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THE TIME IS NOT COME

Harrol Waterbury

People who always wait for future revival, if they are not careful, will miss the present workings of God. This happened in the days of Haggai the prophet, when the people said "the time is not come".

It would be well to go back for a moment or two, and study the history that leads up to the time of these words from the prophet. Considering the historic books of Ezra and Nehemiah, we have an account of the return from Babylon, as Jeremiah had clearly foretold. That return was not of all the people, but of only a remnant. Upon arriving, their first act was to erect an altar for worship, and on that altar they offered sacrifices and observed the Feast of Tabernacles which fell due at that time. They also began to build the Temple. It is not known how much work was done beyond laying the foundations, but they began to build. After only the beginning of the work, opposition was raised against them by the Samaritans and, as a result of that opposition, they ceased to build the Temple.

At the offering of Haggai's message, that cessation of the building of the Temple had lasted for fifteen years. One can imagine laying the foundations and building the walls to a certain height and then, for no reason, leaving it for fifteen years. The result: ruin.

Now it was when the Temple was in that condition that Haggai the prophet, arose along with others, to make the people see that their spiritual condition and their true position with regard to this very matter of the building of the house of God were directly connected. The house of God was central to their life; all their life circled round it and that, as in the days of long ago so still, God was in the midst of them.

They had forgotten all about it. They were neglecting it and living in their ceiled houses, looking very prosperous. They were a provident crowd. Those who came back and

set to work at once were very successful. If you had been in their city, and had travelled through the streets and along its highways and byways, you would have seen remarkable building going on everywhere. They were doing very well. How do I know? Haggai said they were "dwelling in ceiled houses", and that meant more than houses with roofs. It is a phrase that marks luxury and splendor. They were doing marvellously well materially. Yet, all the while, not a hand was lifted to the Temple walls, not a stone added to its structure. The city was full, the houses were called houses of comfort, beauty, and luxury, but the people were dead spiritually.

Did they know that there was work to be done for God? Of course they knew. They said "This Temple ought to be built, we admit it, but it is not convenient. The hour has not struck. It is not time to build." This people said "The time is not come"; they were building their own beautiful houses, but the time had not come for building the house of God. In other words, they were contented with material prosperity and neglecting, entirely, the spiritual center of their lives. The story sounds modern, doesn't it?

"Do you really mean that we ought to build more chapels and churches?" . . . That depends on the present need where you live. There are other ways in which we do not "build the Temple", we say that the set time has not come. The neglect of the family altar shows a decadence in the worship of God. Men are saying, in all kinds of ways, that they are waiting for something to come, or lamenting something that has gone, or they are beginning to say "There is no use to work, so little comes of it, we do not see the results we would like to see". The message of God to all such people is the message of Haggai, "Be strong and work, and know that I am with you". Even in the midst of the poverty of the hour, God is working toward that final and glorious issue that

was foreordained before the foundations of the world.

The point to be insisted upon is the PRESENT duty. The one all-inclusive reason for the neglect of the things of God is the departure of the heart from God. Find what excuse you may, this is the real cause. Prosperity, especially in things spiritual, will only come as there is a return to God and attention to His work and worship. Do not sit sighing for the set time to arrive, but take hold of something and do it, and give God a chance to work through you for the accomplishment of that upon which His heart is set.

So, let us front this New Year, with all its hidden possibilities, with quiet brave hearts resolved on present duty, as those ought who have such a Godly past to remember and such a future to hope for. It will probably be the last on earth for some of us, and great joy for others. It will probably be comparatively uneventful for others. It may make great outward changes for us, or it may leave us much as it found us. But in all events, God will be in it, and work for Him should be in it.

January first has marked for us another era in this process of passing moments. It shall be well for us only if we face our present duty in filling those passing moments with loving obedience to God.

DITTO-SCHARNHORST VOWS READ

The wedding of Miss Donna Lynn Ditto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Ditto, and Mr. John W. Scharnhorst, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Scharnhorst, was a three o'clock event on Saturday, December, 4, 1965, in the Fair Oaks Chapel, Spring Valley, California. (He is the nephew to Mrs. Edna Schultz.)

Rev. Homer Allen heard the exchange of vows. Mrs. William Scheller, sister of the bridegroom, attended as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses Sheryl Martin and Lonnie Takahashi.

Howard Takahashi served as best man with Larry Jones and Fred Scharnhorst as ushers.

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FROM THE

Associate Editor

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus for the year of 1966. There has never been a more serious time . . . so much war, unrest, and uncertain conditions in our old world. Then in a personal manner so many are suffering from sin and sickness and death. Surely the night is upon us. Nevertheless we all have the eternal ray of hope, Jesus, Lord and Saviour, as an answer to our problem.

