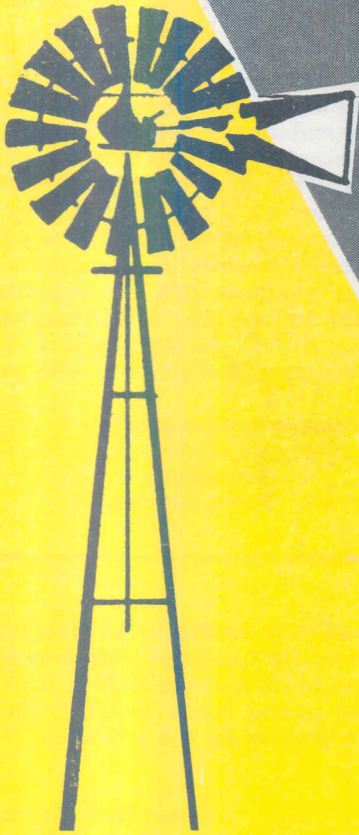


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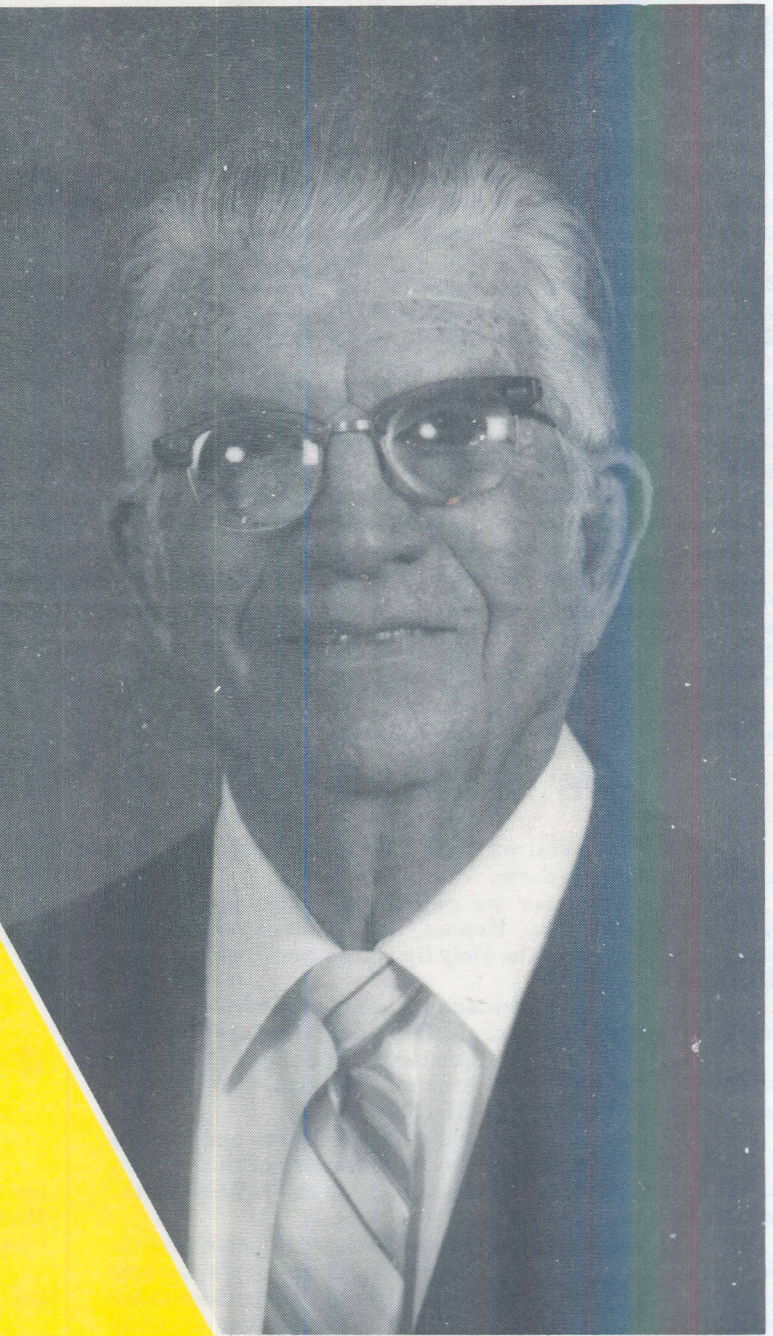
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*How
beautiful upon
the mountains are
the feet of him that
bringeth good tidings,
that publisheth peace;
that bringeth good tid-
ings of good, that publisheth
salvation; that saith unto Zion,
Thy God reigneth! Isaiah 52:7*



Rev. Jacob C. Regier

GREETINGS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

It has been good to be at Bible School this year. The Lord has blessed in so many wonderful ways. He has showered us with the Holy Spirit and His anointing. He has blessed us financially. He has given us beef and pork. He has given us various helps. Our people have responded in a wonderful way to see that the Work continues, and it has only been possible because God has sanctioned our efforts.

