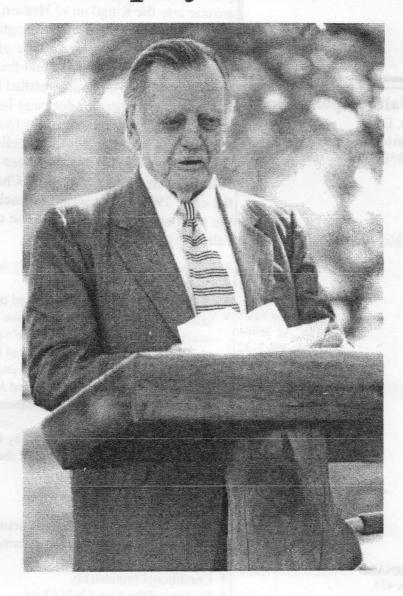
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## In Memory Murphy Barnes



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And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! Romans 10:15

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#### BY LAWS OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE COLLEGE, INC.

Article VII Doctrine

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers who believe in the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and who have accepted Him as their personal Savior. It is recognized and agreed that no organization or man has been granted authority by the Lord to exclude from or accept anyone into the Kingdom of Heaven, as this is done by Jesus Christ only. It is further recognized and agreed that we as Christians are to love all members of the Body of Christ (Christians), and this love and fellowship derives from the unity instilled by the Holy Spirit. Although differences in doctrinal beliefs and interpretations should not influence our love for one another. adherence to similar doctrinal beliefs and modes of worship have bonded together those of the Apostolic Faith Movement as founded by Charles F. Parham in the early 1900's. The scripture teaches us to adhere to the truth and proper doctrine. The common doctrinal beliefs are essentially as follows.

- \* Triune God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- \* Creation and Formation
- \* Man is basically sinful and in need of salvation
- \* Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Savior, which is the conception of Spiritual Life
- \* Sanctification of the Spirit, Soul, and Body, A second definite work of Grace by the Lord Jesus Christ
- \* Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by the speaking in other languages.
- \* Water Baptism (of all believers) by immersion in water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- \* Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- \* Washing of feet
- \* Divine Healing through Jesus Christ for all believers
- \* Do not condone divorce and remarriage
- \* Destruction of the wicked
- \* Conditional Immortality
- \* Rapture of the Man Child Class
- \* Return of Jesus Christ to earth again; bodily and visibly
- \* A ministry supported by tithes and offerings

These doctrines shall be adhered to in the teachings of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time if they are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.



#### FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Autumn is a transition time. It features calm and easy days that move us peacefully from summer's heat and furious activity to the gradual cooling down period that prepares us for the winter to come.

We at the Bible College are also in the business of preparing students for different times. Like the snow and ice of winter, the realities of life will make demands on them they have not faced in their years at hearth and home.

From home life to Bible College can be like a transition for all who are here, whether or not they plan a definite ministry, the advantages gained will help them cope with the unavoidable difficult times ahead.

Physically, the school is in full swing. We are ironing out the small distractions that always arise, and looking forward to the satisfying year. There is a new addition in the works. The concrete floor is poured for a new multi-purpose building.

God has blessed us with aid, help and interest in this building project, and we are most grateful. Pray for the school, the staff and the students. We are a small school but an amazing number of our students go out into various ministries. Our success depends on all of you. This is a faith work and has operated throughout it's history as such, and you have made it possible.

God bless you in your endeavors for Him.

Lowell Long Superintendent

#### Things Are Happening At AFBC

As many of you probably know, the bus barn was extensively damaged by a storm late last fall. The insurance company estimated the loss at about \$14,000.00 which would have probably been barely enough to build back a similar structure.

The AFBC Board felt this would be a good time to consider a larger building to accommodate the bus, plus a recreation area for the students, a room for the diorama collection, and an archives department. The building proposed was a 50X100 metal structure with 16 ft. sidewalls. Other types of buildings were considered but in figuring cost it was decided the metal building would be best for the Bible College. This was presented to the movement at the general business meeting in May and met with favorable response.

Offices or apartments are being considered above the diorama and archive rooms.

There had been about \$17,000.00 given toward a building for the dioramas some time ago. That with the insurance payment, gave us about \$31,000.00 to begin. This would not be nearly enough, but the AFBC Board felt this facility was needed and we were all in agreement that God would supply the remainder. He expects us to be good stewards and use wisdom in handling His affairs. At the present time, another \$35,500.00 has been donated for this project. This may or may not be enough to completely finish but it will go a long way.

The concrete floor is complete and the plan is to begin erecting the steel framework Sept. 25th.

Another project is the remodeling of the parsonage which sustained about \$10,000.00 damage from a broken water line in July. This may be a blessing in disguise. We pray that it will be.

