
* GREETINGS *

* By means of the Visitor may we extend greetings, *
* best wishes, prayers and our love to each member *
* and their loved ones. We do not send cards where *
* we live but you have been so kind and good to us *
* we feel that we are debtors and we want to express *
* it without partiality. May each one of you enjoy *
* the true riches of Christ, the joyous friendship *
* of others, good health and material prosperity. *

* The Dean Brookshires *

THE BABE IN THE MANGER

Do you worship the babe in the manger,
But reject the Christ of the Cross?
Your redemption comes not by the manger.
But the Death of Christ on the cross.

If you worship the babe in the manger
But ignore the blood of God's Son,
To you Christ is only a stranger
Till you trust the work He has done.

Will you look past the babe in the manger
Will you look to Calvary?
Oh my friend can you see the danger
Of a lost eternity?

The babe in the manger was God's only Son,
Who came to the world to die.
The babe in the manger could never have done
The work of His God on high.
The babe left the manger and went to the cross
To pay the wages of sin.
The way of forgiveness is not by the babe,
But the Christ who died for your sins.

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December 20, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

December 16.....419
December 9.....425
A Year Ago.....413
CONTRIBUTION
December 16.....\$3,807.74
December 9.....\$1,165.42
A Year Ago.....\$2,224.89

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Dean Brookshire
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Dismiss.....James Hardin

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Glen Warner
Dismiss.....Doug Warner

THANK YOU NOTE

We sincerely appreciate the kindness and sympathy you have extended to us in our bereavement.

The Welch family

Thank you for all the nice cards and visits that made my hospital stay more pleasant.

Johnnie Stringer

VISITING PREACHERS

Raymond Hardin and Mike Warner, students at Abilene Christian College, will preach for us this Lord's Day. Jimmy Strait, now preaching at Ratliff City, Okla. has been invited to

preach for us next Wednesday evening. I am sure all of us are looking forward to hearing them. Good audiences will encourage them in the great work they are now doing and planning to do the rest of their lives.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending December 28, Revelation: Chapters 18 through 22. Have you read the New Testament through in 1962?

100% CLASS

Last Lord's Day the college class of Tom Jones and Tom Holland was 100% in attendance. For the previous week the 8th. grade class of C. R. Clough and Dick Ferguson.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Ladies Wednesday morning Bible class will be dismissed until January 9, 1963.

PURPLE AND WHITE PARTY

All A. C. C. "Ex's", students and friends are invited to a get-together Sunday, December 30th. after evening worship at the Bible Chair, 415 South Baxter.

COMMENDATIONS AND ENCOURAGEMENT ARE IN ORDER

A glance at the contributions figures should convince us that commendations are in order for one or more or whoever was responsible for the big increase. It is always good to see those prosper who are willing to use it right. I pray that they may continue to prosper because I believe they will always remember the Lord with liberal gifts.

At this time of year there may be others who receive bonuses or find that they have made more than they anticipated that could and should give a lump sum. Many who receive bonuses and extra prosperity do not remember the Lord, they just keep giving "a certain amount" regardless. A good many could give and it would not actually cost them anything because it will go for taxes (if they tell the truth) if they do not give the allowable.

I am truly grateful to God for men and women who "seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness", not in words only but in deeds. Jesus taught more on stewardship or giving than on any other subject. It is a pleasure to work with those who follow His teaching. Jesus said, "Give and it shall be given unto you." While we are giving gifts this year let us not forget the greatest Giver of all. D.E.

IF YOU ARE BIG ENOUGH

To stand a compliment, you need not fear the critic. To face defeat bravely, you can be trusted with victory.

To see a rival succeed without jealousy, you have achieved real greatness.

To keep your head when you are being attacked, you are on the highway to success.

To admit your need of God's help, you have made the first step toward getting right.

...from Southside Church
Fort Worth, Texas

OUR LIBRARY

The church here at West Erwin had at one time a library of several books. For one reason or another this important service was allowed to be neglected. Some people who loaned books have reclaimed their books, some books have been lost by accident, some books have been forgotten about in various homes. Of all the books that are left most of them are of a non-religious nature. We want to build our library back up to a good level. We are interested in books on religious subjects: commentaries, church history, sermons, concordances, discussions of religious themes, etc. Although the Library will be available to every member of the congregation, the teachers are the ones to benefit most from it.

A library is very important to the alert Bible teacher. "...books are tools. Men who deal in one form of education or another class books as the tools of their trade. In teaching we constantly need all sorts of facts, explanations, and ideas. We draw upon the discoveries and thought of others for material for teaching, and for improvement of our methods of study and teaching. The teacher or preacher with a good library has these at his finger tips at all times." "If it were not for books, for the written record of man's most profound thoughts, his loftiest achievements, each generation would have to rediscover for itself the truths of the past, with only the inadequate help of oral tradition, word-of-mouth handing down of lore which would inevitably get distorted in the retelling. But books give us a permanent, accurate record of what others have thought about the very problems that face us now."

If you want to teach the Bible better, read it more; then read what someone has said about it. Read critically. Don't believe everything you read, but read, for in this manner you will learn. In reading commentaries and discussions of doctrinal points debate with the writer. Compare what he says with what the Bible says, If the writer is in error and you are able to recognize it, then you are helped. If the writer agrees with the ideas that you learn from the Bible (continued inside)

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BIBLE CLASS

December 23.....386
December 16.....425
A Year Ago.....373

CONTRIBUTION

December 23.....\$1,741.06
December 16.....\$3,807.74
A Year Ago.....\$ 849.74

A GREAT BIG THANKS

We wish to thank each one of you for the kindnesses, gifts, words of encouragement and messages of best wishes we received during the holidays. The former holidays together have been good but this one surpassed them all in many ways. We want to thank the elders for their thoughtfulness of us and the measure of love they have bestowed upon us.

The Dean Brookshires

WELCOME HOME

It was good to have all of our college boys and girls home for the holidays. Too, we were happy to see so many former members back with us for the holidays. This also includes those who have married and were home visiting their relatives here at West Erwin.

THANKS TO THE PREACHERS

Our thanks to Raymond Hardin, Mike Warner and Jimmy Strait for the good lessons last Lord's Day and Wednesday evening. It was a real joy and inspiration to us to hear them. Each one has made remarkable growth and we are so happy that they have dedicated themselves to the great work of preaching the gospel.

BIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our Bible School attendance was down, down, down last Lord's Day. Let us reverse it this time and if we have company instead of staying home with them bring them to Bible study with us. We had another good contribution last Lord's Day for which we are thankful. This will enable the elders to do some work that will benefit this congregation as well as others where we are helping.

NO LADIES CLASS

The Wednesday morning ladies class will not meet again till January the 9th. We hope to begin the New Year with an attendance of, at least, seventy five.

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you will have greater confidence in what you believe. In either case you are the one who is helped. There is no need, in this modern age, for anyone to try to start from the beginning and work out by himself an understanding of the Bible. In private reading everyone will miss some of the points and ideas to be gleaned from any given passage, but someone else may have seen the very thing you missed and has written it in a book. You have nothing to lose when you take advantage of reading religious books and magazines.

The church here has a good start in building a library for its members, especially the teachers. It will grow into a fine library if you the users of the library show your desire to use it more. T.J.

CHARACTER

Character is a conquest not a bequest.

It is easier and better to build men than to repair them.

The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he never would be found out.

You can no more blame your circumstances for your character than you can the mirror for your looks.

The difference between personality and character: Personality is what you are when lots of people are around; character is what you are when everybody goes home.

Character is the result of two things - mental attitude and the way we spend our time.

Character is made by what you stand for; reputation, by what you fall for.

We often pray for purity, unselfishness, for the highest qualities of character, and forget that these things cannot be given, but must be earned.

So live that you wouldn't be ashamed to sell the family parrot to the town gossip.

SINGING

You are urged to attend Fifth Sunday Singing, 2:30 P. M. at the Arp Church of Christ Sunday December 30.

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GOING WITH THE WORLD OR FOLLOWING CHRIST

Forced intergration is taking place, slanted (unlawful) oil well drilling has been brought to light, swindle and fraud by prominent and trusted people continues to make the headlines, prominent public officials betray our confidence, a recent scandal in the entertainment world has been brought to the public's eye and to these other things could be added. But why go on because these are too much for the faith of some As born again Christians we are forced to live in a world where these things, and more, abound. Indirectly you and I depend upon some of these people in some ways for our livelyhood. Some of them are our superiors in civil, business and civic affairs. Any Spiritual person is able to see and feel a need for some drastic changes. But he says he hardly knows where to start. He admits that he is willing to help if he knew how. The best way I know for a Christian to help in the prevailing sinful conditions is to remain faithful to the Lord without one whit of compromise. A great deal of the unrest and sinfulness is rubbing off on some Christians. Some are saying, "I may as well do it because every body else is." It may seem that way to you but all are not given to sin. There are many fine devout Christians in the world today. Some Christians are drifting with the tide but not all. Some who are drifting are doing it because they like it and others because they are not aware of it. Some Christians have an excessive craving for money and entertainment and they do not realize it. They are keeping company with the undesirables and have never stopped to think who their best friends are. Many of us would not touch a drop of liquor, steal a dime, or engage in immorality are in a sense keeping company with those who do Through our papers and church bulletins the following pleas are made. "Brethren, please come to Bible Study and Worship. Please give so the work will not be hindered. Please come on Sunday evening and Wednesday evening." But you ask where are those people who willfully absent themselves and slight the Lord and His work? A great portion of them are in front of a television set, at a place of entertainment, (contd. inside)



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BIBLE CLASS

June 24.....422
June 17.....413
A Year Ago.....371

CONTRIBUTION

June 24.....\$1,010.52
June 17..... 1,076.14
A Year Ago..... 935.65

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....T. F. Holland
Prayer.....H. J. Holland
Dismiss.....T. J. Parsons

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Tommy Lowrance
Dismiss.....Layton Bailey

WELCCME

Miss LaVerne Howard,1518
Goliad recently moved here
from Center. She is making
her home with the McSwains

SICK

Brother Virgil Robbins
is in Glenwood Clinic.Mrs.
Tommy White in Med.Center.

SYMPATHY

Brother Millard Murry
passed away late Wednesday
night. Funeral services
are Friday at 2:00 P.M. at
Burks-Walker.

Mrs. Mary Rowe, grand-
mother of Dr. Ralph Rowe,
passed away last week in
Hope, Ark.

PAUL'S DEFEAT

Paul got the defeat of
his life - not at Lystra,
where he was stoned,for he

built a church there; not
at Thessalonica, where he
was mobbed, for he planted
a church there; not at
Philippi, where he was
beaten with rods and put
in stocks, for he built a
church there; not at Cor-
inth and Ephesus where he
was persecuted,for he suc-
cessfully defended the
cause of truth there; but
at Athens, where no viol-
ence was shown, but where
they were indifferent! The
spirit of indifference or
the lack of enthusiasm,has
a paralyzing effect on no-
ble efforts. If you desire
to defeat the program of
the local church, it isn't
necessary for you to use
violence,or abusive words;
your indifference will do
the job. ---Selected

YOUR TONES

It is not so much what you
say,
As the manner in which you
say it;
It is not so much the lan-
guage you use
As the tones you use to
convey it.
For words come from the
mind,
And grow by study and art;
But tones leap from the
inner self
And reveal the state of
heart.

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etc. in company with the
most immoral people in the
world. They are listening
to stories of murder, ad-
ultery, fraud, distrust,
and in some instances
these things are so color-
ed that they are even made
attractive. Brethren, if
we desire to live clean
spiritual lives we are go-
ing to have to keep compa-
ny with the One who is the
author of Christianity,
Jesus the Christ and His
faithful ones. Wholesome
recreation and rest are
essential to good health
and happiness. One does
not have to neglect the
Lord nor engage in sin to
enjoy himself. Some are
saying, "I need a change
of things. A good change
for some would be to be-
come active in church work.
They could visit the sick,
restore the fallen, teach
the unsaved,encourage the
weak and work to give to
the needy. Others could
exercise themselves by
being more faithful to
worship. Still others need
to spend more time in
meditation and prayer.

Regardless of what oc-
curs and to whom it oc-
curs we must be faithful
to the Lord. We cannot go
with the crowd. We must

walk with the Lord. By
doing this we will be
making the greatest con-
tribution to the church,
ourselves and to our coun-
try. Making a better world
and a better church begins
with you and with me.

D.B.

WE ANSWER THE QUESTION

How many will we have in
Bible School next Lord's
Day. We are the answer to
that question. How many
visits will be made this
week in behalf of the Lost?
We are the answer to that
question. How much will be
contributed to the work
here next Lord's Day? We
are the answer to that
question. How many of the
lost will be saved here?
We are the answer to that
question. Do you realize
that you help to answer
some of the most important
questions? Are you helping
to answer them with cau-
tion, seriousness and
prayer?

100% CLASS

The beginners class of
Frances Phillips and Doro-
thy Hulsey was 100% last
Lord's Day.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending July 6. Romans
14,15,16. 1 Cor. 1,2.

SOMEONE DIED AND LEFT YOU A FORTUNE

Yes, it is true! The death of Jesus Christ over 1900 years ago gives you today the right of inheritance, provided you fulfill the terms of the will He left. The fortune is FREE and FREELY given. Rom. 8:32; 6:23. It cost you nothing but compliance with the terms of the will. These terms are:

1. Belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. "Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die." Jn. 11:26; 3:16; Mk. 16:16; Acts 16:31.

2. Repentance from sin. "...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Lk. 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38; 17:30.

3. Confession of faith in Christ. "Everyone..., who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father." Mt. 10:32, Rom. 10:9f; Acts 8:37.

4. Immersion in water at Christ's command: "...repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for (unto RV) the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38; 8:36-38; Rom. 6:4; Mk. 16:16.

5. A holy life following baptism. "But like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living." 1 Pet. 1:15. Titus 2:11-14.

6. "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much more as ye see the day approaching. Heb. 10:25; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:1,2; Rev. 1:10

7. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10b, 14:13, Matt. 10:22.

"He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which WILL we are sanctified.. through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Heb. 10:9,10; 9:15,16,17. Jno. 12:48.

We plead with you to comply with the will, and accept your inheritance.

---Selected

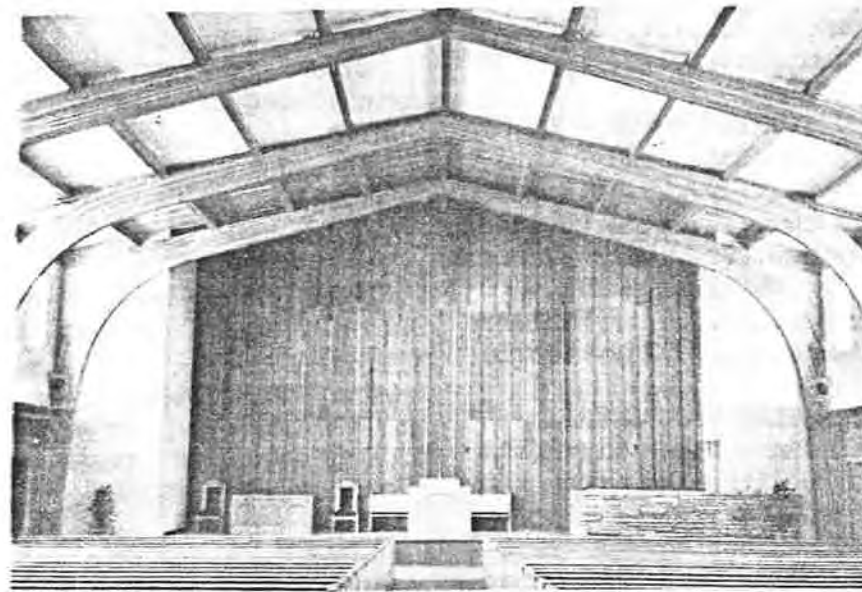
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RIBLE CLASS

June 17.....413
June 10.....416
A Year Ago.....389

CONTRIBUTION

June 17.....\$1,076.14
June 10..... 1,089.18
A Year Ago..... 986.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Prayer.....H. J. Holland
Dismiss.....Glen Warner

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Henry Holland
Dismiss.....Eddy Nichols

THANK YOU NOTES

During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered by the family of Mrs. Mary Todd.

Marie, Bob and R. V.
Threadgill

Your comforting expression of sympathy will always be remembered with deep gratitude.

The Family of
Dr. J. H. Mitchell

SICK

Mrs. Hazel Mitchell Jones
is in Harris Hospital in

Ft. Worth. She had surgery Monday and would enjoy cards and letters.

R. M. Mayo is in Medical Center.

Millard Murry is in Medical Center.

Mrs. Paul (Betty) Moore is in Medical Center. She had surgery Wednesday.

Clyde Haden, son of Mrs. Naomi Haden is in Medical Center.

Mrs. John Knight is in Medical Center.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held Friday morning in Kaufman for Mr. Guy Payne. He was the brother-in-law of Brother and Sister E. L. Taylor and a Cousin of Brother Aubrey Payne.

TEACHERS WORKSHOP

July 23-26 is the date for the 6th. annual Bible Teachers Workshop on the A.C.C. Campus. Arrangements are made to charter a bus for those in this area who would like to attend. Information concerning arrangements may be obtained from the office.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending June 29, Romans: Chapters 9 through 13.

IN MEMORY

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin W. Wilson have presented to the Library of the West Erwin Church three books in the memory of Dr. John H. Mitchell. The books are all written by Brother Cox. They are "Moses' Last Birthday," "According to John," and "Treatises of Luke."

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson invite you to attend open house June 30 from 2 until 6 P.M. honoring their parents, the Luther Thompsons, on their fortieth wedding anniversary. The Thompson's address is 306 S. Main, Rusk, Texas.

THANKS TO ONE AND ALL

For eight days of rest and fun. We enjoyed a good vacation here at home. It was good to visit a different class last Lord's Day and to hear some one else preach. Thanks to all who filled in for me and I should add very commendly so. Your thoughtfulness of us during our vacation is appreciated.

D.B.

OUR MEETING

We should turn our attention and labors now toward our Summer Meeting with brother Gieger. The time is August 19-24. We will have a short meeting and we must make good preparations for one of our best.

MEETING IN THIS AREA

Brother Robert Bankes of Longview is preaching in a meeting in Van this week at 8:00 each evening. You still have time to attend once or twice.

Brother Willard Collins of Nashville, Tenn. will preach in a meeting at the Crockett Road Church in Palestine June 24-July 1. Week nights services at 7:45. Brother Collins will teach a class for adults each morning from 9-11.

Brother L. E. Carpenter will preach in a meeting in Chandler June 24 - July 1. Services each evening at 7:45.

SINGING

The fourth-Sunday singing will be in Overton again this month. The time is 2:30, June 24th. All are invited.

THE RECORD JUNE 14, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

June 10.....416
June 3.....452
A Year Ago.....430

CONTRIBUTION

June 10.....\$1,089.18
June 3.....\$1,032.65
A Year Ago.....\$1,078.88

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Dismiss.....Ronny Lowrance

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Doug Warner
Dismiss.....Charles Payne

RESPONSES

Restored: Mrs. Wayland Willis. Wayland and Marcella are now living in Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Pauline Fuller, 632 N. Harris.

Membership: Gail Wells, 401 E. Reeves St. has moved here from Linden, Texas. She is attending Federal Institute and will be in Tyler for several months.

SICK

R. M. Mayo will enter Medical Center Thursday and is to have surgery on Friday.

Charlotte Chandler had a tonsillectomy Tuesday.

Millard Murry is in Medical Center Hospital.

Little Cindy Taylor has the measles.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Mary Todd in Waco. She was the grandmother of Marie Threadgill.

MOVING

We regret that Brother and Sister Luther Thompson are moving to Rusk this week. They have been members at West Erwin for many years. Their new address will be 306 S. Main, Rusk, Texas. We extend our best wishes and prayers to Brother and Sister Thompson in their new home.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beall of Longview have a new daughter born Saturday. The mother is the former Edwina Arrington. John and Sally Arrington are the grandparents.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending June 22, Romans: Chapters 4 through 8.

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TOMORROW

Most of us have great plans for tomorrow. Edward L. Kramer has said, "Tomorrow is a non-entity. It does not exist. Now - we own no past, no future. We possess only NOW. The old saying, "Tomorrow never comes," is perhaps trite, but very true.

The apostle Paul emphasized the value of "now" when he said, "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. 2 Cor. 6:2b. Our Saviour admonishes us to

take care of today and tomorrow will take care of itself. "Be not therefore anxious for the morrow; for the morrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof..."Matt. 6:34.

If your plans for God have always been in the future, won't you determine to put those plans in to action today? By living the Christian life today the crown of victory will be ours tomorrow!

He was going to be all that he wanted to be. . Tomorrow
No one should be kinder and brave than he. . . Tomorrow
A friend who was troubled and weary, he knew;
Who'd be glad of a lift, and he needed it too
On him he would call and see what he could do .Tomorrow
Each morning he stacked up letters he'd write
And thought of the folks he would fill with
delight Tomorrow
It was too bad he was busy today;
And hadn't one minute to stop on his way;
'More time I will have to give others"he'd say. Tomorrow
The greatest of workers this man would have
been Tomorrow
The world would have known him had he ever
seen Tomorrow
But in fact, he passed out and faded from view;
And all that he left when living was through,
Was a mountain of things he intended to do . . Tomorrow

Are you planning to stand before God's judgement seat and say, "Lord, I planned to be faithful in church attendance tomorrow, I intended to visit those souls who were lost and spiritually weak tomorrow,

It was my purpose to do more for world evangelism tomorrow, I was going to visit the sick and minister to the needy tomorrow. I planned to give to you liberally tomorrow, it was my purpose to obey the

gospel of Christ tomorrow! Do you plan to offer any of these pleas to God? Will he not answer then, "Yesterday WAS the day of salvation, but now it is eternally too late?"

--Selected

A PUBLIC CONFESSION

Suppose that you leave your family some day by just walking off and staying away for three or four weeks or months. You don't help your wife care for the children. You leave no way for them to get by except as they may look after themselves. You are not concerned whether the rent is paid, there are no groceries to eat and other things that are needful are not supplied.

But suddenly one morning you walk in about breakfast time and inquire where your breakfast is, without making a word of explanation or apology to your wife. You feel no shame for your behaviour and do not state that you have repented. How many wives would receive a husband like that without a word of explanation? I seriously doubt that any would

And yet there are many church members who think

nothing of absenting themselves from the service of the church for weeks at a time. They are not concerned whether the Lord's work is carried on or not. And suddenly they return and start to take a part without making an acknowledgment, or showing any sign that they are ashamed or that they have repented of their behaviour. When we sin, through the weakness of the flesh, let us come before God, saying, "Lord, I have been sinful."

---Bulletin, Joliet, Ill.

The blessings of the Lord are promised only to those who obey Him.

If the Lord should pay you a visit in your home for a few days, do you have any habits that you would need to change while He remained?

FINANCIAL STATEMENT MAY 1962

Cash on hand May 1, 1962	\$3,217.09
Deposits during May 1962	<u>4,158.55</u>
Available for Expenditures	\$7,375.64

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Teneha Church	60.00	
Advertising	<u>534.12</u>	\$1,478.12

Materials, Supplies, etc:

Utilities	\$125.91	
Bible School Supplies	59.87	
Postage	76.00	
Office Supplies	20.18	
Insurance	60.00	
Building Maint.	179.55	
Flowers	<u>32.36</u>	553.87

Salaries 819.90

Taxes - City and School 148.13

Total Expenditures for May 1962 \$4,036.77

Cash on hand May 31, 1962 3,338.87

Total funds accounted for \$7,375.64

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BIBLE CLASS

June 3.....452
May 27.....428
A Year Ago.....452

CONTRIBUTION

June 3.....\$1,032.65
May 27.....1,057.36
A Year Ago..... 996.75

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....P. E. Mackey
Prayer....Sweeney Copeland
Dismiss.Herbert Brookshire

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....James Phillips
Dismiss.....Larry Mackey

SICK

Brother W. R. Causey is
in Glenwood Clinic.

Sister Minnie Stegall is
ill at home.

Sister C. C. McDonald is
in the hospital and cannot
have company. Please con-
tinue to pray for Sister
McDonald and her family.

THANK YOU

We wish to say many
thanks to all for the vis-
its, cards and your inter-
est during Jim's recent
illness. We are so very
grateful and feel so close
to each of you.

Bessie, Jim & Lynn Willis

SYMPATHY

Funeral services for Dr.
John H. Mitchell were con-
ducted at the church Mon-
day afternoon by Brother
Brookshire and Brother
Gieger. Burial was in the
West Boon Prairie Cemetary
near Franklin, Texas.

NEW CLASSES

At least two new classes
will begin on Wednesday
evening June 13. There will
be a training class for
men taught by Brother Rush-
ing and a class for Women
who want to learn how to
teach or learn more about
teaching. The ladies class
teachers will be announced
shortly. These two classes
should prove very benefi-
cial to many of us.

100% CLASSES

The 2nd. grade with Zef-
fie Beard and Mary Grier.
The 6th. grade with Kathryn
Cauthen and Barbara Payne.

CORRECTION

In the financial state-
ment under advertising we
have the amount \$534.12. It
should be \$543.12.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending June 15,
Acts 27 and 28 and Romans:
Chapters 1, 2 and 3.

"IN ADDRESSING GOD"

Our prayers to Him should
be uttered in reverence
and Adoration. This is one
reason I am a stickler for
solemn forms in our ad-
dress to God.

If I am talking to some
body on the street I may
say, "Yea." If I am talk-
ing to a group of people
at some public function
and am asked a question I
am apt to say, "Yes." But
if I am addressing the
President of the United
States I would say, "Yes
Sir." The expression, "Yea",
"Yes Sir" mean the same,
but there is a consider-
able difference in the
manner and way in which we
use these forms.

Just so, in addressing
God in our public prayers,
we should address him in
the most reverential man-
ner we know. Certainly
such expressions as "You"
"Your" have a different
sound to "Thy" and "Thine."
We know these have the
same basic meaning, but
they do carry a different
spirit altogether. The
solemn form shows a great-
er degree of reverence and
has a greater effect upon
the audience.

Sometimes it happens that
those who seek to be on a
very familiar plana with

God use such terms as "You"
and "Your" in their prayers,

In addressing God in the
most reverent manner it is
best to stay with the sol-
emn terms. I regret it
deeply that so many of our
young preachers have in
recent days fallen into
the habit of using the
common terms of the street
address in their prayers
to God Almighty.

L. R. Wilson

VACATION BIBLE SCHCOL

We are in the midst of
one of our best Vacation
Bible Schools. The inter-
est has never been better
than it is this week. We
are indebted to so many
who have worked to have a
successful school. Since we
printed the names of the
teachers and their helpers
three more have joined our
teaching staff. They are:
Shirley Caskey, Henry Mc-
Ruiz and James Ray McSwain.
We are so thankful for our
teachers who have worked
so diligently and unself-
ishly. We want to thank
Brother Anders for his
good work with the audito-
rium class. Our attendance
the first 4 days was 307,
325, 315 and 310.

MEETING in Gilmer. See the
bulletin board for infor-
mation.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 4 - 8

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

NURSERY FOR CHILDREN UNDER TWO

YOUNG PEOPLES MEETING

There will be a young peoples meeting next Lord's Day afternoon at 3:00. Brother Billy Eubanks, a senior at ACC will speak. Brother Eubanks will be working with the church in Gladewater this Summer and he is anxious to meet all the young people of this area.

AMEN AND AMEN

Someone has said, "He that talketh by the yard, and thinketh by the inch, should be kickethed by the foot." Did you ever break an axle and have your motor race, yet your car stood still? Did you ever have to listen to someone talk in an endless stream without ever giving any thought to what they were saying, who they were hurting, etc.?? Words without any thoughts behind them! When one races his tongue, he should make sure it is connected to the brain by the axle of thought.

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CONTRIBUTION

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May 20.....\$1,086.35
A Year Ago.....\$1,042.00

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
Dismiss..Dudley Brookshire

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....K. Max Haws
Dismiss.....Ralph Lowrance

SICK

John Ross Weaver is in Mother Frances Hospital.
Russell Owens is in Medical Center.

THANK YOU

Max, the children and I wish to thank all of you for the cards, food, good wishes, flowers, and prayers sent our way during my recent stay in the hospital. It is wonderful and rewarding to know and love those who truly love the Lord.

In Christian love,
Mary Haws

SYMPATHY

Last Sunday afternoon Funeral services were conducted for A. B. Grier. He was the brother of H. T. Grier Sr.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the Church in Gladewater for Ronnie Jordan. He was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Browning and the nephew of Harold Browning.

MEETING

The church in Glimer will begin a meeting with Clifton Rogers June 11 and continue through the 17th. Services are 7:00A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

I COUNTED DOLLARS

I counted dollars while God counted crosses,
I counted gains while He counted losses,
I counted my wealth by the things gained in store
But He valued me by the scars I bore.
I counted the honors and sought for ease
He wept while He counted the hours on my knees,
And I never knew until one day by a grave
How vain are these things that we spend a life to save.

STUDY AND PRAY

BEFORE YOU SUGGEST

Last Lord's Day brother Haws announced to us that some felt that additional elders and deacons should be appointed to serve this congregation. Selecting elders and deacons to serve the Lord's church is a very grave matter and it should not be taken lightly. Their qualifications are found in 1 Tim. 3:1-13 and Titus 1: 5-9. Be sure to consider their wives too. See 1 Tim. 3:11.

If you do not know the meaning of the qualifications get a dictionary, reliable commentaries, or several different translations of the New Testament. In order for any of us to be able to suggest men we must be able to define their qualifications and know the men well enough to know that they do possess them. Men who shall be appointed will not be appointed for the present only but we must take in consideration what the church will be under their leadership ten, twenty or thirty years from now. Before men are appointed to serve as elders or deacons (here or elsewhere) there should be much deep study of their qualifications

and much fervent prayer that the Lord's Will may be done. Many souls are at stake so let us pray for wisdom to make the right decisions. D.B.

IN THE GARDEN OF MEMORIES

Many beautiful gardens may be found in city parks and even in remote places of earth! The beauty of flowers, trees and foliage, and landscaping designs appeals to the eyes. But not all beautiful gardens can be seen with physical eyes. There are gardens of memory. We plant these gardens and tend them with care. We weed out the deeds and events we do not wish to remember, and cultivate those of beauty. It takes a lot of forgetting, a lot of forgiving, a lot of cultivation of the happenings of life, little or big, with a lot of the grace of God, to make a garden of memories that is really attractive. When we have such a garden, we can enjoy it to the very end of life, and can share it with our friends.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending June 8th. Acts Chapters 22 through 26.

TEACHERS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 4-8

PRESCHOOL

Nursery	Mrs. Lillie Knight	
2 yr. old	Jolene Welch	Joyce Venable
3 yr. old	Frances Phillips	Linda Heath
4 yr. old	Margaret Montgomery	Judy Venable
5 yr. old	Sara Powell	Lillian Becker
5 yr. old	Eunice Holland	Veta Mae Geisecke
6 yr. old	Jan Knight	Becky McRuiz
6 yr. old	Bobby McSwain	

PRIMARY

1st. grade	Pauline Jones	Floyia Payne
1st. grade	Arenia Clough	Ruby Brem
2nd. grade	Johnny Stringer	Penny McDonald
2nd. grade	Nell Wright	Nancy Butler
3rd. grade	Katie Heath	Mrs. A. A. Brett
3rd. grade	Connie Laird	Elva Lee Mackey

JUNIOR

4th. grade	Audrey O'Bannon	Elaine Roberson
4th. grade	Julia Langham	Sonja Aven
5th. grade	Beatrice Holland	Marie Threadgill
6th. grade	Maurine Brookshire	Grace Whyte
6th. grade	Bertha Byrd	Daisy Old

SENIOR

Jr. High	Bertha Rushing	Verda Driggers
Girls		
Jr. High	Dean Brookshire	
Boys		

ADULTS

Auditorium Johnny Anders
Class

We are proud of our Vacation Bible School teaching staff. It is good to work with so many who are willing to do what they can to teach the story of Christ our Savior. The Lord will richly bless every effort. We appreciate the willingness of those who offered to help but became unable to do so.

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May 13.....418
A Year Ago.....427

CONTRIBUTION

May 20.....\$1,076.35
May 13.....995.52
A Year Ago.....943.55

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Prayer.....R. C. O'Bannon
Dismiss.....R. E. Fredrick
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Thomas Holland
Dismiss.....James Massey

SICK

Debbie Young and Lois Roberts are in the Medical Center Hospital.
Faber Cauthen's mother is seriously ill in Montgomery Alabama.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Shirrell Studdard and Wayne Taylor who were married Tuesday afternoon.

AN APOLOGY

To Richard Gregory. His name was not included in the list of Spring graduates that appeared in the bulletin last week. Congratulations Richard.

MOVING

We regret to announce that we are losing some good families from West Erwin. Brother and Sister Luther Thompson have sold their property and they are moving to Rusk. The Tom Myricks are moving as soon as school is out. The Harley Vaughns are moving to Dallas soon. Brother Thompson has been an elder here for years. It was my privilege to baptize Harley and Tom and both are growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. We shall miss all of these but our best wishes go with them where ever they go. D.B.

CAMP DEER-RUN

The first session at Camp Deer-Run will open June 17, the second July 1, the third July 15 and the fourth July 29. The cost is \$30.00 per session. If you are interested get your reservation blank in the tract rack.

SINGING

The fourth-Sunday singing will be in Overton, May 27th. at 2:30.

100% CLASS

The 2nd. grade class of Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler was 100% last Sunday.

OUR TWO GREAT NEEDS NOW

Two very important parts of church work are lagging here now. One is the lack of organized visiting, and the other is giving of money to help carry on the work. Neither of these is being done systematically. Some of both are being done but neither as it should be. On the 13th. when so many visited out of town the contribution was under one thousand dollars and the 20th. when we had a good crowd the contribution was no larger (not as large as at times) than usual. This is proof that when some are away they completely forget the work here.

Some are visiting when they can, but there are many more who could help in this work. If we could have some who would take the lead in this work by organizing some groups to visit regularly it would be much more effective. The time has come when we must go out and invite people to study with us and the sooner we learn this and do something about it the better off we will be.

MEETING

The church at Arp begins a meeting May 28 at 7:30 P.M. with Bro. John Anders.

WORD OF APPRECIATION

For sometime the members of Sister Rushing's Lord's Day morning class have been visiting the shutins. This is a good work and the Ladies are to be commended for their faithfulness in doing this much needed work. May the Lord bless their labors.

LOTS OF TIME

Lots of time for lots of things; —
Tho' it's said that Time has wings, —
There is always time to find —
Ways of being sweet and kind; —
There is always time to share
Smiles and goodness everywhere;
Time to send the frowns away,
Time a gentle word to say;
Time for helpfulness, and time
To assist the weak to climb;
Time to give a little flower,
Time for friendship any hour;
But there is no time to spare
For unkindness anywhere.
--Selected

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending June 1st. Acts, Chapters 17-21.

WOULD CHANGING RELIGION HELP?

It has been called to my attention several times lately that some Christians with nervous disorders have been advised by their doctors to change from Christianity to denominationalism. Many doctors who are schooled and well trained to treat nervous disorders know no more about Christianity than they would know about building a jet plane. Their concept of the teaching of Jesus is based almost altogether upon the teaching of humanity. They teach, in most instances, that Christianity is too narrow and that it keeps a person in restraint too much. A doctor in Dallas who has treated several patients I know advised them to give up Christianity and give expression to their desires. They were told not to hold any convictions much about anything but to be broadminded. I respect the training of a person in any field so long as it does not contradict the teaching of Christ, but I believe Jesus of Nazareth is the greatest Physician of all. I believe He is able to heal all of our spiritual diseases. I do not believe He gave us teaching that is too heavy for the mind.

Not being a doctor, I do not claim to know the causes of so much nervous illness today. I do know what Jesus taught about some things and I believe He is right. I also know how some Christians behave themselves. Some Christians are well behaved and have conducted themselves honorably before God and their fellowman and they have had so many burdens (many of them unnecessary) heaped upon them that they have broken under the load. While on the other hand there are some who are living so far away from the Lord that they live in constant fear. The Lord does not want His children to live in fear. Perfect love casteth out fear. (1 John 4:18). Some are not living up to the knowledge they have and it worries them. This is wrong. Many feed upon trash and smut even while they are ill and this does them harm. Few brethren read clean literature. Few gospel papers or tracts are taken to the hospitals even by Christians when they are able to read. They feed upon things that keep them in fear and carnal minded. With as little spiritual (continued inside)

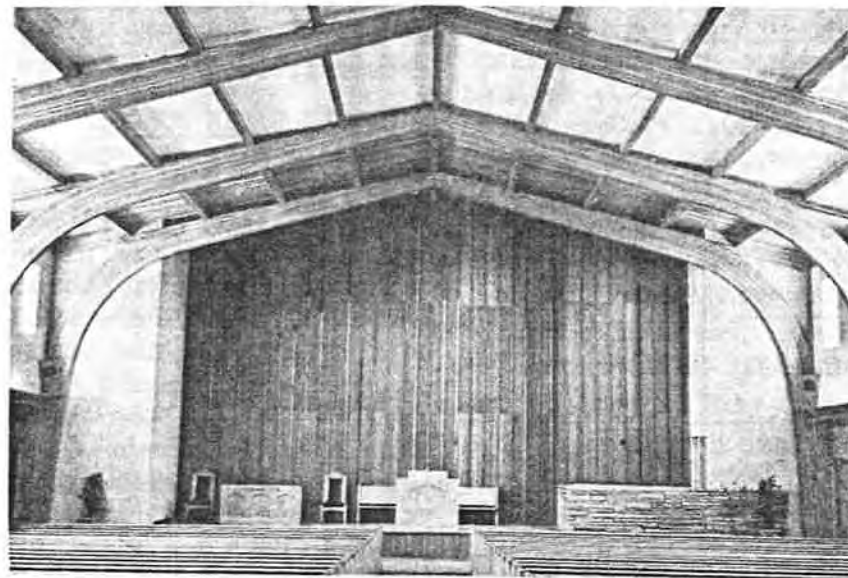
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May 6.....\$1,045.32
A Year Ago.....\$1,084.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....H. J. Holland
Prayer.....Jack Beard
Dismiss.....Dick Ferguson
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Harold Browning
Dismiss.....Louis Jones

RESPONSES

To be restored - Travis
Aven, 1912 N. Emerson.

SICK

We have a number of sick
in the hospitals. Those in
Medical Center are: Mary
Haws, Sara Stringer, Dr.
Mitchell, Lois Roberts, who
had surgery Tuesday and
Ross Mitchell, who had a
Tonsillectomy. Mrs. Pearl
Goodman is in Mother Fran-
ces Hospital. She had sur-
gery Monday.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a meeting
of all teachers Monday
evening at 7:30. This in-
cludes regular teachers
and Vacation Bible School
teachers. You are urged to
be present.

CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS

The following will grad-
uate from High School this
year. David Wright, Frank-
lin Shaffer, Ronnie Low-
rance, Judy Holland, Shir-
ley Caskey and Raymond
Hardin. Our very best wish-
es and prayers go with
them into schools of high-
er learning or into their
chosen fields.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 4-8 is a special
date for us. It is the time
of our Vacation Bible
School. Classes are plan-
ned for those of three
years of age (there will
be a nursery for the young-
er ones) and upward in-
cluding the adults. Bro-
ther Johnny Anders will
teach the adult class this
year. This school is only
for five days and will in-
clude only ten hours of
instruction. That seems
to be very little for a
church to do just once
each year. If you cannot
teach, please bring your
children and friends so
others can teach them. This
is important and should
not be taken lightly.

100% CLASSES

Both 2nd. grades. Mrs.
Willis, Nancy Butler and
Mrs. Beard and Grier. 6th.
grade, Mrs. Caskey and Judy
Holland.

SUCCESS OF BIBLE STUDY
DEPENDS ON ADULTS

This statement is borne
out by many facts.

1. Adults constitute the
largest proportion of our
population. We are told
that by 1970 there will be
60 adults, 25 years of age
and older, to 40 children
and young people below 25
years of age.

2. Adult influence predom-
inates-when adults attend,
fathers and mothers particu-
larly, the children and
young people present no
problem. They have not yet
developed delinquent hab-
its in Bible Study attend-
ance. It is not uncommon
to have parents tell us
that their small children
cry to go to Bible Study,
yet they do not carry them.
How blind can we be to our
own interest and obliga-
tions?

3. So it adds up that the
adults afford the greatest
potential and have the
greatest responsibility
for the growth of Bible
Study.

HOW MAY WE MEET THE
CHALLENGE?

1. Adults must wake up to
the fact that they hold
the key to the success or
the failure of our Bible
study work and assume the
responsibility for enroll-

ing and bringing their own
young people and children.

2. Be more regular in at-
tendance ourselves. Make
it a matter of conscience
to be present every Sunday
unless absence is unavoid-
able.

3. Check on absentees and
encourage regular attend-
ance.

4. As teachers, do every-
thing in your power to
teach effectively.

--from 7th. & G. Church
Temple

-continued from back page-
Food as some get it is
little wonder to me that
any survive. If more Christ-
ians would study their
Bible, pray and worship
regularly, visit the sick,
and help the poor they
would have much better
Spiritual health. This
might not cure all their
nervousness but it would
cure the "grumbles", "fault-
finding", "complaining",
"talebearing", etc. etc.

Before you try everything
else, why not try genuine
Christianity? Jesus and
the Apostles recommends
it. It has helped millions.
D.B.

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE

for week ending May 25,
Acts Chapters 12 through
16.

TOO MUCH OR TOO LITTLE

About thirty years ago there was a scarcity of money in circulation, jobs, and in some instances the real necessities of life. Then we had too little. We are now living in a time when money is plentiful, jobs are plentiful, households are well furnished and comfortable, and all of our physical needs are well supplied. We may now be living in a time when we have too much. Some may think it is impossible for us to have too much, but it is not. Some have so much now that it takes almost all of their time either going or being entertained, buying or selling, or looking after their abundant supply. It is possible for us to get so preoccupied that we use all the time God has given us to serve our selves and worship our possessions. In depression days the minds of men were preoccupied trying to make a living. When will things ever get right to where we have some time for God? It seems that we either have too little or too much all of the time. Things just do not seem to work out right for us. In depression days some did without so much till now that they have it they want to live it up, because they remember when they could not. Some then vowed that if they ever did get a hold of any money they were going to make up for lost time. Well, many have and are. In the midst of the greatest material prosperity some have ever known they are doing exactly the opposite of what they promised they would do if times ever got better. They promised a greater portion to the Lord, but they have not fulfilled their promise. The money part is the least of it all. The attitude of the heart and where the emphasis is placed is what is so bad. A kind and loving Father has so graciously given unto us so many things and some of us have turned our hearts away from Him instead of unto Him. Our beautiful comfortable homes could be used to teach Bible Classes and have prayer meetings for the church and for the lost, but they are used primarily for ourselves and our close friends. Our good cars could be used to bring the lost to hear the word, but they are used mostly for business and pleasure. We have never had as much to work with in our lives, (continued inside)

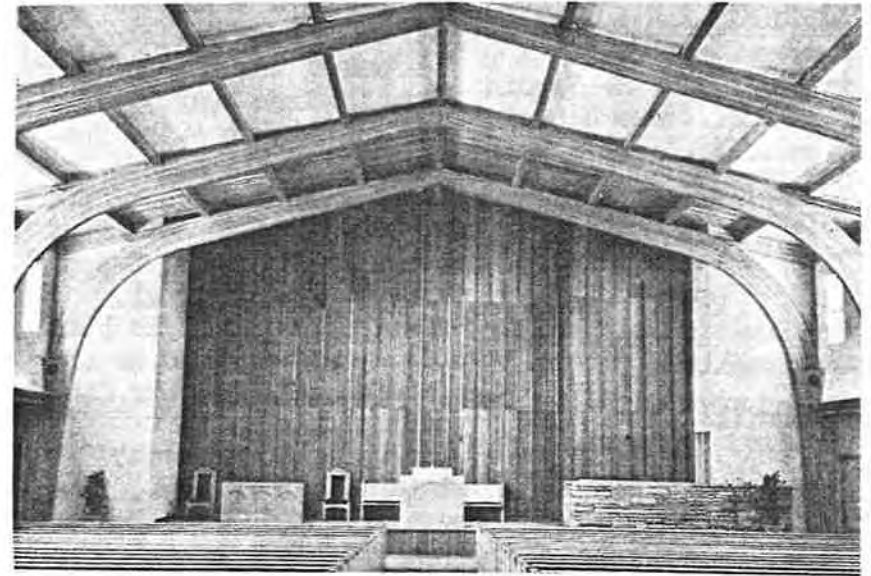
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APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and Prayer.....	C. B. Hardin
Prayer.....	James McSwain
Dismiss.....	Darrell Holt

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....	W. D. Drummond
Dismiss.....	Harley Vaughn

SICK

Mary Haws is in Medical Center Hospital.

THANK YOU NOTE

Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated. The family of J.B. Carroll

SYMPATHY

To Brother O. P. Poole and family. Bro. Poole's brother passed away in Sulphur Springs and funeral services were conducted for him Monday in Lindale.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Sandra Smith and Jimmy Hooker who were married last Friday evening. Their address is 522 E. Elm.

WON HONORS

Shirley Caskey and Raymond Hardin, seniors at John Tyler, have been honored several times this year. Shirley won the D. A. R. Award, American Legion Award, the 1962 Silver Homemaking Award and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Raymond won the Rotary Young Citizen Award, Thom McAn Leadership Award Nomination, Merit Award: Interscholastic League, Won First Place in District Prose Reading and Second Place in the Regional.

Congratulations to both Shirley and Raymond. We are proud of all of our fine young people.

J. L. Trentham, who is stationed in Alaska, has been promoted from PFC to SP4. He has been selected soldier of the month in his company and he will go to Anchorage, Alaska to compete for soldier of the year.

100% CLASSES

2 yr. old class - Margaret Montgomery and Betty Strait.
2nd. grade - Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier.

2nd. grade-last week, Nancy Butler and Bessie Willis.

9th. grade- James Phillips and Don Weathers.

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our opportunities are greater than they have ever been, but we are not using them for the Lord as we should. Do you suppose it is because we have too much and we love that more than righteousness?

This generation will soon be gone and the next generation is looking to us to teach them the truth and to set the right example for them to follow. If we love and worship material things and seek only to gratify our own wishes we can not expect any better from our children, unless they happen to be taught by some good faithful Christian. Let us take the abundant possessions, these good days, these golden moments and make them count for the Lord. Let us be more faithful to worship, more faithful to serve. Using our too much now in the wrong way will result in our having too little at the judgement and throughout eternity.

D.B.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending May 17, 1962. Acts: chapters 7 through 11.

PANTRY: Canned meat.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 4-8 is the time that has been set for our Vacation Bible School. We are planning classes for all ages. You and your friends are included in our plans. We need the support of each member. The teachers are working hard to prepare good lessons. If you do not plan to teach we hope you are planning to bring some to be taught. This school will not be the success it should be unless you are a part of it.

LADIES CLASS

The Ladies Bible Class will have work sheets for the rest of this month. The lesson for next week will be on Worship. This class will dismiss on the 30th. for the Summer. Let us have the very best attendance for these last lessons.

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE

We are in an interesting course of study and we want all of you to attend at 5:00 P. M. each Lord's Day. Our attendance has been real good but we want to encourage all to come who can. We are now studying, "Things Young People Should Know." Be sure to bring your book. Parents help your children to be present each time they can.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - APRIL 1962

Cash on hand April 1, 1962	\$2,672.31
Deposits during April 1962	<u>5,474.22</u>
Available for expenditures	\$8,146.53

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$100.00	
Coop. Sav. and Loan	75.00	
1st. Fed. Sav. and Loan	711.75	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill	575.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald Of Truth	50.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
N. Tenneha Church	75.00	
Advertising	<u>583.78</u>	\$1,533.78

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	125.72	
Bible School Supplies	277.33	
Postage	38.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Telephone	78.98	
Welcomap	3.00	
Office Supplies	6.50	
Bldg. Maint.	212.58	
Communion Supplies	<u>17.00</u>	\$ 819.11

Salaries

Withholding Tax (1st. Qtr.)	\$1,203.00	
	296.80	

Total Expenditures for April 1962	\$4,889.44
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Cash on hand April 30, 1962	<u>3,257.09</u>
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Total funds accounted for	\$8,146.53
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SUNDAY

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WEDNESDAY

Ladies Bible Class	10:00 A. M.	Bible Classes	7:30 P. M.
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THE RECORD - MAY 3, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 29. 434
April 22. 449
A Year Ago. 446

CONTRIBUTION

April 29 \$1,103.97
April 22 \$1,130.09
A Year Ago . . . \$1,053.57

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer. Pat Mackey
Prayer. Sam Bailey
Dismiss. Jamon Kirby

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer. L. L. Gann
Dismiss. Roy Roberson

RESPONSES

Baptism:

Miss Debbie Young, 1817
Barbara Street.
Chuck Cauthen, 1903 S.
Fleishel.
Miss Shirrell Studdard,
431 S. Saunders.
Restored and Prayer:
Mrs. J. L. Trentham, 318
W. Oakwood.
Miss Judy Holland, 1500
San Antonio.

THANK YOU NOTES

We at the Northwest congregation are very grateful for the help of the West Erwin members last Sunday afternoon to make our open house program such a fine period of fellowship among brethren in Tyler. We appreciate Bro.

Brookshire participating on the program. Thanks so much.

Our meeting with Brother L. R. Wilson continues through this week. Services each evening at 7:30. Your fellowship in this effort is needed and will be appreciated. You will especially appreciate the lesson Saturday, Christian Freedom vs. Ecclesiastical Bondage. John W. Anders

Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated.

The O. B. Wilson Family

SICK

Doris Stanley is in the Cotton Belt Hospital in Texarkana. Ernest Pickle's father is in the hospital in Athens. W.R. Causey is home from Glenwood Clinic. Doc Wright entered Medical Center Wednesday for a check-up.

OUR SYMPATHY

To Sister Emma Reed Smith. It was announced last Sunday that her niece passed away in Kentucky.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

The area wide meeting is Sunday May 6, at 3:00 o'clock at the Queen at Debard St. Church in Palestine.

WHAT I OWE THE HOME CONGREGATION

Unto the Church of my Lord in every locality, I am under solemn obligation to the extent of my ability; but unto the "Home congregation" I am under special obligation.

1. I want my home congregation to radiate a wholesome influence in the community. Therefore, I owe it the example of good life. For it must "live soberly and righteously and godly."