We are leaving on our Choir Tour that takes us from Ashland, Alabama to Rockdale, Texas. Eleven concerts have been scheduled in eleven of our churches. The group consists of two guitars, an accordion, and a keyboard player. Nine voices make up a combination of duets, quartets, and sextet ensembles. Thirteen arrangements are sung during the hour long program. The young people's testimonies are wonderful as they tell in their own words the Joys of the Lord they have witnessed. A positive message of love and appreciation is given in relating the purpose of Bible /school to the congregation. We are excited to be going and believe the Lord will bring healing to our people through the message of the songs and testimonies.

We are also excited to announce our "College On The Weekend" being held April 10 from 9:00 till 4:00 p.m.. Almost every class that is taught in Bible School will be represented during the course of lectures scheduled throughout the day. Grandparents and Parents are encouraged to attend to see for themselves what Bible School is all about. I feel in my heart, if people would only come and see, then they would understand more fully what a wonderful school the Lord has blessed the Apostolic Faith people with. High School Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to attend to get the feel and excitement of coming to Bible School. Actual class material will be presented during each session.

As a grand finale to our "College On The Weekend" we have scheduled an "Area-Alumni & Friends Banquet" to be held on April 10 from 5:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m.. A delicious dinner has been planned and Gospel Music will be the program. We are praying for a

tremendous turnout for the all-day activities.

Be now you have seen our financial report for the year, as well as for January and February in our recently published Newsletter. You have also been made aware of the current Apostolic Board of Trustees nominations that are taking place. The terms of Paul Clanton and Bill Watson are up and both men are willing to serve an additional term. We need much prayer for the direction of the Lord in this matter. Pray for your Pastor and your Church Board that they will be led when casting their votes.

I am still deeply concerned about our young families and am beginning to speak to various ministers about writing down some of their experiences they have had in the Ministry, and how the Lord provided for them and their families through the years.

Please begin to make your plans to attend the Bible School closing activities scheduled for May 5-7. There will be an alumni Banquet thanks to the coordinating efforts of Sister Yvonna Whiteley. Others are working with her, and are helping, but she is the one with the burden,

We are making available to our churches VBS Teams. These are Bible School students ready and willing to come to your church this summer and conduct a Vacation Bible School. This is a wonderful opportunity for the churches to use our eager young people. For further information and scheduling just call the office at (316) 856-3283.

Finally, I want to announce, that I will be taking a small promotional group to as many of our churches as possible this summer. I feel this is essential for the future of our school, so I ask a special kindness from our wonderful pastors, to allow us to return to your church this summer. If we haven't been to your church during the last two semesters, we want to make a special effort to be with you this summer.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Sincerely,
Savoy Grimmer

GIRL'S DORM REPORT

I am thankful for this opportunity to give a good report from the girls dorm.

This semester we gained a young lady Donna Banard and her baby, Kensie, from Campwood, Texas. Donna was filled with the Holy Spirit the first Sunday night after she arrived.

During a Wednesday evening service in mid February two girls, Mechele Doty and Christie Russell, were filled with the Holy Spirit and Cassandra Steed was sanctified. Several days later at chapel service Carolyn Sass was refreshed with the Holy Spirit.

There have been trials and victories and we are closer to each other and to the Lord because of this. When we support each other thru the trials we can rejoice together in victory.


We had a very special devotion with Sister Juanita Methvin Tuesday evening March 2nd. Since she is recovering from surgery, we have missed her in our services so we decided to go to her home. She was an encouragement to us telling how the Lord had been with her all thru the surgery and recovery. We had prayer and praised the Lord for the

Victory that He gave.

I'm very blessed to see God moving in the girls lives to make them more like Jesus. I'm trusting the experiences they've gained will help them go out and win souls to Jesus.

Everyone is excited getting ready for Choir Tour. We thank everyone for your prayers for the school and the girls dorm.

Sister Ruth Dearing
Dean of Women



Birth Announcement

Charles and Andrea Harris of Taneyville, Missouri are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Sydney Marie. Sydney was born August 24, 1992 at 6:29 p.m. . She weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Sydney has one big sister, Serena, who is 3 years old.

Grandparents are Roger and Martha Sims of Taneyville and Ron and Shirley Freshour of Columbus, Texas.

"HOLINESS"

.. By Mechele Doty

In this paper I will be expressing the thought on Holiness. There are many different ways of expressing the way Holiness is used. The meaning of Holiness is state or character of being Holy. The word used in Hebrew of the Old Testament for "holiness" is Kadhesh, while "holy" is expressed by Kadhesh, both connected with the denominative verb Kadhesh. The efforts to trace the origin of the idea from the etymology have not been satisfactory. The term Kadhesh in its application to God, however, implies throughout both etymologically and historically, a negative sense. If things and persons are not in themselves holy, but are so because they belong to God, holiness as applied to him must involve what is essential to his attributes as deity and what is worthy of him. But just what this involves is not stated in the Old Testament in any simple formula which is good for all steps in the development which the idea certainly went through.

Christ is the pattern, the sample, the exemplary cause, of our Sanctification. Holiness in us is the copy or transcript of the holiness that is in the Lord Jesus. As the wax hath line for line from the seal, the child limb for limb, feature for feature, from the father: so is holiness in us from Christ.