The past has been lived - - - the days ahead can be filled with opportunities freighted to the limit with God given gifts. The open door, the hungry heart, and the troubled mind all await our help - - - your help. Helping others is only a fringe benefit returning to us in many blessings from heaven above. As we are led by His Spirit, You'll find so many things to do. Overflowing and filling others as the Lord fills you. The spoken word of encouragement . . . the written letter, the gift from your hand, the

Pens

of the Editors



1965 is now a year of history. We look forward with great anticipation to a new year, the year of 1966. We do not know what it holds. I am sure as we look back over 1965 that we have made many mistakes, said things that perhaps would have been much better left unsaid, but yesterday is gone. We each live for today! Tomorrow never comes, so, today is our day. Let us all work while it is "today".

We go into 1966 facing war and trouble. It looks as if peace is so far from us. We read in Isaiah 9:6 where it is told that He should come as "Prince of Peace". In Matthew 10:34 Jesus said ". . . I came not to send peace, but a sword". We are living in a time of war, hatred, malice, backbiting, men without natural affection but yet Jesus came to bring peace.

We may, say "where is this peace"? We may not see it among nations, we may not see it among

men, but I am so glad Jesus said in Matthew 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest". Here in lays our peace for which men are seeking. We can have that deep settled peace that the world cannot give, but neither can it take it away.

A few years ago there was a big scare of bomb shelters, a place to hide. I am so glad we can hide under the everlasting arm of our wonderful Lord. He is our shelter in time of storm. Brother, where are you hiding, where is your peace, where is your anchor?

We may need this kind of peace in the year of 1966. We may need more than a bomb shelter. We need the armour of God as is described for us in Ephesians 6. Let us all band together in one body in prayers, even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus.

Howard Whiteley

song or visitation are yours to give. Do it more in 1966.

Thank God for all good things of 1965. Thank God for all the good friends like you. Keep us on your prayer list. Write us. Remember Heaven is cheap at any price. Let's all do more for Jesus in this year that we are now entering.

Gail W. Schultz

Most people are bothered by these Scriptures they DON'T understand; but those which trouble me most are those I DO understand!

Let not him who constantly sows wild oats think he can successfully pray for a crop failure!

Sinner, remember: you can't shoot straight with a crooked arrow!



Thank you everyone who has been so kind and thoughtful to us at the time of the death of Mother. Thank you for all the beautiful flowers and every token of sympathy. May God richly bless all of you.

Also thanks for all the beautiful Christmas cards. Due to conditions and the time we could not greet our many friends in this manner, but we have not forgotten you.

Rev. and Mrs. Gail W. Schultz
and Gaylon Lee

Bible School Reflections

Lines From The Superintendent's Desk

F. E. Waterbury

The close of Bible School went as the entire term had gone — highly successful in every respect. Many thousands of miles were driven by parents, friends and Bible School boosters to witness the grand spectacle of forty-eight students receiving their certificates of completion.

It was also an anxious time for the students, as their term grades were recorded on the backside of this much cherished paper. The students are to be commended for their spiritual and academic attainment.

I'm sure I speak for all the eleven members of the faculty when I say it was a privilege and pleasure having served in this important capacity. I enjoyed working with such dedicated Christian labours.

We would like at this point to express our appreciation to our ministers, laity, and church groups for their splendid support in trying to make this the best school term yet.

RESIGNATION REGRETFULLY ACCEPTED

Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Waterbury have resigned as Superintendent of our Apostolic Faith Bible School. We, as the board members, would like to express our thanks to them for four years of outstanding work in this capacity. We regret to see them leave but wish the blessings of God to continue on their lives as they work for Him.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Clanton have accepted the position as Superintendent for the 1966 year. We would ask your cooperation with the new Superintendent that the Bible School may continue to progress. Pray much for guidance in every phase of the school.

Apostolic Faith Bible School
Board Members:

Rev. Doyle Wiles
Rev. Olen Bachelor
Rev. Alford Whiteley

MESDEMOISELLES' HOUSE NOTES

Helen Arnold

The Bible School has many memories for the students. Some of these memories are on the religious and some on the humorous side.

The girl's dorm is always a beehive of activities. There are lessons to prepare, hair to fix, styles to check up on, and of course, that old problem of boys.

This year we had a full house. The girls were very crowded. In spite of the rush at different times through the day, everyone got to classes and church services on time.

Some land has been secured for a new girl's dorm. This is a very needed building on our campus. I'm sure all the girls are praying for the Lord to give a new dorm in the very near future.

All girls have their problems. Some of these problems are small;

but some are very important to them. It's wonderful for the group to pray and talk during difficult times. They find the Lord a present help in time of need and friends that will give a helping hand.

Most of the girls are very eager to share time and space with their roommates. This makes the dorm life one big happy family.

We had several girls sick in the dorm during the year. As the group gathered and prayed the Lord became their healer.

In this school we learn by books, and lectures; but some of the most valuable lessons are through the experiences we encountered while at school.

Many girls have found the Lord to be their Saviour, healer, and guide for life while spending a few short months here. This year was no exception.

MESSIEURS REPORT:

Jacob C. Regier

Only a few days ago, twelve, in fact, I made my last rounds to all the dorm-rooms and made a call: "Arise! Dress yourselves! in a few minutes you will dash a half-block to the Bible School Home to devour the breakfast that Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Arnold have prepared!"