If anyone has a burden to come to AFBC and work a few days I know you will be blessed. The salary may not be much but the retirement plan is out of this world! There is lots of work to be done on both projects and I for one do not want to miss a blessing. A plumber friend of mine came and helped install the plumbing in the floor before the concrete was poured and informed me he would not accept payment for his work. He said, "You would not want me to miss a blessing, would you?" Ecclesiastics 9:10 - Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.

I believe God is blessing the Bible College and will continue to bless it as long as his people put Him first and honor Him. And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Galatians 6:9. Please continue to support the Apostolic Faith Bible College prayerfully, physically and financially.

In His Service, Dennie Oakes- Chairman AFBC Board

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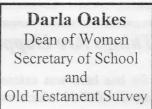
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## AFBC First Year Students

#### 2006-2007

Casey Blythe 19.

Wadsworth, Ohio, is the son of Delvan and Audrey Blythe. He is the grandson of Rose Blythe of Rockdale, TX. the late Hap Blythe and Sam and Sandy Cole of N. Zulch, TX. Casey is interested in missions work.



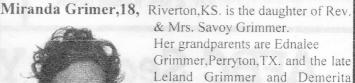
Caitlin Cloud, 18, Webb City, MO. is the daughter of Terry and Glenda Cloud. Caitlin's grandparents are Bill and Betty Turner of Joplin, MO and Betty Records of Ottowa, KS. Caitlin has attended the Destiny Church in Joplin, Mo. Gene Bebe was her pastor.



Price Cloud, 18, is the son of Terry and Glenda Cloud



of Webb City, MO, and the grandson of Bill and Betty Turner of Joplin, MO. and Betty Records of Ottowa. KS. Price attended the Destiny church in Joplin.Mo under the ministry of Gene



Boyd, Campwood, TX and the late Jacob Pletcher. She attends the Original Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO where her parents are pastors.

Morgan Goins, 18, is the daughter of Tim and Karen Goins of Alvin, TX.

Morgan attends the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church, Alvin TX under the ministry of Johnny and Kathy Arnall and James and Shanna Flora youth pastors.



Daniel Jeter, 18, Rockdale, TX is the son of Stevan

and Stacy Blythe. He is the grandson of Rose Blythe of Rockdale, TX and the late Hap Blythe . Daniel attended the Rockdale Christian Fellowship.





Brady Oakes, 21, of Joplin, MO is the husband of Whitney Oakes and grandson of Dennie and Karen Oakes of Joplin, Mo. and Joe and Ruth Dorris of Purcell, MO. Brady is a full time drive in student. Brady, Whitney and son Dylan

attend Southside Apostolic Faith Church under the ministry of Rev. & Mrs. Richard Morris and Rev. & Mrs.Eddie Sanchez, youth pastors.

Erin Ogle, 23, of Baxter Springs, KS is the wife of Anthony Ogle and the daughter of Rex and Marlene Randall. Erin is a part time drive in student. Anthony, Erin and son Aiden attend the Spring River

Assembly of God Church in Riverton, KS under the ministry of Rev.Charles Harness.



Glenn and LaDonna Thompson, are drive in students from Galena, KS. They are active in ministry at the Columbus Nazarene Church, Columbus, KS. where J. Arthur Shipley is pastor. They are both active in Youth ministry, Sunday School ministry, Children's Church and camp counseling.



"AFBC Class of 2022"

Deya Yandell ,2, Dylan Oakes,2,and Loryn Moser ,2, children of David and Lynette Yandell, Brady and Whitney Oakes and Brian and Cheryl Moser, keep things lively at AFBC. They have quickly became buddies and no doubt will be lifelong friends. It's fun to watch them grow together not only in size but in Jesus too.



Lynette Yandell, 28,is a drive in student from Joplin, Mo. She is the wife of David Yandell. and the daughter of Vicki Cleveland of Joplin.David, Lynette and their daughter Deya, attend Southside Apostolic Faith Church, under the ministry of Rev. & Mrs. Richard Morris.

But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 19:14



## AFBC Second Year Students

Keith Adams, 44, Galena, KS worked as an assistant counselor at the 4-State Youth Camp in Baxter Springs, KS. and attended the Apostolic Faith Church in Galena, KS under the ministry of Rev. & Mrs. Joel Dorris.



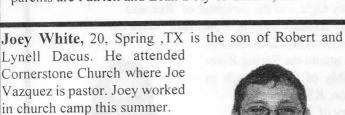
Nick Doty, 20, Galena, KS ministered this summer in the 4-State Youth Camp, and attends the Apostolic Faith Church in Prosperity, MO, where he teaches Sunday School. Rev. & Mrs. Wayne Wheeler are his pastors.. Nick's

parents are Patrick and Leah Doty of Galena, KS.

