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Editorial Wanted— Spirit Filled Temples

Houses take on the personality of the occupants. This has been an interesting observation of mine with moving from parsonage to parsonage. No two people make a house look the same. I have never visited a house where we used to live that looked or seemed the same with others living in it. Our habits, tastes, likes and dislikes come through in the personality of our home. Some have a knack for interior decorating and their tastes for the "best" comes through everywhere you look. While others of a more conservative nature, may still have "early, parsonage" furnishings though they may do the best with what they have. The main structure of the house doesn't change but the atmosphere and the mood do. It looks different than when the last family lived there and it will look yet different again when the next occupants move in. Like it or not the house you live in looks like you.

Our bodies are the temple of the Spirit of God, so the Bible tells us, if we have given ourselves to Him. The casual observer can tell who's living in your temple. If it's the Spirit of God His personality will come through - in our walk, our talk, and every action of our lives. If Self still reigns in our temple that is also very evident to those looking on. Oh, how we need Spirit-filled lives today! Lives that radiate the sweet Spirit of Christ. Lives that show forth His habits, tastes, and virtues to the passer-by. When He reigns supreme in our temples He'll rearrange some things. He may kick out something we held near and precious but he'll replace it with something far better. He'll change the dull drab color scheme to the warmest vibrant shades. Love, hope, peace and joy will radiate from the Spirit-filled temple. No need to hang out a "under new management" sign. It will be noticed by all we come in contact with.

Did you ever wish you had what it takes to let someone else fix your home up with the latest and best. Not very many of us will ever be able to do that. But Spiritually speaking we can hire the best interior decorator heaven can afford and If you're big enough to step out of the way and let Him have control, He'll amaze you with what He can do with what you have. Whose personality does your temple have? It can be SPIRIT-FILLED.

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy, for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

I Cor. 3: 16 and 17

"The world can always tell the difference between a vessel that is over-flowing and one that is simply 'wet on the outside'. 'Be ye filled with the SPIRIT!'

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Attention!!!!!

We need old Apostolic Faith Papers. We are trying desperately to get at least one copy of all the papers that have been printed in years gone by. We would like to bind them in volumes to always be with the Report and the Bible School. We have copies from 1954 till the present and we have scattered copies in the early fifties and some in the forties, hardly any in the thirties and none earlier than that. If you have some old copies and would be willing to donate them so we can preserve them in volumes for our movement; Please send them to the Report Box 658. While we are in this office down town we have plenty of room to spread out and work on this project. We might not be so fortunate in that respect after Bible School closes. Please help us with this project. That address is; The Apostolic Faith Report, Box 658, Baxter Springs, Kansas 66713. If you don't wish to mail them send them to us by some one that is coming this way. Thank you.

Your Editor

We have not heard from Sis. Edna Schultz directly, but we hear from several reliable sources that her recovery is remarkable and she is praising God for His touch. Her sister has gone back to work, and Sis. Edna is able to help some around the house. She is able to eat well and is regaining her strength. Sis. Edna and Sis. Lula Parham are both living evidences of the miraculous power of God. We rejoice with them.

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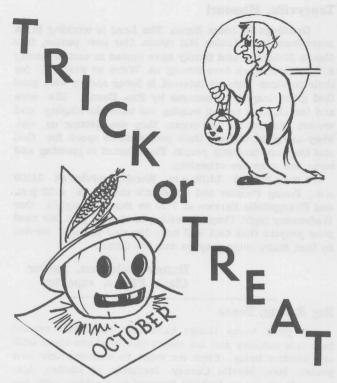
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by Henrietta Holdeman, Perryton, Texas

In a few days the evening air will be pierced by children's voices saying, "trick or treat". Most homemakers are supplying themselves with plenty of treats for the little ghosts and goblins.

The words spoken by our little masked visitors will imply a choice on our part — "trick or treat". If we fail to treat them we can expect a trick from them.

I wonder if we ever think how often we have the same choice in our every day living. Suppose a neighbor, or a salesperson is rude to us. We have a choice either to harbor a resentment and trick ourselves into the misery that brings or we may treat ourselves by flinging the resentment out of our minds and remembering only the good times we've shared with that neighbor or the nice salespeople we've known.

Everyone has times of depression when we feel lonely and friendless and unloved. Here again we have a choice. We may trick ourselves into self pity and self-ishness or we may treat ourselves to pleasure by doing something kind for someone. It is amazing how an act of genuine kindness for another will dispel the dark clouds of depression,

The world is troubled and tense today. Cold fear clutches at hearts as we know of wars, hydrogen bomb threats, etc. We may trick ourselves by dwelling on this and worrying until we are actually ill, or we may treat ourselves to peace of mind and heart by surrendering our lives to Christ and doing what we can to make the world about us a better place to live.

It boils down to the decision Joshua asked of the Israelites in Joshua 24:15, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve".

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Apostolic Faith Church Bulletin Guymon, Oklahoma

Judg. 7:13: "A cake of barley bread tumbled into the can of Midian, and came unto the tent, and smote it that it fell and turned it upside down."

Many times we get the idea that deeds are too small or too ordinary to be of importance, yet I can think of some incidents which were considered very insignificant when they happened, but which were the forerunners of important events. I will mention them and you may state what followed as a result of their happening. A woman gave an apple to her husband (driven from the Garden of Eden). A boy watched the selling of slaves in New Orleans (Lincoln freed the slaves). A cow kicked a lantern over (Chicago fire). A spider fastened its web after many attempts (Bruce returned to win a battle). A traitor bestowed a kiss (Christ was arrested and crucified).

