# The Apostolic Faith Report



## **AFBC Spring 2018 Schedule**

**Spring Music Tour March 17-April 6** 

Spring Mission Trip March 17-March 27 Guatemala

2018 Commencement
Exercises
May 8th-May 10th

Tues. May 8th @ 9:00 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting

Tues. May 8th @ 7:00 p.m. Alumni & Friends Banquet

Wed. May 9th @ 9:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting Open to All

Wed. May 9th @7:00 p.m.
Ordination/ Dedication

Thurs. May 10th @ 9:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Year Awards
Music & Missions
Presentations

Thurs. May 10th @ 12:00p.m. BBQ Lunch

Thurs. May 10th 7:00 p.m. 2nd Year Graduation

## Pearls of Promise

Revelation 3:21
To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

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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.

## "Many plans are in a man's mind, but it is the LORD'S purpose for him that will stand." Proverbs 19:21(amp)

Dear Apostolic Faith Fellowship, Family, Friends,

As I was praying for and preparing to write this letter the Lord led me to this verse in Proverbs that "hit the nail on the heard" so to speak. Many are the plans and goals that the Lord has given us over the past seven years. Rhonda and I have had the pleasure and the privilege of seeing many of those plans come to completion, some of those plans are still in progress and some are for the future, to be birthed in His time. But as the verse



states, "it is the LORD'S purpose (plans) that will stand". With these thoughts in mind, the purpose of this letter is to inform all of you that at the end of this term of school in May, Sis. Rhonda and I will be resigning from the position of Superintendent of the Apostolic Faith Bible College. We have been very attentive to the Lord on this matter over the past several months and we both know that the Lord has been preparing us for a new season of ministry. At the time of this writing I must tell you that He has not revealed to us His "purpose" for what is ahead but I am confident that His purpose and plan will be shown to us clearly.

We have had a wonderful seven years of ministry here and have been blessed, blessed to have served here with the greatest staff that the Lord could have put together. Their diligence in fulfilling their individual ministry duties as well as their corporate ministry duties of the Bible College has led to the successful spiritual growth in many young adults. I will forever be grateful to the dedication of the entire staff for the love and support they have given to Sis. Rhonda and I during our tenure at AFBC.

I would like to share with you also that over the course of seven years I am thankful for the men and women that have served and are currently serving on the Board of Trustees of the College. There have been many meetings, phone calls, discussions, and yes, some disagreements at times, on topics concerning the college, my thoughts, vision and plans, but through it all I have felt nothing but love and support from each and every one of them.

And I would be neglectful if I didn't say how much Sis. Rhonda and I have so enjoyed being able to be a part of the Apostolic Faith Fellowship family. Without you nothing would have been possible! You entrusted us with your young adults, and your financial support but most of all you have shown your trust in us by letting us follow the leading of the Lord in matters concerning the College. Only the Lord can repay you for all you have done to make our time here a blessed experience.

With this also comes the sadness of leaving the Pastorate at Baxter Chapel. Words cannot express the love we feel for this congregation that the Lord entrusted us with for this period of time. We have enjoyed and rejoiced in so many good experiences with them, we have cried and grieved with them in times of sorrow and through it all our relationships have grown stronger and closer.

We love you all very much and will forever be ambassadors for the Bible College wherever the Lord directs us. Our hope and prayers are for the new Superintendent and the new Pastor at Baxter Chapel to have the same testimony of love and support as we have had.

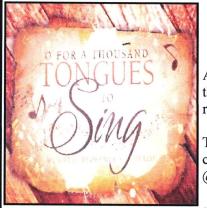
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## 2018 Alumni Banquet

The 2018 annual Alumni and Friends Banquet will be held on the campus of the Apostolic Faith Bible College on Tuesday, May 8th at 7 p.m. We will be recognizing the classes ending in 8 from 1948 to 2018 as well as the class of 1993 for their 25th reunion.

