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LISD Board Appoint Two Citizen Groups

The Lubbock ISD Board of Trustees last week announced the appointment of two citizen advisory committees. Board President Nancy Neal introduced the members of the committees at a news conference last week at LISD's Central Office Board Room.

A 34 member bond advisory committee was appointed by the board. This committee will assist and advise school trustees in

regard to a potential bond issue in the spring of 1989. Members of the bond advisory committee are: Leanna Allen, Dr. Mike Bennett, Dr. Mackie Bobo, Gloria Chacon, Jane Cone, Claudette Culp, Jim Cummings, Mike Cunningham, Dr. Bill Dean, Sharon Donnell, Frank Espino, Barbara Fry, Lupe Garcia, Hattie Gipson, Bernard J. Gradel, Carroll Holley, Dr. T. H. Holmes, Ann Krier, David Martinez,

Roy Middleton, Dr. David Murrah, Palmira Perea Hay, De Pierce, Phil Prikle, Floyd Price, Dr. Jim Reynolds, Robert Romero, Paul Scioll, Mary Nell Strong, Floyd Stumbo, Marjorie Thomas, and Gwen Titus. The bond committee will be co chaired by Danny Johnston and Suzie King.

Eighteen local citizens will serve on an LISD Budget Advisory Committee. This committee will advise school trustees regarding the 1989 & 1990 LISD budget. The members of the budget committee are: George Brewer, Harold Chatman, Dick Platt, Armando Garcia, Carl Gundlach, Carol Horton, Cathy Leivas, Jim Lightener, Pat Nunley, Joe Price, Josue Silva, Jay Stanley, Dr. Carl Stem, Bob Tate, Idalene Williams, Hal Womack, and Tony Wright. Harold Harriger will chair the budget committee.



CELEBRITY MEETING .. Stars met with Delta's Art and Letters Commission at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D. C. recently to discuss a new Delta program in the arts and a continuing report to Delta on the status of Black women in the arts. Pictured left to right are: Micki Grant, lyricist, author and

playwright of "Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope," and "Your Arms Too Short to Box With God"; Theresa Merritt, television star of "That's My Mama"; Ruby Dee, who's starring in the Broadway play, "Checkmates"; Dr. Yvonne Kennedy, president, Delta Sigma Theta; (standing) Dr. Jeanne Noble, chairwoman of the

Arts and Letters Commission and professor in the graduate school of

City University of New York (CUNY); and Dr. Nancy Randolph, former national

secretary of DST and a member of the commission. The celebrities are Deltas.

LBCE Executive Director Talks

The Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs (LBCE) was formed in 1987 with one goal in mind: "to make Lubbock a better place to work and to rear a family."

Today, LBCE, through a united and consistent effort, actively supports the economic growth and development of the total Lubbock community with special emphasis on East Lubbock, simply because it needs more.

Through civic, industrial and commercial ventures, the LBCE is working to make Lubbock a strong and economically progressive community. The Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs works to answer inquiries and attract conventions to Lubbock as well as assist associations, officers and executives with their meetings, planning, hotel arrangements and entertainment packages.

We are in the process of setting up four packages and bus tours through the Texas Association of Black Chamber of Commerce which will serve as a clearing house for Black cultural, civic, religious, social, professional, business and others on a statewide, regional, and national level to bring these people to our various cities. We plan to do this with up to date information and activities, i. e. cultural, athletic and recreational.

We will serve as a clearing house for meeting planners and tourist groups. The whole community benefits as a result of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs.

The Home and Family benefit from the Chamber's work to reduce crime in the area and make Lubbock a better place to work, live, and rear a family.

The Educational System benefits from the Chamber's encouragement for the continued education of our young people.

The Members benefit by sharing ideas and working together to accomplish mutual goals.

The Business Community

benefits from the Chamber's work in recruiting industry and promoting tourism, generating new dollars into the Lubbock economy.

Everyone benefits from having a voice of



SPEAKING TO COMA! Eddie P. Richardson, executive director of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, Inc., is shown speaking at a business seminar recently

representation in government affairs. The LBCE works with policy makers, legislators, associations, major corporations and others to meet the needs and concerns of its members' constituents. It also assists in the healthy growth and

expansion of business enterprise. **How does it operate:** The Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs operates as an independent non profit organization. The activities of the LBCE are guided by a volunteer elected Board of Directors and Officers.