There were twenty-one of us. This number included Bro. Regier, the dean and Sister Rosalie, the dean's wife. Nineteen of us ranged in age all the way from eighteen to twenty-one years.

Mrs. Regier and I lived in room number one in the basement of the Bible School Chapel. In the room adjoining ours dwelt Samuel and James Chamberlain, Micheal (Mike) McClenagan and Riley B. Clanton. Music and song often floated through the thin walls and we felt we were being serenaded. In the room across the hall from ours were Paul (Butch) Shonk, Alfred Littau, Raymond Beckman and Earnest Shifflett. Down the hall westward were three doors that op-

ened to three other dorm rooms. In these rooms lived Alan Poe, Russell Peck, Dale Ditto, Danny (Pete) Clanton, Paul Wilkerson, Joel Karber, Charles Ware, Keith and Clifford Barker, Ronnie Martin and Max Olenberger.

When Bible School began in September, some of these boys were strangers to us and to each other. But now none of us are strangers.

These young men came from Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and New Mexico. One of these boys came to live in the dorm from a few blocks away and one crossed the Rockies to come to the Bible School while Sam and James came from the Rio Grande in southernmost Texas. In a little while we were all brothers and fellow-citizens of the Apostolic Faith Bible School in Baxter Springs, Kansas.

We were all Christians. Some of us had not been sanctified when we came. Some needed the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Some had never

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ARTICLE IV

The Seventy Weeks of Daniel's Prophecy**Daniel 9:24-27**

By Robert Girouard

The decree of Cyrus permitting the Jews in his kingdom to return to Jerusalem to "build the house of the Lord God of Isreal" is said to have been issued in the first year of his reign. Ezra 1:1-4. According to Bishop Ussher's chronology which appears at the top of the page of some of our Bibles, the date was B. C. 536. However, most historians believe that the Babylonian Empire fell in B. C. 538 when Darius took the kingdom. Daniel 5:31. Darius is believed to have been a nephew and a vice-roy of king Cyrus. We have accepted B. C. 538 as the most probable date of the issuing of this decree.

"The first year of Cyrus, king of Persia" (Ezra 1:1) has reference to the first year he began to reign over the region where the nations of Isreal and Judah had been placed as captives. Cyrus the Great became king of Anshan, a small nation just west of Persia, about 559 B. C. He commenced a long series of military conquests by conquering Media. In 538 B. C., he added Babylon to his empire. Eventually he controlled an empire from the Aegean Sea to India.

In a previous article we expressed the belief that the seventieth week of the seventy weeks of Daniel's prophecy awaits fulfillment in the future. Many Bible expositors take the position that the entire seventy weeks have already been fulfilled. They contend that the cross of Christ was the fulfillment of the promised blessings of Daniel 9:24. Let us carefully study the Angel's words and see what was actually promised concerning Jerusalem and Isreal.

"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy and to anoint the most Holy". Daniel 9:24. Let us bear in mind that these promised blessings

were given to Daniel's people, Isreal and to Daniel's holy city, Jerusalem. We believe that a careful study of the Angel's words will show that not so much as one of them has yet been fulfilled.

The six things which were to be accomplished during the seventy weeks of years or 490 years that were decreed upon Daniel's people Isreal, and his holy city, Jerusalem were:

1. "To finish the transgression."

The transgression of Daniel's people, Isreal. The rejection of Christ as their Messiah was peculiarly Isreal's transgression. The majority of Isrealites are still rejecting Him as their Messiah. They are blind to the fact that Jesus is their Messiah and with few exceptions, Isreal will continue in blindness until the end of the church age. "For I would not brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits, that blindness in part is happened to Isreal, until the fulness of the Gentiles become in." Romans 11:25.

The transgression of Isreal will be finished when Christ returns in glory and the remnant of post tribulation Jews accept Him as their Messiah and king. Zechariah 13:8,9; Isaiah 59:20 with Romans 11:26.

2. "To make an end of sins."

The sins are the sins of Isreal and Jerusalem, for only Daniel's people and Jerusalem are in view in Daniel 9:24. Sin is the committing of that which one knows to be wrong. Isreal awaits the glorious prospect of being set free from her sins as a nation. "And so all Isreal shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn. Away ungodliness from Jacob; for this is my covenant unto them when I shall take away their sins." Romans 11:26,27.

In order to have a true appreciation of the meaning of

the Scriptures quoted above one needs to bear in mind that in the eleventh chapter of Romans, Paul says that in this church age only a remnant of the Jews are being saved. Romans 11:1-7. He declares that they cut themselves off from the blessings of the gospel by unbelief. Romans 11:20. Judicial blindness has come upon them because of their rejection of Christ as their Messiah. Romans 11:7,25. This blindness will be lifted at the return of Christ and so all Isreal shall be saved. Romans 11:26. It does not say that every Isrealite will be saved but "them that turn from transgression in Jacob." Isaiah 59:20.

3. "To make reconciliation for iniquity."