The seen but silent beauty of holiness speaks more eloquently of God and duty than the tongues of men and angels. The beauty of holiness beaming through the life of a loved relative or friend is more effectual to strengthen such as do stand in virtue's ways, and raise up those that are bowed down, than precept, command, entreaty, or warning. Christianity itself, I believe owe by far the greater part of its moral power, not to the precepts or parables of Christ, but to its own character. There is a moral omnipotence in holiness. Argument may be resisted; persuasion and entreaty may be scorned; but the thrilling appeals and motions of the pulpit, set forth with all vigor and logic, and all the glow of eloquence may be evaded or disregarded: but the exiliration of exalted piety has a might which nothing can withstand; it is truth embodied; it is the Gospel burning in the hearts, beaming from the eyes, breathing from the lips and preaching in the lives of its votaries. No sophistry can elude it, no conscience can ward it off. No bosom wears a mail that can brave the energy of its attack. It speaks in all languages, in all times and to all phases of nature, It is universal, invincible and clad in immortal panoply goes from victory to victory.

Christian holiness is no fabrication of man and differs as much from ritual and conventional sanctity as the temple filled with God differed from the same temple just as it was left by the builders hand. To be holy is not to be wrapped in entranced

and unearthly contemplation as was simon stylites and the so-called pillar saint. It is not to retire into solitude, to leave

the active duties of life and the trying anxieties of the church unto others with a view to gain that grace in seclusion which Christ has chiefly promised to impart to his people in fellowship (Eph 2; 5& 6) as did basil.

Holiness is the only means by which holiness can be diffused. It is like salt; its usefulness to others must begin with itself. The man who fails to persuade himself to be holy is sure to be unsuccessful with others. It is the wise man that can impart wisdom to others; it is the good man that can diffuse goodness; and it is only the holy man that can diffuse holiness. Every man can bring forth to others only out of the treasures deposited first in his own heart. He who undertakes to restore mankind to clear sightedness must be of clear and accurate vision himself; for he who has a beam his own eye is not likely to remove either beam or mote from the eye of the world. The person who is to remove health to others must not himself be fretting.

Holiness excludes selfishness. Its possessor loses himself in his mission; so that ease and honor and position and riches, and everything of the earth is as small dust of the balance.

The philosophy of holiness teaches us that all the primary colors in nature coalesce to make pure white; so does religion teach us that all christian graces combined to make that "holiness without which no man shall see the Lord". Objects that are purely white perfectly reflect all the prismatic colors of the rainbow; so does a holy heart. All those prim christian graces which conspire to make perfect christian character.

Without holiness there can be no such heaven as the New Testament reveals. There can be scenery of surpassing grandeur, Mts, woods waters, and skies most charming; but they do not make heaven. Although holiness of God has several referenes an immanent predicate of his nature, a transitive attribute of activity which moreover sustains a particular relation to love the doctrine of the atonement. As an immanent predicate of the divine Being, it designates the inmost and fundamental essence of God in which all other properties are embraced and from which all activities originates.

As you can see, I tried to express some of the ways holiness is used and defined as this paper has a lot of meaning, and is a very important step in our lives today.

Mechele is a second year student at A. F. B. C. . She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Frances Doty of Dripping Springs, Texas.



WOODWARD, OK.

Recently the church began Revival here in Woodward. The Lord has continually blessed us with His presence and in the Apostolic Faith Truths. Sunday, January 10, 1993, our morning service entitled, "Consider the Pharisee". ended in a wonderful recommitment and consecration by two individuals and prayer by all. The evening service, "In His Pavillion", was followed by a spirit of prayer and a unit of encouragement, revealing the true knowledge, God is our refuge. That evening, however, there was a spirit of opposition. Isaiah 59:19, was evident the following evening. "So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. WHEN THE ENEMY SHALL COME IN LIKE A FLOOD, THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD SHALL LIFT UP A STANDARD AGAINST HIM." And that evening, Monday the 11th, the victory was ours. As Sis. Crystal Cameron shared a song, "The Healer", with the help of Pastor Cameron, the spirit filled all that were present, causing us that were gathered to begin in prayer. Tuesday night the minister that was to share with us was unable to travel because of bad road conditions. That evening Gene Cox shared a special song, "They Could Not", A heart warming message, "Ephphata: Be Opened", followed. Pastor Cameron explained, "They could not, we cannot, we will not, if we don't receive sight of God's Will. Wednesday, "What Aileth Thee Now?" caused us to ask, "If I'm ok, and God blessed me so far, and I am open to His Will, What aileth me now?" One individual received special prayer, concerning his wall with the Lord. The Lord blessed him and gave him the victory he needed. Thursday, Pastor Roland Haney for Follett, Tx preached on "Faith in God", Pastor Cameron was unable to be there as he needed to work. We truly enjoyed all that was preached and the fellowship with those who attended that evening service.