Gospel Music Workshop & Concert Here



Sister Cecilia Webb
The entire community is invited to attend a Gospel Music Workshop and

concert set for Saturday, December 3, 1988 at the Hope Deliverance Temple Church, 2812 East 4th Street.

Rehearsals for the concert will be held at 8 p. m. nightly November 30 and December 2, 1988.

In order to register or for more information, call 806/741 1014.

Sister Cecilia Webb of El Paso, Texas will serve as directress.

Jackson Queen of Plainview, Texas will appear on Friday night, December 2, 1988.

Elder Charles Tanner is host pastor.

"We hope the entire city will be with us as we will have a dynamic Gospel Music Workshop and Concert," said Elder Tanner.

Will Write Column



Rev. Kado Lang

In the very near future, something new will be added to the Southwest Digest as the President of the Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship Alliance (IMFA), Rev. Kado Lang, made known that a column will appear from the IMFA on a regular basis.

"This will be one of our contributions to the community. We are moving, and this is only one of the many efforts," he said.

Rev. Lang also invites the community to come to their second Sunday evening programs at the various churches in East Lubbock.

"You know, God has been good to us, and we are more committed about doing His will," continued Rev. Lang.

Rev. Lang is also pastor of St. James Baptist Church and President of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs.

South Plains Lions Tree Sales in Full Swing!

As you drive through the 50th Street and University Avenue intersection you'll see a familiar sight, staged each year by the South Plains Lions Club. Live Christmas tree sales in December are to the South Plains Lions Club what

NAACP Election

The Lubbock Branch of the NAACP will hold its bi annual election of officers on January 7, 1989.

Any person who has been a member of the NAACP for the past thirty (30) days is eligible to run for an office.

Members who wish to be a candidate for an officer, should send their name,

address, telephone number and time available on December 7, 1988 for an interview to:

Lubbock Branch NAACP
Attn: Nominating Com.
P. O. Box 837
Lubbock, Texas 79408

Send information NO LATER than December 5, 1988. All interviews will be held on December 7, 1988 at 1310 59th Street.

Rose Wilson, president; R. W. Howard, chairwoman nominating committee.



Texas Vietnam Memorial:
Dallas Public Art

pancakes are to the Lubbock Lions Club in February. This is their biggest fund raiser of the year and it certainly deserves your support.

All proceeds are donated to Lubbock Community projects. This club was the original sponsor of the

Coordinator Margaret Robinette and sculptor Ben Woffena of Houston search for names of relatives and friends at the Texas Vietnam Memorial at Fair Park in Dallas. The names of Texas' 3,271 Vietnam war dead and 156 missing in action are etched into the memorial's five granite tablets. The tablets were

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RUBY JAY'S CORNER



Services were as usual last Sunday morning at the New Hope Baptist Church, the Church where the people really care.

Services began with our radio announcer giving the introduction to the day's program. This was done by Mrs. L. F. Barrow. The church news was given by Anita Henry. Altar prayer was offered by Pastor S. C. Nash.

Pastor Nash delivered a dynamic sermon. It was entitled "Finally, Brothers." His text was II Corinthians 13:11.

Last Sunday was Pastor Nash's final sermon as he left New Hope Baptist Church to become the pastor of Mt. Tabor Baptist

Church in Dallas, Texas. Not only will he become the pastor there, but he will be married on December 10, 1988 there. We wish him the very best.

Many enjoyed the Thanksgiving holidays with their relatives and friends.

Among those visiting here over the holidays were Mary Ann Jones of Dallas, Texas and Gaye from Riverside, California, a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison "Bull" Davis.

Also, Rev. and Mrs. Bob Tieul of Hobbs, New Mexico. Mrs. Tieul is the sister of Mrs. L. C. Struggs.

Carolyn Rollison, now a resident in Houston, Texas, and her brother, Larry,

visited their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Rollison. Mrs. Rollison is recuperating for an illness.

Alma McCabel left for her home last week in Denver, Colorado. She has been in Lubbock for quite awhile on business.

When will people really learn that they can't continue to steal and burglarize the church. Just a few days ago, someone unknown stole the organ out of Messiah Presbyterian Church. Let us pray that who ever did it will be found.