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults who RSVP by April 24th and only \$5.00 for children. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$15.00 so RSVP early for the best rate. You can call, text or message me at 417-540-8737, on Facebook or by email at brian\_n\_cheryl @ hotmail.com

Our theme this year is "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" Make plans now to attend this year's banquet. Invite friends and classmates to join you as we join our

hearts and voices in praise to our King" See you there!

Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. I Corinthians 12:27-28

## **South Texas Camp Meeting**

February 5th-10th, 2018 a group of five AFBC students with Cody Harris (AFBC Faculty) headed down to Rock Island, Texas for Winter Camp Meeting, . Bro. Bill and Sis. Rhonda Waggoner also attended.

Second year students: Haylee Miesner, Jose Hernandez, Zach Frost, Jordan Johnson and third year student Laura Anima were able to serve and help where needed. From peeling potatoes to working in the sound booth and helping with music, it was a full and busy week!

During the week the Lord showed himself faithful and spoke through His many vessels. It was a week packed with blessings and the sweet presence of God. Thank you for all who made Camp Meeting possible and thank you for allowing us to be a part!



Above from left to right: Jose Hernandez, Zach Frost, Laura Anima and Haylee Miesner



Pictured left to right: Haylee Miesner, Jordan Johnson, Melvin(Butch) Meyer, Laura Anima and Zac Frost

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## Rev. James (Jim) Fox

1930-2017

James (Jim) Fox was born Oct. 31, 1930, in Dalhart, TX, to John and Lola Fox. He stepped into eternity surrounded by his family, on Dec. 3, 2017 at his home in Katy, TX.

At the age of 5, Jim's family moved to Hardesty, OK, where they farmed and from where Jim graduated high school. During his junior and senior years in high school he was a school bus driver.

Following high school, Jim attended two terms at the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS. Later, he served on the AFBC Board of Trustees. Jim served 4 years in the United States Air Force, 2 of those in Korea. During his time in service, he continued to share the gospel and minister to others, as a Chaplain. He married La Moyne Barker on May 5, 1961 and they were blessed with 2 loving children, DeAnn and David.

Jim spent all of his adult life in ministry. Jim had a great love for pastoring and helping people, whether pointing them to Jesus from the pulpit in the churches he and LaMoyne

pastored, or picking up a hammer and nails to help in the construction and maintenance of youth camps and churches. Jim and LaMoyne often opened their home to family/friends, strangers when they arrived needing a place to stay, regroup, or live e for a time. In addition to his love for people and pastoring, Jim's lifelong passions were youth and missions.

Highlights of Jim's youth and mission passions were:

- \*Organizing and overseeing construction at the Apostolic Faith Youth Camp in Laverne, Ok and later serving many years on the Youth Camp Committee.
- \* Working alongside his brother-in-law Raymond Barker and longtime friend John Hamm building and continuously improving the Lost Pines camp in La Grange, TX, from where many youth camps and singing schools helped to equip young people.
- \*Working with missions and missionaries to advance the great news of Jesus around the globe. India Gospel Outreach with Valson Abraham, and Jean Bates in Guatemala were favorite missions that he faithfully supported with every opportunity presented to him.
- \*KIDS...KIDS...KIDS. Jim was always ready to load pre-teens and teenagers on buses and taking them to Houston for tacos or burgers after church or scaling treacherous mountain switchbacks by bus to ski in New Mexico and Colorado.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, john and Lola Fox, daughter DeAnn Fox Blackwell, and grandson Cole Fox. Also preceding him in death were his brothers, John and Bill Fox and sister Glenna Turner.

Jim is survived by his wife, LaMoyne Fox, of the home in Katy; son David Fox and daughter-in-law Trina of Katy, and son-in-law Raleigh Blackwell of Katy. He is also survived by his brother, Harry Fox of Hardesty, Ok. Jim is dearly loved by grandchildren Rachel Blackwell and son Brayden of Katy; Ty Blackwell of Katy; Emily Different and her husband Drew of Katy; Natheniel Hacker, wife Amanda and son Bentley of Blanchard, OK; Alan Fox and daughter Addison of Katy and a host of extended family and friends.