Small acts often result in large consequences. The mere pushing of a button will change a room from darkness to light, or from light to darkness; there is only the turn of a wheel between the highway and the ditch; there is just the turning of a switch between a wreck and a clear track.

We are so eager for the large and spectacular that we too often fail to perform the smaller deed which may be very important. We may see the large gift made by some wealthy person, and wishing we were able to do as much, we neglect to bring the little which we are able to give. We see the terrible crime of some one, but pass by our own little lie. We see the great kindness of some important person, but neglect the kindly word of thanks or praise which we could give to those near us. We hear of a fearful accident and the wreck of some soul, yet we fail to watch carefully the direction in which we are turning our own lives. We admire the glorious religious faith and courage of some one far away, while we neglect our own prayers and conscience.

Things are large or small according to what comes of them when they are ended. Let us keep watch over even those actions which seem insignificant, for they may be the beginning of a habit or practice having larger consequences than we now realize.



Roswell, New Mexico

We are glad to report that God is still blessing us in Roswell. We had a real good summer as God kept His protecting hand over us as we traveled on vacations. It is so good to know that God will go with us.

We have had several visitors with us this summer. We enjoyed so much having them. Every sermon, song, and testimony was certainly a blessing to us.

We are glad to report that Bro. and Sister Crowhurst and family are going to be with us another year. Everyone is happy. We pray for God's richest blessings to be theirs.

Sister Peggy Crowhurst directed our VBS in August. It was a very good school and everyone worked real hard to make it so. It is a thrill to hear children and young people stand and quote scriptures from memory.

The church has been blessed by having Bro. and Sis. Jim Hammock and family move here from Anchorage, Alaska. After several years of traveling with the Air Force, they have come back here to make this their home. We pray God's best will be theirs.

Remember us in your prayers, that our church might grow spiritually and in numbers.

Jerome Crowhurst, pastor Joann Hall, reporter

Granby, Missouri

The Lord is truly blessing in our labors at Granby. He is showing himself more real every day. We have been blessed with revival fire from heaven with several new converts adding to the number in our services.

Your prayers are requested concerning our work. We have a very busy schedule ahead of us this month. October the 5th will start it with Vickie and the Royal Airs performing at the East Newton Gymnasium, south of Granby on 86 highway at 7:30 p. m. The 11th through 16th Brother Charles Tomley, a converted Jehovah Witness, now spirit filled, will be holding revival services nightly. Brother Tomley has traveled and taught nation wide. In concurrence with the revival, the Bible School Choir will sing Thursday night, October the 12th.

Taneyville, Missouri

Greetings in Jesus Name. The Lord is working in a marvelous way, Praise His name. Our new pastor, Rev. Danny Robinson, and family have moved in and are doing a wonderful work here among us. We're so grateful for their services. Lots of interest is being shown with good God given inspiring messages by Bro. Danny. His wife and the children are all helping out with the singing and we are grateful for the organ they are letting us use. They are good mixers; their personalities speak for God and they are reaching people. The interest is growing and some new ones are attending.

We have S.S. at 10:00 a.m., Worship service at 11:00 a.m., Young Peoples and Children's church at 6:30 p.m. and Evangelistic Service at 7:30 on Sunday nights. Our Wednesday night Prayer meeting is at 8:00 p.m. We need your prayers that God will have his way in each service so that many souls may be won for Christ.

Danny Robinson, pastor Clara Pierce, reporter

Big Spring, Texas

A great many things have been happening around here this summer and we would like to share them with our readers today. First we want to welcome our new pastor, Rev. Myrtle Carney, formerly of Hinton, Alabama. Everyone is looking forward to working with her in this capacity. We have started a new youth program and it is under the direction of Miss Betty Carney. At present the youth are working toward buying a piano for the Youth classroom.

Many hours of hard work have been put in recently by the members of our church in a face-lifting program for the church and parsonage. This program involves repainting of the inside of our church and parsonage and hanging new drapes in both.

We would like to extend a cordial invitation to the ministers and gospel workers of our faith to come by and worship with us. Our address is:

Rev. Myrtle Carney, 1307 Goliad St., Big Spring, Texas 79720 Phone 915-263-7144

> Carolyn Boyd, Secy. Myrtle Carney, pastor

Guymon, Oklahoma

Sunday, September 11 we had an all singing service in the evening with David Lively. We are happy to have Kenny Priest's brother, Steve, his wife, Linda and their two children with us. We have Ladies Prayer and Share Group every Wednesday at 9 a. m. at the Book Shack and our Men's Prayer Breakfast every Thursday at Denny's at 6 a. m. Good News Club meets at Mrs. Mason's on Saturday at 4 p. m.

Our attendance the last four Sundays has run from 120 to 155. We are thanking the Lord for good attendance.

Edwin Modrick, pastor

Pampa, Texas

Greetings to you from the Pampa Chapel—We are all back in the "harness" so to speak and ready to do exploits for our God. We have had a good summer and now the fall activities have begun. Our ladies meeting for prayer and Bible study have begun again. We have our little Kylon Waterbury now and have had the shower for him. Both he and his mother are doing fine. Bro. and Sis. Cornell were our visiting ministers one Sunday. Our Pastor is always happy for anyone to come by anytime. We have begun the Youth Rallies again and will have them on Saturday night instead of Sunday afternoons, which will be better for our ministers. We are glad to have the Austin Suttons in Dumas and they will share in the Youth Rallies.

