastor the Apostolic Faith Church in Prosperity, Mo. Bro. Wayne led that congregation faithfully for the next 20 years, touching many lives and winning hearts for his Savior. After retirement, he spent the last few years of his life as an evangelist as his health permitted.

Wayne greatly enjoyed being outdoors, especially when he was hunting, fishing and camping. He truly loved the mountains in Idaho and often said he would like to "live there in a log cabin, live off of the land and maybe, hunt bears."

He was a guitar player and enjoyed collecting guitars. In addition to his pastoral duties he also worked in construction and owned Wheeler Drywall for several years.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Jerry Wheeler and his father-in-law, Ed Cass. He is survived by his loving wife, Kay Wheeler of the home, mother-in-law, Alice Cass, Carthage, MO,, three daughters, Cassie (James) Shannon of Austin, TX; Jenny (Brian) Harris, Joplin, MO; Sabrina (Steve) Stockton, Granby, MO; two grandchildren, Trey and Lily Stockton; two sisters, Cherry (Jimmy) Milburn of Wichita Falls, TX, Pamela Thayer of Burkburnett, TX; two brothers, Charles (Karen) Wheeler of Denton, TX and Ted (Connie) Wheeler of Wichita Falls, TX. Wayne also leaves behind numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends who will miss him very much until the day of our reunion in Heaven.

A Memorial Service was held on April 26, 2013 at the First Nazarene Church in Carthage, MO with Rev. Randy Dalton, Rev. Brian Harris and Rev. J.R. Slater officiating. Interment was in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield, MO.

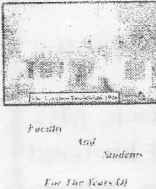
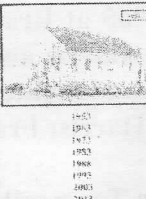


*"His Lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant"; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. Matthew 25:23*

### Booklets Available

There are still Booklets available from the 2013 Alumni Banquet. Included in the booklets are pictures and listing of students for the years of 1953, 1963, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1993, 2003, and 2013. There are no charges for the booklets but donations may be made to the Apostolic Faith Report. To order simply send your request to the Apostolic Faith Report - P.O. Box 653, Baxter Springs, KS 66713 or by email to [doakes@joplin.com](mailto:doakes@joplin.com). Thank you and may God richly bless you.

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### *Rachel Dorcas (Mahan) Spicer - 1925-2013*

Rachel Dorcas (Mahan) Spicer was born June 28, 1925 in Cheney, KS to Charles and Anna Mahan and passed from this life on March 3, 2013.. She had two sisters, Naomi and Marcena and one brother, Paul. Her early childhood was spent in Garden City, KS and southern California. It was there that she met Bob Spicer. Dorcas was working in a local malt shop, frequented by the sailors who were stationed in San Diego. Bob and his friends came often and tried to flirt with the girls, but Dorcas would have none of that. The friends bet Bob a \$5 bill if he could get a date with her. She finally agreed to meet him at church. He never got the \$5, but he got the girl. On Jan. 11, 1947, Bob and Dorcas were married in Wichita, KS where they lived most of their lives together with their three children, Charlene, Charles and Jacque in a home filled with love, faith and music. In 1963, while they were living in Dodge City, KS, Charles passed away at the age of 10. Soon after the family moved back to Wichita.

