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In Memory Of
Rev. George Polvado
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Yea, though I
walk through
the valley of the
shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
for thou art
with me;
thy rod
and thy staff
they comfort me.
Psalms 23:4

St. John: 14:1-27

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2. In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were not so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.

4. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5. **Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?**

6. **Jesus saith unto him**, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

8. **Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.**

9. **Jesus saith unto Him**, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father?

10. Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11. Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

12. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

13. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

15. If ye love me keep my commandments.

16. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17. *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

18. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

19. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20. At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

21. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

22. **Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?**

23. **Jesus answered and said unto him**, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

25. These things have I spoken unto you, being *yet* present with you.

26. But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

27. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

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From the Superintendent


Good news comes to you from the Apostolic Faith Bible College as enrollment is now history. Classes have started and excitement runs high. With those who are to arrive late we expect our enrollment to reach 35. This is a good increase and shows that our school is on the way up. Praise the Lord!

We were happy to have six of our seven Bible College Board members here for the opening of this term and to have each of them share with the students their burden and spiritual concern. Please remember these men in your prayers as they carry an awesome burden on their shoulders.

Our thanks to all who share in the burden of supporting this school. We need your continual support both for the school needs as well as for our faculty. Please make monthly commitments to this cause. The summer is now past and as we begin school the bills will increase greatly. Also one of the pressing needs we now have is for our deep-freezers to be filled with meat. If you can help with this need please contact us. God bless you as you respond to all these needs.

Above all please remember we need your prayers daily. We appreciate all who stand with us in the burden of planting the Word of God in hungry hearts.

God Bless You
Supt. Jack Cornell



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Passing the Buck

COLLEGE PROFESSOR:

Such rawness in a student
is a shame..
Poor high school preparation
is to blame.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

It's plain to see, the boy's
a fool!
The fault's, of course,
with grammar school.

GRAMMAR TEACHER:

Would from such a dolt
I might be spared;
They send them up to me
so unprepared!

PRIMARY TEACHER:

Poor kindergarten child!
And they call
THAT preparation? It's
worse than none at all!

KINDERGARTEN TEACHER:

Never such a lack of
training did I see!
What sort of person can
that mother be!

MOTHER:

You stupid child! But then
you're not to blame...
Your father's folks
are all the same!

The "BLAME GAME" is a very SAD game...it began in the Garden of Eden and continues to this day!

CHUCK SWINDOLL - on this subject - has this to say (in his book *Strengthening Your Grip*):

"The aggressive attitude reacts to circumstances with blame. We blame ourselves or someone else, or God, or if we can't find a tangible scapegoat, we blame 'fate.' What an absolute waste! When we blame ourselves, we multiply our guilt, we rivet ourselves to the past (another 'dangling' unchangeable), and we decrease our already low self-esteem. If we choose to blame God, we cut off our single source of power. Doubt replaces trust, and we put down roots of bitterness that can make us cynical. If we blame others, we enlarge the distance between us and them. We alienate. We poison a relationship. We settle for something much less than God intended. And on top of all that, we do not find relief!

Blame never affirms, it assaults.
Blame never restores, it wounds.
Blame never solves, it complicates.
Blame never unites, it separates.
Blame never smiles, it frowns.
Blame never forgives, it rejects.
Blame never forgets, it remembers.
Blame never builds, it destroys.

Let's admit it...not until we stop blaming will we start enjoying health and happiness again! This was underscored as I read the following words recently:

'...one of the most innovative psychologists in this half of the twentieth century...said recently that he considers only one kind of counsellee relatively hopeless: that person who blames other people for his or her problems. If you can own the mess you're in, he says, there is hope for you and help available. As long as you blame others, you will be a victim for the rest of your life.'

Blame backfires, hurting us more than the object of our resentment."

The Lord does not keep any angels below; So when he is doing the best that he can remember the Preacher is only a man!

Reprinted from Full Gospel Church Newsletter,
Perryton, Texas

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In TITHES AND OFFERINGS. -Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there be not room enough to receive it." Mal. 3:8, 10

"But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe the mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: THESE OUGHT YE TO HAVE DONE, and not to leave the other undone." Luke 11:42.

Little Places

"Master, where shall I work today?"
(My love flowed warm and free).
He pointed out a tiny plot,
And said: "Tend that plot for me."
I answered quickly, "Oh No, not there;
Not any one could see,
No matter how well my task was done-
Not that little place for me."
His voice when He spoke - it was not stern.
He answered me tenderly,
"Little one, search that heart of thine,
Are you working for them or Me?
Nazareth was just a little place,
And so was Galilee."