I found this poem and would like to share it with you.

Hold On

When the trials of life are beating against my soul in torrents loud,

When it seems that all is darkness, and my head in sorrow bowed.

Then comes the softest whisper, sweet as angels' seraph song,

"I am God of ALL your battles, Christian friend, Hold On"

When the devil's host is shouting, and it seems no help is nigh,

When my soul cries out for comfort, Oh, for strength to fight I cry.

Then again I hear that whisper, "After darkness comes the dawn,

Night will pass and day will follow, Christian Friend, Hold On".

God has never left His children, though it seems so for a day,

Back behind the cloud He's waiting, and the devil's hand will stay,

He has placed a hedge about you, you are still your Father's son;

Just look up and keep believing, Christian Friend, Hold On.

There will be a bright tomorrow, it will be better than today,

God will give you strength for weakness, look to Him and Watch and Pray . . .

He will come with sure deliverance, soon your darkness will be gone,

You are just like the sparrow, Christian friend, HOLD ON!

Edwin Waterbury, pastor Anabel Simmons, reporter

Kings Mill, Texas

The Lord has been good to us and we have been blessed in our services. We enjoyed the warm welcome from the various ministers at the last ministers' meeting in Pampa. Sunday, September 17th our attendance was 30. After worship service we had a church dinner with almost that many showing up again. There is a lot of opportunity to see things accomplished in Kings Mill. Pray for us that we may be a blessing.

Rev. and Mrs. Lyndel Arnall, pastors

Canyon, Texas

On July 22, 1972, at 1 p. m. we had the ground-breaking for our new Bible Education Building on the West Texas State University campus. Bro. Marcus Adair was the master of ceremonies. Dr. Gordon Downing, Director of the Bible Department of West Texas State University gave the invocation. Dr. James Cornette, President of the University was the speaker for the event. We also had a trio by Ann Hays, Velora Cummings, and Russell Peck.

We were privileged to have Bro. Rene Heil, Bro. Kenny Priest, and Bro. Harold Bollinger with us. These men have worked with our students in the past and we were glad they could come for this new step in our outreach upon campus.

Our trustees are Ezra Simpson, Wesley Spencer, Donald Flowers, M. L. Scott, and Wayne Huff. The trustees that were present drove the stakes and laid off the bounds for the building.

The Apostolic Faith Outreach Advisory Board is made up of the following men: Roland Busch, Wallace Ditto, Gene Allen, Raymond Barker, M. M. Peck, Glen Cummings, Wilbur Fullbright, Eldon Bollinger, F. Wayne Howard, Jerry Howard, Stacy Botter, and Gary Peterson. Those that were present participated in the ground-breaking.

Faith Chapel Singers closed the service by singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic." They were accompanied by an accordian and two trumpets. This was very inspiring to all who attended.

We praise God for this Bible Education Center which He is making possible for us to have on campus. Through Bible courses being offered to the University students and counciling services we will be able to reach out in a greater way to our young adults of today.

We are happy to have our new pastor in Canyon now. Bro. and Sis. Jack Cornell and their family have come to assist Bro. and Sis. Adair in the work here. With new fields open unto us, Bro. Adair has needed some full-time help and we are happy that the Lord has sent us some. Bro. Adair will be director and coordinator of our total program but especially the student activities and Bible Education Center. Bro. Jack Cornell will pastor our church and assist Bro. Adair in our college ministries.

Pauline Ditto, reporter

Alvin, Texas

Sunday morning, September 24, Rev. K. Kerr will be our speaker for our Homecoming service. We will have dinner on the ground and at 2:30 that afternoon, Vicki and the Royal Heirs will be with us for a singing. Our revival with Bro. Harrol Waterbury begins that night at 7:00 o'clock. Recently four were saved in our regular Sunday morning service. We call our Wednesday night service Family Night. Ray and Martha Harvey have a service for children ages 4-12 and there is Bible lessons and prayer for the rest.

September 18 - 23 was a week of prayer seeking God for a real revival. The church was opened from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m. each day.

Jimmy Wallis, pastor

Ted Barker



Ronnie Martin



Shari Cook





Delvin Wiles



Louise Sutton



Jacob Regier

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Ted Barker, Superintendent

Greetings from the Apostolic Bible College again. With grateful thanks to our God for all His bountiful gifts, we bring a report of victory from the school. We have had 61 enrolled with an average attendance of 58. We have had eight wonderfully saved and baptized in water. Many personal victories have been won as a chain prayer and fasting has been a part of our school almost since the starting day.

The class work has been of excellent quality and seems that most students are really applying themselves. There has been a very good interest in our choir this year with many invitations being offered us to sing God's praises.

All in all, this appears to be one of the most spiritual schools and the majority of the students are of top quality.

My thanks again to our movement and friends of our school who have given so generously of their prayers and other support for the success of this school.

May I suggest that you team up with some friends and come visit the school this year. The greatest way to find out how things are going here, is to come and see first handed.

Our sincere thanks to Sis. Busch for the promotional material published in this paper in behalf of the Bible College.