It is never said in scripture that God is reconciled to man, but man must be reconciled to God. II Corinthians 5:18-20. The sacrifice of Jesus on the cross of Calvary cannot be said to be God making reconciliation for iniquity. The Cross represents God's provision for reconciliation. The expiation for Isreal's sins and for the sins of the world was accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross. True repentance toward God and faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ leading to a definite experience, brings about a reconciliation. But the Jews as a whole have been rebellious and hateful against Christ for nearly two thousand years. But all this will be changed at the return of Jesus. Zechariah 13:1. God will give Isreal a heart of flesh instead of a heart of stone and they will be saved from all their uncleannesses. Ezek. 36:24-29.

4. "To bring in everlasting righteousness."

This points to the national restoration and conversion of Isreal. Ezek. 20:33-40. Notice that the scriptures referred to above find their fulfillment here on earth in the land of Isreal. It is said that all the house of Isreal in the

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NEWS from the CHURCHES

HINTON, ALABAMA—

January 9, 1966, will mark the dedication of the new church at Hinton, Alabama, with an all day service. There will be a basket dinner during the noon hour. Rev. and Mrs. Roy Wooster will begin a Revival that day. We trust and pray much will be accomplished for the Glory of God.

We wish to say "Thank You" to each one that helped on the church in a financial way or in labour. God bless you.

The Lord has been blessing in the services. Two have been saved recently and we are most grateful. We are thankful for the new piano that the church has purchased. This adds much to our services.

George Hintergardt, pastor

FOLLETT, TEXAS—

We are glad to report victory in our services in recent weeks. The Lord has given us blessings too numerous to tell.

On Thanksgiving we enjoyed a special service with Rev. and Sis. Floyd LaMunyon as guest speaker. The message was a challenge to our hearts to be thankful to God for His blessings to us.

The Ladies Missionary group of our church enjoyed a good time at their Christmas meeting on the 9th of Dec. We are glad for the good response of this group of ladies in the many projects they have completed in the past few months.

During our visit to the close of Bible School, Rev. James Hosler was in charge of the Wednesday night service. Those who attended report the message was very good.

We ask for your prayers that our church will continue to grow.

Jack Cornell, pastor

MIDWAY COUNTRY CHURCH, JOGAN, OKLAHOMA—

Our church is still enjoying the blessings of the Lord. Everyone seems to be receiving blessings. We are looking forward to the Christmas season and our program which will be December 22. Convocation time and the watch night service are also in our plans for this month. We know there are blessings in store for us as we begin the New Year.

Mrs. Deryl LaMunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, Pastor

BEAVER, OKLAHOMA—

Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon conducted our Revival from November 28 to December 11th. The Lord blessed in every service with many seeking the deeper blessings of God. Some were sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. Good interest was shown and the church certainly enjoyed the "showers of blessings" from God.

Lowell Long,, Pastor

WESTMINISTER, COLORADO—

"Your Community Chapel"

We are enjoying perfect Fall weather and expect the snow will be flying soon.

Bro. Harris took a 2 week leave of absence to conduct a Revival at Bayard, Nebr. The Lord Blessed in some wonderful services and attendance was good.

We have been encouraged with the financial help received the past 2 months, and want to take this opportunity to say "Thanks and God Bless You," to all who have given in behalf of the work here. We realize it also takes much prayer and visiting to see people

come to church. Pray for us that we may definitely know God's Will in decisions being made here.

May we ask in the future that all checks sent be made to "Your Community Chapel," which will be the church name.

Amos Harris, pastor

CAVE SPRINGS, ARKANSAS—

Once again God has been in our midst to bless in revival with the preaching of His Word through Rev. Edwin Waterbury. The Word was brought with anointing and authority, convicting the sinner and backslider. God touched hearts in many ways.

We are adding a little at a time, new furniture to the church and parsonage. We covet your prayers and welcome our ministers and Gospel workers to visit us anytime.

Mrs. Wallace Venters reporter
Roland Haney, pastor

ENID, OKLAHOMA—

Our services have been very good and God has been blessing abundantly. As usual this time of the year we have been busy getting ready for our Christmas program. People here are showing interest in their church and we enjoy working with them. Remember us in prayer that the work of the Lord might grow to His glory.

Carl Pitts, Pastor

NETTLESBORO, ALABAMA—

We are thankful for the way that the Lord is blessing here. "If God be for us, who can be against us." Please pray for a revival we are looking forward to in the month of January.

Dennis Huff, pastor

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PINE CREST, MISSISSIPPI—

The Hinton church people have moved into their new building and the Hintergardts are in the parsonage there. We have enjoyed working with them the past year. Our duties are now full time here at Pine Crest Faith Chapel. There are some encouraging signs and we ask the prayers of praying people for the work here.

The ministers of the faith are invited to come and give us a helping hand.

Jerome Crowhurst, pastor

BAYARD, NEBRASKA—

We have just returned from a 10 day Revival at Bayard, Nebr., which was well attended and the Lord blessed in some good services.