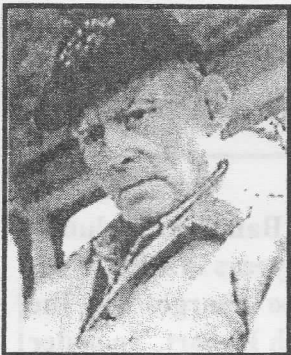


Dorcas was known for her beautiful sewing, delicious biscuits and lovely flower gardens. She was also talented in teaching the truths of God's Word to small children. She faithfully taught Sunday School for over 50 years. Her children were also blessed daily by her walk with the Lord. Six grandchildren were the highlight of her life in later years. After Bob's death in 2002, she lived close to Jacque and Charlene. She was also preceded in death by her parents, son, Charles ; sister, Marcena Mahan and brother, Paul Mahan. Her sister, Naomi Busch passed away 15 days later. Left behind to cherish her memory are daughters, Charlene (Keith) Barker of Burleson, TX and Jacque (Larry) Hocking of Blanchard, OK; sister in law, Joy Mahan of Laverne, OK; grandchildren, Chris (Lissa) Barker, Shannon (John) Adamson, Brooke Barker, Ashley (Jeremeh) Murphy, Bethany (Eric) Hughes, Mikayah (Titus) Fox, Kozue (Toshi) Ozeki and great-grandchildren, Anna, Alex, Liberty, Liam, Gareth, Amalia, Lawson, Lauren and Grover.

Services were held on March 9, 2013 with Keith Barker and Larry Hocking officiating. Interment was in Resthaven Gardens of Memory.



### *Paul "Roger" Sims*



Paul "Roger" Sims was born August 19, 1938 the son of Charlie and Gertrude Sims at Taneyville, MO. He passed away on May 5, 2012 at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, MO after a short battle with cancer.

Roger was a lifelong resident of Taneyville, Mo. He was a farmer, dozer operator and had been a foster father to approximately 16 children.

Roger and Martha Ellison were married on January 2, 1965 at Branson, MO. Survivors include his wife, Martha Sims; daughter, Andrea Harris and husband Charles; son, Willie Sims and foster son, Terry Haes; granddaughters, Serena Ervin and husband, Derrick, Sydnie and Kennedy Harris; great-grandson, Wyatt Harris; brothers, Jr., Milfred, Bill and Gary, all of Taneyville, MO and Rex David of Gainsville, MO.

Funeral services were held in Forsythe, Mo and burial in the Helpfrey Cemetery in Taneyville, MO.



**Naomi Ruth (Mahan)  
Busch  
1924-2013**

Naomi Ruth (Mahan) Busch, Grove, OK, formerly a 30 year Baxter Springs, KS resident passed away on March 18, 2013. Naomi was born on April 16, 1924 in Cheney, KS to Charles and Anna Mahan. She married Otto A. Busch on Oct. 23, 1948 in Laverne, Ok. He preceded her in death on July 1, 1993.

Naomi and her husband Otto, were involved in 50 years of ministry pastoring several churches, the last being the Southside Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO. They also taught at the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS and Naomi served as Editor of the Apostolic Faith Report from 1971 to 1978.

Prior to her passing, she was attending Christ Church in Grove, OK.

She was preceded in death by her husband O.A. Busch, her parents, Charles and Anna Mahan, her daughter, Jene Marie Busch, a brother, Paul Mahan, two sisters, Marcena Mahan and Dorcas Spicer and a great grandson, Orion Busch. Survivors include two sons, Roland "Buzz" Busch and wife Leslie, Baxter Springs, KS, and Bradley B. Busch and wife Sandy, Grove, OK, 5 grandchildren; Brandon Busch, Nicolas Busch, Amy Stevens, Matt Busch and Tyler Busch. Surviving also are 5 great-grandchildren; Braden, Peyton and Harmony Busch and Caleb and Garret Stevens; two sisters-in-law and close friends, Lela Kathryn Busch, Katy, TX and Joy Mahan, Laverne, OK and caregiver and friend, Polly.

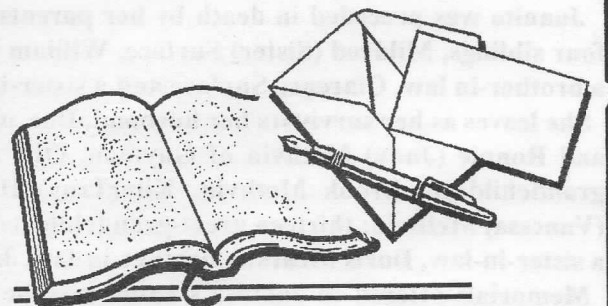
Memorial services were held on March 23, 2013 at Southside Apostolic Faith Church, Joplin, MO with Rev. Richard Morris and Rev. Jerry Blase officiating.