Michelle Buschman, 20, Cave Springs, AR ministered as a camp counselor in the 4-State Youth Camp and Midwest Youth Camp and conducted a VBS at the Union

Chapel Church in Stella,MO where Rev. & Mrs. Frank Arnall are pastors. She is the daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Alvin Buschman, pastors of the Cave Springs Apostolic Faith Church.







Cricket Duree, 19, Baxter
Springs, KS is the daughter of
David and Linda Duree. She
worked in children's ministry
this summer at the Apostolic
Faith Church, Baxter Springs
where Rev. & Mrs. Howard
Whiteley are pastors.



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## YOUTH SUMMIT 2006

Youth Summit in AFBC Chapel

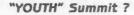
The 3rd Annual Youth Summit was held August 3-5 at the Apostolic Faith Bible College. Coby and Stephanie Cook, pastors of the Woodward Apostolic Faith Church were the directors and did a wonderful job. Sixty eight (68) students and thirty eight (38) workers from Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas and New Zealand attended. The Lord blessed in every service and everyone was challenged to make a decision to take a stand

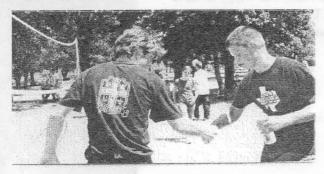
"FOR THE KING!"





J.J. Manning Challenges All to Stand "FOR THE KING"!





Seth Reed, Southside AFC (Joplin) Congratulates Brian Harris of the Rockalumbus (Rock Island/Columbus)Team on their victory of the annual volley ball game.

#### Campmeeting 2006

Laverne, Oklahoma July 27-August 2

Campmeeting has come and gone for another year. Although the weather was hot, dry and windy a good time was enjoyed by all who attended. The ministry of the Word was great. All those who ministered in the services did an outstanding job. The Spirit of the Lord moved among us.

It was good to see some in attendance who hadn't attended for many years. Fellowship is a wonderful blessing and

good fellowship was enjoyed by all. The attendance was good.

Special 'THANKS' to Truman Summerford of Hardesty, OK. who put the services on CD's. If you desire some of the ministry just write him. 'THANKS" to LJ Ehrlich and Jack Hopson who took pictures and put the Campmeeting on the original apostolic faith.org web page. You can visit this site and get a taste of camp. 'THANKS' to all the ministers, all who taught classes, cooked or helped in any way.

A very special 'THANKS' to Ted Barker and Fred Huff and their wives for helping us on the committee. Also a very special 'THANKS' to those who financially supported the camp.

To those who left early we had a "Believe it or not"! It rained the last night of camp and into the morning hours. Seven (7) RV's had to be pulled out of their parking places by a tractor.

May the Lord continue to bless the work of our movement in the coming year. We look forward to Campmeeting next year at Baxter Springs, KS.

Campmeeting Chairman- Jack Cornell

## A Fight To Save A Generation

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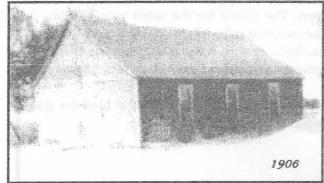
"Let Me Hear Your Battle Cry" was the theme of the night Wednesday, September 6th at the First Christian Church in Anderson, MO. State Representative Kevin Wilson and Speaker of the House Marilyn Ruestman were present with youth pastor Shawn Cooper to greet the Triple S Drama Team upon arrival. Triple S of Southside Apostolic Faith in Joplin, MO along with the participation of area pastors and youth pastors held a youth rally for McDonald County area churches and the signing of the Teen Bill of Rights. Over 200 area youth representing more than 6 local youth groups took part in the County Battle Cry proclaiming their commitment to taking a stand for God in "a fight to save their generation."

Triple S was asked to give two presentations, one before and one after Mr. Wilson and Ms. Ruestman spoke on behalf of the Teen Bill of Rights and the McDonald County Battle Cry. Ms. Ruestman invited the participating youth groups to join the fall general session in Jefferson City for which the evening's activities would be pre-recorded and the Bill of Rights would be formally presented. She followed the invitation to the state's capitol by stating, "what is happening here tonight in McDonald County, is more important than most issues on the floor, anyway." Six local youth groups were then presented with certificates for participation in the kick-off rally which took place last May. The rally closed with a local worship team and the call to stand

together in the urgency of the hour for a lost generation. Southside Soul Savers Drama Team was happy to have been invited to work with the First Christian Church as well as our state leaders for such an honorable occasion.