We were real encouraged with the interest taken by the people and feel that Bro. and Sis. Patterson will see a great harvest in the future.

God never fails to Bless those who seek Him Diligently! Praise His Name.

Rev. Amos Harris

SPEARMAN, TEXAS—

The church in Spearman is seeing some progress. We recently enjoyed a good Revival with Rev. George Polvado which encouraged us all. We welcome any of our ministers to come by and visit us any time.

V. E. Blythe, Pastor

PINE HILL, ALABAMA—

As we survey the past year and begin to try to count the many blessings of the Lord, we are thankful to be counted as one of God's children.

Our aim and desire for 1966 is that God will use us in a greater way to reach lost and dying humanity. May God bless each of you throughout the coming year.

Jim Arnall, pastor

GALENA, KANSAS—

At the end of this year we wish to stop and praise God for the many blessings He gave. It has been a wonderful year but that will not suffice for the year of 1966. We're looking forward to seeing more souls saved and greater victories

gained for the Christians during this year. Let us all work together and share the load that the work of God will not be hindered but will go forward with much progress in every phase of God's Work.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

PAMPA, TEXAS—

Bro. and Sis. J. O. Ferry of Chicago visited us recently and preached for us December 8th. We had a wonderful service. Bro. and Sis. R. D. Wooster were with us for services December 13, 14, and 15. We enjoyed Bro. Wooster's anointed messages.

Robert Girouard, pastor

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS—

Fran, Craig, Mike, and I take this opportunity to thank EVERYONE for making these past four years very enjoyable in Bible School work. We feel our work in the Bible School in the capacity as Superintendent was completed this year. We feel very humble to have seen the improvements made.

The future of our school is very optimistic. With the continued prayerful support of everyone, the possibilities are limitless.

We trust you will give the next Superintendent your continued cooperation, and in so doing, will make their work and burdens much lighter as they work for the progress of our Bible School.

May God bless each of you.

F. E. Waterbury

PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Anna Mahan
Mrs. Clarence Peck
Rev. Ben Barker
Mrs. Chester Garrett

ITEMS OF INTEREST

A lot has been donated to the Apostolic Faith Bible School for the building of a new girl's dorm. Tentative plans have been drawn for this building and a Building Fund established.

The lot is located 1 block West of the chapel on the northwest corner of 10th street. This will be convenient for the girls to both the present "Bible School Home" which now serves as a girl's dorm and din-

**CORA BELL SCHULTZ**

Cora Bell Schultz, was born Cora Bell Ransom, in Jewell County, Kansas, on June 27, 1885. At an early age she moved with her parents to Hillsdale, Oklahoma (near Enid).

She was married to John J. Schultz on December 17, 1906. Her husband preceded her in death in 1939.

Twin sons were born to this union. Glen died in infancy. Gail Schultz of Baxter Springs, Kansas, survives.

Cora Schultz was converted many years ago and lived to the end with her faith in God.

Funeral services were conducted in Baxter Springs with the Rev. C. O. Bard and the Rev. F. E. Waterbury in charge. Music was furnished by the Bible School Male Quartet and a duet from the same group. Sis. Fran Waterbury was pianist.

Rev. Jack Barker and Rev. M. D. Methvin were in charge of the funeral services at Laverne, Oklahoma on December 12. Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon, Mrs. Doris Meliza and Mrs. Juanita McCorkle sang with Mrs. Juanita Methvin, pianist.

Interment was in the Laverne Cemetery beside her deceased husband.

ing hall, and to the Chapel which houses the boy's dorm in the basement, study hall, and classes which convene in the auditorium.

Work will begin on this new building as soon as funds permit.

Donations should be made out to: Apostolic Faith Bible School — Building Fund; and mailed to Apostolic Faith Bible School, Box 110, Baxter Springs, Kansas, 66713.



Crusaders for Christ

12 INCH ANSWER

QUESTION: Does being responsible for our spare time mean we cannot enjoy recreation?

ANSWER: Recreation is defined as: refreshment of mind or body after toil or weariness, with such synonyms as, pastime, diversion, and play. In this light everyone, younger or older should enjoy recreation.

We find that a word may mean different things to different people. The word "recreation" for example, to the fisherman would be interpreted, "fishing". Ministers have told me that a few hours on the river bank with a rod and reel was to them mental therapy.

To the hunter, it means, hunting. Out in the wilds of mountains and trees, they find real diversion from the cards of life.

To some it may mean time for reading or hobbies in the quiet of their home.

To the elderly it could mean a few hours spent with an old friend, especially one who could go with them into the past.

To the youth, no doubt it means "play", athletics, etc.

To the sinner world as a whole it means revelry of one kind or another.

Just what does recreation mean to you?

Another thing to consider is "spare time". In regard to your spiritual life, do you consider every moment outside of regular church

service, spare time? Remember each one must win his own reward and there is work to be done in addition to going to church.

These and many other things are to be considered when we talk about what we can and can't do. To obey is better than sacrifice and to hearken than the fat of rams.

We all need diversion, not from the Lord, but from cares, responsibilities, and the serious side of life.