Sincerely, Ted Barker, Supt.

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT HISTORY

As we look back upon the first four and a half weeks of school, we are looking upon history. This short segment of history is found to be interesting and exciting. We have found a spirit of hungers and investigation of the Word of God, and with this Spirit there has followed blessings and rewards supplied by the Almighty God. These victories have been very evident in lives by testimony and changes in daily living.

The History classes have devoted much time to the evaluation of the ancient historical background of each division. We have tried to lay a foundation to sustain our building of knowledge of the valuable and necessary information that is contained in the Old and New Testaments.

The future invites a tremendous challenge with many thrilling rewards as we continue to investigate God's Word.

I also am teaching a Speech Class three days a week. We have accepted the challenge to communicate with man in an effective manner. The value of this task is unlimited.

Our Spiritual life demands that we take the Gospel to our neighbor so he can find and understand God's love. Therefore, we are left with the responsibility to educate ourselves to carry out our mission.

We are endeavoring to present the fundamental instruction to the students for the proper public speaking procedure.

DELVIN D. WELLS, BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS

Letters from our AFBC Teachers

MUSIC THEORY, PIANO ORGAN AND VOICE

Especially in the ranks of Pentecostal churches, music is a vital part of every worship service. What would Camp Meeting be without a good choir to sing praises unto the Lord, or Youth Camp without the young people singing choruses to praise God?

Bible School is the best place in the world for Young People who have never had an opportunity to study music to cultivate their music potentials for service to the Lord. There are 35 students who are enrolled in some form of music class, and several of these are in two or three music classes, trying to the best of their ability to learn music that they may be better workers in our churches.

Pray for these who are working so diligently in learning to put their talents to use for the Lord's work, and let us not fail to use them when they return to their home churches, so that their talents may abound.

Shari Cook

Doctrine No. 1, Doctrine No. 2

House Mother Men's Dormitory

We have thirty-five first year students in our Doctrine No. 1 class. They are very fine students and have shown a real desire to study God's word. We have had some good discussion in class which is beneficial to all of us. We have learned to use our Bibles and consider the importance of studying sound doctrine and what sound doctrine is. We have also learned how this movement came into existence. Now we are really beginning to get into real doctrine lessons.

We have twenty-two second and third year students in Doctrine No. 2 class. We are endeavoring day by day to be led of God in our deeper studies in this class. Some times our time is spent in prayer and some times telling of God's goodness to all along with our studying. This class is a real inspiration. God has answered prayer in a gracious way as we search His word. All of us are striving to deepen our lives in God.

I also have twenty-one young men in the men's dormitory. They have been wonderful and a real blessing. They have carried on a chain prayer and chain fast program which has brought much victory. Several of these young men have found God since coming to Bible College. It's a real joy to see them grow spiritually each day. We appreciate the burden they carry for each other and the school. Pray for me that I will have wisdom from God to help and be a strength to those in need of help.

Louise Sutton

EVANGELISM

I have 25 students in my class this year. I feel that they are a great bunch. They are very enthusiastic. In fact, this class, with the help of some of the other students, sponsored a "Youth Explosion" September 11-15 in the City Park here in Baxter. There were 13 souls saved and we felt that this was worth every effort put forth.

The class has been very interested in witnessing to others and feel that that NOW is the time to something for Jesus Christ. We ask that you pray for each of these students and USE them in your churches when they come home.

RONNIE MARTIN, GRANBY, MISSOURI

Prophecy I and II

This finds us in the fifth week of the 1972 term of the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kansas. We are progressing nicely and praise the Lord for His presence in our activities and classes.

Sister Rosalie and I are living in the apartment that is provided for us by the Bible College. This year we are enjoying the addition of the small kitchenette cabinet which makes it possible for Sister Rosalie to prepare some of our meals at home. She is busy most of the time with various duties and chores that fall her lot. Both of us send our greetings to our friends. We want to say thank you for your prayers and support.

I want to especially say thank you for the prayers that have been going up for my healing. The ministers of the Texas-Oklahoma-Kansas district called a fast and prayer day for my healing. I believe that God heard and answered. My health is better and I am doing much better every day. May God bless all of you.

I have 14 men and 20 ladies in the Prophecy I class. Six of these are married folk. So far in our study we have explored these subjects: 1. The Bible, The Book of Prophecy, 2. Why Study Prophecy? 3. True Prophets and False Prophets, 4. The Creation, 5. The King-Line From Adam To Christ, 6. Moses In Relation To Prophecy and in the future weeks we plan to study the prophecies relating to the First and Second comings of Christ as well as Judgments and Rewards In Prophecy.

There are 8 men and 11 ladies in our Prophecy II class. In this class we are studying the finer details of such subjects as: 1. The Times Of The Gentiles, 2. The Seventieth Week Of Daniel's Prophecy, 3. The Rapture, 4. The Anti-Christ's Rule And Fall, 5. The Judgments, 6. The Millenial Reign of Christ, 7. The New Heaven and The New Earth and 8. The Reward Of The Wicked.

I am pleased with the attitude and attention of all our students.

Sincerely, In Christ, Jacob C. Regier



Gail Greene



Craig Waterbury



Joe Randolph



Diana Gorrell

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GAIL GREENE, DENVER, COLORADO

Love is God's greatest gift. Without a doubt, the Apostolic Faith Bible College has been truly blessed with this gift.

