
The **Apostolic Faith** Report **+**

*In
Memory
Of
W. O. Nunn*

1911 - 1993



Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

11 Timothy 4:2

**By Laws Of The
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ARTICLE VII
Doctrine**

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers in the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 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, Matt. 19:8-9.

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 teaching 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.

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HANDS OF THE FUTURE

When your son or your daughter thrusts his or her hand in yours, it may be smeared with chocolate ice cream or grimy from petting a dog and there may be a wart under the right thumb and a bandage around the little finger - but the important thing about his hands is that they are the hands of the future!

These are hands that some day may hold a Bible - or a colt revolver; play a church piano - or spin a gambling wheel; gently dress a leper's wound on a mission field - or tremble wretchedly uncontrolled by an alcoholic mind.

Right now the hand is in yours! It asks for help and guidance. It represents a fullfledged personality in miniature to be respected as a separate individual whose day-to day- growth into Christian adulthood is YOUR responsibility. " Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it".

--Selected

THE BOTTOM LINE

by Savoy Grimmer

INTRODUCTION

In business at the end of each fiscal year an inventory is taken, total expenses are figured, and the gain or loss for the entire year is calculated. We refer to the as the *Bottom line*. Decisions concerning the new fiscal year are made based on the results of the *Bottom Line*. And so it goes here at the Apostolic Faith Bible College. What is the *Bottom Line* for the year just completed? Based upon the actual data, "Was It Worth It?" I suppose as business owner it is a real temptation to make excuses for a loss or exaggerate a little for a profit. To be successful, an individual must look honestly and discriminately at the *Bottom Line* in order to decide whether to continue in business or to look for other work. My position as Superintendent is to present the facts as I see them and allow you to calculate the *Bottom Line*. Based upon your calculations, you must make a decision concerning the next fiscal year at Bible College. Should we continue another year or should we look for other work?

ENROLLMENT

At the beginning of the **FALL Semester** we had 11 Full-Time Students and 5 Part-Time Students enrolled. By the end of the **FALL Semester** we had 6 Full-Time Students and 3 Part-Time Student remain.

At the beginning of the **SPRING Semester** we had 7 Full-Time Students and 2 Part-Time Students enrolled. By the end of the **SPRING Semester** we had 7 Full-Time Students and 1 Part-Time Student remain.

At the Graduation Service 2 Students received their **Certificate of Graduation** and 6 Students received a **Certificate of Completion**.

FINANCES

From May of 1992 through April of 1993 \$105,610 was received and \$104,289 was spent. The cash flow for the fiscal year was as follows:

- 1) Summer of 1992
\$20,208 was received and \$17,361 was spent.
- 2) Fall Semester of 1992
\$43,389 was received and \$44,433 was spent.
Cost per Student: \$4,937 / 1
- 3 Spring Semester of 1993
\$42,013 was received and \$42,494 was spent.
Cost per Student: \$6,071 / 2

1/Based upon \$44,433 spent on 9 Full-Time Students
2/ Based upon \$42,429 spent on 7 Full-Time Students.

This year will make the fourth year running in which the school has operated out of debt.

THE STUDENTS

How have the lives of the 7 Full-Time students who have completed the year benefitted because of the Bible School? As a result of attending Bible College for one year the following stats are based upon their own testimonies:

- 43 % have been Saved.
 - 71 % have been Baptized in Water.
 - 71 % have been Sanctified.
 - 57 % have been Spirit Filled.
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The following stats are based upon the results of this semester:

- 57 % were Dedicated.
 - 57 % will work in at least 1 VBS.
 - 29 % will work on a Promotional Tour.
 - 29 % will work in at least 1 Youth Camp.
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Have the Student's parents seen any change in their child's life as a direct result of attending Bible College? Yes. At least 5 of the parents have expressed their appreciation for what the School has done for their child, and felt it had been a wise investment. Some have apologized for things they have said, while others have expressed their affection for our labors.