2. I want the strangers who enter the door of the meeting house to feel at home, to learn to love us, to return from time to time. They are my guests; I must entertain them. I owe it to them and to my congregation to show myself friendly. I must not stand back and wait for other members to greet them; this I must do.

3. No congregation can make progress without faithful and efficient leaders. To a certain extent, the members of the church make or break their elders. To the end that the leaders may be stronger and more efficient I must give them my support.

As long as they are true men, I must not embarrass them in their work.

4. The congregation has financial obligations which are due at regular intervals. Whether I give or do not give, these obligations must be paid. If it is right for the congregation to pay its obligations each week, it is right for me to give each week. Though circumstances may force me to be absent at times, my contributions should find their way to the treasury of the church.

5. I know that the very existence of any congregation depends upon the attendance of its members. In fact, attendance is the life of a church! For this reason, I must attend the services--all the services I can.

6. I want the congregation to grow, to multiply in numbers. Therefore, I must set myself to the noble work of winning souls for Christ.

7. The congregation cannot thrive in a frigid atmosphere. I must make it a place where hearts are warmed.

Scripture reading for week ending May 11. Acts: 2-6.

LOVE ABOUNDING

Phil. 1:9-11, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and discernment; so that ye may approve the things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and void of offence unto the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are through Jesus Christ, unto the praise and glory of God."

The church at Philippi must have been a great one, because Paul had less criticism for it than he did any other church. In spite of their greatness he urged them to grow in love. He prayed that their love might abound yet more and more. The word abound suggests the idea of getting full and running over. As long as we live in this life it is possible to grow in love. When a Christian's love wanes he is not growing or going on toward heaven. The Christian grows more in the divine nature of God by causing his love to abound than in any other way. God is love and if we expect to live in heaven with Him we must be filled with love too.

The Philippians were exhorted to grow in knowledge too. The Christians love must be an intelligent love. Without knowledge there can be no genuine love. Love works in two ways, it either repels or draws. Even the love of God does not draw all men unto Him, nor keep all Christians faithful unto Him. God's love would compel them to do things they do not want to do, hence they are driven away from Him rather than drawn unto him.

The greatest commandment in the law, according to Jesus, "is to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." This, of course, takes in all of one's faculties. This causes one to surrender all of his own ways in favor of God's ways. Sinners are saved by a reciprocal love. God loves us and He expressed it. We must love God and express it too. "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments; and His commandments are not grievous."

The Apostle wanted the Philippians to have a discerning love. He said, "In knowledge and discernment! We must learn to discern between things worthy of our love and things unworthy of our love. We are told to love not the things of the world,(continued inside)

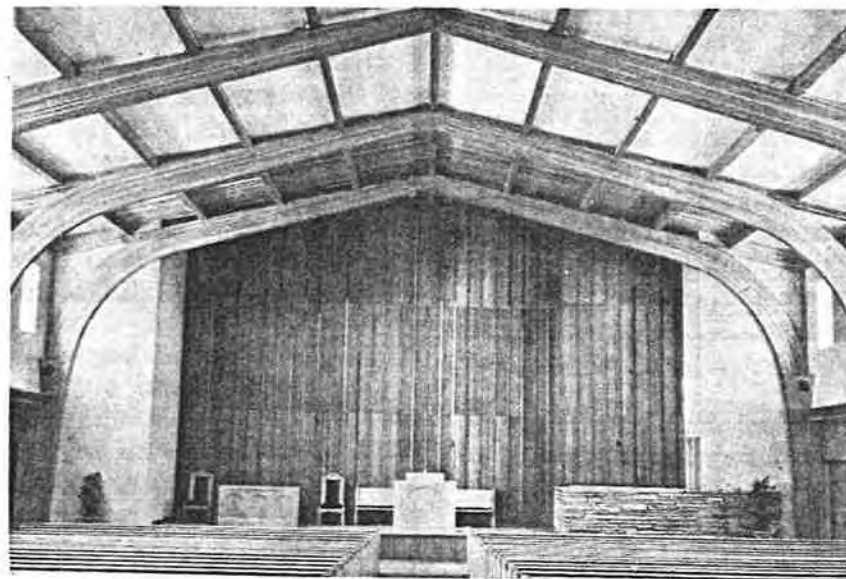
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BIBLE CLASS

April 22.....449
April 15.....409
A Year Ago.....482

CONTRIBUTION

April 22.....\$1,130.09
April 15.....\$1,073.91
A Year Ago.....\$1,024.70

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Jack Beard
Dismiss.....Willie Freeman

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....L. G. Drennan
Dismiss.....Wayne Fears

SICK

Brother Jim Willis is in
Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Dexter Browning
is in Mother Frances.

SYMPATHY

The sister of Mrs. Rose
Rushing died in Dallas
last Sunday.

Funeral services were
held Wednesday in Waxa-
hachie for J. B. Carroll,
the brother of sister E.C.
Pickle.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Dr. and Mrs. Ralph
Rowe who are the parents
of a baby girl born Sat-
urday.

THANK YOU

We wish to express our
sincere appreciation for
the flowers and kind ex-
pressions of sympathy dur-
ing the loss of my father.
Mrs. U. G. Rozell Jr.
and family.

FORMAL OPENING

Of the new meeting house
of the brethren at North-
west next Lord's Day. There
will be a short service at
2:30 in the afternoon and
a tour of the building
either before or after the
service may be enjoyed by
those who would like to
see it.

These brethren begin a
meeting next Lord's Day
with brother L. R. Wilson
doing the preaching. May I
encourage all who can from
West Erwin to be present
at 2:30 and to support the
meeting week nights.

BLOOD BANK

We have had calls for
several pints of blood re-
cently and we would like
to have this replaced. In
case of an emergency we
may have calls for more
than we have in the bank.
If you would like to do-
nate some blood to our ac-
count, go to Stewart's
Blood Center, or for furth-
er information see James
Phillips.

MEETINGS

The Queen and Debard St.
Church in Palestine will
begin a meeting April 29,
to continue through May 6,
with Jack Hardcastle doing
the preaching. Services
daily at 7:30 P. M.

Brother Foy Smith of
Riverside, California will
preach in a meeting April
29 through May 5 at the
West Side Church of Christ
in Corsicana. Services
9:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

TO CORPUS CHRISTI

Brother Brookshire will
leave next Monday for a
meeting in Corpus Christi.
He will return May 7th.

Romans: 1:16

I am not ashamed of the
Gospel of Christ; for it
is the power of God unto
Salvation to every one
that believeth.

I Corinthians: 16:13

Watch ye, stand fast in
the faith, quit you like
men, be strong.

Song of Solomon: 2: 11-12

For, lo, the winter is
past, the rain is over and
gone; The flowers appear
on the earth; the time of
the singing of birds is
come, and the voice of the
turtle is heard in our
land.

(continued from back page)
and in another place we
are told to set our mind
on things above (heavenly
things). A discerning love
enables us to approve the
things that are excellent.
Nothing is worthy of our
love that will condemn the
soul. Much is being said
today about the condition
of the world (or the peo-
ple). There is nothing
wrong with us that Script-
ural love will not heal.
We have learned to love
the wrong things. Many of
our children are being
taught to love the wrong
things. This is being done
mainly because our love is
not an abounding one.

D. B.

100% CLASS

The second grade class
of Zeffie Beard and Mary
Grier was 100% in attend-
ance last Sunday.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending May 4th. John
Chapters 18, 19, 20, 21.
Acts. Chapter 1.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Remember June 4-8. This
is the time of our Vaca-
tion Bible School. Also,
August 19-24, the time of
our Summer meeting with
brother Gieger.

WE ARE THE LORD'S

Christians belong to the Lord. They were purchased (1 Cor. 6: 19-20) and must at all times glorify the Lord. Whether by life or death Christians should magnify Christ. (Phil. 1:20).

Christians must live for the Lord in all seasons. Whether the seasons are prosperity or adversity; joy or sorrow; sickness or health, we must under all circumstances seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness as best we can. We are able to do more under some circumstances than we are under others, but we are never released from doing the best we can with what we have.

Sickness may affect a Christian in either one of two ways. It may bring him closer to the Lord or it may drive him away from the Lord. Many Christians who were at one time sick physically no longer worship the Lord or work. They are not now sick physically, they are out of duty. They became careless, indifferent (some times felt neglected) and became attached to other things. Now their activities are only restricted to worship and church work. Those who are ill are worthy of our deepest sympathy and prayers and assistance. But Christians must not allow illness to make them unlike our Lord.

Some Christians allow prosperity to affect their lives in the wrong way. One who enjoys a good measure of prosperity should be thankful and humble, but many times it is just the reverse. Instead of thinking about how much they can do for the Lord they begin to think about how much more pleasure they can enjoy and become proud and boastful. Some Christians just can not stand prosperity. It drives them away from the Lord. They forget where their prosperity came from and they begin to feel independent. Prosperous Christians should be thankful and realize that they are charged with even a greater responsibility because they have more to serve the Lord with.

Reverses and poverty sometimes drive Christians away from their duty. They become ashamed of their lack. They complain of their fate, they become envious of others and feel unwanted. Christians (continued inside)

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(continued from back page)
 must learn to live in what
 ever state they are in.
 Poverty makes one no
 worse in God's sight and
 neither does prosperity
 make one any better in His
 sight. Christians must
 have but one aim and that
 is to glorify God regard-
 less of their physical or
 financial condition. God
 loves His people and He
 expects His people to love
 and serve Him. We must
 never forget that under
 all circumstances WE ARE
 THE LORD'S. D. B.

THIS IS IMPORTANT

It is very important
 that every member of this
 congregation remember the
 dates of our Vacation
 Bible School and Summer
 meeting with brother Gie-
 ger. Our Vacation Bible
 School will be June 4-8.
 Our meeting will be August
 19-24. These are special
 activities planned with
 each one of us in mind.

HENDERSON MEETING

April 23-29 with brother
 Frank Dunn of San Antonio
 preaching.

NEW HOME

The Sam Bailey's have
 moved into a new home on
 Sybil Lane. Their telephone
 number is the same.

"LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO BE
 LITTLE"

I like this quotation
 attributed to Disraeli. It
 has helped through many a
 painful experience. Often
 we allow ourselves to be
 upset by small things we
 should forget. Perhaps
 some man we helped has
 proved ungrateful... some
 woman we believed to be a
 friend has spoken ill of
 us...some reward we thought
 we deserved has been de-
 nied us. We feel such dis-
 sappointments so strongly
 that we can no longer work
 or sleep. But, isn't that
 absurd? Here we are on
 this earth, with only a
 short time to live, and we
 lose many irreplaceable
 hours brooding over griev-
 ances that in a year's
 time, will be forgotten by
 us and everybody. No, let
 us devote our life to
 worthwhile actions and
 feelings, to great thoughts,
 real affections and endur-
 ing undertakings. For,
 "life is too short to be
 little."

---20th. Century Christian

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
 week ending April 27th.
 John, Chapters 13 through
 17.

THE RECORD
 APRIL 19, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 15.....409
 April 8.....441
 A Year Ago.....449

CONTRIBUTION

April 15.....\$1,073.91
 April 8.....\$1,009.15
 A Year Ago.....\$1,060.16

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
 Prayer.....M. M. Haws
 Prayer.....Charles Graf
 Dismiss.....Harley Turner
SUNDAY EVENING
 Prayer.....C. E. Caskey
 Dismiss....Donnel Stringer

THANK YOU NOTES

We would like to thank
 each of you for the kind-
 ness shown us during the
 time of our sorrow. Also,
 for the food, beautiful
 flowers and many cards.

The C. C. Garrett family

 We wish to express our
 sincere appreciation to
 everyone for their acts of
 kindness and especially
 those who stayed with our
 loved one in her hour of
 need during hospital con-
 finement.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hines
 The Carruthers family

 At this time we realize
 so very much what our

friends can mean to us. May
 we express our gratitude
 for your kind expressions
 of sympathy.

The Whiteside family

SYMPATHY

The father of Sister U.
 G. Rozell passed away last
 Sunday morning. Funeral
 services were conducted
 for him Monday afternoon
 in Mt. Pleasant.

ABILENE COLLEGE BAND

The Abilene Christian
 College Band will present
 a concert Monday, April 23
 at 7:30 P. M. in the Kil-
 gore College Auditorium.
 There is no admission and
 the public is invited.

CONGRATULATIONS

Are extended to the good
 brethren of the Northwest
 Congregation (formerly
 Crescent Heights) who have
 moved into their new build-
 ing on Loop 323 near the
 Mineola Highway. Their
 formal opening will be
 April 29 at which time
 brother L. R. Wilson will
 begin a meeting. We re-
 joice with our brethren
 at Northwest and extend
 our very best wishes for a
 great work for our Lord.

"Christianity is the high-
 est perfection of human-
 ity."

THE RECORD APRIL 12, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 8.....441
April 1.....445
A Year Ago.....440

CONTRIBUTION

April 8.....\$1,009.15
April 1.....\$1,116.55
A Year Ago.....\$1,086.43

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Prayer.....Edgar Bullard
Dismiss....Harold Browning
SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Cone Birdwell
Dismiss.....Don Andrews
RESPONSES

By Baptism - Mr. Burton Young, 624 South College. Mr. Young works for the Lone Star Producing Co.

SICK

Jamon Kirby is in Glenwood clinic. Sister Georgia Lee is in Medical Center.

THANK YOU

During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us. We shall always remember with deep gratitude your kindness and expressions of sympathy.

Family of J.Y. McMichael
Margaret & Gerald
Montgomery

Thank you for the visits and many kindnesses extended to Terry during his recent stay in the hospital.

L. M. Woltman and family

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to the Whiteside, Garrett and Carruthers families. The mother of Brother J. E. Whiteside was buried last Friday afternoon. Funeral services were held for Brother C. C. Garrett Sunday, and for Sister Ettie Carruthers Tuesday.

LECTURESHIP

Several from here plan to attend the lectureship in Abilene next week. Sister O'Bannon will teach a class of Junior teachers.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Raymond Hardin who won the Rotary Award this year for his leadership and scholastic achievement.

100% CLASSES

These classes were 100% last week. Both 2nd. grade classes, taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler, Mrs. Zeffie Beard and Mrs. Mary Grier. 7th. grade with Willie Freeman & James McSwain.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ednding April 20th. John: 8 through 12.

LADIES CLASS

The Wednesday morning Ladies Class will not meet next week. The class will meet April 25.

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ARE WE CHRISTLIKE IN GIVING?

The Bible has much to say about giving. God gave and continues to give. The same may be said of Christ. The Bible itself is a gift of God. God created man to give. Man has the strength and knowledge to sow and reap, to manufacture and sell, to trade and get gain, to sell his services for hire. Hence, he has an obligation to give for his own good and the glory of the one who created him to work. We usually consider only the immoral to be unchristlike, but the person who does not give is in that way as unchristlike as the immoral, because Christ was a GIFT AND A GIVER.

Without the grace and gifts of God we would have no salvation, no hope, no income, no home, no food, no comforts of any kind and the best way I know to lose those things is to refuse to give to support the Truth of our Lord. The church is the pillar and support of the Truth and it is the obligation of the members of it to give so that truth may be shared with others.

The most appreciative members are those whose first thoughts are about the church and its welfare. Pleasures and comforts are subordinate to our giving to the Lord's work. It is not wrong for a person to enjoy some good wholesome recreation and neither is it wrong to have comforts in the home. But when a Christian provides for these things first and gives stingingly to the Lord he has reversed the Divine order. Christians are commanded to "lay by in store as they are prospered" and they not only violate a command when they do not but they deprive themselves of a great blessing when they fail. The soul of a Christian will shrivel without giving. Giving keeps a Christian grateful and mindful of God's great blessings. A failure to give will make an ingrate of any one.

A man who studies church work and is very active in a city where there are several congregations said recently that the best they had been able to determine members of the church are giving about 3% of their income. Our standard of living is as high as the average but our giving is not. The communist and many denominationalist are more devoted to their causes than we are to Christianity. Giving, Bible study, prayer, love

and service to our fellowman have not been restored to the level of what the Christians did in the first century. The subject of giving is even provoking to some Christians now. Few Christians even think of putting giving in their budgets. They continue to give haphazardly and penuriously. Some give the change they happen to have in their pocket or a dollar if they have a bill that small. Some feel no obligation to leave their contribution or make it up when they return. And they do not give while out of town because, "they are not members there."

Giving should be a joy and if it is not, our hearts are not on "things above." We should welcome any truth on any subject that will help us reach heaven. D. B.

Holy Bible, Book divine,
Precious treasure, thou art mine;
Mine to tell me whence I came,
Mine to teach me what I am.

Mine to chide me when I rove,
Mine to show a Saviour's love;
Mine art thou to guide my feet,
Mine to judge, condemn, acquit.

--- Burton

These poems are being printed at the request of several who have asked Brother Brookshire for copies. He read them a few Sunday nights ago.

Blessed Bible, how I love it,
How it doth my bosom cheer!

What hath earth like this to covet?

Oh, what stores of wealth are here?

Man was lost and doomed to sorrow;

Not one ray of light or bliss

Could he from earth's treasures borrow,

Till his way was cheered by this.

Yes, sweet Bible, I will hide thee;

Hide thee richly in this heart.

Thou through all my life shall guide me,

And in death we will not part.

Part in death, no never, never;

Through death's dark veil I'll lean on thee,
Then in worlds above forever

Sweeter still thy truths shall be.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1962 MARCH

Cash on hand March 1, 1962	\$3,001.26
Contributions during March 1962	<u>4,180.05</u>
Total available for Expenditures	\$7,181.31

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$ 100.00	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
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Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission

Jerry Hill Support	599.00	
Bible Chair Support	100.00	
Roles Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Providence R.I. Ch.(Bldg.)	100.00	
Fred Burkett	25.00	
N. Tenneha Church	<u>60.00</u>	\$1,084.00

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	151.66	
Bible School Supplies	23.61	
Postage	38.00	
Telephone	30.97	
Flowers	11.05	
Welccmap	3.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Bldg. Maint. & Imp.	1,116.43	
Misc.	<u>5.38</u>	\$1,440.10

Salaries

984.15

Total Expenditures for March, 1962	\$4,509.00
Cash on hand March 31, 1962	2,672.31
Total Funds Accounted for	<u>7,181.31</u>
Obligations to meet April 1, Approx.	\$2,500.00

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Ladies Bible Class	10:00 A. M.	Bible Classes	7:30 P. M.
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BIBLE CLASS

April 1.....445
March 25.....452
A Year Ago.....501

CONTRIBUTION

April 1.....\$1,116.55
March 25.....\$1,019.21
A Year Ago.....\$1,178.21

SICK

Sister Ettie Carruthers remains in serious condition in the Memorial Hospital, room 219. Lufkin, Texas.

Brother C. C. Garrett is ill at home.

Terry Woltman is in Medical Center Hospital.

Leon Taylor is in the Veterans Hospital in McKinney, Texas.

The measles and chicken-pox continue to be among our children.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to Sister Margaret Montgomery and family. Margaret's father passed away Tuesday night and the funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in Cason.

ATTENTION LADIES

The dishes from the meal that was taken to the Grier home last week are at the church building.

THANK YOU NOTES

Our thanks to each of you in the chorus for your part in our wedding. We appreciate the time and effort you put forth to help us. Sincerely,

Judy and Don Forbes

Thanks to all my wonderful Christian friends at West Erwin. I am deeply grateful to all for the expressions of good cheer and well wishes, but above all I want to thank you for the intercession with our Lord, as these prayers were coveted above all. It is so good to be remembered in times of distress. Again thanks.

Bill L. Smith

Thank you for the flowers, visits and prayers during my stay in the hospital.

Mrs. Inez Turner

VISITING PREACHER

Brother Johnny Jackson of Richardson will be with us Sunday. Brother Brookshire closes his meeting in Richardson Sunday.

100% CLASSES

There were two classes with 100% in attendance last Sunday. The 5th. grade of Ophelia Woltman and the 8th. grade of Clif Clough and Dick Ferguson.

A STARTLING ANALYSIS OF...

... THE WORLD IN A TOWN!!

Dr. Henry Leiper of the American Bible Society has attempted to illustrate the kind of world we live in by reducing proportionately all the people of the world into a town of one thousand people.

There would be 60 Americans. The other 940 persons would represent the rest of the world. But the 60 Americans would have half the income of the entire town.

About 330 people would be classified as "Christians" in the widest use of the term, and 230 of these would be Catholics. There would be at least 80 Communists in our town, and 370 persons would be under the domination of these Communists.

There would be 303 white people in our town, and 687 non-whites.

Half of the 1,000 people would have never heard of Jesus Christ, but more than half would have been learning about Karl Marx, or Lenin and the philosophy of Communism.

The 60 Americans would have an average life expectancy of 70 years. Each would own at least 15 times as many possessions as the other 940. The 940 would have a life expectancy of less than 40 years and most of them would go to bed hungry many nights.

The American families would be spending an average of at least \$850 on military defense, but less than \$4.00 (per year) to share their religious faith with their neighbors in the community.

Would you like to live in such a town? YOU DO... for the world is such a world! If such a world looks a little undesirable and foreboding, what can be done about it? Is the church powerless? Or can it be a leaven of righteousness - a pillar and ground of truth.

Via Central Church
West Palm Beach, Fla.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending April 13. John: Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

DANGERS FACING THE CHURCH

We hear much today about the dangers facing the church. It is true that the church is exposed to injury or to some evil that might destroy it. The church has always been and shall always be exposed to evil and where it is there is danger. It is good for people to be aware that danger does exist. If they did not know it they would not know how to arm themselves against it. One of the dangers some are complaining about today is "overdoing" things. A few years ago when the church did much less I do not ever remember hearing people complain much about "Under doing things." Many seemed completely happy to do almost nothing. Needless to say, the devil was happy too. But when preachers began to preach that Christians should worship regularly, be a part of the teaching program, give as they were prospered, preach the gospel away from home and be a light in the community we began to hear some say, "Now be careful that's dangerous." There is danger in going beyond the teaching of Christ, 2 John 9; Gal. 1:6-9, but there is danger in falling short of His teaching too. I do not know of a greater danger than complacency, self-satisfaction, or luke-warmness as it is called in Rev. 3:15-16. I surely do not want this church to go beyond the teaching of Christ and neither do I want it to fall short of his teaching. But there is no need in falling into either one of these errors. Why not be just Christians in character, children in love and trust, servants in service and true friends in devotion?

I know that we should seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, Matt. 6:33 and there is no danger in doing that. There is no danger in loving God with all the heart, soul, mind and strength and loving our neighbors as ourselves. No one would surely see evil in, "Doing good to all men and especially to those of the household of faith." Gal. 6:10.

I would hate to think that some would cry "dangerous" just to try to keep from working or giving. Jesus taught His disciples to "fear not" Lk. 12:32. John said, "perfect love casteth out fear." 1 John 4:18. If we know whom we have believed and(continued inside)

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THE RECORD MARCH 29, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

March 25.....452
March 18.....431
A Year Ago.....448

CONTRIBUTION

March 25.....\$1,019.21
March 18.....\$1,154.18
A Year Ago.....\$1,138.04

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Tom Moses
Dismiss.....Layton Bailey
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Pat Mackey
Dismiss.....Tommy Parsons

RESPONSES

Restored: John Ross Weaver

SICK

Sister Emma Thrash is in Mother Frances Hospital.
Sister Carruthers has been moved to a hospital in Lufkin.

Sister Drennan is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Walter Clyburn is in Glenwood Clinic.

Sister Jan Knight is ill at home.

"Doc" Wright is ill at home.

Dr. Mitchell has been in the hospital but is home now.

Sister Eunice Holland is ill at home.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon in Chandler for P.E. Adair. He was the brother-in-law of Brother H.T. Grier Sr. and the uncle of brother and sister Doug Terrell.

Funeral services were conducted in Ft. Worth Tuesday for the Aunt of brother Bob Threadgill.

WELCOME HOME

Brother Darwin Thomas has been released from the Armed Forces and they have come back home.

RICHARDSON MEETING

Brother Brookshire begins a meeting in Richardson next Monday morning. He will be there through the 8th. On the 8th. Bro. Johnny Jackson, Richardson preacher, will preach here.

100% CLASSES

The fifth grade class of Ophelia Woltman was 100% in attendance last Sunday, also the seventh grade taught by Willie Freeman and James McSwain.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for week ending April 6. Luke 22, 23, 24. John: 1, 2.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Shirley Caskey, senior at John Tyler, who has been elected to the National Honor Society.

CORSICANA BIBLE CHAIR

The Bible Chair in Corsicana, operated by our brethren, is offering free Bible Correspondence Courses. If you or your friends would like to enroll write to: Church of Christ Bible Chair, Box 207 Navarro, College, Corsicana Texas.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Vacation Bible School has been set for June 4-8. The theme will be "Knowing and Loving God's Son." A fine staff of teachers is being lined up and we are very appreciative for the fine response we have already had. We had a good turn out for the meeting last Tuesday evening. Several more from the Ladies Bible Class volunteered their services Wednesday morning. It is good to have a staff of teachers who are ready and willing to do what they can to help teach the truth to our children. With such fine spirit of co-operation I know we will have a good school.

(continued from back page) are persuaded that He is able to keep that which we have committed unto Him against that day we will not be afraid. Those who habitually sit around brooding over the fact that they might do something wrong WILL and it will be the sin of falling short or doing nothing.

D.B.

THANKS

We wish to express our most sincere appreciation and thanks for the prayers and the lunch and every thoughtful thing done in our behalf during the death of our husband, father and brother-in-law.

Mrs. P. E. Adair
Mr. and Mrs. Mason Adair
The H. T. Grier family

1 COR. 16:2

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I come."

May the path of others be made brighter by our having lived.

The blessings of the Lord are promised only to those who obey Him.

THE RECORD-MARCH 22, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

March 18.....431
March 11.....409
A Year Ago.....453

CONTRIBUTION

March 18.....\$1,154.18
March 11.....\$ 969.29
A Year Ago.....\$1,059.33

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Roger Knight
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Dismiss....Kenneth Bennett
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer....Russell O'Bannon
Dismiss.....Ben Young

SICK

John Mitchell has the measles.

Sister Thrash is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Carruthers is in Mother Frances.

Sister Turner is in the Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Glen Warner is in Medical and Surgical Clinic.

Brother Bill Smith, formerly of this congregation had major surgery Wednesday morning. The Smiths now live in California.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending March 30th., suggested scripture Luke, Chaps. 17 through 21.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

There will be a meeting of Vacation Bible School Teachers next week. The evening and time will be announced Sunday. We want every person to come who will help in any way, either as a teacher or co-teacher.

TRUCK FROM GUNTER

The truck from the home in Gunter, Texas will be here April 3rd. to collect food and other items contributed for their use. The truck makes one trip here each year.

100% CLASSES

We had two classes with 100% in attendance last Sunday. The 5th. grade, taught by Ophelia Woltman and the 6th. grade taught by Kathryn Cauthen and Barbara Payne.

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE

The Sunday afternoon class will begin a new course of study this Sunday. Each pupil will have a book on: "Things Young People Should Know." Be sure and attend.

SINGING

The fourth Sunday Singing will be held at Whitehouse Sunday at 2:30 P. M.

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CAN I AFFORD TO BE HONEST?

In Luke 8 Jesus spoke the parable of the sower and He said that the seed that brought forth fruit with patience had fallen in GOOD and HONEST hearts. Are you an honest person? We usually say that a person is honest if he pays all of his financial obligations promptly. But that is not all of the description of an honest person. One may pay every cent of money he owes and still be dishonest. All business transactions of buying and selling may be done honestly and fairly and one still be dishonest. There are other obligations we owe beside strict business dealings.

One is dishonest who misquotes and bears falsehood against his neighbor or brother in Christ. One who wants to be honest will not repeat anything until he knows for a certainty what he is saying is the truth and then it is never repeated with the intent of hurting him. "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor." Gossip surely must be classified with dishonesty. The person who willfully slights the Lord's work and then fabricates excuses to try to cover up is dishonest. He talks as if he would do better if he had the opportunity and he knows deep down in his heart that he has no desire to do better. He has no intention of doing better and he secretly hopes that he will not even be bothered because he is more interested in other things.

The one who willfully absents himself from Bible Classes giving a multitude of excuses knows that he is not telling the truth. He could be present if he wanted to be. He knows that he goes everywhere else he wants to go. He is not ignorant of his duty about studying and being taught and he is only trying to hide under a mantle of excuses. If he expressed the "truth and nothing but the truth" he would admit that he is just not interested.

There are many ladies who could be in their class on Wednesday and learn much about the Bible who never come. Some have reasons but more of them offer excuses. Their excuses are unveiled and shown to be nothing more than disinterest when they go other places they want to go.

Many church members are not honest with God and the brethren when it comes to their giving. They know they are not giving as they have been prospered. Their conscience hurts them about it. But does one's conscience hurt him over an honest thing? Many visit away and do not give, they make it appear that they do but they do not, and they do not make it up when they return. Is that being honest?

One may pay all of his financial obligations and still be lost for being dishonest with God and his brethren by refusing to do what he knows he should do, but instead hides under a mantle of excuses. D.B.

It is not what we earn that
makes us rich
As riches are really known,
But how HONEST we are as we
lay our hand
On what we call our own.

It is not what we keep
that gives us peace
In this age when peace is
rare,
But how TRUTHFUL we are
as we lay aside
Our own and the Master's
share Author Unknown

HOW ARE WE DOING

For the first twelve Sundays of 1961 we averaged 450 in Bible School and our contribution averaged \$1,125.90 (we had two real good Sundays that made this possible) Thus far this year for the first eleven Sundays our Bible School attendance has averaged 434 and the contribution has averaged \$1,049.11. We have fallen below our budget \$50.89 per week which makes a total of \$569.79 we need to make up. I thought perhaps there would be some who could give more this Sunday and maybe bring our budget up to date. Those who have missed because of illness (and were prospered anyway) should make up their giving, and the ones who have visited away and failed to give should do the same. We have had an epidemic of illness and the weather has been bad a part of the time and that accounts for our drop in Bible School attendance. We cannot blame it all on illness and the weather. Let us all be present this Sunday and do our duty. We should be grateful to God for all of His many Blessings.

CAN I AFFORD TO BE HONEST?

For several weeks I have been thinking about preaching a sermon on this subject. But for the present I will just write this short article. The Bible has a great deal to say about "Liars" and none of it is good. One of the sins to be put away by a Christian is that of lying. See Col. 3:10. In the Old Testament when they lived by less light than we have today lying was forbidden by the Lord. Consider the following Scriptures. Lev. 19:1, "Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another." Psa. 101:7, "He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight." Prov. 12:22, "Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord: but they that deal truly are his delight." Psa. 5:6, "Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing (lies): the Lord will abhor the bloody and deceitful man. Rev. 21:8, "The fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolators, AND ALL LIARS, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone..."

Truth is found in God, Christ and genuine Christians. There is no truth in the devil and when he speaks a lie he speaks of his own: for he is a liar and the father of it. See John 8:44. There is no semblance between Christ and a liar. No deceit nor guile was found in his mouth. Only God knows how many lies are in the hearts of his people today that were put there by tale-bearers and slanderers. Many are laboring under a false delusion because someone has lied and slandered. Many Christians have already died with those lies in their hearts and others are broken hearted and sad because their hearts are weighted down with falsehoods. There are many ways one may lie. But regardless of the way it may be done it is still lying and the consequences are the same. One may deliberately or willfully fashion a lie, because of envy, jealousy or greed. Or one may be a formentor of one simply for the "kick" he would get out of seeing others suffer.

One does not have to have good eyesight nor wear a hearing aid to see and hear the effects of lies among some who claim to be Christians. Many are anxious to repeat, either by mouth or print, (continued inside)

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BIBLE CLASS

March 11.....409
March 4.....435
A Year Ago.....461

CONTRIBUTION

March 11.....\$969.29
March 4.....\$1,037.37
A Year Ago.....\$1,053.35

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Dismiss.....John D. Brem

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Thomas Holland
Dismiss.....Tommy Keith

RESPONSES

Restored: Layton Bailey,
1712 Sybil Lane.

SICK

Kenny Ray has the mumps.
Sister Carruthers is in
Mother Frances.
Sister W. H. Turner is
in Medical Center.
Sister M. L. George had
surgery Wednesday in Med-
ical Center.
Sister Ann Layton had
ear surgery in Shreveport.
Bob Butler is in the
Glenwood Clinic.
Mrs. Buna Brem, mother of
John Brem is in Medical
and Surgical Clinic.

VISITING PREACHER

Brother Elmer L'Roy, who
preaches for the Lamar Ave.
Church in Paris will preach
here next Lord's Day. His
sermon subjects will be;
"Into All the World" and
"An Amazing Trust." We hope
the building will be filled
to hear these two lessons.

TO PARIS

Brother Brookshire will
preach in Paris Friday
evening through Lord's Day
evening on "Things of Last-
ing Value."

100% CLASSES

Last Sunday we had two
classes with 100% attend-
ance. Second grade class
with Zeffie Beard and Mary
Grier teaching, and the
seventh grade with Willie
Freeman and James McSwain
teaching. Also, not men-
tioned in the bulletin
last week for the previous
Sunday were the two year
old Children with Margaret
Montgomery and Betty Strait
and the ninth grade with
teachers, Don Weathers and
R. C. O'Bannon.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for
week ending March 23. Luke,
Chapters 12 through 16.

PANTRY: soup

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratu-
lations and best wishes to
Jimmie Strait and Lynda
Marie Pittman who were
married last Friday in
Beaumont and to Don Forbes
and Judy Walker who were
married here last Saturday
evening. Jimmie and Lynda
will live in Ratliff City,
Okla. where Jimmie will
preach. Don and Judy will
make their home in Edmon-
ton, Canada.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOLERS

If you are interested in
going to A.C.C. in a char-
tered bus March 24th, call
Brother Jim Welch, Ly2-0509.

ABSENTEES

Last Lord's Day accord-
ing to our records we had
119 adults absent and 64
children absent from Bible
Classes.

VISITORS

Signing as visitors with
us last Lord's Day were:
Mr. and Mrs. Donny Doster,
Dallas, Texas; Cynthia Mc-
Cravey, Portland, Texas;
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hubbanr,
Dallas, Texas; Mr. and Mrs.
W. D. Pace, Tyler, Texas;
Mrs. Lee Browning, Winona,
Texas; Mr. and Mrs. D. S.
Causey, Irving, Texas; and
Hilda Rozell, Tyler, Texas.

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anything they hear that
they think might further
their cause or destroy
someone they are envious
of. Some of our periodicals
almost went out of busi-
ness (and they should have)
because they wrote lies
and slander instead of
truth. Many things were
written that neither the
author or editor could
have proved and some did
not try to prove it. They
loved a lie more than the
truth. They had rather
wallow in a lie than to
baske in the truth, for the
same reason a hog had
rather wallow in the mire
than to stay clean. The
nature of a hog demands
mire. The natural inclin-
ation of the devil is to
wallow in lies and his
children do the same. "Like
father like son" you know.

Can a Christian afford
to be truthful all the
time? Will it pay? It may
not further his own inter-
est momentarily, but it
will further the Cause of
Christ. One cannot afford
to be untruthful because
the Church suffers when he
is not. Add to that the
loss of his own soul for-
ever and you will see why
one cannot afford not to
be honest.

D.B.

FINANCIAL REPORT

February 1962

Cash on hand Feb.1,1962	\$3,349.30
Deposits during Feb. (Contribution)	4,293.06
(check for freeze damage)	<u>263.28</u>
Available for Expenditures	\$7,905.72

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$100.00	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
Trest Property	150.00	
1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	<u>711.75</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill	575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Tenneha Church	60.00	
Advertising	<u>32.50</u>	\$ 967.50

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	136.30	
Postage	30.00	
Bible School Supplies	22.00	
Office Supplies	66.15	
Insurance	60.00	
Welcomap	3.00	
Bldg. Maint.	<u>1,635.61</u>	\$1,953.06

Salaries:

947.65

Total Expenditures for Feb. 1962	\$4,904.96
Cash on hand Feb. 28,1962	<u>3,000.76</u>
Total funds accounted for	\$7,905.72

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February 25.....431
A Year Ago.....471

CONTRIBUTION

March 4.....\$1,037.37
February 25..... 984.10
A Year Ago..... 1,104.96

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements

and Prayer..Rob Threadgill
Prayer.....Oscar Becker
Dismiss.....Glen Warner

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Clifton Laird
Dismiss..Dudley Brookshire

RESPONSES

Baptism: Phillip Browning,
609 Maxwell Dr.

Ray Wright, 502 S.Spring

SICK

Barbara Holland has had
surgery in Medical center.

Sister Ettie Carruthers
had surgery Thursday in
Mother Frances.

Percy Tate is still in
Medical Center.

Brother Luther Thompson
has not been well.

Mike Mackey had a ton-
sillectomy Wednesday.

The Tom Moses family,flu

Ross Mitchell, measles

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the flow-
ers,kind deeds and prayers
during our hours of be-
reavement.

Sis. F. M. Mathis & Family

AN EXPLANATION

In the financial state-
ment there is a balance of
\$3,000.00, but checks of
about \$2,500.00 were writ-
ten the 4th. leaving a
balance of about \$500.00,
with still more work to be
done and more bills to be
paid.

There is still a lot of
work to be done by way of
improvements to class
rooms, etc. that will ne-
cessitate liberal and con-
sistent giving on the part
of each one. Be sure and
give as you are prospered
each week.

SYMPATHY

The Grandfather of Sis-
ter Jamon Kirby passed a-
way in Waco and the funer-
al was conducted in Marlin
last Sunday.

TO ARRANGE MEALS

Sister F. M. Mathis has
been appointed by the el-
ders to arrange meals in
the homes of the members
here when a death occurs.
Her telephone number is Ly
2-2815. Our thanks to Sis-
ter Lester Scogins who has
had charge of this work.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for
week ending March 16. Luke
Chapters 7 through 11.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The congregation is in-
vited to the wedding of
Miss.Judy Walker to Mr.Don
Forbes, Saturday March the
10th. at 8:00 in the even-
ing at the West Erwin
Church of Christ. And to
the reception following in
the Bible Chair building.

GLADEWATER MEETING

Bro. Flavil Yeakley, Sr.
will preach in a meeting
at Gladewater March 11-14.
Services 7:00A.M.-7:30P.M.

TO PLAINVIEW

Sister R.C.O'Bannon will
leave Sunday for Plainview
to teach in their teacher
training series next week.

RETURNED HOME

Brother Wayland Willis
has returned home from
Korea.

HIGH SCHOOL DAY

March the 24th. is High
School Day at A.C.C. Check
the bulletin board for
further details.

PERSONAL INVENTORY

The following is a very personal questionnaire.
Meditate upon each question. Ask and answer honestly.

1. Am I so critical that I see a person's weak points quicker than I do the good ones?
2. Am I so sensitive that I make myself miserable by taking, in a personal way, everything that is said?
3. When a discourtesy is shown me, do I brood over it and determine to "get even?"
4. Can I control myself enough to keep my temper and to watch my words?
5. Do I have a habit of always telling others what to do?
6. Do I follow after the things which make for peace or do my words constantly cause strife?
7. Do I ask God to forgive me and to help me over come these shortcomings listed above?

-Original Source Unknown

THE RIGHT PLACE TO START

Practically every church member has his own idea of improvements that need to be made in the church. Many of the ideas proposed are good and need to be made. Some of the ideas are; that we need to do a better job of worshipping through singing, or that we need to do a more effective job of teaching or maybe we need to give more. Others say we need to do more work at home or away from home. Still others say we need more dedicated elders and deacons. While the only improvement some see that needs to be made may be in the preaching. They would like to hear sermons that do not condemn sin in their lives. I grant that we do need improving in every way stated thus far. There will be room for improvement now and there will be room for improvement next year and on and on. But when one begins to look for improvement he usually starts at the wrong place. He starts with "others" and talks about how "they" need to do better. Seldom, if ever, does one say "I" need to do better. One seldom says the singing would be better if I sang better, or the contribution would be better if I gave more, or that we would reach more lost souls here and away if I did more. Did you ever hear anyone say the elders, deacons, preacher and Bible class teachers would do better if I encouraged them and helped them more? A chronic critic of others destroys himself.

Improvement does not start with the other person, it starts at home with self. The idea of "I will give if you will" or "I will sing if you sing" or "I will attend class if you will" is childish and displays immaturity. We are not taught to do our duty simply because someone else does, or fail to do it because someone else does. We should do our duty because we love the Lord. Just as long as a Christian looks at others with a critical eye and himself with a charitable eye he will never grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Such person will remain a dwarfed babe, called by some a spiritual pigmy, and die unfit for the eternal

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THE RECORD

March 1, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

February 25.....431
February 18.....455
A Year Ago.....462

CONTRIBUTION

February 25.....\$ 984.10
February 18.....\$1,091.42
A Year Ago.....\$1,075.04

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....C. P. Hardin
Prayer.....Tom Moses
Dismiss.....Fred Strait

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Jack Beard
Dismiss....Ronnie Lowrance

SICK

Reagan Phillips is ill at home with the mumps.

Ralph Lowrance has been in Medical Center hospital for a checkup.

Parbara Holland is in Medical Center for tests.

Percy Tate is in Medical Center Hospital.

BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a business meeting Tuesday evening, March 6, at 7:30 P.M. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

FIVE YEAR RECORDS

We thought you might be interested in seeing the records of Bible Study and the contribution on this date for the last five years.

Year	Bible Class	Contribution
1958	326	\$ 698.93
1959	416	\$ 799.00
1960	426	\$1,141.27
1961	462	\$1,075.47
1962	431	\$ 984.10

CHRISTLIKENESS

A young Buddhist who had made a very careful study of Christianity, and particularly of Christ, said to a Christian regarding his study. "Your Christ is wonderful, oh, so wonderful; but you Christians, you are not like him." Without knowing it, the Buddhist pointed out the greatest need of present-day Christianity - more of Christlikeness in those who bear his name.

20th. Century Christian

You may not be able to preach like the apostles nor sing like the angels, but you can live like your Lord.

Our Christianity is one of the few things which improves with use.

(continued from back page)
Kingdom of Christ. We will not be judged according to how well we have been able to pick out faults in others or how critical we have been of others. There is no such thing as genuine Christianity without a spirit of progress. But the progress emanates from one's heart in behalf of himself. When this takes place in due time his life will touch others and bless them too. I remember reading about a man who lived in Galilee who said, "He that is without sin let him cast the first stone." If we must throw stones we should first throw them at ourselves.

D.B.

AN IMPORTANT DATE

An important date to remember this year is our Summer Meeting with Brother Gieger, August 19th.-24th. We want to advertise this meeting as extensively or more so than any we have ever had. It is not too early to start praying for the meeting.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending March 9th. Luke Chapters 2 through 6.

Pantry: Canned Fruit

YOUNG PEOPLE TO KILGORE

The area wide young people's meeting will be held March 4, 1962 at the Houston and Broadway Church of Christ from 2:30 to 3:30.

A STRONG HINT

When you read the record of our contribution last Sunday, you expected me to say something about it. I thought I would just wait and see if every one who failed to give made theirs up. I am confident that nothing will have to be said about it. D.B.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Howard Keys who are the happy parents of another son born last Friday. Sister Lillie Knight is the Grandmother.

SYMPATHY

Sister McElroy, the mother of Sister F. M. Mathis passed away last Monday. Funeral services were conducted for her Tuesday afternoon in Troup.

100% CLASSES

Last Sunday we had two classes with 100% in attendance. The second grade taught by Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier. The eighth grade taught by C.R. Clough and Dick Ferguson.

THE RECORD
February 22, 1962

BIBLE CLASS
February 18.....455
February 11.....449
A Year Ago.....461

CONTRIBUTION
February 18.....\$1,091.42
February 11.....\$1,082.63
A Year Ago.....\$1,106.56

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY
Announcements and
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Prayer.....K. Max Haws
Dismiss.....Edgar Bullard

SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Dick Roberts
Dismiss.....Charles Graf

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to express our appreciation to everyone for the flowers and acts of kindness during our recent sorrow.
Mrs. Eula Drennan & family

BEL CANTO SINGERS
Don't forget next Wednesday evening, February the 28th., is the date for the visit of the Bel Canto Singers from Boles Home. The chorus is composed of twenty four young Christian people.

Pantry: Canned vegetables

CONVERSION

A Hindu woman was converted to Christianity by hearing the gospel. She suffered much persecution from her husband. One day another Christian asked her, "When your husband is angry and treats you bad, what do you do?" She replied, "I cook his food better; I try to sweep the floors cleaner; I speak mildly, love him tenderly, and show him that when I became a Christian, I became a better wife and a better mother for his children."

The husband could withstand the preaching of others, but he could not withstand the Christian life of his wife. He soon became a Christian with her. Peter had said long ago, "Wives be in subjection to your own husbands; that, even if any obey not the word, they may without the word (a word from you) be gained by the behavior of their wives." 1 Peter 3:1.

"The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear. Fine counsel is confusing, but examples are always clear."

Selected-

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THINGS ARE LOOKING UP:

Our records are looking a little better. When one considers the enormous amount of illness among us the records are exceptionally good. As usual some few quit and others move and in their places comes others. We believe when the flu epidemic, and other illnesses are over we will be back to about 500 if not above it. Our records now are really better than they were in November when we averaged more than 500 each Lord's Day during the entire month, because we had very little sickness then. Our growth and labors are not phenomenal, but consistent. I have been able to see a good spiritual growth and as long as we grow spiritually other good works will follow. We are not perfect and we still have some problems, for which I am glad, because problems when used right make us stronger. I believe the problems that now confront us will be overcome by the grace of God. When these are overcome there will be others waiting for us but they can be overcome too. Spiritual minded Christians do not allow their problems to destroy them, they de-

stroy the problems through a more faithful service to God. Jesus is more powerful than Satan. When we put our trust in Christ and follow Him, Satan cannot overpower us. When we look to God through Christ we always go up. When we take things into our own selfish hands and think more of our ways than we do God's ways we invite problems and there would have been none at all if we had followed God's ways. Not only are the eyes of the Lord upon us, but our children, our friends and other Christians here and away are watching us. Many hundreds of hearts will be disappointed in us if we do not continue to look up and travel on toward bigger and better things. Things are looking up, because we are looking to the Lord. D.B.

FAILURES:

I have just finished the article above on "Things Are Looking Up." Now I want to write a few things about "Failures." Why do so many people fail as Christians? Why do so many congregations remain the same size or "just hold their own?" Actually neither a Christian nor a con-

gregation "holds their own" because it is impossible. Congregations as a whole and Christians as individuals fail without a well balanced teaching and activity program. A congregation will die that hears only sermons on what we call first principles, and carries on no more activity than just worship services. A congregation will die that hears only sermons on a few moral issues, and have their hearts touched by a few benevolent cases. The doctrine of Christ opposes all denominational errors regardless of where they may be found. From his doctrine sinners learn what to do to be saved from past sins. The doctrine of Christ is a teaching whereby we learn how to be holy, how to "do good to all men, especially unto them of the household of faith." The doctrine of Christ is not just a teaching that either makes one opposed to something or for something. His doctrine when followed makes one for all acts of righteousness and opposed to all acts of unrighteousness. Congregations and Christians fail when they begin to mix righteousness and unrighteousness according

to their own tastes. In all matters the Word of God is our guide (2 Tim.-3:16-17). No person accidentally succeeds in Christianity. Spiritual success comes only to those who have respect unto the Word of God. This necessitates a knowledge of the Word and a heart that will yield to it. Preachers, elders and others are not Spiritual successes simply because they have been able to have their own ways. Jesus did not say "ye are my disciple because you have been able to put over something" or "get by with something", but what he did say was, "Ye are my disciple if ye continue in my Word." Christians may get by with many things now that will not bring to them eternal success. I hate the words I HAVE FAILED. I want to be successful now in the Lord's work and if I am I know I will have an eternity to rejoice because I have been D.B.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for week ending March 2. Mark Chapters 13,14,15,16, and Luke chapter 1.

Someone has said, "It is better to wake up five hundred Christians than to convert five hundred sinners; for if five hundred Christians really wake up, they will win more than five hundred sinners."

All of us must agree that this statement has merit. The greatest problem the Church faces is not that of winning others to the Kingdom, but that of arousing those who are already members to a feeling of their responsibility. Surely, an enthusiastic Christian could win at least one other for Christ each year. If that were being done, the membership of the Church would double each year.

Yes, we need to wake up. Too many of us are playing with Christianity. We are not taking it seriously.
Eastland Street Bulletin

Three thousand for my convertible
Five thousand for a piece of sod
Ten thousand I paid to be in a house
A dollar I gave to God.

A sum to entertain
My friends in endless chatter
And when the world goes crazy mad,
I ask: "Lord, what's the matter?"

Yet there is one big question...
And for its answer I now search
With things so bad in this old world
What's holding back the church?
Selected

HOME BIBLE READING

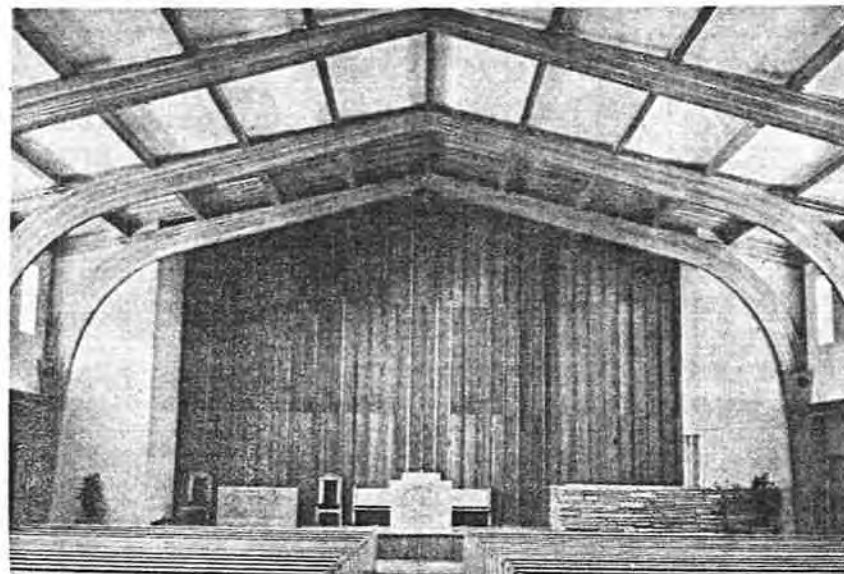
Suggested scripture reading for week ending February 23rd. Mark: chapters 8 through 12.