"Persistence = Patience in Prayer", was the title of Friday's message, the pastor challenged us to "Pray a Pace". January 16, "Then Believed They, His Words", was a wonderful service. Sunday's evening message "Give of Your Abundance", inspired us to give all we have, that's all God expects of us. If from the heart we are giving from our treasure Matthew 6:21. January 18 (Martin Luther King Day), Pastor Cameron Shared, "Freedom In Chains Of Consecration". Tuesday's service, "Man of Sorrows" was also an inspiration to the price that was paid for our salvation and freedom. Gene Cox again shared with us "Jesus In Your Heart" a song that God laid upon her heart for that night's service. Wednesday, "What Can Be?", Bro Cameron declared, could be, if we would allow God to. This service encouraged me greatly. Thursday and Friday, the messages pertained to "Ye Are My Disciples", and "Cost of Discipleship".

I regret that Revival so soon came to an end, but trust God to continue to bless the work and ministry in our midst here at the Apostolic Faith Church her in Woodward. Pastor E. A. Cameron, encouraged our hearts and reminded us that Revival service may be approaching an end, but the "RAIN OF REVIVAL" will continue to fall, if we God's people continue to fall on our knees in Prayer.

AFBC MEN'S DORM REPORT

The Lord has been good to us this semester, His hand is not short in blessing his people neither does he forget those who diligently seek Him. The men are very dedicated and have truly sought the Lord this semester. They came to study the bible and seek the Lord. In so doing, the Lord has blessed time and time again. We have seen the Holy Spirit fill, heal, and deal with all of us. As the Dean of men, I feel tremendously blessed to work with such fine people and to see how the Lord can change lives.

The decision was made to move out of the dorm into the basement of the church for this semester. This was primarily to conserve energy, because the men are so few and the dorm is not very well insulated. Bro. Lee Oakes has undertaken to paint the unoccupied dorm and has progressed quite well with help from Bro. Emery Oakes, the students and myself. Their efforts have been greatly appreciated.

We are looking forward to choir Tour with anticipation of the Lord's continued blessings.

Please continue to support your Bible College by sending your young men and women, and faithfully carrying a burden for us.

Sincerely,

Paul H. Morrison, Dean of Men

GREETINGS FROM INDIA

Dear Friends in Christ,

As 1993 is beginning we have every reason to be thankful to the Almighty for blessings received. Many victories have been won for the Lord.

Our out-going students from HBC are 56 in number and we had our Graduation Service on 14th January 1993. Some of them will be sent to unevangelised areas the different States of India and we are specially seeking God's guidance in this matter.

The new Bible School started on 15th August last year in Ludhiana, Punjab has students who are converts from Sikh religion. They are facing a lot of opposition as they came out of non-christian background. India Gospel Outreach has been financing this new Bible School with 12 students and we Praise God for all that has been done. The graduation in Ludhiana was on 8th Jan. 1993. Pastor R. S. Abraham was able to visit a few churches in Rajasthan and Bombay during October and see personally how our evangelists are labouring.

The construction of our HBC building is progressing and we are thankful to all who have contributed for this through IGO.

After we returned from U. S. A. in September we were able to help the construction of Churches and parsonages in five places and contributing for purchasing plots in four new areas where worship takes place in small rented rooms. We are receiving appeals from several evangelists that they need money for buying plots and building churches. To maintain an evangelists single person in a new station it takes \$45.00 a month and for a family an average income of \$65.00 a month. Buying sewing machines and bicycles add to our needs and we know some of our friends are going to take up this projects in 1993. A bicycle costs \$100.00 and a sewing machine can be purchased with \$125.0.

For all the encouragement prayers and financial support we thank you dear ones in Jesus' name.

May the Lord bless and reward you.

Yours in Christ,
Bro. and Sis. T. S. Abraham

Who Made It?

...Author Unknown

Sir Isaac Newton had an agnostic friend who, like himself, was a great scientist. Drawn together by their mutual interest, they often argued about the existence of man and the universe.

One day Newton had a skillful mechanic design and make a replica of the solar system. In the center was a large gilded ball representing the sun. Revolving around this were smaller balls representing the planets in their proper order. The balls were geared by cogs and belts to move in perfect harmony by turning a crank.

As Newton sat reading in his study with his mechanism on a large table nearby, his fellow scientist stepped in. At a glance he recognized what was before him. Stepping up to it he slowly turned the crank and with undisguised admiration watched the heavenly bodies all move with their relative speed in their orbits.

"My! what an exquisite thing this is! Who made it?"

Newton replied, without looking up from his book, "Nobody."

Quickly turning to Newton, the infidel exclaimed, "Evidently you did not understand my question. I asked who made this thing."

Looking up now, Newton solemnly assured him that nobody had made it, but that the aggregation of matters just happened to assume the form that it was in.

"You must think I am a fool! Of course somebody made it, and he is a genius. I'd like to know who he is."

Laying his book aside, Newton arose and laid a hand on his friend's shoulder saying, "This thing is but a puny imitation of a much grander system whose laws you know. I am not able to convince you that this mere toy is without a designer and a maker . . . yet you profess to believe that the great original from which the design is taken has come into being without a designer."

At once the infidel was convinced. He became a firm believer that "Jehovah he is God" (I Kings 8:39).

"All things were made by him [Christ]; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men . . . As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name"

(John 1:33,4,12).



*Announcing
Easter
Convocation*

April 12-15

Apostolic Faith
Church
10th & Ave. D
Katy, Texas

Schedule of Services:

First Service Monday, April 12 - 7:00p.m.

Morning Prayer - 9:00 a.m.