Our sympathy goes out to the Emma Winn family as she was funeralized here last Wednesday afternoon at Ford Memorial COGIC with Rev. R. L. Caro serving as officiant.

She was a missionary and member of the Tree of Life Sanctuary Church of God in Christ. She was a christian

worker.

Continue to pray for our sick and shut in residents. Among them is Rev. A. L. Dunn, former pastor of New

Hope Baptist Church, who is a patient at South Park Hospital.

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909 E QUEENS	494-127510-203	3	1	\$16,150	*	203 COUNTRY CLUB DR	494-130576-203	5	3 1/2	\$62,500	* CASH
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- *These properties may contain code violations.
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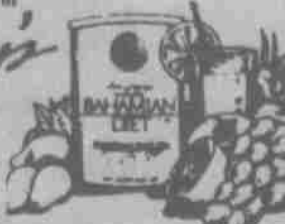
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Background Of The Mission

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The need for Mission began when Eve was beguiled, and Adam fell from his high and Holy state. Mission, in its truest sense, is but the outreach of God's love; seeking to save some sinful men. The Bible is written revelation of God's great love for sinful man; God's great plan to redeem man from the tragic consequences of sin. The patriarchs and prophets were missionaries in their own rights, each was sent by God to perform some particular task toward redemption.

Rev. Bonner Will Preach Sunday

Denver City, Tx.: The Rev. Burl L. Bonner of Galilee Missionary Baptist Church of Midland, Texas will be preaching at the New Beginning Baptist Church in Denver City at 3 p. m.

This will be a Pastor's Aide program. Sister Argueda Young is president of the Pastor's Aide.

Rev. C. J. Johnson is pastor, and he invites his many friends to come and be a part of this special program.

Vietnam
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dedicated during the State Fair of Texas in October. Completion of the memorial's permanent display in Fair Park is scheduled for Memorial Day 1989. The statewide sponsor and largest corporate contributor to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund of Texas is NCNB Texas. The largest foundation contributor is the Meadows Foundation of Dallas.

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It Needs To Be Said

by the
Mystery Writer

There comes at times when each of us must say "enough is enough." There comes a time when each of us must make a total commitment to change. When you have done your best for years, when you have been patient waiting for better days and when you finally say, "this is a dead end road," things must change, that's when you toss out the old and bring in the new.

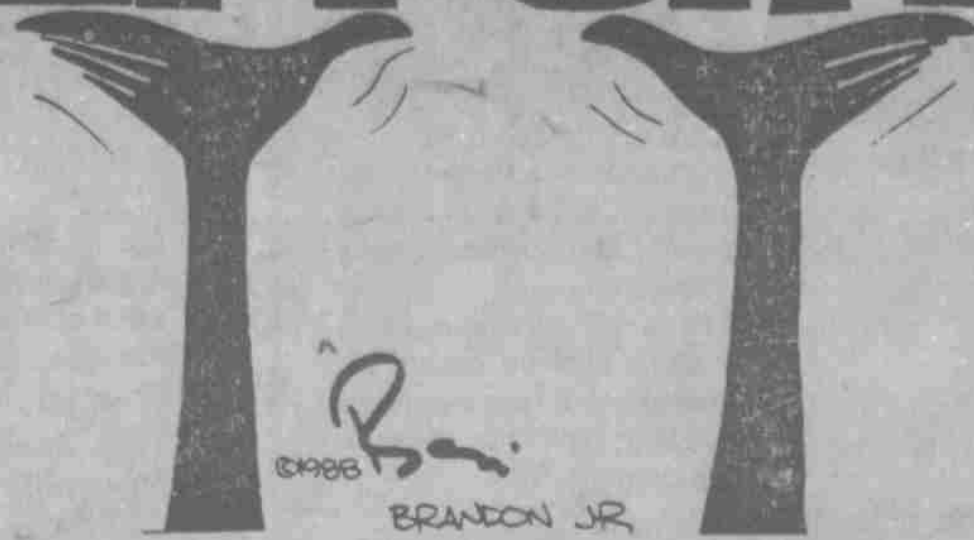
This is exactly what we of East Lubbock should do, toss out some of our out dated methods and bring in some new ones. If we have a majority that sincerely desire to acquire the goods and services we want and need, than the majority should say "enough is enough." For years our community has been spot lited for the negatives, neglected for conveniences and left out of major improvements. Where other areas within our city can show vast improvements in all areas, East Lubbock biggest claim to fame is a vast amount of vacant land. Agreed, the structures needed to be torn down, however something should replace them. The buildings on the corner of 19th and A are gone, will it also become just a "peddler's corner." The motel on East Broadway and Idalou Highway is gone, what will be placed there. How long does it take for someone to replace or build something in East Lubbock. On a trip to the mall, you will see several construction projects and "soon to come" signs yet, there are many young adults in East Lubbock that have never seen a new structure built, "enough is enough."