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February 4.....420
A Year Ago.....447

CONTRIBUTION

February 11.....\$1,082.63
February 4.....1,119.91
A Year Ago.....1,153.49

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Sam Bailey
Prayer.....M. B. Beard
Dismiss.....Tommy Lowrance

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Dick Roberts
Dismiss.....Charles Payne

RESPONSES

By Baptism: Mr. Leon Taylor, 202 North Clayton; Mrs. Ora Logan, 2112 South Sneed.

Membership: Mrs. Philip Sigrist (Petty), 3014 West Pine. Betty is a former member of this congregation. She has been living in Florida.

Mrs. Wilma Greene, 221 S. Fannin. She comes to us from Shreveport La. where she attended the Lake Shore Dr. congregation.

SICK

Brother Brookshire has been ill at home with the flu since Sunday.

Sister Edgar Bullard had surgery in Shreveport Wednesday. She will be home Friday.

SYMPATHY

The brother of Sister Eula Drennan, Mr. Joe Horn, passed away Wednesday. The funeral will be Friday in Sulphur Springs.

THANK YOU NOTES

The family of W.L. Bruce acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

We want to express our thanks to all the good people who visited me during my stay in the hospital, also for the wonderful Christmas gifts. May God bless each and every one.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Green

We wish to express our appreciation to every one for their prayers and visits during the loss of our brother.

Mrs. Lillie Shoemaker
L. A. Gilley family

TEACHERS MEETING

The teachers meeting has been scheduled again for Tuesday evening February 20. Teachers, co-teachers and all those interested are urged to attend.

OF INTEREST TO SHUT-INS

The Herald of Truth may be heard Sunday evening from 8:30-9:00 over radio station KTBB.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Jimmy Strait who has earned his B. A. degree in Bible from ACC.

FOUR FUTURE TEACHERS

Four of our future teachers; John Lane, Jensie McDonald, Debbie Young and James Beard presented Bible Stories of their own choosing and worked up the material to go with them. They also repeated the poem "God Shows In Your Face." This fine display of talent was presented for Mrs. Thrash and her sister Mrs. Mills at the Sunset home last Sunday afternoon. These children are all 5th. grade students.

MEETING

Virgil Trout, minister for the Sunset congregation in Lubbock, will speak at the Houston & Broadway church building on February 20-21-22. Everyone is invited to hear this inspiring young man speak.

100% CLASSES

Beginners; taught by Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Hulsey.
Two Year Old Class; taught by Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Strait.
Second Grade; taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler

SAVED BY SAVING

A man was walking over the mountains through a terrible snowstorm. He gradually grew colder until at last, he stumbled and fell. He said to himself, "I shall never be found. This is the end."

He thought he was too weak to rise, but as he fell, his hand fell across the body of another man who had fallen in the same snowdrift. This poor man was now unconscious and very near death's door. The man who had just fallen, exhausted and cold as he was, said to himself, "I can't let him die like this," and as he bent over the prostrate form of the first traveler, he began to briskly rub his face and his hands. By and by the man's eyes opened. Then they helped each other to a place of safety. He had saved another's life - but he had also saved himself. Just so, we save our souls by saving others.

From Firm Foundation

BOLES HOME CHORUS

The chorus from Boles Home will be here to sing for us Wednesday night, February 28.

FINANCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 1962

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1962	\$3,800.56
Deposits during Jan. 1962	4,129.64
Available for Expenditure	\$7,930.20

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Lo. n	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	150.00	
F. M. Mathis (Interest)	100.00	\$1,136.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
Radio Program	106.00	
N. Teneha Church	60.00	
Christmas Baskets	151.67	
Advertising	250.00	
Other	8.27	\$1,450.94

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	\$131.15	
Bible School Supplies	191.66	
Postage	58.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Welcomap	3.00	
Office Supplies	26.65	
Telephone	71.29	
Flowers	6.43	
Bldg. and Ground Up-keep	154.20	
Miscellaneous	29.45	\$731.83

Salaries

With-holding Tax (4th. Qtr.)	\$950.40
	310.40
Total Expenditures for Jan. 1962	\$4,580.32
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1962	3,349.88
Total funds accounted for	\$7,930.20

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A Year Ago.....420

CONTRIBUTION

February 4.....\$1,119.91
January 28.....1,033.73
A Year Ago.....1,002.89

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Oscar Becker
Dismiss....Kenneth Bennett
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Doug Warner
Dismiss.Herbert Brookshire

WELCOME

To Brother and Sister Tom Moses, 2401 Sampson, who placed membership with us last Lord's Day. They have recently moved here from Dallas where they attended the Trinity Heights Church. Brother Moses is the manager of the Goodrich store here.

SICK

Sister Myrtle Tucker is ill at home, and would enjoy having company.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a general teachers meeting next Tuesday evening, February 13 at 7:30. We would like to have every elder, deacon,

teacher and co-teacher present. Regardless of when or what class you teach, you are expected at this meeting.

THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!

To the thoughtful ones who either made up or sent in their contributions to the Work this last Lord's Day. We were down in numbers but we did reach the budget. Let us be thoughtful each week and have our contributions ready to go to work for the Lord upon the First Day of the week. A good program of work depends on each member here. Without "Fellowship" there would be no Church.

RADIO PROGRAM

Since we discontinued our radio program, I have been asked to publish any gospel programs that can be heard in our area. A good program that comes in well here is on KRLD Dallas, 7:05-7:30 each Lord's Day morning. Brother John Banister is the preacher. If I learn of others I will publish them too. D.B.

100% CLASSES

Sixth grade, taught by Louise Caskey and Judy Holland. Seventh grade class taught by Willie Freeman and James McSwain.

TOO MUCH MONKEYING AROUND

Our local newspaper carried an article last Friday that stated our government had appropriated more than one million dollars for research to try to learn why a mother monkey loved her baby. To me, it would be more interesting to learn why some human beings act like or worse than monkeys. Some monkeys, according to their ability, show better behaviour toward their Great- or than some human beings. I already know why a mother monkey loves her baby. THE LORD CREATED HER TO LOVE IT, but he did not create man to act like a monkey. Before men start trying to find out why a mother loves her baby they should search their own hearts to see if they love God, their children and their neighbors as they should. It might be quite interesting to let the monkeys do some research work and try to determine why so many human hearts are so far from God. Friends, religion is no monkey-business. A lot of people in and out of the Church have made it so all to the hurt of pure and undefiled religion. I am deeply convinced that the monkeys

are doing a better job in their created sphere than human beings. What do you think? Before I try to find out what is in a monkey's heart I should search my own heart. Am I living as faithfully and obediently to the Lord as I should? D.B.

SERVING THIS MONTH

The men selected to wait on the Lord's table and to serve the congregation this month are as follows: South side: L. L. Gann, John Arrington, Clarence Strait, Bill Tigert, and Jack Bennett. North side: I.M. Howell, Ed. Naul, Aubrey Payne, Darrell Holt, and Russell O'Bannon.

ANOTHER OVERSIGHT

Through an oversight last week we failed to extend our "public" congratulations and best wishes to Mike Warner and Barbara Norsworthy who were married January 27. We wish for them all the happiness this world can give. They are living in Abilene where Mike is a student at A.C.C.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending February 16th. Mark: 3-7.

IT IS UP TO US

As was stated last Lord's Day by one of our elders, "one twelveth of 1962 has gone." It hardly seems possible that it has passed so swiftly. But time waits for no man. Time is equally distributed among all of us. No one of us has more of it than the other. Some of us are using it more wisely than others. I am afraid some of us did not use our time, talents and money as wisely as we should have during January. We reached our budget only one time during the month. Yet few, if any, cut down on trips, luxuries and other things we ordinarily enjoy. There were three week-ends of cold and rainy weather and some just did not attend and consequently they did not give. Their prosperity continued but their giving did not. The Bible School attendance suffered a great deal too. It suffered some because of illness, but we did not have that much illness. As to what we do in 1962 is left squarely up to us. Our friends and neighbors are not going to meet the budget and teach and study the Bible here at West Erwin. That is our responsibility. Yes, one twelveth of the year has gone and some who were able did not attend one Bible Class, only one or two worship services (some none), some have given one or two dollars and some maybe not that much, but their prosperity has been good. Can each of us look back over the first month of a New Year with pride and say I have done my best? Did each of us avail ourselves of the opportunities to study, pray and have fellowship with the brethren in the Lord's work? One twelveth of the year has gone never to be recalled and the other eleven twelveths will be gone before we realize it. We do not have a moment to lose. Eternity is too close for us to be neglecting the most important thing of all, The Lord's Cause. What concerns me most of all is that the Lord gives to us and blesses us with opportunities and the rest of it is UP TO US.

D.B.

YOUNG PEOPLE

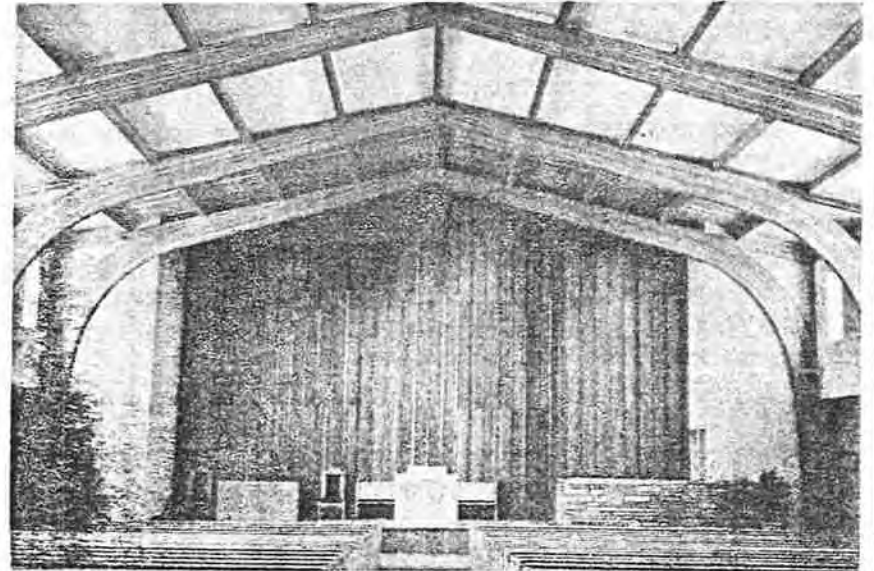
There will be an area wide young people's meeting, Sunday, February 4th. in Palestine at the Queen and Debard Church of Christ. The meeting begins at 2:00P.M.

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THE EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

Who would have thought that our Educational Building would look so nice? It has been cleaned, water-proofed and the concrete work dyed. When the faulty window cases have been replaced, and all the faulty window glass has been replaced, and glazed we will be ready for two coats of paint on all the exterior woodwork of both buildings. We have heard a good many nice things said about the improvements that are being made. The Church here owns some valuable property and it should be kept looking nice and in a good state of repair at all times. Your co-operation in helping to keep things looking nice is deeply appreciated. West Erwin is a busy street and our building is viewed by many people, both within and without of the city. An unattractive building does not leave a very good impression. Much work and repairs remain to be done, but we will see it done as the weather and our bank account permits.

100% CLASS

The second grade class taught by Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier.

LUNCHEON

The monthly luncheon for preachers, their wives, elders and their wives, and other interested Christians in the East Texas area will be in Henderson February 5. Meet at 11:00 A.M. at the Church building, 402 S. Main St. or at Jay's Restuarant (Cooper Room) at 12:00.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

The area-wide Young people's meeting will meet in Longview at the Mobberly Ave. Church of Christ from 2:30 - 3:30 Sunday afternoon.

OMEN ROAD MEETING

Brother J. Early Arce-neaux of New London will preach in a meeting at Omen Road for two weeks beginning next Monday evening. He will preach Feb. 5-9 and the 12-16, at 7:30P.M.

Brother Arceneaux is a man of rare ability and all who can should attend. Few preachers among us know the Book as he does. His preaching is patterned after the kind that brought the Church into existence in this country. His type of preaching is needed in meetings today. Go and hear him.

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BIBLE CLASS

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January 21.....412
A Year Ago.....418

CONTRIBUTION

January 28.....\$1,033.73
January 21..... 936.80
A Year Ago.....953.86

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....James Massey
Prayer.....C. E. Caskey
Dismiss.....Jamon Kirby
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....James Phillips
Dismiss....Harold Browning

OUR SYMPATHY

Is extended to Don and Wanda Weathers whose grandmother passed away in Mississippi last week.

The father of Mrs. Helen Atkinson passed away in Lufkin. Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kay and Benton Hardin have a new son born last Tuesday. They have named him Christopher Benton.

THE SICK

Dr. Mitchell has not been feeling well of late and has been confined a part of the time to his home.

Sister Velma Lemmons had surgery last Saturday. She is doing fine and expects to go home by the time you read this.

Brother Pete Nichols, who had surgery last week has postponed his second operation and is home getting along fine.

Jimmy Walker, son of Brother and Sister B. E. Walker, is in Brooke Medical Hospital in San Antonio. He was stationed overseas and was stricken with illness and had to be brought to the States for treatment.

The father of Sister Laverne Keith is in Mother Frances after suffering a heart attack.

Brother Roy Driggers is ill in his home.

Let us remember to pray for the sick as well as do what we can for them.

THANK YOU

We want to thank each member of the Chorus for their beautiful contribution to Mike and Parbara's wedding. We know it took much time and hard work. Thank you for a job well done.

The Glen Warner Family

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending Feb. 9th. Matt. Chaps. 26-28 and Mark 1 and 2

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE REST OF IT?

Recently a piece of mail came to my office with the following words. Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. They that believe shall be Saved, but they that believe not shall be damned."

I have reproduced the quotation exactly as it appeared. I have capitalized and underscored the words as they appeared. Now for the benefit of all I want to write what Jesus did say in Mark 16:15-16 from which the above was suppose to be quoted. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

Do you see any difference in the two quotations? I am sure you do. But why would anyone want to leave out a part of what Jesus told the Apostles to preach? What could one hope to gain by leaving out a part of such an important message? Could it be that the person who wrote the first quotation does not believe what Jesus said? Jesus did not say, "They that believe shall be saved," but what he did say was "He that BELIEVETH and is BAPTIZED shall be saved..." The scriptures do not teach that "they that believe (only) shall be saved." If baptism had been no part of salvation to the lost Jesus would not have said it was. I believe what Jesus said and I hope all of the readers of this do too.

Of course, if a person wants to ignore what Jesus taught he may do so now, but must suffer the consequences later. And if one desires to follow what a man says rather than what Jesus has actually taught he may do so now, but at the judgement he will be judged by what Jesus has said. My prayer is that all men everywhere turn to the Lord and his words while they can.

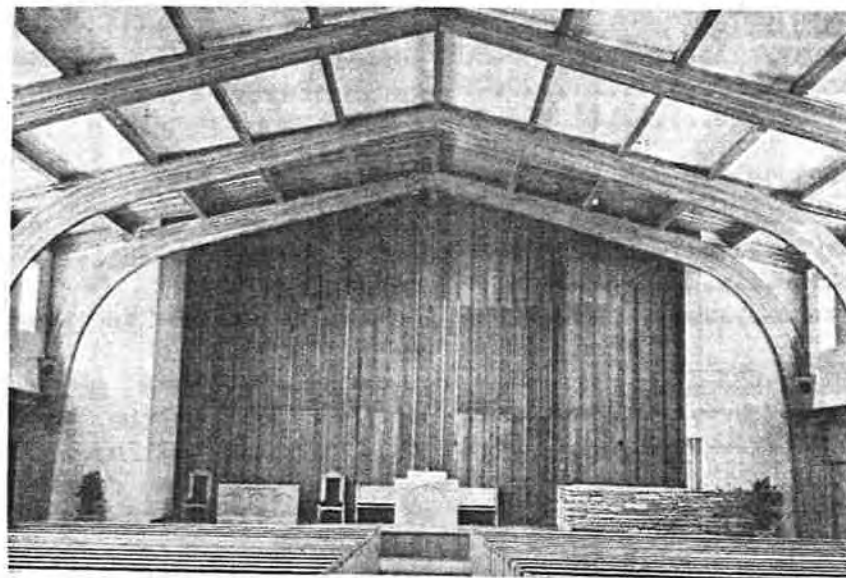
I do not want to leave the impression upon any that I believe that just because one does believe and is baptized that he will be saved in heaven without following Jesus in all that he taught. Believing and being baptized is only the beginning of Christianity. One must worship acceptably, live godly, serve humbly every day and every hour.

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January 21.....\$ 936.80
January 14.....\$1,020.42
A Year Ago.....\$1,095.36

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Dean Brookshire
Dismiss.....Jamon Kirby

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
Dismiss..... J. D. Brem

SYMPATHY

A brother of Sister Lillie Shoemaker passed away in Houston last Friday and was buried Monday afternoon. Sister Shoemaker was not able to go because of ill health. She has another brother ill in the hospital in Galveston.

BEST WISHES

Are extended to Cliff Caskey and Sylvia McCulloch who were married last Saturday evening in Dallas. They will make their home in Nacogdoches where both will be in school. We wish

for them happiness and success.

SICK

Dr. Roger Knight is in the hospital in San Antonio. He was to have surgery Wednesday morning.

Pete Nichols will have surgery Friday morning. He is in Medical Center.

Mrs. Henry McRuiz's father is seriously ill in Hughes Springs.

Sam Bailey's father is still in the hospital in Texarkana.

Brother Green is home now.

Harley Vaughn's mother is doing well in the hospital in Clarksville.

Several in the congregation have, or are recovering from the flu. Those we know about are: Tommy Parsons, Cherie Holland, Sister Russell O'Bannon, Brother Mathis, Sister Willie Shuford, Brother and Sister Berry, and Brother Harley Vaughn.

In addition to these, a large number of our children are ill.

...It is the part of wisdom to keep the mind so full of good thoughts that there is no place for bad ones...

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God caused the Prophet Isaiah to write, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isa. 55:8-9. Friends you had better change to the Lord's way while you can.

D.B.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to a change in postal regulations the bulletin CANNOT be forwarded, not even next door or across the street. Heretofore when someone moved the Carrier would forward it in the city, but he CANNOT do this any longer. Many bulletins are being returned to us and each one costs us EIGHT CENTS. From this week forward when bulletins are returned we will remove those names from our mailing list. We regret to do this but are forced to do it on account of the cost. IF YOU WANT THE BULLETIN TO COME TO YOUR HOME, PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED WHEN YOUR MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES.

Pantry: Canned Fruit

BAD WEATHER AND SICKNESS

Have plagued us each Lord's Day this year but we are not discouraged. Our records look bad but we believe that once the weather clears up and all recover from their illness things will look better. We are thankful to those who have been so faithful to come when they could and have given as they have been prospered. We are falling short of all goals but we hope that each one is doing the best he can. Since we have no control over the weather let us be as faithful to attend, visit, study, pray and serve as we possibly can. Bad weather depresses some but if they will busy themselves in the Lord's work things will be much better.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending February 2nd. Matthew Chapters 21-25.

DARE TO DO

Dare to do right, Dare to be true;
You have a work no other can do.
Do it so kindly, so bravely, so well,
That angels will hasten the story to tell.

ANOTHER CATHOLIC "HEAD" IN OUR GOVERNMENT

The placement of strong Catholics in strategic places of power in our government has been pointed out in other articles in the Watchman. Here is another one to add to the list. Mr. Kennedy, president of our country, appointed John Alex McCone to be the director of the United States Central Intelligence Agency. This was done on the final day of the last session of congress. Mr. McCone is a devout Roman Catholic; he is a "Papal Knight," being named a Knight of St. Gregory in 1955. He was awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sylvester in 1956.

Here we have a Roman Catholic directing and supervising the activities of the nation's foreign intelligence. This agency receives two or three times as much money as does the State Department, and it makes no accounting at all for the expenditures. Our congress does not know how much it spends, or for what.

A Roman Catholic is now the head of the executive department; of the judicial department; of both legislative branches of our government; of the Peace Corps; and of the Central Intelligence Agency. And Mr. Kennedy, a devout Roman Catholic, has been in office less than a year. What will it be at the end of his four-year term?

Do you still think that it doesn't make any difference if a Catholic is elected president? Do you still say, "It can't happen here?"

-Foster L. Ramsey

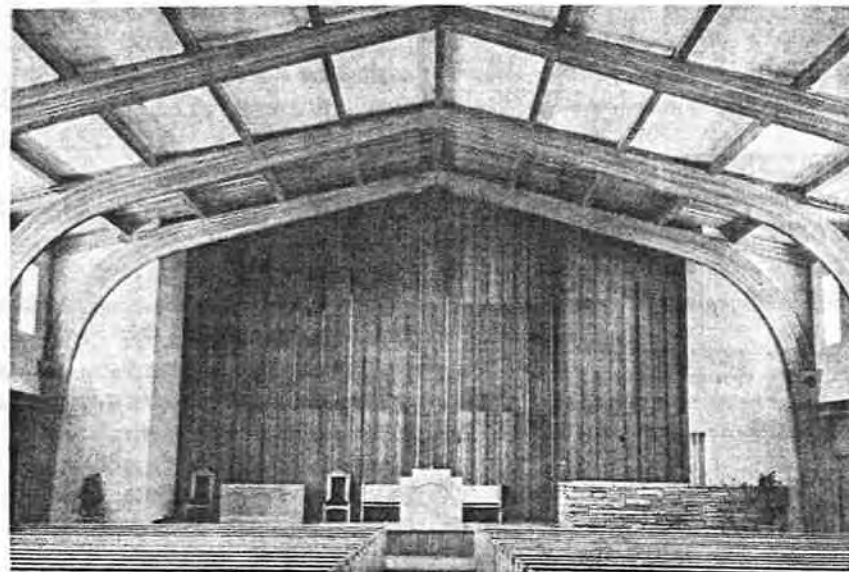
Editors Note:

Every high place of our government is now headed by a Catholic. Our President has not put the welfare of our nation first, he has subtly placed men of his faith first. However, this would have been done no doubt, if he had been Republican. His political affiliation has had nothing to do with it. It is his Catholicism.

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BIBLE CLASS

January 14.....447
January 7.....440
A Year Ago.....458

CONTRIBUTION

January 14.....\$1,020.42
January 7.....\$1,110.44
A Year Ago.....\$1,095.36

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Prayer.....T. F. Holland
Dismiss.....Henry Holland

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Ben Young
Dismiss.....John Mackey

SICK:

Brother Harley Vaughn's mother is seriously ill. She was to have surgery in Clarksville Friday. Her home is in Bogota, Texas.

Brother Green is in Medical Center Hospital.

Brother Sam Bailey's father had surgery Tuesday in Texarkana. He is getting along well.

CARDS OF THANKS:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of you for making my stay at the hospital so enjoyable. May God richly bless you

and keep you always is our prayer.

Mrs. Ellis Davis

We would like to express our appreciation for all kindnesses shown us during our association with West Erwin. We will miss all our friends here and would like to invite you to come and see us in Bossier City. Our address will be 2508 Waverly Drive. You will be welcome anytime.

The Robert Stokes

100% CLASSES:

We had three classes that were 100% in attendance last Sunday. They were 2nd. grade; Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler. 6th. grade; Kathryn Cauthen and Barbara Payne. 8th. grade; C. R. Clough and Dick Ferguson.

HOME BIBLE READING:

Suggested scripture for week ending January 26th. Matthew Chapter 16-20.

PICKED UP HERE AND THERE

There are two ways to get to the top of an oak tree---you can climb the tree or you can sit on an acorn.

Before you tell your troubles to your neighbor, ask yourself if you would like to listen to his.

Mrs. George Edward Norsworthy request the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter
Barbara Sue

to

Mr. Glen Milton Warner
Saturday, the twenty-seventh of January
nineteen hundred and sixty-two
at eight o'clock in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Reception
following the ceremony
Texas Room
Blackstone Hotel

A GOOD DAY:

I believe the attendance and contribution are worthy of commendation in view of the rainy weather and so much illness. We fell \$80.00 below our budget, but if the absentees make theirs up we will have \$1180.00 this Lord's Day. \$50.00 of the contribution this week was sent in by absentees. Do you love the Lord and his Church that much?

When our four or five families, or more get over the Chicken-pox I believe our attendance will be near or over the 500 mark.

Voltaire said: "I hate life, and yet I hate to die!" Paul said: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

DO YOU JUST BELONG?

Are you a member, the kind that would be missed?

Or, are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you ever go to visit the sick, or do you leave the work to just a few, and talk about the Clique?

There is quite a program planned, that I'm sure you've heard about, and we'll appreciate it if you too, come and help us out.

So come to the meetings often and help with hand and heart. Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

Think this over members, you know right from wrong. Are you an ACTIVE member, or do you just belong.

THE RECORD - JANUARY 11, 1962

January 7, 1962	December 31, 1961	A Year Ago
Bible Class 440	461	491
Contribution \$1,110.44	\$1,370.15	\$1,496.03

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Sam Bailey
 Prayer.....W. D. Drummond
 Dismissal Prayer.....Glen Warner

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....Sweeney Copeland
 Dismissal Prayer.....T. J. Parsons

SICK:

Brother J. S. Green is in Medical Center Hospital. He had surgery Tuesday Morning.

Sister Modena Jones is in Glenwood Clinic.

Lila Holland had a tonsillectomy Wednesday morning. She was to go home Thursday.

A large number of our children are ill with colds.

NEW RADIO PROGRAM:

Brother L. E. Carpenter of Canton will speak over K.T.B.B. daily at 1:00 P.M. January 14th. to the 25th. Please listen and urge others to listen.

THANK YOU:

Sister Myrtle Tucker, Sister Bonnie Williamson, and Sister Emma Thrash and her sister Mrs. Mills from the Sunset home wish to express their thanks for the baskets sent to them during the holidays.

RADIO PROGRAM DISCONTINUED:

Through mutual agreement between the elders and brother Brookshire, it was decided to discontinue the radio program for a while at least. Instead of the radio program, we hope you will read the lessons that appear in our local paper each week.

HOME BIBLE READING:

Scripture for week ending Jan. 19. Matthew 11-15.

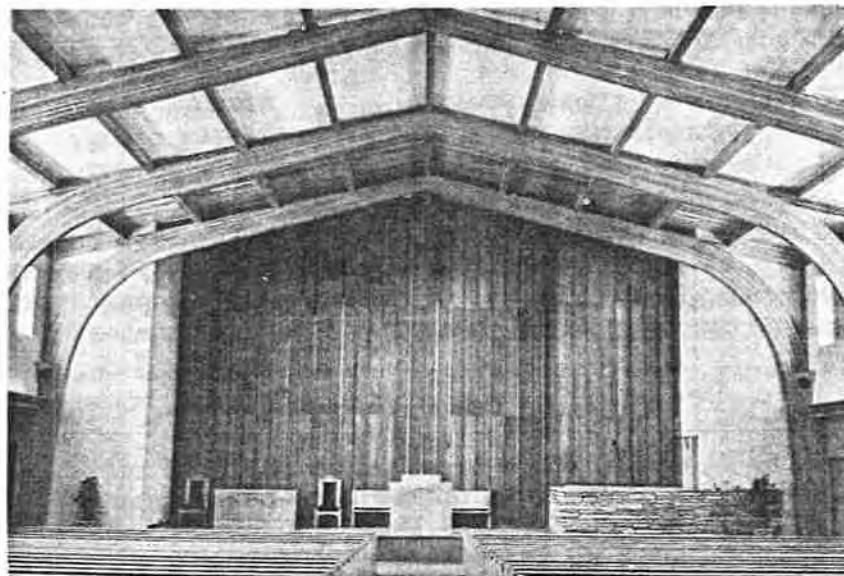
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MORE ABOUT 1961

We got off to just a "fair" start last Lord's Day. Due to much illness and some out of town on business and visits we were low in Bible School. The contribution was up to the budget. Prother Hardin did a good job explaining the budget and exhorting each of us to have a part in the work being done. He complimented the giving of 1961, and justly so I believe. He said they had set a budget well within the reach of us and had confidence that it would be met. Regular or systematic giving will reach the budget each week. If you will leave your contribution, or mail it in as some are doing, all the plans of 1962 can be carried out easily.

The Educational Building facing Erwin street is being cleaned (sand blasted) and all windows will be repaired. The exterior woodwork of both buildings will be painted in the near future. When the workmen have finished the work on the Educational Building it will look like a different building. It had lost all of it's attractiveness due to dirt, stain and pealed paint. The building has been hidden from view by a tall hedge. This is to be remedied too. We were told that five to six thousand dollars will be spent restoring the Erwin Street building to more usefulness and beauty.

When a church or individual owns property it is more economical in the long run to keep it in a good state of repair. Those who are charged with this responsibility here are to be commended for the good work they are doing. I heartily endorse this type of work. But being a preacher, I think more about souls than I do material buildings. I believe we should accelerate our efforts to save the lost. There are many many "fallen" Christians in our midst and we may not be making the efforts the Lord expects of us to save them. Our concern for them may not be as great as it should be. Then there are so many who have never become Christians that need to be visited and taught. Would it not be a good idea for each faithful family of this church to concentrate on one or two and do our best to lead them to Christ this year? Just think what it would mean if each family won only one to Christ this year. 150 or

more souls would be saved here this year. How about arranging a Bible class in your home or in the home of a friend? If you cannot do that, how about "wearing a good disposition" and speaking a good word for Christ and his church every day and every where? Unchrist-like dispositions and critics have driven many away from "The Way." Let us prove our love for the Lord this year as we have never done before. D.B.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pritt McCulloch
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Sylvia Lee

to
Mr. Clifford Leon Caskey
on Saturday, the twentieth of January
nineteen hundred and sixty-two
at eight o'clock in the evening
Ferguson Road Church of Christ
Dallas, Texas
and afterwards at the reception

SERVING DURING JANUARY:

Those who have been selected to wait on the Lord's table and to serve the congregation during this month at the morning service are Brethren:

James Phillips	K. Max Haws
J. D. Brem	Tom Myrick
Harley Vaughn	Doug Terrell
Bruce Raley	Gerald Montgomery
Pete Nichols	Fred Powell

TO MEMBERS OF THE WEST ERWIN CONGREGATION:

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the members who sent the greatly appreciated cards and letters over the recent holiday season.

I shall be looking forward to enjoying fellowship with each and every one of you upon my return in Sept.

It is indeed comforting to know that Christians can enjoy the fellowship of their home congregation even when they are in an isolated area of the globe, such as I am.

Your brother in Christ,
PFC James L. Trentham

FINANCIAL REPORT - DECEMBER 1961

Cash on hand Dec. 1, 1961	\$1,016.68
Deposits during December	<u>6,632.51</u>
Available for expenditures	\$7,649.19

Expenditures:

Loan Payments

1st. Federal Sav. & Loan	\$711.75
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00
J. C. Wynne	100.00
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>
	\$1,036.75

Benevolent and Mission

Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00
Bible Chair	100.00
Poles Home	50.00
Tipton Home	50.00
Herald of Truth	50.00
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00
North Teneha Church	75.00
Radio Program	85.60
Other	<u>16.17</u>
	\$1,051.77

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	159.36
Bible School Supplies	6.00
Postage	38.00
Telephone	33.67
Welcomap	3.00
Insurance	80.00
Communion Supplies	18.24
Taxes	<u>263.44</u>
	\$601.71
	\$1,158.40

Salaries

Total Expenditures for Dec. 1961	\$3,848.63
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1961	<u>3,800.56</u>
Total Funds Accounted for	\$7,649.19

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THE RECORD - JANUARY 4, 1962

	December 31	December 24	A Year Ago
Bible Class	461	373	447
Contribution	\$1,370.15	\$849.74	\$1,292.88

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer C. B. Hardin
 Prayer M. B. Beard
 Dismissal Prayer Gerald Montgomery

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer Thomas Holland
 Dismissal Prayer Donnel Stringer

CARDS OF THANKS:

We have received cards and expressions of thanks for the food baskets from the following; sister M. B. Hughes, sister Ollie Melton, sister Evalyn Stone, and sister Ettie Carruthers.

THANK YOU:

The family of Mrs. Mary Denton acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.
 Marvin and Wilma Jones

LESSONS IN NEWSPAPER:

Gospel lessons prepared by brother Walter Burch of Abilene will appear in our local paper beginning this Friday afternoon. It will also be in the Saturday morning paper. These lessons will be printed each week for at least three months, the Lord willing.

Why not mail the lessons to friends and relatives. It might be the means of their conversion to Christ.

CORRECTION:

Last week in the bulletin we said that by reading five chapters a day for five days a week, we can read the New Testament through in "62". It should have been one chapter a day for five days a week. Scripture for week ending Jan. 5, Matt. 1-5. For next week Matt. 5-10.

STILL GROWING:

With the help of the Lord we made some good progress in 1961. Thirty two were baptized, sixteen placed membership and fifteen were restored. Lord's Day morning Bible classes averaged 453 (gain of 22 per week) and the contribution averaged \$1121.32 (gain of \$71.88 per week). I should make it clear that these are our own figures from the bulletin and not brother Beard's authenticated report. We enjoyed a substantial gain in attendance in Ladies Class and in Wednesday evening classes too. We should not be completely satisfied with our accomplishments of 1961, but we do have reason to rejoice, thank God and take courage. We should have learned by now that the Lord does bless our efforts when we trust Him.

I hope each one of us begins the New Year with enthusiasm and joy. Much has been planned by our elders and those who are charged with the responsibility of taking the lead in various phases of the work. A good practical and far reaching budget has been planned by our elders. This has been planned with YOU and ME in mind. They want us to be a part of the plans. We are included, because they want us to be saved. We can be a part by co-operating in every way possible. The financial part can be carried out if each one of us give faithfully and consistently whether we are present or absent. Brother Hardin will discuss the budget this coming Lord's Day.

Other plans call for a Vacation Bible School, probably in June, and a Summer meeting (August 19-24) with brother Gieger doing the preaching. A Training For Service Series will be conducted at the Omen Road congregation this Fall. There are two groups that we know about who visit new comers and delinquent ones, and the sick in the hospitals. We need a group to visit the shut-ins and sick at home. It is hoped that one of the classes will take this type of work on and see it through. This year can be just as good as you and I want it to be. We will accomplish just what we want to accomplish. The church here will continue to go forward if each Christian does.
 D.B.

JAMES A. GARFIELD - CHRISTIAN PATRIOT

James A. Garfield, 20th. president of the United States was a member of the Church and he was a faithful gospel preacher. Many honors were conferred upon him, but he never wavered in his Christian faith, which he summed up as follows:

1. We call ourselves Christians, or disciples of Christ.
2. We believe in God the Father.
3. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and our Saviour. We regard the divinity of Christ as the fundamental truth of the Christian system.
4. We believe in the Holy Spirit, both as to his agency in conversion and as an indweller in the heart of the Christian.
5. We accept both the Old and New Testament Scriptures as the inspired word of God.
6. We believe in the future punishment of the wicked and the future reward of the righteous.
7. We believe that Deity is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God.
8. We observe the institution of the Lord's Supper on the Lord's Day. To this table we neither invite nor debar; we say it is the Lord's Supper for all the Lord's children.
9. We plead for the union of God's people on the Bible, and the Bible alone.
10. The Christ is our only creed.
11. We maintain that all ordinances should be observed as they were in the days of the apostles.
---Selected.

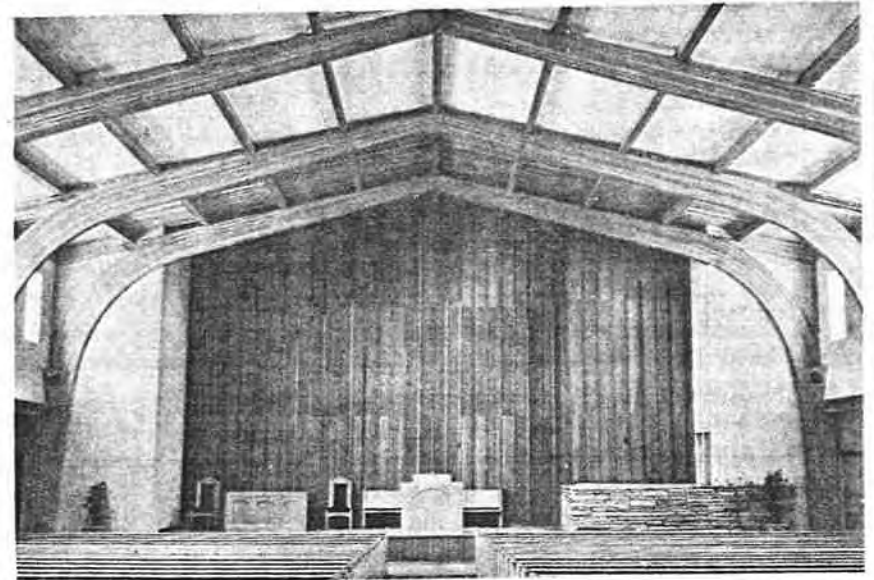
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	December 24	December 17	A Year Ago
Bible Class	373	413	337
Contribution	\$849.74	\$2,224.89	\$868.63

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....M. M. Haws
 Prayer..... T. F. Holland
 Dismissal Prayer..... Kenneth Bennett

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer..... C. E. Caskey
 Dismissal Prayer..... Charles Payne

SICK:

Sister Annie Lee Jordan is in Coats-Brown Clinic.

CARDS OF THANKS:

We have received calls and cards of thanks for the food baskets from the following: Sister Nora Smith, Sister Minnie Stegall, Sister O.L. Luther, Sister E.L. Taylor and Sister Annie Shotwell and she wishes to thank those who visited her while she was in the hospital recently.

WE MISSED YOU:

We missed many of the members who were away last Lord's Day. We hope all had an enjoyable and safe trip during the holidays. Our records look a little bad this time, but knowing you as I do I believe the contributions will be made up and I am sure all worshipped while they were away.

LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN:

We did print the bulletin but did not mail any. If you did not get one last Lord's Day you will find them in the tract rack.

LADIES CLASS:

The Ladies Wednesday morning Bible Class will meet next Wednesday, January 3, 1962.

LOVE ADDS TO:

J. M. Barrie has said, "The praise that comes of love does not make us vain, but humble rather." In a magazine recently I saw a distinction drawn between what were called "plus" and "minus" people. Did you ever think that there are people whose most fitting symbol is a "minus" sign? They never add to your happiness or your hopes or your faith either in yourself or anybody else. Rather, they take away from these. When they leave your company, you feel that you are somehow poorer than you were in your own esteem, and in your belief in others. These are the "minus" people. But there are others, thank God, of a different sort. They never come to us but they add to our store of all the best things far beyond their thought or intention. They believe in us, and so help us to do better. They draw out the best side of us, and sometimes that side surprises even ourselves. They radiate courage and hope and faith. Their praise humbles us, yet leaves us tingling with desire to be more worthy of it. I ask you, is it not better to be "plus" than "minus"?

---20th. Century Christian.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING:

There will be a young people's meeting Sunday afternoon, December 31st. from 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. in Gilmer. The speakers will be Marshall Clinkscales from Glenwood, Mike Warner from West Erwin and Jimmy Arnold from Gilmer. All are invited to attend.

SINGING:

There will be a fifth Sunday singing at Arp December 31st. at 2:30 P.M.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THROUGH IN '62':

For home Bible reading it will be possible to read the New Testament through in one year by reading five chapters a day for five days a week. Why not start the New Year by reading five chapters each day the first week in January.

FINANCIAL REPORT - NOVEMBER 1961

Cash on hand Nov. 1, 1961	\$ 415.34
Deposits during November	4410.50
Available for Expenditures	<u>\$ 4825.84</u>

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Federal Sav. & Loan	\$ 711.75
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00
J. C. Wynne	100.00
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Herald of Truth	100.00
Bible Chair	100.00
Radio Program	106.00
N. Teneha Church	60.00
J. F. Doggett	<u>50.00</u> \$1,200.16

Materials, Supplies Etc.

Utilities	\$ 174.23
Bible School Supplies	23.17
Postage	80.00
Telephone	47.75
Insurance	80.00
Flowers	7.20
Welcomap	3.00
Office Supplies	4.00
Bldg. Maint.	40.00
Misc.	6.10
Taxes	<u>164.60</u> \$ 630.05

Salaries

942.20

Total Expenditures for Nov. 1961	\$3,809.16
Cash on hand Nov. 30, 1961	1,016.68
Total funds accounted for	<u>\$4,825.84</u>

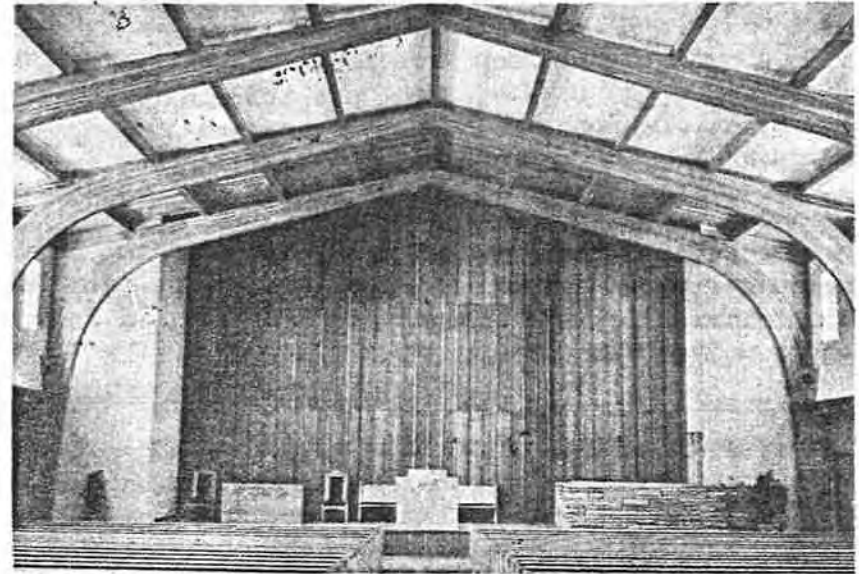
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Bible Class	485	528	458
Contribution	\$1,060.78	\$1,052.83	\$1,061.87

APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT LORD'S DAY A. M.

Announcements and Prayer.....James Massey
 Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
 Dismissal Prayer.....Lewis Jones

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....K. Max Haws
 Dismissal Prayer.....Tommy Woltman

RESPONSES:

Mrs. Harvey Morris placed membership with us Wednesday night. The Morris family moved here from Del Rio, Texas. He is employed by the Dept. of Public Safety. They have two children.

SICK:

Sister Henry Holland is in the Cotton Belt Hospital in Texarkana. She had surgery Tuesday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Roy and Elaine Roberson on the birth of their son born last Thursday morning. They have named him Roy Lane.

MOBBERLY AVENUE MEETING:

The Mobberly Avenue congregation in Longview has completed a building program of enlarging the auditorium and building more class rooms.

A meeting begins there December 10 with Robert Bankes, local preacher, doing the preaching. Services twice daily at 7:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

I hope many of you will attend the meeting and congratulate the brethren in Longview upon the completion of a beautiful and commodious building.

WHY THE HOUSE SANK

While a contractor was debating the best landing place for a house which he had successfully moved a distance of a half-mile over a small frozen lake in Minnesota, the building sank in six feet of water. The ice, which was ten inches thick, was abundantly strong to support the structure while it was moving along, but could not bear up the dead weight when it was brought to a standstill.

If you are a professing Christian, a member of the Lord's church, keep moving along with your part of the Lord's work. If you stop to criticize, to find fault, your dead weight will not only be a burden that the church cannot bear, but you may lose your soul--may go down to spiritual death in the cold waters of indifference or indecision.

-Selected, via Lamar St., Sweetwater, Texas.

ANOTHER VISITATION PROGRAM

Another visitation program is in the making. This group is made up of members of the Lord's Day morning class taught by Brother Leonard Woltman. A meeting was held at Fred and Sarah Powells Thursday evening. It is certainly encouraging to see those who have the love and initiative to do something for the Cause of Christ. The Lord's church will grow anywhere the members live right and work to make it grow. The Lord will bless every good work done in His name.

ALMOST BUT NOT QUITE

We almost made the 500 for Bible Classes last Lord's Day, but not quite. More than enough came in after the worship service began to have made the 500. We hope those who did not come will be more thoughtful and more energetic next time.

100% CLASSES: There were four 100% classes last Lord's day. They were the Beginners, First and second grade, and the Sixth grade.

SOMETHING FOR GOD

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?" Psa. 116:12. Any thoughtful person is able to see at least two things in this verse. They are: God is man's Benefactor and man should feel an obligation to his Benefactor. James tells us that every good and perfect gift comes from the Father of lights. Man is the recipient of these things that exactly meet, and to the full, his need. David was not a thoughtless and indifferent person going through life, receiving all, enjoying all, expecting all, without ever bestowing a thought on the bountiful giver. In this age I am sure we take many of God's blessings for granted, because we do not know what it would be like to be without them.

David wanted to know what he could render unto the Lord "For all His Benefits." There were benefits great and small, benefits temporal and spiritual. He could not enumerate them all but he could mention some. If David felt he should return something to the Lord for his benefits, how much more should we, because our blessings are greater than his.

David's greatest need then had not been met in Christ Jesus. His sins had not been forgiven through Christ and his hope of the resurrection and eternal life was not as bright as ours. He accepted it through prophecy and promise but now we are able to accept it as a fact.

Our redemption was our greatest need and it is one of our greatest blessings. All temporal blessings are second to this one. We should be more grateful for this and be more careful to show our gratitude for this than any other thing. All of us might combine all of our works and it would not be enough to save even one soul. How helpless and undone we were till God redeemed us with His Son. The blood of God's Son was the price paid for our redemption. 1 Pet.1:18-19; Eph. 1:7. Add to this, strength, guidance, companionship and comfort in serving the Lord and we have all that is necessary to please Him now and to be saved forever.

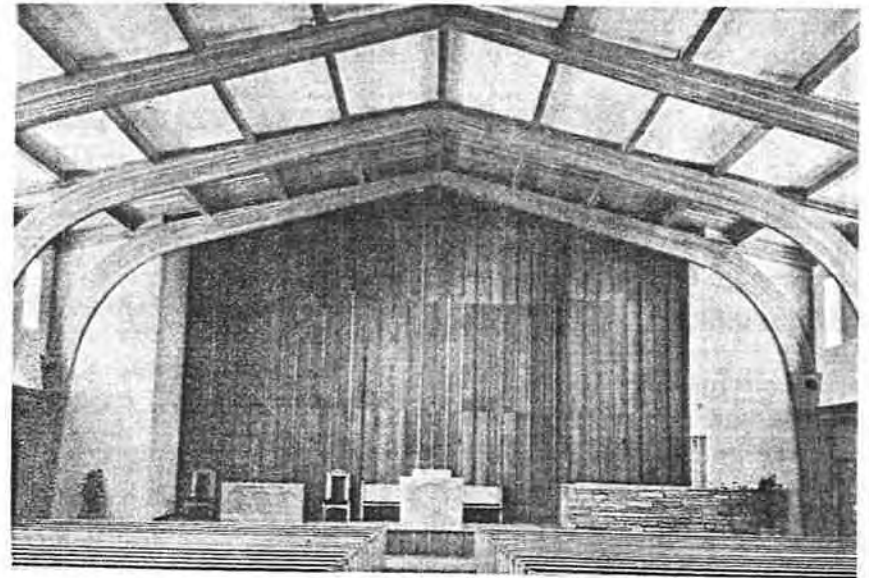
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THE RECORD - DECEMBER 3, 1961

	December 10	December 3	A Year Ago
Bible Class	468	485	472
Contribution	\$1,020.01	\$1,060.78	\$1,003.89

APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Howard Holland
 Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
 Dismissal Prayer.....Henry Holland

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....Jack Beard
 Dismissal Prayer.....Ralph Lowrance

RESPONSES:

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Howell placed membership with us last Sunday. They live at 616 W. 5th. street. Brother and Sister Howell moved here from Hawkins. He works for Humble.

SYMPATHY:

Mrs. Mary Denton, mother of Sister Marvin Jones and Grandmother of Sister Frances Phillips passed away Wednesday morning. The funeral was Thursday in Hico, Texas.

SICK:

Brother Robert Stokes and daughter, Isha were in an automobile accident last Sunday afternoon. Fortunately, neither one was seriously injured. Robert was in the Glenwood clinic several days following the accident.

Brother C. C. Garrett is ill.

MOVED:

Sister Janie Chelf has moved to Tullahoma, Tenn. Her address is P.O. Box 2092. She will be teaching there.

ATTENTION LADIES:

The Wednesday Morning Bible Class will be dismissed for the next two weeks.

-continued-

For these priceless blessings what shall I render unto the Lord? First of all we should learn to be thankful and seek to know what God would have us to do for his blessings. We sometimes sing with little thought:

I gave my life for thee, my precious blood I shed.
 That thou might'st ransomed be, and quickened from the dead.

I gave, I gave my life for thee, what hast thou given for me?

Have we given Him the love and affection of the heart that belongs to him? Have we shown our love by keeping his commandments and ministering unto his creatures who are loved by him as much as we are? Do we worship and pay homage to him as we should?

What rightly belongs to God, for all his benefits, is ourselves complete without reservation. We are not our own. We are his servants. The goods we have belong to God and we are only stewards. We should faithfully return something unto the Lord for all his benefits and it should not always be at our convenience without sacrifice.

100% CLASSES:

There were two classes with 100% in attendance last Lord's Day. They were the second grade taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Putler, and the sixth grade class taught by Mrs. Caskey and Judy Holland.

"I Should Really Like To Know!"

Said the Robin to the Sparrow:
 "I should really like to know,
 Why these anxious human beings,
 Rush about and worry so."

Said the Sparrow to the Robin;
 "Friend, I think that it must be
 That they have no heavenly Father,
 Such as cares for you and me!"

THE RECORD-DECEMBER 22, 1961		
December 17	December 10	A Year Ago
Bible Class 413	468	492
Contribution \$2,224.89	\$1,020.01	\$1,044.68

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A. M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Pat Mackey
 Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
 Dismissal Prayer.....Larry Mackey

LORD'S DAY P. M.

Prayer.....Doug Warner
 Dismissal Prayer.....Don Weathers

SICK:

Sister Jan Knight has been in the Glenwood clinic.
 Brother Ernest Holland is in Medical Center.

WELCOME HOME:

It is good to welcome our college girls and boys home again during the Holidays.

IN APPRECIATION:

The young men of the congregation have had charge of the last two Wednesday night services. All have been well prepared and delivered fine lessons. We are all appreciative of our young men and their efforts.

Dear Brethren:

The four of us would like to express our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your kindness and love throughout another year. You have gone beyond the call of duty to make us happy and comfortable in every way.

During this season of joy and the exchange of greetings we want to wish for each of you a joyful Holiday Season and a prosperous and healthful New Year.