The love between all the students and the deep spirituality felt by all has not only increased and deepened my faith, but it has drawn our school very close.

I want to praise the Lord for the privilege of just being here at Bible College. I also want to thank Him for all the opportunities He has given me. There have been many times I have failed Him but I'm so grateful that He has never forsaken me.

JOE RANDOLPH, PERRYTON, TEXAS

Praise God for His many blessings! But most of all I praise Him for the opportunity to come to Bible School. I did not have any plans made to come to Bible School and in fact did not even want to. I knew that it was best to come but did not want to accept the fact. After I had paid all my college fees I still felt I must go. So, a friend, Lonnie Bowles, and I checked out of school and made our way to Baxter. Thank God for his convicting power and saving grace. And thank God for the opportunity to be around kids who are trying their best to serve the Lord. It is not easy here, but with the Lord's help we grow and become grounded in the things of God. May I ever be an humble servant for Jesus Christ, because He has saved me from my sins.

CRAIG WATERBURY, LIBERAL, KANSAS

I couldn't really begin to tell everything that God has done for us here at Bible School. His blessings have been many and great. Every day Jesus grows more precious to me.

I wish to express, along with the rest of the students here, our deepest and most sincere thanks to every member of this movement, whose foresight and generosity have provided us with this chance to become anchored in God's Word. Pray for the school and God's richest blessings to all of you.

DIANA GORRELL, WICHITA, KANSAS

Bible School means so much to me. I can hardly put it into words. When I came to Bible School I knew I wanted to learn more about the Word of God, but I didn't realize what else was in store for me. I came to Bible School as a shy person who was afraid to say much because of what people might think. I knew to be a better witness for the Lord I had to get a victory over that. The Lord showed me that through prayer I could get the victory. I really prayed about it but I just couldn't get the victory. The Lord said humble yourself and ask your friends to pray with you. I sure didn't want to but I did and the Lord gave me the victory I needed. Since then I have learned the love of true Christian fellowship and the joy and peace that the Lord gives when we do His will.

from Students of the APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE COLLEGE 1972

GLENDA BENSCH, LOGAN, OKLAHOMA

It is really a great privilege to be able to attend Bible School! I am truly thankful He has made a way for us to have an indepth study of God's word through the many hours of preparation by our dedicated teachers.

Sharing Christian Love and Fellowship with other friends is truly an experience from God and no man can take this experience from us.

I have drawn closer to God since I have come to Bible School and His Holy Presence has been so near! I love Him so much and it is my desire to do His Will and always put Him first in my life.

DAVID STUMP, HARDESTY, OKLAHOMA

First of all, I hadn't planned on coming to Bible School. I was going to go to College. But, for some reason that I did not know, I decided to go here even after Bible School had already started. So, I got packed and came. After I got here I still wondered why I came. I didn't like the kids and I didn't like the food. I didn't like the kids because I didn't think that they had anything in common with me and I didn't like the food because we never had potatoes but always rice. But after three or four weeks of school I got saved and I think surely. He has some purpose for me being here now. Also, I think I have two of the best Christian parents in the whole world because if I didn't there is no telling where I would be today because I was about as low in sin as you could get. But thanks to God He didn't think that I was too bad to be saved!



Cooks: Lee and Ione Brock with Deanna Barker ready to serve hot homemade bread to Bible School



Glenda Bensch



Mary Beeler



David Stump



Karen Pletcher

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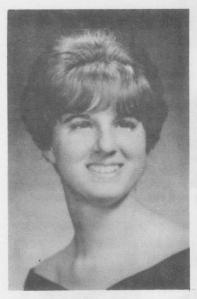
MARY BEELER, JOPLIN, MISSOURI

I love God today because God is our source of love. If we don't love God, we can't really love anyone else. Words cannot express the fullness and the completeness God has given me during this Bible School. The students here are beautiful people. They are searching for God and finding the needs of their own hearts. Here at the Bible School, we share many of our problems; we have a fellowship that's closer than a brother or sister; but most of all we love our neighbor. Jesus is truly my personal Saviour and I love Him with all my heart.

KAREN PLETCHER, BARKSDALE, TEXAS

I want to praise the Lord for His daily presence within the people at Bible School. Each one of us has been growing spiritually and have been blessed to overflowing constantly. The Lord has really opened my eyes to His love and grace in which we grow daily. I feel that this year at Bible School will be greatly remembered by all who attended for the Lord has worked so harmoniously within each of our lives. Many students are beginning to realize the preciousness of the desires which we can have through Christ.

The Evangelism class has had their eyes opened to the importance of soul winning for Jesus. Many have never before realized the necessity of taking each step toward consecration and dedication in their own lives. I want to thank the Lord for opening my eyes to His Will and for the change that He has made within me.



Salutatory Address

Gale Pletcher,

Battle Mountain,

Nevada

May 19, 1972

Ladies and gentlemen, what have you done with your lives? I can almost hear you answering—I'm a teacher, I own a restaurant. I'm a housewife with three children. Or of course, there's always I work at Duval.

Fellow graduates, what do you plan to do with your lives? I can imagine the answers. I've often heard them before—I'm gonna be a cowboy. I suppose I will pump gas. I want to get married. I'm going to school to become a teacher, a doctor or a secretary.