Celebration of Life Services were held at the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church in Katy, TX on Dec. 7, 2017. Those officiating were Rev. Phil Clements, Rev. Ron Martin and Rev. Ted Barker.

For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me. (Job 19:25-27 KJV)

## Jim Fox

He was Husband, Dad, Papa, Brother, Pastor, Mentor and Friend....

We have comfort in knowing that he lived a life dedicated to the call God place in his heart over 60 years ago. His great hope was to see the face of his Savior, Jesus Christ, and live eternally around God's throne. We thank you for every blessing you sent our way. We draw strength from your prayers and the thought that he was loved and respected by so many of you.

We are forever grateful,

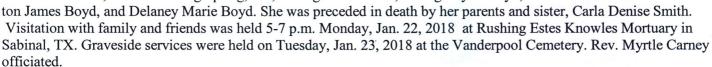
The Jim Fox Family

## Brenda Boyd

1952-2018

Brenda Gayle Boyd, of Leakey, TX passed away on January 19, 2018 in San Antonio, TX at the age of 65. She was born on Sept.7,1952 in Wichita Falls, TX to Wilton Wayne Nichols and Dorothy Barrow Nichols. She married Marvin "Jim" Boyd in Big Spring, TX on January 19,1973.

She is survived by her husband of 45 years; son, Kevin Brandon Boyd and wife, Linda of Vanderpool, TX, sister, Twila Marie Wegner and husband Robby, brother Darrell Wayne Nichols and wife, Sheri all of Big Spring, TX; three grandchildren, Haleigh Lynn Boyd, Dal-





## I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. II Timothy 4:7

## **Eula Modrick**

1939-2018

Eula Lorene Sells Modrick, a long time resident of Amarillo, TX went to be with the Lord on January 19,2018. She was born on January 25, 1939 in Shattuck, OK. Eula graduated high school from Laverne, OK and continued her education at Panhandle State University (now OPSU) as a double major in Education and Home Ec. She married Ed Modrick on Dec. 20,1959 and taught for 7 years in Guymon, OK and 30 years in CISD. She was preceded in death by her parents Don Lee Sells and Edna Bernice Sells.

Eula is survived by her husband, Rev. Ed Modrick, daughter LaParsha Wise and son-in-law Michael Wise, 4 grandchildren: Jonathan Paul Wise (Shann), J'Rhea Elyse Camillo (Joshua),

Josalynn Lea Maskill (Tim), Jacob Lyndon Wise, 2 great-grandchildren; Jonathan Caleb Wise, Levi Michael Modrick Carillo.

Eula loved teaching and educating children but more than anything Eula's passion was for her Lord and her family. She allowed God to always be number one in her life and taught her daughter and grandchildren to do the same. Eula's faith in the Lord was incredible and was notably one of the greatest prayer warriors. Her belief in power of prayer resonated through her family and friends and is one of the greatest gifts she passed down to her family. Eula enjoyed listening to her husband preach, attending their church from the front pew every Sunday for 50 years.

Eula loved gardening and had a beautiful talent with plants and flowers. She never missed a gardening season and made every effort to make her home bright and inviting. An incredible cook, Eula entertained and blessed her family and friends with her delicious food and hospitality. Among her grandkids favorites were her mashed potatoes and Red Velvet cake, which she made from scratch for everyone's birthday. She never wrote down her recipes, recalling every little detail from memory, so her magic touch in baking will be missed.