YOUTH RETREAT 1984

We can look back on the past weekend (Aug. 9-12) with a sigh of relief knowing that only God made it successful.

The Youth Retreat in Baxter Springs started with a big bang. The ice was broken and tensions eased (at least in the kitchen) as Sis. Carol Jarvis, cook, dropped a jar of home canned hot peppers. The hot smell of peppers and the laughter from the kitchen put everyone to ease and added atmosphere to our Mexican Feast which opened the retreat.

After eating we moved to the upstairs for fellowship. It was a good way to unwind after a hard day of travel and work. We enjoyed getting to know new friends and seeing old ones.

On Friday morning Sis. Barbara Waterbury opened her classes with the topic "What kind of God is the God you know?" Her classes concluded on Saturday with her final topic of dating. Other classes included self-esteem, peer pressure, and parent relationships. We would like to thank Sis. Barbara for all the time and effort she put into these lessons. It turned out to be a real time of encouragement for the students. She helped to build them up and prepare them for school by telling them they were okay right where they were.

Simultaneous classes were given by Sis. Kathryn Cornell to the youth leaders and pastors who came with their youth. She used outreach as her theme.

Supt. Jack Cornell acted as our pilot and guide as we loaded up on the bus for a trip to the Passion Play on Friday afternoon. The trip followed his speech on the Bible School in which he oriented the students to the school.

Saturday evening we enjoyed a hamburger fry out on our empty lot. And once again our cooks came through for us. This happened when Bro. Howard Whitely ran out of butane on his charcoal grill. We hurriedly found another grill to start cooking once again.

Supper was followed by our Praise Festival. We enjoyed a beautiful service as we listened to the students share their musical talents in praise to the Lord. The evening was concluded with a bon fire service at the Riverside Park. We enjoyed a wonderful testimony service that evening. It was a very lovely evening for an outdoor service. The cross on the hill was lit for us and a huge full moon hung over the river opposite the cross.

The retreat concluded on Sunday morning with a sunrise service back at the Riverside Park. Rev. Randy Dalton from Taneyville, Mo. spoke for us. The service ended with our partaking of the Lord's Supper.

The Lord richly blessed in many ways before and during the retreat. His anointing spirit was felt in all the classes and services held. Our hearts rejoiced in Him as we saw Him bless during the three days. It's marvelous to see Him work out every small detail including sending enough students to fill every available mattress at the Bible School. Although some mattresses laid on the floor, we didn't run out! Full to capacity. Praise God!

We would also like to say thank you for the financial support we received. We also would say a special thanks for the support of prayers we have felt. Our cooks also deserve a big thank you. These people did a wonderful job feeding us. They were Pat Jarvis, Carol Jarvis, and Howard Whitely, all of Galena, Ks.

Please pray for us as we think ahead to next year. Our purpose and goal is to uplift the youth as they prepare for a new school year. Pray for them also as they with God's help endeavor to apply the lessons they have learned to their lives.

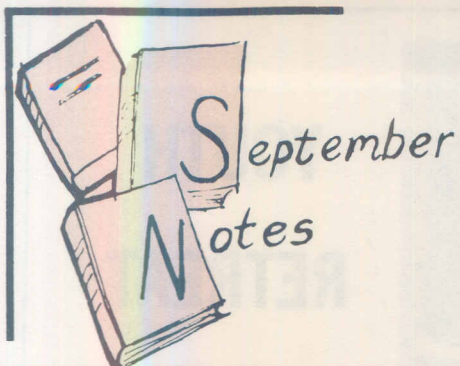
Our hearts did indeed rejoice as students left on Sunday morning thanking us for the time they enjoyed over the weekend. One camper commenting on Sis. Barbara's classes said that if she would have heard them two years earlier it would have saved her from a lot of heartache. All the campers were already talking of next year. We give all glory and honor to God who planted the seed and gave the vision.

Lachelle Whitely

YOUTH RETREAT TAPES AVAILABLE

Sis. Barbara's classes are available. In the package will be two tapes and lesson sheets. The cost is \$2.00 per tape and \$1.00 for the sheets plus \$1.00 for shipping. Total cost is \$6.00. Contact:

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ENID CHURCH NEWS

The Lord has been good to us this summer and we have all enjoyed His blessings. Our attendance has held up pretty good for the summer months and we always hope for more to come. We've enjoyed having a few visitors from time to time and it is always encouraging to see new faces.

Our D.V.B.S. in July was pretty well attended with several receiving perfect attendance awards. We all felt a blessing when the church was filled for our programs on Sunday night.