Have the students been instrumental in leading others to Christ? Results such as these are extremely hard to calculate. We never see all that is done for the Lord, no matter where we go. But of those things that can be seen, I would like to give a report. The Choir Tours were a *Healing Ministry*. Church people received us and give us their love, while the Choir and Faculty expressed their deep appreciation and love for the church people. The problems of the recent past were never discussed publicly, and the Pastors as well as the Laity expressed their appreciation. Privately, the Pastors were encouraged to express any concerns they may have concerning the Bible College. In Alvin, Texas a woman was saved at the conclusion of the concert. In Camp Wood, Texas a teenager and a man were saved. In Ashland, Alabama a little boy wept before his father wanting to be saved. In Lineville, Alabama two adult women came down for prayer, whether for salvation or for guidance in

raising their children, only the Lord knows. In Pine Hill, Alabama my 8 year old daughter gave her heart to the Lord. In Taneyville, Missouri at least 3 children and one adult woman came to give their heart to the Lord. In our final concert in Baxter Springs the mother of one of our students accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. On Easter Sunday morning my 4 year old daughter gave her heart to the Lord, a young teenager visiting from Union Chapel accepted Christ, and a young man that was visiting one of our students was saved. He was raised in the Mormon Church and didn't even know what to ask for. He came down to the altar and told Bro. Paul Morrison he thought he could help him. Brother Morrison led this young man to Christ.

GOALS FULFILLED

At the Laverne Camp Meeting of 1992 in the first edition of the Apostolic Faith Bible College Newsletter, 3 goals were stated for the upcoming school year. All three goals were accomplished and the results are as follows:

GOAL 1: COMMUNICATION

- ✓ Published 3 AFBC Newsletters
- ✓ Published Voting Proceedings
- ✓ Published News in the AF Report
- ✓ Published Pastor Information Packets

GOAL 2: ACCOUNTABILITY

- ✓ Financial statements were listed in the Apostolic Faith Report, the Newsletter, and in the monthly Board of Trustees' report.
- ✓ The computer is used to manage the accounting and record books.
- ✓ An outside Bookkeeper is used every month as an Auditor.

GOAL 3: AWARENESS

The following events were sponsored by the School in an effort to promote the awareness of the School.

- ✓ Teenage Beauty Retreat
- ✓ Fall Choir Tour
- ✓ Sunday School Workshop
- ✓ 1992 Holy Convocation
- ✓ Spring Choir Tour
- ✓ College on the Weekend
- ✓ Area Alumni Banquet
- ✓ Summer Promotional Tour
- ✓ (2) VBS Teams Sent
- ✓ (1) Youth Camp Team Sent

PROJECTS FULFILLED

In the first edition of the Apostolic Faith

Bible College Newsletter and the following pilot projects were listed, and all have been accomplished except for writing a Sunday School Quarterly:

- ✓ Established an AFBC Newsletter
- ✓ Send our Student VBS Teams
- ✓ Send our Student Youth Camp Teams
- ✓ Host a Sunday School Workshop
- ✓ Write a Sunday School Quarterly

NEW ASSETS

A Sears riding lawn mower was purchased for \$800 and a Canon NP3825 office copy machine was presented to the school in memory of Lisa (Oakes) Dorris and Rev. Jacob Regier.

*Thank You
Family & Friends
of
Lisa (Oakes) Dorris & Jacob
Regier*

SUMMARY

Was this year any different from any other? No. The Apostolic Faith Bible College has helped to change the lives of young people for years. Hundreds of young people have walked through her doors, have given their lives to Christ, and have left here changed and walking in a new life. If her altars could only talk they would tell how men and women have sacrificed their lives for Christ and how the heavenly Father has touched and changed their lives. Is Bible School worth all the money and the Spiritual Warfare it takes for such a few young people? Is it worth it for men and women who have given up their own pursuits in life to come and teach or cook or counsel in the Bible School? Is it worth it for parents to send their children for a year or two before they enter college or the work force? Is it worth the scholarship money that students may lose to attend Bible School? You must decide! Based on the facts presented, in your opinion what is the **Bottom Line?** Should we continue another year or should we look for other work? As far as I and the Board of Trustees are concerned, we would like to make the following announcements:

**Work Week
Fall Enrollment
Classes Begin**

**Aug. 15-21
Sept. 7
Sept. 8**

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

First of all I would like to praise and thank the Lord for how he has supplied our needs spiritually, physically, mentally and financially. My wife and family have been a wonderful support and a rock through the entire year. The faculty have been so helpful which include Paul & Bonnie Clanton, Pauline Messner, Ruth Dearing, Lyndel & Kathy Arnall, M. D. & Juanita Methvin, Harvey & Jean Addleman, Joel & Bev Karber, Paul & Margaret Morrison, and Elmer & Ava Christenson. The Board of Trustees have been supportive, and my thanks goes to Neil & Billie Ragan, Gaylon & Joyce Flora, Dennie & Karen Oakes, Bill & Irene Hollis, and Bill & Joyce Watson. Last but not least, a special THANK YOU goes to all the People & Friends of the Apostolic Faith Movement.