Her beautiful and peaceful spirit filled each room as she made every day special with her family. Although she would never admit, Eula was voted Homecoming Queen in college. She was truly a beautiful woman. Eula's greatest joy in life was being Mammy to her four grandkids. She enjoyed attending all musical and sporting events and between her four grandkids, managed to be at all of them. Mammy was most proud of all their accomplishments and of course thought her grandkids were always the best. She traveled all over to watch them play their favorite sports and thought the world of them, loving them harder than anyone. She taught them next to God, family is the most important thing and believed that a home cooked meal was the best way to celebrate family. Eula was a nurturer, always finding ways to better take care of other people, especially her grandkids. We will continue to carry Mammy with us in our memories.

Memorial services were held on January 26, 2018 at Washington Avenue Christian Church with Jim Shelburne officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.



## Robert Wayne Girouard

1931-2018

Robert Wayne Girouard was born January 7, 1931 in Booker, TX and entered his eternal home on January 21, 2018 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Joe Blanche Girouard: brothers -in-law, William Berry and Dave Boren; nephew, Tyler Berry; daughter - in-law, Charlotte Girouard; and grandson, KJ Girouard.

Robert married Elmagean Brock in 1951 and they had four children; son, Julian Wayne Girouard of California (spouse Charlotte) who had six children and 13 grandchildren; daughter, Florinda Jane'e Clark of Missouri (spouse, David L. Clark) who have 3 children

with one grandson on the way: son, Kevin Lynn Girouard of California (spouse, Georgene Girouard) who have 3 children and 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild on the way; daughter, Chantel Renee Smith of Missouri (spouse, Don Smith). He is also survived by two sisters, Donna Berry and Pat Boren; nephews Todd Berry and Tripp Boren.

Memorial services were held Jan. 27, 2018,10:00 a.m. at the Apostolic Faith Chapel in Baxter Springs, KS. Music was provided by Rev. & Mrs. Fred Huff and Kevin Girouard. Rev. Bill Waggoner officiated.

**Philippians 1:21-23** - For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labor; yet what I shall choose I wot not. For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 - Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and ros eagain, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

### Florene V. Richardson

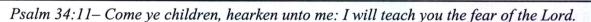
1927-2018

Florene Virginia Richardson, age 90, of Joplin, Missouri peacefully entered her eternal home on Friday, February 2, 2018, at Freeman Hospital, with family by her side.

She was born August 24, 1927 in Granby, Missouri to Rev Lee Brock and Iona (Nunn) Brock. She was a lifelong resident of southwest Missouri and spent a good deal of her childhood traveling and singing in revival services across the country with her family. She graduated from Granby High School in 1946.

On March 1, 1947, Florene married Harvey Richardson and she began her lifelong devotion to family, friends and church.

She was a member of Frisco Church, in Webb City, Missouri where she spent close to 70 years loving and teaching the nursery babies their first songs/stories about God. If an event was occurring that involved children, Florene was right there making crafts, baking cookies, creating an event to remember!



Florene was an avid fisherman, gardener, homemaker and ultimate "Granny". She enjoyed crafting, knitting, crocheting and sewing. She made countless original clothing for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving Florene are her son, Denis Richardson and wife, Candace of Richmond, TX, two daughters, Diane Smith and husband, Kervyn of Joplin, MO and Renita Massey and husband, Terry of Midlothian, TX; one sister Elmagean Stump of Branson, MO; eleven grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, parents, a brother and a granddaughter. Florene will also be forever remembered by extended family and dear friends.

Memorial services were held Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018,1:00 p.m.at Frisco Church, Webb City, MO. Interment was in Granby Memorial Cemetery, Granby, MO.



## Jerry McClenagan

1935-2018

Jerry Dale McClenagan was born March 23,1935, in Guymon, OK to Dale and Phyllis McClenagan. He grew up on a farm SE of there. He graduated from Hardesty, OK High School in 1953. He attended Panhandle A&M of Goodwell, OK and the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS.