Whitney Oakes
Drama Team Coordinator
Southside Apostolic Faith Church
Joplin, MO





## 100 TH ANNIVERSAR

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH OF PROSPERITY, MO. WILL CELEBRATE IT'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY ON SEPTEMBER 30 OCTOBER 1, 2006. ALL FORMER PASTORS AND EVANGELISTS ARE INVITED

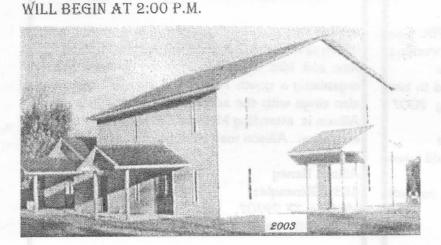
TO PARTICIPATE.

THE CHURCH WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1906 BY REV. S.E. WATERBURY AND REV. DITTO. IN 1962 THE OLD CHURCH WAS DEMOLISHED AND A NEW BUILDING WAS ERECTED. REV. ROBERT COOPER WAS PASTOR AT THE TIME.

IN 2003 AN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING BUILDING WAS DEDICATED. IT IS A TWO STORY ADDITION CONSISTING OF A FELLOWSHIP HALL. SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOMS AND A PASTOR'S OFFICE.

FORMER PASTORS INCLUDE; SIS. MAHALA FLANNERY, C.O. BARD, JAMES ARNCE, EARL MALONE, CARL PITTS, LONNIE DODSON, THOM DAY, LYNDELL ARNALL, ROBERT COOPER, O.A. BUSCH, RON BRENING AND THE PRESENT PASTOR, WAYNE WHEELER.

ON SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT.30, A GOSPEL SING IS SCHEDULED. J.R. SLATER, A FORMER MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, WILL EMCEE THE EVENT. ALL AREA SINGERS ARE INVITED.SUNDAY SERVICES WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. WITH SINGING AND PREACHING BY VISITING MINISTERS, DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT NOON AND AFTERNOON SERVICES



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#### 4-State Youth Camp

On June 18th, 2006, students converged onto the Baxter Springs campgrounds. Enrollment was up this year with 93 campers, 37 workers and several pre-campers. The theme for the week was "Set Me On Fire". Brother Matt Snyder, Webb City, MO. spoke during the morning rally. Michelle Buschman organized the afternoon rally and Brother Eddie Sanchez, Joplin, MO. was the evangelist for the week. Campers enjoyed the presence of the Lord, music by the praise band led by Jana Miller and hanging out with friends, old and new.

We pray that hearts were set on fire by the power of the Holy Spirit. We thank the Lord for good services and were thankful for so many wonderful volunteers who helped make camp possible another year.

4-State Teen Camp Committee, Brian & Cheryl Moser Steve & Sabrina Stockton

#### AFBC Graduate in Woodward, Ok.

This past summer I graduated from the Apostolic Faith Bible College and embarked on a journey to Woodward,OK. I went to help with children's ministry at the Apostolic Faith Church. I was also able to work in both the Jr. and SR. camps in Laverne,OK.. During Camp Meeting I did the children's church, which was alot of fun. After Campmeeting I attended the Youth Summit in Baxter Springs,KS at AFBC. The summer has been busy and now I am able to devote more time to the ministry I was sent for. I have been teaching the children here and am really enjoying it. I didn't realize before how intelligent and imaginative young children can be. It is very rewarding teaching them, knowing that you are investing in their future. One day, they will be adults and may be teaching others as well. We have also been doing some painting and formed a nursery which was fun. I also preached one Sunday. My message was only about 10 minutes long so we got out early and I am sure the church people liked that..

The next time I report back I will have more to write about because I trust God and know He has so much in store for our church in Woodward, Ok. and I am honored to be a part of it.

Elizabeth Mullins - 3311 22nd St. Apt 50 - Woodward, OK 73801

#### China Bound

Angela Campbell, 2006 graduate of AFBC has moved to Topeka, KS and is currently working her way toward China. She is attending a Chinese Church and just recently turned in her application to go to China in January 2007. When praying for Angela pray that her application will go through so she will be allowed to go into China and that she will have the financial support she needs for this ministry. For more information you may contact her:

Angela Campbell 900 SW Robinson Ave. Apt. 1202 Topeka,KS 66606

#### Graduate Serving as Intern

Allison Haney, AFBC Class of 2006, is serving as an intern at Midland Christian Fellowship, Midland TX. Rev. and Mrs. Curt Bezinque are pastors. She is organizing a youth Praise and Worship team and also sings with the adult Praise and Worsip team. Allison is attending Midland College studying education. Allison may be contacted at::

Allison Haney 4535 Gleneagles Midland, TX 79707 Phone: 417-499-8159

## Those Were The Days By Ron Noble

This should be easy and yet I find it not! How can I put into words a description of an experience that absolutely changed my life.

I attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in the fall of '83 and continuing until the spring of '86. Over my 27 month period, I attended with 112 people. Many of these, in one way or another, contributed to my life.

I have written a book about my time at the AFBC and put it on CD. I began in this way, "I wanted to write an account of my School years that I could hand to people and say "this is how it was for me. This is what Bible College was like" and at the reunion, I got to give hopefully everyone a copy!

After leaving the School, it wasn't too many years before I had an idea of having a reunion but I kept putting it off because I didn't know if anyone else would be interested. I had mentioned this to a few of my close friends and after a little urging from them, I proceeded with what before had only been thinking.

I had spoken to Bro. Randall Bensch about the possibility of having our reunion at the Bible School. He in turn spoke with the Board and responded with a letter granting me permission. I don't mind telling you more than once I wondered if I had gone too far to quit. I began gathering addresses and sent out the following invitation.

Dearest Friend.

In the years beginning with the fall of 1983 through the summer of 1986, I had the privilege of attending the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS with a special group of people. You were part of that group! It is with great interest that I would like to organize a reunion of the AFBC students of the above mentioned years. The dates have been set at July 7 and July 8. This is a Friday and Saturday. We plan to begin about 5 p.m. on Friday and go until noon on Saturday.

I have obtained permission from the AFBC Board to use the Bible College facilities at Baxter and I believe that will add even more enjoyment to our time together.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at home 706 E. 15th, Pampa, TX; hom phone - 806-665-1579; cell 662-3545 or everon87@sbcglobal,net.

Helping me with this project is my good friend Captain Kevin Theilen of the Joplin, MO Fire Department, Russell Ball, and Kelly Stevenson.

Kevin can be reached at 303 E. Third Street, Joplin,MO 64801. Home phone;417-781-5379; cell phone; 483-3870; e-mail: kvnruncowboys@aol.com. Russell can be reached at 2808 N. Iowa, Joplin, MO 64801; phone 417-781-7944; e-mail: rrball@cableone.net. Kelly's address is P.O. Box 824, Holcomb, KS. 67851; phone 620-277-2341; e-mail: KS.stevenson@sbcglobal.net.

If you can't come, could you please send us a card or letter, just to let us know how you are doing? With sincere gratitude and a handclasp over the miles.

#### Ronald D. Noble

The response was slow at first and some of my former classmates lived quite a distance that I began to wonder if anyone would show up.But slowly I started receiving word of people who planned to be there. I now wondered if this was really going to happen! Am I going to get to be with those who I ate, traveled and studied with?

Anticipation mounted as I heard who was going to be able to come, disappointed at some who would not be able to attend.

My family and I went up to Baxter on the 5th,(I had wanted to go earlier but you know!). A great Aunt of mine died and the family had asked me to do the graveside service at Balko,OK, so after that we headed to Baxter. Michelle Cloninger, the head cook, gave us a rundown of everything. She and Darla Oakes had the campus ready for us, the dorms and Chapel basement rooms were already cleaned and some food had already been set out to thaw---- it was all ready for us and in order. Such Hospitality!

On Thursday, we met Kevin to go shopping for what was needed. We met at Sam's in Joplin and tried to figure out what would be needed. (My hat's off to Benny and Leola Buschman, THE COOKS when I was there, for the hundreds of meals they prepared for all of us).

What a time we had in trying to decide what to get and how much. We had originally thought that just having hamburgers and maybe some hot dogs, then Karen Oakes said there was a bunch of frozen chicken that had been donated by Tyson's to the youth camp but it hadn't all been used. She said we could have some of it if we wanted! It seemed like it was 'coming together' Kevin said.

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The next day I spent taping the School, walking around like we do and saying "remember when"...and "this event happened here", etc.

I can't remember who got there in what order, but it was such a great delight to be reacquainted with old friends(some of whom I hadn't seen in years) that meant so much to me What a flood of memories rush to the mind and heart at seeing familiar faces and hearing a familiar voice

We "officially" began our Reunion with supper of chicken from the grill, hamburgers, hotdogs and some of the other "stuff" the ladies had fixed. I'm not sure where all the food came from but there we were eating together again in the same dining hall where so many of us had done the same thing before.

After supper, I got to run Hobart, the dishwasher. (My favorite job on kitchen detail.) Later we all got together in the Chapel. I felt almost overwhelmed looking out at this particular assembly. (Russell has asked asked me at least twice if I wasn't just about to burst at the seams?!).

I had encouraged people to bring pictures and put them all on a table where everyone could see them. Imagine my surprise when I saw people with albums and plastic bags full of pictures!