Our prayer is that Our Gracious Father will not withhold any good thing from any of you.

THE BROOKSHIRES

Dean, Maurine, Herbert and Dudley

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PURE RELIGION

James tells us in chapter 1:27 what pure religion is. From this verse we understand that religion may be "pure and undefiled" or it may be "impure and defiled!" The definition of "pure" is: Not polluted; faultless; chaste; free from moral defilement; hence, innocent, guiltless. It is easy to see that it does make a difference what kind of religion one practices. An impure or undefiled religion is displeasing unto God. Religion is made up of both the Divine and human. All that pertains to the Divine is pure and all that is commanded of the human is pure.

Our object of worship is pure. Psa. 99:9. "Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the Lord our God is holy." 1 Pet. 1:16, "Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

We have a pure Saviour and sacrifice in Christ Jesus. We were "Not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your Fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Pet. 1:18-19.

The doctrine that has been given for us to learn and obey is pure. Psa. 19:8..."The commandment of the Lord is pure..." Psa. 12:6, "The words of the Lord are pure words..." Prov. 30:5, "Every word of God is pure..." Every commandment and ordinance is pure. There is no such thing as an indecent or impure commandment from God.

The saved are added to a pure church. Eph. 5:27, "That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but it should be holy and without blemish."

Without holiness men cannot expect to be saved. This is not only true now but has been true of those in the past. Psa. 24: 3-4, "Who shall ascend unto 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."

We are taught to be pure in heart. Matt, 5:8 Timothy

was told to keep himself pure. 1Tim. 5:22. We must be pure in speech. James 1:26. Our conduct must be pure. Matt. 5:16; 1 John 2:15-16 and we are to keep ourselves unspotted from the world, James 1:27.

The sinner purifies his soul by obeying the truth. 1Pet. 1:22 and after he becomes a Christian he is to love others out of a pure heart fervently.

From James 1:27 we see that we must do something (visit the unfortunate) and be something (pure) if our religion pleases our Heavenly Father. D.B.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Seth and Virginia Cunningham of Pasadena, Texas are the very happy parents of a new baby daughter, Loyce Lee. They went to Lubbock last week for her. Virginia is known by a great many of us here. She is the sister of James Phillips.

100% CLASS:

We only had one class with 100% in attendance last Lord's Day. It was the second grade class taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler.

GOD IS THE AUDIENCE:

Many people regard going to church as they would attending a play on the stage. Because they are so man-centered, they think of themselves as spectator; with the preacher as the main performer, and if God is anywhere in the production, He is on the sidelines. How unfortunate and how different from true worship! God is the audience, the congregation is the actor, and the preacher should be only a prompter to help all to draw closer to Him from whom all blessings come. Worship for the Christian is offered to God and the Father through Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit.

When you worship, do you realize your part in the service to God you are rendering? Do you consider the service as you would a lecture, or a concert? Do you realize that here you are meeting with God and "the ground whereon you stand is Holy Ground?"

Firm Foundation

"REVERENCE"

The church building was filled to capacity. Not a word was spoken. There was no noise, laughter, or loud talk. Death had taken one of the brethren, and when the minister arose to speak, he had the attention of all. This was a real demonstration of REVERENCE...

For the dead.

Thousands were in the stadium for the ball game. Yet there was not a sound. . . everyone was silent and standing at attention. No one was speaking or making a move. Here was REVERENCE...

For the flag.

The church building was filled and it was time for the services to begin, but the auditorium sounded more like a bee hive than a place of worship. Everyone was talking and visiting. This is lack of REVERENCE...

For the Lord!

"Let all things be done decently and in order."
(I Cor. 14:40)

Copied from the
Richardson Exhorter.

TAKE TIME

Take time to live because that is what life is for.
Take time to read. It is the source of knowledge.
Take time to think. It is the source of wisdom.
Take time to pray. It is the source of power.
Take time to work. It is the price of success.
Take time to play. It is the secret of youth.
Take time to dream. Make not dreams your master.
Take time to love. That is what God is.
Take time to be reverent. You shall not live in vain.

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BIBLE CLASS

November 18.....417
November 11.....425
A Year Ago.....533

CONTRIBUTION

November 18.....\$1,177.58
November 11.....\$1,077.23
A Year Ago.....\$1,140.39

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements

Prayer.....Pat Mackey
Prayer.....Howard Holland
Dismiss.....Jack Stringer

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Charles Graf
Dismiss.....Ramon Ivey

RESPONSES

Membership: Brother and Sister David D. Hannah and David Lynn Hannah, 2002 S. Wall. The Hannahs have two other children, Michael Ray, 12 years. They have recently moved to Tyler from Waxahachie, Texas. We welcome them into our fellowship.

THE SICK

Sister Minnie Stegall is ill at home and not able to attend services.

Sister Tucker was moved to Jacksonville Tuesday.

OUR VISITORS

Visitors are always welcome at West Erwin. Among those with us last Lord's Day, the following signed Visitor's Cards.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Adkison, 906 Peach Spring Houston Texas; Mrs. Nora Williams, 210 E. Erwin, Palestine, Texas; Diane Fraser, 2507 12th. Ave, Greeley, Colorado; J. D. Conoway, 1601 Victoria St. Abilene, Texas; Dicie Day, P.O. Box 361, Mena, Ark.; Visiting from Tyler were: Karen Johnson, 2514 Oakwood; Jimmy Sanders, Rt. 8; Douglas White, 1205 E. Lawrence; and Mrs. Carolyn Stitt, 3200 Cameron.

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending Nov. 30. II John, III John, Jude and Rev. 1 and 2

THE PLACE OF PRAYER

The place of prayer is anywhere,
Beside a bed or bench or chair;
Out in the field or ripened corn,
Or in the city streets at morn;
Washing dishes or hauling hay,
God will listen if you pray...
Via-The Gospel Messenger

EXCELLENT RESPONSE

Nine quilts, one comfort, two blankets, eight sheets, two bed spreads, six pair of pillow cases and one crib sheet were sent to sister Palafax and children at Boles Home. Brother Rushing took the supplies Monday.

100% CLASSES

Classes with perfect attendance last Sunday were; the 3rd. grade with Katie Heath and Mary Prater teaching and the 9th. grade with James Phillips and Don Weathers teaching. Also last Wednesday night Sister O'Bannon's class of Junior High girls was 100%.

THANK YOU NOTE

This note was received from Boles Home.

Dear Brethren:

We appreciate so very much the nice supply of cakes, cookies, clothing, towels and wash cloths that your ladies prepared for the Boles Home children. This extra encouragement is very helpful, and we are thankful to all of you.

Marie Threadgill and Bobbie McSwain carried the things to the home.

TEACHERS MEETING

The last Teacher's meeting of this year will be conducted Monday evening November 26 at 7:30. About twenty minutes will be spent together and then we will have departmental meetings. Sister O'Bannon will meet with the pre-school teachers; Sister Nelda Browning will meet with the Primary teachers; Sister Brookshire with the Junior teachers; Tom Jones with the Junior High, High school and College teachers and Ben Young will talk to the adult teachers, elders, deacons and any others who will come. Let us make this one of our best meetings of the year.

WHERE DID HE GO?

When Ben's master died, they told Ben that his master had gone to heaven.

Ben shook his head, "I 'se 'fraid Massa no go there."

"But why, Ben?"

"Cause when Massa go north or on a journey, he talk about it a long time, and get hisself ready; I ain't never heard him talk about going to heaven; never seen him get ready to go there."

Bulletin
Grand Prairie, Texas

FROM THE HILLS IN GUATEMALA

The following letter from the Jerry Hill family was received this week.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

We are very grateful to you for the sacrifices that have been made to send us to Guatemala and keep us here, and we are grateful for every demonstration of love and consideration, especially to have people there tell us of the frequent prayers in our behalf. Recently, we were made very happy when the Rushings and the Brookshires visited us--a thing we have wished for since the beginning of the work here, and which was possible only through the good will of the congregation and those making the trip. And now, the recent gift of \$333.00, identified as a "love offering" for us, truly made us feel unworthy of the things you did without, in order to express your good will toward us. We simply lack the words to express our thanks.

The "Get Well" cards were nice. For your information, we are all fine and looking forward to Thanksgiving Dinner with the Berry family tomorrow. I have been taken off diets and must remember to drink milk and take medicine only once in between meals. For several weeks now, the doctor has permitted me to work eight hours a day.

It's a good commentary, we think, in favor of the West Erwin church when Carl James and Oles Pinson, who accompanied brethren Rushing and Brookshire on numerous trips, were so impressed with them and praised their merits to us.

We send you our thanks and very best wishes.

In Christian love,
The Jerry Hill family

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

A letter was received this week from Sister Cecile Palafox. She asked that we accept her thanks for the many nice quilts, blankets and linens sent to her family from the congregation here, also special thanks to brother Rushing for taking the things to them.

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BIBLE CLASS

November 25.....423
November 18.....417
A Year Ago.....528
CONTRIBUTION
November 25.....\$ 939.47
November 18.....\$1,177.58
A Year Ago.....\$1,052.83

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....James Massey
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Dismiss.....Fred Powell
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Virgil Robbins
Dismiss.....Pete Nichols

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to the Swe-
ney Copelands, whose sis-
ter-in-law, Sister Ardis
Copeland was killed in an
automobile accident the
16th. (Through oversight
this did not appear in
last weeks bulletin.)

Our sympathy to the fam-
ily of Mr. K. P. Jones, who
was killed last Friday. He
was a brother to brother
Louis Jones and brother
Marvin Jones.

"He who never reads his
Bible is starving his soul
and will be lost in the
day of judgment."

VISITORS

Among those visiting with
us last Sunday were the
following: Debbie Smith,
Okemah, Okla.; Mr. & Mrs.
Jess Holland, Tulsa, Okla.;
Miss Ruby Thornton, Corsi-
cana, Tex.; Mrs. H. M.
Lacey, San Antonio, Texas;
Jeannie Colwell, Abilene,
Tex.; Vicky Shuford, Abil-
ene, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Mack
Lovering and children,
Beaumont, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs.
Lloyd Rutledge, San Antonio;
Miss Cynthia Marshall, Beau-
mont, Tex.; M. Sgt. and Mrs.
H. L. Jones, Killeen, Tex.;
Mrs. W. A. Walker, Pearland,
Texas; Mike Finscher, Ft.
Worth, Texas; Mr. and Mrs.
Bob Rushing and family,
Nacogdoches, Texas; Mr. and
Mrs. Tom Myrick and child-
ren, Waveland, Miss.; Mr.
and Mrs. Gene Suppes and
children, Tyler; Mrs. Carolyn
Stitt, Tyler.

Our visitors are always
welcome.

BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a business
meeting Tuesday evening,
December 4 at 7:30. All
men of the congregation
are invited to attend.

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week end-
ing December 7; Revelation
Chapters 3 through 7.

GOOD BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING

Fifty two came through a
drenching rain Monday eve-
ning to attend a meeting
in interest of our work in
teaching the Bible. That
is proof of the importance
a number here place upon
the work of teaching.

Shortly after the first
of the year others will be
contacted in regard to
teaching. If you are in-
vited to teach, please ac-
cept and consider it an
honor that you are faith-
ful enough to be invited
to have a part in the
Church's teaching program.

The Church that de-em-
phasizes and belittles the
teaching program is head-
ed for oblivion. D.B.

FRANKSTON

Brother Brookshire gave
a report on the work in
Guatemala to the church in
Frankston Wednesday eve-
ning. Brother Oles Pinson,
one of the workers in
Guatemala, is from Frank-
ston.

BE HAPPY

Life is too short to be
sad in:

To carry a grouch and be
mad in.

Tis made to be happy and
glad in,

So let us be friends and
be happy.

THE SICK

Sister Jack Stringer is
in Medical Center. She had
surgery Monday and is get-
ting along fine.

Sister Myrtle Tucker is
now in Newbern's Hospital
in Jacksonville. Her room
number is #4.

Sister Henry Holland is
in the Cotton Belt Hospi-
tal in Texarkana. She ex-
pects to return home Thurs-
day.

THANK YOU NOTES

During a time like this
we realize how much our
friends really mean to us.

Your expression of sym-
pathy will always be re-
membered by the loved ones
of K. P. Jones.

I want to express my
thanks to all my friends
who called and sent cards
and for every act of kind-
ness shown me during my
recent stay in the hospi-
tal.

Mrs. M. M. Haws

This church exists here
because some feel a re-
sponsibility to: attend;
teach and be taught; give;
visit; love, serve and be
holy. When ALL lose this
sense of responsibility
there will be no church
here.

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ZONE WORK

Thirty adults and their children in zone four met last Friday evening at the Smith Memorial Building to keep alive and further plan the work that has begun. A good and profitable meeting was held and reports were made of new-comers and other prospects in that zone. The leaders of zone four, along with their wives, are doing a good job in carrying out their assignments. They are holding regular meetings and keeping a close check on all the members who live in their zone. This work is being done with little effort on the part of those who are doing it. Of course, it takes some time and planning but the systematic way they are doing it is getting the job done and it does not work a hardship on any particular one.

The other zone works might be doing the same as zone four but I am not as familiar with the other zones because I live in zone four. All zone leaders and workers are ask not to let your zone work die. If you are not having regular meetings you should because that is the only way to keep it alive. The zone workers will have to be active in order to keep the program going. Most of us are busy but we are busy doing things not as important as the Lord's work. May I urge all zone leaders and workers to carry on an energetic program of work. We may be prone to let up some during the holidays but if we do we may not be able to revive it after the holidays are over. We cannot afford to neglect the Lord's work at any time. The Lord is depending on us and so are others.

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." Rom. 12:11
D.B.

KEEP BIBLE STUDY IN YOUR PLANS

If Bible Study is not in your plans for next Lord's Day you will deprive your soul of a Spiritual Feast. You will set a poor example to others. You will be working against the greatest work the Lord ever assigned to His church. You will be grieving the Holy Spirit. You will be compromising with the devil. You will be a stumbling block to others. Show your love for good things by being present.



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BIBLE CLASSES

December 2.....428
November 25.....423
A Year Ago.....485

CONTRIBUTION

December 2.....\$1,250.31
November 25.....\$ 939.47
A Year Ago.....\$1,060.78

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Prayer.....T. J. Parsons
Dismiss.....J. D. Brem

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....James Phillips
Dismiss.....Buddy Holland

RESPONSES

Sister Bill Shuford came forward Sunday evening to be restored.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and every act of kindness shown to me while I was in the hospital in Tyler. Also, special thanks to brother and sister Cone Birdwell.

Myrtle Tucker

SYMPATHY

Brother Faber Cauthen's mother passed away in Montgomery, Alabama last Saturday. Funeral services

were held for her monday.

The father of brother George Welch was fatally injured in a mining accident in Morgantown, West Virginia last Friday.

Our deepest sympathy to both of these families.

WHAT I NEED

I need a strength to keep me true.

And straight in everything I do;

I need power to keep me strong

When I am tempted to do wrong;

I need grace to keep me pure

When passion tries its deadly lure;

I need a love to keep me sweet

When hardness and mistrust I meet;

I need an arm to be my stay

When dark with trouble grows my day;

And naught on earth can these afford,

But all is found in CHRIST my Lord

...via Smyrna, Tenn.

"If I don't stand for something I will fall for anything."

A CHRISTIAN VICTORY

(Psalm 13: 3, 4) Consider and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death; Lest mine enemy say, "I have prevailed against him," and those that troubleth me rejoice when I am moved.

In studying the Psalms, if one is tuned to the spirit of the Bible, he can gain many lessons which will help in living the Christian way of life. In the verses quoted above the psalmist is standing for what he knows to be right.

The wicked want to get him to be just like them. They ridicule his morality, honesty, and belief in the Lord God. They bring pressure of every description to bear on him to shake him from his stand. Thus he prays: to God for light that he can again see of assurity that he is in favor with God lest his faith fail and his enemies prevail.

Some one has said: "The ill-disposed will cease their attacks if they find that they do not discompose us. Many a man has won victories by declining to expose his wounds and has even found that the wounds themselves disap-

pear. Some of the unworthy clashes that dishonor congregation life would not occur if those who imagine themselves injured declined to admit injury." This is a New Testament concept too. "If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord." (Rom. 12:18-19) T.J.

THE SICK

Glen Stanley had an appendectomy last week and is home now.

Sister Marvin Jones is ill and will be confined to her bed for about a week.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending December 14th. Rev. Chapters 8 - 12.

"All the water in the world, however hard it tried, could never, never sink a ship, unless it got inside.

"All the evil in the world, the wickedness and sin can never sink your soul's fair craft, unless you let it in."

THE HONORABLE MAN

A certain man came home from church one Sunday very angry.

"I will not go to church again," he said, at his bountiful meal. "They are always asking for money. It is not necessary."

Now his wife knew he had felt this thing a long time, and replied, "I have wondered about that also."

"About what?"

"About churches, of which there are many. Are they necessary?"

"Thou foolish woman, of course! Would you want to live in a town without churches and raise your children like heathen?"

"Of course they cost!" -the man shouted, and then stopped. This woman, whom he loved but had always regarded as a little stupid, had put him neatly on the other side of the fence. "I just don't like to be asked for money."

"But the church bills must be paid."

"Verily, but let those who have money pay them."

"You mean people like Mr. Jones and Mr. Brown, our neighbors?"

"Exactly. They have much more money than I have."

Now his wife was not foolish but wise. For one whole month, she did not mention the word money.

One day her husband came home from his business very angry. His first words were, "Careless woman, you have forgotten the rent!"

His wife replied, "It is paid."

"And the grocery bill?"

"It, also."

"And the lights and the gas?"

"They are all paid," his wife answered, "For surely it is necessary for our children to have a home and food and light."

"Where did you get the money?"

"Why, from Mr. Jones and Mr. Brown. I told them it annoyed you exceedingly to be asked for money."

Now indeed, did the man sputter and fume. "Shameless woman, so to humiliate me before my neighbors! I am an honorable man. I must go now (continued inside)

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BIBLE CLASS

December 9.....425
December 2.....428
A Year Ago.....468

CONTRIBUTION

December 9.....\$1,165.42
December 2.....\$1,250.31
A Year Ago.....\$1,020.01

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Sweeney Copeland
Dismiss.....Edgar Bullard
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....R. C. O'Bannon
Dismiss.....Tommy Woltman

THANK YOU NOTES

We appreciate the many expressions of sympathy shown us in the loss of our mother.

The Faber Cauthen Family

I want to express my thanks to the ones who called and sent cards to me and my special appreciation to those who offered assistance otherwise during my recent illness.

Edna Golden

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending December 21st. Revelation Chapters 13-17.

SYMPATHY

Mr. Travis Pellum, brother of Sis. Nora Walling and a cousin to C. E. Caskey was buried in Palestine last Sunday.

Mr. W. M. Caudle, father of Jerry Caudle passed away in Shreveport Tuesday. His funeral service was Thursday in Maude, Texas.

We extend our sympathy to both families.

GUESTS

Our visitors are always welcome and cordially invited to return. Guests last Sunday were:

Mrs. W. F. Chamness and Kay Chamness, Star Rt. Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Leon Courtney, 919 W. Drive, Kilgore, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McMeans, 1702 Madison, Amarillo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Willis, 220 Gray Road, North Little Rock, Ark.

Mr. C. W. Strode, Rt. 7 Box 257, Nacogdoches, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aven Lone Oak, Texas.

Mrs. C. C. Tuel, Gilmer
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mills
Channelview, Texas.

Liniel and Nelda Click
6004 Sayle, Greenville, Tex.

Mrs. Killingsworth, Tyler.

THE SICK

Sister Lois Hoppers is in Mother Frances. She had surgery Wednesday and is getting along fine.

WHAT GOD HATH PROMISED

God hath not promised
Skies always blue,
Flowerstrewn pathways all
our lives through;
God hath not promised sun
without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace
without pain.

God hath not promised we
shall not know
Toil and temptation, trouble
and woe;
He hath not told us we
shall not bear
Many a burden, many a care.

God hath not promised
smooth roads and wide.
Swift, easy travel, needing
no guide;
Never a mountain rock and
steep,
Never a river, turbid and
deep.

But God hath promised
strength for the day,
Rest for the labor, light
for the way,
Grace for the trials, help
from above,
Unfailing sympathy, undying
love.

... Annie Johnson Flint

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and repay them."

When he returned, his wife fed him and said not a word. Often through that night, she heard him mutter, "I am an honorable man. I pay my own debts." And on Sunday when she saw his offering, she knew he was, truly, an honorable man who would no longer let his neighbors pay HIS debts.

By B. G. Squires
Taken from Eastside
Bulletin, Midwest City,
Oklahoma

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to brother and sister C. H. Skeeters, who will celebrate their fiftieth Wedding anniversary Sunday. Best wishes for many more years together.

"There are three requisites to the proper enjoyment of earthly blessings; a thankful reflection on the goodness of the giver; a deep sense of our own unworthiness; and a recollection of the uncertainty of our long possessing them. The first will make us grateful; the second, humble; and the third, moderate.

... Hannah More

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - APRIL 1962

Cash on hand April 1, 1962	\$2,672.31
Deposits during April 1962	<u>5,474.22</u>
Available for expenditures	\$8,146.53

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$100.00	
Coop. Sav. and Loan	75.00	
1st. Fed. Sav. and Loan	711.75	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill	575.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald Of Truth	50.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
N. Tenneha Church	75.00	
Advertising	<u>583.78</u>	\$1,533.78

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	125.72	
Bible School Supplies	277.33	
Postage	38.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Telephone	78.98	
Welcomap	3.00	
Office Supplies	6.50	
Bldg. Maint.	212.58	
Communion Supplies	<u>17.00</u>	\$ 819.11

Salaries

	\$1,203.00
Withholding Tax (1st. Qtr.)	296.80

Total Expenditures for April 1962	\$4,889.44
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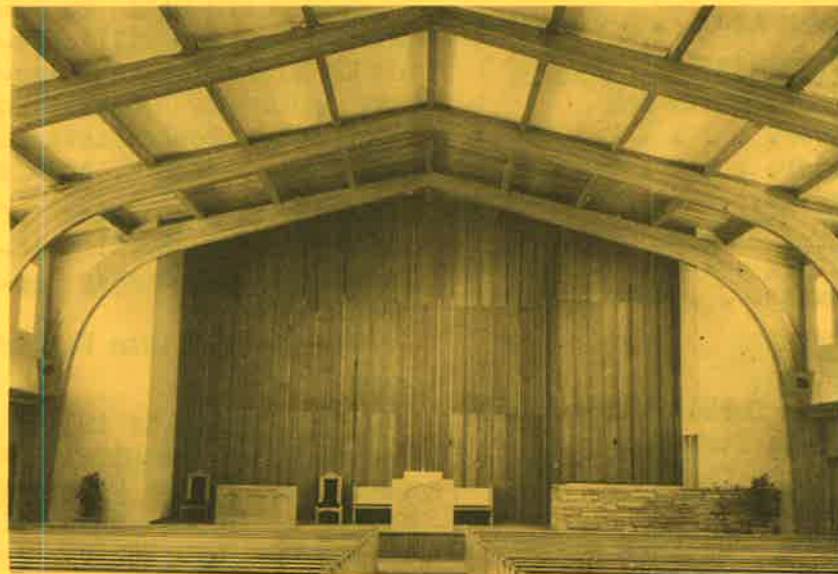
Cash on hand April 30, 1962	<u>3,257.09</u>
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Total funds accounted for	\$8,146.53
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THE RECORD - MAY 3, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 29. 434
April 22. 449
A Year Ago. 446

CONTRIBUTION

April 29 \$1,103.97
April 22 \$1,130.09
A Year Ago . . . \$1,053.57

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer. Pat Mackey
Prayer. Sam Bailey
Dismiss. Jamon Kirby

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer. L. L. Gann
Dismiss. Roy Roberson

RESPONSES

Baptism:

Miss Debbie Young, 1817
Barbara Street.

Chuck Cauthen, 1903 S.
Fleishel.

Miss Shirrell Studdard,
431 S. Saunders.

Restored and Prayer:

Mrs. J. L. Trentham, 318
W. Oakwood.

Miss Judy Holland, 1500
San Antonio.

THANK YOU NOTES

We at the Northwest congregation are very grateful for the help of the West Erwin members last Sunday afternoon to make our open house program such a fine period of fellowship among brethren in Tyler. We appreciate Bro.

Brookshire participating on the program. Thanks so much.

Our meeting with Brother L. R. Wilson continues through this week. Services each evening at 7:30. Your fellowship in this effort is needed and will be appreciated. You will especially appreciate the lesson Saturday, Christian Freedom vs. Ecclesiastical Bondage. John W. Anders

Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated.

The O. B. Wilson Family

SICK

Doris Stanley is in the Cotton Belt Hospital in Texarkana. Ernest Pickle's father is in the hospital in Athens. W.R. Causey is home from Glenwood Clinic. Doc Wright entered Medical Center Wednesday for a check-up.

OUR SYMPATHY

To Sister Emma Reed Smith. It was announced last Sunday that her niece passed away in Kentucky.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

The area wide meeting is Sunday May 6, at 3:00 o'clock at the Queen at Debard St. Church in Palestine.

WHAT I OWE THE HOME CONGREGATION

Unto the Church of my Lord in every locality, I am under solemn obligation to the extent of my ability; but unto the "Home congregation" I am under special obligation.

1. I want my home congregation to radiate a wholesome influence in the community. Therefore, I owe it the example of good life. For it must "live soberly and righteously and godly."

2. I want the strangers who enter the door of the meeting house to feel at home, to learn to love us, to return from time to time. They are my guests; I must entertain them. I owe it to them and to my congregation to show myself friendly. I must not stand back and wait for other members to greet them; this I must do.

3. No congregation can make progress without faithful and efficient leaders. To a certain extent, the members of the church make or break their elders. To the end that the leaders may be stronger and more efficient I must give them my support.

As long as they are true men, I must not embarrass them in their work.

4. The congregation has financial obligations which are due at regular intervals. Whether I give or do not give, these obligations must be paid. If it is right for the congregation to pay its obligations each week, it is right for me to give each week. Though circumstances may force me to be absent at times, my contributions should find their way to the treasury of the church.

5. I know that the very existence of any congregation depends upon the attendance of its members. In fact, attendance is the life of a church! For this reason, I must attend the services--all the services I can.

6. I want the congregation to grow, to multiply in numbers. Therefore, I must set myself to the noble work of winning souls for Christ.

7. The congregation cannot thrive in a frigid atmosphere. I must make it a place where hearts are warmed.

Scripture reading for week ending May 11. Acts: 2-6.

TOO MUCH OR TOO LITTLE

About thirty years ago there was a scarcity of money in circulation, jobs, and in some instances the real necessities of life. Then we had too little. We are now living in a time when money is plentiful, jobs are plentiful, households are well furnished and comfortable, and all of our physical needs are well supplied. We may now be living in a time when we have too much. Some may think it is impossible for us to have too much, but it is not. Some have so much now that it takes almost all of their time either going or being entertained, buying or selling, or looking after their abundant supply. It is possible for us to get so preoccupied that we use all the time God has given us to serve our selves and worship our possessions. In depression days the minds of men were preoccupied trying to make a living. When will things ever get right to where we have some time for God? It seems that we either have too little or too much all of the time. Things just do not seem to work out right for us. In depression days some did without so much till now that they have it they want to live it up, because they remember when they could not. Some then vowed that if they ever did get a hold of any money they were going to make up for lost time. Well, many have and are. In the midst of the greatest material prosperity some have ever known they are doing exactly the opposite of what they promised they would do if times ever got better. They promised a greater portion to the Lord, but they have not fulfilled their promise. The money part is the least of it all. The attitude of the heart and where the emphasis is placed is what is so bad. A kind and loving Father has so graciously given unto us so many things and some of us have turned our hearts away from Him instead of unto Him. Our beautiful comfortable homes could be used to teach Bible Classes and have prayer meetings for the church and for the lost, but they are used primarily for ourselves and our close friends. Our good cars could be used to bring the lost to hear the word, but they are used mostly for business and pleasure. We have never had as much to work with in our lives, (continued inside)

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A Year Ago.....467

CONTRIBUTION

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April 29.....\$1,103.97
A Year Ago.....\$1,084.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Prayer.....James McSwain
Dismiss.....Darrell Holt

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....W. D. Drummond
Dismiss.....Harley Vaughn

SICK

Mary Haws is in Medical Center Hospital.

THANK YOU NOTE

Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated. The family of J.B. Carroll

SYMPATHY

To Brother O. P. Poole and family. Bro. Poole's brother passed away in Sulphur Springs and funeral services were conducted for him Monday in Lindale.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Sandra Smith and Jimmy Hooker who were married last Friday evening. Their address is 522 E. Elm.

WON HONORS

Shirley Caskey and Raymond Hardin, seniors at John Tyler, have been honored several times this year. Shirley won the D. A. R. Award, American Legion Award, the 1962 Silver Homemaking Award and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Raymond won the Rotary Young Citizen Award, Thom McAn Leadership Award Nomination, Merit Award: Interscholastic League, Won First Place in District Prose Reading and Second Place in the Regional.

Congratulations to both Shirley and Raymond. We are proud of all of our fine young people.

J. L. Trentham, who is stationed in Alaska, has been promoted from PFC to SP4. He has been selected soldier of the month in his company and he will go to Anchorage, Alaska to compete for soldier of the year.

100% CLASSES

2 yr. old class - Margaret Montgomery and Betty Strait.
2nd. grade - Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier.

2nd. grade-last week, Nancy Butler and Bessie Willis.

9th. grade- James Phillips and Don Weathers.

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our opportunities are greater than they have ever been, but we are not using them for the Lord as we should. Do you suppose it is because we have too much and we love that more than righteousness?

This generation will soon be gone and the next generation is looking to us to teach them the truth and to set the right example for them to follow. If we love and worship material things and seek only to gratify our own wishes we can not expect any better from our children, unless they happen to be taught by some good faithful Christian. Let us take the abundant possessions, these good days, these golden moments and make them count for the Lord. Let us be more faithful to worship, more faithful to serve. Using our too much now in the wrong way will result in our having too little at the judgement and throughout eternity.

D.B.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending May 17, 1962. Acts: chapters 7 through 11.

PANTRY: Canned meat.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 4-8 is the time that has been set for our Vacation Bible School. We are planning classes for all ages. You and your friends are included in our plans. We need the support of each member. The teachers are working hard to prepare good lessons. If you do not plan to teach we hope you are planning to bring some to be taught. This school will not be the success it should be unless you are a part of it.

LADIES CLASS

The Ladies Bible Class will have work sheets for the rest of this month. The lesson for next week will be on Worship. This class will dismiss on the 30th. for the Summer. Let us have the very best attendance for these last lessons.

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE

We are in an interesting course of study and we want all of you to attend at 5:00 P. M. each Lord's Day. Our attendance has been real good but we want to encourage all to come who can. We are now studying, "Things Young People Should Know." Be sure to bring your book. Parents help your children to be present each time they can.

WOULD CHANGING RELIGION HELP?

It has been called to my attention several times lately that some Christians with nervous disorders have been advised by their doctors to change from Christianity to denominationalism. Many doctors who are schooled and well trained to treat nervous disorders know no more about Christianity than they would know about building a jet plane. Their concept of the teaching of Jesus is based almost altogether upon the teaching of humanity. They teach, in most instances, that Christianity is too narrow and that it keeps a person in restraint too much. A doctor in Dallas who has treated several patients I know advised them to give up Christianity and give expression to their desires. They were told not to hold any convictions much about anything but to be broadminded. I respect the training of a person in any field so long as it does not contradict the teaching of Christ, but I believe Jesus of Nazareth is the greatest Physician of all. I believe He is able to heal all of our spiritual diseases. I do not believe He gave us teaching that is too heavy for the mind.

Not being a doctor, I do not claim to know the causes of so much nervous illness today. I do know what Jesus taught about some things and I believe He is right. I also know how some Christians behave themselves. Some Christians are well behaved and have conducted themselves honorably before God and their fellowman and they have had so many burdens (many of them unnecessary) heaped upon them that they have broken under the load. While on the other hand there are some who are living so far away from the Lord that they live in constant fear. The Lord does not want His children to live in fear. Perfect love casteth out fear. (1 John 4:18). Some are not living up to the knowledge they have and it worries them. This is wrong. Many feed upon trash and smut even while they are ill and this does them harm. Few brethren read clean literature. Few gospel papers or tracts are taken to the hospitals even by Christians when they are able to read. They feed upon things that keep them in fear and carnal minded. With as little Spiritual (continued inside)

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May 6.....	454
A Year Ago.....	467

CONTRIBUTION

May 13.....	\$ 995.52
May 6.....	\$1,045.32
A Year Ago.....	\$1,084.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and Prayer.....	H. J. Holland
Prayer.....	Jack Beard
Dismiss.....	Dick Ferguson

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....	Harold Browning
Dismiss.....	Louis Jones

RESPONSES

To be restored - Travis Aven, 1912 N. Emerson.

SICK

We have a number of sick in the hospitals. Those in Medical Center are: Mary Haws, Sara Stringer, Dr. Mitchell, Lois Roberts, who had surgery Tuesday and Ross Mitchell, who had a Tonsillectomy. Mrs. Pearl Goodman is in Mother Frances Hospital. She had surgery Monday.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a meeting of all teachers Monday evening at 7:30. This includes regular teachers and Vacation Bible School teachers. You are urged to be present.

CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS

The following will graduate from High School this year. David Wright, Franklin Shaffer, Ronnie Lowrance, Judy Holland, Shirley Caskey and Raymond Hardin. Our very best wishes and prayers go with them into schools of higher learning or into their chosen fields.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 4-8 is a special date for us. It is the time of our Vacation Bible School. Classes are planned for those of three years of age (there will be a nursery for the younger ones) and upward including the adults. Brother Johnny Anders will teach the adult class this year. This school is only for five days and will include only ten hours of instruction. That seems to be very little for a church to do just once each year. If you cannot teach, please bring your children and friends so others can teach them. This is important and should not be taken lightly.

100% CLASSES

Both 2nd. grades. Mrs. Willis, Nancy Butler and Mrs. Beard and Grier. 6th. grade, Mrs. Caskey and Judy Holland.

SUCCESS OF BIBLE STUDY DEPENDS ON ADULTS

This statement is borne out by many facts.

1. Adults constitute the largest proportion of our population. We are told that by 1970 there will be 60 adults, 25 years of age and older, to 40 children and young people below 25 years of age.

2. Adult influence predominates-when adults attend, fathers and mothers particularly, the children and young people present no problem. They have not yet developed delinquent habits in Bible Study attendance. It is not uncommon to have parents tell us that their small children cry to go to Bible Study, yet they do not carry them. How blind can we be to our own interest and obligations?

3. So it adds up that the adults afford the greatest potential and have the greatest responsibility for the growth of Bible Study.

HOW MAY WE MEET THE CHALLENGE?

1. Adults must wake up to the fact that they hold the key to the success or the failure of our Bible study work and assume the responsibility for enroll-

ing and bringing their own young people and children.

2. Be more regular in attendance ourselves. Make it a matter of conscience to be present every Sunday unless absence is unavoidable.

3. Check on absentees and encourage regular attendance.

4. As teachers, do everything in your power to teach effectively.

--from 7th. & G. Church Temple

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Food as some get it is little wonder to me that any survive. If more Christians would study their Bible, pray and worship regularly, visit the sick, and help the poor they would have much better Spiritual health. This might not cure all their nervousness but it would cure the "grumbles", "fault-finding", "complaining", "talebearing", etc. etc.

Before you try everything else, why not try genuine Christianity? Jesus and the Apostles recommends it. It has helped millions. D.B.

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE

for week ending May 25, Acts Chapters 12 through 16.

TEACHERS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 4-8

PRESCHOOL

Nursery	Mrs. Lillie Knight	
2 yr. old	Jolene Welch	
3 yr. old	Frances Phillips	Joyce Venable
4 yr. old	Margaret Montgomery	Linda Heath
5 yr. old	Sara Powell	Judy Venable
5 yr. old	Eunice Holland	Lillian Becker
6 yr. old	Jan Knight	Veta Mae Geisecke
6 yr. old	Bobby McSwain	Becky McRuiz

PRIMARY

1st. grade	Pauline Jones	Floyia Payne
1st. grade	Arenia Clough	Ruby Brem
2nd. grade	Johnny Stringer	Penny McDonald
2nd. grade	Nell Wright	Nancy Butler
3rd. grade	Katie Heath	Mrs. A. A. Brett
3rd. grade	Connie Laird	Elva Lee Mackey

JUNIOR

4th. grade	Audrey O'Bannon	Elaine Roberson
4th. grade	Julia Langham	Sonja Aven
5th. grade	Beatrice Holland	Marie Threadgill
6th. grade	Maurine Brookshire	Grace Whyte
6th. grade	Bertha Byrd	Daisy Old

SENIOR

Jr. High	Bertha Rushing	Verda Driggers
Girls		
Jr. High	Dean Brookshire	
Boys		

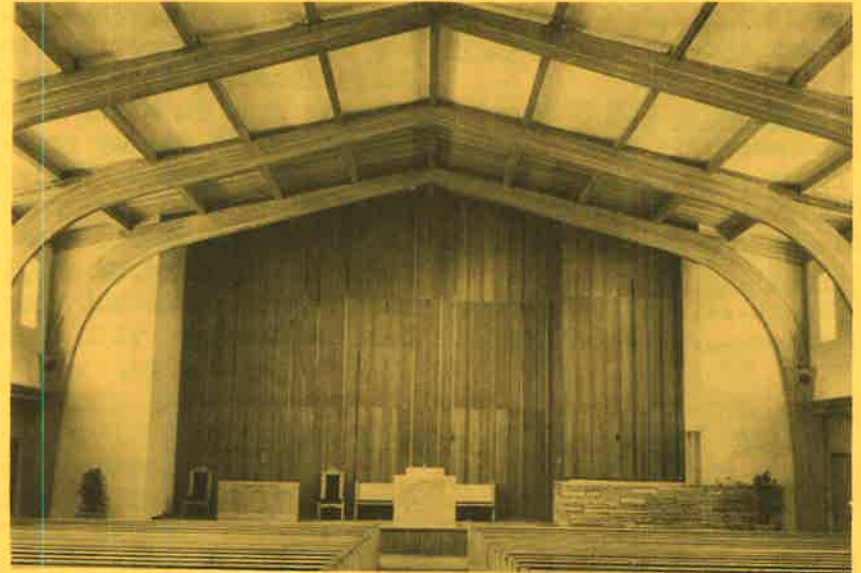
ADULTS

Auditorium Johnny Anders
Class

We are proud of our Vacation Bible School teaching staff. It is good to work with so many who are willing to do what they can to teach the story of Christ our Savior. The Lord will richly bless every effort. We appreciate the willingness of those who offered to help but became unable to do so.

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May 13.....418
A Year Ago.....427

CONTRIBUTION

May 20.....\$1,076.35
May 13.....995.52
A Year Ago.....943.55

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Prayer.....R. C. O'Bannon
Dismiss.....R. E. Fredrick

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Thomas Holland
Dismiss.....James Massey

SICK

Debbie Young and Lois Roberts are in the Medical Center Hospital.

Faber Cauthen's mother is seriously ill in Montgomery Alabama.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Shirrell Studdard and Wayne Taylor who were married Tuesday afternoon.

AN APOLOGY

To Richard Gregory. His name was not included in the list of Spring graduates that appeared in the bulletin last week. Congratulations Richard.

MOVING

We regret to announce that we are losing some good families from West Erwin. Brother and Sister Luther Thompson have sold their property and they are moving to Rusk. The Tom Myricks are moving as soon as school is out. The Harley Vaughns are moving to Dallas soon. Brother Thompson has been an elder here for years. It was my privilege to baptize Harley and Tom and both are growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. We shall miss all of these but our best wishes go with them where ever they go. D.B.

CAMP DEER-RUN

The first session at Camp Deer-Run will open June 17, the second July 1, the third July 15 and the fourth July 29. The cost is \$30.00 per session. If you are interested get your reservation blank in the tract rack.

SINGING

The fourth-Sunday singing will be in Overton, May 27th. at 2:30.

100% CLASS

The 2nd. grade class of Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler was 100% last Sunday.

OUR TWO GREAT NEEDS NOW

Two very important parts of church work are lagging here now. One is the lack of organized visiting, and the other is giving of money to help carry on the work. Neither of these is being done systematically. Some of both are being done but neither as it should be. On the 13th. when so many visited out of town the contribution was under one thousand dollars and the 20th. when we had a good crowd the contribution was no larger (not as large as at times) than usual. This is proof that when some are away they completely forget the work here.

Some are visiting when they can, but there are many more who could help in this work. If we could have some who would take the lead in this work by organizing some groups to visit regularly it would be much more effective. The time has come when we must go out and invite people to study with us and the sooner we learn this and do something about it the better off we will be.

MEETING

The church at Arp begins a meeting May 28 at 7:30 P.M. with Bro. John Anders.

WORD OF APPRECIATION

For sometime the members of Sister Rushing's Lord's Day morning class have been visiting the shutins. This is a good work and the Ladies are to be commended for their faithfulness in doing this much needed work. May the Lord bless their labors.

LOTS OF TIME

Lots of time for lots of things; —
Tho' it's said that Time has wings, —
There is always time to find —
Ways of being sweet and kind; —
There is always time to share
Smiles and goodness everywhere;
Time to send the frowns away,
Time a gentle word to say;
Time for helpfulness, and time
To assist the weak to climb;
Time to give a little flower,
Time for friendship any hour;
But there is no time to spare
For unkindness anywhere.

--Selected

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending June 1st. Acts, Chapters 17-21.

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CALENDAR OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible School	9:45 A. M.	Morning Worship	10:40 A. M.
Evening Classes	5:00 P. M.	Evening Worship	6:00 P. M.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies Bible Class	10:00 A. M.	Bible Classes	7:30 P. M.
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Dean Brookshire

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 4 - 8

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

NURSERY FOR CHILDREN UNDER TWO

YOUNG PEOPLES MEETING

There will be a young peoples meeting next Lord's Day afternoon at 3:00. Brother Billy Eubanks, a senior at ACC will speak. Brother Eubanks will be working with the church in Gladewater this Summer and he is anxious to meet all the young people of this area.

AMEN AND AMEN

Someone has said, "He that talketh by the yard, and thinketh by the inch, should be kickethed by the foot." Did you ever break an axle and have your motor race, yet your car stood still? Did you ever have to listen to someone talk in an endless stream without ever giving any thought to what they were saying, who they were hurting, etc.?? Words without any thoughts behind them! When one races his tongue, he should make sure it is connected to the brain by the axle of thought.

THE RECORD MAY 31, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

May 27.....428
May 20.....460
A Year Ago.....453

CONTRIBUTION

May 27.....\$1,057.36
May 20.....\$1,086.35
A Year Ago.....\$1,042.00

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
Dismiss..Dudley Brookshire

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....K. Max Haws
Dismiss.....Ralph Lowrance

SICK

John Ross Weaver is in
Mother Frances Hospital.
Russell Owens is in Med-
ical Center.

THANK YOU

Max, the children and I
wish to thank all of you
for the cards, food, good
wishes, flowers, and pray-
ers sent our way during my
recent stay in the hospita-
l. It is wonderful and
rewarding to know and love
those who truly love the
Lord.

In Christian love,
Mary Haws

SYMPATHY

Last Sunday afternoon
Funeral services were con-
ducted for A. B. Grier. He
was the brother of H. T.
Grier Sr.

Funeral services were
held Tuesday afternoon in
the Church in Gladewater
for Ronnie Jordan. He was
the grandson of Mr. and
Mrs. Dexter Browning and
the nephew of Harold Brown-
ing.

MEETING

The church in Glimer will
begin a meeting with Clif-
ton Rogers June 11 and
continue through the 17th.
Services are 7:00A. M. and
8:00 P. M.

I COUNTED DOLLARS

I counted dollars while
God counted crosses,
I counted gains while He
counted losses,
I counted my wealth by the
things gained in store
But He valued me by the
scars I bore.
I counted the honors and
sought for ease
He wept while He counted
the hours on my knees,
And I never knew until one
day by a grave
How vain are these things
that we spend a life to
save.

STUDY AND PRAY

BEFORE YOU SUGGEST

Last Lord's Day brother
Haws announced to us that
some felt that additional
elders and deacons should
be appointed to serve this
congregation. Selecting
elders and deacons to
serve the Lord's church is
a very grave matter and it
should not be taken light-
ly. Their qualifications
are found in 1 Tim. 3:1-13
and Titus 1: 5-9. Be sure
to consider their wives
too. See 1 Tim. 3:11.

If you do not know the
meaning of the qualifica-
tions get a dictionary,
reliable commentaries, or
several different trans-
lations of the New Testa-
ment. In order for any of
us to be able to suggest
men we must be able to de-
fine their qualifications
and know the men well en-
ough to know that they do
possess them. Men who shall
be appointed will not be
appointed for the present
only but we must take in
consideration what the
church will be under their
leadership ten, twenty or
thirty years from now. Be-
fore men are appointed to
serve as elders or deacons
(here or elsewhere) there
should be much deep study
of their qualifications

and much fervent prayer
that the Lord's Will may
be done. Many souls are
at stake so let us pray
for wisdom to make the
right decisions. D.B.

IN THE GARDEN OF MEMORIES

Many beautiful gardens
may be found in city parks
and even in remote places
of earth! The beauty of
flowers, trees and foliage,
and landscaping designs
appeals to the eyes. But
not all beautiful gardens
can be seen with physical
eyes. There are gardens of
memory. We plant these
gardens and tend them with
care. We weed out the deeds
and events we do not wish
to remember, and cultivate
those of beauty. It takes
a lot of forgetting, a lot
of forgiving, a lot of
cultivation of the happen-
ings of life, little or
big, with a lot of the
grace of God, to make a
garden of memories that is
really attractive. When we
have such a garden, we can
enjoy it to the very end
of life, and can share it
with our friends.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending June 8th. Acts
Chapters 22 through 26.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT MAY 1962

Cash on hand May 1, 1962	\$3,217.09
Deposits during May 1962	<u>4,158.55</u>
Available for Expenditures	\$7,375.64

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Teneha Church	60.00	
Advertising	<u>534.12</u>	\$1,478.12

Materials, Supplies, etc:

Utilities	\$125.91	
Bible School Supplies	59.87	
Postage	76.00	
Office Supplies	20.18	
Insurance	60.00	
Building Maint.	179.55	
Flowers	<u>32.36</u>	553.87

Salaries 819.90

Taxes - City and School 148.13

Total Expenditures for May 1962 \$4,036.77

Cash on hand May 31, 1962 3,338.87

Total funds accounted for \$7,375.64

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THE RECORD JUNE 7, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

June 3.....452
May 27.....428
A Year Ago.....452

CONTRIBUTION

June 3.....\$1,032.65
May 27..... 1,057.36
A Year Ago..... 996.75

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....P. E. Mackey
Prayer....Sweeney Copeland
Dismiss.Herbert Brookshire

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....James Phillips
Dismiss.....Larry Mackey

SICK

Brother W. R. Causey is
in Glenwood Clinic.

Sister Minnie Stegall is
ill at home.

Sister C. C. McDonald is
in the hospital and cannot
have company. Please con-
tinue to pray for Sister
McDonald and her family.

THANK YOU

We wish to say many
thanks to all for the vis-
its, cards and your inter-
est during Jim's recent
illness. We are so very
grateful and feel so close
to each of you.

Bessie, Jim & Lynn Willis

SYMPATHY

Funeral services for Dr.
John H. Mitchell were con-
ducted at the church Mon-
day afternoon by Brother
Brookshire and Brother
Gieger. Burial was in the
West Boon Prairie Cemetary
near Franklin, Texas.

NEW CLASSES

At least two new classes
will begin on Wednesday
evening June 13. There will
be a training class for
men taught by Brother Rush-
ing and a class for Women
who want to learn how to
teach or learn more about
teaching. The ladies class
teachers will be announced
shortly. These two classes
should prove very benefi-
cial to many of us.

100% CLASSES

The 2nd. grade with Zef-
fie Beard and Mary Grier.
The 6th. grade with Kathryn
Cauthen and Barbara Payne.

CORRECTION

In the financial state-
ment under advertising we
have the amount \$534.12. It
should be \$543.12.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending June 15,
Acts 27 and 28 and Romans:
Chapters 1, 2 and 3.

"IN ADDRESSING GOD"

Our prayers to Him should
be uttered in reverence
and Adoration. This is one
reason I am a stickler for
solemn forms in our ad-
dress to God.

If I am talking to some
body on the street I may
say, "Yea." If I am talk-
ing to a group of people
at some public function
and am asked a question I
am apt to say, "Yes." But
if I am addressing the
President of the United
States I would say, "Yes
Sir." The expression, "Yea",
"Yes Sir" mean the same,
but there is a consider-
able difference in the
manner and way in which we
use these forms.

Just so, in addressing
God in our public prayers,
we should address him in
the most reverential man-
ner we know. Certainly
such expressions as "You"
"Your" have a different
sound to "Thy" and "Thine."
We know these have the
same basic meaning, but
they do carry a different
spirit altogether. The
solemn form shows a great-
er degree of reverence and
has a greater effect upon
the audience.

Sometimes it happens that
those who seek to be on a
very familiar plane with

God use such terms as "You"
and "Your" in their prayers,

In addressing God in the
most reverent manner it is
best to stay with the sol-
emn terms. I regret it
deeply that so many of our
young preachers have in
recent days fallen into
the habit of using the
common terms of the street
address in their prayers
to God Almighty.

L. R. Wilson

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are in the midst of
one of our best Vacation
Bible Schools. The inter-
est has never been better
than it is this week. We
are indebted to so many
who have worked to have a
successful school. Since we
printed the names of the
teachers and their helpers
three more have joined our
teaching staff. They are:
Shirley Caskey, Henry Mc-
Ruiz and James Ray McSwain.
We are so thankful for our
teachers who have worked
so diligently and unself-
ishly. We want to thank
Brother Anders for his
good work with the audito-
rium class. Our attendance
the first 4 days was 307,
325, 315 and 310.

MEETING in Gilmer. See the
bulletin board for infor-
mation.

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THE RECORD JUNE 14, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

June 10.....416
June 3.....452
A Year Ago.....430

CONTRIBUTION

June 10.....\$1,089.18
June 3.....\$1,032.65
A Year Ago.....\$1,078.88

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and

Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Dismiss.....Ronny Lowrance

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Doug Warner
Dismiss.....Charles Payne

RESPONSES

Restored: Mrs. Wayland Willis. Wayland and Marcella are now living in Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Pauline Fuller, 632 N. Harris.