On August 26,1955 he married Martha Summerford. They pastored churches in Roswell, NM, Hardesty, OK and Liberal, KS. From Sept. 1959 to July 1961 Jerry served as Associate Editor of the Apostolic Faith Report along with Editor, Rev. Jacob Regier. Until his death he continued to minister through his writing, singing and various ways in the community and his church, the Christian Church of God.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Martha and their four children; Deryl and family of Eureka, California, Don and family of Smithers, B.C. Canada, LaFonda and family of Celina, Texas and Rick and family of Amarillo, Texas; twelve grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Jerry touched many people with his friendliness and humor, and with his passion in writing and speaking.

Memorial services were held on February 6, 2018 at the Christian Church of God with Jeff Booth officiating.



#### What Did It Profit Me?

By Jerry McClenagan

Reprinted from The Apostolic Faith Report-January 1960

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable foe doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of god may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." II timothy 3:16-17

Those who have been faithful in work in the Bible School in past years and those who are continuing to fulfill their Christian responsibility this year, are earnestly obeying Paul's exhortation to Timothy; "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also".(II Timothy 2:2)

Capable teachers (who do not work for a salary) come to the School devoted to God's work and deeply concerned about the pupil's advantage and preparation for Christian service. They are there for the student's profit not their own; and they teach the Word of God which is profitable to those who receive it.(Hebrews 4:2)

I was one who, through the gracious guidance God, profited much from the School. And the priceless pearls of instruction I received I now consider no longer mine, but those whom I may now teach- "I am a debtor."

Why did I attend the Apostolic Faith Bible School? I cannot recall mu first incentive to attend. But upon finishing by High School education I firmly decided to enter AFBS. I was advised to attend college one semester, which I did, then to enter Bible School. I sensed the need of some college training aside from my Bible training and was able to secure a part of this before entering my first term of Bible School.

But what a different environment and atmosphere! When I left college and entered Bible School I felt a relief beyond words. My anticipation of spiritual help was assured; the School exceeded my highest hopes. Praise God for the spiritual value of the School!

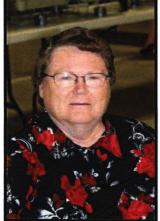
Perhaps you have taken for granted that I was planning on a vocation of Gospel preaching before entering the School. But I had no intentions of doing this. I cannot recall the slightest hint in the back of my mind of this field of Christian work. As I look back I can remember an unexplainable compulsion drawing me to the School. I realize now that it was the Hand of God guiding me into His design for my life! I was being unconsciously led into the preaching of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

Another thing that's remarkable about this to me is the method which the School endorses in accepting students into it. One is not required to be a preacher or to have plans to be a laborer in the Gospel fields. It is for anyone who wants to apply themselves to Scriptural teachings. Had it not have been this way I would not have gone!

The months I spent in the Apostolic Faith Bible School were inspiring and beneficial. What did it profit me? Really, its value is priceless.

## Rev. Myrtle Carney

1946-2018



Rev. Myrtle Marie Carney, 72, of Butler, AL, passed away on February 28, 2018 at her residence. She was born on January 19, 1946 to Josh and Viola Carney in Hinton, AL.

Myrtle was a graduate of Quitman, MS High School and the Apostolic Faith Bible School in Baxter Springs, KS. She served on the Board of Trustees of AFBC and as pastor of the Hinton Apostolic Faith Church. She was in ministry for over 50 years. She was a warrior for Christ. She also built beautiful furniture that is displayed in hundreds of homes in that area.

Myrtle is survived by her brothers, JC Carney and Robert (Sharon) Carney, sisters, Doris Echols, Betty (Rex) Jenkins and Billie Lucas Smith; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Josh and Viola Carney; sisters, Annie Ruth Coody and Evon Lambert and nephews, Eric Lucas and Damon Coody.

Funeral services were held on Sat. March 3,2018 at the Hinton Apostolic Faith Church with Rev. Jim Boyd and Rev. Jim Arnall officiating. Burial followed in the Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery.