Our people demonstrated a willingness to work with their hands also when we painted both the church and the parsonage. You need to all come and see us and enjoy the new look with us.

The Robert Beydlers, pastors

Dickson, Texas

Greetings in the name of Jesus. We thank the Lord for his many blessings. God is good and greatly to be praised.

It has been sometime since we have written to the Report so we wanted to let you hear from Dickson. God is still blessing and keeps us in his love.

We have had several come by to visit and we are grateful.

Bro. Olan Bachelor and wife were here for a service. We enjoyed the message and Christian fellowship.

Ray and Edna Mitchner were here for a short visit. We love and appreciate Ray and Edna much. We feel they are a part of us here at the church. They are a real blessing to the people. We are thankful to them for their love and concern for us.

We enjoy Demerita Pletcher coming by now and then.

Bro. and Sis. Roland Busch were here for a Sunday morning and evening service. Both services were enjoyed by all. We are grateful for their visit.

Several of our young people attended Youth Camp with some adults going along as teachers and counselors. Our pastor, his wife and baby also attended. We are very fortunate to have Savoy and Karen with us and do appreciate and love them very much. They are a blessing to us.

We are small in number but God is good to us and we enjoy His blessings.

Help us pray that we may increase in number along with a spiritual growth.

God bless you.

Savoy Grimmer, Pastor
Yvonne Grigg, Reporter

Galena, Kansas

Another Lord's day has come and gone, God blessed our service as He always does. The last Sunday in June we had a basket dinner, with 45 in attendance; all of our church families who were there enjoyed each others fellowship. On July 7, Sat. night, our families again got together in the back yard of the parsonage for a fellowship of ice cream and cake. We, as God's big family, so often get in a rut and fail to clear the rut and make a new and better pattern of fellowship. God wants us to love and worship with each other. We often take each other for granted, so we need to read His word and see for ourselves what God would have each of us to do each day. I am sure He has a very special work in some way for each of us. So let us put our lives in God's hands and let Him lead our lives each hour of the day. When problems arrive let's let God be our Judge and whatever the test or trial is, just look at it as a test of our faith. We read in Rev. 2:10 "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Even if we lose our faith in man, let's not ever lose our faith in God because He is the most important one in our life. So when we see so many signposts pointing to the soon return of our Lord, let us hold fast to what we have in Christ who is the author and finisher of our faith. Without faith it is impossible to please God. It says in Rev. 2:17 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit saith unto the churches;..." "Don't listen to man but have your eyes open, also your ears and see and hear only what God says for us to do.

We were glad that so many of our young people attended youth camp at Baxter Springs. Many of them were saved and are enjoying serving God. We also had a wonderful V.B.S. Sis. Glenda Reeves was in charge and others of our church helped in every they could. God met with us each day. On the closing day we let several beautiful balloons loose, wome with names and addresses, and others with scriptures on them to fall in someone's hands. We are trusting in God to hear from our messengers and that some souls will be saved and hearts touched from these Bible verses. There are so many different ways to spread the word of God. Let us set our goals toward heaven.

We welcome our Brothers and Sisters in Christ to come by and visit us.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor: Bro. Howard Whitely
Reporter: May Rowland

Our Prayer List:

Anna Wade, Goldie Myers, Mildrew Walton, Grace Myers, Birdie Noe, Gladys Fancher, Carl Hall, Sarah Jefferies, and Ethel Anderson.

Crosses, Arkansas

Greeting from Crosses Apostolic Faith church. The Lord has really blessed us these past months and we praise and thank Him for it.

We are very happy to say we have new pastors, Bro. and Sis. Joel Dorris. We have been painting and doing some work around the church and parsonage. Bro. and Sis. Joel Dorris moved into the parsonage in August.

Joel Dorris, Pastor
Brenda Frederick, Reporter
Vicki Warford, Reporter

Arnett, Oklahoma

Praise the Lord for hearing and answering prayer by sending a very dear and precious couple to be our pastors, Brother and Sister Richard and Renee' Morris.

The Churches in Arnett have banded together to provide Christian spiritual guidance and recreation to the youth. These are planned for about every two weeks. The first activity was an outing to Ft. Supply Lake. They had fun and time for devotions ending the evening with a weiner roast. 17 youths participated. The next activity planned was a ballgame.

Sunday evening, June 24, approximately 20 persons attended the evening service and an ice cream social was held following the service. Various persons brought ice cream and cake.

The Lord is on the move to find hearts in Arnett who are willing to say yes to Him.