Bible Lesson - 10:30 a.m.

No afternoon service

Evening Service - 7:00 p.m.

For further information contact:

Ted Barker

P.O. Box 199

Katy, TX 77492

(713) 391-3426 or (713) 391-3310

Tim Barker

P.O. Box 897

Katy, TX 77492

(713) 391-9076 or (713) 391-3310

- All meals provided*
- Hotel Rooms
(close to church)*
- Some rooms
available in homes*

SOUTH TEXAS YOUTH CAMP

Warda, Texas

July 5-9, 1993

Chairman: Edwin Waterbury
1405 W. Lang

Jan.-Feb.-Mar., 1993

LADIES RETREAT

Day of Refreshing

April 24, 1993

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Gospel Tabernacle

Granby, Missouri

For more information contact:

Pat Robinson

Box 205

Granby, Mo. 64844

Ph. (417) 472-6203

Lunch will be provided

4-STATE YOUTH CAMP

June 13 - 19, 1993

Baxter Springs, Kansas

Chairman: Joel Dorris

1811 Main

Galena, Kansas 66739

Ph. (316) 783-2433

PINE CREST YOUTH CAMP

June 20 - 23, 1993

Pine Crest, Mississippi

Chairman: Mike Brening

P. O. Box 248

Pine Hill, AL 36769

Ph. (205) 963-4742

PANHANDLE YOUTH CAMP

Sr. Camp June 6 - 11

Jr. Camp June 13 - 18

Laverne, Oklahoma

Chairman: Ron Seix

904 W. 7th

Liberal, Kansas 67901

Ph. (316) 624-5266

CAMP MEETING 1993

July 26 - Aug. 1, 1993

Baxter Springs, Kansas

Chairman: Elmer Christenson

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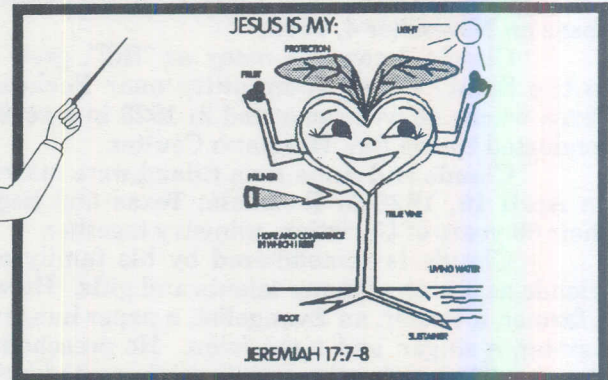
AFBC College On The Weekend

April 10, 1993

Pre-Registration Requested
 P. O. Box 110 Baxter Springs, Kansas
 Ph. (316) 856-3283

Schedule of Events:

- 9:00-10:00 Acts of the Apostles
- 10:00-11:00 Doctrine
- 11:00-12:00 Crucifixion of Christ
- 12:00- 1:00 LUNCH
- 1:00- 2:00 Sign Language
- 2:00- 3:00 Evangelism
- 3:00- 4:00 Prophecy
- 4:00- 5:00 FELLOWSHIP
- 5:00- 7:00 Alumni Banquet



Apostolic Faith Bible College Closing

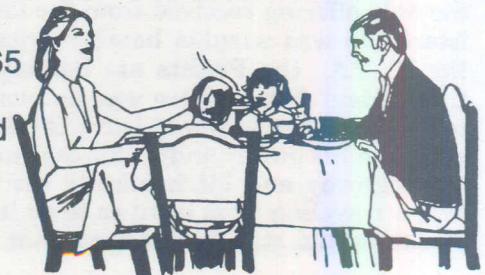
- MAY 5** –Final Choir Concert - 7:30 p.m.
- MAY 6** – Ordination and Dedication Service - 10:00 a.m.
 Commencement - 7:30
- MAY 7** – General Meeting - 9:00 a.m.
 Picnic - 12:00 Noon
 Alumni and Friends Banquet - 6:00 p.m.

AFBC-Alumni & Friends Banquet

May 7, 1993 - 6:00 P.M.

Ozark
 Christian College
 1111 No. Main
 Joplin, Missouri
 Tickets \$ 9.00

For Reservations
 Contact: Yvonna Whitey
 706 E 15 th
 Pampa, TX 79065
 1-806-665-1579
 or call 1-316-856-3283 and
 ask for Lyndel Arnall
 Coordinated by
 Area Representatives



Claude Oscar Pruitt

December 7, 1904 — November 4, 1992

Claude Oscar Pruitt, son of Henry and Emma Pruitt, was born on December 7, 1904 in Comanche, Texas and died quietly in his sleep in Brookshire Health Care Center in Brookshire, Texas on November 4, 1992.

Claude, known to many as "Bill", grew up in the Sandy Creek community near Rockdale, Texas where he was converted in 1923 in a revival conducted by the Rev. Hermann Coulter.

Claude and Anna Iona Eiland were married on April 19, 1926 in Rockdale, Texas and began their 66 years of Christian ministry together.