The Empty Seat Has an Eloquent Tongue

It says—

To the preacher: "Your sermons are not appreciated."

To the visitor: "This church is not going forward."

To the Treasurer: "Look out for a deficit."

To the prospective church member: "You had better wait awhile."

To the members present:

"Why don't you go visiting, too?"

PARABLE OF THE PEN

When this pen flows too freely, ran the instructions given with a fountain pen, "it is a sign that it is nearly empty, and should be filled."

That caution would seem to apply also to human beings. Gossip, slander, idle chatter, all testify to the emptiness of the mind, and are a damaging sign. When we find our tongues so engaged, we need to be filled afresh with the Spirit of God.

—Standard Bearer

God is BEFORE me, He will be my Guide;
God is BEHIND me, no ill can betide.
God is BESIDE me, to comfort and cheer,
God is AROUND me, so why should I fear?

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto Him and bless His name.

Psalm 100:4

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM HOMER ALLEN

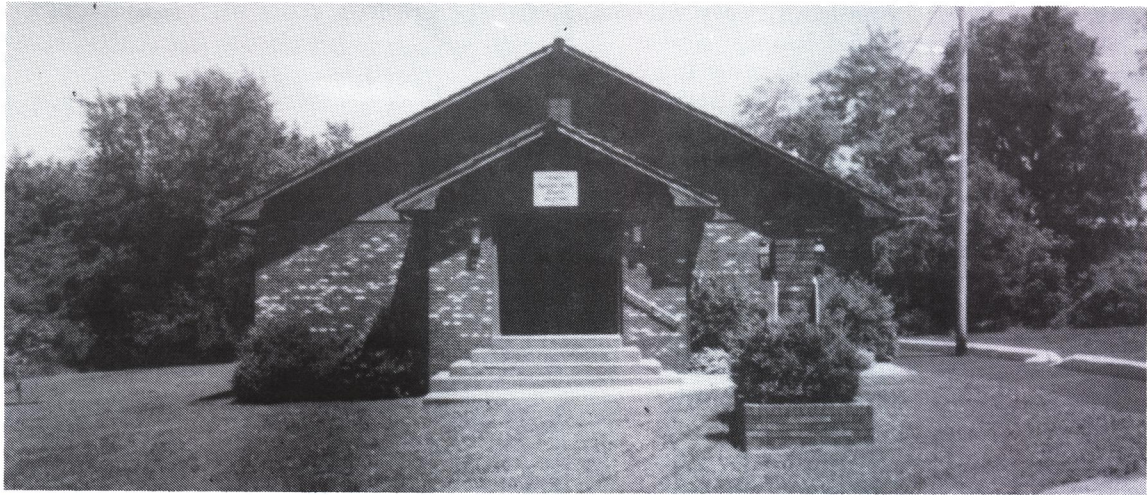
First of all to Bro. Clanton and the Board of Trustees. May God bless and strengthen you in your service to Him on our behalf. Last night was the first complete night of rest that I have had in the last month. From the time Brother Clanton called until the ballots were counted and announced my thoughts would not be shut down for the night. The details, duties and obligations that would attend this office was ever with me. This last month had been the most exhilarating, exciting and exhausting time of my life. Every day my emotions of anticipation increased right up to the day of election.

When Bro. Paul called me to say that I had been selected as a fellow candidate for the Board of Trustees I could not have been more surprised if Ed McMahon; had called with news of me winning ten million dollars. Sue would of liked the ten million dollars better.

Friday morning May 7, 1993 caused me to be thankful that I have been health conscience and have maintained a strong healthy body. That morning my heart rate was known only to me. had I not this good health everyone would have known. As soon as the results were given my heart rate returned to normal. The thoughts of all the added duties and responsibilities disappeared and there I sat, between my wife Sue and my daughter Pamela Keeling, knowing that I had just been given a greater expression of love and confidence than I could ever possibly merit. This expression of support that so many Brothers and Sisters of our fellowship have given to me will be in my heart and on my mind forever.