Interment was in Baxter Springs Cemetery, Baxter Springs, KS.

In 1983, Naomi Busch was my Evangelism teacher at AFBC. In her class she referred to the Word of God as being "love letters from home." At that time I wrote this poem. Every time I have read it since- it makes me think of Sister Busch and what a great influence she was as a teacher.

**Love Letters From Home**  
by Pat Hawley

In our lives we often roam  
So very far away from home.  
But still we desire to hear  
Words of those we hold dear.  
There is someone who loves you  
He's already written letters, too.  
Maybe you just haven't heard  
His is the only true Word.  
God in Heaven loves you so,  
But there's a reason you should know  
Why you're so far from Him,  
It's because of a life of sin.  
When you cry before the Lord  
It's as if there comes a sword.  
Cutting through the bonds of sin,  
The Lord Jesus can enter in.  
Once we have that sweet release  
And we feel the special peace,  
We still know God's far away  
We want to hear what he would say.  
So pick up a book that's true,  
One that hold's God's Word for you.  
And no matter where you roam,  
You'll always have-  
"Love Letters From Home".



*Train up a child in the way he should  
go; and when he is old, he will not  
depart from it.*

**Proverbs 22:6**



## *Gracia Odella "Grace" Rumley - 1917-2013*

Gracia Odella "Grace" Rumley was born on August 29, 1917 in Brush, CO, the daughter of James Severe and Olive Vallee (Hair) Ragan and passed away on March 14, 2013.

Grace moved to Beaver County, OK with her parents and two brothers and three sisters in a covered wagon. She started school at Camp Creek School in Beaver County, Ok and finished the 8th grade at Logan, Ok. Grace was united in marriage to Ben White in 1941 in Lamar, CO. To this union one son was born, Benny Neil White on Nov. 14, 1945. Benny was her pride and joy. Grace was then married to Charles Howard Rumley in 1955 in Laverne, OK. They made their home in Ft. Supply, OK. Grace began working at Western State Hospital in 1956, working there until her retirement in 1970. Grace lived at her home in Ft. Supply until her health forced her to move to Grace Living Center in Woodward, OK in 2006, where she made many friends.

Grace loved her family and her home. She enjoyed working in her yard and garden with her beautiful flowers.

Grace dedicated her life and all that she had to the Lord. She remained faithful to her beliefs. Grace believed God truly blessed her and her life. Grace mentioned her mother was her inspiration for leading a godly life. Grace had been a member of the Apostolic Faith Church since the age of 12.

She is survived by one sister, Maxine Haagenson and family of Albuquerque, NM; sisters -in-law, Cleo Ragan of Albuquerque, NM and Billie Ragan of Woodward, OK; many loving nieces and nephews; special friends, Carol Johnston and family of Woodward, OK, Lawrence and Karen Golden of Ft. Supply, Ok and many other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son, 5 sisters, Juanita, Charlotte, Eula, Lourena and Betty; 5 brothers, Edward, John, Raymond, Neil and infant Alvin.

Services were held in Woodward, OK with Rev. Ted Barker and Rev. Jack Cornell officiating. Interment was in Fairlawn Cemetery in Ft. Supply, OK.

## *Juanita Lois Methvin- 1928-2013*

Juanita Lois Methvin of Follett, TX passed away on May 12, 2013. She was born on Oct. 1, 1928 in Alvin, TX to William and Millie (Ellard) Mears.

On June 24, 1948, Juanita married MD "Doc" Methvin. To this union three sons were born; Duane Dixon Methvin, Barry Lynn Methvin, and Ronald Otis Methvin. Juanita spent 62 years as an active minister's wife. She absolutely loved playing the piano. Juanita and Doc served the Apostolic Faith Church and the Follett, TX community for 21 years. They have currently been serving the St. John's Congregational Church of Follett for the past 12 years.