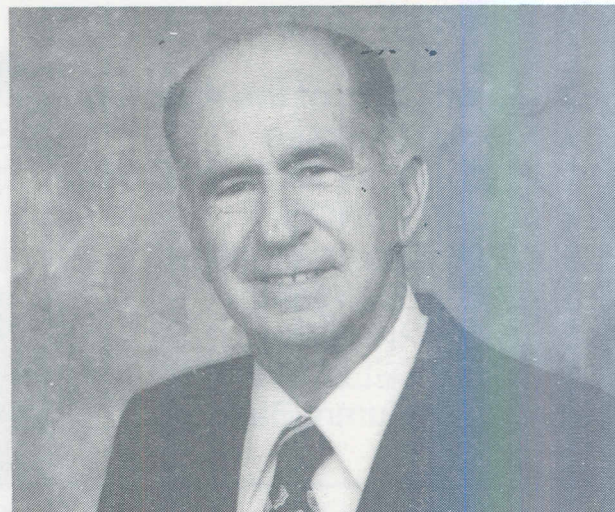
Claude is remembered by his family and friends as a man of many talents and gifts. He was a farmer, a Pastor, an Evangelist, a paper hanger, a painter, a singer, and a musician. He preached on the street in brush-arbors, in tents, in rented buildings and in the open air.

Claude received no formal training for the ministry, but became an avid student of the Bible and received great "on-the-job" training by working with many of the greatest Full Gospel ministers of the 20th Century. Because of their hospitality, the Pruitts entertained many of the pioneer Full Gospel ministers in their home, and many hours were spent discussing the scriptures with them.

Claude was a man of prayer and was regular and faithful in maintaining his devotional life. He believed in miracles, and took seriously the promise in the scripture that supernatural signs would follow believers. God honored his ministry by allowing him to see many souls gloriously saved, many sick bodies healed, blind eyes opened, deaf ears unstopped, demon cast out, and even the dead raised to life again. Claude was a man of faith and trusted God to supply his needs without resorting to hype or any kind of fund-raising gimmicks. He followed the example of the Apostle Paul and trusted God to supply his needs through God's people, but when God's people were unable to supply those needs, he was willing to work with his hands to provide for his family. He also learned to endure hardship, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. When the only offering received from the families he ministered to was surplus hominy grits, provided by the W. P.A., the Pruitts ate hominy grits - three times a day! When there was no money to put gas in the car, Claude would leave the family at home and take his guitar and a suit case and walk out to the highway and hitch hike to his next meeting. When traveling from town to town in ministry, the Pruitts would stay in any home that was opened to

them, and when no homes were opened, they would sleep in the car, or on the church floor, and even a few times on the ground!

Claude pioneered the first Full Gospel Church in Rockdale, Texas where he pastored for a number of years. He later pastored in Alief, Eagle Lake, Houston, and Ralls, Texas and Bokchito, Oklahoma.



A few years ago Claude felt a strong urge to move to Katy, so he could spend his final years among many of his long-time friends. Since he had lost most of his eyesight and could no longer drive, he wanted to be close enough that he could walk to church, if necessary. He purchased the present home in Katy and became an active member of the Katy Apostolic Church.

Claude will be remembered by many people for his love for his Lord, Jesus Christ, and for his devotion to the truth of God's Word.

The last memory his family has of Claude is hearing him pray as they prepared to leave him for what became the last time.

He truly was a man of PRAYER and a man of the WORD OF GOD!

He is survived by his wife Anna; a son, Rev. Earl Pruitt and wife, Ruth; daughters, Lois and Husband Ray Terrell, Janell and Husband Dennis Walker, and Lynda Pruitt.

*** DEADLINE ***
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Mary Nell (Crane) Lacy

April 9, 1922 — August 9, 1992

Mary Nell (Crane) Lacy was Born April 9, 1922 to Oliver Asa Crane and Elsie Mar (Watkins) Crane at Lovington, New Mexico. She departed this life on August 9, 1992, at the age of 70 years and 4 months after a brief illness.

Mary Nell attended the Southview and Lovington, New Mexico schools. In visiting with Leola, Mary Nell's sister, she tells that the best times of their childhood was when the family gathered around their Dad (who was very talented) as he played the violin and they all sang together. It seems they could always find things to laugh about. Leola remembers when she and Mary Nell would have differences about who was going to dress the dolls. After a discussion, Mary Nell usually dressed the dolls. Leola has such precious memories of Mary Nell.

Mary Nell gave her heart to the Lord at an early age, which sustained her through many trials of life. She renewed her vows to the Lord in 1974 and from that time on she was faithful to her calling as a prayer warrior. She loved going to church, attending the Apostolic Faith Church in Big Spring, Texas before moving to Marble Falls, Texas where she attended the Assembly of God in Kingsland, Texas.

Mary Nell's neighbor, across the street, speaks of the good times they had in going places together and also the good prayer and Bible studies they enjoyed. Everyone that knew her appreciated her ministry of prayer. You could call her and tell her of your need of prayer for a certain problem and you could depend on her for carrying a heavy burden for your needs. Mary Nell was a firm believer in prayer. Many times she could call and ask others to pray for her or her family and friends. She was a great lady of a great faith in almighty God.

