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Perry Jackson

The public is invited to attend the Dedication Service on Saturday afternoon, April 30, 1988 at 2 p. m. at the South Plains Funeral Home, 1715 East Broadway.

This special dedication is hosted by the owners, Dr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Taylor, Jr.

Perry Jackson was the founder of South Plains Funeral Home in 1936. After receiving his license from the Texas Board of

Embalmers in 1935, Mr. Jackson wanted to venture into a new territory and was intrigued by stories of an area in Texas where there was no burial establishment for black people. Rumor had it that when black people died in Lubbock, they were loaded on the back of a truck and taken to a dump area. It was this knowledge coupled with his innate business sense and concern for his people, that led him to leave Dallas and establish the first funeral service for black people in West Texas.

Mr. Jackson set an unsurpassed standard of quality in the funeral business. He would rejoice to know that this high standard continues to be exemplified by South Plains Funeral Home today.

Mr. Tull Thornton, Jr., the second owner of South Plains Funeral Home continued to build upon the ethics and professionalism started by his predecessor, Mr. Perry Jackson since 1954 when he brought it to Mr. Jackson.

In the late 50's, Mr. Thornton introduced the Gold over White colors to the business. He relocated to its present location in 1958.

Mrs. Thornton took over the business after her husband's death in February of 1983; which later she sold the business to Dr. & Mrs. Roosevelt Taylor from Austin, Texas in 1984.

The present owners of the South Plains Funeral Home are Dr. & Mrs. Roosevelt Taylor.

Both are native of New Jersey, and were educated in the New Jersey Public School System.

Mrs. Taylor graduated from Parsons College in Fairfield, Iowa. This was followed by a seven year teaching career which involved teaching in



Dr. & Mrs. Roosevelt Taylor, Jr.

Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Dr. Taylor graduated from Indiana University Undergraduate School and Howard University Medical School. He then did an internship in Newark, New Jersey at Newark City Hospital, and a residency at the University of Maryland Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

During Dr. Taylor's internship, he and Mrs. Taylor were married. They postponed starting a family for several years, because residence salaries were far too meager to support a family. Eventually, their two children — Roosevelt Taylor, III and Allison Antonette Taylor were born.

After Dr. Taylor's residency in Maryland, the family moved on to Minot, N. Dakota for a two year assignment in the U. S. Air Force. What a relief to know that their next home would be located in a much warmer climate. It almost seemed that the ground was covered with snow on the time of arrival until their time of departure. So after Minot, they headed to Winston-Salem, N. Carolina. Their stay in North Carolina was short, and they soon moved to Austin, Texas which is their present place of residence.

Dr. Taylor's father was a self-made business man who owned a grocery store and a milk delivery business so it was only natural for the Doctor to follow in his footsteps in the business world. His father was an excellent role model.

Upon being approached about buying Fuller & Sheffield in Austin, Dr. & Mrs. Taylor had apprehension. After assessing the offer, their decision was to buy Fuller & Sheffield and make it the best funeral home they could.

A similar offer was made to purchase South Plains Funeral Home of Lubbock,

and after the same decision was reached.

This past year, the time to make the changes came and South Plains was renovated, and a chapel was added to the facility. An appropriate name was chosen for that chapel, and it will be named the Tull Thornton, Jr. Chapel.

Mr. Thornton was a former owner of South Plains Funeral Home.

This chapel and all the new and exciting changes will be dedicated in a dedicatory service on Saturday, April 30, 1988, at 2 p. m.

Also on the staff is Linda Rainwater Gaines who serves as secretary and receptionist — positions she has held for two years.

Her parents are Ed and Alma Rainwater, both of Lubbock.

She is a 1961 graduate of Dunbar High School, and a graduate of Southwestern Christian College in Terrell, Texas.

Linda is a notary and a pre-need counselor whenever there is a need.

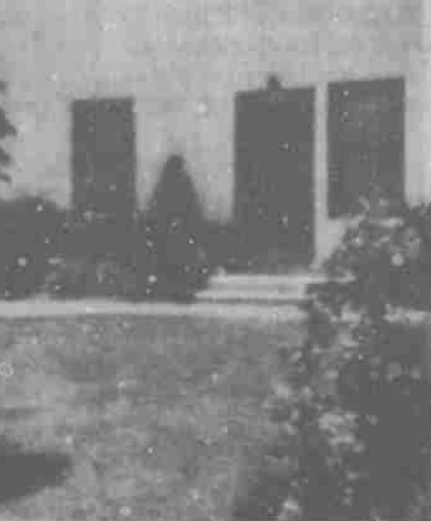


Linda Rainwater Gaines

Being a member of the 20th & Birch Church of Christ, she is a very friendly and outgoing person.