I had found in the Chapel attic one of the two panels we had used in the "Old Country Church" section of our choir concert one year. The panels were about 4X4 each and were hinged in the middle, with a painting of a dirt road winding up the countryside to a little church. I don't even know who painted it and don't know where the other half is. The choir would walk up the aisle dressed in various "old time" clothes. I was the "parson" and I'd "greet" the people as they came in the church. Then we started singing some of the great hymns????? such as "When we all get to Heaven, Will the Circle be Unbroken", etc.

There were also the red, white and blue floodlights that we used in the "patriotic" section of our concerts. The lights were turned out and then these lights would be shone on the flag(held by Kevin Theilen dressed in uniform) while the National Anthem was being played. Very moving.

After I talked some and received some laughs at the mention of leaving some dirty underwear in the Oakes' closet. (I had traveled around to 5 youth camps during the summer of 85 and had spent the night at their house before going home). I forgot and left my dirty clothes bag in one of their closets. What was worse was that Valerie washed my things with hers and mine came out...pink. There was also some talk about a "supposed" date in the Report office!

I then asked if anyone had a testimony. Julie (Dorris)Pulsifer told us about her receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and what a foundational thing that was for her. Carrie (Arnall) Reed spoke of her little girl Hannah sitting on my lap back then and wearing my hat. (Hannah is now 20!) She also said that when she opened the invitation that I had sent her, it was just as if an old friend had come to visit.

We all stayed in the Chapel to sing and I had brought some "old chorus" sheets along. (copies of ones that we had used in school). Of course, we needed a piano player, and we just happened to have the 3 best piano players I know. What a privilege to have the CHOIR DIRECTOR- Sis. Janae Harris - to play for us once again! (Sis. Janae had not a very long time ago before this ,gotten married and was now Mrs. Steve Kenney) I asked the people what they wanted to start with and Bro. Dennie Oakes said that he wanted to hear Sis. Janae play "Jesus Loves Me". She said I have to warm up first but I'll play it", so we started with a chorus. Steve Hackett suggested we sing "We're together again, just praising the Lord....", the very one that I had been thinking about all day! We followed that by singing, "it feels so good just being here with you"....After a few more chorus', Sis. Janae played on that same piano the strains that reminded all of us "Yes Jesus loves me, the Bible tell me so!" After she finished ,on popular demand, several, several people called out for her to sing "Ready or Not", a song that she had written. It's on the '84 "The AFBC Singers tape recorded in Springfield, MO. -the only tape I was ever on! It can be purchased from...actually I think it's been sold out for a good while. Russell Ball came up to help Janae on the song and they sounded as good together as they ever did!

Next to play(that seems like such a meager word for what she does on the piano) was my good friend Karen (Mathis) Hackett. Now she says that Steve is her number one fan, but I don't know... She began by saying "I'd rather play a note melody with the annointing than all over the board without it". We then heard her play for us "He Hideth My Soul" and "Blessed Assurance". Then she taught us a chorus she wrote that began, "I come into your presence, right up to your throne...". It did seem like that night was a foretaste of Glory divine."

And then, we got to hear from MY SUPERINTENDENT - Bro, Jack Cornell. As he performed my parent's wedding and attended their 40th wedding anniversary a few years ago, I guess you might say I've known him all my life. I wouldn't have rather had anyone else for a superintendent.

Next as Bro. Lyndel Arnall, my role model, got up to speak, James Bolt got the teaching stand and sat it in front of Lyndel "to make him feel at home". Bro. Lyndel had been at AFBC for 25 years! I am how I am in part due to the influence of this man.

And the evening wouldn't have been complete without my second evangelism teacher, friend, and Israel travelling companion, Sis. Shari Cook She has always 'been there' for me and it was such a joy to see her again. As she sat down to the piano and started to 'minister', (if you have ever been with Sis. Shari, you will understand), she told us,"A few years ago the devil tried to take my voice and I wouldn't let him!" After she led us in the chorus "I Love Him" and "Oh How He Loves You And Me', she called my first evangelism teacher Sis. Naomi Busch to come sing. At eighty-two, Sis. Naomi said, "My voice is almost gone, but my heart is right," and "I've served the Lord for 77 years and wouldn't change a one of them." She sang, "I Don't Regret A Mile".

My roommate, Kelly Stevenson sang next, one of my favorite songs (although not the first one I ever heard him sing) "The Longer I Serve Him". Next Julie (Dorris) Pulsifer sang the song I had mentioned to Kelly about singing -"Jesus Will Outshine Them All".