Our attendance is improving and we are expecting great things to take place for the Lord. Pray for us that the Lord will lead us to souls who without God have no hope.

We were honored by a young man who feels the call of God upon his life to carry the gospel. He is Ron Noble from Balko, Oklahoma. His message was delivered Sunday, August 5, 1984 with the thought being "Contentment in the Lord."

We are having good messages and the presence of the Lord can certainly be felt. If you are not serving the Lord, why not come to the Arnett Apostolic Faith Church and join us in serving Him. We are looking forward to a great harvest of souls for the Lord Jesus Christ.

We continue to ask an interest in your prayers for Brother Loyd Barker who suffered a bad fall some time ago. He is having problems as a result of this. His wife, Bernice Barker, has had back surgery and would greatly appreciate your prayers.

Again we want to say, we appreciate very much our pastor and his wife as the pastors of our flock. May the Lord bless them in their endeavors.

Richard Morris, pastor
Ruby V. Kibbe, reporter

Webb City, Mo.

The Lord is really blessing us here at Webb City. We have felt His presence in every service.

August 6-10 was our daily Vacation Bible School. We had around 50 children enrolled. They were a super group of children who really enjoyed singing songs and learning about Jesus. On Friday evening we had a closing program with a time of fellowship and refreshments afterwards. It was a very successful week. With God's help the seeds that were planted are sure to grow.

Some of our Young People were privileged to attend the Youth Retreat at the Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kansas, August 9-12. We enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship and learning. It is good for Christian young people to spend time together. There is a special bond felt between God's family. We really enjoyed Sis. Barbara Waterbury's classes on Young Christian Living. We would like to especially thank Lachelle Whitely and those who helped her in making the Retreat possible. God can give

someone a dream but it is their responsibility to put it in action. Thanks, Lachelle for letting God use you!

Several of our congregation were privileged to attend Camp Meeting in Laverne, Okla. this summer. The services were wonderful. The spirit of the Lord was felt in every time of worship. We also enjoyed the fellowship of other Christians.

We lost Joel and Tamara Dorris from our congregation in August. We will miss them but we know God wants to use them to further the gospel. Joel and Tammy will be going to Crosses, Arkansas where they will be pastoring the church there. We need to always keep them in our prayers, asking God to bless their ministry abundantly.

Three of our Young people are attending The Apostolic Faith Bible College this semester. Doug Forbes will be going back as a 2nd year student and Valerie Oakes and Vanessa Oakes will be attending as first year students. Remember them in your prayers that they will learn from God's word and grow in him.

We have been glad to have Tom, Connie and Chris Day to attend some of our services. We welcome them to worship with us at any time.

Bro. Randy Dalton was in our service and ministered to us on August 12. His message stirred our hearts and we felt God's presence in our service greatly.

God has been so good to us this summer. We have enjoyed times of fellowship, times of learning and times of growing spiritually. We do not deserve any of it. We are so blessed.

Otto Busch, Pastor
Vanessa Oakes, Reporter

Union Chapel, Missouri

We are praising the Lord for His flow of blessings that have been coming our way this spring and summer. In April He sent Bro. and Sis. Roland Busch our way for a revival. And we were glad that Bro. and Sis. Kenneth Elkins came to help them. We had one soul saved and many others gained a closer walk with the Lord.

We have had some visiting ministers with us also. Bro. Randy Dalton, Bro. Doyle Wyles, Bro. and Sis. Richard Morris, Bro. and Sis. Jack Cornell, Bro. and Sis. Elmer Chistenson, and Bro. and Sis. Tom Day. We thank God for these men and the gospel that they preach. Our prayers are with each of them.

We have also been blessed by several singers and groups. The Waymakers, Naomi Busch, Sue Beaver, and Joann Cooper, The Canaan Bound Singers, Shari Cook, and Cindy Trowbridge, The Cooleys, Kim, Karen and Janis Mathis, and the Bible College Choir. We appreciate these who work for God in this way. God bless you.

In June we surprised Brother Ferguson with a birthday dinner at the church. We know this is just one small way we can show him how much his dedication and service means to us here at Chapel. We pray the Lord will richly bless his life.

Remember us at Chapel with your prayers, that we could be a lighthouse to this community, there are many souls to reach. We pray God's richest blessings on you all.