"The doors are always open so whenever there arise a need, please contact me at home or the office," says Ms. Gaines.

"We are still the South Plains you have known for 51 years and will serve you for years to come," she continued.



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South Plains Funeral Home



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For more information, call 762-0111.

Reception For T. J. Patterson

The time has come to pay respect to one of our community leaders. There will be a reception in the honor of T. J. Patterson, one has worked diligently for the people of our community.

Come out and help show your appreciation on Sunday, May 1, 1988, at the Lubbock Housing Authority Center, 515 North Zenith Avenue.

The reception will be held from 4 p. m. until 6 p. m.

Disco Skating Party

A disco skating party will be sponsored by the Estacado High School Class of '78 for teenagers 13 - 17 years old at the Solar Roller, Parkway Mall, Friday night, April 29, 1988, from 7:30 p. m. until 10:00 p. m. Admission is \$2.00.

Skating Party

A skating party will be sponsored by the Estacado High School Class of '78 graduates for children up to 12 years old at the Solar Roller, Parkway Mall, Saturday, April 30, 1988 from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. Admission will be \$2.00.

**RUBY
JA' 3
CORNER**



Last Sunday morning at the New Hope Baptist Church, members praised God for another day.

New Hope is located at 2002 Birch Avenue, and Rev. S. C. Nash is the proud pastor.

Services began with Sunday School, and was followed by the morning radio broadcast.

Radio news announcer was Anita Henry. Altar prayer was offered by Pastor Nash.

Pastor Nash's sermon was entitled: "Serving This Present Generation." His scripture was Acts 13:36-37. It was a very informative sermon.

Lillie Ray Claggions and

sister, Alma Faye Scott, of Richardson, Texas have been visiting their daddy, A. B. Mitchell, here for a week. He has been very ill. Mary Mitchell of Lubbock is their sister. They are former members of New Hope. They were very happy about visiting New Hope last Sunday morning.

Catherine Alexander is ill in Methodist Hospital, ICU room S-739.

Little Marcus Williams, son of Mr. & Mrs. Mark Williams and grandson of Mr. & Mrs. T. J. Patterson,

was a patient in Methodist Hospital, room 527, at this report.

Jesus is still here. If you pray, please don't forget to pray for the citizens of the community who are shut in at this report.

Tommie Williams is ill at home, 1802 East 31st Street.

Mrs. Celestine Kyle is home from the hospital, and is doing nicely at this report.

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A 76 year old gentleman who has lived at Buffalo Springs Lake for 28 years has his \$397 annual lot lease come due on December 31, 1987. After January 10, 1988, the \$397 began to accumulate late charge at the rate of 10% DAILY. Before the end of February he owed well over \$2000. Attempts were made to meet with the board and work out a payment plan. He was refused a hearing, given a choice of "either pay up or move" and eviction papers were served on March 30, 1988. A hearing was had on April 1, 1988 at which time he was given 5 days to pay the full amount or lose his home, clothing, trucks and anything else he might call property. He sold his home, containing 28 years of memories, for just enough to cover his lease, late charges and court costs. **ILLEGAL OR JUST IMMORAL???**

There have been a number of other instances of this very thing, yet a family came through the gate in an Air-stream trailer, driving a late model vehicle and towing another, parked in the campground for six months or better and were charged a VERY REDUCED rate - needless to say, they were friends of someone in authority and were deemed a "hardship case" - **MUST YOU OWN AN AIRSTREAM TO BE A HARDSHIP CASE???** Most of our senior citizens can't afford that kind of "hardship".

Even the moment these lot leases become delinquent the homeowners has to pay the regular gate fee to go to their homes. Everytime they went to work, to the grocery store, or to the doctor, upon their return they were charged a gate fee to go home. **WOULD YOU TAKE ACTION IF YOU HAD TO PAY \$1.50 EVERY TIME YOU DESIRED ACCESS TO YOUR HOME?** Are there other "villages" who charge an entry fee to visit in their city?

It has been openly stated that this is "a very powerful board, with broad authority and the laws of Texas and the Federal government DO NOT APPLY to this District". **IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THAT 5 MEN CAN BE ABOVE THE LAW. LET'S FIND OUT IF THEY ARE!!!**

Board members, village officials and lake employees have stated that "we don't want "undesirables" living here, serving on the board, visiting our facilities". **WHO IS CLASSIFIED AS AN UNDESIRABLE - IT COULD BE YOU OR I.** If so, what is it that makes us undesirable? What do you think?