Within East Lubbock, there are more than 12,000 Blacks and with Hispanics and Whites and others, we have well over 15,000 people right here in East Lubbock, yet we must commute to West Lubbock for all major purchases. There is no medical facilities, only one nationally known fast food outlet, no mall, no bank, not even an automatic teller and the list could go on. No longer can it be said our community is too poor to support businesses because our community spends millions annually within the city. Lubbock has 5 or 6 hospital, yet our community is miles away from the nearest one, we don't even have a doctor's office within our community. West Lubbock has fast food outlets on top of each other, yet we rate only one. Check this out, if KWIK O air pump is broke, how far do you have to go just to get air for your tire or get a lube, oil and filter change, "enough is enough."

For 198, East Lubbock needs to get West Lubbock's attention. There are still enough of us around who remembers that Blacks across the nation have never accomplished anything worthwhile by waiting on the White man to willingly come through. Blacks have been instrumental in America's success story, yet we have never enjoyed the full rights and benefits associated with being an American. We have always had to make do with hand me downs and left overs, to claw and scratch just to attain minimum standards and to raise "holy hell" just to be recognized as human beings. Therefore, why do we feel things have changed, that we as Blacks will receive those things that others take for ganted, without our doing something to attract attention.

Yes, we can start our 500 Club, but that should not be for things already abundantly within our city. We need an organized effort by the community majority to show West Lubbock that we will no longer tolerate this form of segregation. There are two avenues we can explore to bring attention to our wants and needs. If our majority

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would withhold 50% of West Lubbock purchases each month for three months, would those merchants notice the decrease in sales? The other item, if a significant number of Blacks would make one fast food outlet and club in West Lubbock our regular hang out for a 3 month period, what would happen? Remember when organized sports was all White, well, see what happens when Blacks put their minds to something and we can have the same results within Lubbock, if we make a sincere effort.

We will soon be entering the 1990's and as we do so, maybe we should make one thought our major motivator. That is, the rules of survival are made by Whites, enforced by Whites, therefore, they are his rules. For Blacks to gain grounds, to get on the band wagon, we must first learn their rules, learn how they play the game among themselves, then we must employ Black creativity and abilities to beat them at their own game, as we have done in organized sports.

Freedom & Social Justice

by
Alexander R. Jones

Chemical Criminal

On May 20, 1988, Laurie Dann armed himself with three pistols, walked into a 2nd grade classroom full of children, and started shooting. By the time her insane assault had ended, one child lay dead. Several others were seriously wounded. Dann eventually took her own life before police could get to her.

While the parents, teachers and students grieved over those terrible moments, and the nation was stunned by the news of the unprovoked attack, the real news of the tragedy went largely unreported. Laurie Dann had been taking Anafranil, a powerful, experimental psychiatric drug, and one of a class of drugs known to trigger violent behavior.

A vial of Anafranil was found in an apartment Dann had recently left, and the coroner who performed the autopsy reported traces of the drug in her blood. Yet, at the time Dann was taking this drug, it had not even been approved for use in the United States. Authorities indicated she got it via the mails from Canada. Why or how she got a prescription for this drug is not known? The Dann case is another

in a long series of tragedies where a person has been driven to mindless, violence by psychiatric drugs. And the real tragedy here is that we have yet to awaken to the truth that the psychiatric industry is responsible for such tragedies created by their "treatment."

The incredible things about psychiatric drugs, is that their toxicity, and potential to trigger violence have been well documented by numerous studies, yet the psychiatric industry continues to push these substances in the name of "mental health."