To a fellowship of people that I greatly respect and deeply love, I thank you for giving me the best and most exciting day of my ministry.

GREETINGS FROM NEOSHO



For my house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. Isaiah 56:7

Greetings from Trinity Apostolic Faith Church of Neosho, Mo.

Even when we have seen the goodness of God, we are made to stand in awe of what He can do.

On May 5, 1991 we held our first service in the Neosho Recreation Center. We were there for eight months before moving into our new building at 317 Fairground Rd. The building was formerly an office building, so there was much renovation needed. We began services in one office with seating for about twenty people. Soon we were able to remove a wall giving us seating for fifty. Now all the partitions have been removed and remodeling is completed, providing a beautiful sanctuary seating over one hundred people. Our facility also provides for a nursery, classrooms, children's area and kitchenette. We thank and praise our Lord for this wonderful place to worship.

On Easter Sunday afternoon, April 11, 1993, we publicly dedicated our church, with Reverend Paul Clanton bringing the message for the service.

Following the dedication, on April 12, we started revival services. Bro. Jim and Sister Mary Lou Arnall of Ashland, Alabama were the evangelists. How we enjoyed their ministry! Souls were saved and lives were drawn closer to the Lord. We also enjoyed the fellowship with those visiting from other churches.

We express heart felt thanks to the people of the Apostolic Faith Movement for their prayers and financial help making this new work possible.

A special invitation is extended to every-

one to come by and see what God is doing here in Neosho, Missouri.

May God bless and keep you all.

Johnny Arnall, Pastor
Beth Williams, Reporter

WEDDING BELLS

A small chapel in Seattle, Washington area was the scene of the wedding of Judith Christine Taylor and Don Hal Haney on January 9, 1993. Judy is a native of the Seattle area. Don grew up in Big Spring, TX, but has lived in the Dallas area the past twenty years. He is the son of J. O. and Hester Haney Sr., long time residents of Big Spring, TX.

The private wedding was attended by a few close friends and relatives from Washington state and from as far away as Oklahoma and Texas.

Don Hal has traveled the past twenty years throughout North America and many foreign countries, sharing his Christian faith in music ministry. Traveling on a full time basis, he ministers in both instrumental and vocal concerts, and has produced several recordings.

Judy was widowed in 1988 after seventeen years of marriage. She is the mother of four children (one married daughter and three teenagers). Judy and her family served for a short time with Campus Crusade for Christ as missionaries in Kenya.

Don, Judy, and family are living in Seattle, where Don is relocating his base of ministry.

OBITUARIES

Ernest E. Ford

Services were held on December 7, 1992 for Ernest E. Ford who died on December 3, 1992.

Officiating was the Rev. Ernest Newsome. Burial was in the Snyder Cemetery, Snyder, Texas.

A farmer and rancher, Mr. Ford had lived in the Polar Community since 1934. Born in Nolan County, he married Willie Clanton on September 10, 1922 in Kent County. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Don Ford of Polar and Carlos Ford of Stephenville; two sisters, Bonnie Lyon of Snyder and Eula Clanton of Mineola; 11 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Mary Opal Freeman

September 1, 1910 - March 19, 1993



Mary Opal Freeman was born September 1, 1910 in Newton County, Missouri. She died at her home in Granby, Missouri March 19, 1993 at the age of 82 yrs. 6 mos. after a short illness. She was the 5th child of Virginia and Henry Bettes, which all have preceded her in death.

Her school years were spent at Cloverleaf. She married Lyford Leon Freeman on Sept. 3, 1927. Two children were born of this union. Anna Virginia Lentz of Granby, Mo. and Dixie June Largen of Mechanicsville, Va., 5 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Opal became a Christian at 20 years of age, which lasted her all her life, her faith was strong in her Lord. She believed God meant what He said in His word. She was a faithful prayer warrior and never missed church when she was able to attend. She taught Sunday School off and on over the years.