Membership: Gail Wells, 401 E. Reeves St. has moved here from Linden, Texas. She is attending Federal Institute and will be in Tyler for several months.

SICK

R. M. Mayo will enter Medical Center Thursday and is to have surgery on Friday.

Charlotte Chandler had a tonsillectomy Tuesday.

Millard Murry is in Medical Center Hospital.

Little Cindy Taylor has the measles.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Mary Todd in Waco. She was the grandmother of Marie Threadgill.

MOVING

We regret that Brother and Sister Luther Thompson are moving to Rusk this week. They have been members at West Erwin for many years. Their new address will be 306 S. Main, Rusk, Texas. We extend our best wishes and prayers to Brother and Sister Thompson in their new home.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beall of Longview have a new daughter born Saturday. The mother is the former Edwina Arrington. John and Sally Arrington are the grandparents.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending June 22, Romans: Chapters 4 through 8.

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TOMORROW

Most of us have great plans for tomorrow. Edward L. Kramer has said, "Tomorrow is a non-entity. It does not exist. Now - we own no past, no future. We possess only NOW." The old saying, "Tomorrow never comes," is perhaps trite, but very true.

The apostle Paul emphasized the value of "now" when he said, "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. 2 Cor. 6:2b. Our Saviour admonishes us to

take care of today and tomorrow will take care of itself. "Be not therefore anxious for the morrow; for the morrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof..."Matt. 6:34.

If your plans for God have always been in the future, won't you determine to put those plans in to action today? By living the Christian life today the crown of victory will be ours tomorrow!

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He was going to be all that he wanted to be. . Tomorrow
No one should be kinder and brave than he. . . Tomorrow
A friend who was troubled and weary, he knew;
Who'd be glad of a lift, and he needed it too
On him he would call and see what he could do .Tomorrow
Each morning he stacked up letters he'd write
And thought of the folks he would fill with
delight Tomorrow
It was too bad he was busy today;
And hadn't one minute to stop on his way;
'More time I will have to give others"he'd say. Tomorrow
The greatest of workers this man would have
been Tomorrow
The world would have known him had he ever
seen Tomorrow
But in fact, he passed out and faded from view;
And all that he left when living was through,
Was a mountain of things he intended to do . . Tomorrow

- - - - -
Are you planning to stand church attendance tomorrow, before God's judgement I intended to visit those seat and say, "Lord, I souls who were lost and planned to be faithful in spiritually weak tomorrow,

It was my purpose to do more for world evangelism tomorrow, I was going to visit the sick and minister to the needy tomorrow. I planned to give to you liberally tomorrow, it was my purpose to obey the

gospel of Christ tomorrow! Do you plan to offer any of these pleas to God? Will he not answer then, "Yesterday WAS the day of salvation, but now it is eternally too late?"

--Selected

A PUBLIC CONFESSION

Suppose that you leave your family some day by just walking off and staying away for three or four weeks or months. You don't help your wife care for the children. You leave no way for them to get by except as they may look after themselves. You are not concerned whether the rent is paid, there are no groceries to eat and other things that are needful are not supplied.

But suddenly one morning you walk in about breakfast time and inquire where your breakfast is, without making a word of explanation or apology to your wife. You feel no shame for your behaviour and do not state that you have repented. How many wives would receive a husband like that without a word of explanation? I seriously doubt that any would

And yet there are many church members who think

nothing of absenting themselves from the service of the church for weeks at a time. They are not concerned whether the Lord's work is carried on or not. And suddenly they return and start to take a part without making an acknowledgment, or showing any sign that they are ashamed or that they have repented of their behaviour. When we sin, through the weakness of the flesh, let us come before God, saying, "Lord, I have been sinful."

---Bulletin, Joliet, Ill.

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The blessings of the Lord are promised only to those who obey Him.

If the Lord should pay you a visit in your home for a few days, do you have any habits that you would need to change while He remained?

SOMEONE DIED AND LEFT YOU A FORTUNE

Yes, it is true! The death of Jesus Christ over 1900 years ago gives you today the right of inheritance, provided you fulfill the terms of the will He left. The fortune is FREE and FREELY given. Rom.8:32; 6:23. It cost you nothing but compliance with the terms of the will. These terms are:

1. Belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. "Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die." Jn. 11:26; 3:16; Mk. 16:16; Acts 16:31.

2. Repentance from sin. "...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Lk. 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38; 17:30.

3. Confession of faith in Christ. "Everyone..., who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father." Mt. 10:32, Rom. 10:9f; Acts 8:37.

4. Immersion in water at Christ's command: "...repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for (unto RV) the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38; 8:36-38; Rom. 6:4; Mk. 16:16.

5. A holy life following baptism. "But like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living." 1 Pet. 1:15. Titus 2:11-14.

6. "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much more as ye see the day approaching. Heb. 10:25; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:1,2; Rev. 1:10.

7. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10b, 14:13, Matt. 10:22.

"He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which WILL we are sanctified.. through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Heb. 10:9,10; 9:15,16,17. Jno. 12:48.

We plead with you to comply with the will, and accept your inheritance.

---Selected

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RIBLE CLASS

June 17.....413
June 10.....416
A Year Ago.....389

CONTRIBUTION

June 17.....\$1,076.14
June 10..... 1,089.18
A Year Ago..... 986.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Prayer.....H. J. Holland
Dismiss.....Glen Warner

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Henry Holland
Dismiss.....Eddy Nichols

THANK YOU NOTES

During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered by the family of Mrs. Mary Todd.

Marie, Bob and R. V.
Threadgill

Your comforting expression of sympathy will always be remembered with deep gratitude.

The Family of
Dr. J. H. Mitchell

SICK

Mrs. Hazel Mitchell Jones is in Harris Hospital in

Ft. Worth. She had surgery Monday and would enjoy cards and letters.

R. M. Mayo is in Medical Center.

Millard Murry is in Medical Center.

Mrs. Paul (Betty) Moore is in Medical Center. She had surgery Wednesday.

Clyde Haden, son of Mrs. Naomi Haden is in Medical Center.

Mrs. John Knight is in Medical Center.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held Friday morning in Kaufman for Mr. Guy Payne. He was the brother-in-law of Brother and Sister E. L. Taylor and a Cousin of Brother Aubrey Payne.

TEACHERS WORKSHOP

July 23-26 is the date for the 6th. annual Bible Teachers Workshop on the A.C.C. Campus. Arrangements are made to charter a bus for those in this area who would like to attend. Information concerning arrangements may be obtained from the office.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending June 29, Romans: Chapters 9 through 13.

IN MEMORY

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin W. Wilson have presented to the Library of the West Erwin Church three books in the memory of Dr. John H. Mitchell. The books are all written by Brother Cox. They are "Moses' Last Birthday," "According to John," and "Treatises of Luke."

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson invite you to attend open house June 30 from 2 until 6 P.M. honoring their parents, the Luther Thompsons, on their fortieth wedding anniversary. The Thompson's address is 306 S. Main, Rusk, Texas.

THANKS TO ONE AND ALL

For eight days of rest and fun. We enjoyed a good vacation here at home. It was good to visit a different class last Lord's Day and to hear some one else preach. Thanks to all who filled in for me and I should add very commendly so. Your thoughtfulness of us during our vacation is appreciated.

D.B.

OUR MEETING

We should turn our attention and labors now toward our Summer Meeting with brother Gieger. The time is August 19-24. We will have a short meeting and we must make good preparations for one of our best.

MEETING IN THIS AREA

Brother Robert Bankes of Longview is preaching in a meeting in Van this week at 8:00 each evening. You still have time to attend once or twice.

Brother Willard Collins of Nashville, Tenn. will preach in a meeting at the Crockett Road Church in Palestine June 24-July 1. Week nights services at 7:45. Brother Collins will teach a class for adults each morning from 9-11.

Brother L. E. Carpenter will preach in a meeting in Chandler June 24 - July 1. Services each evening at 7:45.

SINGING

The fourth-Sunday singing will be in Overton again this month. The time is 2:30, June 24th. All are invited.

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GOING WITH THE WORLD OR FOLLOWING CHRIST

Forced intergration is taking place, slanted (unlawful) oil well drilling has been brought to light, swindle and fraud by prominent and trusted people continues to make the headlines, prominent public officials betray our confidence, a recent scandal in the entertainment world has been brought to the public's eye and to these other things could be added. But why go on because these are too much for the faith of some As born again Christians we are forced to live in a world where these things, and more, abound. Indirectly you and I depend upon some of these people in some ways for our livelyhood. Some of them are our superiors in civil, business and civic affairs. Any Spiritual person is able to see and feel a need for some drastic changes. But he says he hardly knows where to start. He admits that he is willing to help if he knew how. The best way I know for a Christian to help in the prevailing sinful conditions is to remain faithful to the Lord without one whit of compromise. A great deal of the unrest and sinfulness is rubbing off on some Christians. Some are saying, "I may as well do it because every body else is." It may seem that way to you but all are not given to sin. There are many fine devout Christians in the world today. Some Christians are drifting with the tide but not all. Some who are drifting are doing it because they like it and others because they are not aware of it. Some Christians have an excessive craving for money and entertainment and they do not realize it. They are keeping company with the undesirables and have never stopped to think who their best friends are. Many of us would not touch a drop of liquor, steal a dime, or engage in immorality are in a sense keeping company with those who do Through our papers and church bulletins the following pleas are made. "Brethren, please come to Bible Study and Worship. Please give so the work will not be hindered. Please come on Sunday evening and Wednesday evening." But you ask where are those people who willfully absent themselves and slight the Lord and His work? A great portion of them are in front of a television set, at a place of entertainment, (contd.inside)



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BIBLE CLASS

June 24.....422
June 17.....413
A Year Ago.....371

CONTRIBUTION

June 24.....\$1,010.52
June 17..... 1,076.14
A Year Ago..... 935.65

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....T. F. Holland
Prayer.....H. J. Holland
Dismiss.....T. J. Parsons

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Tommy Lowrance
Dismiss.....Layton Bailey

WELCOME

Miss LaVerne Howard, 1518
Goliad recently moved here
from Center. She is making
her home with the McSwains.

SICK

Brother Virgil Robbins
is in Glenwood Clinic. Mrs.
Tommy White in Med.Center.

SYMPATHY

Brother Millard Murry
passed away late Wednesday
night. Funeral services
are Friday at 2:00 P.M. at
Burks-Walker.

Mrs. Mary Rowe, grand-
mother of Dr. Ralph Rowe,
passed away last week in
Hope, Ark.

PAUL'S DEFEAT

Paul got the defeat of
his life - not at Lystra,
where he was stoned, for he

built a church there; not
at Thessalonica, where he
was mobbed, for he planted
a church there; not at
Philippi, where he was
beaten with rods and put
in stocks, for he built a
church there; not at Cor-
inth and Ephesus where he
was persecuted, for he suc-
cessfully defended the
cause of truth there; but
at Athens, where no viol-
ence was shown, but where
they were indifferent! The
spirit of indifference or
the lack of enthusiasm, has
a paralyzing effect on no-
ble efforts. If you desire
to defeat the program of
the local church, it isn't
necessary for you to use
violence, or abusive words;
your indifference will do
the job. ---Selected

YOUR TONES

It is not so much what you
say,
As the manner in which you
say it;
It is not so much the lan-
guage you use
As the tones you use to
convey it.
For words come from the
mind,
And grow by study and art;
But tones leap from the
inner self
And reveal the state of
heart.

(continued from back page)
etc. in company with the
most immoral people in the
world. They are listening
to stories of murder, ad-
ultery, fraud, distrust,
and in some instances
these things are so color-
ed that they are even made
attractive. Brethren, if
we desire to live clean
spiritual lives we are go-
ing to have to keep compa-
ny with the One who is the
author of Christianity,
Jesus the Christ and His
faithful ones. Wholesome
recreation and rest are
essential to good health
and happiness. One does
not have to neglect the
Lord nor engage in sin to
enjoy himself. Some are
saying, "I need a change
of things. A good change
for some would be to be-
come active in church work.
They could visit the sick,
restore the fallen, teach
the unsaved, encourage the
weak and work to give to
the needy. Others could
exercise themselves by
being more faithful to
worship. Still others need
to spend more time in
meditation and prayer.

Regardless of what oc-
curs and to whom it oc-
curs we must be faithful
to the Lord. We cannot go
with the crowd. We must

walk with the Lord. By
doing this we will be
making the greatest con-
tribution to the church,
ourselves and to our coun-
try. Making a better world
and a better church begins
with you and with me.

D.B.

WE ANSWER THE QUESTION

How many will we have in
Bible School next Lord's
Day. We are the answer to
that question. How many
visits will be made this
week in behalf of the Lost?
We are the answer to that
question. How much will be
contributed to the work
here next Lord's Day? We
are the answer to that
question. How many of the
lost will be saved here?
We are the answer to that
question. Do you realize
that you help to answer
some of the most important
questions? Are you helping
to answer them with cau-
tion, seriousness and
prayer?

100% CLASS

The beginners class of
Frances Phillips and Doro-
thy Hulsey was 100% last
Lord's Day.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending July 6. Romans
14, 15, 16. 1 Cor. 1, 2.

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THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1962

All successful business men keep a close check on their gains and losses. We are engaged in the greatest business of all—the Lord's business. We are in the business of saving the lost and strengthening the saved. We are not able to accurately measure our growth because all of it is not visible to the eye. The numerical part is visible to the eye so that is what I plan to discuss here.

Through the first six months of 1961 our Bible School averaged 445. Our contribution averaged \$1,088.85. Through the first six months of 1962 our Bible School average has been 435 and the contribution has averaged \$1,055.44. We have lost an average of 10 per week from our Bible classes and we have lost an average of \$33.00 per week from our contribution.

No doubt you are asking why the decrease. Since July the 1, 1961 we have lost, by moving, six families totaling 25 members (Bible Class members) and we have gained less than ten by moving in. It is true that some have been baptized but most of those who were baptized were already in attendance. We have not gained half as many as we have lost and yet our records are not quite as low as our losses. Add to those families who have moved away (both in and out of town), some who have quit and have hindered others, and it makes our attendance and contribution stand out more. Add to all of this the many Lord's Days of bad weather, that always hinders even if it should not, and the number who have been out due to illness, some of it has been prolonged and has affected other members of the family, and our records still look better.

I am not pleased with our accomplishments and I do not believe the Lord would be pleased with me if I were. But I am not ashamed of our accomplishments either. I had hoped and prayed for more visible results but we have no control over the much illness and other hindrances that have occurred.

It is a fact that some indifference has been mixed in with all the other things, but we have had that all the time and it will probably be with us till the Lord's return. Times have changed (continued inside)



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BIBLE CLASS

July 8.....392
July 1.....418
A Year Ago.....441

CONTRIBUTION

July 8.....\$993.97
July 1.....\$1,185.92
A Year Ago.....\$1,214.27

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Dean Brookshire
Prayer.....Tom Moses
Dismiss.....Ben Young

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Henry McRuiz
Dismiss.....Bruce Raley

WELCOME

To Mrs. Tillie Cox, 416
S. Bonner St. Sister Cox
moved to Tyler from Center,
Texas. She works at Jo-
seph's Beauty Salon.

THANK YOU NOTE

We wish to express our
sincere appreciation for
the food, flowers and the
kind expressions of sympa-
thy during our recent sor-
row.

The Murry family

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for
week ending July 20. I Cor.
Chapters 8 through 12.

GOD WILL DO HIS PART,
WILL WE?

The days of good meet-
ings are not over. Breth-
ren are having them where
good preparations are be-
ing made. It takes more
than inviting a preacher,
arranging for his room and
meals. Good meetings are
being conducted where the
brethren want to have them.
They want the meetings and
are willing to work in
their behalf. We will need
to make hundreds of visits
and calls. We will have to
pray fervently for the
preacher, ourselves and
the lost. When we prove to
God that we are interested
in the lost and in our-
selves He will help us, but
He will not use physical
force to make us have a
meeting. He will use us if
we will let Him. Brother
Gieger knows our needs. He
loves the church here and
he will do his best to
help us have a good meet-
ing. He will only be per-
mitted to preach to those
of us who attend and to
our friends who come with
us.

The date is August 19-24
All who can should make
plans to be home that week.

DANGEROUS TIMES

"But know this, that in the last days greivous (perilous) times shall come. For men shall be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, haughty, railers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, implacable, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, no lovers of good, traitors, headstrong, puffed up, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God; holding a form of godliness, but having denied the power thereof: from these also turn away." 2 Tim. 3:1-5 (ASV)

Those words were written almost twenty centuries ago, but no living man could better describe our times now. Maybe men of every generation during the last days have been doing those things, or maybe they have ocured only a few times. But how often or how long greivous times have ocured is beside the point. The point is that they are ocuring now. Greivous or perilous times simply means dangerous times. These are trying days and some of us have in a way contributed to them. Maybe not as much by way of participation as by indifference.

Perilous times can exist generally, locally or individually. But regardless of how they exist they start with the individual. Greivous times have come to the government, business and religion. Churchwise, America says she is better off, but figures indicate otherwise. Crime, liquor sales, dope and tobacco sales, (even among children) white slavery, theft and fraud are at an all time high. If America is better off churchwise why the increase of the things mentioned in 2 Tim. 3:1-5?

Too few are doing more than asking themselves the question, "What can I do?" You and I are able to do more right here where we live than any other place. This is not a time to throw up our hands or run. The best way to combat sin is to drive it out of our own life and put a virture in its place. There is no better place to be of greater service than in the church of our Lord. Greivous times did not come because of the Christians faithfulness to the Lord but because of their unfaithfulness. It was when they quit seeking

first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness that greivous times came. Here are a few suggestions that will help if we will do them. Instead of loving self, why not love the Lord more and esteem others better than ourselves? Instead of being boastful and haughty, why not be humble and thankful? Instead of slandering one another, why not speak evil of no one. Instead of loving pleasure rather than loving God, love truth and the souls of the lost? Instead of busying ourselves with overmuch pleasure, why not work and pray to convert a relative or friend? Instead of seeking more places of amusement, why not be more worshipful and train ourselves to enjoy worship more?

God's divine arrangements are such that the Christian can enjoy himself and be Christlike even though he lives in perilous times, provided he is not entangled in sin himself. These days demand the best that we have in us. This is no time for compromise or flight. We need to deny ourselves and take up our cross and follow Christ. If some in the world must practice those things mentioned in 2 Tim. 3:1-5 let it be the heathens and not those of us who make up the Body of Christ. D.B.

WHAT I OWE THE ELDERS

I owe them RESPECT as God's elders, who teach me a better way of living than a self centered life.

I owe them TRUST, that they may be free to serve the church unhampered by criticism.

I owe them PRAYER in their behalf, that God may bless their service as elders.

I owe them enough of my TIME to help them in their work when they may need me.

I owe them ENCOURAGEMENT when vexations and annoyances make their work difficult.

I owe them my heartiest FINANCIAL SUPPORT in order that the work of the Lord which they have planned may be accomplished.

"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."

(Hebrews 13:17.)

THE RECORD - JULY 19, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

July 15.....423
July 8.....392
A Year Ago.....455

CONTRIBUTION

July 15.....\$1,034.45
July 8..... 993.97
A Year Ago..... 1,013.88

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....P. E. Mackey
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Dismiss.. Kenneth Bennett
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....T. J. Parsons
Dismiss.....Don Andrews

THANK YOU NOTES

I wish to express my appreciation for the cards, visits and other kindnesses received from you during my recent stay in the hospital. Thank you so very much. In Christian love,
Betty Moore

I would like to thank everyone for their visits and interest during my recent illness.

Clyde Haden Jr.

OUR MEETING

August 19-24. The kind of meeting we have will be determined largely by what YOU and I do between now and August 19.

IF YOU WORSHIP SUNDAY

MORNING...

Because you love the Lord don't you love Him Sunday night?

Because you want to praise Him for His goodness, don't you appreciate His goodness Sunday night?

Because you want to learn the Bible don't you want to learn it Sunday night?

Because the Scriptures say, "Forsake not the assembling of ourselves together," don't they say that Sunday night?

Because it makes you better, won't it make you better Sunday night?

Because you are a Christian, aren't you a Christian Sunday night?

...Copied

5:00 O'CLOCK CLASSES

Our 5:00 Classes for Jr. High, High School and College students are at an all time high in interest and attendance. We still have room for more and parents of our young people should provide encouragement and transportation for them to attend. It will pay rich dividends of joy in years to come.

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending July 27. 1 Cor. 13-16 and 11 Cor. Chapter 1.

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DOWN IN GUATEMALA

Brother Jerry Hill continues to send encouraging reports from Guatemala. The last two reports include a good many baptisms. The Hills and their co-laborers stay busy preaching, teaching classes, visiting and handling correspondence courses. Some of the converts are already preaching and teaching classes themselves. The work in Guatemala is one to be proud of in every way. It is good to hear so many pray for the Hills and all of us should remember them often.

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ZONE WORK

For the past few weeks some of the brethren have been setting up a more efficient way for us to do personal work. The town has been zoned with leaders in each zone to take the lead in visiting new comers, the sick, the unfaithful and others who might need Christian love shown toward them. Many of you, I hope all of you, will be called upon to have a part in the zone work. Of course, all will not be called upon to be leaders because the elders will have the oversight of it. When you are called upon to help in this type of work please respond and do your best. The time has come when we can no longer sit in the church building and wait for folk to come to us. We must get out and go to them. We should have been doing this type of work all the time but due to "just not doing it" it has not been done. Zone work is the most effective way of putting more people to work and accomplishing more than any way we know. This will be explained to the congregation when the plans have become more crystallized. Many of us cannot teach publicly, lead public prayers or serve at the Lord's Table but most all can visit and encourage the lost. If one is really interested in doing something for the Lord he should not wait to make a public appearance but go rather to the lost, backslidden, discouraged or sick and offer a clean Christian hand and heart to help. If our zone work is pushed it will pay rich dividends. There will be a place for every member in it.

NACOGDOCHES WORK

A new congregation has come into existence in Nacogdoches. Those brethren are few in number and they have been handicapped by a poor location and lack of room. By faith they have bought a lot in a good location, on the main thoroughfare, and plan to build as soon as possible. The brethren in Nacogdoches have invited others to have fellowship with them in their endeavor. They believe that once they get an adequate house in a good location that the work will grow and prosper. They know of others who would be meeting and working with them now if they had room for them. Their present meeting place is an old abandoned house once occupied by another religious group who found it an undesirable place to meet. But when our brethren started they felt they had no other choice but to take what they could get and pay for.

Our elders are giving us an opportunity to have fellowship with our brethren in Nacogdoches and we are having a "special collection" for them next Lord's Day. This is to be taken after our regular contribution to the work here has been made. Our gift to the Nacogdoches brethren is expected to be above what our regular budget calls for. This will be an opportunity for us to express our love for the Lord's work in another place. Do you think it would be asking too much for us to give them at least one thousand dollars? That would not even be two dollars each. Those of you here in Tyler who seldom come (I do not mean the shut-ins), and seldom if ever send in any contribution to help support the Lord's work, could mail in a sizeable check to help the Cause of Christ. Do you not feel financially obligated to the Lord at all? Brethren let us thank God for the opportunity to give because it makes us more Christlike. Mail your check or bring it by the office and mark it for the Nacogdoches work.

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LAST CALL

The Teacher's Workshop in Abilene is July 23-26. It would be fine for several to go and learn more about teaching. Details are posted on the bulletin board.

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BIBLE CLASS

July 22.....	368
July 15.....	423
A Year Ago.....	420
CONTRIBUTION	
July 22.....	\$ 956.40
July 15.....	\$1,034.45
A Year Ago.....	\$ 911.15

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
 Prayer.....S. R. Copeland
 Prayer.....Monroe Sublette
 Dismiss.....C. N. Strait
 SUNDAY EVENING
 Prayer....James Allen Sims
 Dismiss...Franklin Shaffer

LETTER FROM ABILENE

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 doches work in the bulle-
 tin. We would like to help
 in a small way. Please use
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ARE WE SEEKING FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

I think many of you feel the same way I do about our Bible School attendance last Lord's Day. It is a little embarrassing. In view of this we are making two bulletins this week, one for "us" and another for "them". What I mean is that I am not sending this copy of the bulletin to anyone who is not a member here. We have prepared another copy for them leaving out the record. West Erwin has a good reputation and I do not want to do anything that would cast a reflection on us. I am not saying this to be facetious because I am dead serious.

Brethren, here are the facts. We had 368 for Bible Study. We had 186 absent, of this number 118 were adults and 68 children. The few who came were real liberal (some who were absent probably gave too), as our regular contribution was \$956.40. But think what our contribution would have been if the 186 had of averaged \$1.00 each, or better still if the 118 adults had of even averaged \$2.00 each.

We are aware of the fact that this is vacation time and many were away for rest and relaxation. All working people need rest, but when that rest is completely away from the Lord and the cost of that rest is paid for out of that which is rightfully the Lord's then it becomes wrong.

The greatest Cause in the world is Christianity and it deserves our best. That is one reason Jesus said "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness..." Our records do not now indicate (and never have) that more than 500 people are "Seeking first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness." Will the Lord make an exception for us?

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ELDERS WORKSHOP

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REMEMBER AUGUST 19-24

WAS HE A CHRISTIAN?

Once upon a time there was a man who called himself a Christian. But he was indeed an unusual Christian.

On Monday while he was at work, something went wrong. He forgot about God and cursed and swore, taking the Lord's name in vain.

On Tuesday while making a business transaction, he misrepresented an article and took undue advantage of the other man.

On Wednesday he heard something evil about his brother, so he told this to another, making it sound even worse than what he had heard.

On Thursday he went to a friend's home for a little game of cards. Naturally there was a social drink or two and he lost a couple of dollars. "A very cheap night's entertainment," he said.

On Friday he became angry at every one with whom he was working. They all wanted something different from what he wanted. They were all wrong.

On Saturday his grocer made a mistake and did not charge him for a pound of butter. That was the grocer's fault.

On Sunday he went to church but his mind was not on the worship. On Sunday night he stayed home. How do you think he ranks with God as a Christian? . . . Selected

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Sincerely,
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ZONE WORK

Zone workers met Thursday evening for the purpose of putting the work into operation. The work has been in the formative stage for several weeks but we are now ready to go to work. There are only about three weeks left before our meeting and we will have to work rapidly to do what needs to be done. When you are called upon to help in the visitation program we hope you will accept and do the best you can. A great deal of work has gone into the zone work and it will work if we will allow it to work.

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100% CLASSES

The second grade class taught by Bessie Willis and Nancy Butler, and the eighth grade class of C. R. Clough and Dick Ferguson was 100% last Sunday.

Bible Class
August 12.....427
August 5.....378
A Year Ago.....463

Contribution
August 12.....\$1,060.03
August 5.....\$1,199.82
A Year Ago.....\$ 959.58

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending August 24: Galatians Chapters 1, 2, and 3
Ephesians, Chapters 1 and 2.

SYMPATHY

Mr. Frank Brightman, grandfather of Jane Moses passed away Wednesday. He lived in Canistota, N. Y.

THE SICK

Bro. Pete Wallace had surgery and is in Medical Center.

Sister Dexter Browning is in M. F. Hospital.

Gary Weaver had a tonsillectomy this week and is doing fine.

Sister Ollie Melton has been in M. F. Hospital. She has had pneumonia, but is getting along fine.

Cindy Rowe had minor surgery Wednesday. She is home doing fine.

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and Prayer.....Cone Birdwell
Prayer.....E.V. Rushing
Dismiss.....Ross Walker

SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....H.J. Holland
Dismiss.....Tommy Parsons

WELCOME

We welcome into our fellowship Mr. Jim Harris, 2323 Glenview Ave. Brother Harris was recently discharged from the U.S.A.F. He was stationed in Japan.

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the beautiful carnation spray. It was appreciated very much by the family of Mrs. G. A. Vaughan.

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING

WE HOPE TO SEE EVERY MEMBER IN BIBLE SCHOOL NEXT SUNDAY MORNING.



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TO TELL THE TRUTH

There is a television program called "To Tell The Truth." The way it works is that three contestants all claim to be the same person. Actually only one is "the real person" and the other two are not telling the truth. It is the job of the panelists to determine who is telling the truth.

After viewing the show the thought struck me about how interesting it would be to have a panel of four who knows quite well what Christianity is according to Jesus, trying to determine which of three contestants would be a Christian if all of them claimed to be, yet only one was, according to the teaching of Christ.

Perhaps some of the questions and answers to the two non-Christians would go something like this. Do you believe the Bible? Answer: Part of it. Do you believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God? Answer: We-1-1 yes. Do you endeavor to keep all of His commandments? Answer: Most of them at times. Do you go by Christ's Word or your feelings? Answer: Both, I think. Have you ever been baptized into Christ? Answer: No, I was saved before baptism. Are there some commandments you consider non-essential? Answer: Why certainly. Do you adhere more strictly to what Christ taught or to what your relatives teach? Answer: I am what my folks are, but we have always been right. Whom do you seek to please first, Christ or yourself? Answer: I always follow Christ when it is not against my will. Do you love your fellowman as yourself? Answer: I look out for number one and let others do the same. When you become offended at others do you take it out on Christ? Answer: I cannot commune with people I dislike. Do you seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness? Answer: I cannot answer that. How many Churches did Jesus establish? Answer: One. Does one have to be in it to be saved? Answer: No sir, there are good Christians in all denominations.

If you were a panelist on the program "To Tell The Truth" and was trying to determine, according to the Scriptures, who was and who was not a Christian would you accept the above answers as being truth in regard to Christianity?

The answers may seem a bit exaggerated, but actually they are not as much as some we hear almost every week. Many people think that truth is what one wants to believe. They are of the opinion that they should be pleased regardless of what Jesus has taught. One can quote verbatim what Jesus said and some reply, "That is your interpretation, I think so and so."

Jesus intended that truth should be the same to every one. If one tells the whole truth in regard to Christianity he will have to speak what Christ and the Apostles spoke.

Jesus said, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." (John 17:17). Peter said, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned (sincere-genuine) love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." (1 Pet. 1:22). Jesus said, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:31-32). D.B.

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* WORK---PRAY---ATTEND---BRING *
* * * * *
* We can make August 19-24 six great days for the *
* Lord. That will be a time when we can put our *
* Christianity to work for the Lord. *
* * * * *
* Brother Gieger will preach the gospel and we *
* will be privileged to work with him in behalf *
* of the lost. Let us resolve, if possible, to *
* attend every meeting at 10:00 each morning and *
* 7:30 each evening. Also, remember the breakfast *
* and devotional at the Townhouse each morning at *
* 7:00 *
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PAUL'S GREAT "I AM'S"

In Romans 1:14-16 Paul said, "I am a debtor", "I am ready to preach the gospel", "I am not ashamed of the gospel."

Those three "I Am's" made Paul a great servant of the Lord. They will make faithful servants of any of us who make them ours. Anyone who believes the New Testament does not question Paul's faithful devotion to the Lord. He, with the help of God and Christian companions, established many churches. Only the Lord knows how many were turned from darkness to light through the work which he did. His many letters to churches and individuals attest to the fact that he faithfully served the Lord. We have no record of any Christian more consecrated and devoted to the Lord than Paul. The following explains why he accomplished so much.

1. He said, "I am a debtor." When Paul is first introduced he is an enemy of Christ. He despised the Lord and those who followed him. He thought it was his duty to help rid the earth of all who became members of Christ's church. Then one day the Lord whom he persecuted appeared to him and this finally led to his salvation. Christ made Him an Apostle but he wrote in 1 Cor. 15:8-9 that he was not meet to be called one because he had persecuted the church. He came to know that God's grace was great and that he was what he was by the grace of God and what he did, he did by the strength of God. He felt that a God who would save a persecutor, blasphemer and in his own words "the chief of sinners" was worthy of being served with all of his heart. No Christian will advance very far into Christianity who does not feel a debt of gratitude for the blessings of salvation and hope of eternal life. Debtors want to return something in exchange for God's loving favor. He wants to work with God in doing for others what has been done for him. We are as much in debt as was Paul.

2. He also said, "I am ready to preach the gospel." "All cannot be public proclaimers of the gospel, but in our own way we can preach, if we are ready. The secret is being ready. One who does not feel in debt will not get ready. It is easier to preach (continued inside)



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APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Glen Warner
Prayer.....John D. Brem
Dismiss.....Mike Warner
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Pete Nichols
Dismiss.....DeWitt Jones

OUR MEETING

We are having a great meeting. More will be said about it next week. We have had the following responses so far:

Baptism: Miss Sandra Snipes
1804 E. Houston.

Miss Sherryl Lemons, 826 Moorehill Dr. Sherryl is the daughter of Sister Velma Lemons.

Richard McCarley, Rt. #3, Box 26A. He is the son of Sister Geo. McCarley.

Restored: Mrs. Maxine Clyburn, 219 S. Bonner.

Miss Bess Watts, 114 S. Mahon.

Restored and Membership:

Mrs. T.R. (Dorothy) Snipes
1804 E. Houston. Sister Snipes is the daughter of Sister Grace Whyte.

Membership:

Miss Gloria Adams, 421 Woldert, Apt. 8. Gloria is attending Tyler Commercial College. She is from Mt. Pleasant, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beach, 709 Barbara. They have recently moved here from Fla. Nell is a homemaker and Bill manager of Household Finance.

SICK

Sister Lera Bennett is in Mother Frances.

Sister Jack Stringer's mother, Mrs. Johnnie Davis, is in the hospital in Dallas. She has suffered a heart attack.

Sister Sally Arrington's mother has suffered a heart attack in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending August 31. Ephesians: Chapters 3, 4, 5 and 6. Philippians 1.

SINGING

There will be a singing in Whitehouse, August 26 at 3:00 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Joseph Jones
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Eugenia Ann
to

Mr. John Dickey Masters
on Saturday evening, August twenty-fifth
Nineteen hundred and sixty-two
at seven-thirty o'clock
West Erwin Church of Christ

Reception
following ceremony
at Rose Garden Building

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the gospel now than it was in Paul's day. We have the press, radio, television and open meeting houses now. We can also go from door to door as Paul did, if we are ready. Peter says (1 Pet. 3:15) "Sanctify in your hearts Christ as Lord: Being ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, yet with meekness and fear." What a blessing it would be to others if all Christians got ready and stayed ready to preach the gospel.

3. Further he said, "I am not Ashamed." He had no consciousness of guilt nor felt disgraced when he preached God's saving power. He was not reluctant to preach in Rome or anywhere else. He knew that if men were ever saved they would have to hear the story of salvation that is promised through Christ. Paul could stand in the presence of a peasant or a king and unflinchingly preach that there was only one Saviour and one Mediator and those who refused Him died without hope. Timothy was told to "Be not ashamed therefore of the testimony of our Lord..." 1 Tim. 1:8. Those who feel obligated and stand in readiness have no reason to be ashamed. Therefore we should be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58

REJOICE

"Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice." Phil. 4:4. "Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake." Matt. 5:13.

Under all circumstances Christians should be happy, and rejoice. Rightfully, they have more to rejoice about than any one. They have been saved from the penalty of sin. Their names have been written in the Lamb's Book of Life. They can worship in Spirit and in Truth. They can serve and glorify Christ. They can win the lost to Christ. They are assured (by faith) of an eternal home in heaven. Christians are so securely held by the Love of God that nothing can separate them from His love, except themselves.

Every day should be a happy day for Christians. Every day should be a day of rejoicing for Christians. Sin and its effects reaches the Christian's heart and he does not rejoice over these things, but he does rejoice that he may triumph through Christ Jesus.

It is doubtful that many of us are as happy as we are capable of being or as happy as God wants us to be. Some of us today see too many things wrong with everything, except ourselves. They have capitalized on the faults and weaknesses of others and do not see the good in anything. They worry and fret over others and their general conversation is about others and they almost forget about Christ and His power and His Love. Jesus promised rest to His followers. Christians do not have the rest of heart who are unhappy and see nothing to rejoice about.

A sure way to happiness is to follow the Lord's instructions. Jesus did not call us to be "mote hunters" and "criticizers", He called us to be soul-winners. Have you ever experienced the joy of leading a lost person to Christ? Have you had the good happy feeling of telling an erring brother how much you love him and how anxious you are for him to return to the Lord? Soul winners are happy. We often wonder how missionaries can be happy away from homes and good churches. They are happy because they are winning souls to Christ.

Brethren let us be about the Lord's business as soul winners and humble servants and we can be happy and rejoice now and forever.

D.B.

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APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....James Massey
Prayer....Russell O'Bannon
Dismiss.....Melvin Massey

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Bill Butler
Dismiss.....Russell Owens

RESPONSES

By Baptism:Miss Margaret
Chapman, 219 S. Saunders.
She is the granddaughter
of Sis. Maude Marshall.

THANKS FOR PLANTS

Our thanks to brother and
sister Ross Walker for the
beautiful plants for the
auditorium. The plants are
permanent and they will
beautify the auditorium
for years.

THANKS FOR THE SIGN

Brother and sister G. C.
Wright donated the new
sign on our parking lot.It
is useful and will last
for years.

ANOTHER PREACHER

Brother Tom Jones and
family will be moving to
work with us in about three
weeks. His family consist
of his wife, Sylvia and
daughter Heidi,who is five
weeks old.Brother and sis-
ter Jones both graduated
from Abilene Christian
College in the Spring of
1961. He has been preach-
ing for the church in Evant
for the past year. He was
reared in a preachers home,
his father is brother Cleo
Jones. Sister Jones home
was in Northeast Louisiana.
They will be in town this
Friday to make arrange-
ments for their home. His
duties will,be assigned by
our elders when he arrives.

OUR MEETING

We had a good meeting in
every respect. Four were
baptized, two placed mem-
bership, one was restored
and placed membership and
two were restored. The at-
tendance was good at every
service. Our thanks to
brother Gieger and brother
Cauthen who did their work
well. We owe thanks to the
brethren here and to many
in this area who visited
with us. May the benefits
derived be used to more
perfectly praise and glor-
ify our Lord.

OUR SYMPATHY

Mr. Lonzo Clark of Hous-
ton, half-brother to our
brother Jim Willis was
buried Thursday.

MOVED BACK

Jim and Margaret Frank-
lin and their two children
have moved back to Tyler.
Jim works for the East
Texas Seed Company, of
which brother Bullard is
manager,and he will be re-
turning to work with this
branch of the company.They
are living at 1323 Lamar.
They will have fellowship
here with us.

NEW WORKERS IN EAST TEXAS

Brother Don Woods is now
preaching in Gilmer.Broth-
er Arnold has moved to
Nashville, Ark. Brother
Ronald Tyler from Clovis,
N. M. is the New Bible
Chair Director at Kilgore
Jr. College. Brother Dan
Danners from Leuders, Tex.
is the new Bible Chair dir-
ector at Tyler Jr. Col-
lege. He will also work
part time with the Glen-
wood Church. Bro. James
Fife has moved to Birming-
ham, Ala.

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week end-
ing Sept. 7. Philippians
2, 3, and 4. Colossians:
1 and 2.

THE SICK

Sister Joann Gilbert had
dental surgery Monday.
Sister Garrett is serious-
ly ill. She is in the
Strait's home.

Sister Emma Thrash is in
Mother Frances Hospital.
Sister Lera Bennett is in
Mother Frances Hospital.

BOLES HOME CHORUS

The Chorus from Boles
Home will be at the Glen-
wood church Sunday after-
noon at 2:30. Everyone is
invited to attend.

100% CLASSES

The 6th. grade of Kath-
ryn Cauthen and Barbara
Payne and the 2nd.grade of
Zeffie Beard and Mary
Grier was 100% last Lord's
Day.

NEW DIRECTORY

If you have not checked
the lists being prepared
for the new directory,
please do so this Sunday.
We are anxious to put this
in the hands of the print-
er. We want your name,
address, telephone number,
and occupation.

"Let your light so shine
before men, that they may
see your good works, and
glorify your Father which
is in heaven." Matt. 5:16.

VISIT OR VANISH!

It has been said that the church that does not visit will vanish! Certainly the growth of the Lord's church in the number of souls saved is influenced greatly by the amount of visitation any congregation does. It is not only important, but it is necessary that the workers in the Lord's church make it their business to do a work for the Lord every week in visitation.

WHY SHOULD I VISIT?

Visitation strengthens the home in which you visit.

Visitation is the most effective way of letting people know that you are interested in them.

Visitation helps to keep the weak and weary coming. The weak and weary who visit become strong! You cannot give of your strength and faith to others without becoming stronger yourself.

Visitation reaches the unsaved, influences them to think of the state of their souls.

Visitation changes attitudes, wins prospective members for the Lord's blood-purchased church!

Visitation brings a joy and fellowship that cannot be secured in any other way!

WHOM SHOULD I VISIT?

Visit that neighbor who recently moved into your neighborhood.

Visit that friend who is not attending Bible classes and worship services regularly. Invite him or her to come with you.

Visit those you know are sick.

Visit that absentee in your class.

WHEN SHOULD I VISIT?

This week, next week, every week.

Sel. from San Benito Bulletin

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending September 14th.
Colossians: Chapters 3 and 4. Thessalonians: Chapters 1, 2 and 3.

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES: Brother Brookshire will preach Sunday night at the Northwest church, and Bro. Wilmeth will preach for us.

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APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....K. Max Haws
Prayer.....Monroe Sublette
Dismiss.....Steve Sublette
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Oscar Becker
Dismiss.....Ed Naul

THE SICK

Sis. Thrash is still seriously ill in Mother Frances. Bro. Floyd Hoppers has been ill at home. Bro. J.S. Green is ill at home. Bro. Doug Warner is in Med. Center for a check up. Sis. Penny McDonald has been in the hospital. Bro. Virgil Robbins is in Glenwood Clinic. Sis. Floyia Payne's mother is ill at home.

THANK YOU NOTES

We wish to express our appreciation for the flowers, food, visits and many other kindnesses shown during our recent breave-ment.

The C. C. Garrett family.

My sincere thanks for all the wonderful things all of you did for my family and me during my stay in the hospital.

Penny McDonald

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to the family of sister C.C. Garrett. She passed away late Friday evening and services were held for her Sunday afternoon.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Maggie Knight. Services for her were Friday afternoon. Bro. Brookshire conducted both services.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and best wishes to Gene Ann Jones and John Dickey Masters who were married August 25 here at the church building. They will make their home in Houston.

IN APPRECIATION

For several years brother and sister Ed Bullard have invited our visiting preachers to stay in their home. The Giegers stayed with them recently during our meeting. We would like to express the appreciation of the congregation for their devotion to the work here.

DO YOU JUST BELONG?

Are you an active member,
The kind that would be missed,
Or are you just contented
That your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings,
And mingle with the flock?
Or do you stay at home
And criticize and mock?

Do you ever go and visit,
Someone who is sick?
Or leave the work to just a few
And gripe about the click?

Come to meetings often,
And help with hand and heart,
Don't be just a member
But take an active part.

Think this over friend
You know right from wrong.
Are you an active member,
Or do you just belong?

Author Unknown

Submitted by Debbie Young.

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Students going to college from West Erwin are as follows:

Tyler Jr. College: Don Andrews, Dan Bailey, Shirley Caskey, Reta Clyburn, Mary Ann Heath, Larry Mackey, Franklin Shaffer and Doug Warner.

Abilene Christian College: Raymond Hardin, Judy Holland, Dewitt Jones, Tommy Lowrance, James Sims and Mike Sublette.

University of Texas: James Andrews and Travis Aven.
Texas A. & M. Gene Heath

Nursing School - Houston: Milha Holland.

Tyler Commercial College: Gloria Adams, Laverne Howard

Federal Institute: Gail Wells

Our best wishes go with each one as they go back to school.

ATTENTION LADIES

The Ladies Bible Class will begin again next Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. Also, on Wednesday evening a new class will begin the 12th. of September. It will be for the younger women, 35 and under, of the congregation.

GOSPEL MEETING

A meeting will be in progress at the Church of Christ in Jamestown, from the 10 through the 14. Brother Melvin Vaughn will preach. Services at 7:30.

WHAT WILL MY CHILD BECOME?

As parents provide for their children they often wonder, "What type of adult will my son or daughter be?" Will they be faithful Christians working in the vineyard of the Lord? We often sing the song which poses the question, "How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts, and Guard Their Lives from Sin?"

The wise preacher Solomon answered this great question for us. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

While we are young habits are formed that are hard to change when we grow older. We must help our young people secure their hearts and form good habits now!

Young people cannot receive all the training that is necessary in the Bible class. Yes, they need a knowledge of God's word and need to study it continually. However, neither our teachers nor the Bible School can by themselves provide our youth with everything that is necessary to secure their

hearts. Our young people must be provided with a Christian atmosphere as well as Bible training. By this we mean that parents must live the Christian life before them.

Our young people need recreation and social life. It is in these environments that they select their friends and mates for life. We need to see that they associate with good people, both morally and spiritually, and that they participate in good wholesome recreation.

Christ is our divine example. We read in Luke 2: 52 that Christ increased or grew mentally, physically and socially.

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Instead of asking, "What will they be?" It would be better to ask, "What will we train them to be?" Train them in a Christian atmosphere, teaching them the will of the Lord in all things. Provide a Christian education and then you have done your part and can leave the results to God.

---William D. McClellan
20th. Century Christian

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THANK YOU NOTE

The family of Mrs. Maggie Knight acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

THE SICK

Sister Thrash is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Lera Bennett is in Mother Frances.

Bro. Virgil Robbins is home from the hospital.

MOVING IN TUESDAY

Brother Tom Jones and family will be moving to Tyler next Tuesday. They will make their home at 415 West Elm. We want to welcome them to Tyler and especially the West Erwin church. He will serve in the capacity of a preacher and his specific duties will be announced upon his arrival. We hope you will invite them into your home and immediately make them

feel that they are a part of us. Stop by occasionally and visit with them. Preachers like to be visited and encouraged as well as other brethren. Let us treat the Jones' in such way that when they leave they will say that the West Erwin church practiced Christianity.

TO COLLEGE

Last week in the list of young people going to college, through error Charles Payne's name was not included. He will be attending East Texas State. Also, Larry Mackey's plans have changed and he will be attending A.C.C. Best wishes to both boys as they leave home.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The ladies Bible class met for the first time this fall with 52 ladies present. Beginning next week we will begin a study of the New Testament. Lessons are being prepared in booklet form. Plan to attend and make this a profitable year of study.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending Sept. 21. 1 Thesalonians 4 and 5. 11 Thesalonians 1, 2 and 3.

SABIN ORAL VACCINE CLINIC

A polio immunization clinic will be set up this Sunday (Sept. 16) in the Marvin Methodist Youth Center from 10:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. This clinic is being set up for the convenience of those of us who worship at one of the downtown churches. It is only a few steps from our building.

May I urge you to take the oral vaccine. It will take only a short time for you to do so. Every member of the family should go by and take the vaccine. I believe it is the duty of each Christian to guard his own health and also to guard the health of others. You might have time to go between classes and worship, and if not you can go between 11:45 and 1:00. Why not prepare to have a late lunch and be sure to take the polio vaccine this Sunday? Further announcement will be made from the pulpit.

100% CLASSES

The 2nd. grade class of Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier and the 7th. grade of Willie Freeman and James McSwain were 100% last Sunday.

SOME CLASS CHANGES

With the Jones moving to 415 W. Elm it is necessary to change the location of some classes. Plans now are for the College class to move to the 3rd. floor of the Bible Class building to room 17. The Young Couples class will move to the 2nd. floor, room 12. The 2nd. grade class that has been in room 12 will move to the 3rd. floor, room 13. The two classes that have been meeting downstairs at 415 W. Elm will move upstairs in the same building. The only class to be moved from 415 W. Elm will be the College class. These changes will become effective this Sunday.

ATTENTION PLEASE

The downstairs apartment of the house on Elm St. has been redecorated and new carpeting in two rooms. The classes that meet in the Elm St. house are requested not to go through the downstairs apartment on your way to class. Use the outside entrances only going to and from classes.

SUNDAY EVENING

The rotation of preachers will continue for two more weeks. This Sunday Brother White will speak for us.

MEMBERSHIP IN A LOCAL CHURCH

Recently I visited in the home of a family who has been in our city for some months. During my visit I learned that the husband and wife had been active in the work of the church "back home," but they hadn't managed to get started since they moved to our city. They still haven't!

This kind of thing is being repeated over and over again. People who have been faithful "back home" often just neglect to get started when they move to a new location. They fail to come and identify themselves with a local congregation and are often lost because nobody knows about them to lend any assistance.

When Paul obeyed the gospel in Damascus he became a part of the church there. When he went to Jerusalem he did not forsake the Lord. With the assistance of Barnabas he made himself known to the Jerusalem brethren. When Apollos "was minded to go over into Achaia, the brethren encouraged him, and wrote the disciples to receive him." (Acts 18:27). Paul wrote to the church at Rome and commended Phoebe as a faithful Christian so that she might be received by the church there (Rom. 16:1, 2). Since the New Testament gives us this information and shows the wisdom of one's being known in a local group wouldn't it be wise to follow it today?

Every Christian is commanded, "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit to them for they watch in behalf of your souls, as they must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief; for that is unprofitable for you" (Heb. 13:17). It is true that every Christian is a member of the church universal; but he is also to be identified with the local church where he lives, and be subject to its elders. When one moves into a new location he should become a part of a local church. It is foolish to say, "I'm still a member back home," (which is usually many miles away), and refuse to become an active part of his own locality.

Every time I have found this attitude and situation I have found people who have become unfaithful to the Lord. They are doing nothing "back home" or here either. Such a course can only lead (continued inside)

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September 20, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

September 16.....424
September 9.....445
A Year Ago.....429

CONTRIBUTION

September 16.....\$1,221.75
September 9.....\$1,141.43
A Year Ago.....\$2,444.54

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Dick Roberts
Prayer.....T. J. Parsons
Dismiss.....Tommy Parsons

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Bill Beach
Dismiss.....Don Weathers

THE SICK

Sister Thrash and Sister Lera Bennett are both in Mother Frances Hospital. Marion Rowe's father is in Glenwood Clinic. Sis. Eula Drennan will enter Mother Frances today for surgery tomorrow, Friday.

THE JONE'S ARE HERE

Tom, Sylvia and Heidi are here to work with us. They are living at 415 W. Elm. Their telephone number is Ly 4-4624. Thanks to brother T. F. Holland for his contribution of a redwood fence for the Jones's back yard.

SINGING

The monthly fourth Sunday singing will be held at the Omen Road Church of Christ on September 23, 1962 at 2:30 in the afternoon. All are invited.