Now comes the thought of what we can do for that enjoyment. It is impossible to name them one by one **because of the attitude of each individual.** One young person may participate in sports and be an example of Christianity by his cooperation, the spirit he has, etc. Another may let it come between him and his service to God.

Anything, however innocent, that interferes with our service to God should not be tolerated by a Christian.

Of course, there are those things that even a sinner knows are not tolerated by a good Christian. We might sum all of these things up in this thought. Any thing you see, hear, or do that causes feelings to stir in your heart that would give you a sense of guilt in the presence of the Lord is dangerous, to say the least.

There are so many wholesome things and beautiful relationships to be enjoyed during the wonderful years of youth, any one of which you could leave and go directly to a service of God without feeling

tarnished. These are things to consider when you choose your recreation.

Do not be deceived into thinking the youth of today are different than those of other years. To be sure most of you have enjoyed privileges far greater than those of generations past. Then you should have more to be thankful for and desire to give more in return.

I hope none of you feel that the world and God owe you more than those of any other age. God is no respecter of persons.

Read Ecc. 11:10,9. This scripture definitely teaches that the young man who yields to every impulse of his heart will be brought into judgment. I cannot feel that the youth of 1966 are exempt.

You have grown up in a turbulent time, when the world as a whole have lost their bearings, morally as well as spiritually. You have grown used to seeing and hearing things that your grandparents never encountered. Unless you stay close to the WORD, things that God condemns, will not seem wrong to you.

If you truly love the Lord, pray much, keep a spiritual victory until you enjoy the service you render unto God, I have no fear that you will choose the weak and beggarly things of this world to fill your recreational hours.

Gal. 6:8. "Be not deceived, God is not mocked, whatsoever a man

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Children's Hour . . .

— Kathryn Cornell

HOW THE WORLD WAS MADE

Genesis 1:1 — 2:3

Long, long ago there was no world at all. There was no sun to shine, no stars to twinkle, no moonbeams to play through the night shadows. But even then there was God; for he has always been the same unchanging God.

Then, at the beginning of time, God made the world. At first water covered everything, and darkness was everywhere. What a strange, unfriendly world this must have been. But God planned to make it beautiful, so he said, "Let there be light." He called the light Day and the darkness he called Night. This was the first day of time.

On the second day God made the beautiful blue sky and placed in it clouds to carry the moisture. He called the sky Heaven".

The third day God said, "Let the waters be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear." He called the waters Seas and the dry land Earth. The whole earth was bare — no grasses, flowers, or trees. So God caused a carpet of grass to grow and beautiful flowers to spring up from the earth. He made the trees and plants. God knew his work was good.

But God had more plans for his world. On the fourth day he made the sun, the moon, and the stars. The sun was to rule the day and the moon, the night.

Next God began to create living creatures. He made all kinds of

fish to swim about in the seas and birds of every description to fly in the sky. The fifth day passed, and the world had become a better place.

It was on the sixth day that God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures." Living things appeared in the woods, on the plains, in the air and sea.

Still this was a strange world, for there were no people in it. There was not a home anywhere — not a man, woman, or little child. What a very strange world indeed! But God had not yet finished creating his wonderful world. He planned to have people live on the earth, enjoy its beauties, and take care of it. They would know who had made all these things. More than that, they would be able to love and worship Him.

So it was that God created man and woman. God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. God blessed them and gave them rule over all other living creatures.

When the sixth day ended God had made the world and placed everything in it just as he had planned. On the seventh day God rested.

GEM OF TRUTH

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

I Cor. 15:57

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

JANUARY—

- 3 KERRY PATZKOWSKY
- 4 CHERYL BARKER
- 8 CINDY PATZKOWSKY
- 8 JANIS PLETCHER
- 14 CHRIS STEFFEN
- 16 ROCKY GIFT
- 22 BEVERLY KAY ALLEN
- 23 PAMELA SUE ALLEN
- 31 EDWIN PAUL SIMMONS

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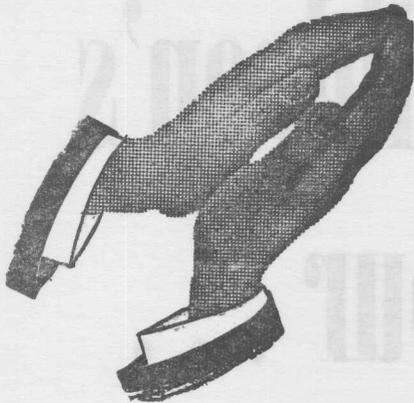
..CHILDREN, OBEY YOUR PARENTS.. (Ephesians 6:1).

Let God have your life; He can do more with it than you can!

The way to Hell is often paved with good intentions!

Where God's finger points, there God's hand will make the way!

The best place to kill a doubt is at the foot of the cross!



Teacher's Notebook

Teacher's Inventory—

As we begin the new year as teachers we should take time to evaluate our teaching in the areas of methods and results.

Teaching is imparting information or declaring facts. The facts of scriptures - - the most POWERFUL facts in the world - - are not known naturally . . . THEY MUST BE TAUGHT.