These cases are just the tip of the iceberg. The taxpayers of Lubbock County own Buffalo Springs Lake, investing over 3 million dollars to improve the area as a recreational area for all residents of Lubbock County. Lubbock County taxpayers still contribute to the support of the lake through their general admission and permit charges. The voters of Lubbock County elected this board, which in turn hired the manager. Should we now sit back and simply play "follow the leader", become dehumanized, void of sympathy, of opinion, of questions, insensitive to the needs of other human beings, or should we stand up and fight for the basic human rights granted by our land? **SHOULD WE, AS TAXPAYERS OF LUBBOCK COUNTY, TEXAS, TAKE HOLD AND INSIST THAT OUR PUBLIC SERVANTS FULFILL THEIR OATH OF OFFICE AND SERVE THE NEEDS OF EVERYONE? WHAT DO YOU THINK?** Should we say to this board of directors: "Your services are no longer required"? If you are of the opinion that we should take a stand for right, please help us do that by signing below and returning this to us at the address listed. **WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS!!!**

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I, the undersigned taxpayer and registered voter of Lubbock County, Texas desire the recall/impeachment of the Board of Directors of Lubbock County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 and the termination of the present lake management for failure to meet the needs of the people.

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Full Political Announcement

Cast An Educated Vote

Dr. Jim



GOSS

for LISD Trustee

"Lubbock Independent School District must get out of confrontation in the courts and proceed with a positive new vision of 'good faith' relations with all the people of Lubbock, affirming equal, quality education for all of our children."

"I believe that LISD Trustees, members of the Administration, and teachers are public servants. LISD business is Public Business. If elected, I will work for four 'special interest' groups:

The Children,
The Teachers,
The Parents,
and The Taxpayers."



EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE OF LUBBOCK

Education is Lubbock's most important business. Education is the "supply side" trigger to economic growth for Lubbock. Our educational leadership needs a new vision for the future of Lubbock.

We must assure that the priority of the school system is the delivery of a quality education to each student in order to fulfill his or her potential to become a fully responsible and productive citizen.

As we enter the Information Age we must be "FUTURE ORIENTED." We must always be asking ourselves the question: "Education for What?" The successful citizen of Lubbock's future will have to deal with information more effectively, and must have a more global perspective of the individual's position in the world community. It makes sense to focus on communication skills, developing a greater competence in reading English with comprehension, and writing with clarity. We should be more interested in foreign languages and other cultures in the world around us, to help our country continue an affirmative role of leadership in world affairs. We must learn the language of computers and an ever-expanding and accelerating technology. We must develop affirmative educational responses to change. If we lag, we handicap our children and deny them satisfying lives in the future. More importantly, if we do not have this vision, we will be holding Lubbock back from any real position of leadership in the state, nation, and the world.

We are all too aware that we cannot be hostage to our dependency on non-renewable resources. Our future depends upon the affirmative development of renewable human resources — **our children.** We must not let education be a victim of hard times. Investment in education is the best investment in our solution of the economic problems of the future. Better jobs, quality economic growth, and a satisfactory quality of life will only come from a better educated community.

The voters of Lubbock have a choice at the Election on May 7. The choice is for more of the same old problems, or for **AN OPTIMISTIC VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF LUBBOCK.**

To be competitive in the future of the region, state, nation, and world, it is a simple fact that **LUBBOCK MUST PROVIDE THE BEST EDUCATION THAT THE PEOPLE OF LUBBOCK CAN AFFORD.**

If we don't continue support to prioritize and improve our educational system now, we will end up paying much more later in a declining economy, a declining quality of life, and the continuing problem of supporting the people that we have not effectively educated for the future on unemployment, on welfare, and in the prisons.

EDUCATION IS OUR BEST INVESTMENT!

Dr. Jim Goss' "special interest" is **QUALITY EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE OF LUBBOCK.** He wants to work for the **PEOPLE OF LUBBOCK** in developing the educational means to a **NEW VISION** for a **QUALITY FUTURE FOR LUBBOCK.**

As a Texas Tech University Professor with 25 years of experience as a classroom teacher and educational administrator, Jim Goss has the **VISION.** He has the **Education, Knowledge, and Experience** to provide **LEADERSHIP IN THE VISION.**

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Second Annual Fajita Feast

Ruby Jay

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The Dunbar-Struggs PTA will present its second annual Fajita Feast on Friday, April 29, 1988, from 5:00 until 7:30 p. m. in the Dunbar cafeteria.

Entertainment will begin at 7:00 p. m. in the Dunbar auditorium with performances by the Panjammers, the Jazz-Rock Lab Band and other special guests from the community.

The PTA helps with different activities throughout the year for the student body. They also provide a scholarship for a deserving senior. The Fajita Feast is the main fund raiser for PTA so why not make April 29 your 'family night'. Pre-sale tickets are: ADULTS...\$3.00; CHILDREN UNDER 12 ... \$2.00. Tickets at the door will be \$4.00 for ADULTS and \$3.00 for CHILDREN UNDER 12.