Bro. A.W. Ferguson, Pastor
Beth Williams, Reporter

MORE NEWS

SPEARMAN, TEXAS

Just wanted to write and let you know of some happenings at the Spearman Apostolic Faith Church, since April, 1984. April 13, the Haskel Cooley's were with us for a concert. April 29 thru May 6, we were in a revival with Donald Dibbens and his wife, Martha, from Vanderpool, Texas. The services were a real blessing to our church family, and each enjoyed getting to know Sister Dibbens.

May 11, Edna Lee and I left for Dickinson, Texas to go see and enjoy our new grand daughter, Kristen Elise Grimmer. Mother's Day, May 13 was a very special day for us. We were able to be with our son and his wife, and had the privilege to dedicate our grand daughter, Kristen, who was 6 weeks old. Bro. Jake Regier, took our services for us in Spearman, Texas, while we were gone. Appreciated Bro. Clark helping us at this time also.

July 15, was another special time. Bro. W. R. Greever and Sister Eulalie, celebrated, their 50th anniversary. The children held an anniversary party in Amarillo, Texas at the Holiday Inn.

Bro. & Sister Irwin Delk's daughter has moved to Spearman, Texas to work in our school system. We are so happy to have her with us.

July 18, Sonny Dickson from Washington was home visiting with his folks, Bro. & Sister Dickson. Was glad to have him visit the service.

Our church family has enjoyed having Bro. & Sister Benny Buschman home with us this summer, but its soon time for them to return to Bible School in Baxter Springs, Kansas. May God bless them for their labors. Also it's been good to have Sister Hindergardt home.

We would like to invite you to come and worship with us anytime you are in the area.

Lealand Grimmer, pastor



Boyd

Phil and Darlean Boyd of Vanderpool are proud parents of a daughter, Donelle Christine, born June 28 at Eden (Texas), weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz.

The proud grandparents are Marvin and Lavernia Boyd of Vanderpool and Idell and Loretta Mathews of Big Spring.

Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Smith announce the birth of Brynn Alyse on July 28, 1984. Brynn weighed 7 lb. 4 1/2 oz. Sisters are Keisha and Shea.

Maternal grandparents are Wally and Myra Berner of Spearman, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Fred and Mary Crawford of LaVeta, Colorado, formerly of Perryton, Texas.

Great-grandparents include Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Dickson, Spearman, Texas and Bill Dearing of Kerrville, Texas.

Cindy Smith, Myra Berner, and E. W. Dickson are all former students at AFBC.

Available For Services

Dear Friends,

Since August 1st my wife and I have been available for services. We hope to visit in many of our churches having Bible lessons or Evangelistic services as the Lord leads.

Sis. Deana Fish will be working with us offering a ministry to the youth.

Because Sis. Deana and I will also be working in our Bible College, our time will be limited. However, we feel like we need to be as busy as possible in the work of the Lord.

Lyndel Arnell

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Tapes Available

Tapes are available of the music and preaching of Camp Meeting 1984. If you are interested in these please contact; Rev. Eugene Webster, Box 68; Hudson, Wyoming, 82515; Phone:307-332-2609.

If any tapes that have been purchased are faulty they will be replaced by contacting Brother Webster.

Thank you Brother Webster for taking of your time to do this great work.

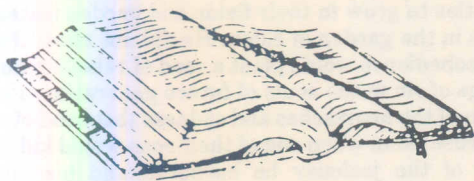
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OBITUARIES

REV. GEORGE H. POLVADO

George H. Polvado went to be with his Lord during his sleep, on the morning of April 28, 1984.

Born February 17, 1903, in Vanderpool, Texas, he was 81 years old.

He was married to Jewel Norman in Leakey, Texas on March 29, 1924. They had recently celebrated their 60th Anniversary.

In addition to his wife, Jewel Polvado of Vanderpool, survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Lorene Dewees of Alexandria, Louisiana, and Mrs. Florence Arnce of Nederland, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Erma Harvin of Uvalde, Texas; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Bro. George, as he was affectionately called, was converted to the faith as a young man, called into the ministry; a ministry that would touch the lives of hundreds of people. He preached his convictions with love and enthusiasm that saw many won to Christ. He was still active in the ministry at the time of his death.

Graveside services were held in the Vanderpool Cemetery on Monday, April 30, 1984, at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. Joe B. Dewees of Hempstead officiating.

Like Paul of old, he had fought a good fight, had finished his course and had kept the faith. Henceforth, there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness.

MRS. JEWEL POLVADO

Graveside services for Mrs. Jewel Polvado were held in Vanderpool Cemetery at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 10, 1984, with Rev. Joe B. Dewees of Hempstead, Texas officiating.