True teaching imparts the truth - - God's Word - - sets that truth in order, and simplifies it so that it can be understood and applied to daily living.

No one can teach the truths of God unless one knows them. Those that know the truths and **do not LIVE** them are **unworthy** to teach them.

The world is full of religion and irreligion. If we do not faithfully teach and LIVE the gospel, our children will become either religious or irreligious . . . but NOT TRUE CHRISTIANS.

What is the gospel? Let us check to see if each of our lessons present the gospel - - simple and plain - - so that the smallest child or the most unlearned adult can understand God's gift to him. . Salvation.

1. Christ - - - God's gift to us.
2. Died - - - gave his own life (became a man in order to be subject to death).
3. For - - - His death for us, in our place, as our substitute.
4. Our - - - He died for all, children and adults.
5. Sing - - - We are all sinners, and only Christ's death enables us to be saved.
6. According to the scriptures

- - - The Scriptures prove that Jesus is the very one whom God sent.

7. He was buried - - - He loved us so much He gave His all. He was truly dead; his blood was spilled.
8. Rose again - - - A mighty miracle revealing the fact that His sacrifice was acceptable to God.
9. The third day - - - a completed work, the penalty for our sins was paid.
10. According to the scriptures - - Scripture foretold the death and resurrection of Christ, and God accepting his (Christ) sacrifice. (I Cor. 15:1-4)

If and when we teach the simple gospel, we have a right to expect and Claim that the Holy Spirit will illumine the hearts and minds of the unsaved, so that they can understand and believe - - - and the hearts and minds of the saved so that they can grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ becoming deeply rooted in God's Word.

Are you a Real teacher or a "regular substitute, teacher? A "regular substitute" teacher is one who doesn't wish to involve himself in thorough lesson preparation, visiting, praying, and carrying a burden for the salvation and spiritual growth of each student? Such a teacher expounds and teaches ABOUT the Bible but fails to communicate or transmit the living Personality of God to the students.

If we teach:

1. The assurance of our salvation (as Satan tries to make each new Christian to doubt his

salvation). I John 5:10-13, John 3:36, Acts 13:38,39.

2. Prayer as a daily practice - - - real believing prayer; how to pray for deliverance when sin comes in; how to pray for needs and for salvation of others. I John 1:9.
3. Confessing and witnessing for Christ (both how and where).
4. How to handle the Bible - - - how to find verses, how to read it and memorize it.
5. Each should be led to pray for the salvation of others and to labor for this by bringing
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HOW OTHERS DO IT

To stimulate students to correctly understand God's Word, use a special question-and-answer time. Write your questions on the chalkboard. Prepare 3 slips of paper for each question, giving 3 different verses of Scriptures as a possible answer, 1 of which is correct.

Pass out the slips of paper before each question. After all 3 have been read, discuss which one answers the problem correctly. The person who identifies the correct verse first may print the reference on the board.

For an example: How much money did Judas receive from the chief priests when he betrayed Jesus? Verses to be read: Genesis 37:28, Matthew 22:19, Zachariah 11:12. The last one would be the correct answer.

The questions and answers should be prepared according to the ability of the children.

Teacher's Inventory--

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them to church and by actually leading them to Christ.

6. Christian conduct should be taught, and taught so that the child will learn from the Word - - not from his contacts with those who do not know - - what is right and what is wrong in God's sight. His duty to God, to others, to home, to church, and to country should also be taught.
7. Much simple teaching should be given on how to get victory over sinful habits so they can live a transformed life. Teach them that when a person is saved, Jesus came into the heart to live - - and the person can live in victory over sin if they yield all to Him and fully trust only in Him. Rom. 6:14, I John 1:9.
8. The great doctrines should be taught even to children, line upon line, as LIVING, VITAL TRUTH:
 - a. The inspiration of the Bible.
 - b. Faith, grace, regeneration, atonement, consecration, baptism of the Holy Spirit, rewards, and other doctrines of healing, etc.
 - c. The Trinity - - the Father (as Creator, Father, Judge, everywhere present, with all power, all knowledge); the Son (as Saviour, Lord, Shepherd, coming King); the Holy Spirit (as a person who teaches, empowers, and guides).
 - d. Bible history, Bible biography, and Bible Geography.

Then we can expect to have rich results for God tells us that His Word will not return to him void but will accomplish that to which it was sent.

Use these questions to help evaluate the success of your teaching:

How many of the students have accepted Christ? How many have shown spiritual growth and progress? How many of my students did I deal personally about their spirit-

ual needs? Did I let the Lord lead me?

Is my life a good example to them in the stewardship of time (spent for the work of God), money (both offerings and tithes), and talent (used to further God's work)?

Did I follow up visitors by card, telephone calls, or personal visit to make them want to return? Did I encourage my students to visit and invite others to church?

Have I tried to improve my teaching each Sunday? Did I pray? Did I read material available to help improve my teaching methods?