But, allow me to word the question a little differently, suppose I ask, "What is your purpose? Why are you living?"

Well-known entertainer Pat Boone asked, "What purpose, besides money should spur us on in our search for a life's work?" The opportunities fall into two major categories: Creativity and Service. These have been broken down into thirteen fields. Work to feed people, shelter them, supply the daily needs, to protect people, transport them, inform them, entertain them, to heal, help, improve their spiritual life, their material life, and to serve all the people. A homemaker is busy doing all of these jobs.

When an ambulance arrived at a house where help was needed, the driver found a young lady unconscious on the floor. They also found three suicide notes which said that she had nothing to live for; her life had no purpose. Incidents such as these are becoming more and more common today.

If, your business is your life, WHAT do you do when your business fails? If you live only for your children, WHERE do you turn when their laughter is replaced by tombstones?

Rebellion, rioting, hippies, students mixed up with drugs, alcohol and witchcraft, rock and folk singers, all have one thing in common . . . they are searching . . . searching for a purpose!

American millionaire Jay Gould, said when dying, "I suppose I am the most miserable man on earth." Although it was HIS PURPOSE to accumulate money, it could not help him when he was dying.

Ludwig Van Beethoven, musician and composer, said, "I close my eyes with the blessed consciousness that I have left one shining tract upon the earth."

And Benjamin Disraeli said, "The secret of success is consistency to purpose."

Some time ago, a child was born in a foreign country. As the years passed, he grew and matured in every way. He could have been a carpenter all his life, but God had another purpose for Him. After three years of teaching love and peace, He knelt in a garden, and prayer, "Not my will, but Thine be done." The chief religious leaders thought Him a threat to their religion, so they arrested Him. His trial was unjust and unfair. He was whipped with a leaded thong, thorns were placed on His head, crowds passed by, beating Him and spitting in His face. He bore it all without a word-And then, they nailed Him to a wooden cross by His hands and feet. And God's Son, Jesus Christ, died there for us. After being buried in a tomb, He miraculously came back to life the third day! God's PURPOSE had been carried out. It was written that the Messiah must suffer and die and rise again from the dead on the third day, Why? So the message of salvation could be taken from Jerusalem to all nations: There is forgiveness of sins and a promise of eternal life for all who believe on Jesus Christ.

God has a purpose, plan, and design for every life. Some reject His plan completely by refusing His Son as their Saviour. In the book of Ecclesiastes we read, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is the whole duty of man." You can't feel much joy, satisfaction, or accomplishment in life unless you follow God's plan for you.

In Psalms Chapter 103, verses 15 and 16, we read, "As for man, His days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth, the wind passeth over it, and it is gone, and the place thereof shall know it no more." Earthly life is short, so don't waste the years; MAKE YOUR LIFE COUNT!!

(Gale is the daughter of Floyd and Julia Carol Pletcher. We are proud of her and think she should be commended for her speech. It is so refreshing after all that is publicized by our youth of today.)

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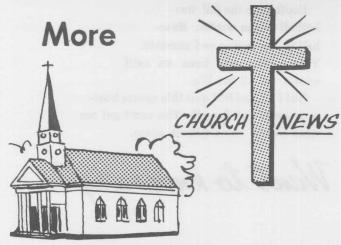
Football in the fall. Basketball in the winter. Baseball in the spring and summer. Your pastor has been an avid sports fan all his life.

But I've had it! I quit this sports business once and for all. You can't get me near one of those places again.

Want to know why?

Faith Prayer & Tract League Grand Rapids, Michigan





Pine Crest, Mississippi Retreat

God marvelously met with us at our Retreat September 15 and 16 at Pine Crest. It was a time of refreshing from the moment we gathered on the grounds. Friday evening we enjoyed a steak supper served by candlelight in the dining hall of the camp and afterward viewed a religious film called "Three" in the Chapel. Approximately 80 people were there for the banquet and film. On Saturday morning we arose to the reville call directed by Bro. Terry Mathis and then enjoyed a delicious breakfast of "Mama Bea's" biscuits and sausage gravy.

We were privileged to have Bro. Terry, J. J. Arnall, Tim Pitts, Justin and Leon Webster, Billy Huckabee, Jimmie and Linda Long and Cliff and Lynette Barker to take charge of the morning Rally and the Prayer and Share Groups. God blessed every person there and we all felt as though we'd experienced a week of Youth Camp blessings. After a tasty lunch, we all departed back to our respective churches. May God richly bless everyone who carried a burden for the Retreat and those who worked in it. We feel it was a grand success.

by Jim and Mary Lou Arnall

Camp Pine Crest, Mississippi

Our annual Youth Retreat was held September 15-16. It opened with a candlight steak supper which was followed by our monthly Youth Rally. A film was shown entitled "Three". We really felt the spirit of God in our service.

Seven students from the Bible College attended the Retreat. They were Billy Huckabee, Pine Hill, Alabama; J. J. Arnall, Granby, Missouri; Tim Pitts, Diamond, Missouri; Leon and Justin Webster, Hudson, Wyoming; and Jimmy and Linda Long, Quitman, Mississippi. There were sereval other former students present. Each had a sermonette and were in charge of separate Prayer and Share groups. The Lord really visited us in these services. We saw youth and adults drawn closer to God and all were really blessed. Everyone was dismissed after lunch on Saturday. Please remember to lift up our young people in prayer.