As a culture, we have been duped just as thoroughly as a junkie has been duped by his pusher. Psychiatry has tricked us into thinking that "miracle drugs" can cure all of our upsets in life, and we have thus grown dependent on them. After decades of positive drug advevrtisements, just like the junkie, we believe drugs are good. But the truth is something else. The Laurie Dann tragedy simply brings the truth home.

Alexander R. Jones is the Director of Minority and Third World Affairs for the Church of Scientology (R) International.



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Me!

R. Tee Spoon Thomas
Inmate TDC

Looking in the mirror, and what do we see. There's not anyone else standing there. No body, but Me. What have we builded up, by our foolish pride, living the life that we're living, from the otherside.

Taking life into our own hands, playing the street game. Living the life. We are now with no one else to blame.

When will we learn of the teaching, in which we are born, of the inevitable future that lies ahead. For that's either jail or pain, or either laying in our coffin dead. So our life isn't over. What is to become of me. Well, this will be our destiny, or will we do what's best for "me."

Looking out at "me" that has come about, this life isn't for "me." For we have no doubts.

On our knees, we repent for the wrong doings, and our sins, though this life isn't over, and this is where it begins. Now looking back in the mirror, and we know what we see, better people for tomorrow, and living righteous for Me.

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Invest In Your Community

Dear friends: we would like to help clarify the article that appeared in the September 1, 1988 edition of the Southwest Digest concerning the formation of the Canyon Lakes Credit Union for Districts I and II by suggesting how certain questions of the survey might be answered to convince the League of the commitment that is being put forth by the citizens of these districts in order to help them qualify for the necessary charter for the credit union. No cash is needed at this time, just your commitment!

A. Yes for Number 4 of the survey.
B. \$50.00 or more over a 6 month period for Number 5.
C. A minimum of \$1.00 for Number 6 of the survey.
In addition to the Churches and to the Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, the survey forms may be found at Joe and Paul's Barber Shop, Lee's Cafe, the Estacado Matador Barber Shop, and Parkway Neighborhood Center.

You may call David H. Sowell, president of the Board of Directors of the Canyon Lakes Development Union, at his work number, 792 7161, or at his home, 765 8679; or Eddie Richardson, executive director of the Black Chamber, 747 9804. If you would like additional information, please call either one of the above. A sample copy of the suggested survey is printed below for your convenience. Thank you for your interest!

Credit Union Interest Survey

- 1. Have you ever belonged to a credit union?
- 2. Do you currently belong to a credit union? If so, please give its name.
- 3. Have you ever served as an official of a credit union?
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- 5. What amount would you be willing to deposit initially.
- 6. How much money per month would you be willing to place in savings?
- 7. Would you be willing to serve as an official in the credit union?

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WHY CUT "BABE?" THIS N THAT ... is very unhappy over the ... **RECENT STABBING OF ONE OF OUR OWN** ... **JAMES GARY** ... better known as ... "BABE" ... a man who wouldn't hurt anyone ... perhaps the person or persons responsible for his stabbing thought he had ... **SOME MONEY** ... on him or the like... What a pity ... for this kind of a thing to happen in Lubbock??

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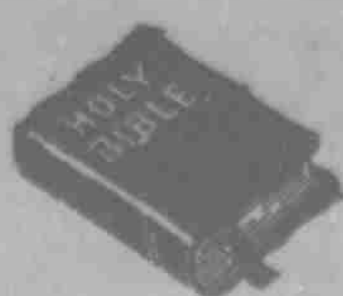
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FROM THE  OF
PARSON D. A. SMITH

REVENGE: The poor
delight of little minds.
Juvenal

Continued from November 24, 1988

The responsibility for evil always rest with Satan and those whom he controls. "What me mean for evil, God means for good."

Rehoboam's arrogance and the refusal to honor a honorable request of the men of Israel caused a division in the Kingdom. However, Rehoboam did not feel threatened over the division. The people he felt were not yet committed to no policy for the future. Their anger would soon cool and they would realize that they had carried their anger to far. But Rehoboam foolish thinking and act of revenge hasten to seal the division. He sent Adoram, his chief financial advisor, to collect taxes. This was a foolish act because it was the very grounds of their complaint. The irritated Israelites stoned Adoram to death. Rehoboam finally realized that the men of Israel meant business. He got into his chariot and fled to the safety of the capital of Jerusalem, for he was in Schechem.