Let us look FORWARD TO REAL VICTORY IN TEACHING God's Word in 1966. Teach God's Word so that your students, individually, will become pillars in the church of the living God.

Daniel's Prophecy--

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land will serve God. Also, Ezek. 36:24-29; Ezek. 37:22,23.

"Behold the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the House of Isreal, and with the House of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they break, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord: but this shall be the covenant that I will make with the House of Isreal; after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." Jeremiah 31:31-34. It cannot be said by any stretch of the imagination that these scriptures have already been fulfilled to

Isreal as a nation here on earth. Jeremiah 31:35-37.

5. "To seal up the vision and prophecy." It certainly is not true that vision and prophecy were sealed up shortly after the death of Christ. The greatest of all visions (The book of Revelation) was yet to be given and some of the words of the prophets are to this day yet to be fulfilled. Vision and prophecy will be sealed after Jesus returns. This will be at the close of the seventieth week of Daniel's prophecy.

6. "To anoint the Most Holy." "The expression does not in a single case apply to any person." Dr. Tregelles.

"This expression is never applied to a person throughout the Bible, but invariably denotes part of the temple, the holy of holies." Dr. Herman Adler.

This expression is sure to refer to the anointing of the Holy of Holies in the Millennial Temple described by Ezekial.

We know positively that four hundred and eighty-three years of this prophecy were fulfilled a few days before the atoning death of Christ. Daniel 9:25-26. See the December Report.

Daniel 9:24 contains six promised blessings to Isreal from the Lord which were to be fulfilled within the scope of the seventy weeks prophecy. In this article we have shown that not one of these promised blessings has yet been fulfilled. We believe this shows conclusively that the seventieth week, or last seven years of this prophecy has not yet been fulfilled. At the end of the seventieth week Jesus will return to earth and fulfill the unparalleled blessings promised to Isreal.

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soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth, his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

Holy Convocation

Perryton, Texas, Apostolic Faith Full Gospel Church was host to the annual Convocation for 1965.

"Showers of Blessings" were abundant in every service as children of God availed themselves of the opportunity to gain spiritual strength for the days ahead.

Many people gathered for these services from all sections of the country making this one of the largest convocations in years. Each night the Church was packed to overflowing.

Most important of all was the Spirit of God which was felt in every service, God anointed His ministers to give the Word of God which reached the life of each of those present.

Several were saved while others were sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. Many personal victories were gained as people received blessings from God's Storehouse.

Rev. O. A. Busch and Rev. Jim Fox, committeemen, expressed their appreciation for the wonderful cooperation which made this Convocation so outstanding.

The morning prayer service was well attended to begin the days' services, and was led by different ministers.

Miss Carolyn Long was in charge of the Children's Service which convened during the morning Bible lessons. Different ministers gave the Bible lessons each morning. Each lesson was outstanding as well as the sermons in the following services, because of the way God blessed his people. Various other ministers gave the message each afternoon, and evening.

Rev. Dennis Huff and Mr. Dewey Flock were in charge of the Young People's services each evening at 6:30. The Reverends Ted Barker, Jack Cornell, and Edwin Modrick, were in charge of the song service for the evening worship hour, with Bro. Ted arranging the special music.

Wonderful meals were served 3 times a day under the able leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Busch. They were assisted by others who were quick to volunteer their services.

The watch-night service was held in the new Laverne, Okla., Church. For many years God has blessed with outstanding services during the annual watch-night service in Laverne. Due to Perryton being so close to Laverne, this tradition was honored and the last service was moved to Laverne.

Messieurs Report—

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followed the Lord in water baptism. But during the twelve weeks at Bible School, all of these experiences became realities in the lives of these young men.

Each night at 10:30, as dean of men, I would urge these men to go to bed! turn out the lights! be quiet! go to sleep! Again, each morning at 6:45 I made my rounds to each room and urged these same men to: GET!UP! spread up your beds! dress and go to breakfast! and start the day for the Lord.

There were class times and there were study times. There were prayer

times and there were times for songs and testimonies. There were times for visiting and informal singing with laughter. There were also times when we bore each others burdens of cares and distresses.

There were times that some of the men were sick. There were times when some of them were sad. But there were many hours of happiness and mirth as well. There also were times when the dean's wife mended pants and shirts or sewed on a button for a lad.

There were times when there were worries about the next day's assignment, memory-work or test. There were times that the dean was asked to answer questions about some other teacher's work. There were also times the dean was asked to explain some of his own work in the next day's Bible Doctrine class.

These were busy times. We compressed so much learning and activity into such a short space of time. But upon reflection, these were precious times.

In my reflections and meditations I think that some day, some man in his role as minister, teacher or dean, will reminisce: "This is the way it was, once when Bro. Jacob C. Regier was my dean in Baxter Springs, Kansas, in 1965.

It is so easy to preach "cream" and live skimmed milk!"

The Bible does not tell us exactly WHERE Heaven is, but it does tell us exactly HOW to get there.

We always want the Lord to work THROUGH us, but He wants to work IN us. If we let Him do the latter, He will also do the former!

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