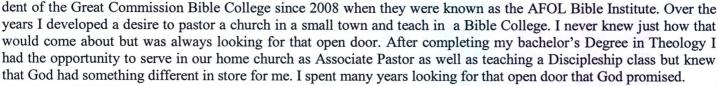
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I know thy works: behold I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it."

Revelation 3:8

Let me tell you how God proved this word true. My wife and I have recently made our home in Joplin, MO. We came here in November of last year from Lexington, SC. We have 6 grown children and 7 grandchildren as well as other family, friends and loved ones who live in SC. Many times we thought that we would live the remainder of our lives there but God had other plans.

My wife has a degree in early Childhood Education and has been a preschool teacher since 2012. Before that she was a home school mom for over 8 years. I have been a stu-

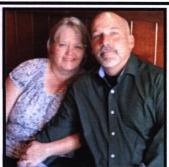


As I was finishing my Master's Degree in ministry I became aware of a church in Carl Junction, MO that needed a pastor. When I inquired about it I was put in touch with the new president of the GCBC. Within 24 hours I received an email from the founder of the college asking me to call him as soon as possible. I knew at that point that I had found that opened door of opportunity that God told me about so many years ago but I still had no idea how I could walk through it. So I began praying and I heard God speak as clear as day. He said to me "I got this son!" and He proved His word true. That was the beginning of September 2017 and by the 23rd of that same month my wife and I were in Joplin for my graduation where we also met with the new president and some of the board members of the GCBC and before we left Joplin to return home to SC we had been offered the opportunity to come and pastor the church in Carl Junction, MO. With no money in the bank to make the move and the idea of having to leave our family, I had no idea how this opportunity would become a reality but in less than 60 days from the date I graduated God had revealed this to be His will to both me and my wife and confirmed it by providing the funds as well as all other means to make the move. We had a home already secured before loading the truck to leave SC. Everything fell into place including the peace of mind knowing we were in the will of God.

We now have a small but growing congregation with a big desire to reach out into our community and minister to the needs of those around us. Our vision for the future is to open a Christian Pre -School which will grow into K-12 school and to create a physical campus for the GCBC.

We are excited to see how God will continue opening those doors. To Him Be the Glory!

John and Cindy Teem



## Titus Neil & Evelyn Tatum Manning

J.J. and Denise Manning of Balko, OK would like to announce the birth of their twins, Titus Neil and Evelyn Tatum. They were born Dec.11, 2017. Titus was born at 7:48 a.m. weighing 5 lbs. 7 oz and measuring 18 inches long. Evelyn was born at 7:51 a.m. weighing 7 lbs 8oz and measuring 18 inches long. The babies were welcomed by siblings Xavier, Audrey and Jovie Manning.

Their grandparents are Danny & Patty Manning of

Laverne, OK and Randall & Joyce Bensch of Logan, OK. Great-grandparents are Lawrence & Dixie Deal of Laverne, OK, Glenford Bensch of Laverne, OK and Robert Burrows of Stillwater, OK.

The Manning family attends Balko Community Faith Church in Balko, Ok where they are loved on by a whole community led by Pastors Fred & Saundra Huff.

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



## Leon Vargas

Leon Dustin Vargas was born January 25, 2018 at 7:11 p.m. He is the son of Dustin and Michelle (Buschman) Vargas of Bentonville, AR. He weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz and was 19 inches long.

Leon and his parents attend Radiant Life Church, in Bentonville ,AR where Rev. & Mrs. Galen Pearcy are their pastors.

Alvin and Glenda Buschman of Seneca, MO and Roberto Vargas, Pea Ridge, AR and Michelle Mendoza of Garfield, AR are his grandparents.

## AFBC Scholarship Thank You's



Thank you for blessing me with a scholarship that I have been able to put towards the cost of attending Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, OK, as a nursing student. I am finishing up my sophomore year and will be a

junior in the fall.

The Lord has been good to me. Thank you for your love and support.

Linda Witten Hardesty, OK 2017 AFBC Alumni Thank you for the opportunity to further my education. As I entered my second year at College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, MO, I was able to put the funds sent toward my room and board.