Mrs. Polvado was born June 18, 1907, in Hollis, Oklahoma, and died in Sid Peterson Hospital, Kerrville, Texas, June 8, 1984 at the age of 76.

Survivors are two daughter, Mrs. Lorene Dewees of Alexandria, Louisiana, and Mrs. Florence Arnce of Nederland, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Ward of Bandera, Texas and Mrs. Clara Custer of Vanderpool, Texas; a brother, Mr. Paul Norman of San Antonio, Texas; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Sister Jewel was a devoted wife and mother, supported and was involved in her husband's ministry.

For her to live was Christ and to die was gain.

The family of Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Polvado wishes to express their thanks during their time of sorrow for each prayer, floral offering and the memorials sent to the Bible School and various other organizations.

May God Bless Each One,
Mr. & Mrs. James Dewees
Mr. & Mrs. James Arnce

HOW IS YOUR WITNESS

How do you act, when the chips are down,
Or, maybe something, has not gone right;
How is your witness, then, a smile or a frown.

You may be surprised, but other folks look,
They may not always, believe, what you say;
By your actions, you can be read, like a book,
A born again Christian, is on trial, every day.

If you profess joy, then you had better show it,
If your life is happy, then, wear a smile,
If you are blessed by God, let people know it,
For people are watching you, all the while.

Some may be wondering, if you are, for real,
If they can be sure, they may find Jesus, too.
So, don't ever give Satan a chance to steal,
The witness of what Jesus means to you.

Some one, some day, will ask you to pray,
This one may have an aching need.
They may have been searching for many a day,
For some one who with Jesus can intercede.

For not all people know that Christ forgives sin,
Even though God's word had been preached far and near.
They really don't know what trouble they are in,
But many do know a feeling of fear.

You as a Christian are no longer your own,
You were bought with the price, Jesus paid for your sake.
When you witness for Jesus, you are not alone,
And your love will help people the right choice to make.

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VICTORY

Greetings in the precious name of our wonderful Lord!

Through much prayer and waiting on the Lord it was made possible for me to go to Camp Meeting in Laverne, Oklahoma this summer. The Lord has been so good to me down through the years and He is still meeting my needs. The privilege of trusting Him has been so wonderful and my desire is to trust Him always. The enemy of my soul fought to keep me from going to Camp meeting but God is greater. Praise His Name! Many times we have trials and problems and cannot see the way out but God knows every need and works out all the details.

I really enjoyed seeing good friends at Camp meeting and I received so much encouragement from the services.

Thank God for giving me the opportunity to be in Camp meeting again and for victory gained.

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SATAN'S SUBTILITY

By Dora Beydler

There is a super-imposed vision found in Isaiah 14:4-20 giving the account of satan being cast from his place with other angels around the throne of God. The taunt in this scripture is addressed to the king of Babylon and mentions the golden city. This is calling satan the king of the Babylon which shall exist during the reign of the antichrist. Revelation 18:16 is talking of the destruction of that city when we read, "And saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stones, and pearls!" In Isaiah 14:12-14 we read, "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into the heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High." Then in Ezekial 28:11-19 is another super-imposed vision addressed to the king of Tyrus where we can see more of the reason for satan losing his position as one of God's angels. Verses 14, 15, 17 read, "Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day thou was created, till iniquity was found in thee. Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee." Here we learn satan was an anointed angel at the throne of God and perfect in his ways but his heart was lifted up. He thought to set his throne above the stars of God and to be like the most high. This was iniquity and because of his vanity he was cast out.

There are differences of opinions about when satan was cast from around the throne of God but whenever it was he took with him that vanity and desire to be as high in authority as God. Revelation 20:2 calls him "The dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil and satan." When he met Eve in the garden he was still trying to defeat the plan of God and to cause the most intellectual of God's whole creation to follow satan instead of God. Satan did not openly ask Eve to turn from God but through his subtility he planted the desire for that which was forbidden.

Genesis 3:1-5 reads, "Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God has made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as God's, knowing good and evil." What a subtle way to tempt her into disobedience. First he accused God of not telling the truth then satan appealed to Eve's vanity by telling her she could be as wise as God. But satan did not show Adam and Eve all the toils and heartaches they would have to endure through the years ahead if they ate that

forbidden fruit. He did not tell them they would have thorns and thistles to grow in their fields and garden instead of the beauties in the garden of Eden. He did not show them their sin of disobedience would plant a seed of rebellion and desire for things of sin in the souls of future generation. He did not tell them of the heartaches and sadness that seed of rebellion would cause them when one of their sons would kill the other because of the jealousy he harbored and his iniquity in wanting to choose his own kind of sacrifice. All down through the ages satan has been the adversary of man and through his subtily he seems to still be able to lead his victims down the road to destruction instead of letting them listen to those who would point them up the gentle incline to the true happiness and joy only God can give with a goal of eternal life.