The die now cast, the people now free from having to deal with the tyrant, proceeded at one to crown their king. Ten of the northern tribes of Israel gathered together and declared Jeroboam, the son of Nebat their king. In the order of Providence, the words that had been spoken to Jeroboam by the Prophet Ahijah became a part of history.

The sad part of this scenario is that God was left out. It's a terrible thing for man to leave God out of his affairs. Like dough will not rise without yeast, man cannot rise without God. "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6..... To be continued.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the lovely home of Delbert and Dorothy Hood at 9 a. m. After a short business session, songs of praise and several prayers of thanksgiving were offered. We just thanked God for His many blessings.

Sister Ardelia Hardrick brought the scripture lesson. She chose Psalms 50:14 & 15; 26:7; Phillip 4:6 & 7.

When the storms of life is raging, stand up and give thanks and rejoice for Greater is He that is within you than in the world.

Psalms 26:7: That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Thank God even if you feel there's no reason to. If you are still in the world of the living, you have good reasons to give thanks.

We truly praise God for Sister Ardelia, because she is truly a believer and teacher of the word.

We truly love this teacher. Come and hear this lady teach with power. Jesus said: "We would receive power." Act 1:8.

Thought for the day: *"The Devil is using Sex to kill this nation. Take a good look at yourself, leaders, laymen and just plain people. It's a trick of Satan."* Think about it. Don't let him trick you, his shroud, you'll hardly know it's him. He has more than one mask. Don't look for him dressed in Red, or in a White Sheet, because he has cloaks of many, many colors! Pray always. Keep him at a distance 88. Leaving a dark shadow hanging over God's people. He said he's coming after a church without Spot or Wrinkle. He's puttings on the heat. In order to get out all wrinkles and spots, everything that can be shaken is being shaken. **"Watch your step, Child of God. The Devil will trip you up.** We are giving ourselves too much prayer.

Breakfast was served Spanish style buffet. Come eat with us.

Thank God for our guest. Among them were: Sister Annie Velmond, Sister Barbaa Murphy, Sister Linda McClain, Sister Mary Nelson, Sister Ora Jean Keys, Sister Iwilla Moore, and our own, Sister Johnson was back after several weeks being absent. You are so very special to us. Come anytime. You are welcome!

To all our sick and hurting people. The recipe for keeping your body healthy is in the word. Eat right; sleep right; love your neighbor; speak good of others; plan your day with time to read God's word; time for prayer; seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and He will throw in health along with all those things.

II Chronicles 7:14. "You can make it!"

The Memorial Building Fund contributors include: Sister Irma Cook, \$45.00; Sister Iwilla Moore, \$1.00; and Sister Mary Nelson, \$1.00.

We thank you so very much for your kind gift. We are praying that hearts will be touched all over this city and beyond. Call 762 3347 or write Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Sure would love to hear from you, friends.

We are walking by faith and not by sight.

We will meet in the home of Sister Ruby Johnson, 2911 East Colgate Avenue. See you there this Saturday.

Sister Christine Burleson, president; Sister Ardelia Hardrick, vice president; Sister Annie Johnson, secretary; and Sister Dorothy Hood, reporter.

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THE MEANING OF DAY IN GENESIS

The length of the "days" of creation in Genesis has involved a major controversy in Bible interpretation among evangelicals for many years. Many have sought to redefine the term in light of the naturalistic presuppositions of modern scientism. Therefore, let us attempt, honestly, to examine the evidence from the Holy Scriptures found in God's Word.

The communication of language is through words and their use. We must ask ourselves why Moses was using the words he did, and not other words. What is the meaning he was trying to communicate to his original audience and to us, as well? Why did Moses use the word "day" and not the more generic term, "time"? Is there any significance to the repeated use of numbers in the account ("first day", "second day", etc.)? Why are these "days" bounded by the terms, "evening and morning"? As we examine the text of Genesis 1, answers to these questions become clear.