THE CONTRIBUTION

Doesn't the contribution look good? Now subtract from it one check for \$250.00 and it doesn't look so good, because that leaves only \$971.75. We fell down \$200.00 over the Labor Day week-end and have not regained it and we fell down \$100.00 last Lord's Day. We hope to regain all of this before the month is gone. Your soul is worth much more than the small amount of money you might withhold from the Lord and be lost for failing to give as you have been prospered.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending September 28. 1 Timothy; Chapters 1-5.

100% CLASSES

The 4th. grade class of Nelda Browning and Verda Driggers and the 2nd. grade class of Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier were 100% in attendance last Sunday.

CONTINUED

to eternal doom!

The safest course to pursue is for one to become part of the local church where he lives so that he may have the fellowship, strength, and comfort of kindred souls. He cannot afford to neglect the "assembly of the saints" (Heb. 10:25).

NEW DIRECTORY

Our new directory is now in the hands of the printers. It should be completed in three or four weeks. As usual it will be mailed and every member will have access to a copy.

LADIES CLASS

Sixty one ladies attended their class Wednesday morning. Books that cover all of the New Testament, with the exception of Revelation, were handed out. This study can well be the most profitable one we have ever had. We hope that other ladies who do not work away from home will take advantage of this opportunity to increase their knowledge and usefulness in Christ's Kingdom.

COLORADO MEETING

Brother Brookshire will leave Monday morning to begin his part in a meeting at Colorado Springs that night. He will return October 1. Let us all pray for this effort.

HENDERSON MEETING

Brother Wallace Gooch of Austin will be in a meeting at Henderson, Sept. 24 through October 1. We hope many from here will attend and encourage that meeting.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Our Wednesday evening attendance is picking up again. We are almost back to where we were before the Summer slump hit us. We had 297 present last night. Those of you who are not attending are missing some good classes and you are a poor example to your children and friends. How about starting next week?

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Tim. 1:15

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing, ye shall receive. Matt. 21:22

"I AM BUT ONE!"

Many of you have probably read the following declaration quoted here from memory: "I am but one; but I am one. I cannot do everything but I can do something." There is more to it than this but this is sufficient for our purpose. This person was thinking of himself and his abilities in the light of what he was and what he could do by himself. All that is needed in such a person is for him to submit himself to the Lord in obedience to the gospel. Then his abilities are increased and his power is multiplied.

Paul wrote: "I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me." Phil. 4:13. This was not a statement of boastfulness, but a recognition of the power imparted by Christ to those who are willing to work under His direction. Though Paul and others worked for the success of the church, he and others recognized that it was God who gave the results. "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase." 1 Cor. 3:6-7.

God can take a man where he is and make that man what he ought to be. Moses cared for the flocks of his father-in-law, but God made him a great leader of a people in slavery; and history gives him a renown he could not have attained by himself. By ourselves we amount to very little, but with God we acquire a notable and wonderful stature. By ourselves we can do only a few things, but through Christ we can eventually do all things with success. The secret of success in Christianity is to yield yourself entirely to the Lord.
...Selected

PLEASE TRY

Be not concerned nor surprised.
If what you do is criticised.

There're always folks who usually can
Find some fault with every plan.

Mistakes are made, we can't deny,
But only made by folks who try.

...Selected

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SUNDAY

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WEDNESDAY

Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A. M. Bible Classes 7:30 P. M.

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WEST ERWIN VISITOR
September 27, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

September 23.....450
September 16.....424
A Year Ago.....455
Ladies Class-Wednesday. 64

CONTRIBUTION

September 23.....\$1,059.06
September 16.....\$1,221.75
A Year Ago.....\$1,062.43

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Thomas Holland
Prayer.....Sam Bailey
Dismiss.....Layton Bailey
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....John Jackson
Dismiss..Franklin Shaffer

RESPONSES

Last Lord's Day five of our young people came forward to make confession of wrongs and to be restored. They were: Tommy Woltman, Linda Heath, Pamela Wallace, Ela Brett, and Glenda Wright. They are to be commended for their attitude of heart and their determination to be better Christians.

SINGING

There will be a singing in Arp at 2:30, September 30th. You are invited to be there.

THE SICK

Sister Eula Drennan and Sister Lera Bennett have gone home from the hospital.

Sister Thrash is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Ollie Melton is very ill in Baylor Hospital in Dallas. She has been with her son in Richardson since leaving the hospital here.

CONGRATULATIONS

We rejoice with Sara and Fred Powell. They are the happy parents of a baby girl born last Sunday afternoon. She has been named Martha Gayle. Sara and baby are fine.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CLASS

The class conducted on Wednesday evening for the young women of the congregation has grown in attendance and interest. The elders would like to commend the teachers and the classmembers for their interest.

MEETING

Brother Brookshire will return home Monday from Colorado Springs.

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending Oct. 5. 1 Tim. 6 and 11 Tim. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

THREE THINGS

Three things to govern temper, tongue and conduct.

Three things to cultivate courage, affection and gentleness.

Three things to commend thrift, industry and promptness.

Three things to despise cruelty, arrogance and ingratitude.

Three things to wish for health, friends and contentment.

Three things to admire dignity, gracefulness and intellectual power.

Three things to give alms to the needy, comfort to the sad and appreciation to the worthy.

Three things to believe death, burial and resurrection of Christ.

Three things to be done believe, repent and be baptized.

Three things to be enjoyed remission of sins, indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Three services to attend Sunday morning, evening and mid-week.

Three relationships to observe To yourself, your fellowman and God.

The best thing to do behind a person's back is to pat him on it.

HEAVEN

There is a land of perfect peace

Where strife and wars are never known.

Where joy and love shall never cease;

There Christ, some day will take his own.

There beauties never fade away.

There Jesus is the glorious light:

The gates shall not be shut by day,

For in that land there'll be no night.

There'll be no sorrow in that land.

There God our heavenly Father dwells;

There sings the happy Angel band,

Where joy no mortal tongue can tell.

In that sweet home there'll be no blame,

We may its wondrous bliss enjoy.

There shall be no more blight or shame,

For sin can never more annoy.

...Viola Tribble

Our prayers should include petitions that God will help us use what we receive.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SEPTEMBER, 1962

Cash on hand September 1, 1962	\$5,077.58
Deposits during September, 1962	<u>4,292.39</u>
Available for expenditures	\$9,369.97

Expenditures

<u>Loan Payments</u>	
1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00
J. C. Wynne	100.00
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u> \$1,036.75

<u>Benevolent & Mission</u>	
Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00
Bible Chair	100.00
Boles Home	50.00
Tipton Home	50.00
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00
Herald of Truth	50.00
N. Tenneha Church	<u>75.00</u> \$ 950.00

<u>Materials, Supplies, etc.</u>	
Utilities	\$490.43
Bible School Supplies	111.58
Postage	38.00
Office Supplies	3.00
Insurance	60.00
Building Maint.	400.08
Flowers	11.94
Advertising	<u>89.65</u> \$1,204.68

Salaries	\$1,348.50
Trucking: Tom Jones	<u>155.90</u>

Total expenditures for September, 1962	\$4,695.83
Cash on hand September 30, 1962	<u>4,674.14</u>
Total funds accounted for	\$9,369.97

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DOES THE BOOK OF ROMANS TEACH SALVATION BY FAITH ONLY?

Some think that Paul's letter to the Romans teaches that one procures salvation by faith alone. Neither Paul nor any other writer ever taught that one is saved by faith alone. He and others did teach that they were justified by "faith" apart from the former law, but there is a great difference in saying one is saved by "faith" than saying he is saved by "faith alone." Here are some of the things Paul did teach in the book of Romans.

1. They were justified by faith. Chapt. 5:1.
2. They were justified by his(Christ's) blood. Chapt. 5:9
3. They shall be saved by his(Christ's) life. Chapt. 5:10
4. They were baptized into Jesus Christ. Chapt. 6:3.
5. Their old man of sin was crucified when they were baptized. Chapt. 6:6.
6. The body of sin was destroyed when they were baptized. Chapt. 6:6.
7. They obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine.. being then made free from sin. Chapt. 6:17-18.
8. "For we are saved by hope..." Chapt. 8:24.
9. They were promised salvation when they made the proper confession and believed in their heart. Chapt. 10:9
10. Salvation was promised to all who called upon the name of the Lord. Chapt. 10:13.

Now notice how Paul began and closed the letter to the Romans. "By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name." Chapt. 1:5.

"But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith." Is your faith the kind of faith Paul taught the Romans to have? Do you continue to live by that kind of faith?

SYMPATHY

Mrs. O. L. Luther passed away Sunday and funeral services were conducted for her Tuesday afternoon here at the church building by Bro. Brookshire and Edwin Rasco. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

WEST ERWIN VISITOR

October 4, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

September 30.....427
September 23.....450
A Year Ago.....459
Ladies Class-Wednesday. 60

CONTRIBUTION

September 30.....\$1,151.75
September 23.....\$1,059.06
A Year Ago.....\$1,059.17

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Dismiss.....Pat Mackey

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....C. E. Caskey
Dismiss.....Jim Franklin

THE SICK

Henry Holland is in the Glenwood Clinic.

Mrs. W. A. Shuford is in Glenwood Clinic.

Mrs. Louise Caskey will enter Medical Center Sunday.

Mrs. Jimmie Verga from Quinlan (Boles Home) is in Medical Center.

A brother of brethren Howard and Truman Holland is seriously ill in San Antonio.

MEETING

You are invited to attend a meeting at the Mobberly

Ave. Church in Longview October 8th. through the 14th. Bro. George Stephenson of Lubbock will be the speaker. Services, 7:30 P.M.

TO GUATEMALA

Brother and sister Rushing and brother and sister Brookshire are leaving Monday for Guatemala to visit the Jerry Hills and the brethren that have been converted down there during the past three years. Classes that are now being conducted and worship services will be visited and observed as well as all the work in general. Other workers in Guatemala who will be visited and encouraged are: The Carl James', Nash Huertas and Oles Pinsons. The Rushings and Brookshires plan to be back in Tyler the evening of October 16. We hope all of you will pray for us and the Haws that we all may have safe journeys.

D.B.

TO AUSTRIA

Brother and sister M. M. Haws left Monday for Austria to visit their son, Jack. They will be gone about four weeks. They will visit in several countries and many places of interest while they are away.

JUST FOR TODAY

Just for Today I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for Today I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Abraham Lincoln said, that "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

Just for Today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes, and fit myself to it.

Just for Today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer. I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

Just for Today I will exercise my soul in three ways. I will do someone a good turn, and not get found out; if anyone knows of it, it will not count. I

will do at least two things I don't want to do...just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt: they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

Just for Today I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticize not one bit, not find fault with any thing, and not try to improve or regulate anybody except myself.

Just for Today I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests: hurry and indecision.

Just for Today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself and relax. During this half hour, sometime, I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

Just for Today I will be unafraid. Especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me. Copied

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The Record	October 7	Sept. 30	A Year Ago
Bible Class	422	427	442
Contribution	\$1,055.45	\$1,151.75	\$1,025.43

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY MORNING

Announcements and Prayer. Jack Beard
 Prayer. Bob Threadgill
 Dismissal Prayer. Bruce Raley

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer. Doug Warner
 Dismissal Prayer. Ronny Lowrance

THANK YOU NOTES

I want to express my thanks to each and every one for every act of kindness shown me during my stay in the hospital. Mrs. Eula Drennan

Gratefully acknowledging and thanking you for your kind expression of sympathy. Also, we wish to thank brother Brookshire and those who sang so beautifully. The Luther Family

RESPONSES

Two of our fine young ladies confessed faults and asked for prayers last Lord's Day. They were Miss Linda Byrd and Miss Janet Lane.

THE SICK

Sister Emma Thrash has returned to Sunset Home.
 Brother Glen Warner's mother is seriously ill in the hospital in Burnett, Texas

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for this week was Titus: 1, 2 and 3. The book of Philemon and Hebrews; chapter 1. Suggested scripture for week ending October 19th. Hebrews; chapt. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

WAYFARERS

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any fellow human being let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."
 ...Stephen Grellet

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES

Below is a list of the Bible Classes for Sunday morning, the teachers, and the percent of members present. The visitors in each class have not been included in the percent of attendance. This was taken from last Sunday's record.

CLASS	TEACHERS	PERCENT OF MEMBERS PRESENT
Beginners	Lemons & Franklin	57%
2 year old	Montgomery & Welch	78%
3 year old	Moses	73%
4 year old	Raley & Heath	
5 year old	O'Bannon & Grier	64%
1st. Grade	Jones & Payne	51%
2nd. Grade	Willis & Grier	89%
3rd. Grade	Heath & Prater	82%
4th. Grade	Browning & Driggers	91%
5th. Grade	Bailey & Woltman	67%
6th. Grade	Cauthen & Payne	78%
7th. Grade	Freeman & McSwain	78%
8th. Grade	Clough & Ferguson	83%
9th. Grade	Phillips & Weathers	91%
High School	Haws & Roberson	81%
College	Jones & Holland	91%
Young Couples	Cauthen	58%
Couples	Woltman	69%
Couples	Brookshire	60%
Couples	Haws	80%
Ladies Class	Rushing	67%
Auditorium	Copeland	55%

AN HONORED GUEST

President Hoover once stopped at a little country church to attend services. Only thirteen people were present, not counting the president and his party. No one knew that the president was to be there, of course, because it was just a spontaneous decision on his part. By nightfall, the entire community was bemoaning the fact that they had failed to be present. But every Lord's Day there is one greater than the president who is present, and it is our duty and joy to meet with Him.
 ...Selected

OUR TRIP TO GUATEMALA

Brother and sister Rushing, Maurine and I spent seven enjoyable, and we trust profitable, days in Guatemala. We enjoyed the hospitality of the Jerry Hills, the Carl James', the O.V. Pinsons and the Nash Huertas while down there. We either attended worship services, classes or visited brethren at the following places; San Pedro Moca, Rio Bravo, Zaragosa, La Reforma, and both congregations in Guatemala City. We found friendly and enthusiastic brethren at all places. It is remarkable what our brethren have done in Guatemala during the past three years. Some good preachers, teachers and song leaders have already been developed. We found the church activities to be beyond our expectations. In Guatemala City especially, some very fine talents are possessed by some of the members. Our brethren from the States are carrying on a strenuous program of work with daily classes and visitations. They also carry on some Bible correspondence courses.

Brother Hill (our preacher) has been ill for the past few weeks and his work has been somewhat restricted, but the other preachers are doubling up to carry on his part. Brother Hill thinks that he will be back at work, on a limited basis, soon and that shortly he will be carrying on his full schedule. So far as we know his illness is not of a serious nature but it requires him to be on a diet and rest. Ann, Barbara Ann and Linda are well and busy. Ann at home and in church work and the girls in school. All four of the Hills send their best regards to all of you.

Do you not think it would encourage Jerry to send him a get well card? I hope every member here as well as all readers will send a card or letter of cheer to Jerry Hill, P. O. Box 702, Guatemala City, Central America. Cards and letters should be sent airmail.- 13¢

A report of the work in Guatemala will be given here as soon as the pictures we made are developed.

D.B.

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BIBLE CLASS

October 14.....414
October 7.....422
A Year Ago.....400

CONTRIBUTION

October 14.....\$ 900.36
October 7.....\$1,055.45
A Year Ago.....\$1,026.17

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Howard Holland
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Dismiss.....F. M. Mathis
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Virgil Robbins
Dismiss.....Ken Bennett

THE SICK

Mrs. Dorothy Sauls is in
Mother Frances.

Sister Nora Walling is
in Mother Frances.

Sister Pauline Fuller's
husband was injured in an
automobile accident Satur-
day. He is home now.

Sister Edna Golden fell
at home last Sunday and
broke her wrist.

Little Mark Whitworth
has a broken arm.

Mrs. Jean Suppes, a new-
comer to Tyler, is in the
Mother Frances Hospital.
She is a member of the
church and would enjoy com-
pany. They recently moved
here from Oklahoma.

Sister Emma Thrash is a-
bout the same. Lera stays
with her during the day
in Sunset Home.

Sister Carl Bell spent
a few days in Glenwood
Clinic.

THANK YOU NOTES

Thanks for your thought-
fulness, your cards and
flowers during my stay in
the hospital.

Louise Caskey
Words cannot express our
appreciation for all the
kindnesses shown to us
while in the hospital.

Lera Bennett
Mrs. Emma Thrash

MOVING

Jack and Zeffie Beard
and children have moved to
Brownsboro. We regret that
they will not be with us
any more, but we hope they
will be very happy in
their new home.

DID YOU FORGET?

Some forgot to give last
Lord's Day. Was it you? If
you were away, did you
leave your contribution?
If not, do you plan to make
it up this Lord's Day?

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending October 26th.
Hebrews, Chapters 7-11.

JONAH

We know the book of Jonah
by the miracle of the
great fish that God pre-
pared to swallow Jonah. I
wonder if this is as it
should be. There are some
very great lessons to be
learned from the little
prophecy which are as good
for us as Christians as
they were for the Israel-
ites of long ago. Someone
has analyzed the book in
this manner:

Chapter one, disobedience-
running from God.

Chapter two, prayer-running
to God.

Chapter three, preaching -
running with God.

Chapter four, complaints-
running ahead of God.

Of all the books of the
Old Testament this little
book is most like the
teaching of our Lord. He
taught from parables,
truths taken from nature
to illustrate a spiritual
fact. This book is set
forth as a historical re-
cord illustrating God's
dealings with a rebellious
prophet. Jesus told the
people of his day that
Jonah was a sign. A sign
of him, his death and res-
urrection. Jonah was run-
ning from preaching to the
sinful city of Nineveh. It
was the sins of Nineveh

that caused his hurt. It
was the sins of the world
that caused Jesus to die
upon the cross. This idea
that Jonah is a sign of
the servant of God is the
first and foremost impor-
tance of the book. But one
can see other figures in
the book also. Jonah also
can represent the nation
of Israel. The word of the
Lord came to them and
they refused it. They were
carried away into captiv-
ity, restored to their
land and again refused to
follow the Lord. Another
very important lesson that
is gained from the book
of Jonah is that of God's
love toward all men. "All
men, whatever their
time or clime, are His
Children. Their sin is
God's sorrow; their sal-
vation His concern." The
book of Jonah is intended
to teach worthier views of
God and man by removing
the exclusiveness of Jew-
ish thought and the idea
that grace was the sole
possession of the Covenant
people. We also must be-
ware that we don't develop
a like exclusive thought
as white Americans. Read
the book.

T.A.J.

"The path of self-will is
always down!"

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October 25, 1962

October 21.....422
October 14.....414
A Year Ago.....471

CONTRIBUTION

October 21.....\$1,074.53
October 14.....\$ 900.36
A Year Ago..... 967.90

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Faber Cauthen
Prayer.....L. G. Drennan
Dismiss.....David Drennan
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Bill Beach
Dismiss.....Don Andrews

RESPONSES

By Baptism Larry Clough,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Clif
Clough, 1714 Ridgeview.

By Restoration Miss Jo
Ann Sims, 3014 W. Pine.

By Membership Mr. and
Mrs. Matt Thomas. Rt.2,
Box 365A. They are the
parents of Fay Freeman.

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE

Sunday evening at 4:00
P.M. before the regular
Bible Study period, the
high school and college
age class will meet for a
period of training in song.
Everyone of this age group
is invited to attend. If
anyone else is interested
in this work let us know.

T.J.

SYMPATHE

Our sympathy to the Tru-
man Hollands and to the
Howard Hollands. Their bro-
ther, Mr. Scott Holland was
buried in Jourdanton last
Saturday.

Our sympathy to the
family of Sister E.F. Cook,
a member of the Glenwood
congregation. She passed
away Wednesday afternoon.

CONGRATULATIONS

On October 12th. a baby
boy came to live at the
home of David and Janette
Ingram in Mt. Vernon. Mr.
and Mrs. H. C. Williamson
are the grandparents.

SICK

Sister Thrash is very
ill in Sunset Home.

Sister Ruby Brem has
been in the hospital.

THANK YOU

The family of Scott Hol-
land will always remember
your kindness and sympathy.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a teachers
meeting Monday evening at
7:30. All teachers, co-
teachers and interested
ones are urged to be here.

GUATEMALA REPORT

A report on the work
in Guatemala will be given
next Wednesday night. The
pictures bro. Brookshire
and bro. Rushing made will
be shown. There will be
no other classes.

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EXAMINE YOURSELF

Heb. 13:5, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." 1 Cor. 11:28, "But let a man examine himself..."

Recently I have read some magazine articles where the readers were asked to test themselves as to their merits or demerits as to husbands, wives, children and even driving automobiles. In the long ago Christians were asked to examine themselves and we are under the same obligation today. Let each one of us silently and secretly examine ourselves.

1. "The disciples continued steadfastly in the Apostles teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayers." Acts 2:42. "The disciples came together upon the First Day of the week to break bread..."
I do () I do not ()
2. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35 "Upon the First Day of the week let every one of you lay by Him in store, as God hath prospered him."
I do () I do not ()
3. Jesus said, "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." Matt. 5:44.
I do () I do not ()
4. "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice." Eph. 4:31. "Speak evil of no man." Titus 3:2.
I do () I do not ()
5. "...visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and keep oneself unspotted from the world!" James 1:27. "Do good unto all men especially unto them who are of the household of faith." Gal. 6:10.
I do () I do not ()
6. "Keep thyself pure." 1 Tim. 5:22 "Be ye holy; for I am holy."
I am () I am not ()
7. "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness."
I do () I do not ()
8. "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another:

and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching!"

I do () I do not ()

9. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind ... thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Matt. 22:37-39. I do () I do not ()

Did "I" make a passing grade? I wonder if "I" might have to cheat just a little to pass? God knows my heart. He knows yours too. D.B.

"T. B. DESTROYING THOUSANDS!"

A doctor got up one Sunday morning to go to church, but he never got there. The only explanation he gave was "T.B.!" He spent his life fighting almost every disease that wrecks the body, but "T.B." finally got him!

A prominent woman was honored with an invitation to teach a Bible class, but she was never able. Why? "T. B.!" That's all she said.

The grocery man could not come to Bible study and worship because of "T.B.!"

"T.B." is a very old disease. The man who "bought the oxen," the one who "bought a field", and the one who "married a wife," all had "T.B.!" Yes, TOO BUSY to do what the Lord wanted them to do!

But "T.B." is not incurable. The cause is in the heart. When you cure your heart trouble, you will find that you are through with "T.B." "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of the heart are the issues of life." If a person is TOO BUSY to serve God, he must learn to love God above everything else. After the heart trouble is cured, you will never be TO BUSY to give your thought and time and energy to the work of the Lord and His church. ...Via Paris, Texas Bulletin

100% CLASS

The ninth grade class of James Phillips and Don Weathers was 100% in attendance last Sunday.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending November 2. Hebrews, chapters 12 and 13. James, Chapters 1, 2 and 3.

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November 1, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

October 28.....447
October 21.....422
A Year Ago.....442

CONTRIBUTION

October 28.....\$1,049.69
October 21.....\$1,074.53
A Year Ago.....\$1,128.67

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and

Prayer.....Tom Moses
Prayer.....M. B. Beard
Dismiss.....Willie Freeman

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Roy Layton
Dismiss.....Wilmer Little

RESPONSES

Baptism: James Beard, Rt. 8. James and his family will be living in Brownsboro.

Restoration: Mrs. Pete Wallace and Richard Wallace, 2521 Sunnybrook. Mrs. Phil Sigrist, 806 Donnybrook, Paula Bailey, 706 Donnybrook, and Pam Robins, 2107 Pinecrest.

THE SICK

Sister Thrash is very critical. Sister Walling is in Mother Frances. Sister Beard is to go home Thursday. Sister Jo Warner is in the hospital for a check-up. The Jim Franklins baby has scarlet fever. Sister Dora Billingsley is ill.

SYMPATHY

Sister Marion Rowe's

great grandmother was buried in Brownwood Tuesday.

LADIES CLASS AND LUNCHEON

Sister Speck, who is to teach in the Training Series at Omen Rd. will speak to the Ladies Class here next Wednesday. All the ladies of the other congregations will meet with us here. After class there will be a covered dish luncheon at the Smith Memorial building. All of the ladies are invited to attend and bring a dish.

TRAINING FOR SERVICE

The Training For Service Series will be conducted Nov. 5, 6, 8 and 9 at the Omen Road Church building. Bro. and Sis. Henry Speck of Abilene will teach. This school is not for teachers only, it is for any Christian who wants to improve his life in Christ's service. Please read the enclosed folder.

RETURNED HOME

Brother and Sister Haws returned home safely from their journey to Europe Wednesday morning.

GOSPEL MEETING

The church at Alpine and Glover Dr. in Longview will conduct a meeting Nov. 5-11. Services at 10:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. Bro. Johnny Jackson of Richardson will be the speaker.



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SUNDAY

Bible School 9:45 A. M. Morning Worship 10:40 A. M.
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WEDNESDAY

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NOT SLOTHFUL IN BUSINESS: FERVENT IN SPIRIT; SERVING THE LORD.

A church that becomes complacent and self-satisfied is doomed to become disowned by the Lord, see Rev. 3:15-22. And even if the Lord did not disown it it would soon perish by reason of all who want to go to heaven going to a live church if they have the opportunity. Mediocre, or below, churches do not satisfy those who are genuinely converted to Christ. Complacent churches will be fighting for survival in less than a decade. Especially is this true of downtown churches when the trend is toward suburban areas.

There are many areas in which we can and must improve if we expect to grow. A few of them are:

1. A better system of carrying on the work. Different jobs should be assigned to men who are capable and willing to do them. If a mistake is made by assigning jobs to those who are unwilling to work then the jobs should be given to those who will work. A good project should not be allowed to die and "stay dead" because we are afraid we will hurt someone's feelings. Souls are more important than our feelings.
2. We need to have better and more serious business meetings, with all of the leaders present. The Lord's business is the most serious business of all. All business meetings should be conducted with reverence and decorum.
3. Our Bible school work, or the teaching program, needs to be improved. The ones who are capable of teaching should be teaching and others should be in training so they will be able to teach later. Our teaching program needs the backing of all the elders, deacons and every one who considers himself a member here. The teaching program is the most important work we do. Only through this medium do we bring the lost to Christ. If only a few are now willing to learn, what kind of program does this church expect to have when that few die?
4. All growing churches have increased budgets. It is impossible for a church to grow spiritually and not increase in giving. When a Christian grows spiritually he gives more. He learns how to give. He learns to love to give. Spiritual Christians give consistently if their income is consistent. When a spiritual Christian gets money his first thought is not of himself, but of Christ and the work He assigned to the church.
5. Our visitation program needs a lot of work done on it. Mainly we need to start visiting and quit talking about it. We need to leave our comfortable homes a few evenings each week and get out and talk to the lost. Many of us claim we are too busy, but are we as busy with anything as important as the soul of a man? Many of the things we are busily engaged in are things of self-interest and not things of Christ-interest.
6. We need to put into operation some method of meeting and getting a permanent record of the Christians who visit us. It is next to impossible to have a follow-up program because we just "heard" we had visitors present. This is almost an effortless work if someone would assume it. This type of work will pay good dividends.

What is said in this can be said of many other churches, but we are not interested in being like the many, but in being a church the Lord approves. If you will investigate any good work anywhere you will find they are doing all I have mentioned here and much more.

D.B.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OCTOBER, 1962

Cash on hand October 1, 1962	\$4,674.14
Deposits during October 1962	<u>5,221.78</u>
Available for expenditures	\$9,895.92

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$ 711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	\$ 575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Tenneha Church	60.00	
Storage - Jerry Hill	24.00	
Expenses - Guatemala trip	<u>507.11</u>	\$1,466.11

Materials, Supplies, etc.

Utilities	\$ 384.40	
Bible School Supplies	162.00	
Postage	50.00	
Office Supplies	82.30	
Insurance	60.00	
Building Maintenance	1,425.43	
Flowers	15.00	
Ad valorem Taxes	<u>13.97</u>	\$2,193.10

Salaries

Withholding Tax (3rd. quarter)	<u>328.70</u>	\$1,283.65
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Total expenditures for October, 1962	\$6,308.31
Cash on hand October 31, 1962	<u>3,587.61</u>
Total funds accounted for	9,895.92

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November 8, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

November 4.....383
October 28.....447
A Year Ago.....519

CONTRIBUTION

November 4.....\$1,104.52
October 28.....\$1,049.69
A Year Ago.....\$1,088.78

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Cone Birdwell
Prayer.....T. F. Holland
Dismiss..Dudley Brookshire

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Austin Giesecke
Dismiss..Herbert Brookshire

SYMPATHY

Sister Eula Drennan's sister-in-law passed away in Sulphur Springs. The funeral was last Sunday afternoon.

Funeral services were conducted by brother Brookshire here at the building for Sister Emma Thrash last Sunday afternoon. She passed away Friday evening

Sister Emma Reed Smith received word Wednesday that two of her nephews have passed away. W. J. Prather in Lexington, Ky. and John Bedford Reed of Leitchfield, Ill.

THANK YOU

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the food, flowers, every act of kindness and expression of sympathy during our recent sorrow.

The family of
Sister Emma Thrash

THE SICK

In Medical Center: Sister M. M. Haws, Sister E. V. Rushing and Sister Johnnie Stringer.

Mother Frances: Sister Nora Walling.

"LOVE OFFERING"

The "Love Offering" for the Jerry Hills in Guatemala was \$333.00. Thanks to all who contributed.

BUSINESS MEETING

The regular business meeting of the church will be next Tuesday night. All men of the church are invited to attend.

BIBLE LECTURESHIP

There will be a lecture-ship at the Fifth Avenue Church of Christ in Corsicana November 11-16 at 7:30 P. M. There will be a different speaker each evening. Brother Brookshire will speak Friday the 16th. on "The Power of God's Word."

COMPLETE SILENCE

Many of you are expecting me to say something about our Bible School attendance last Lord's Day. We had more than forty people visiting out of town last week and about that many who did not come "just because." When things like that occur there just "ain't nothing fittin" to say. Instead of saying anything I am just hoping things work out better for us this Lord's Day. D.B.

P. S. If you do come bring your "make-up" contribution.

100% CLASSES

We did not have a 100% class last Sunday. For the week before we had four classes 100% in attendance
3rd. grade-Katie Heath

- _Mary Prater
- 5th. grade-Ophelia Woltman
- _Lamerne Bailey
- 6th. grade-Kathryn Cauthen
- _Barbara Payne
- 9th. grade-James Phillips
- Don Weathers

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending Nov. 9 and for Nov. 16. James 4 & 5. 1 Peter 1-5. 11 Peter 1, 2 and 3.

PUT YOUR WEIGHT DOWN

M. E. Newberry, a member of the Board of Trustees, Ohio Valley College, in a recent chapel service told this story:

An 80 year old man celebrated his birthday by taking a ride in an airplane. When asked if he was afraid, he replied, "No, but I didn't put all of my weight down."

We laugh at this, and yet how many of us are in the same category with respect to the promises of God. Our Lord in many passages has promised to care for us if only we will depend completely upon him. But alas, we are afraid to "put all of our weight down" on the promises of God. They are strong and dependable.

...Don Gardner

OUR ATTENDANCE

During November last year through special efforts, we averaged 521 per Lord's Day in Bible School. These records are still standing. It would be great if we would have another drive in the near future to increase our attendance.

"The reward of a thing well done is to have done it."

WEST ERWIN VISITOR
November 15, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

November 11.....425
November 4.....383
A Year Ago.....540

CONTRIBUTION

November 11.....\$1,077.23
November 4.....\$1,104.52
A Year Ago.....\$1,128.50

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Roy Roberson
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Dismiss.....Tommy Keith
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Henry Holland
Dismiss.....Chuck Cauthen

RESPONSES

We welcome Brother and
Sister H. McCarty, 3411
Woodbine Blvd. Brother Mc-
Carty works for Humble.

THE SICK

Sister Myrtle Tucker fell
and broke her hip. She is
in Mother Frances.
Sister Walker has been
in Medical Center.
Sister Rushing is now
at home.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Joe Ford and Gail Raley
who were married last Fri-
day evening. All of us
join in extending to them
our very best wishes. They
will live at 1316½ W. Elm.

THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Christian Friends:
Words fail to express my
appreciation for the in-
terest shown during my
stay in the hospital. For
every visit, card, prayer
in my behalf and all the
flowers and gifts I am
deeply grateful. Sincerely,
Bertha Rushing

TEACHERS MEETING

A very important and in-
structive Teachers meeting
will be held November 26.
Please keep this date open.

100% CLASSES

3rd. grade-Katie Heath
Mary Prater
6th. grade-Kathryn Cauthen
Barbara Payne

FT. WORTH CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Students from the Fort
Worth Christian College
will conduct the Wednesday
evening Services November
21. There will be a group
of singers who will sing
some spiritual songs and
some young men who will
make talks.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
week ending Nov. 23, 1 John
Chapters 1 through 5.
"Talking comes by nature;
Silence by wisdom."

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OUR ACTIVE YOUNG PEOPLE.

What are three practical lessons one can learn from the prophecy of Micah? You may not be able to answer this immediately, but ask one of our fine high school or college students. They should be able to answer right away. For several weeks now the high school-college class on Sunday evening has been studying the prophets. On December 9th, each one of them has been asked to turn in a report on one of the prophets of his own choosing, answering such questions as: (1) What are the principles of righteousness taught in this book? (2) What are the characteristics of God taught in this book? (3) What are the promises concerning the righteous and the wicked? (4) What use do the inspired New Testament writers make of this book? These young people are interested in learning all that they can from God's book. They, like us adults, need encouragement from time to time.

Also we come to the building early to sing and learn how to better sing praises to God. This class is one in which everyone is doing something. We practice the do re mi's to start with, then I talk about some point in singing that will help to improve the singing, then we sing. At the last funeral we had here at the church building several of our young people helped with the singing and did an excellent job. They are looking for things to do in the work of the church, this is an excellent opportunity for service. Later on in the year and months ahead we will go to sing for the shut-ins and various activities of like nature. In this class also, the boys get training in leading singing. This is important. But in this too, we need encouragement. Our young people here at West Erwin are active; they will not be content to just sit. They are to be commended in so many ways and challenged in so many more ways.

You parents of these young people should be proud that God has blessed you with them. With this blessing comes the great responsibility of bringing them up in the nurture and admonition of THE LORD. It is yours to make it easy for our young people to study and practice Christianity at home. It is always easy to do

something when it is suggested. It is hard to depend on one's own initiative alone. This is especially true when one is young. So help these young people know more of God now while they are in your home. The time will come when they will be building their own homes. Don't wait too late. T.A.J.

YOUR BEST FRIEND.

A young woman who makes her own living, and a very good one too, put fifty cents in the collection plate on the Lord's Day and seemed rather complacent over it. A friend beside her, whose circumstances were about equal to her own, dropped in a five dollar bill.

A few days later the two went to select wedding presents for a mutual friend. The young woman who had given the fifty cents at worship bought one, which she grumbled was much beyond her means; the other woman invested one dollar and a half in a modest little gift.

"Really," said the first young lady indignantly. "I should be ashamed to give anything of so little value to my best friend."

"Very likely," was the reply, "but we have changed places since last Lord's Day. You may count Miss Smith a better friend than the Lord, but I do not."

STRANGE ISN'T IT? ? ?

Some Christians can be pushed and insulted in the ticket line and at the ball game, ignored at the beauty parlor or barber shop, bawled out in the grocery store but they never cease to frequent these places. But if they feel slighted at the services of the church, they refuse to attend for weeks, and sometimes quit for good. Yes it's strange, isn't it? Not only strange but inconsistent. Being peeved at the brethren and forsaking the Lord is as logical as being angry at the dog and kicking the cat! --Via-Burbank Gardens Bulletin Grand Prairie, Texas

GOOD BUSINESS MEETING.

A good Business Meeting was conducted Tuesday evening with 27 men present. We hope many more will attend next time.

LOVE ABOUNDING

Phil. 1:9-11, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and discernment; so that ye may approve the things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and void of offence unto the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are through Jesus Christ, unto the praise and glory of God."

The church at Philippi must have been a great one, because Paul had less criticism for it than he did any other church. In spite of their greatness he urged them to grow in love. He prayed that their love might abound yet more and more. The word abound suggests the idea of getting full and running over. As long as we live in this life it is possible to grow in love. When a Christian's love wanes he is not growing or going on toward heaven. The Christian grows more in the divine nature of God by causing his love to abound than in any other way. God is love and if we expect to live in heaven with Him we must be filled with love too.

The Philippians were exhorted to grow in knowledge too. The Christians love must be an intelligent love. Without knowledge there can be no genuine love. Love works in two ways, it either repels or draws. Even the love of God does not draw all men unto Him, nor keep all Christians faithful unto Him. God's love would compel them to do things they do not want to do, hence they are driven away from Him rather than drawn unto him.

The greatest commandment in the law, according to Jesus, "is to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." This, of course, takes in all of one's faculties. This causes one to surrender all of his own ways in favor of God's ways. Sinners are saved by a reciprocal love. God loves us and He expressed it. We must love God and express it too. "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments; and His commandments are not grievous."

The Apostle wanted the Philippians to have a discerning love. He said, "In knowledge and discernment! We must learn to discern between things worthy of our love and things unworthy of our love. We are told to love not the things of the world, (continued inside)

Letter from Jerry Hill enclosed

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BIBLE CLASS

April 22.....449
April 15.....409
A Year Ago.....482

CONTRIBUTION

April 22.....\$1,130.09
April 15.....\$1,073.91
A Year Ago.....\$1,024.70

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Jack Beard
Dismiss.....Willie Freeman

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....L. G. Drenman
Dismiss.....Wayne Fears

SICK

Brother Jim Willis is in Medical Center Hospital. Sister Dexter Browning is in Mother Frances.

SYMPATHY

The sister of Mrs. Rose Rushing died in Dallas last Sunday. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Waxahachie for J. B. Carroll, the brother of sister E.C. Pickle.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Rowe who are the parents of a baby girl born Saturday.

THANK YOU

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the flowers and kind expressions of sympathy during the loss of my father. Mrs. U. G. Rozell Jr. and family.

FORMAL OPENING

Of the new meeting house of the brethren at Northwest next Lord's Day. There will be a short service at 2:30 in the afternoon and a tour of the building either before or after the service may be enjoyed by those who would like to see it.

These brethren begin a meeting next Lord's Day with brother L. R. Wilson doing the preaching. May I encourage all who can from West Erwin to be present at 2:30 and to support the meeting week nights.

BLOOD BANK

We have had calls for several pints of blood recently and we would like to have this replaced. In case of an emergency we may have calls for more than we have in the bank. If you would like to donate some blood to our account, go to Stewart's Blood Center, or for further information see James Phillips.

MEETINGS

The Queen and Debard St. Church in Palestine will begin a meeting April 29, to continue through May 6, with Jack Hardcastle doing the preaching. Services daily at 7:30 P. M.

Brother Foy Smith of Riverside, California will preach in a meeting April 29 through May 5 at the West Side Church of Christ in Corsicana. Services 9:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

TO CORPUS CHRISTI

Brother Brookshire will leave next Monday for a meeting in Corpus Christi. He will return May 7th.

Romans: 1:16

I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto Salvation to every one that believeth.

I Corinthians: 16:13

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

Song of Solomon: 2: 11-12

For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land.

(continued from back page)

and in another place we are told to set our mind on things above (heavenly things). A discerning love enables us to approve the things that are excellent. Nothing is worthy of our love that will condemn the soul. Much is being said today about the condition of the world (or the people). There is nothing wrong with us that Scriptural love will not heal. We have learned to love the wrong things. Many of our children are being taught to love the wrong things. This is being done mainly because our love is not an abounding one.

D. B.

100% CLASS

The second grade class of Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier was 100% in attendance last Sunday.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending May 4th. John Chapters 18, 19, 20, 21. Acts. Chapter 1.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Remember June 4-8. This is the time of our Vacation Bible School. Also, August 19-24, the time of our Summer meeting with brother Gieger.

FINANCIAL REPORT - NOVEMBER 1961

Cash on hand Nov. 1, 1961	\$ 415.34
Deposits during November	4410.50
Available for Expenditures	\$ 4825.84

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Federal Sav. & Loan	\$ 711.75
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00
J. C. Wynne	100.00
Trest Property	150.00
	<u>\$1,036.75</u>

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	\$ 634.16
Boles Home	50.00
Tipton Home	50.00
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00
Herald of Truth	100.00
Bible Chair	100.00
Radio Program	106.00
N. Teneha Church	60.00
J. F. Doggett	50.00
	<u>\$1,200.16</u>

Materials, Supplies Etc.

Utilities	\$ 174.23
Bible School Supplies	23.17
Postage	80.00
Telephone	47.75
Insurance	80.00
Flowers	7.20
Welcomap	3.00
Office Supplies	4.00
Bldg. Maint.	40.00
Misc.	6.10
Taxes	164.60
	<u>\$ 630.05</u>

Salaries

942.20

Total Expenditures for Nov. 1961	\$3,809.16
Cash on hand Nov. 30, 1961	1,016.68
Total funds accounted for	<u>\$4,825.84</u>

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	December 3	November 26	A Year Ago
Bible Class	485	528	458
Contribution	\$1,060.78	\$1,052.83	\$1,061.87

APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT LORD'S DAY A. M.

Announcements and Prayer.....James Massey
 Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
 Dismissal Prayer.....Lewis Jones

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....K. Max Haws
 Dismissal Prayer.....Tommy Woltman

RESPONSES:

Mrs. Harvey Morris placed membership with us Wednesday night. The Morris family moved here from Del Rio, Texas. He is employed by the Dept. of Public Safety. They have two children.

SICK:

Sister Henry Holland is in the Cotton Belt Hospital in Texarkana. She had surgery Tuesday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Roy and Elaine Roberson on the birth of their son born last Thursday morning. They have named him Roy Lane.

MOBBERLY AVENUE MEETING:

The Mobberly Avenue congregation in Longview has completed a building program of enlarging the auditorium and building more class rooms.

A meeting begins there December 10 with Robert Bankes, local preacher, doing the preaching. Services twice daily at 7:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

I hope many of you will attend the meeting and congratulate the brethren in Longview upon the completion of a beautiful and commodious building.

WHY THE HOUSE SANK

While a contractor was debating the best landing place for a house which he had successfully moved a distance of a half-mile over a small frozen lake in Minnesota, the building sank in six feet of water. The ice, which was ten inches thick, was abundantly strong to support the structure while it was moving along, but could not bear up the dead weight when it was brought to a standstill.

If you are a professing Christian, a member of the Lord's church, keep moving along with your part of the Lord's work. If you stop to criticize, to find fault, your dead weight will not only be a burden that the church cannot bear, but you may lose your soul--may go down to spiritual death in the cold waters of indifference or indecision.

-Selected, via Lamar St., Sweetwater, Texas.

ANOTHER VISITATION PROGRAM

Another visitation program is in the making. This group is made up of members of the Lord's Day morning class taught by Brother Leonard Woltman. A meeting was held at Fred and Sarah Powells Thursday evening. It is certainly encouraging to see those who have the love and initiative to do something for the Cause of Christ. The Lord's church will grow anywhere the members live right and work to make it grow. The Lord will bless every good work done in His name.

ALMOST BUT NOT QUITE

We almost made the 500 for Bible Classes last Lord's Day, but not quite. More than enough came in after the worship service began to have made the 500. We hope those who did not come will be more thoughtful and more energetic next time.

100% CLASSES: There were four 100% classes last Lord's day. They were the Beginners, First and second grade, and the Sixth grade.

SOMETHING FOR GOD

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?" Psa. 116:12. Any thoughtful person is able to see at least two things in this verse. They are: God is man's Benefactor and man should feel an obligation to his Benefactor. James tells us that every good and perfect gift comes from the Father of lights. Man is the recipient of these things that exactly meet, and to the full, his need. David was not a thoughtless and indifferent person going through life, receiving all, enjoying all, expecting all, without ever bestowing a thought on the bountiful giver. In this age I am sure we take many of God's blessings for granted, because we do not know what it would be like to be without them.

David wanted to know what he could render unto the Lord "For all His Benefits." There were benefits great and small, benefits temporal and spiritual. He could not enumerate them all but he could mention some. If David felt he should return something to the Lord for his benefits, how much more should we, because our blessings are greater than his.

David's greatest need then had not been met in Christ Jesus. His sins had not been forgiven through Christ and his hope of the resurrection and eternal life was not as bright as ours. He accepted it through prophecy and promise but now we are able to accept it as a fact.

Our redemption was our greatest need and it is one of our greatest blessings. All temporal blessings are second to this one. We should be more grateful for this and be more careful to show our gratitude for this than any other thing. All of us might combine all of our works and it would not be enough to save even one soul. How helpless and undone we were till God redeemed us with His Son. The blood of God's Son was the price paid for our redemption. 1 Pet.1:18-19; Eph. 1:7. Add to this, strength, guidance, companionship and comfort in serving the Lord and we have all that is necessary to please Him now and to be saved forever.

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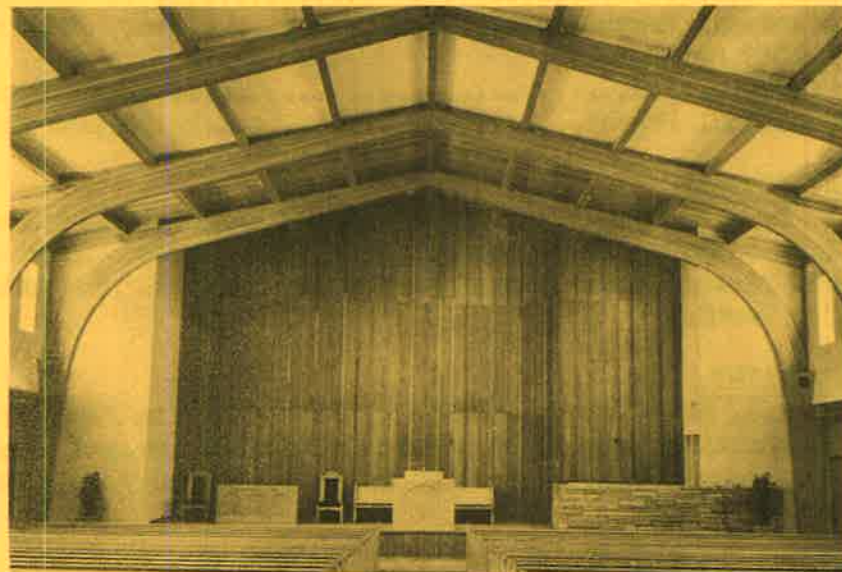
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Bible Class	468	485	472
Contribution	\$1,020.01	\$1,060.78	\$1,003.89

APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Howard Holland
 Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
 Dismissal Prayer.....Henry Holland
LORD'S DAY P.M.
 Prayer.....Jack Beard
 Dismissal Prayer.....Ralph Lowrance

RESPONSES:

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Howell placed membership with us last Sunday. They live at 616 W. 5th. street. Brother and Sister Howell moved here from Hawkins. He works for Humble.

SYMPATHY:

Mrs. Mary Denton, mother of Sister Marvin Jones and Grandmother of Sister Frances Phillips passed away Wednesday morning. The funeral was Thursday in Hico, Texas.

SICK:

Brother Robert Stokes and daughter, Isha were in an automobile accident last Sunday afternoon. Fortunately, neither one was seriously injured. Robert was in the Glenwood clinic several days following the accident.

Brother C. C. Garrett is ill.

MOVED:

Sister Janie Chelf has moved to Tullahoma, Tenn. Her address is P.O. Box 2092. She will be teaching there.

ATTENTION LADIES:

The Wednesday Morning Bible Class will be dismissed for the next two weeks.

For these priceless blessings what shall I render unto the Lord? First of all we should learn to be thankful and seek to know what God would have us to do for his blessings. We sometimes sing with little thought:

I gave my life for thee, my precious blood I shed.
 That thou might'st ransomed be, and quickened from the dead.

I gave, I gave my life for thee, what hast thou given for me?

Have we given Him the love and affection of the heart that belongs to him? Have we shown our love by keeping his commandments and ministering unto his creatures who are loved by him as much as we are? Do we worship and pay homage to him as we should?

What rightly belongs to God, for all his benefits, is ourselves complete without reservation. We are not our own. We are his servants. The goods we have belong to God and we are only stewards. We should faithfully return something unto the Lord for all his benefits and it should not always be at our convenience without sacrifice.

100% CLASSES:

There were two classes with 100% in attendance last Lord's Day. They were the second grade taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler, and the sixth grade class taught by Mrs. Caskey and Judy Holland.

"I Should Really Like To Know!"

Said the Robin to the Sparrow:

"I should really like to know,
 Why these anxious human beings,
 Rush about and worry so."

Said the Sparrow to the Robin;

"Friend, I think that it must be
 That they have no heavenly Father,
 Such as cares for you and me!"

THE RECORD-DECEMBER 22, 1961		
December 17	December 10	A Year Ago
Bible Class 413	468	492
Contribution \$2,224.89	\$1,020.01	\$1,044.68

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A. M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Pat Mackey
 Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
 Dismissal Prayer.....Larry Mackey

LORD'S DAY P. M.

Prayer.....Doug Warner
 Dismissal Prayer.....Don Weathers

SICK:

Sister Jan Knight has been in the Glenwood clinic.
 Brother Ernest Holland is in Medical Center.

WELCOME HOME:

It is good to welcome our college girls and boys home again during the Holidays.

IN APPRECIATION:

The young men of the congregation have had charge of the last two Wednesday night services. All have been well prepared and delivered fine lessons. We are all appreciative of our young men and their efforts.

Dear Brethren:

The four of us would like to express our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your kindness and love throughout another year. You have gone beyond the call of duty to make us happy and comfortable in every way.

During this season of joy and the exchange of greetings we want to wish for each of you a joyful Holiday Season and a prosperous and healthful New Year.

Our prayer is that Our Gracious Father will not withhold any good thing from any of you.

THE BROOKSHIRES

Dean, Maurine, Herbert and Dudley

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PURE RELIGION

James tells us in chapter 1:27 what pure religion is. From this verse we understand that religion may be "pure and undefiled" or it may be "impure and defiled!" The definition of "pure" is: Not polluted; faultless; chaste; free from moral defilement; hence, innocent, guiltless. It is easy to see that it does make a difference what kind of religion one practices. An impure or undefiled religion is displeasing unto God. Religion is made up of both the Divine and human. All that pertains to the Divine is pure and all that is commanded of the human is pure.

Our object of worship is pure. Psalms 99:9. "Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the Lord our God is holy." 1 Peter 1:16, "Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

We have a pure Saviour and sacrifice in Christ Jesus. We were "Not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your Fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Peter 1:18-19.