She was preceded in death by her parents, as well as her three brothers, Elvin Elbert Crane, Harold Hershel Crane and Oliver Linnie Crane. She as also preceded in death by her loving husband George Lacy. She leaves to mourn her passing her son, Lonnie Howard, and her sister, Leola Hedrick, along with cousins, other relatives and many, many fiends. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. The greatest one thing that all will miss is her faithful ministry of prayer.

Funeral services were held at the Clements--Wilcox Funeral Home in Marble Falls, Texas, conducted by Rev. Bob G. Taylor and Rev. Cecil Van Hoose. Burial was beside her husband in the Marble Falls Cemetery.

Joe Morris

February 6, 1908 — January 26, 1993

Joe Morris, 84, lifelong Hardesty resident and Texas County pioneer, died Tuesday morning, January 26, 1993, at Ochlitree General Hospital in Perryton, Texas.

The son of Laura and J. P. Morris, he was born February 6, 1908, at the family homestead in the Grand Valley community. After living all his early years in the community east of Hardesty, his family moved to Texhoma where the children could attend school.

On Feb. 24, 1929, he married Harriette Rhoden in Panhandle, Texas. The Morris family farmed and ranched in the Hardesty area since that time. He was an active member of the Apostolic Faith Church in Hardesty where he had served on the board of trustees.

Survivors are his wife, Harriette Morris of the home; two daughters, Mrs Leslie (Julia) Hammer of Delray Beach, Fla., and Mrs. Joe (Roeann) Gibson of Ponca City, OK; one son, Jerry Jim Morris and his wife, Beverly , of Perryton, Texas; one son-in-law, Junior Shorb of Hardesty; four sisters, Annie Mathis of Central Point, Ore., Maggie Hale of Hardesty, Nola Bracken of Liberal, Ks., and Irene Murry of Beaver; one brother, Leonard Morris of Fairview; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Altha May, in 1933, and daughter, Clara Jo Shorb in 1991, one sister and three brothers.

Funeral services were conducted from the Apostolic Faith Church in Hardesty Friday, Jan. 29, at 2 p. m. with Bro. Ollie Kinser, pastor, officiating, and Rev. Harrol Waterbury, pastor of Full Gospel Church Perryton, assisting. A Joe Morris Memorial has been established for the Range Cemetery or the Apostolic Faith Church.

WHY NOT READ THE BIBLE THROUGH THIS YEAR?

"I supposed I knew my Bible,
Reading piece meal, hit or miss,
Now a bit of John or Matthew,
Now a snatch of Genesis.
You who treat the crown of writings
As you treat no other book--
Just a paragraph disjointed,
Just a crude, impatient look--
Try a worthier procedure,
Try a broad and steady view;
You will kneel in very rapture,
When you read the Bible through."

Your Good Neighbor
Radio Bible Hour, Newport, TN

Jacob C. Regier

Jacob C. Regier was born in Saskatchewan, Canada, and passed away Tuesday, January 12, 1993 in Amarillo, Texas at the age of 79. He moved to Perryton, Texas in 1921 from Enid, Oklahoma. He married Rosalie Chitwood in 1938 at Adrain, Missouri.

Bro. Regier was an Apostolic Faith evangelist, Bible teacher, and pastor for 58 years. . . in areas ranging from Texas to Wyoming and from Kentucky to California. Revivals and tent meetings took him to Oklahoma, Kentucky, Kansas, Texas, Missouri, Nebraska, Arkansas, Mississippi, Wyoming and California.

Bro. Regier's first pastorate was at Curtis, Oklahoma in 1938. Other pastorates included Seneca Street Church in Wichita, Kansas, Palm Springs, California, and Hardesty, Oklahoma. Texas pastorates included Vealmore (Big Springs), Center Point, Hempstead, Snyder, Edna (Wayside Chapel), Perryton, Dumas and Spearman. He also served as a Boy Scout Leader.

He taught in the Apostolic Faith Bible College at Baxter Springs, Kansas and authored the book, BIBLE DOCTRINE, which became the teaching standard for the college. He served as the govern-

ing board of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, and was the editor of the Apostolic Faith Report in the 1960's.

Since retiring from full-time pastoring, he and Rosalie faithfully attended the Perryton, Texas Full Gospel Church except when ministering elsewhere. He also shared in ministry to the Perryton Full Gospel Church congregation many times when his assistance was needed during his retirement years.

Jacob Regier was a master carpenter who built a number of churches and houses. He took great pride in designing and executing specialty items for his family and friends.

He was attracted to windmills as a young boy while growing up on the Texas Panhandle prairie. His keen interest in windmills developed into a hobby through which he accumulated a large variety of windmill memorabilia.

He was preceded in death by a son, Dale C. Regier. Survivors include his wife Rosalie; two daughters, Kaye Spradling of Houston, Texas, and Joye Watson of Booker, Texas; two sisters, Susan Delk of Spearman, Texas and Juliana Huff of Ada, Oklahoma; a brother, Frank Regier of Reedley, California; and five grandchildren.