Satan is still presenting only one side of the picture. Take a look at the commercials on radio, in magazines and on the T.V. The advertisements of cigarettes, and alcoholic drinks are continually directed toward our youth. And though drugs are not openly advertised through the legitimate channels to advertise, they are openly advertised through much of the entertainment. Satan uses pictures of young, vigorous and beautiful youth, both men and women, enjoying the taste, the lift and the popularity gained in joining the crowd who use those habit forming products. What satan does not show to the youth who are subjected to these commercials is the results of the use of these products - many of them made from the weeds caused to grow after the fall of Adam and Eve. Many cancers are caused from the use of tobacco and a large percent of the highway deaths are caused because someone tried to drive after drinking alcoholic beverages. Drugs cause physical problems of various kinds and often lead to overdoses and death, either in suicide or to another person. Satan never tells of the anguish to the one who tries to break the habit of drugs, but unless a person wants to go farther and farther into the oblivion from these drugs, the only way is to quit taking them. There was once a woman chosen to be placed in our custody while she was overcoming her habit. Satan had not told her of the sleepless nights and when she did sleep of the horrible nightmares she would have and the screams she would have from the terrible torments. He did not mention to her of the days she could not keep anything on her stomach. I sat at night and held her hand while she trembled until the bed shook but satan does not picture this to the one who starts on the road of eventually becoming an addict. The demonic driven drug pusher only cares about the sale and if you can't pay you can suffer as far as he is concerned. Satan doesn't tell of all these ills, he only causes a person to rebel against all warnings from any reliable source. Drugs and alcohol are the root of the causes from many of the broken homes today and the suffering of child abuse.

Music has been enjoyed by most people since very early times. It is mentioned in the Bible as early as the time of Jacob, Genesis 31:27. It has been used to express both joys and feelings of sadness. After the children of Israel crossed the Red Sea Miriam led the people in a song of praise for the deliverance of the people from Egypt. David played on a harp to soothe the troubled mind of King Saul. Many others mention of music both in song and instrumental are in the Bible. Down through the ages music has been used to express the individual inner-most feelings. Sacred music expresses a feeling of praise or worship. Then we have the folk songs and instrumental music of the orchestras and the

bands. These all have a place in meaningful entertainment but then satan entered the field of music. There have been some changes in music along with the forms of entertainment. The sound of Jazz was one of the bigger changes, with its African origin type of music. Then in the mid fifties came another new sound and type of entertainment. In 1954 a disc jockey described the new fad in music as Rock and Roll. This name was borrowed from the ghetto community. There the term was used as a descriptive expression referring to fornication. The name stuck. The lyrics of rock and roll explore the fringes of lyrical pornography. The titles and covers on the albums are often pornographic and the rock singers often give the impression they practice what they preach. One rock singer declared that "Rock and Roll is 99 percent sex." The point of danger is not that your teenager has this knowledge but many times they idolize these singers and look upon them as oracles of wisdom about life and love.

Today we see homosexuality viewed rather favorably. These men and women are in the public eye and that is bound to be of a certain degree of influence to the younger generation. Today's major trend setters of style and morality are the entertainment stars. One writer wrote, "Unless you've been living in a cave in outer Mongolia you know only too well that today's child is threatened with homosexual influences you didn't have to contend with" Because of the sodomy of Sodom and Gomorrah, God destroyed both of those cities and their inhabitants with fire and brimstone in the time of Abraham and Lot. Genesis 19:1-25.