The semesters continue to become more challenging and with your support and God's help I know I can overcome. Thank you again and God Bless!

Sincerely, Ashley Taylor Joplin, MO 2016 AFBC Alumni

### **Greetings From Trapper Creek, Alaska**

Praise God for what is happening at River of Life! It's been a busy year and God is blessing the work here. The congregation has been growing in the Lord and numbers.

Regular events include Sunday morning service, an afternoon kids club and a Wednesday evening Bible study. They have just finished a study of the book of Romans, and are beginning a David Jeremiah series called "A Life Beyond Amazing". The men meet on Thursday mornings for a coffee fellowship. They also go out together and cut wood for

those in the community who needs the help. The ladies are working on plans to begin meeting soon. The church also holds a movie night regularly.

The holiday season was a busy time with many special events. For Veteran's Day, the church recognized veterans with a special service, which included a Missing Man Table. There were 5 veterans in attendance. After the service, Jeff and Linda delivered cake and ice cream to veterans in the community. The church celebrated Thanksgiving with a potluck event on a Sunday evening. It was a blessed time of fellowship and appreciation for all God has done this year. In mid- December, the church held an outreach event at the community center featuring the Life for Christ group from Wasilla. There was rejoicing in heaven and in Trapper Creek as a man gave his heart to the Lord and began his new life in Christ. Another high point of the season was a Christmas pageant and community choir program. Everyone worked very hard in preparation and the community turned out so that the house was packed. What a blessing it was to see all ages participating in celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Work on the parsonage is progressing. The Life for Christ group from Wasilla has spent many hours working on this during the past year and their help is greatly appreciated. The building is closed in and the plumbing and electrical is installed. The current goal is to finish the insulation and vapor barrier. On the last Saturday of the year a crew of church and community members worked to get this step completed. Many thanks to a man in the church, who organized this and led the way, even though he was recovering from shoulder surgery and had his arm in a sling!

The church has received a donation of about half the sheetrock needed, plus kitchen cabinets and a kitchen range, More workdays are being planned. For more information on that you may contact Bro. Jeff Potts (P.O. Box 13406, Trapper Creek, AK 99683 (907-0733-2102 )or (the pottsbunch@gmail.com.)

We thank everyone for all they have done to get us this far and ask that you pray as we need to complete what we have started. Thank you and God bless you.

Virginia H. Smith Board of Directors Secretary P.O. Box 291 Burns, OR 97720

#### **Editor's Note**

As I read the latest news from Trapper Creek, Alaska I was reminded again of the faithfulness of our great God. In the April-July 2015 issue of the Apostolic Faith Report Sis. Smith had written a letter to all of us asking for prayer concerning the church. The work in Trapper Creek had been started in 1974 by Bro. & Sis. Smith (AFBC Alumni 1966). The church had been closed in the winter of 2014 and they were asking God to send someone who would be willing to begin at the beginning and rebuild the congregation. That pastor would need to raise support before they came or work in the community (population of about 481). Repairs were needed for the mobile home that was there for a pastor to live in and those expenses were estimated at \$5000.00, in addition to living expenses and church expenses. Sounds like a daunting situation but not to our God.

The next time we heard from Sis. Smith (Apostolic Faith Report–May-Sept.2016) was that a new pastor (Jeff & Linda Spotts & family from Montana) had been selected and that they had moved to Trapper Creek in July 2016. Again we were asked to continue to pray for the work there. They asked for wisdom, direction and God's provision.

And now, this recent report, sent to all of us, telling us of the progress in Trapper Creek. My heart rejoiced when I read of the man that gave his heart to the Lord and the blessings of God to the entire community. Truly God is faithful and trustworthy and worthy to be praised.

Perhaps there are situations in some of our lives that seem overwhelming and not possible in man's sight but we are encouraged again that God will not fail us and that it is He that can provide every need. Let's not give up but HOLD FAST!