After their retirement from the Kansas City Star, Kansas City, Missouri, they moved to the Pierce City area, attending the Gospel Tabernacle in Granby. After a couple of years they were drawn to Missions To Mexico at McAllen, Texas to help anyway they could. They spent 3 years helping at

the Language School and Orphanage. Opal did most of her work in the kitchen where she was right at home. After they came back to Missouri, about a year or so they were asked to cook at the Bible School at Baxter, so they packed their bags and went cooking for 3 semesters, which she enjoyed very much. At the time of her death they attended Trinity Apostolic Faith Church in Neosho, Missouri.

She was always ready to go visit the sick whenever needed and she always enjoyed company coming. She enjoyed people.

Just saying, 'I love you'. doesn't mean a thing at all for loving words fly like birds when they hear the winter call. LOVE is a thing that proves its self a thousand times a day in the simple little things you do and the little things you say. LOVE is a thing called sacrifice, a tonic when your blue, LOVE is the joy of doing things for someone dear to you.

We love the memories and miss our loved one but we also know she has the best of the two worlds.

Funeral services were held on March 23 at the Clark Funeral Home. Rev. Danny Robinson and Rev. Johnny Arnall officiated. Burial was in the Macedonia Cemetery, Stella, Missouri.

William Onal Nunn

March 6, 1911 - March 21, 1993

William Onal Nunn was born March 6, 1911 at Stella, Missouri, to Sylvester and Ella McCleary.

Brother Onal was a lifelong resident of the area and was an ordained minister in the Apostolic Faith Church for over 40 years.

He was pastor at Union chapel Church at Bethpage for many years, and also served churches at Cave Springs, Arkansas, and two times as pastor at the original Apostolic Faith Church, Joplin, Missouri.

In 1930 he married Ruth Elizabeth Vance, who preceded him in death in 1971. On March 5, 1973, he married Opal Esther Pruitt Vance, and she preceded him in death on May 23, 1992.

He entered into rest at 11:55 a.m., Sunday March 21, 1993, at Sale Hospital in Neosho, following a short illness, at the age of 82 years, 15 days.

He is survived by three stepdaughters; Colleen Jones of Walsh, Colorado; Pat Horn of Fayetteville, Arkansas and Linda Davison of Granby, Missouri. A stepson, Leonard Vance of Riverbank, California, 17 step grandchildren, 25 great step grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

On April 10, 1993, a number of us again became students in school. Not to learn the 3 R's (Readin - Riting & Rithmetic), but to learn of the 3 G's (God - Gospel & Grace). About 40 people, young and adult alike, gathered at the Bible School to participate in all day classes, touching all aspects and studies of the school.

Bro. Grimmer asked me to write an article for the Apostolic Report concerning the event.

I do not class myself as a writer by any means, but I'm glad to share my feelings and thoughts of the day.

The day began (as all days should) with prayer. We had 6 different classes of 45 minutes each with 15 minutes for questions, discussions and breaks. A brief summary of each class follows:

1. Acts of the Apostles by Bro. Doc Methvin

(a) Birth of the Church (The Great Dispensation.

(b) Growth of the early church and why.

(c) The Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the Underlying theme.

(d) To Grow the Church must be in one mind and one accord.

2. Doctrine by Bro. Paul Clanton

(a) Again the importance of the Holy Spirit stressed.

(b) Leadership of the Holy Spirit an absolute must.

(c) To receive and retain the Holy Spirit in our lives we must: (1) Crucify ourselves. (2) Come out of sin (3) Yield ourselves to God (4) Be willing to follow God.

(3) Crucifixion of Christ by Bro Lyndell Arnall

(a) Isa. 53:7 "He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His month, He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearer is dumb, so He opened not His mouth"

(b) Jesus the blood sacrifice for all time.

(c) His Crucifixion, not only portrayed the cruelty of man, but even more the love of God toward man.

I was impressed by Jesus not even trying to defend Himself. It points out the fact that the Gospel of Christ needs no defense. The Gospel is a fact of life and defends itself. it will stand when all else fails and falls by the wayside.

(4) Sign Language by Sister Beverly Karber

This was a very interesting and thought provoking class. Sister Beverly made us realize that:

(a) Deaf People are after all just people,

with a unique need.

(b) You and I can have needs also, possibly of a different nature.

(c) With a little effort and applying ourselves, we can make a real difference in some ones life.