Because of the satanic dominance in the lives of the rock stars and the subtle influence of satan, himself, the performance of the rock singers have the greatest influence of all upon the values of today's teenagers. While singing some to their tunes one rock group distributed phony cocaine to the audience with an actual snow shovel. Such practices can have a disastrous effect upon a young person who "digs" the music of such artist. The biggest influence of promoting drugs in the rock scene is the image of the singers, not the song. Being arrested for drug violations is almost fashionable in some rock circles and certainly not unusual. Consequently if your child has been attending such concerts and later should be offered a dose of dope, he may well remember his favorite rock artist enjoyed it. A prominent rock manager stated, "No matter what anyone tells you, drugs will always be a part of the rock scene." When the teenager sees all the glitter and glamor on the stage, satan does not tell him of the hours of being stoned into oblivion, the sickness that follows and the terrible night-marish existence until they get another fix. Satan does not tell the youthful, brilliant, admiring young people of the audience that those same stars they have are many of them tired of their own existence but are so bound by satan they cannot find a way out. Eventually a sizable list has shown many of them have taken an overdose and others fade out of the entertainment world; some of them addicted to drugs too much to appear in the public eye any more. Some who do "kick" the drug habit are marked for the rest of their lives because of the damage drugs has done to their minds. You may be warning your child about drugs but have you told him that whoever purchases their records or a ticket to one of their concerts is helping to support their drug habits? II John 11 says, "For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds." With the rise of drug usage came a rise in demon invasion. The using of drugs is not a new

thing but like homosexuality, it has come out in the open. Thus it has become popular in certain circles and the more usage of drugs brings a greater rebellion against God and more invasion by demons. Many of the rock stars are deeply involved with one or more of the occult religions. Usually it is those of demonic spirits such as spiritualism or of the pagan religions of the far east. God has been opposed to those pagan religions since the time of Nimrod, Genesis 10:8 and 9. Verse 9 says Nimrod was mighty hunter before the Lord which means he hunted out and persecuted anyone who served the True and Living God. He was a mighty hunter of men. Satan uses people today to destroy others and to keep them from serving God. You may feel your child is only enjoying the musicianship of his favorite artist but through the subtle cunningness of satan, he is planting that desire to pattern himself after the music then to idolize the star. That fatal beat in the music follows him wherever he goes and he continues to hear it.

Then we come to disco. The word disco is a shortened form of a French word meaning "record library." It was used in the sixties to describe rock night clubs where the emphasis was on dancing. Disco is not only what you do but also where you are going. all disco is rock but not all rock is disco. It uses a special facet of its beat that borrows from a diverse heritage fusing Latin rhythms with black styles made popular by early rock stars. All disco has a sound that is designed to make you dance and just keep on dancing. Some of the dances resemble the heathen dances of pagan religions. For gays, disco became the rallying cry to come out of the closet. They did, and today one rock promoter estimates that 75 percent of all discos are gay operated. The manager of one disco group, who is a publicly acknowledged homosexual, declares, "I am sincerely trying to produce songs to make the gay people more acceptable." The Encyclopedia Americana says of dancing: "It may be said that primitive man - yesterday and today - found his reason for dancing in religion or magic, in his own physical energy, in sexual drives and in the need to communicate; and modern man, if he pauses for analysis, will find these ancient sources provide the stimuli for all his dances, folk or theatrical, to this day."

The youth of our land learn by example. We can talk to them and tell them of the dangers and the lack of christian character in rock and roll, the demonic frenzy in the disco dances, the loss of self esteem in the use of drugs and the flaunting of God's law in homosexuality but unless adults clean up their examples before them, what can we expect? Christian parents do not sanction x-rated movies at the theater but how about the out dated movies and the horror movies on the late night shows on the T.V.? The T.V. brings these off key movies right into the living room of our homes. Is this any better than the rock music and the disco for example? The most degrading of T.V. programs is the soap opera. These soap operas show a continual parade of unfaithfulness in marriage, of divorces, abortion and illegitimate children! Yet we find so many christians so entangled with these fictitious characters they weep and laugh with them in their problems. Some even try to copy each emotional trauma as if the actors were real people. What is pure make-believe has become reality for soap addicts. What people see portrayed on the screen may not seem nearly so repulsive in real life once they have become

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accustomed to seeing it. It is just another trick of satan to subtily cause God's people to let down their standards and live below what God intended. First we see it on T.V. then we see it practiced in real life and next we condone it in our churches!

We should be concerned about our youth and want them to be good Christians and serve God and country in a way that takes advantage of all the blessings God has for them but how can we condone the soap operas and x-rated movies in our living rooms and condemn the music they listen to in the privacy of their own rooms?

We need to take heed to the words Moses gave to the children of Israel when he said, "Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all they soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates." Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

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Pine Hill Chapel , Pine Hill, Alabama

Sunday Sept. 16, 1984

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Covered Dish Dinner After Church

Afternoon Service 2:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join us in this celebration.

Ministers - Gospel Workers

Oct. 10, 1984 is the deadline for you to have your names, addresses, phone numbers and type of ministry into the Apostolic Faith Report office for the new directory.

Thank you for your cooperation. May God bless all of your labors for Him.

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