WHAT A NIGHT! WHAT A NIGHT! I must say Thank You to my son, Bryant, who volunteered to videotape all this. So I have a visual record of the "historic" event

Steve and Karen Hackett had already volunteered to fix breakfast for us the next morning so I didn't worry about anything. As people were eating and finishing up, without announcing it, I started to play the video tape of the 1986 Ashland, AL choir concert. As soon as people heard it, they started coming. And watching. And hardly speaking. It was something to watch these friends watching themselves. (And the neat thing is that I taped them watching a tape of themselves.)

Our time was rapidly ending and soon people started saying good-bye(again). However, I have a feeling that time and

distance can't separate me from this group of people! Many were not there - some I could not find their address and others hadn't come for other reasons. I have always known that the friendships I made during my years at AFBC would endure much longer than other friendships I had made. And it may sound old, but it wasn't 'then' - Friends are Friends Forever If The Lord Is The Lord Of Them.

End Note: There were 70 people in attendance! Thank you for bringing your families!! Those in attendance were: Jack and Katherine Cornell, Lyndel and Kathy Arnall, Naomi Busch, Carrie (Arnall) Reed, Russell Ball, Valerie (Oakes) Fleming, Vanessa (Oakes) Harris, Richard and Renee Morris, Kevin and Karla (Schelf) Theilen, Julie (Dorris) Pulsifer, Donna (Carlstrom) Gailey, Janae (Harris) Kenney, Shari Cook, Wade and Julie Price, Shelly (Stevenson) Mullins, Kelly and Anita Stevenson, Steve and Karen (Mathis) Hackett, James Bolt and Tracy Cooper.

#### ECCLESIASTES 4:9 -10

TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE; BECAUSE THEY HAVE A GOOD REWARD FOR THEIR LABOR. FOR IF THEY FALL, THE ONE WILL LIFT UP HIS FELLOW; BUT WOE TO HIM THAT IS ALONE WHEN HE FALLETH; FOR HE HATH NOT ANOTHER TO HELP HIM UP.

I WANT TO THANK THE GOOD LORD FOR SO MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS THAT KNOW HOW TO PRAY WHEN THEY ARE CALLED ON TO DO SO. JUNE 7TH I HAD OPEN HEART-SURGERY. I WAS DOING VERY WELL WITHIN A WEEK, THEN GOT A STAPH INFECTION., CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE AND DOUBLE PNEUMONIA. I AM DOING SO MUCH BETTER NOW AND I THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR PRAYERS AND HIS FAITHFULNESS.

RICHARD BARKER 3602 KATY HOCKLEY RD. KATY, TX. 77493 DEAR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS,
WE WISH TO EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS TO
ALL OF YOU WHO WERE A PART IN WAPLE'S 90TH
BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION. TO THOSE WHO SENT
CARDS, PHONED, VISITED IN OUR HOME AND ATTENDED THE PARTY WE THANK YOU. MANY OF YOU
DROVE A LONG DISTANCE AND SHARED IN
MEMORIES AND SONGS AND WE APPRECIATE ALL
OF YOUR KINDNESS.

THIS WAS A JOYOUS TIME FOR WAPLE, A SPECIAL TIME WITH SPECIAL PEOPLE, MAKING MEMORIES HE WILL CHERISH FOREVER.

WAPLE, SUE AND THE ENTIRE FERGUSON FAMILY

#### **Obituaries**

**Rev. Luther Murphy Barnes,** passed away peacefully at his son's home in Austin, TX, May 13, 2006, sitting in his chair awaiting breakfast.

He was born August 7, 1914 in Ochiltree County, TX to Bud and Laura Barnes. He attended school in Perryton, TX while working on his family's farm. He later owned his own wheat harvesting company, working throughout the central and western states.Rev. Barnes soon found what would prove to be his one true calling in life - the Ministry.From the 1930's until his final days, Rev. Barnes worked to help others and spread the Word of the Lord.

He married Marguerite Merritt of Camp Wood, TX in 1938. She preceded him in death in 1986. They pastored a number of churches in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and evangelized widely.