(d) Be a blessing and a real help to someone who will appreciate it.

This is truly a worthy cause, because we need to be able to communicate. Thanks "V.E.B."

(5) Evangelism by Sister Pauline Messner.

(a) Getting acquainted with your Bible.

(b) Studies on the Churches different denomination, leadership, dealing with people and a host of other things.

(c) Evangelism studies are directed primarily at the youth dealing with (1) The need to serve Christ. (2) Consistent Christian living. (3) Youth responsibility, (4) Obedience, and many other aspects necessary to effectively carry the Good news of the Gospel.

(6) Prophecy by Bro. Lyndell Arnall

(a) The "woman" clothed with the sun, the moon under her feet and a crown of 12 stars. Portraying the church that was in travail to deliver the man child (144,000 of Rev. 14:1) who was to rule all nations. (b) Also the two (2) flight of the church, the casting of Satan out of heaven into the earth and the persecution of the church (woman).

This was a very fascinating class for me as I've always been a prophecy student.

As the day progressed I was made to realized several things:

(1) That Bible School is not just a lark or a place to "goof" off. It is a time and place of work to prepare yourself for whatever the Lord has in store for you.

(2) To appreciate the dedication of the teachers and faculty and their effort they put forth in studying, searching and researching the bible, that they can teach the whole word of God.

(3) To appreciate just what the Bible School itself stands for and the absolute integral part it plays in the Apostolic Faith Movement.

We need the Bible School for the work of teaching and training our young people to be of strong, sound character in every day living, and to be ministers, evangelists, sunday school workers and teachers, and church workers.

But, we also need the Bible School as a focal point for the Movement itself. The Bible School is the one focal point or hub of activity that

binds us together as a Movement. It has always been and must continue to be our rallying point and the common denominator of our church family as a whole. In normal life so often when Mom & Dad are gone, the family falls apart and ceases to be a family unit. I personally feel a crucial need for us as a body or family of God to rally around our School for the good of all our movement as Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Let's not let our Spiritual family fall apart.

The day was completed by the delicious banquet meal prepared by Sisters Kathy Arnall and Karen Grimmer, with the help of several other dear Saints. Approximately 55 people attended.

Thanks so much ladies, it was delicious!

Entertainment was supplied by Cecil & Beth Williams from Stella, Mo, by Sister Joan & Kari Cooper from Galena and by the School Choir.

God has blessed us abundantly with dedicated workers, teachers, talented musicians and everything we need for our Bible School. Let's thank God for it and support it and use it to glorify God.

God Has Set the Boundry Markers

by Jack Cornell

Proverbs 22:28 "Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set."

Deut. 19:4 "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbors landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the Lord thy God giveth thee to possess it."

Flying over the countryside, you see boundary lines of farms marked by rows of hedge trees. From ancient times, surveyors marked the corners of certain sections of land by a "witness tree" or a large stone. Today we use iron stakes. Because these "witness of ownership" were held sacred, we read: "Cursed is he who moves the boundary marker between his land and his neighbor's . . . (Duet. 27:17 Living Bible)

Today we are concerned with the way people are moving the ancient landmarks which God has set. The Bible, the infallible Word of God, sets before us the stones and "witness trees" in the commandments and teachings of Jesus. It also tells us the privileges and blessings we have in Christ.

These truths include the literal inspiration of the Bible, the virgin birth of Christ, His sinless life, His death and bodily resurrection, plus the

reality of heaven and hell. These landmarks are being attacked on every hand. The boundary lines for standards of Christian living are being removed. "Things are just different today, you can't keep the same standards of separation from the world as our ancestors did," some say. God is the same!!! Sin is the same!!! Human nature is the same!!! Let us set our standards according to the Word and stand like a rock! Alone if need be! Take Heed . . . "Cursed is he who moves the boundary marker."

Pray until you want to pray,
Pray until you can pray,
and then pray until your prayers
prevail—at all seasons.

SALVATION IS SIMPLE

Salvation is simple, but it is not cheap. God has provided salvation on a basis which permits anyone who can make an intelligent decision to have it.

If salvation could be received on the basis of education, multitudes would be excluded.

If eternal life could be had on the basis of wealth, think how many of us would be left out!

If being saved were dependent upon one's moral perfection, none of us would make it.