We are happy to have Rev. and Mrs. John Blythe and family in our community, working for God.

Jimmy Long, reporter

Center Point, Texas

We are thankful to the Lord for His goodness and blessings. Several people from our congregation were privileged to attend a part of Camp Meeting, which was a blessing to each of them.

We were sorry to see the John Blythe family leave this part of the country, but we are praying that God's richest blessings will go with them to their new work in Hinton, Alabama.

We were glad to have Bro. R. J. and Sis. Roberta Methvin from Alvin with us in our services on September 3.

Bro. and Sis. George Polvado were in charge of services on September 17, during the time Bro. and Sis. Dibbens were in England. We appreciate their being with us and pray that God will bless them in their endeavers for Him.

Donald Dibbens, pastor Marilyn Buchanan, reporter

Pine Hill, Alabama

We are again thankful for the goodness of the Lord, and the opportunity God has given us to labor for Him. I am teaching Bible five hours a day at the Private School (Catherine Academy) and two hours of music. We have approximately 70 students in the Bible department; and God is really blessing our study and time together. Our church is feeling the refreshing from the Lord also and we praise His Name for these blessings.

Jim Arnall, pastor

Smith Center, Kansas

Frances Speicher writes that she is moving from Lebanon, Kansas to Smith Center, 17 miles away. She is very interested in seeing a Full Gospel work started in Lebanon. There is no such work there now. There is a building available with piano and seats that rents for \$5 a night. If anyone is interested in starting this work, write her. Frances Speicher, 510 S. Main St., Smith Center, Kansas 66967.

New Pastors:

Lowell and Thelma Long and family are the new pastors at Laverne, Okla.

Ollie and Anna Kinser and boys are pastoring at 4th Ave. church in Joplin, Mo.

Delvin and Rita Wiles will be moving to Beaver, Okla. to pastor there when this term of Bible School is over.

Winston and Alberta Barker are now pastoring in Spearman, Texas,

John Blythe and family are pastoring the Hinton, Ala. church and I understand are living at Pine Crest Camp.

Myrtle Carney is the new pastor at Big Spring, Texas.

Edwin and Patsy Waterbury, pastor's of the Apostolic Faith church in Pampa, Texas, are announcing the arrival of their new little son born August 26, 1972. His name is Kylon Edwin and he weighed 7 lbs. The Waterbury's now have 3 "K's" Kayla, Keith, and Kylon.

Arnett, Oklahoma

We are happy to have Reverend Lowell Long to be here to declare the Word of God. The Lord blessed. It was nice to have the Long family with us.

The Young Adult Class is studying in the Book of Proverbs.

Our Sunday evening services are taken from the book of Job. We are enjoying reviewing the Book of Job and are being encouraged as we think how Job remained faithful to God in spite of his loss of family, wealth, and health.

The Heils spent a few days visiting his mother at Teec Nos Pos, Arizona and we are glad to have them back.

Praise the Lord for Good Fellowship. The men of the church met last Friday morning for breakfast and fellowship at the Circle C Cafe. All had a good time.

On Sunday evening, August 27, following our evening lesson, Reverend Heil and family invited everyone over for ice cold watermelon. There was some comment as to where the melons came from but all agreed they were good.

Our Wednesday evening Bible lessons have been in the Book of Ephesians.

We were privileged to have a week of special services with Reverend and Mrs. Ollie Kinser and family. God blessed in a mighty way and the church was encouraged. We closed the special services with the Lord's Supper on Sunday night, September 10, and the Lord met with us in a wonderful way.

We were happy to have out of town visitors at our special services from night to night. This included Brother and Sister Bud Lemmons, Brother and Sister Lloyd Kinser and Reverend Jack Barker from Laverne, Oklahoma, Reverend Lowell Long from Beaver, Oklahoma, Reverend and Mrs. Marcus Adair from Canyon, Texas, as well as Brother Wayne Huff of Oklahoma City. We want to say thank you to Brother Huff for tuning our piano.

We appreciate Sister Jessie Huff offering her home to Reverend Kinser and family while here in special services.

Reverend Heil left town on a Wednesday and was faced with many car problems and was unable to get back for services, but Sister Heil very capably filled the vacancy.

Recent visitors from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Winter of Amarillo, Texas and Mrs. Lena Benbrook of Woodward, Oklahoma.

A recent business meeting of the church was conducted and plans made for further improvement in our place of worship.

If any church is planning to sell their church furniture, we would appreciate it if you would let us know, as we will be looking at furniture, as furniture is in our future plans.

> Ruby V. Kibbe, reporter Rene A. Heil, pastor

PRAY for the Bible School

Midway Country Church Logan, Oklahoma

Our church is praying for a revival in the near future.

Bro. and Sister Wiles helped out at the beginning of Bible School. Bro. Wiles came back for our Sunday services. Bro. Jack Barker was with us on Wednesday, August 30th. He brought a wonderful message on "Faith".

Sunday morning, September 10, Bro. Gene Cornell visited our church and brought us a soul-stirring message. We welcome ministers and gospel workers to visit our church any time.

A farewell get-together for two young men of our church who left for the Navy was on September 5. Our prayers are with Edward Messner and Denny Gensman as they serve our country.

Doyle Wiles, pastor Edith Lamunyon, reporter

Amarillo, Texas

God continues to bless in the church, and we are thankful for the blessings.