## **Movement Wide**

**Hosted By:** Trinity Apostolic Faith Church Cave Springs, AR

Where: Baxter Springs, KS at the 4-State Youth Camp Grounds

When: Sept. 28th-30th, 2018
Services will begin Friday evening and continue through Sunday morning.
Schedule and speakers will be posted soon.

Cost: Free to attend! All meals provided! All women are invited to stay in the new dorm at no cost!

Freewill Offering Accepted.

All Are Welcome At Services!

RSVP by September 4th For information contact: Victoria Segura Call or Text: 479-633-5263

Email: victoriamaesegura@gmail.com

## Retired Ministers Fund

A fund was established in 1995 to show appreciation to retired and elder ministers and ministers widows for their dedication and labors in the Kingdom of God, and is still used for God's glory today. The Lord has blessed this work and it has blessed a number of those precious folks who have dedicated their lives in His service but is no longer able to carry on their work.

I am writing to say Thanks to You who have helped in this venture. God has supplied the funds that have allowed us to bless these folks.

I wanted to bring this work to our attention and ask for prayer for this worthy work. All gifts of appreciation may be sent to this fund at:

#### Retired Minister's Benevolence Fund

Willa Dean Johnston 5801 N. Oakwood Road Apt. B 104 Enid, Ok 73703 Phone: 580-233-6898

Thanks again and may God bless!

Rev. Ted Barker Woodward,OK

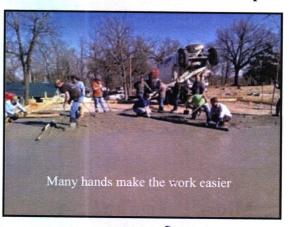
#### **Prayer Ministry**

Rev. M.D. Methvin, retired pastor, of Follett, TX has felt the call to have a Prayer Ministry. Each day he takes prayer requests that are sent to him and seeks the Lord in their behalf. No matter your need he desires to come along side of you and help you carry your burden, or your burden of others.

You may send your requests to: Rev. M.D Methvin, Box 247, Follett, TX 79034 or call him at 806-653-2219.

Psalm 5:3- "My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord, in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up."

#### New Dorm at 4-State Youth Camp



On March 3, 2018, 14 willing workers came together to get the 40 x 58 foundation laid for the new girl's dorm, which will be air conditioned. It was such a blessing to see the great turn out! Hope to see this many willing workers at the future work days. Glad we got so much accomplished. It was fun and productive workout for everyone. Thank you to all who helped. God will reward your hard work.

#### Victoria Segura

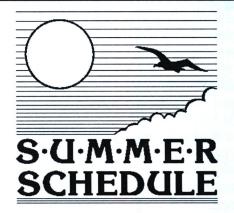


I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever. Psalm 45:17

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## **Midwest Youth Camp**

Laverne, OK
Junior Camp— June 3-7
Director-Kendra Dorris-417 439- 2021
Senior Camp— June 10-15
Director-Elizabeth Stinson— 580-553-0000

## **Pine Crest Youth Camp**

Pine Crest, MS June 22-26 Shauna Denney– 256-354-8275

## **Youth Summit**

AFBC-Baxter Springs, KS July 26-28 Director-Brian & Jenny Harris– 417-499-9209

## **4-State Youth Camp**

Baxter Springs, KS
Junior Camp— June 12-16
Director-Victoria Segura— 479-633-5680
Senior Camp— June 17-23
Director-Daniel & Katy Bard-417-622-7468

## S. Texas Youth Camp

Conroe, TX
Junior Camp– June18-21
Director-Debbie Harris– 979-732-0246
Senior Camp-June 25-29
Director-TBA

## **Apostolic Faith Camp Meeting**

Laverne, OK
July 18-22
Director-Ron Noble– 806-653-2801
Dirk & Elizabeth Stinson– 580-553-0000
Kendra Dorris-417-439-2021