The Bible makes it crystal clear: It's by grace you are saved (and that old English word "grace" means "God's loving kindness").

God has made His salvation available on the basis of a personal faith which even a child can exercise.

Every one must come to God on the same terms. But it is simple. In a tract he wrote for the American Tract Society, David W. Haines answered the question---"How Simple Is It To Be Saved?"-----this way;

1. It's as simple as entering a door--"I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved," John 10:9.

2. It's as simple as calling for help--"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved," Romans 10:13.

3. It's as simple as coming when called---"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," Matthew 11:28.

4. It's as simple as receiving a gift-- "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

YOUNG LOVE

*"Young Love" By Billy Graham
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SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT IT —AND SOME ANSWERS

A lot of us young people today are wondering if marriage itself is on its way out. We are not impressed by the marriages we see around us. what do you think?

Some time ago the Supreme Court of the United States declared that "marriage is an institution in the maintenance of which, in its purity the public is deeply interested, for it is the foundation of the family and of society, without which there would be neither civilization no progress . . . Any trend or system that attacks the home condemns itself as hostile to public and personal welfare." In other words, if civilization is to survive, the home and the institution of marriage must survive. We neglect what God says at our peril. We read the problem columns in our newspapers and listen to counselors on radio and television, yet we ignore the One who first instituted the union between man and wife.

It was God who said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him." It was God who made the race male and female. It was God who promoted the first love affair. It was God who brought the first bride to her husband. It was God who performed the first marriage in the Garden of Eden. It was God who commanded, "Be fruitful and multiply." It was God who declared for all ages, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be on flesh." When your love is in Jesus Christ, it is the most marvelous, the most wonderful thing in the world. It is outside of Christ, you never can really trust, you never know for certain. There is always that shadow and that doubt in the modern days in which we live. No marriage can be completely, permanently happy and united, in my view, apart from God.

At my school a frequent subject of discussion is "necking" among young people. What is your opinion?

Indiscriminate, passionate lovemaking can be dangerous, psychologically and physically. The sex urge is never stronger than in the teen years, and requires a great restraint. Competent youth advisers are quick to point out that deep trouble often follows promiscuous petting. To put the matter bluntly: kissing and intimate embracing are natural preludes to more serious intimacies.

Happy marriages are built upon mutual respect for each other before marriage, and the wise and prudent couple will not forget their future happiness for a few moments of sensual pleasure.

If a boy and girl feel that they love each other, isn't sex experience one of the thing that will help prepare them for marriage?

Such arrangement will never work, because it is concerned solely with physical and bodily adjustment, and because the Bible teaches it is sin. Many persons marry on the supposition that personality is divided into two compartments, physical and spiritual. "Wherever the soul is, leave that to the theologians," we are told, "but sex is biology." So they try to separate body and soul. You can't do it. There is no such thing as a human body in isolation. Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone."

People often mistake infatuation and physical magnetism for true love. For the past few years we have been subjected to a kind of pedagogy in our educational system and in our motion pictures which teaches that man is little more than an animal. Our youth have been led to believe that the achievement of happiness in marriage is based upon physical compatibility and that spiritual issues are incidental. It has been assumed that sex is mostly a matter of technique, and that if a couple entering marriage has adequate knowledge of the techniques of marital love, then happiness will follow. It never occurs to some of our teachers that the seeking of personal fulfilment by the practice of sex techniques might be nothing but a disguised selfishness. When two egotists marry, what you have is not love, but egotism multiplied.

My boyfriend and I have been going together for two years. He has been reading about the new morality, and has convinced me that there is nothing wrong in going all the way. I am taking the pill, and so far everything is all right. Are we doing right?

No—you are not doing right! You are sinning. Moreover, there is no pill make that can take away the pangs of conscience for breaking the laws of God. You say "everything is all right," but you haven't considered the chain reaction that comes to every person who is persisting in sin. You maybe "getting by" now, but there will come a day when you will regret trifling with your body and flouting the laws that God has given for your happiness.

The Bible says, "Flee youthful lusts," and warns against fornication. Any doctor can tell you that if you keep yourself pure when you are young your are building valuable resources for future happiness.

I am 16 and my friend is 17. We are deeply in love and wish to marry, but our parents are set against it. Have they a right to blight our lives?