THE MEANING OF "DAY"

Those who argue that the word "day" means "a long age", point out that the Hebrew word, *yom*, can have a number of meanings, only one of which is "a day of 24 hours". They further seek to strengthen their position with the use of Psalm 90:4 and II Peter 3:8, comparing a day to a thousand years. Both of these verses, however, are simply using figures of speech (similes) to show that God is not constrained by the same time parameters as are humans. These verses are really irrelevant to the discussion of the meaning of "day" in Genesis 1.

It is recognized, of course, that the word "day" can be used with several variations. It can have any of several meanings: (1) a period of light; (2) a period of 24 hours; (3) a general, vague time; (4) a point of time; (5) a year. The context determines which of these is intended by the writer. The English language also can have many definitions for the word "day". We should be reminded that the purpose of language is to communicate. Moses wrote in a language that was meant to communicate to his readers. Words should be defined by their relationship to one another. Word meaning must be determined from within its context. It will be shown how the context defines the word in Genesis Chapter 1.

The use of a number with the word "day" is very illuminating. This combination occurs many times outside of Genesis 1. The combination is used in several ways, but each time it is used, it must mean 24-hour periods of time. If the combinations had been intended to mean long periods of time, both the texts and contexts then become meaningless. A typical verse is Genesis 30:36 "And he (Laban) set three days journey betwixt himself and Jacob." God frequently issued commands that the people were to do or not to do certain things on a given day. This use occurs many times. A good example is Exodus 24:16 "And the glory of the Lord abode upon Mount Sinai, and the Cloud covered it six days; and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud." These are the most typical uses of the word "day" with a number. Each time the terms are used to show a starting point. Ezra 3:6 says, "From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt offerings unto the Lord." A number may also be used with "day" to convey an ending point. An example is Leviticus 19:6 "It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow; and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire!" When the Old Testament uses a No. with the word "day", it means a 24-hour period of time without any exception.

If the meaning of the word "day" with a number always means a 24-hour period of time outside of Genesis 1, then it should also mean a 24-hour period of time inside Genesis 1. The words Moses used to communicate what God did during the creation are very significant. If Moses had meant to signify that the "days" were more than 24-hours in length, he could easily have done so. If we are to understand what Moses wrote, then the language he used must be understood in its normal meaning. The normal meaning is 24-hour periods of time.

ABSENCE OF THE ARTICLE

Once we have determined the meaning of the word "day", we need also to examine another problem connected with the days of Genesis 1. Some have observed the absence of the article from the mention of each of the first six days. They have concluded that Moses must have meant to convey to his readers that at least those days were long periods of time. They have noted that the normal use of the article is to make the noun definite. Gleason Archer makes the following statement in the *Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties*: "In Hebrew prose of this genre, the definite article was generally used where the noun was intended to be definite." The genre, or the form of the literature (that is, history as opposed to poetry) he is referring to here, is history. Let us see if he is correct in this use of the article.

We must be aware of two points regarding the use of the article in Hebrew. First, the article is usually present in the historical sections of the Old Testament for the sake of definiteness. But this is not always the case. Second, Hebrew has more peculiarities in its use of the article than most languages. This should make us very sensitive to the nature of the Hebrew language. The Hebrew language is one that must be observed closely. The most common observation among Jewish and Christian commentators is that the use of the article on the last two days is to show the importance of the sixth and seventh days. This also is in full accord with the Hebrew grammatical rule that the article may be used in this manner. On the basis of grammar alone, then, we are still justified in our use of "day" as being 24-hours in length.

Also, there is another reason for the absence of the article. Numbers in the Hebrew

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Revelation 3:20: Jesus said, behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come unto him, and will sup with him, and with me. U may be the Operator, working at Ma Bell's, or U may be the Prodigal child who's life is a living hell.

Matthew 11:28 thru 30: Jesus said, come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I'm meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

U might be a Queer, living a homosexual and engodly life style, or U may be a Runaway, but you're yet God's child.

Psalms 80:3 and 17: Turn us O' God, and cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved. Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man whom thou madest strong for thyself.

U may be another Samson; standing tall as can be, or U may be the Tempest (Satan); U tempted Jesus, and out to temp me.

Matthew 4:4 Jesus said, it is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

U may be the insurance Underwriter, and the policy can't depend on, or U may be a Vile person and does everyone wrong.