Juanita was preceded in death by her parents and her son, Duane Methvin; four siblings, Mildred (Sister) Surface, William Elvin Mears, Gladys Callihan; a brother-in law, Clarence Surface and a sister-in law, Ruby Mears.

She leaves as her survivors her husband, Doc, of the home; her sons, Barry (Kathy) Methvin of Rockdale, TX and Ronnie (Judy) Methvin of Guymon, OK; a daughter-in-law, Marlese Methvin of Goodwell, OK; five grandchildren, Brook Methvin, Kim (Troy) Hirt, Angie (Kent) beam, Luke (Jennifer) Methvin and Levi (Vanessa) Methvin; thirteen great-grandchildren; sister, Helen McAllister; a brother-in-law Keith McAllister, a sister-in-law, Doris Mears; a brother-in-law, Jack Callihan and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorials offered in Juanita's name may be offered to the Apostolic Faith Bible College, P.O. Box 110, Baxter Springs, KS 66713.



## Victor Richard "Poppy" Juarez - 1915-2013

Victor Richard "Poppy" Juarez, 97, of Avoca, AR passed away on May 23, 2013 at Circle of Life in Bentonville, AR. He was born on Dec. 23, 1915 in Arkalon, KS to Milton King Juarez and Isabel Medina Juarez.

As a young boy, he milked cows every morning before school at Mt. Bacon's Farm in Fowler, KS. In high school he loved sports especially track and boxing. After high school, he began boxing many places in Kansas City; he was known as "Tough Tony" because he won the fights by knockout before the 2nd round. When returning to KS in early 1940, Victor met Addie Mae Copeland while they were out on a double date. Addie got upset with her date and wanted to go home, but Victor had an idea! Let's switch dates, and so they did and on March 19, 1940, they were married. On Jan. 20, 1941, Patricia was born and then on Dec. 26, 1957, Ramona was born.



Victor proudly served in both the Civilian Conservation Corps and then in the United States navy during World War II. After the war, Victor and Addie lived in the Dumas/Dalhart, TX area where he worked as a carpenter building homes. Victor also worked at Panhandle eastern Pipeline CO. as well as running a Dairy Kreem drive-in restaurant.

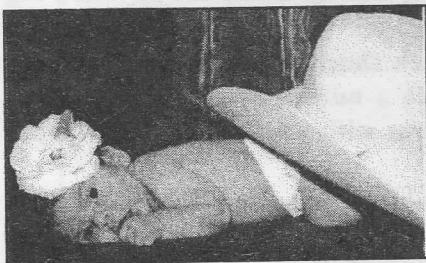
In Oct. 1967, they moved to Bentonville, AR. They bought a farm, opened Vic's Donut Shop in Rogers, AR and began working at Preformed Line Products Co where he was known as "Bunny". Victor and Addie also owned the Humpty Dumpty Daycare Center in Rogers where the children called him "Mr. Vic". Victor retired from PLP in 1982 and closed the daycare in 1994, to enjoy retirement, but in 1999, they opened the Dollar Blessing Variety Store, where they were in business for 3 1/2 years.

Poppy was always busy with his family, friends, his adventures and attending church. He loved the Lord and was a longtime member of the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church in Cave Springs, AR.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four siblings. He is survived by his precious wife of 73 years, Addie Copeland Juarez two daughters, Patricia (Jim) Reynolds of Dalhart, TX, Ramona (Kenny) Laramore of Rogers, AR; one brother, Raymond Juarez of Perryton, TX. He was "Poppy" to five grandchildren, Richard (Stacie) Palmer, Lisa (Mike) Senkevech, Victoria (Daniel) Segura, Kendrick (Leah) Laramore, Laticia Laramore; eight great grandchildren, Arabella Segura, Brandt Blaty, Juliana Segura, Noe Segura, Isabella Vaquera, Christian Vaquera, Rachel Senkevech and Joseph Senkevech.