I do not think your lives are being "blighted." As good, sensible people, your parents probably know that what seems to be a serious love affair at 16 may prove to be something else a few years later. In any event your parents have a responsibility toward you. From a practical standpoint, who would support you? The strong probability is that you both would have to depend for a while on your parents. That is a shaky foundation on which to build a married life.

It has been proved that it is usually both right and wise for a man to be in a position to support his wife before he marries. It is also a fact that a teen-age love affair is often more a case of friendship and interest than actual love. Let me remind you that life will become serious all too soon. In the meantime, your parents may be saving you both from a lot of heartache and trouble.,

pray about this matter. Ask God to make his will clear. Ask him to keep you from making a grave mistake. In a year or two you will see these things with clearer eyes and better judgement.

What type of dating activities would God want young people to have?

To begin with, God certainly intended boys to be attracted to girls, and vice versa. Further, he intended that they court, and eventually marry. Wholesome dating activities depend upon your interests and aptitudes. Any activity that would strengthen your love and respect for each other would be desirable. After marriage you will thank God thousand times, if by his strength you defer sexual intimacy until the proper time. This is one of the secrets of a happy marriage.

Our youth group has been discussing some of the problems common to young people. One problem is this: Do you think it is wrong for a young person to go out with one who is not a Christian, even though they have an understanding that they will not go steady?

There is, perhaps, not any rule on such a matter, but I cannot help asking, "What fellowship could two young people have when they are so opposite in their religious convictions?" This is a question you might put forward at our discussion group. I think you would find that any such friendship would be reduced to a sub-Christian level.

More important, even, is the fact that you can never tell what casual associations will lead to. You may have no intention of going steady, but a mutual attraction may develop unexpectedly. You can't be sure how you will feel after the first

evening out. You shouldn't be "serious," of course, but you can't control certain emotions apart from an even more powerful force in your life. Always remember that in such intimate associations we are admonished in the Bible, "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers." This gives the safe pattern for our associations.

I am a student who has many opportunities to go out with different boys. I like several of them, but I certainly couldn't decide which one I like better than the others. Do you think that God picks out our mates for us while we are still young?

That question I would have to answer both no and yes. I do not know of a verse in the Bible that says God does pick out our mates for us. Yet the Bible is filled with stories of romance in which it appears that the hand of God is directing both the young man and the young woman. In the Old Testament, in the 24th chapter of Genesis, the marriage of Isaac and Rebekah is one such romance. Both the young man and woman recognized the hand of God in bringing them together.

"And Isaac brought her into [the] tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her" (Genesis 24:67)

Is there any one thing that will keep a marriage from going on the rocks?

Our solar system is held together by a great sun at its center. Were it not for the sun, our solar system would fly to pieces! Unless the Son of the living God, the Lord Jesus Christ, is placed at the center of your home, it too will fly to pieces.

The reason why one out of every four marriages in America falls apart is that at the center there is no Son. but in a recent survey it was found that only one divorce took place in every 57 marriages where the family attended church regularly. It was also found that there was only one divorce in 500 marriages where regular Bible reading and prayer took place in the home. A Christian marriage is the best possible security against a broken home.

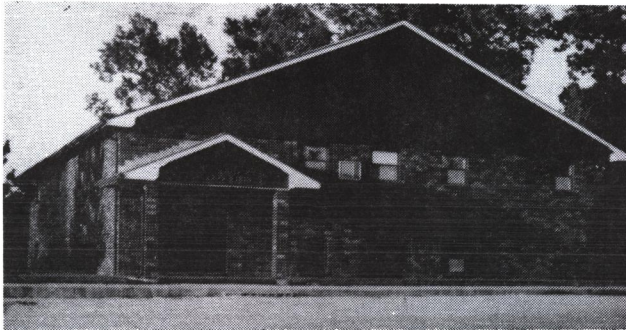
The moment a person gives his life to Christ, the Holy spirit comes to live in the heart, He gives us supernatural strength. He doesn't take away our sex desire, but it no longer dominates us. We are dominated by the Holy Spirit. That is why it is so important for young people in love and planning a home to read the Bible daily and to memorize Scripture verses and to have a devotional life.

God can help us choose our mates — and if you get God's choice, follow God's rules in marriage, and both live deeply committed lives, there will be no divorce.

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