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*Another beloved warrior
has laid his armour down,*

*He's exchanged his sword
and the shield of faith
for a robe and crown. . .*

*He was a "benchmark" in commitment;
he lived it every day,*

*He affirmed us - and blessed our lives
in his own unique way.*

*Was he perfect? Well, not quite . . .
but when he DID make a mistake,*

*He was quick to make amends,
lest he should cause a heart to ache.*

*He was "encouragement" to the young,
and "friendship" to us all,*

*He was any pastor's "pastor" . . .
on twenty-four-hour call.*

*He was a one-man "Fan Club"
when young ministers made a start,*

*"Ministry" was what he was about . . .
his was a loving heart.*

*If we needed a friend, he'd befriend us
every way he could.*

*We could depend on him . . .
when he said he'd pray, we knew he would;*

And when he prayed, we knew

that we were standing on holy ground. . .

*To hear him commune with God
was a blessing rich and profound.*

*For fifty-four years he lived wedding vows
he made to his wife,*

*It was a secret to none
that she was the love of his life!*

*How he loved his children . . . their mates . . .
and his grandchildren, too,*

*Touching their lives in tender ways
that only dads and grand-dads do!*

*He was "Christian" first . . . husband, father,
grandfather, man of prayer . . .*

*Preacher, teacher, carpenter, friend . . .
woodcrafter of treasures rare . . .*

*Counselor, windmill collector . . .
writer and editor, too,*

*Lover of the Panhandle prairie . . .
pillar of faith, tried and true.*

*We'll miss the wisdom and sharp wit
of this dear and gentle man,*

*But we'll join him some glad morning
in a better, fairer land.*

. . . Barbara Waterbury

"WHY DOES BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE"

by Bob Taylor

This question has entered the minds of so many of God's people. In the minds of these individuals, there has been much controversy. Satan has used this question to defeat many strong believers in the power of God. Well meaning christians have allowed themselves to be used by satan to destroy other people's faith in God. It has been so hard for good people to understand why bad things happened to them when they were doing all they knew to do to live for God.

Notice with us Hebrews 4:14-16, "Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession." For we have not an high Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Also in Hebrews 2:18, "for in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted." Had Jesus not been tried, in every way that we are tried, he could not have been able to succour us in our trials. The word succour means to give assistance, aid or help in time of need or distress. Jesus was a good person, one without sin, yet he had to have bad things happen to him in order that he might help us. Likewise, dear friends, until we have encountered our share of trouble, we can't be of real help to others in their times of trouble. God allows bad things to happen to good people to prepare them to help others.

Isaiah tell us (Isaiah 63:7-9), as he foretold of the life of Jesus here on earth . . . "I will mention the loving kindness of the Lord. In all our afflictions, he was afflicted. In love and pity he redeemed them . . . He bare them and carried them all the days of old." We see how Jesus was afflicted so He could help the afflicted.

Why does bad things happen to good people? In (John 11:35-36) we read how Jesus wept because of the death of his best friend, Lazarus. He not only had lost his best friend, but he remembered Mary and Martha were also flesh (Psalms..73:39). Jesus could have felt sorry for Mary and Martha but he could not have experienced their hurt and been able to sympathize with them had he not felt the loss of his best friend and wept also. Dear ones, we can not sympathize with others in their sorrow until we have experienced the loss of a loved one.

Jesus was "tempted in all points, like as we are, yet without sin", but Jesus was really tempted after 40 days of fasting (Matt. 4: 1-11). Satan attacked in the area of Jesus' life where He was the

weakest. Jesus therefore knows how to help us when satan attacks us at our weakest point. If those bad things have happened to us, when we are the weakest, then we understand how others feel and are more able to help them. . .

Good people have bad things happen to them because Acts 20:35 tells us that "we ought to support the weak, remembering it is more blessed to give than to receive". In Romans 15:1, the strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves." Again in Galations 6: 1-2 "If a man be overtaken in a fault, we that are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness: considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted". Good people are to bear one another's burden. We are a good person because we have a treasure in an earthen vessel (our bodies) and we always bear in our bodies the dying of the Lord Jesus. As a child of God, who has had bad things happen to us, we can help others in similar circumstances (II Cor. 4: 5-12).

There was given to Paul a thorn in the flesh (II Cor. 12: 7-10) At first, Paul ask God to heal him of this infirmity but since God made him aware that there was a purpose for this physical handicap, Paul said, "My strength is made perfect in weakness." "I will glory in my infirmities". Verse 15, "I will gladly spend and be spent for you! It was Paul's thorn in the flesh that made him great! He could understand people's problems in a much better way. Paul always placed himself in other people's situation so he could understand where they were coming from and be able to help them thru the time of trial. (I Cor. 9: 19-23).

Paul advises us (Hebrews 13:3 to "remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them. And them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body. " When we have been bound with that particular sin, we are more able to help them that are bound with that particular sin. Can we place ourselves in other people's problems and situations? No, not unless we have experienced similar bondages. God allows us to suffer to get us in a position to help someone else. Great spiritual leaders of the Bible were not saints when God called them. God chose people with problems in their lives so they could understand where you and I are coming from.

If you are going thru a severe trial, rejoice! If you are in the heat of a spiritual battle, rejoice! God is preparing you for service in helping someone else who is in a similar battle or going thru a trial very much like the one you are going thru now. God allows bad things to happen to good people so they can be of help to others along life's way.

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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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