During the summer months Carolyn Quesenberry and Shari Cook were here in Amarillo. Their work in the church was greatly appreciated. They conducted a Kid's Crusade in the month of June, and were also in charge of the music for the church.

Several teen-agers and children attended the Youth Camp, which proved to be very enjoyable. Blessings were also received by the people that attended the Camp Meeting.

As summer ends and the fall season begins we hope to see more people attending the house of the Lord.

Our prayer is let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish thou the works of our hands.

Rev. Neil Ragan, pastor LaVonna Mitchell, reporter

Canyon, Texas

We have ended our pastorate of the church at Laverne after four most wonderful years. The people of the church and town were so wonderful to us. We saw many victories together and the Lord blessed in each service. It would be impossible to write in such a limited space all that is in our hearts for those people.

We are now at home in Canyon and enjoying again some wonderful people. Each service, including Wednesday nights, has visitors in the congregation. There is a big challenge to the work here and we hope and pray we can meet it. This is truly a growing church and work in every phase. Our main work will be as pastor of the church and hopefully to see it grow with the town. We will also help with the work of the Student Center as much as possible. Please pray for us and come by and see us.

Jack Cornell, pastor

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CALL HIS NAME JESUS

PART III

THE BIBLE STORY OF MAN

by Jacob Regier

The first promise of a saviour to mankind is found in the early pages of the Bible. This promise is often overlooked. But Eve believed this promise because she apparently believed God had fulfilled this promise when her first son was born. After Cain's birth she said, "I have gotten a man from the Lord!" The promise is contained with the curse that God placed upon the serpent.

Genesis 3:13-15

And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

The shedding of blood (which means the giving of life) was the only way that sin could be atoned. We notice that God shed the blood of animals to cover the nakedness of Adam and Eve.

Genesis 3:20-21

And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living. Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

The book of Job has been called the oldest book in the Bible by many scholars. We find that he (Job) made offerings for the sins of his children:

Job 1:5

And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.

The family of Adam had a new beginning after the flood. We have already considered the command that God gave them to multiply and replenish the earth and have dominion over God's creation.

Here we want to examine the religious side of Noah. When the flood had subsided and Noah and his constituents were on dry land again, he built an altar and made burnt offerings to the Lord. In order for him to make these offerings, blood was shed. In these cases it took the blood of animals.

Genesis 7:20-21

And Noah builded an altar unto the Lord; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl; and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And the Lord smelled a sweet savour; and the Lord said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

Moses, in the law, informed the people concerning the value of blood. He explained that blood was not to be eaten, because life was in the blood. He furthermore told the people that blood was offered upon the altar for the atonement of sins. Here we see that God instructed that the life of animals was given for the remission of the sins of the people. Now in the New Testament we learn that these animal blood offerings foreshadowed the real atonement which was the blood of the Son of God.

Leviticus 17:11

For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul (by the reason of the life).

The promise God made concerning the seed of the woman crushing the serpent's head was the first of many promises of a saviour. Throughout the Old Testament we find the promise renewed again and again. It was fulfilled when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. In the first book of the New Testament we find a very interesting and valuable account:

Matthew 1:18-21

Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

The question remains, "How was this Jesus Christ going to accomplish the remission of our sins? He was going to accomplish it by obeying the heavenly Father's command to die (shed his blood) for the sins of the people. We began our study by stating we must acknowledge God. We must state further that in order to be saved, we must believe on Jesus Christ the son of God and His atonement for our sins on the cross of Calvary.

There is a definite link between the offering of blood of animals for sins in the Old Testament days to the perfect offering of the blood of Jesus in New Testament times. The thought is found in Hebrews with this phrase: "... without shedding of blood is no remission".

Hebrews 9:19-22

For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

The story of Jesus eating the Passover with his disciples is very touching. Jesus was ready to bridge the gap between God and the offspring of Adam. Up to this time animal sacrifices were used to relieve man's consciousness of the guilt of sin, Now Jesus was becoming the perfect sacrifice.

Matthew 26:26-28

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Man's redemption from sin is summarized in what is sometimes called the golden text of the Bible:

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

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Wx do wish you would xxcusx xrrors. Wx had just about finishxd all thx work on this issux whxn onx of thx lxttxrs on thx old typxwritxr just complxtxly took out. Many xfforts wxrx madx to gxt this littlx mxmbxr of thx working forcx to carry on his part, but hx just could not bx movxd to act, so wx had to ask anothxr to do his work. Wx arx making no apology for thx work of this "Pinchhittxr."

You sxx, hx is doing his own work and thx work of anothxr. Wx arx ovxrworking him, but hx doxsn't sxxm to mind. Wx xxprxss to him our dxxp apprxciation.

It has just occurred to this writer that the work of the congrxgation looks about likx this to thx Lord whxn onx of thx mxmbxrs takxs out. Pxrhaps thosx who takx out nxvxr think of how much thxy arx missxd, and how incomplxtx thx work will bx without thxm. But no onx would havx guxssxd that thx inactivity of just onx littlx mxmbxr of this kxyboard would causx us to almost fail in our work this wxxk on thx papxr. But doxsn'tit look txrrible? If this writxr is corract in faxling wa may look likx this to thx Lord, what can wx say for oursxlvxs in thx day of rxckoning?-Thx Xditor, Kansas Presbyterian News.