Memorial services were held on May 31, 2013 at the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church with Rev. Alvin Buschman and Rev. Randy Dalton officiating. Interment was at the Fayetteville National Cemetery with Rev. Jacob Waggoner officiating.

### Arabella Lynnrose Segura



is the daughter of Daniel and Victoria Segura of Lowell, AR and was born on Jan. 4, 2013.

She weighed 8 lbs and 6 oz and was 20.25 inches long.

Her grandparents are Kenny and Ramona Laramore, Rogers, AR and great grandparents are Victor and Addie Juarez, Avoca, AR.



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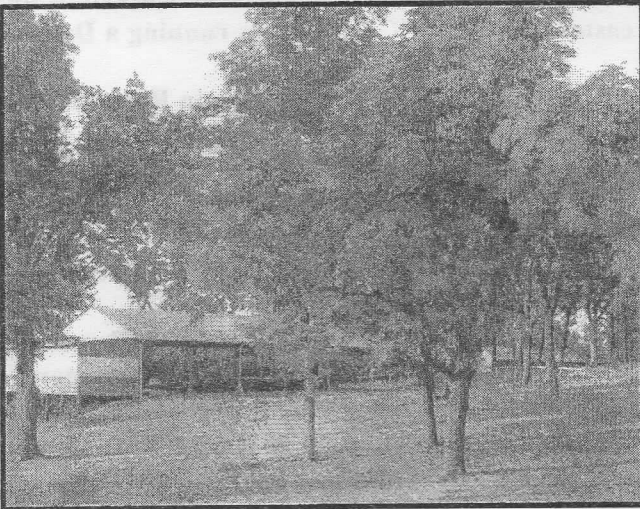
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## *4-State Camp Grounds*

The 4-State Apostolic Faith Camp Grounds has been in operation at the same location, just outside of Baxter Springs, KS, for over 50 years. In the last few years, repairs to the waterlines were made, a new cafeteria roof and air conditioning units for the cafeteria were installed. Vandals had stolen components of the old a/c units, but through your generous giving, like-new units were purchased before church camps were held on the grounds last summer (2012). Then in mid-September of 2012, it was discovered that once again the campgrounds had been vandalized. This time not only were the a/c units the target, but also wiring in the cafeteria attic and dorms as well as pots and pans stored in the locked walk-in cooler

were stolen. The loss has been estimated at just under \$35,000.00 to replace what was taken (including labor costs, but not including any upgrades). Members of area churches as well as Board of Trustees decided that the necessary repairs that needed to be done to host camps would not be able to be completed before the summer season got underway, so we sought out a place to rent for this year. This summer, youth camps will go on at the Midwest Campgrounds located close to Carl Junction, MO. Junior Camp will be under the direction of Jacob and Charity Oakes and be held June 12-15. Senior Camp will be conducted by Rex and Jana Eaton June 17- 21. Camp Meeting will be held at the Apostolic Faith Bible College under the direction of Bill Waggoner.

The rented camp has similar accommodations (an outside tabernacle, snack shack, cafeteria, boy's dorm with separate bath-house) with a few exceptions (air conditioned dorms with a nurse's room, pre-campers room, and 2 bathrooms in the girl's dorm as well as a separate workers dorm with washer/dryer and bath facilities.)

We are looking forward to the Lord once again, blessing the students and children that attend this summer's youth camps and all those who will gather for Camp Meeting.

The current Board of Trustees for the 4-State Camp (Darrel Oakes, Rex Eaton & Brian Harris) are asking for your prayers for direction regarding the campgrounds in Baxter Springs, KS. Many important decisions will need to be made and we are seeking the Lord's wisdom and guidance in making these decisions. The Lord sees the future and can bring us revelation and insight on the path that we are to go as it pertains to our campgrounds. Please join us in praying for God's will to be done! Thank You!

We do thank the Lord and the trustees of the Midwest Camp for their generosity and sweet spirit as we work together to see young lives blessed . God truly never fails! May He richly bless them!