During his early manhood, the drought and depression years he was somewhat wayward. He had a wonderful praying mother that did not plan on any of her children not making heaven their home. A turning point in his life happened when he decided he needed free gasoline from the Phillips Petroleum pipeline that ran through his father's pasture. Murphy conceived the idea of tapping that line for his gasoline supply. In doing so by some error, the line burst and created a large gasoline spill. Soon after this incident, Sister E.A. Greever held a revival in a near by schoolhouse. Murphy attended the revival and God dealt very strongly with him about his soul. In that revival, Murphy gave his life to God and God gave the assurance that all his sins were forgiven. Restitution to the Phillips Petroleum Company bore heavily on his mind. Shortly after his conversion, Murphy asked his father to take him to Perryton as he needed to make a trip but was not sure when he would return. Murphy hitchhiked from Perryton, TX to Bartlesville, OK to the home office of the Phillip's Petroleum Company. He found his way to the office and was asked by the secretary to wait as Mr. Phillips was in a meeting. While waiting, Murphy heard two men in a heated argument and was very sure one of those voices was that of Mr. Phillips. Soon one man hastily came through the waiting room and said to Murphy,"I hope you do better than I". Murphy tearfully made his confession of the pipeline tapping and gasoline spill. Mr. Phillips was a kind and seemed to be a God fearing man. He listened to Murphy's confession and submission statement of "do what you will, I am guilty." After the confession, Mr. Phillips asked Murphy what he planned to do with the remainder of his life and Murphy reply was,"I am your man, I am guilty and I came to confess. The remainder of my life is in your hands." Mr. Phillips then asked Murphy why he was sitting in his office confessing his wrongdoing. Murphy's reply was "I have been converted." Mr. Phillips then asked, "has God forgiven you?" Murphy replied, "He has and I wish to make things right with you." At that point Mr. Phillips asked, "Son, what do you wish to do with the remainder of your life?" Murphy said, "I intend to preach the Word of God but at this time my life is in your hands." Mr. Phillips reply was," Son if you do as you have said and God has forgiven you, then I forgive you." After some discussion, Mr. Phillips asked how he had arrived in Bartlesville from Perryton. Murphy admitted to hitchhiking. Mr. Phillips asked Murphy if he had eaten anything recently. Of course the reply was "no". The gracious Mr. Phillips opened his desk drawer, pulled out a \$20.00 bill and handed it to Murphy. He told him "to buy something to eat, a bus ticket home and if you do as you stated, preach the truth and if you preach the truth you are forgiven." Bro. Barnes stated many times, "how could I not preach the Gospel after that type of forgiveness for such a transgression."

Many years later, Mr. Phillips son-in-law, Bob Parker, owner of Parker Drilling Company, Tulsa, OK had a hunting lease near Menard, TX and stayed at the motel and ate at the restaurant owned by Bro. Barnes. During a casual conversation, Bro. Barnes told him the story of the gas line tapping. Mr. Parker had heard the story from his father-in-law. Mr. Parker returned many times thereafter in his small private jet to hunt in the Menard area. Bro. Barnes and Bob Parker remained close friends until Murphy's death.

#### God does great things for those who will serve him.

Funeral services were held at the Garden of Memories Cemetery, Camp Wood, TX on May 16,2006. He was laid to rest beside his wife, Marguerite. He is survived by his son, Phil Barnes and wife Alice of Austin, TX, one grandson, Daniel Barnes and wife Rachael of Austin, TX and a sister, Lolabell Dody of Alvin, TX.

**Eula Clanton** was born on March 28,1909 and passed from this life on September 24,2005. Her husband, Clyde Clanton preceded her in death. Clyde and Eula were saved in Vealmoor, TX. at a revival conducted by Rev. Charles F. Parham. They were the parents of 10 children, 5 of which

attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS. Her surviving children were Dee Scarbough of El Paso, TX, Alveta Szitar of Mineola, TX, Wanda Gortney of Kingsland, TX, Murrell Clanton of Artesia, NM, Wayland Gerald Clanton of Golden, MO, Riley Clanton of Leslie, AR and Danny Clanton of Golden, MO.

Services were held on Sept. 26,2005 at the Beaty Funeral Home and were officiated by Ben Steen and J.W. Clanton. Interment was in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Springs, TX.





Riley Britt Clanton, was born on October 9, 1944 to Clyde and Eula Clanton. He passed away on May 10, 2006. He is survived by his wife Lena Clanton: a son, Michael Clanton and wife Mendy: a daughter, Sharla Neal and husband Lee; three grandchildren, Jacob Clanton, Macy and Riley Neal: mother-in-law, Corrie Coates George; three brothers, Murrell and wife Grace, Gerald and wife Pat, Danny and wife Sue; three sisters, Delora Scarbrough, Alveta Szitar and Wanda Gortney and husband James; four brother-in-laws, S.B. Echols, Howard Alley, James Coates and wife Terry, and Ronnie Coates and wife Sherry; a host of nieces and nephews and many friends.

Services were held on May 13,2006 at the Roller Coffman Funeral Home in Marshall, AR and interment was in Pine Ridge Cemetery in Leslie, AR.

R.B attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College, Baxter Springs, KS in 1964 and 1965.

#### Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof: the world, and they that dwell therein.
 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.
 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place?
 He that hath clean hands and a pure heart: who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
6. This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.
7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
10. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

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#### 2006-2007

Semester Began-August 14
Fall Choir Tour - October 14 - November 2
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Spring Semester Begins - January 8
Spring Choir Tour - March 9-April 2
Semester Ends- May 10

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

I Timothy 2:15