The doctrine that has been given for us to learn and obey is pure. Psalms 19:8..."The commandment of the Lord is pure..." Psalms 12:6, "The words of the Lord are pure words..." Proverbs 30:5, "Every word of God is pure..." Every commandment and ordinance is pure. There is no such thing as an indecent or impure commandment from God.

The saved are added to a pure church. Ephesians 5:27, "That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but it should be holy and without blemish."

Without holiness men cannot expect to be saved. This is not only true now but has been true of those in the past. Psalms 24: 3-4, "Who shall ascend unto 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."

We are taught to be pure in heart. Matt, 5:8 Timothy

was told to keep himself pure. 1Tim. 5:22. We must be pure in speech. James 1:26. Our conduct must be pure. Matt. 5:16; 1 John 2:15-16 and we are to keep ourselves unspotted from the world, James 1:27.

The sinner purifies his soul by obeying the truth. 1Pet. 1:22 and after he becomes a Christian he is to love others out of a pure heart fervently.

From James 1:27 we see that we must do something (visit the unfortunate) and be something (pure) if our religion pleases our Heavenly Father. D.B.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Seth and Virginia Cunningham of Pasadena, Texas are the very happy parents of a new baby daughter, Loyce Lee. They went to Lubbock last week for her. Virginia is known by a great many of us here. She is the sister of James Phillips.

100% CLASS:

We only had one class with 100% in attendance last Lord's Day. It was the second grade class taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler.

GOD IS THE AUDIENCE:

Many people regard going to church as they would attending a play on the stage. Because they are so man-centered, they think of themselves as spectator, with the preacher as the main performer, and if God is anywhere in the production, He is on the sidelines. How unfortunate and how different from true worship! God is the audience, the congregation is the actor, and the preacher should be only a prompter to help all to draw closer to Him from whom all blessings come. Worship for the Christian is offered to God and the Father through Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit.

When you worship, do you realize your part in the service to God you are rendering? Do you consider the service as you would a lecture, or a concert? Do you realize that here you are meeting with God and "the ground whereon you stand is Holy Ground?"

Firm Foundation

JAMES A. GARFIELD - CHRISTIAN PATRIOT

James A. Garfield, 20th. president of the United States was a member of the Church and he was a faithful gospel preacher. Many honors were conferred upon him, but he never wavered in his Christian faith, which he summed up as follows:

1. We call ourselves Christians, or disciples of Christ.
2. We believe in God the Father.
3. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and our Saviour. We regard the divinity of Christ as the fundamental truth of the Christian system.
4. We believe in the Holy Spirit, both as to his agency in conversion and as an indweller in the heart of the Christian.
5. We accept both the Old and New Testament Scriptures as the inspired word of God.
6. We believe in the future punishment of the wicked and the future reward of the righteous.
7. We believe that Deity is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God.
8. We observe the institution of the Lord's Supper on the Lord's Day. To this table we neither invite nor debar; we say it is the Lord's Supper for all the Lord's children.
9. We plead for the union of God's people on the Bible, and the Bible alone.
10. The Christ is our only creed.
11. We maintain that all ordinances should be observed as they were in the days of the apostles.

---Selected.

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	December 24	December 17	A Year Ago
Bible Class	373	413	337
Contribution	\$849.74	\$2,224.89	\$868.63

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Prayer..... T. F. Holland
Dismissal Prayer..... Kenneth Bennett

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer..... C. E. Caskey
Dismissal Prayer..... Charles Payne

SICK:

Sister Annie Lee Jordan is in Coats-Brown Clinic.

CARDS OF THANKS:

We have received calls and cards of thanks for the food baskets from the following: Sister Nora Smith, Sister Minnie Stegall, Sister O.L. Luther, Sister E.L. Taylor and Sister Annie Shotwell and she wishes to thank those who visited her while she was in the hospital recently.

WE MISSED YOU:

We missed many of the members who were away last Lord's Day. We hope all had an enjoyable and safe trip during the holidays. Our records look a little bad this time, but knowing you as I do I believe the contributions will be made up and I am sure all worshipped while they were away.

LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN:

We did print the bulletin but did not mail any. If you did not get one last Lord's Day you will find them in the tract rack.

LADIES CLASS:

The Ladies Wednesday morning Bible Class will meet next Wednesday, January 3, 1962.

LOVE ADDS TO:

J. M. Barrie has said, "The praise that comes of love does not make us vain, but humble rather." In a magazine recently I saw a distinction drawn between what were called "plus" and "minus" people. Did you ever think that there are people whose most fitting symbol is a "minus" sign? They never add to your happiness or your hopes or your faith either in yourself or anybody else. Rather, they take away from these. When they leave your company, you feel that you are somehow poorer than you were in your own esteem, and in your belief in others. These are the "minus" people. But there are others, thank God, of a different sort. They never come to us but they add to our store of all the best things far beyond their thought or intention. They believe in us, and so help us to do better. They draw out the best side of us, and sometimes that side surprises even ourselves. They radiate courage and hope and faith. Their praise humbles us, yet leaves us tingling with desire to be more worthy of it. I ask you, is it not better to be "plus" than "minus"?

---20th. Century Christian.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING:

There will be a young people's meeting Sunday afternoon, December 31st. from 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. in Gilmer. The speakers will be Marshall Clinkscales from Glenwood, Mike Warner from West Erwin and Jimmy Arnold from Gilmer. All are invited to attend.

SINGING:

There will be a fifth Sunday singing at Arp December 31st. at 2:30 P.M.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THROUGH IN '62':

For home Bible reading it will be possible to read the New Testament through in one year by reading five chapters a day for five days a week. Why not start the New Year by reading five chapters each day the first week in January.

FINANCIAL REPORT - DECEMBER 1961

Cash on hand Dec. 1, 1961	\$1,016.68
Deposits during December	<u>6,632.51</u>
Available for expenditures	\$7,649.19

Expenditures:

<u>Loan Payments</u>	
1st. Federal Sav. & Loan	\$711.75
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00
J. C. Wynne	100.00
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>
	\$1,036.75

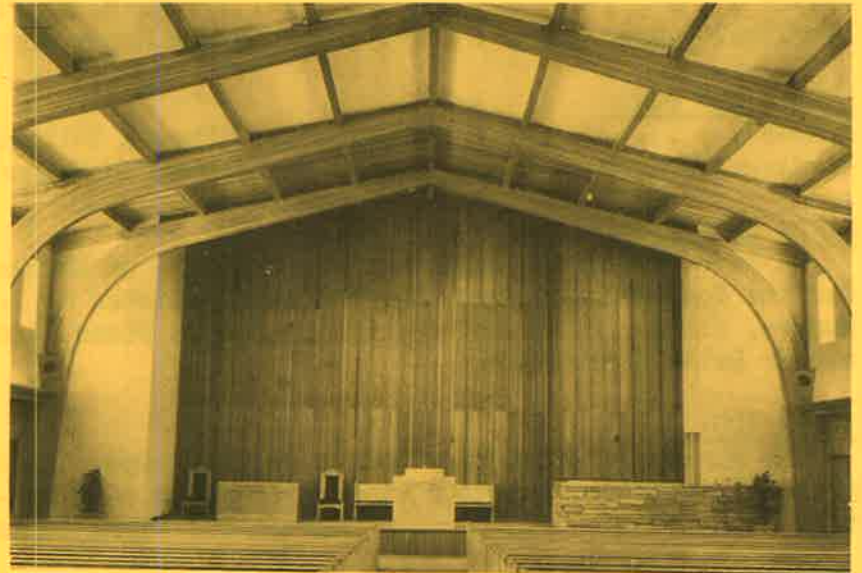
<u>Benevolent and Mission</u>	
Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00
Bible Chair	100.00
Roles Home	50.00
Tipton Home	50.00
Herald of Truth	50.00
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00
North Tencha Church	75.00
Radio Program	85.60
Other	<u>16.17</u>
	\$1,051.77

<u>Materials, Supplies, Etc.</u>	
Utilities	159.36
Bible School Supplies	6.00
Postage	38.00
Telephone	33.67
Welcomap	3.00
Insurance	80.00
Communion Supplies	18.24
Taxes	<u>263.44</u>
	\$601.71
<u>Salaries</u>	\$1,158.40

Total Expenditures for Dec. 1961	\$3,848.63
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1961	<u>3,800.56</u>
Total Funds Accounted for	\$7,649.19

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Bible Class	461	373	447
Contribution	\$1,370.15	\$849.74	\$1,292.88

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer C. B. Hardin
 Prayer M. B. Beard
 Dismissal Prayer Gerald Montgomery

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer Thomas Holland
 Dismissal Prayer Donnel Stringer

CARDS OF THANKS:

We have received cards and expressions of thanks for the food baskets from the following; sister M. B. Hughes, sister Ollie Melton, sister Evalyn Stone, and sister Ettie Carruthers.

THANK YOU:

The family of Mrs. Mary Denton acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.
 Marvin and Wilma Jones

LESSONS IN NEWSPAPER:

Gospel lessons prepared by brother Walter Burch of Abilene will appear in our local paper beginning this Friday afternoon. It will also be in the Saturday morning paper. These lessons will be printed each week for at least three months, the Lord willing.

Why not mail the lessons to friends and relatives. It might be the means of their conversion to Christ.

CORRECTION:

Last week in the bulletin we said that by reading five chapters a day for five days a week, we can read the New Testament through in "62". It should have been one chapter a day for five days a week. Scripture for week ending Jan.5, Matt. 1-5. For next week Matt.5-10.

STILL GROWING:

With the help of the Lord we made some good progress in 1961. Thirty two were baptized, sixteen placed membership and fifteen were restored. Lord's Day morning Bible classes averaged 453 (gain of 22 per week) and the contribution averaged \$1121.32 (gain of \$71.88 per week). I should make it clear that these are our own figures from the bulletin and not brother Beard's authenticated report. We enjoyed a substantial gain in attendance in Ladies Class and in Wednesday evening classes too. We should not be completely satisfied with our accomplishments of 1961, but we do have reason to rejoice, thank God and take courage. We should have learned by now that the Lord does bless our efforts when we trust Him.

I hope each one of us begins the New Year with enthusiasm and joy. Much has been planned by our elders and those who are charged with the responsibility of taking the lead in various phases of the work. A good practical and far reaching budget has been planned by our elders. This has been planned with YOU and ME in mind. They want us to be a part of the plans. We are included, because they want us to be saved. We can be a part by co-operating in every way possible. The financial part can be carried out if each one of us give faithfully and consistently whether we are present or absent. Brother Hardin will discuss the budget this coming Lord's Day.

Other plans call for a Vacation Bible School, probably in June, and a Summer meeting (August 19-24) with brother Gieger doing the preaching. A Training For Service Series will be conducted at the Omen Road congregation this Fall. There are two groups that we know about who visit new comers and delinquent ones, and the sick in the hospitals. We need a group to visit the shut-ins and sick at home. It is hoped that one of the classes will take this type of work on and see it through. This year can be just as good as you and I want it to be. We will accomplish just what we want to accomplish. The church here will continue to go forward if each Christian does.
 D.B.

THE RECORD - JANUARY 11, 1962

January 7, 1962	December 31, 1961	A Year Ago
Bible Class 440	461	491
Contribution \$1,110.44	\$1,370.15	\$1,496.03

APPOINTMENTS FOR LORD'S DAY A.M.

Announcements and Prayer.....Sam Bailey
Prayer.....W. D. Drummond
Dismissal Prayer.....Glen Warner

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....Sweeney Copeland
Dismissal Prayer.....T. J. Parsons

SICK:

Brother J. S. Green is in Medical Center Hospital. He had surgery Tuesday Morning.

Sister Modena Jones is in Glenwood Clinic.

Lila Holland had a tonsillectomy Wednesday morning. She was to go home Thursday.

A large number of our children are ill with colds.

NEW RADIO PROGRAM:

Brother L. E. Carpenter of Canton will speak over K.T.B.B. daily at 1:00 P.M. January 14th. to the 25th. Please listen and urge others to listen.

THANK YOU:

Sister Myrtle Tucker, Sister Bonnie Williamson, and Sister Emma Thrash and her sister Mrs. Mills from the Sunset home wish to express their thanks for the baskets sent to them during the holidays.

RADIO PROGRAM DISCONTINUED:

Through mutual agreement between the elders and brother Brookshire, it was decided to discontinue the radio program for a while at least. Instead of the radio program, we hope you will read the lessons that appear in our local paper each week.

HOME BIBLE READING:

Scripture for week ending Jan. 19. Matthew 11-15.

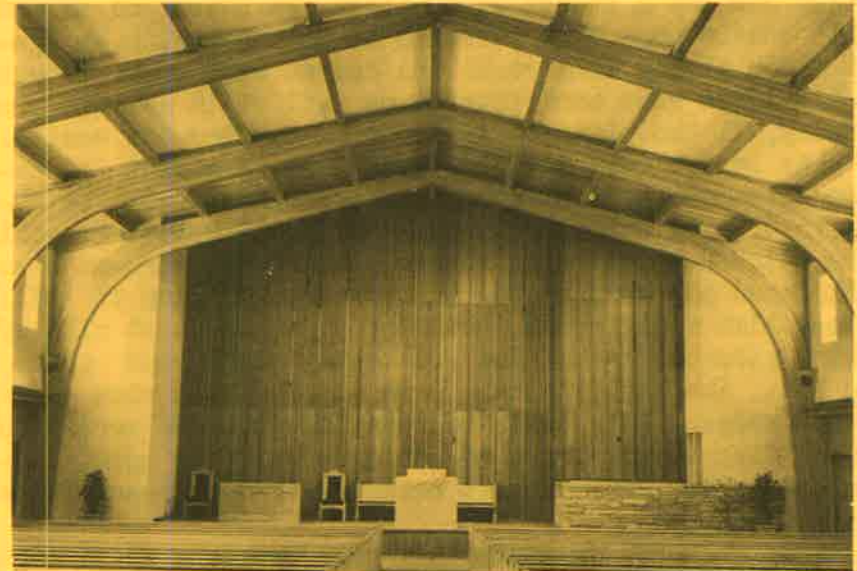
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MORE ABOUT 1961

We got off to just a "fair" start last Lord's Day. Due to much illness and some out of town on business and visits we were low in Bible School. The contribution was up to the budget. Brother Hardin did a good job explaining the budget and exhorting each of us to have a part in the work being done. He complimented the giving of 1961, and justly so I believe. He said they had set a budget well within the reach of us and had confidence that it would be met. Regular or systematic giving will reach the budget each week. If you will leave your contribution, or mail it in as some are doing, all the plans of 1962 can be carried out easily.

The Educational Building facing Erwin street is being cleaned (sand blasted) and all windows will be repaired. The exterior woodwork of both buildings will be painted in the near future. When the workmen have finished the work on the Educational Building it will look like a different building. It had lost all of it's attractiveness due to dirt, stain and pealed paint. The building has been hidden from view by a tall hedge. This is to be remedied too. We were told that five to six thousand dollars will be spent restoring the Erwin Street building to more usefulness and beauty.

When a church or individual owns property it is more economical in the long run to keep it in a good state of repair. Those who are charged with this responsibility here are to be commended for the good work they are doing. I heartily endorse this type of work. But being a preacher, I think more about souls than I do material buildings. I believe we should accelerate our efforts to save the lost. There are many many "fallen" Christians in our midst and we may not be making the efforts the Lord expects of us to save them. Our concern for them may not be as great as it should be. Then there are so many who have never become Christians that need to be visited and taught. Would it not be a good idea for each faithful family of this church to concentrate on one or two and do our best to lead them to Christ this year? Just think what it would mean if each family won only one to Christ this year. 150 or

more souls would be saved here this year. How about arranging a Bible class in your home or in the home of a friend? If you cannot do that, how about "wearing a good disposition" and speaking a good word for Christ and his church every day and every where? Unchrist-like dispositions and critics have driven many away from "The Way." Let us prove our love for the Lord this year as we have never done before. D.B.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Fritt McCulloch
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Sylvia Lee
to

Mr. Clifford Leon Caskey
on Saturday, the twentieth of January
nineteen hundred and sixty-two
at eight o'clock in the evening
Ferguson Road Church of Christ
Dallas, Texas
and afterwards at the reception

SERVING DURING JANUARY:

Those who have been selected to wait on the Lord's table and to serve the congregation during this month at the morning service are Brethren:

James Phillips	K. Max Haws
J. D. Brem	Tom Myrick
Harley Vaughn	Doug Terrell
Bruce Raley	Gerald Montgomery
Pete Nichols	Fred Powell

TO MEMBERS OF THE WEST ERWIN CONGREGATION:

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the members who sent the greatly appreciated cards and letters over the recent holiday season.

I shall be looking forward to enjoying fellowship with each and every one of you upon my return in Sept.

It is indeed comforting to know that Christians can enjoy the fellowship of their home congregation even when they are in an isolated area of the globe, such as I am.

Your brother in Christ,
PFC James L. Trentham

ANOTHER CATHOLIC "HEAD" IN OUR GOVERNMENT

The placement of strong Catholics in strategic places of power in our government has been pointed out in other articles in the Watchman. Here is another one to add to the list. Mr. Kennedy, president of our country, appointed John Alex McCone to be the director of the United States Central Intelligence Agency. This was done on the final day of the last session of congress. Mr. McCone is a devout Roman Catholic; he is a "Papal Knight," being named a Knight of St. Gregory in 1955. He was awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sylvester in 1956.

Here we have a Roman Catholic directing and supervising the activities of the nation's foreign intelligence. This agency receives two or three times as much money as does the State Department, and it makes no accounting at all for the expenditures. Our congress does not know how much it spends, or for what.

A Roman Catholic is now the head of the executive department; of the judicial department; of both legislative branches of our government; of the Peace Corps; and of the Central Intelligence Agency. And Mr. Kennedy, a devout Roman Catholic, has been in office less than a year. What will it be at the end of his four-year term?

Do you still think that it doesn't make any difference if a Catholic is elected president? Do you still say, "It can't happen here?"

-Foster L. Ramsey

Editors Note:

Every high place of our government is now headed by a Catholic. Our President has not put the welfare of our nation first, he has subtly placed men of his faith first. However, this would have been done no doubt, if he had been Republican. His political affiliation has had nothing to do with it. It is his Catholicism.

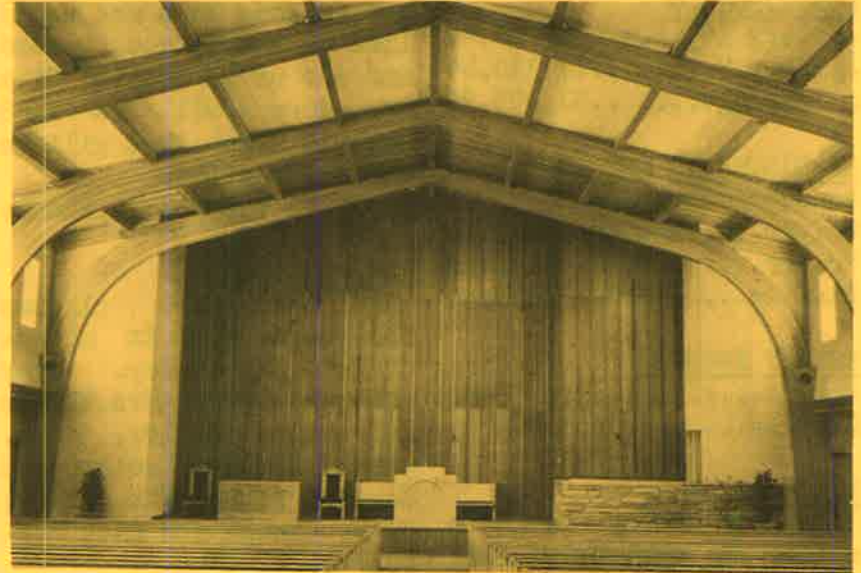
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January 18, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

January 14.....447
January 7.....440
A Year Ago.....458

CONTRIBUTION

January 14.....\$1,020.42
January 7.....\$1,110.44
A Year Ago.....\$1,095.36

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Prayer.....T. F. Holland
Dismiss.....Henry Holland

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Ben Young
Dismiss.....John Mackey

SICK:

Brother Harley Vaughn's mother is seriously ill. She was to have surgery in Clarksville Friday. Her home is in Bogota, Texas.

Brother Green is in Medical Center Hospital.

Brother Sam Bailey's father had surgery Tuesday in Texarkana. He is getting along well.

CARDS OF THANKS:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of you for making my stay at the hospital so enjoyable. May God richly bless you

and keep you always in our prayer.

Mrs. Ellis Davis

We would like to express our appreciation for all kindnesses shown us during our association with West Erwin. We will miss all our friends here and would like to invite you to come and see us in Bossier City. Our address will be 2508 Waverly Drive. You will be welcome anytime.

The Robert Stokes

100% CLASSES:

We had three classes that were 100% in attendance last Sunday. They were 2nd. grade; Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler. 6th. grade; Kathryn Cauthen and Barbara Payne. 8th. grade; C. R. Clough and Dick Ferguson.

HOME BIBLE READING:

Suggested scripture for week ending January 26th. Matthew Chapter 16-20.

PICKED UP HERE AND THERE

There are two ways to get to the top of an oak tree---you can climb the tree or you can sit on an acorn.

Before you tell your troubles to your neighbor, ask yourself if you would like to listen to his.

Mrs. George Edward Norsworthy request the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter

Barbara Sue

to

Mr. Glen Milton Warner

Saturday, the twenty-seventh of January
nineteen hundred and sixty-two
at eight o'clock in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Reception
following the ceremony
Texas Room
Blackstone Hotel

A GOOD DAY:

I believe the attendance and contribution are worthy of commendation in view of the rainy weather and so much illness. We fell \$80.00 below our budget, but if the absentees make theirs up we will have \$1180.00 this Lord's Day. \$50.00 of the contribution this week was sent in by absentees. Do you love the Lord and his Church that much?

When our four or five families, or more get over the Chicken-pox I believe our attendance will be near or over the 500 mark.

Voltaire said: "I hate life, and yet I hate to die!" Paul said: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

DO YOU JUST BELONG?

Are you a member, the kind that would be missed?

Or, are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you ever go to visit the sick, or do you leave the work to just a few, and talk about the Clique?

There is quite a program planned, that I'm sure you've heard about, and we'll appreciate it if you too, come and help us out.

So come to the meetings often and help with hand and heart. Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

Think this over members, you know right from wrong. Are you an ACTIVE member, or do you just belong.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE REST OF IT?

Recently a piece of mail came to my office with the following words. Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. They that believe shall be Saved, but they that believe not shall be dammed."

I have reproduced the quotation exactly as it appeared. I have capitalized and underscored the words as they appeared. Now for the benefit of all I want to write what Jesus did say in Mark 16:15-16 from which the above was suppose to be quoted. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be dammed."

Do you see any difference in the two quotations? I am sure you do. But why would anyone want to leave out a part of what Jesus told the Apostles to preach? What could one hope to gain by leaving out a part of such an important message? Could it be that the person who wrote the first quotation does not believe what Jesus said? Jesus did not say, "They that believe shall be saved," but what he did say was "He that BELIEVETH and is BAPTIZED shall be saved..." The scriptures do not teach that "they that believe (only) shall be saved." If baptism had been no part of salvation to the lost Jesus would not have said it was. I believe what Jesus said and I hope all of the readers of this do too.

Of course, if a person wants to ignore what Jesus taught he may do so now, but must suffer the consequences later. And if one desires to follow what a man says rather than what Jesus has actually taught he may do so now, but at the judgement he will be judged by what Jesus has said. My prayer is that all men everywhere turn to the Lord and his words while they can.

I do not want to leave the impression upon any that I believe that just because one does believe and is baptized that he will be saved in heaven without following Jesus in all that he taught. Believing and being baptized is only the beginning of Christianity. One must worship acceptably, live godly, serve humbly every day and every hour.

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January 25, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

January 21.....412
January 14.....447
A Year Ago.....412

CONTRIBUTION

January 21.....\$ 936.80
January 14.....\$1,020.42
A Year Ago.....\$1,095.36

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Dean Brookshire
Dismiss.....Jamon Kirby

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
Dismiss..... J. D. Brem

SYMPATHY

A brother of Sister Lil lie Shoemaker passed away in Houston last Friday and was buried Monday afternoon. Sister Shoemaker was not able to go because of ill health. She has another brother ill in the hospital in Galveston.

BEST WISHES

Are extended to Cliff Caskey and Sylvia McCulloch who were married last Saturday evening in Dallas. They will make their home in Nacogdoches where both will be in school. We wish

for them happiness and success.

SICK

Dr. Roger Knight is in the hospital in San Antonio. He was to have surgery Wednesday morning.

Pete Nichols will have surgery Friday morning. He is in Medical Center.

Mrs. Henry McRuiz's father is seriously ill in Hughes Springs.

Sam Bailey's father is still in the hospital in Texarkana.

Brother Green is home now.

Harley Vaughn's mother is doing well in the hospital in Clarksville.

Several in the congregation have, or are recovering from the flu. Those we know about are: Tommy Parsons, Cherie Holland, Sister Russell O'Bannon, Brother Mathis, Sister Willie Shuford, Brother and Sister Berry, and Brother Harley Vaughn.

In addition to these, a large number of our children are ill.

...It is the part of wisdom to keep the mind so full of good thoughts that there is no place for bad ones...

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God caused the Prophet Isaiah to write, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isa. 55:8-9. Friends you had better change to the Lord's way while you can.

D.B.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to a change in postal regulations the bulletin CANNOT be forwarded, not even next door or across the street. Heretofore when someone moved the Carrier would forward it in the city, but he CANNOT do this any longer. Many bulletins are being returned to us and each one costs us EIGHT CENTS. From this week forward when bulletins are returned we will remove those names from our mailing list. We regret to do this but are forced to do it on account of the cost. IF YOU WANT THE BULLETIN TO COME TO YOUR HOME, PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED WHEN YOUR MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES.

Pantry: Canned Fruit

BAD WEATHER AND SICKNESS

Have plagued us each Lord's Day this year but we are not discouraged. Our records look bad but we believe that once the weather clears up and all recover from their illness things will look better. We are thankful to those who have been so faithful to come when they could and have given as they have been prospered. We are falling short of all goals but we hope that each one is doing the best he can. Since we have no control over the weather let us be as faithful to attend, visit, study, pray and serve as we possibly can. Bad weather depresses some but if they will busy themselves in the Lord's work things will be much better.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending February 2nd. Matthew Chapters 21-25.

DARE TO DO

Dare to do right, Dare to be true;
You have a work no other can do.
Do it so kindly, so bravely, so well,
That angels will hasten the story to tell.

IT IS UP TO US

As was stated last Lord's Day by one of our elders, "one twelveth of 1962 has gone." It hardly seems possible that it has passed so swiftly. But time waits for no man. Time is equally distributed among all of us. No one of us has more of it than the other. Some of us are using it more wisely than others. I am afraid some of us did not use our time, talents and money as wisely as we should have during January. We reached our budget only one time during the month. Yet few, if any, cut down on trips, luxuries and other things we ordinarily enjoy. There were three week-ends of cold and rainy weather and some just did not attend and consequently they did not give. Their prosperity continued but their giving did not. The Bible School attendance suffered a great deal too. It suffered some because of illness, but we did not have that much illness. As to what we do in 1962 is left squarely up to us. Our friends and neighbors are not going to meet the budget and teach and study the Bible here at West Erwin. That is our responsibility. Yes, one twelveth of the year has gone and some who were able did not attend one Bible Class, only one or two worship services (some none), some have given one or two dollars and some maybe not that much, but their prosperity has been good. Can each of us look back over the first month of a New Year with pride and say I have done my best? Did each of us avail ourselves of the opportunities to study, pray and have fellowship with the brethren in the Lord's work? One twelveth of the year has gone never to be recalled and the other eleven twelveths will be gone before we realize it. We do not have a moment to lose. Eternity is too close for us to be neglecting the most important thing of all, The Lord's Cause. What concerns me most of all is that the Lord gives to us and blesses us with opportunities and the rest of it is UP TO US.

D.B.

YOUNG PEOPLE

There will be an area wide young people's meeting, Sunday, February 4th. in Palestine at the Queen and Debard Church of Christ. The meeting begins at 2:00 P.M.

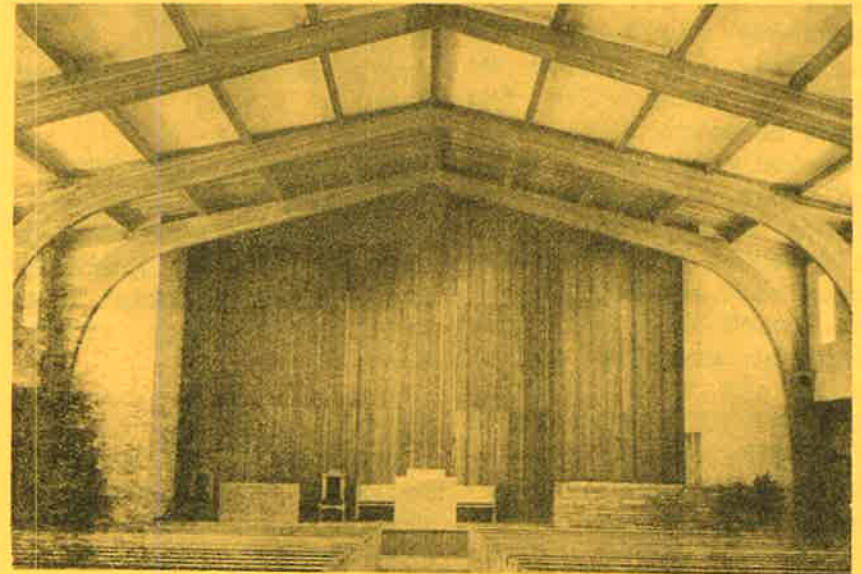
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THE EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

Who would have thought that our Educational Building would look so nice? It has been cleaned, water-proofed and the concrete work dyed. When the faulty window cases have been replaced, and all the faulty window glass has been replaced, and glazed we will be ready for two coats of paint on all the exterior woodwork of both buildings. We have heard a good many nice things said about the improvements that are being made. The Church here owns some valuable property and it should be kept looking nice and in a good state of repair at all times. Your co-operation in helping to keep things looking nice is deeply appreciated. West Erwin is a busy street and our building is viewed by many people, both within and without of the city. An unattractive building does not leave a very good impression. Much work and repairs remain to be done, but we will see it done as the weather and our bank account permits.

100% CLASS

The second grade class taught by Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier.

LUNCHEON

The monthly luncheon for preachers, their wives, elders and their wives, and other interested Christians in the East Texas area will be in Henderson February 5. Meet at 11:00 A.M. at the Church building, 402 S. Main St. or at Jay's Restuarant (Cooper Room) at 12:00.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

The area-wide Young people's meeting will meet in Longview at the Mobberly Ave. Church of Christ from 2:30 - 3:30 Sunday afternoon.

OMEN ROAD MEETING

Brother J. Early Arceneaux of New London will preach in a meeting at Omen Road for two weeks beginning next Monday evening. He will preach Feb. 5-9 and the 12-16, at 7:30 P.M.

Brother Arceneaux is a man of rare ability and all who can should attend. Few preachers among us know the Book as he does. His preaching is patterned after the kind that brought the Church into existence in this country. His type of preaching is needed in meetings today. Go and hear him.

THE RECORD-FEB. 1, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

January 28.....442
January 21.....412
A Year Ago.....418

CONTRIBUTION

January 28.....\$1,033.73
January 21..... 936.80
A Year Ago.....953.86

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and Prayer.....James Massey
Prayer.....C. E. Caskey
Dismiss.....Jamon Kirby
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....James Phillips
Dismiss....Harold Browning

OUR SYMPATHY

Is extended to Don and Wanda Weathers whose grandmother passed away in Mississippi last week.

The father of Mrs. Helen Atkinson passed away in Lufkin. Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kay and Benton Hardin have a new son born last Tuesday. They have named him Christopher Benton.

THE SICK

Dr. Mitchell has not been feeling well of late and has been confined a part of the time to his home.

Sister Velma Lemmons had surgery last Saturday. She is doing fine and expects to go home by the time you read this.

Brother Pete Nichols, who had surgery last week has postponed his second operation and is home getting along fine.

Jimmy Walker, son of Brother and Sister B. E. Walker, is in Brooke Medical Hospital in San Antonio. He was stationed overseas and was stricken with illness and had to be brought to the States for treatment.

The father of Sister Laverne Keith is in Mother Frances after suffering a heart attack.

Brother Roy Driggers is ill in his home.

Let us remember to pray for the sick as well as do what we can for them.

THANK YOU

We want to thank each member of the Chorus for their beautiful contribution to Mike and Barbara's wedding. We know it took much time and hard work. Thank you for a job well done.

The Glen Warner Family

HOME BIBLE READING

Scripture for week ending Feb. 9th. Matt. Chaps. 26-28 and Mark 1 and 2

FINANCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 1962

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1962		\$3,800.56
Deposits during Jan. 1962		<u>4,129.64</u>
Available for Expenditure		\$7,930.20
Expenditures:		
<u>Loan Payments:</u>		
1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	150.00	
F. M. Mathis (Interest)	100.00	\$1,136.75
<u>Benevolent & Mission:</u>		
Jerry Hill Support	\$575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
Radio Program	106.00	
N. Teneha Church	60.00	
Christmas Baskets	151.67	
Advertising	250.00	
Other	8.27	\$1,450.94
<u>Materials, Supplies, Etc.</u>		
Utilities	\$131.15	
Bible School Supplies	191.66	
Postage	58.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Welcomap	3.00	
Office Supplies	26.65	
Telephone	71.29	
Flowers	6.43	
Bldg. and Ground Up-keep	154.20	
Miscellaneous	29.45	\$731.83
<u>Salaries</u>		
With-holding Tax (4th. Qtr.)	\$950.40	310.40
Total Expenditures for Jan. 1962		<u>\$4,580.32</u>
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1962		3,349.88
Total funds accounted for		<u>\$7,930.20</u>

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February 4.....420
January 28.....442
A Year Ago.....420

CONTRIBUTION

February 4.....\$1,119.91
January 28.....1,033.73
A Year Ago.....1,002.89

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Prayer.....Oscar Becker
Dismiss....Kenneth Bennett
SUNDAY EVENING
Prayer.....Doug Warner
Dismiss.Herbert Brookshire

WELCOME

To Brother and Sister Tom Moses, 2401 Sampson, who placed membership with us last Lord's Day. They have recently moved here from Dallas where they attended the Trinity Heights Church. Brother Moses is the manager of the Goodrich store here.

SICK

Sister Myrtle Tucker is ill at home, and would enjoy having company.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a general teachers meeting next Tuesday evening, February 13 at 7:30. We would like to have every elder, deacon,

teacher and co-teacher present.Regardless of when or what class you teach, you are expected at this meeting.

THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!

To the thoughtful ones who either made up or sent in their contributions to the Work this last Lord's Day. We were down in numbers but we did reach the budget. Let us be thoughtful each week and have our contributions ready to go to work for the Lord upon the First Day of the week. A good program of work depends on each member here. Without "Fellowship" there would be no Church.

RADIO PROGRAM

Since we discontinued our radio program, I have been asked to publish any gospel programs that can be heard in our area. A good program that comes in well here is on KRLD Dallas, 7:05-7:30 each Lord's Day morning. Brother John Banister is the preacher. If I learn of others I will publish them too.D.B.

100% CLASSES

Sixth grade, taught by Louise Caskey and Judy Holland. Seventh grade class taught by Willie Freeman and James McSwain.

TOO MUCH MONKEYING AROUND

Our local newspaper carried an article last Friday that stated our government had appropriated more than one million dollars for research to try to learn why a mother monkey loved her baby. To me, it would be more interesting to learn why some human beings act like or worse than monkeys. Some monkeys,according to their ability, show better behaviour toward their Creator than some human beings. I already know why a mother monkey loves her baby. THE LORD CREATED HER TO LOVE IT, but he did not create man to act like a monkey. Before men start trying to find out why a mother loves her baby they should search their own hearts to see if they love God, their children and their neighbors as they should. It might be quite interesting to let the monkeys do some research work and try to determine why so many human hearts are so far from God. Friends, religion is no monkey-business. A lot of people in and out of the Church have made it so, all to the hurt of pure and undefiled religion. I am deeply convinced that the monkeys

are doing a better job in their created shpere than human beings. What do you think? Before I try to find out what is in a monkey's heart I should search my own heart. Am I living as faithfully and obediently to the Lord as I should? D.B.

SERVING THIS MONTH

The men selected to wait on the Lord's table and to serve the congregation this month are as follows: South side: L. L. Gann, John Arrington, Clarence Strait, Bill Tigert, and Jack Bennett. North side: I.M. Howell, Ed. Naul,Aubrey Payne, Darrell Holt, and Russell O'Bannon.

ANOTHER OVERSIGHT

Through an oversight last week we failed to extend our "public" congratulations and best wishes to Mike Warner and Barbara Norsworthy who were married January 27. We wish for them all the happiness this world can give. They are living in Abilene where Mike is a student at A.C.C.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending February 16th. Mark: 3-7.

Someone has said, "It is better to wake up five hundred Christians than to convert five hundred sinners; for if five hundred Christians really wake up, they will win more than five hundred sinners."

All of us must agree that this statement has merit. The greatest problem the Church faces is not that of winning others to the Kingdom, but that of arousing those who are already members to a feeling of their responsibility. Surely, an enthusiastic Christian could win at least one other for Christ each year. If that were being done, the membership of the Church would double each year.

Yes, we need to wake up. Too many of us are playing with Christianity. We are not taking it seriously.

Eastland Street Bulletin

Three thousand for my convertible
Five thousand for a piece of sod
Ten thousand I paid to be in a house
A dollar I gave to God.

A sum to entertain
My friends in endless chatter
And when the world goes crazy mad,
I ask: "Lord, what's the matter?"

Yet there is one big question...
And for its answer I now search
With things so bad in this old world
What's holding back the church?

Selected

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture reading for week ending February 23rd. Mark: chapters 8 through 12.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THROUGH IN "62"

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SYMPATHY

The brother of Sister Eula Drennan, Mr. Joe Horn, passed away Wednesday. The funeral will be Friday in Sulpher Springs.

THANK YOU NOTES

The family of W.L. Bruce acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

We want to express our thanks to all the good people who visited me during my stay in the hospital, also for the wonderful Christmas gifts. May God bless each and every one.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Green

We wish to express our appreciation to every one for their prayers and visits during the loss of our brother.

Mrs. Lillie Shoemaker
L. A. Gilley family

TEACHERS MEETING

The teachers meeting has been scheduled again for Tuesday evening February 20. Teachers, co-teachers and all those interested are urged to attend.

OF INTEREST TO SHUT-INS

The Herald of Truth may be heard Sunday evening from 8:30-9:00 over radio station KTBB.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Jimmy Strait who has earned his B. A. degree in Bible from ACC.

FOUR FUTURE TEACHERS

Four of our future teachers; John Lane, Jensie McDonald, Debbie Young and James Beard presented Bible Stories of their own choosing and worked up the material to go with them. They also repeated the poem "God Shows In Your Face." This fine display of talent was presented for Mrs. Thrash and her sister Mrs. Mills at the Sunset home last Sunday afternoon. These children are all 5th. grade students.

MEETING

Virgil Trout, minister for the Sunset congregation in Lubbock, will speak at the Houston & Broadway church building on February 20-21-22. Everyone is invited to hear this inspiring young man speak.

100% CLASSES

Beginners; taught by Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Hulsey.
Two Year Old Class; taught by Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Strait.

Second Grade; taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler

SAVED BY SAVING

A man was walking over the mountains through a terrible snowstorm. He gradually grew colder until at last, he stumbled and fell. He said to himself, "I shall never be found. This is the end."

He thought he was too weak to rise, but as he fell, his hand fell across the body of another man who had fallen in the same snowdrift. This poor man was now unconscious and very near death's door. The man who had just fallen, exhausted and cold as he was, said to himself, "I can't let him die like this," and as he bent over the prostrate form of the first traveler, he began to briskly rub his face and his hands. By and by the man's eyes opened. Then they helped each other to a place of safety. He had saved another's life - but he had also saved himself. Just so, we save our souls by saving others.

From Firm Foundation

BOLES HOME CHORUS

The chorus from Boles Home will be here to sing for us Wednesday night, February 28.

BIBLE CLASS

February 11.....449
February 4.....420
A Year Ago.....447

CONTRIBUTION

February 11.....\$1,082.63
February 4.....1,119.91
A Year Ago.....1,153.49

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and

Prayer.....Sam Bailey
Prayer.....M. B. Beard
Dismiss.....Tommy Lowrance

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Dick Roberts
Dismiss.....Charles Payne

RESPONSES

By Baptism: Mr. Leon Taylor, 202 North Clayton; Mrs. Ora Logan, 2112 South Sneed.

Membership: Mrs. Philip Sigrist (Betty), 3014 West Pine. Betty is a former member of this congregation. She has been living in Florida.

Mrs. Wilma Greene, 221 S. Fannin. She comes to us from Shreveport La. where she attended the Lake Shrore Dr. congregation.

SICK

Brother Brookshire has been ill at home with the flu since Sunday.

Sister Edgar Bullard had surgery in Shreveport Wednesday. She will be home Friday.

THE RECORD
February 22, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

February 18.....455
February 11.....449
A Year Ago.....461

CONTRIBUTION

February 18.....\$1,091.42
February 11.....\$1,082.63
A Year Ago.....\$1,106.56

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Prayer.....K. Max Haws
Dismiss.....Edgar Bullard

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Dick Roberts
Dismiss.....Charles Graf

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our appreciation to everyone for the flowers and acts of kindness during our recent sorrow.

Mrs. Eula Drennan & family

BEL CANTO SINGERS

Don't forget next Wednesday evening, February the 28th., is the date for the visit of the Bel Canto Singers from Boles Home. The chorus is composed of twenty four young Christian people.

Pantry: Canned vegetables

CONVERSION

A Hindu woman was converted to Christianity by hearing the gospel. She suffered much persecution from her husband. One day another Christian asked her, "When your husband is angry and treats you bad, what do you do?" She replied, "I cook his food better; I try to sweep the floors cleaner; I speak mildly, love him tenderly, and show him that when I became a Christian, I became a better wife and a better mother for his children."

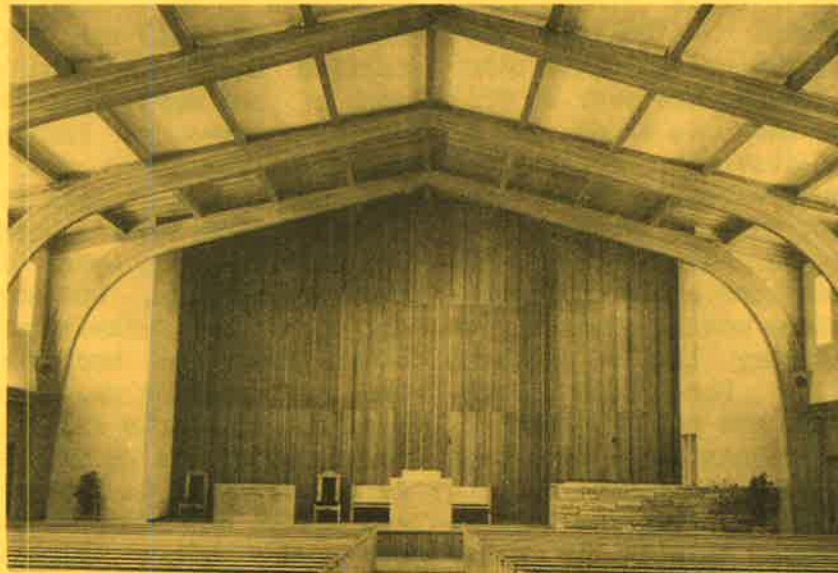
The husband could withstand the preaching of others, but he could not withstand the Christian life of his wife. He soon became a Christian with her. Peter had said long ago, "Wives be in subjection to your own husbands; that, even if any obey not the word, they may without the word (a word from you) be gained by the behavior of their wives." 1 Peter 3:1.

"The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear. Fine counsel is confusing, but examples are always clear."

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THINGS ARE LOOKING UP:

Our records are looking a little better. When one considers the enormous amount of illness among us the records are exceptionally good. As usual some few quit and others move and in their places comes others. We believe when the flu epidemic, and other illnesses are over we will be back to about 500 if not above it. Our records now are really better than they were in November when we averaged more than 500 each Lord's Day during the entire month, because we had very little sickness then. Our growth and labors are not phenomenal, but consistent. I have been able to see a good spiritual growth and as long as we grow spiritually other good works will follow. We are not perfect and we still have some problems, for which I am glad, because problems when used right make us stronger. I believe the problems that now confront us will be overcome by the grace of God. When these are overcome there will be others waiting for us but they can be overcome too. Spiritual minded Christians do not allow their problems to destroy them, they de-

stroy the problems through a more faithful service to God. Jesus is more powerful than Satan. When we put our trust in Christ and follow Him, Satan cannot overpower us. When we look to God through Christ we always go up. When we take things into our own selfish hands and think more of our ways than we do God's ways we invite problems and there would have been none at all if we had followed God's ways. Not only are the eyes of the Lord upon us, but our children, our friends and other Christians here and away are watching us. Many hundreds of hearts will be disappointed in us if we do not continue to look up and travel on toward bigger and better things. Things are looking up, because we are looking to the Lord. D.B.

FAILURES:

I have just finished the article above on "Things Are Looking Up." Now I want to write a few things about "Failures." Why do so many people fail as Christians? Why do so many congregations remain the same size or "just hold their own?" Actually neither a Christian nor a con-

gregation "holds their own" because it is impossible. Congregations as a whole and Christians as individuals fail without a well balanced teaching and activity program. A congregation will die that hears only sermons on what we call first principles, and carries on no more activity than just worship services. A congregation will die that hears only sermons on a few moral issues, and have their hearts touched by a few benevolent cases. The doctrine of Christ opposes all denominational errors regardless of where they may be found. From his doctrine sinners learn what to do to be saved from past sins. The doctrine of Christ is a teaching whereby we learn how to be holy, how to "do good to all men, especially unto them of the household of faith." The doctrine of Christ is not just a teaching that either makes one opposed to something or for something. His doctrine when followed makes one for all acts of righteousness and opposed to all acts of unrighteousness. Congregations and Christians fail when they begin to mix righteousness and unrighteousness according

to their own tastes. In all matters the Word of God is our guide (2 Tim.-3:16-17). No person accidentally succeeds in Christianity. Spiritual success comes only to those who have respect unto the Word of God. This necessitates a knowledge of the Word and a heart that will yield to it. Preachers, elders and others are not Spiritual successes simply because they have been able to have their own ways. Jesus did not say "ye are my disciple because you have been able to put over something" or "get by with something", but what he did say was, "Ye are my disciple if ye continue in my Word." Christians may get by with many things now that will not bring to them eternal success. I hate the words I HAVE FAILED. I want to be successful now in the Lord's work and if I am I know I will have an eternity to rejoice because I have been D.B.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for week ending March 2. Mark Chapters 13,14,15,16, and Luke chapter 1.

THE RIGHT PLACE TO START

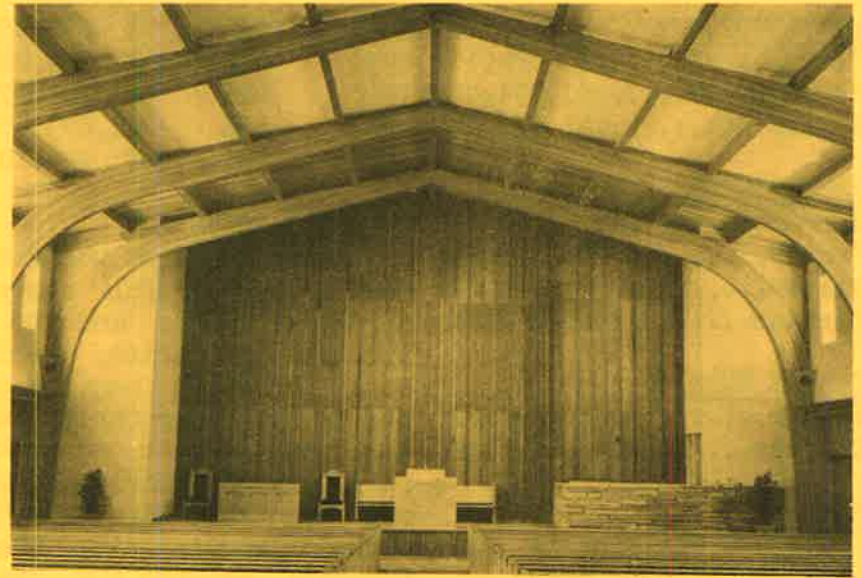
Practically every church member has his own idea of improvements that need to be made in the church. Many of the ideas proposed are good and need to be made. Some of the ideas are; that we need to do a better job of worshipping through singing, or that we need to do a more effective job of teaching or maybe we need to give more. Others say we need to do more work at home or away from home. Still others say we need more dedicated elders and deacons. While the only improvement some see that needs to be made may be in the preaching. They would like to hear sermons that do not condemn sin in their lives. I grant that we do need improving in every way stated thus far. There will be room for improvement now and there will be room for improvement next year and on and on. But when one begins to look for improvement he usually starts at the wrong place. He starts with "others" and talks about how "they" need to do better. Seldom, if ever, does one say "I" need to do better. One seldom says the singing would be better if I sang better, or the contribution would be better if I gave more, or that we would reach more lost souls here and away if I did more. Did you ever hear anyone say the elders, deacons, preacher and Bible class teachers would do better if I encouraged them and helped them more? A chronic critic of others destroys himself.

Improvement does not start with the other person, it starts at home with self. The idea of "I will give if you will" or "I will sing if you sing" or "I will attend class if you will" is childish and displays immaturity. We are not taught to do our duty simply because someone else does, or fail to do it because someone else does. We should do our duty because we love the Lord. Just as long as a Christian looks at others with a critical eye and himself with a charitable eye he will never grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Such person will remain a dwarfed babe, called by some a spiritual pigmy, and die unfit for the eternal

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THE RECORD

March 1, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

February 25.....431
February 18.....455
A Year Ago.....462

CONTRIBUTION

February 25.....\$ 984.10
February 18.....\$1,091.42
A Year Ago.....\$1,075.04

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....C. B. Hardin
Prayer.....Tom Moses
Dismiss.....Fred Strait

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Jack Beard
Dismiss....Ronnie Lowrance

SICK

Reagan Phillips is ill at home with the mumps.
Ralph Lowrance has been in Medical Center hospital for a checkup.
Parbara Holland is in Medical Center for tests.
Percy Tate is in Medical Center Hospital.

BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a business meeting Tuesday evening, March 6, at 7:30 P.M. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

FIVE YEAR RECORDS

We thought you might be interested in seeing the records of Bible Study and the contribution on this date for the last five years.

Year	Bible Class	Contri- bution
1958	326	\$ 698.93
1959	416	\$ 799.00
1960	426	\$1,141.27
1961	462	\$1,075.47
1962	431	\$ 984.10

CHRISTLIKENESS

A young Buddhist who had made a very careful study of Christianity, and particularly of Christ, said to a Christian regarding his study. "Your Christ is wonderful, oh, so wonderful; but you Christians, you are not like him." Without knowing it, the Buddhist pointed out the greatest need of present-day Christianity - more of Christlikeness in those who bear his name.

20th. Century Christian
You may not be able to preach like the apostles nor sing like the angels, but you can live like your Lord.

Our Christianity is one of the few things which improves with use.

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Kingdom of Christ. We will not be judged according to how well we have been able to pick out faults in others or how critical we have been of others. There is no such thing as genuine Christianity without a spirit of progress. But the progress emanates from one's heart in behalf of himself. When this takes place in due time his life will touch others and bless them too. I remember reading about a man who lived in Galilee who said, "He that is without sin let him cast the first stone." If we must throw stones we should first throw them at ourselves.

D.B.

AN IMPORTANT DATE

An important date to remember this year is our Summer Meeting with Brother Gieger, August 19th.-24th. We want to advertise this meeting as extensively or more so than any we have ever had. It is not too early to start praying for the meeting.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending March 9th. Luke Chapters 2 through 6.

Pantry: Canned Fruit

YOUNG PEOPLE TO KILGORE

The area wide young people's meeting will be held March 4, 1962 at the Houston and Broadway Church of Christ from 2:30 to 3:30.

A STRONG HINT

When you read the record of our contribution last Sunday, you expected me to say something about it. I thought I would just wait and see if every one who failed to give made theirs up. I am confident that nothing will have to be said about it. D.B.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Howard Keys who are the happy parents of another son born last Friday. Sister Lillie Knight is the Grandmother.

SYMPATHY

Sister McElroy, the mother of Sister F. M. Mathis passed away last Monday. Funeral services were conducted for her Tuesday afternoon in Troup.

100% CLASSES

Last Sunday we had two classes with 100% in attendance. The second grade taught by Zeffie Beard and Mary Grier. The eighth grade taught by C.R. Clough and Dick Ferguson.

FINANCIAL REPORT
February 1962

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1962	\$3,349.38
Deposits during Feb. (Contribution)	4,293.06
(check for freeze damage)	263.28
Available for Expenditures	\$7,905.72

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$100.00	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
Trest Property	150.00	
lst. Fed. Sav. & Loan	711.75	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill	575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Tenneha Church	60.00	
Advertising	32.50	\$ 967.50

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	136.30	
Postage	30.00	
Bible School Supplies	22.00	
Office Supplies	66.15	
Insurance	60.00	
Welcomap	3.00	
Bldg. Maint.	1,635.61	\$1,953.06

Salaries:

947.65

Total Expenditures for Feb. 1962 \$4,904.96

Cash on hand Feb. 28, 1962 3,000.76

Total funds accounted for \$7,905.72

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BIBLE CLASS

March 4.....435
February 25.....431
A Year Ago.....471

CONTRIBUTION

March 4.....\$1,037.37
February 25..... 984.10
A Year Ago..... 1,104.96

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements

and Prayer..Rob Threadgill
Prayer.....Oscar Becker
Dismiss.....Glen Warner

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Clifton Laird
Dismiss..Dudley Brookshire

RESPONSES

Baptism: Phillip Browning,
609 Maxwell Dr.

Ray Wright, 502 S.Spring

SICK

Barbara Holland has had
surgery in Medical center.

Sister Ettie Carruthers
had surgery Thursday in
Mother Frances.

Percy Tate is still in
Medical Center.

Brother Luther Thompson
has not been well.

Mike Mackey had a ton-
sillectomy Wednesday.

The Tom Moses family,flu

Ross Mitchell, measles

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the flow-
ers,kind deeds and prayers
during our hours of be-
reavement.

Sis. F. M. Mathis & Family

AN EXPLANATION

In the financial state-
ment there is a balance of
\$3,000.00, but checks of
about \$2,500.00 were writ-
ten the 4th. leaving a
balance of about \$500.00,
with still more work to be
done and more bills to be
paid.

There is still a lot of
work to be done by way of
improvements to class
rooms, etc. that will ne-
cessitate liberal and con-
sistent giving on the part
of each one. Be sure and
give as you are prospered
each week.

SYMPATHY

The Grandfather of Sis-
ter Jamon Kirby passed a-
way in Waco and the funer-
al was conducted in Marlin
last Sunday.

TO ARRANGE MEALS

Sister F. M. Mathis has
been appointed by the el-
ders to arrange meals in
the homes of the members
here when a death occurs.
Her telephone number is Ly
2-2815. Our thanks to Sis-
ter Lester Scogins who has
had charge of this work.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for
week ending March 16. Luke
Chapters 7 through 11.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The congregation is in-
vited to the wedding of
Miss.Judy Walker to Mr.Don
Forbes, Saturday March the
10th. at 8:00 in the even-
ing at the West Erwin
Church of Christ. And to
the reception following in
the Bible Chair building.

GLADEWATER MEETING

Bro. Flavil Yeakley, Sr.
will preach in a meeting
at Gladewater March 11-14.
Services 7:00A.M.-7:30P.M.

TO PLAINVIEW

Sister R.C.O'Bannon will
leave Sunday for Plainview
to teach in their teacher
training series next week.

RETURNED HOME

Brother Wayland Willis
has returned home from
Korea.

HIGH SCHOOL DAY

March the 24th. is High
School Day at A.C.C. Check
the bulletin board for
further details.

PERSONAL INVENTORY

The following is a very personal questionnaire.
Meditate upon each question. Ask and answer honestly.

1. Am I so critical that I see a person's weak points
quicker than I do the good ones?
2. Am I so sensitive that I make myself miserable by
taking, in a personal way, everything that is said?
3. When a discourtesy is shown me, do I brood over it
and determine to "get even?"
4. Can I control myself enough to keep my temper and
to watch my words?
5. Do I have a habit of always telling others what to
do?
6. Do I follow after the things which make for peace
or do my words constantly cause strife?
7. Do I ask God to forgive me and to help me over come
these shortcomings listed above?

-Original Source Unknown

CAN I AFFORD TO BE HONEST?

For several weeks I have been thinking about preaching a sermon on this subject. But for the present I will just write this short article. The Bible has a great deal to say about "Liars" and none of it is good. One of the sins to be put away by a Christian is that of lying. See Col. 3:10. In the Old Testament when they lived by less light than we have today lying was forbidden by the Lord. Consider the following Scriptures. Lev. 19:1, "Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another." Psa. 101:7, "He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight." Prov. 12:22, "Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord: but they that deal truly are his delight." Psa. 5:6, "Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing (lies): the Lord will abhor the bloody and deceitful man. Rev. 21:8, "The fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolators, AND ALL LIARS, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone..."

Truth is found in God, Christ and genuine Christians. There is no truth in the devil and when he speaks a lie he speaks of his own: for he is a liar and the father of it. See John 8:44. There is no semblance between Christ and a liar. No deceit nor guile was found in his mouth. Only God knows how many lies are in the hearts of his people today that were put there by tale-bearers and slanderers. Many are laboring under a false delusion because someone has lied and slandered. Many Christians have already died with those lies in their hearts and others are broken hearted and sad because their hearts are weighted down with falsehoods. There are many ways one may lie. But regardless of the way it may be done it is still lying and the consequences are the same. One may deliberately or willfully fashion a lie, because of envy, jealousy or greed. Or one may be a formentor of one simply for the "kick" he would get out of seeing others suffer.

One does not have to have good eyesight nor wear a hearing aid to see and hear the effects of lies among some who claim to be Christians. Many are anxious to repeat, either by mouth or print, (continued inside)

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BIBLE CLASS

March 11.....409
March 4.....435
A Year Ago.....461

CONTRIBUTION

March 11.....\$969.29
March 4.....\$1,037.37
A Year Ago.....\$1,053.35

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....M. M. Haws
Prayer.....Leonard Woltman
Dismiss.....John D. Brem

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Thomas Holland
Dismiss.....Tommy Keith

RESPONSES

Restored: Layton Bailey,
1712 Sybil Lane.

SICK

Kenny Ray has the mumps.
Sister Carruthers is in
Mother Frances.

Sister W. H. Turner is
in Medical Center.

Sister M. L. George had
surgery Wednesday in Med-
ical Center.

Sister Ann Layton had
ear surgery in Shreveport.

Bob Butler is in the
Glenwood Clinic.

Mrs. Buna Brem, mother of
John Brem is in Medical
and Surgical Clinic.

VISITING PREACHER

Brother Elmer L'Roy, who
preaches for the Lamar Ave.
Church in Paris will preach
here next Lord's Day. His
sermon subjects will be;
"Into All the World" and
"An Amazing Trust." We hope
the building will be filled
to hear these two lessons.

TO PARIS

Brother Brookshire will
preach in Paris Friday
evening through Lord's Day
evening on "Things of Last-
ing Value."

100% CLASSES

Last Sunday we had two
classes with 100% attend-
ance. Second grade class
with Zeffie Beard and Mary
Grier teaching, and the
seventh grade with Willie
Freeman and James McSwain
teaching. Also, not men-
tioned in the bulletin
last week for the previous
Sunday were the two year
old Children with Margaret
Montgomery and Betty Strait
and the ninth grade with
teachers, Don Weathers and
R. C. O'Bannon.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for
week ending March 23. Luke,
Chapters 12 through 16.

PANTRY: soup

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratu-
lations and best wishes to
Jimmie Strait and Lynda
Marie Pittman who were
married last Friday in
Beaumont and to Don Forbes
and Judy Walker who were
married here last Saturday
evening. Jimmie and Lynda
will live in Ratliff City,
Okla. where Jimmie will
preach. Don and Judy will
make their home in Edmon-
ton, Canada.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOLERS

If you are interested in
going to A.C.C. in a char-
tered bus March 24th, call
Brother Jim Welch, Ly2-0509.

ABSENTEES

Last Lord's Day accord-
ing to our records we had
119 adults absent and 64
children absent from Bible
Classes.

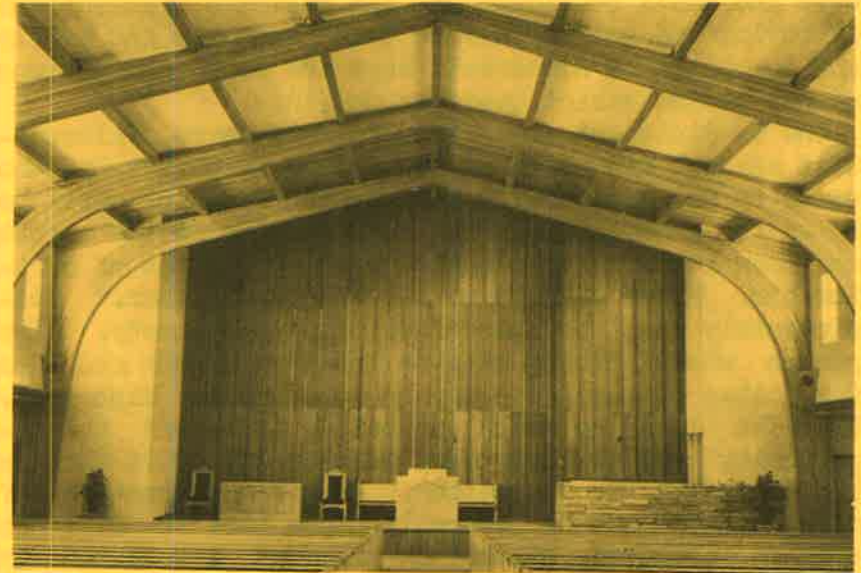
VISITORS

Signing as visitors with
us last Lord's Day were:
Mr. and Mrs. Donny Doster,
Dallas, Texas; Cynthia Mc-
Cravey, Portland, Texas;
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hubbanr,
Dallas, Texas; Mr. and Mrs.
W. D. Pace, Tyler, Texas;
Mrs. Lee Browning, Winona,
Texas; Mr. and Mrs. D. S.
Causey, Irving, Texas; and
Hilda Rozell, Tyler, Texas.

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anything they hear that
they think might further
their cause or destroy
someone they are envious
of. Some of our periodicals
almost went out of busi-
ness (and they should have)
because they wrote lies
and slander instead of
truth. Many things were
written that neither the
author or editor could
have proved and some did
not try to prove it. They
loved a lie more than the
truth. They had rather
wallow in a lie than to
bask in the truth, for the
same reason a hog had
rather wallow in the mire
than to stay clean. The
nature of a hog demands
mire. The natural inclin-
ation of the devil is to
wallow in lies and his
children do the same. "Like
father like son" you know.
Can a Christian afford
to be truthful all the
time? Will it pay? It may
not further his own inter-
est momentarily, but it
will further the Cause of
Christ. One cannot afford
to be untruthful because
the Church suffers when he
is not. Add to that the
loss of his own soul for-
ever and you will see why
one cannot afford not to
be honest. D.B.

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March 11.....409
A Year Ago.....453

CONTRIBUTION

March 18.....\$1,154.18
March 11.....\$ 969.29
A Year Ago.....\$1,059.33

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Roger Knight
Prayer.....E. V. Rushing
Dismiss....Kenneth Bennett

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer....Russell O'Bannon
Dismiss.....Ben Young

SICK

John Mitchell has the measles.

Sister Thrash is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Carruthers is in Mother Frances.

Sister Turner is in the Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Glen Warner is in Medical and Surgical Clinic.

Brother Bill Smith, formerly of this congregation had major surgery Wednesday morning. The Smiths now live in California.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending March 30th., suggested scripture Luke, Chaps. 17 through 21.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

There will be a meeting of Vacation Bible School Teachers next week. The evening and time will be announced Sunday. We want every person to come who will help in any way, either as a teacher or co-teacher.

TRUCK FROM GUNTER

The truck from the home in Gunter, Texas will be here April 3rd. to collect food and other items contributed for their use. The truck makes one trip here each year.

100% CLASSES

We had two classes with 100% in attendance last Sunday. The 5th. grade, taught by Ophelia Woltman and the 6th. grade taught by Kathryn Cauthen and Barbara Payne.

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE

The Sunday afternoon class will begin a new course of study this Sunday. Each pupil will have a book on: "Things Young People Should Know." Be sure and attend.

SINGING

The fourth Sunday Singing will be held at Whitehouse Sunday at 2:30 P. M.

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CAN I AFFORD TO BE HONEST?

In Luke 8 Jesus spoke the parable of the sower and He said that the seed that brought forth fruit with patience had fallen in GOOD and HONEST hearts. Are you an honest person? We usually say that a person is honest if he pays all of his financial obligations promptly. But that is not all of the description of an honest person. One may pay every cent of money he owes and still be dishonest. All business transactions of buying and selling may be done honestly and fairly and one still be dishonest. There are other obligations we owe beside strict business dealings.

One is dishonest who misquotes and bears falsehood against his neighbor or brother in Christ. One who wants to be honest will not repeat anything until he knows for a certainty what he is saying is the truth and then it is never repeated with the intent of hurting him. "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor." Gossip surely must be classified with dishonesty. The person who willfully slights the Lord's work and then fabricates excuses to try to cover up is dishonest. He talks as if he would do better if he had the opportunity and he knows deep down in his heart that he has no desire to do better. He has no intention of doing better and he secretly hopes that he will not even be bothered because he is more interested in other things.

The one who willfully absents himself from Bible Classes giving a multitude of excuses knows that he is not telling the truth. He could be present if he wanted to be. He knows that he goes everywhere else he wants to go. He is not ignorant of his duty about studying and being taught and he is only trying to hide under a mantle of excuses. If he expressed the "truth and nothing but the truth" he would admit that he is just not interested.

There are many ladies who could be in their class on Wednesday and learn much about the Bible who never come. Some have reasons but more of them offer excuses. Their excuses are unveiled and shown to be nothing more than disinterest when they go other places they want to go.

Many church members are not honest with God and the brethren when it comes to their giving. They know they are not giving as they have been prospered. Their conscience hurts them about it. But does one's conscience hurt him over an honest thing? Many visit away and do not give, they make it appear that they do but they do not, and they do not make it up when they return. Is that being honest?

One may pay all of his financial obligations and still be lost for being dishonest with God and his brethren by refusing to do what he knows he should do, but instead hides under a mantle of excuses. D.B.

It is not what we earn that makes us rich	It is not what we keep that gives us peace
As riches are really known,	In this age when peace is rare,
But how HONEST we are as we lay our hand	But how TRUTHFUL we are as we lay aside
On what we call our own.	Our own and the Master's share
	Author Unknown

HOW ARE WE DOING

For the first twelve Sundays of 1961 we averaged 450 in Bible School and our contribution averaged \$1,125.90 (we had two real good Sundays that made this possible) Thus far this year for the first eleven Sundays our Bible School attendance has averaged 434 and the contribution has averaged \$1,049.11. We have fallen below our budget \$50.89 per week which makes a total of \$569.79 we need to make up. I thought perhaps there would be some who could give more this Sunday and maybe bring our budget up to date. Those who have missed because of illness (and were prospered anyway) should make up their giving, and the ones who have visited away and failed to give should do the same. We have had an epidemic of illness and the weather has been bad a part of the time and that accounts for our drop in Bible School attendance. We cannot blame it all on illness and the weather. Let us all be present this Sunday and do our duty. We should be grateful to God for all of His many Blessings.

DANGERS FACING THE CHURCH

We hear much today about the dangers facing the church. It is true that the church is exposed to injury or to some evil that might destroy it. The church has always been and shall always be exposed to evil and where it is there is danger. It is good for people to be aware that danger does exist. If they did not know it they would not know how to arm themselves against it. One of the dangers some are complaining about today is "overdoing" things. A few years ago when the church did much less I do not ever remember hearing people complain much about "Under doing things." Many seemed completely happy to do almost nothing. Needless to say, the devil was happy too. But when preachers began to preach that Christians should worship regularly, be a part of the teaching program, give as they were prospered, preach the gospel away from home and be a light in the community we began to hear some say, "Now be careful that's dangerous." There is danger in going beyond the teaching of Christ, 2 John 9; Gal. 1:6-9, but there is danger in falling short of His teaching too. I do not know of a greater danger than complacency, self-satisfaction, or luke-warmness as it is called in Rev. 3:15-16. I surely do not want this church to go beyond the teaching of Christ and neither do I want it to fall short of his teaching. But there is no need in falling into either one of these errors. Why not be just Christians in character, children in love and trust, servants in service and true friends in devotion?

I know that we should seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, Matt. 6:33 and there is no danger in doing that. There is no danger in loving God with all the heart, soul, mind and strength and loving our neighbors as ourselves. No one would surely see evil in, "Doing good to all men and especially to those of the household of faith." Gal. 6:10.

I would hate to think that some would cry "dangerous" just to try to keep from working or giving. Jesus taught His disciples to "fear not" Lk. 12:32. John said, "perfect love casteth out fear." 1 John 4:18. If we know whom we have believed and (continued inside)

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BIBLE CLASS

March 25.....452
March 18.....431
A Year Ago.....448

CONTRIBUTION

March 25.....\$1,019.21
March 18.....\$1,154.18
A Year Ago.....\$1,138.04

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and

Prayer.....Ross Walker
Prayer.....Tom Moses
Dismiss.....Layton Bailey

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Pat Mackey
Dismiss.....Tommy Parsons

RESPONSES

Restored: John Ross Weaver

SICK

Sister Emma Thrash is in Mother Frances Hospital.
Sister Carruthers has been moved to a hospital in Lufkin.

Sister Drenman is in the Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Walter Clyburn is in Glenwood Clinic.

Sister Jan Knight is ill at home.

"Doc" Wright is ill at home.

Dr. Mitchell has been in the hospital but is home now.

Sister Eunice Holland is ill at home.

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon in Chandler for P.E. Adair. He was the brother-in-law of Brother H.T. Grier Sr. and the uncle of brother and sister Doug Terrell.

Funeral services were conducted in Ft. Worth Tuesday for the Aunt of brother Bob Threadgill.

WELCOME HOME

Brother Darwin Thomas has been released from the Armed Forces and they have come back home.

RICHARDSON MEETING

Brother Brookshire begins a meeting in Richardson next Monday morning. He will be there through the 8th. On the 8th. Bro. Johnny Jackson, Richardson preacher, will preach here.

100% CLASSES

The fifth grade class of Ophelia Woltman was 100% in attendance last Sunday, also the seventh grade taught by Willie Freeman and James McSwain.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested Scripture for week ending April 6. Luke 22, 23, 24. John: 1, 2.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Shirley Caskey, senior at John Tyler, who has been elected to the National Honor Society.

CORSICANA BIBLE CHAIR

The Bible Chair in Corsicana, operated by our brethren, is offering free Bible Correspondence Courses. If you or your friends would like to enroll write to: Church of Christ Bible Chair, Box 207 Navarro, College, Corsicana Texas.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Vacation Bible School has been set for June 4-8. The theme will be "Knowing and Loving God's Son." A fine staff of teachers is being lined up and we are very appreciative for the fine response we have already had. We had a good turn out for the meeting last Tuesday evening. Several more from the Ladies Bible Class volunteered their services Wednesday morning. It is good to have a staff of teachers who are ready and willing to do what they can to help teach the truth to our children. With such fine spirit of co-operation I know we will have a good school.

(continued from back page) are persuaded that He is able to keep that which we have committed unto Him against that day we will not be afraid. Those who habitually sit around brooding over the fact that they might do something wrong WILL and it will be the sin of falling short or doing nothing.

D.B.

THANKS

We wish to express our most sincere appreciation and thanks for the prayers and the lunch and every thoughtful thing done in our behalf during the death of our husband, father and brother-in-law.

Mrs. P. E. Adair

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Adair
The H. T. Grier family

1 COR. 16:2

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I come."

May the path of others be made brighter by our having lived.

The blessings of the Lord are promised only to those who obey Him.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1962 MARCH

Cash on hand March 1, 1962	\$3,001.26
Contributions during March 1962	<u>4,180.05</u>
Total available for Expenditures	\$7,181.31

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

J. C. Wynne	\$ 100.00	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	711.75	
Trest Property	<u>150.00</u>	\$1,036.75

Benevolent & Mission

Jerry Hill Support	599.00	
Bible Chair Support	100.00	
Roles Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Providence R.I. Ch.(Bldg.)	100.00	
Fred Burkett	25.00	
N. Tenneha Church	<u>60.00</u>	\$1,084.00

Materials, Supplies, Etc.

Utilities	151.66	
Bible School Supplies	23.61	
Postage	38.00	
Telephone	30.97	
Flowers	11.05	
Welcomap	3.00	
Insurance	60.00	
Bldg. Maint. & Imp.	1,116.43	
Misc.	<u>5.38</u>	\$1,440.10

Salaries

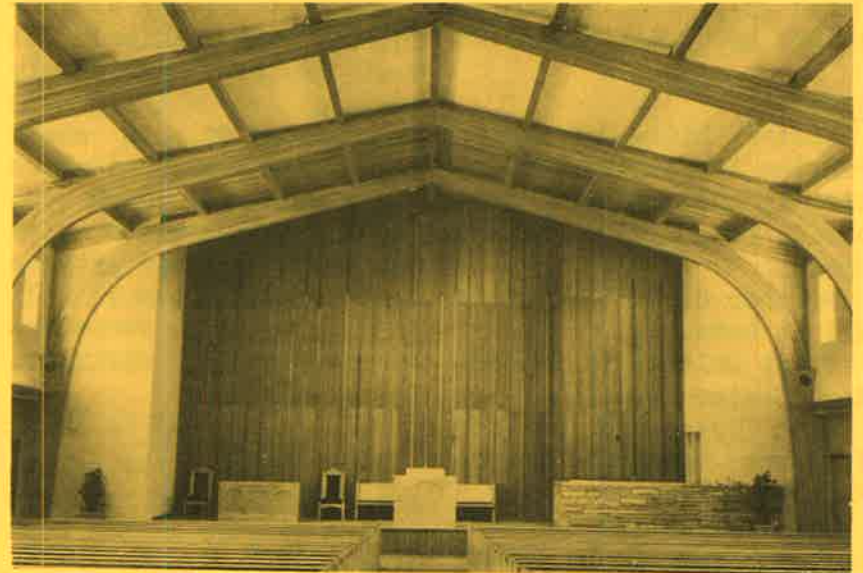
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Total Expenditures for March, 1962	\$4,509.00
Cash on hand March 31, 1962	2,672.31
Total Funds Accounted for	<u>7,181.31</u>
Obligations to meet April 1, Approx.	\$2,500.00

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THE RECORD APRIL 5, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 1.....445
March 25.....452
A Year Ago.....501

CONTRIBUTION

April 1.....\$1,116.55
March 25.....\$1,019.21
A Year Ago.....\$1,178.21

SICK

Sister Ettie Carruthers remains in serious condition in the Memorial Hospital, room 219. Lufkin, Texas.

Brother C. C. Garrett is ill at home.

Terry Woltman is in Medical Center Hospital.

Leon Taylor is in the Veterans Hospital in McKinney, Texas.

The measles and chicken-pox continue to be among our children.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to Sister Margaret Montgomery and family. Margaret's father passed away Tuesday night and the funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in Cason.

ATTENTION LADIES

The dishes from the meal that was taken to the Grier home last week are at the church building.

THANK YOU NOTES

Our thanks to each of you in the chorus for your part in our wedding. We appreciate the time and effort you put forth to help us. Sincerely,

Judy and Don Forbes

Thanks to all my wonderful Christian friends at West Erwin. I am deeply grateful to all for the expressions of good cheer and well wishes, but above all I want to thank you for the intercession with our Lord, as these prayers were coveted above all. It is so good to be remembered in times of distress. Again thanks.

----- Bill L. Smith

Thank you for the flowers, visits and prayers during my stay in the hospital.

Mrs. Inez Turner

VISITING PREACHER

Brother Johnny Jackson of Richardson will be with us Sunday. Brother Brookshire closes his meeting in Richardson Sunday.

100% CLASSES

There were two classes with 100% in attendance last Sunday. The 5th. grade of Ophelia Woltman and the 8th. grade of Clif Clough and Dick Ferguson.

A STARTLING ANALYSIS OF...

... THE WORLD IN A TOWN!!

Dr. Henry Leiper of the American Bible Society has attempted to illustrate the kind of world we live in by reducing proportionately all the people of the world into a town of one thousand people.

There would be 60 Americans. The other 940 persons would represent the rest of the world. But the 60 Americans would have half the income of the entire town.

About 330 people would be classified as "Christians" in the widest use of the term, and 230 of these would be Catholics. There would be at least 80 Communists in our town, and 370 persons would be under the domination of these Communists.

There would be 303 white people in our town, and 687 non-whites.

Half of the 1,000 people would have never heard of Jesus Christ, but more than half would have been learning about Karl Marx, or Lenin and the philosophy of Communism.

The 60 Americans would have an average life expectancy of 70 years. Each would own at least 15 times as many possessions as the other 940. The 940 would have a life expectancy of less than 40 years and most of them would go to bed hungry many nights.

The American families would be spending an average of at least \$850 on military defense, but less than \$4.00 (per year) to share their religious faith with their neighbors in the community.

Would you like to live in such a town? YOU DO... for the world is such a world! If such a world looks a little undesirable and foreboding, what can be done about it? Is the church powerless? Or can it be a leaven of righteousness - a pillar and ground of truth.

Via Central Church
West Palm Beach, Fla.

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for week ending April 13. John: Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

THE RECORD APRIL 12, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 8.....441
April 1.....445
A Year Ago.....440

CONTRIBUTION

April 8.....\$1,009.15
April 1.....\$1,116.55
A Year Ago.....\$1,086.43

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Prayer.....Edgar Bullard
Dismiss....Harold Browning

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Cone Birdwell
Dismiss.....Don Andrews

RESPONSES

By Baptism - Mr. Burton Young, 624 South College. Mr. Young works for the Lone Star Producing Co.

SICK

Jamon Kirby is in Glenwood clinic. Sister Georgia Lee is in Medical Center.

THANK YOU

During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us. We shall always remember with deep gratitude your kindness and expressions of sympathy.

Family of J.Y. McMichael Margaret & Gerald Montgomery

Thank you for the visits and many kindnesses extended to Terry during his recent stay in the hospital.

L. M. Woltman and family

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to the Whiteside, Garrett and Carruthers families. The mother of Brother J. E. Whiteside was buried last Friday afternoon. Funeral services were held for Brother C. C. Garrett Sunday, and for Sister Ettie Carruthers Tuesday.

LECTURESHIP

Several from here plan to attend the lectureship in Abilene next week. Sister O'Bannon will teach a class of Junior teachers.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Raymond Hardin who won the Rotary Award this year for his leadership and scholastic achievement.

100% CLASSES

These classes were 100% last week. Both 2nd. grade classes, taught by Mrs. Willis and Nancy Butler, Mrs. Zeffie Beard and Mrs. Mary Grier. 7th. grade with Willie Freeman & James McSwain.

HOME BIBLE READING

For week ending April 20th. John: 8 through 12.

LADIES CLASS

The Wednesday morning Ladies Class will not meet next week. The class will meet April 25.

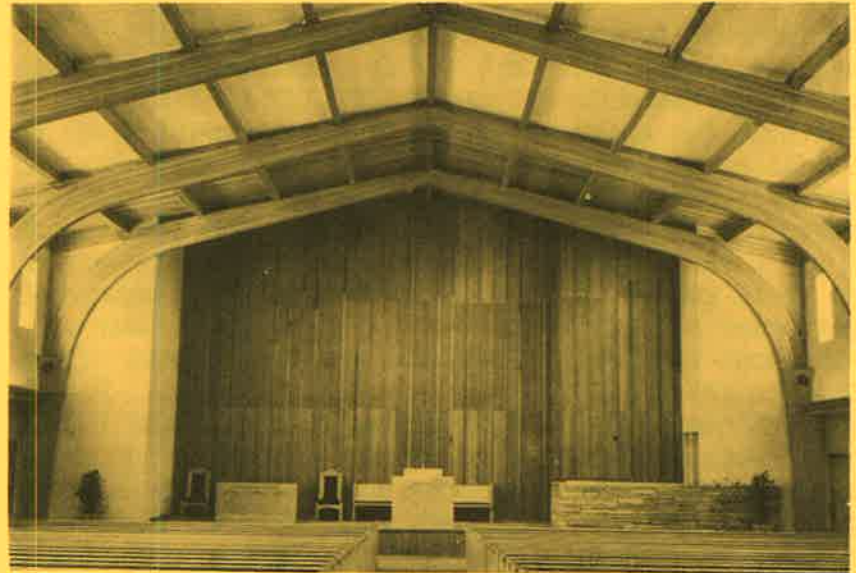
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ARE WE CHRISTLIKE IN GIVING?

The Bible has much to say about giving. God gave and continues to give. The same may be said of Christ. The Bible itself is a gift of God. God created man to give. Man has the strength and knowledge to sow and reap, to manufacture and sell, to trade and get gain, to sell his services for hire. Hence, he has an obligation to give for his own good and the glory of the one who created him to work. We usually consider only the immoral to be unchristlike, but the person who does not give is in that way as unchristlike as the immoral, because Christ was a GIFT AND A GIVER.

Without the grace and gifts of God we would have no salvation, no hope, no income, no home, no food, no comforts of any kind and the best way I know to lose those things is to refuse to give to support the Truth of our Lord. The church is the pillar and support of the Truth and it is the obligation of the members of it to give so that truth may be shared with others.

The most appreciative members are those whose first thoughts are about the church and its welfare. Pleasures and comforts are subordinate to our giving to the Lord's work. It is not wrong for a person to enjoy some good wholesome recreation and neither is it wrong to have comforts in the home. But when a Christian provides for these things first and gives stintingly to the Lord he has reversed the Divine order. Christians are commanded to "lay by in store as they are prospered" and they not only violate a command when they do not but they deprive themselves of a great blessing when they fail. The soul of a Christian will shrivel without giving. Giving keeps a Christian grateful and mindful of God's great blessings. A failure to give will make an ingrate of any one.

A man who studies church work and is very active in a city where there are several congregations said recently that the best they had been able to determine members of the church are giving about 3% of their income. Our standard of living is as high as the average but our giving is not. The communist and many denominationalist are more devoted to their causes than we are to Christianity. Giving, Bible study, prayer, love

and service to our fellowman have not been restored to the level of what the Christians did in the first century. The subject of giving is even provoking to some Christians now. Few Christians even think of putting giving in their budgets. They continue to give haphazardly and penuriously. Some give the change they happen to have in their pocket or a dollar if they have a bill that small. Some feel no obligation to leave their contribution or make it up when they return. And they do not give while out of town because, "they are not members there."

Giving should be a joy and if it is not, our hearts are not on "things above." We should welcome any truth on any subject that will help us reach heaven. D. B.

Holy Bible, Book divine,
Precious treasure, thou art mine;
Mine to tell me whence I came,
Mine to teach me what I am.

Mine to chide me when I rove,
Mine to show a Saviour's love;
Mine art thou to guide my feet,
Mine to judge, condemn, acquit.

--- Burton

These poems are being printed at the request of several who have asked Brother Brookshire for copies. He read them a few Sunday nights ago.

Blessed Bible, how I love it,
How it doth my bosom cheer!
What hath earth like this to covet?
Oh, what stores of wealth are here?

Man was lost and doomed to sorrow;
Not one ray of light or bliss
Could he from earth's treasures borrow,
Till his way was cheered by this.

Yes, sweet Bible, I will hide thee;
Hide thee richly in this heart.
Thou through all my life shall guide me,
And in death we will not part.

Part in death, no never, never;
Through death's dark veil I'll lean on thee,
Then in worlds above forever
Sweeter still thy truths shall be.

WE ARE THE LORD'S

Christians belong to the Lord. They were purchased (1 Cor. 6: 19-20) and must at all times glorify the Lord. Whether by life or death Christians should magnify Christ. (Phil. 1:20).

Christians must live for the Lord in all seasons. Whether the seasons are prosperity or adversity; joy or sorrow; sickness or health, we must under all circumstances seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness as best we can. We are able to do more under some circumstances than we are under others, but we are never released from doing the best we can with what we have.

Sickness may affect a Christian in either one of two ways. It may bring him closer to the Lord or it may drive him away from the Lord. Many Christians who were at one time sick physically no longer worship the Lord or work. They are not now sick physically, they are out of duty. They became careless, indifferent (some times felt neglected) and became attached to other things. Now their activities are only restricted to worship and church work. Those who are ill are worthy of our deepest sympathy and prayers and assistance. But Christians must not allow illness to make them unlike our Lord.

Some Christians allow prosperity to affect their lives in the wrong way. One who enjoys a good measure of prosperity should be thankful and humble, but many times it is just the reverse. Instead of thinking about how much they can do for the Lord they begin to think about how much more pleasure they can enjoy and become proud and boastful. Some Christians just can not stand prosperity. It drives them away from the Lord. They forget where their prosperity came from and they begin to feel independent. Prosperous Christians should be thankful and realize that they are charged with even a greater responsibility because they have more to serve the Lord with.

Reverses and poverty sometimes drive Christians away from their duty. They become ashamed of their lack. They complain of their fate, they become envious of others and feel unwanted. Christians (continued inside)

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 must learn to live in what
 ever state they are in.
 Poverty makes one no
 worse in God's sight and
 neither does prosperity
 make one any better in His
 sight. Christians must
 have but one aim and that
 is to glorify God regard-
 less of their physical or
 financial condition. God
 loves His people and He
 expects His people to love
 and serve Him. We must
 never forget that under
 all circumstances WE ARE
 THE LORD'S. D. B.

THIS IS IMPORTANT

It is very important
 that every member of this
 congregation remember the
 dates of our Vacation
 Bible School and Summer
 meeting with brother Gie-
 ger. Our Vacation Bible
 School will be June 4-8.
 Our meeting will be August
 19-24. These are special
 activities planned with
 each one of us in mind.

HENDERSON MEETING

April 23-29 with brother
 Frank Dunn of San Antonio
 preaching.

NEW HOME

The Sam Bailey's have
 moved into a new home on
 Sybil Lane. Their telephone
 number is the same.

"LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO BE
 LITTLE"

I like this quotation
 attributed to Disraeli. It
 has helped through many a
 painful experience. Often
 we allow ourselves to be
 upset by small things we
 should forget. Perhaps
 some man we helped has
 proved ungrateful... some
 woman we believed to be a
 friend has spoken ill of
 us...some reward we thought
 we deserved has been de-
 nied us. We feel such dis-
 sappointments so strongly
 that we can no longer work
 or sleep. But, isn't that
 absurd? Here we are on
 this earth, with only a
 short time to live, and we
 lose many irreplaceable
 hours brooding over griev-
 ances that in a year's
 time, will be forgotten by
 us and everybody. No, let
 us devote our life to
 worthwhile actions and
 feelings, to great thoughts,
 real affections and endur-
 ing undertakings. For,
 "life is too short to be
 little."

---20th. Century Christian

HOME BIBLE READING

Suggested scripture for
 week ending April 27th.
 John, Chapters 13 through
 17.

THE RECORD
 APRIL 19, 1962

BIBLE CLASS

April 15.....409
 April 8.....441
 A Year Ago.....449

CONTRIBUTION

April 15.....\$1,073.91
 April 8.....\$1,009.15
 A Year Ago.....\$1,060.16

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
 Prayer.....M. M. Haws
 Prayer.....Charles Graf
 Dismiss.....Harley Turner
SUNDAY EVENING
 Prayer.....C. E. Caskey
 Dismiss.....Donnel Stringer

THANK YOU NOTES

We would like to thank
 each of you for the kind-
 ness shown us during the
 time of our sorrow. Also,
 for the food, beautiful
 flowers and many cards.

The C. C. Garrett family

 We wish to express our
 sincere appreciation to
 everyone for their acts of
 kindness and especially
 those who stayed with our
 loved one in her hour of
 need during hospital con-
 finement.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hines
 The Carruthers family

 At this time we realize
 so very much what our

friends can mean to us. May
 we express our gratitude
 for your kind expressions
 of sympathy.

The Whiteside family

SYMPATHY

The father of Sister U.
 G. Rozell passed away last
 Sunday morning. Funeral
 services were conducted
 for him Monday afternoon
 in Mt. Pleasant.

ABILENE COLLEGE BAND

The Abilene Christian
 College Band will present
 a concert Monday, April 23
 at 7:30 P. M. in the Kil-
 gore College Auditorium.
 There is no admission and
 the public is invited.

CONGRATULATIONS

Are extended to the good
 brethren of the Northwest
 Congregation (formerly
 Crescent Heights) who have
 moved into their new build-
 ing on Loop 323 near the
 Mineola Highway. Their
 formal opening will be
 April 29 at which time
 brother L. R. Wilson will
 begin a meeting. We re-
 joice with our brethren
 at Northwest and extend
 our very best wishes for a
 great work for our Lord.

"Christianity is the high-
 est perfection of human-
 ity."

THE ABC'S OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

The term "ABC" is used to refer to the fundamentals of anything; as, the "ABC's of selling," or the "ABC's of teaching." When we see the term used we look for a simplified set of rules that are brief enough to be remembered, yet deep enough to be useful and built upon. At the risk of oversimplifying, the ABC's of Christian living are "Always Be Charitable." (Charity and love are synonyms).

First and foremost, God is to be loved with all of one's heart, soul, mind and strength (Mark 12:30). It is, at least, returning the love of one who created all things, gives us life, provides for our needs, and "so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son."

Then we should love our neighbors as ourselves, (Mark 12:31). This is a big order. As much as we think of ourselves, our neighbors are in for some pretty lavish treatment. This Christian duty is bolstered by Jesus' words, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even also unto them" (Matt. 7:12). Let us not think that we can get by with a pretense of just loving the Father, for "He that loveth not his brother abideth in death." (I John 3:14). The nature of this love? Read I John 3:18, "My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue, but in deed and in truth." Paul told the Corinthians that the seemingly all-important gifts of the Spirit were going to be done away, and there would remain faith, hope, and love. But he made it clear that faith without love was to no avail, and certainly there is not hope without faith. (I Corinthians 13). This shows the importance of love.

Always be charitable: "Love the Lord" (Mark 12:30) "Love your enemies" (Lk. 6:27), "Love thy neighbor" (Mt. 19:19), "Love as brethren" (I Pet. 3:8), "Husbands, love your wives" (Col. 3:19); all of which could be summarized by saying, "Let all that ye do be done in Love." (I Cor. 16:14).

Jerry Hill

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To visit you with news about the Lord's work and the Lord's people who meet for worship here. To visit through sermons, wise sayings and thought provoking articles, to instruct and admonish you in the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints. Please read me and let me keep you informed.

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BIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Omen Road 198 Glenwood 403 Crescent Heights 197

RESPONSES

By Baptism: Iva Arrington, Rt. 3, Box 293
 Jerry Hughes, 1325 E. Richards
 We welcome Iva and Jerry into our fellowship.

SICK

Mr. Grady Oliver of Mt. Pleasant, father of our brother Jack Oliver, has been in the hospital for the past ten days but he is home now and much improved.
 Sister W. B. Chelf is in Mother Francis Hospital for a few days for observation and treatment.

TO OUR OUT OF TOWN READERS

We mail a good many bulletins out of town and we are glad for our friends to keep up with the news through our little publications but sometimes some move and leave no forwarding address and the bulletin is returned and we have to pay the postage both ways. Starting with this issue when your bulletin is returned we will remove your address stencil from our mailing list. If you want to receive the bulletin, please keep us informed as to your correct mailing address.

FAUSTO SALVONI

Remember the Special Service next Tuesday Evening at 7:30 when brother Fausto Salvoni, who is a converted Catholic priest will speak here. We are expecting a full house. You had better come early.

WORDS OF COMMENDATION FROM BROTHER BROOKSHIRE

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day, until now." (Phil. 1:2-5)

Those words were penned by the Apostle Paul to the good church in Philippi and my sentiments to you are found in those words too. Paul rebuked the brethren when they needed to be rebuked and he commended them for their good work. I believe the same thing should be done in the same spirit by which he did it. In order to commend and to encourage you I want to give you some figures. Your fellowship in the work here has been greater than some of you realize because it has scarcely been called to your attention. During the first four months of 1958 the Bible School attendance and contribution averaged 368 and \$848.94 per Lord's Day. During the first four months of this year the average has been 426 and \$1,093.39. As you can easily see that is a substantial increase and this has been accomplished because YOU have grown in faith and love. I surely hope and pray that by Fall our Bible School attendance will be averaging 500 per Lord's Day and that our contribution will increase in proportion. Brethren, I have confidence in you that this will be done. I know that it can be done and I believe that with the Lord's blessings it will be done. Those of you who are attending better and giving more, are you not much happier?

IN ARMY

Randolph Bell, one of our young members, is in the Army and those of you who would like to write to him may do so by sending your mail to:
 Pvt. Rardolph Bell
 Co. A 1st B N - BTC
 Fort Chaffee, Arkansas

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ARE GOSPEL MEETINGS PROFITABLE?

The answer to the question is a definite yes. It is always good to have the gospel preached. It becomes more profitable when we have more to hear it. Even Christians are better hearers when they have brought their friends with them. They naturally have a greater interest when they have brought others. Sometimes we may sit with a guilty conscience when we hear a good sermon, because we wish we had worked and brought a friend that may have obeyed the gospel.

Brethren are still having good meetings where they want to have them. Good crowds and good interest are found in most places where the brethren properly prepare for meetings. It may take a little more effort to have a good meeting now than it did several years ago, because of the interferences we have now that we did not have then.

We could have many responses from among ourselves if we tried. Husbands and wives who have companions that are not Christians could be a good example by faithfully attending. They could make it easy and convenient for their companions to attend. Parents who have children that are not Christians could be examples to their children who might obey the gospel. Companions and children will not obey the gospel if they do not attend.

It takes sacrifices now to win souls to Christ. Christians must forget about their own comfort and think about the lost. Easy chairs, cool rooms, television programs and outside interest, less important than a gospel meeting, must be given up. In order to have a good gospel meeting Christians must put "first things first."

If we want to have a good meeting we must pray. Our prayers must not stop with the "asking" we must "seek and knock" if we want our prayers answered.

When brother Gieger comes to do his part he will be well prepared. Many of his efforts will be in vain unless we work and do our part. Our meeting begins August the 19th. From now until that last amen we do not have one minute to lose, if we want to have a profitable meeting.

D.B.



CALENDAR OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible School 9:45 A. M. Morning Worship 10:40 A. M.
Evening Classes 5:00 P. M. Evening Worship 6:00 P. M.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A. M. Bible Classes 7:30 P. M.

DEAN BROOKSHIRE, EVANGELIST

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BIBLE CLASS

August 5.....378
July 29.....397
A Year Ago.....457

CONTRIBUTION

August 5.....\$1,199.82
July 29.....\$1,077.73
A Year Ago.....\$1,178.77

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

Announcements and
Prayer.....Dean Brookshire
Prayer.....E. H. Bullard
Dismiss.....Harley Turner

SUNDAY EVENING

Prayer.....Bill Shuford
Dismiss.....Willie Freeman

CARD OF THANKS

Acknowledging with sincere thanks your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Morgan
The Turner Family

Thanks to all for every act of kindness shown to us during the illness of Sister McDonald and during our hours of breavement.

Dr. C. C. McDonald
and Children

The family of Mr. W. C. Pickle acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

FUNERALS

Brother Harley Vaughn's mother passed away last Friday morning. The funeral was in Bogota, Texas Saturday afternoon. The Vaughn's recently moved to Richardson, Texas.

Brother E. C. Pickle's father passed away last Wednesday morning. Funeral services were conducted for him Thursday afternoon in Eustace, Texas.

We extend our deepest sympathy to both families.

RETURNED HOME

We are happy to announce that Randolph Bell, Dr. Roger Knight and Benton Hardin have all returned home from the 49th. division of the National Guard. We are sorry to report that Benton & Kay Hardin and baby will be moving to Lufkin the last of this week.

NEW DIRECTORY

We are in the last stages of preparation for a new directory for members of West Erwin. In the foyer you will find two lists. Please check and make the necessary corrections on one of these. We want your name, address, telephone number and occupation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT JULY 1962

Cash on hand July 1, 1962	\$3,779.88
Deposits during July 1962	5,242.14
Available for expenditures	<u>\$9,022.02</u>

Expenditures:

Loan Payments:

1st. Fed. Sav. & Loan	\$711.75	
Coop. Sav. & Loan	75.00	
J. C. Wynne	100.00	
Trest Property	150.00	
Interest Payment	100.00	
Nacogdoches Church	<u>472.04</u>	\$1,608.79

Benevolent & Mission:

Jerry Hill Support	575.00	
Bible Chair	100.00	
Boles Home	50.00	
Tipton Home	50.00	
Sunny Glenn Home	50.00	
Herald of Truth	50.00	
N. Tenneha Church	<u>75.00</u>	950.00

Materials, Supplies, etc:

Utilities	351.75	
Bible School Supplies	150.31	
Postage	38.00	
Office Supplies	100.73	
Insurance	60.00	
Building Maint.	44.45	
Flowers	10.92	
Advertising-	<u>(325.00)</u>	431.16
Omen Road Church		

Salaries	1,233.95
Withholding Tax (2nd. Qtr.)	301.20

Total expenditures for July 1962	\$4,525.10
Cash on hand July 31, 1962	4,496.92
Total funds accounted for	<u>\$9,022.02</u>
Special contribution of \$527.96 for Nacogdoches Church not shown on statement.	

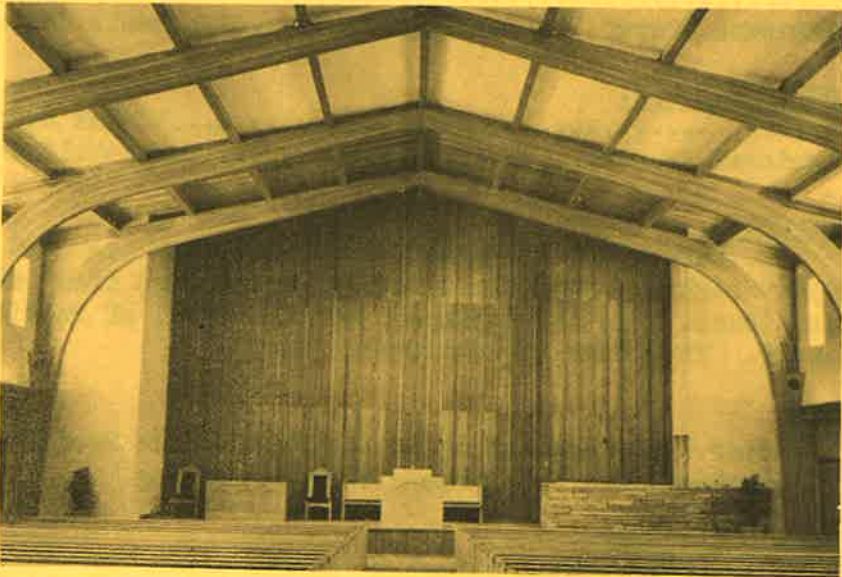
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THE RECORD DECEMBER 7, 1961

	December 3	November 26	A Year Ago
Bible Class	485	528	458
Contribution	\$1,060.78	\$1,052.83	\$1,061.87

APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT LORD'S DAY A. M.

Announcements and Prayer.....James Massey
 Prayer.....Bob Threadgill
 Dismissal Prayer.....Lewis Jones

LORD'S DAY P.M.

Prayer.....K. Max Haws
 Dismissal Prayer.....Tommy Woltman

RESPONSES:

Mrs. Harvey Morris placed membership with us Wednesday night. The Morris family moved here from Del Rio, Texas. He is employed by the Dept. of Public Safety. They have two children.

SICK:

Sister Henry Holland is in the Cotton Belt Hospital in Texarkana. She had surgery Tuesday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Roy and Elaine Roberson on the birth of their son born last Thursday morning. They have named him Roy Lane.

MOBBERLY AVENUE MEETING:

The Mobberly Avenue congregation in Longview has completed a building program of enlarging the auditorium and building more class rooms.

A meeting begins there December 10 with Robert Bankes, local preacher, doing the preaching. Services twice daily at 7:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

I hope many of you will attend the meeting and congratulate the brethren in Longview upon the completion of a beautiful and commodious building.