*** Make up in your mind, who you're going to serve??? Lord knows, U're serving somebody!***

Luke 14:26 & 27: Jesus said, if any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and his children, and brethren, and sister, yes, and his own life, also he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

U may be a Wealthy person; with land, money and fine homes, or U may be an Xray technician; and can name all the body bones.

Isaiah 55:6 thru 8: Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord.

U may be a Young person; out to have your fun, or U may be a Zebadee, with sons called James and John.

**** U're serving somebody!! ****

Joshua 24:15a & c & 24: And if it seems evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. And the people said unto Joshua, the Lord our God will we serve, and his voice will be obeyed.

God is not through with us yet. Let us pray for one another always.

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"We would hope some of the area church choirs would participate in this special effort," concluded Pastor Smith.

they had to eat ... over the Thanksgiving holidays ... but ... **THIS N THAT** ... wonders how many of those same people ... **KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY HUNGRY PEOPLE** ... in Lubbock ...

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languages have a definitive quality in themselves. They are referred to as substantives, yet the meaning is the same. A substantive is a noun that we can touch, such as a chair. There are many examples where the number and noun occur without the article, yet the meaning is definite. There are other occurrences similar to Genesis 1, where the noun does not have the article but is with a number. In each of these other occurrences, the English translation uses the definite article. The other occurrences are Numbers 11:9; 11 Samuel 1:1; 1 Chronicles 12:39; 11 Chronicles 20:25; Ezra 8:15, 32; Nehemiah 2:11; Daniel 1:12, 14, 15; 12:12, 13 and Jonah 3:4. Therefore, we must conclude that the absence of the article in Genesis 1 does not mean that the days are long periods of time. Moses' point is still very clear: The days are to be thought of as normal 24-hour days.

EVENING AND MORNING

The meaning of the term "day" must be seen in conjunction with the use of "evening" and "morning". Those who would argue that the days are long periods contend that these terms can have figurative meanings. But what is their meaning in the context of Genesis 1? We must ask ourselves, how would the people have understood these terms "evening" and "morning"? Is Moses, inspired by God, trying to deceive us by telling us the truth about the length of the "days"?

The Old Testament records many times when these two words are used in the same verse. Each time they occur, the meaning must be that of a normal 24-hour day. Here are a couple of examples to illustrate the point: Exodus 16:8 says "And Moses said, this shall be, when the Lord shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full;" Also Exodus 18:13 which says "And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening." All the other occurrences are essentially the same. So then, when the words "morning" and "evening" are used in the same verse, they must refer to a normal 24-hour day.

STATEMENT BY GOD

God did not leave the length of the creation days open to question. He told us the exact length of each day. In Exodus 20:11 He said "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day:"

The context of the statement is an emphatic command. God tells the people "remember" and "keep" the sabbath. God then tells them how to keep the Sabbath in their daily lives. The people can tell when they are keeping the Sabbath if they are resting on the seventh day. God then anchors the reality of the present days to the reality of the past days of creation. God has set the pattern of Israel's work week. The "days" are the same kind of days that the people would have readily known.

As it has been demonstrated previously, "day" used with a number, means a 24-hour day. It is obvious that throughout all Israel's history, the people have understood this to mean a 24-hour day. Even those who hold to the long ages theory of Genesis 1 acknowledge the "days" of Exodus 20:8-11 to be 24-hour days. Therefore, the "days" of creation must also have been 24-hours in length.

CONCLUSION

What can we conclude concerning the length of the "days" of creation? The usage of the word "day" with a number, means a 24-hour period. The absence of the article does not alter that meaning. Further, the use of "evening" and "morning" indicates that a normal 24-hour time period is meant in Genesis 1. God, Himself, said that the creation took only six days. We also must ask ourselves, did Moses and God deceive us by using the word "day" if it really was a long period of time? If our answer is yes, then we should not use the Bible for any of our beliefs. For, if God can deceive us concerning the events of creation, He might have done that in regards to the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. The bottom line is that we then can have no confidence or security in God's Word, if the long-day view is held. It is far better to believe God at His Word, and take the creation days as 24-hour days based upon faith and believing the infallible Word of God.

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Vicki Minor Dr. Percy A. Pierre, president of Prairie View A&M University, announced that Vicki Minor has been appointed Interim Vice President for Development and University Relations for the 1988 & 1989 academic year, effective November 1, 1988.

Christmas Trees

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