There will be plenty of food and we guarantee to fill you up or else.

FOR TICKET INFORMATION YOU MAY CALL DUNBAR ... 766-1300.

It was so nice to see Missionary R. B. Thompson at church services last Sunday morning. She has been shut in from an eye surgery.

Rev. A. L. Dunn is still a patient at South Park Hospital. He is doing well at this report.

Marshall "Matt" Johns passed last week. His funeral services are pending at South Plains Funeral Home.

Rev. A. L. Dunn, newly pastor at Bethel AME Church, and wife, Janice, have returned from the General Board meeting in Washington, D. C. Rev. Dunn is a candidate for the bishop in the AME Church.

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St. Luke Baptist Church

by Rev. J. H. Ford, Pastor

The parable of the good Samaritan is one of the most familiar parables and in this parable at least three different ways of life are demonstrated.

The thieves who stripped and wounded the man on the Jericho road lived by the philosophy of life that they had a right to take what they wanted even if it belonged to another. They lived by the code that says, get what you want anyway you can from anybody who has what you want. Steal, lie, cheat, rob, anything, as long as you get what you want. This is one way to live and hosts of people live like that.

One of the Ten Commandments is "Thou shalt not steal." But this Commandment is broken everyday in many different ways. Outright taking of things from another as the thieves did in the parable of the good Samaritan is one way. Other ways are dishonest dealings, petty larceny, false labeling, unjust weights, lying advertisements and cheating on exams. Anyone who fails to give a full day's work for a full day's pay is a thief. Anyone who won't pay his bills is a thief. To borrow without intent to repay is robbery. To conceal a defect in an item for sale is dishonest. The adulteration of a product or the misuse of property by tenants is cheating. The most common form of stealing, and one of the worst, is to withhold God's tithe.

There are three ways to acquire a thing. The first is to work for it and to rejoice in honest toll. The second way is to receive a thing as a gift, and to know that someone loves you. The third is to steal it and to bear the wrath of God. Everyone should be sure that he has a moral and legal title to everything he possesses. Don't be a thief. Don't be one who pilfers, (to steal in small quantities) filches (to take another's possession without right and without his knowledge or permission). Don't swindle anybody. On the other hand be on the alert for those who would steal from you or someone else. Let us all keep our lights on and our eyes open and watch for one another. Call your neighbor when you are leaving home, just for a few minutes. Report crime regardless of where it happens.

Christ Temple Will Honor Bishop Haynes



Bishop J. Edward Lee

Christ Temple COGIC members will honor their Pastor, Bishop W. D. Haynes, with a birthday dinner on Friday night, April 29, 1988, at 7 p. m. in the Christ Temple Fellowship

Hall, 2411 Fir Avenue.

Guest speaker will be Bishop James Edward Lee, Prelate, Texas East Jurisdiction; and Rev. Kado Lang, president of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance.

Along with ministers and their wives of the city, and a group from the fellowship of New Mexico, Eld. W. Chambers, chairman.

Sunday, May 1, 1988, Christ Temple's Church Anniversary will begin during the 11:30 a. m. morning worship hour. Friends and well worshippers of Christ Temple are cordially invited to attend, along with ex-members.

Galliee Missionary Baptist Church
Crosbyton, Texas

Well, we thank God for another wonderful day in the service of the Lord. Sunday School was a delight with Director Harris and her staff. May God's glory forever bless this wonderful work.

Sunday morning worship hour was well served with devotion led by Deacon Coppage and Bro. Albert White who set the pace for the service. The choir was at its place of duty with songs of praise that really blessed our hearts. Then came the word of God as Pastor Eugene Gentry preached a message of instruction. Our attention was called to St. Matthew 7:13-15, Romans 14:10 where Pastor Gentry gathered the thought, "God's Mandate For Christian Stewardship." The Lord did bless our service.

At 3:00 p. m., the Sunday School Department had their annual day. Director Harris, with the help of her group, had a beautiful program. We thank the Lord for them.

Our prayers go out for the sick and shut-in and all who are duty bound to pray for.

"From The Pastor's Desk"
With the earliest history of man, satan began his efforts to deceive our race. He who had incited rebellion in heaven desired to bring the inhabitants of the earth to unite with him in his warfare

against the government of God. Adam and Eve had been perfectly happy in obedience to the law of God, and this fact was a constant testimony against the claim which satan had urged in heaven, that's God law was oppressive and opposed to the good of his creatures. And furthermore, satan's envy was excited as he look upon the beautiful home prepared for the sinless pair. He determined to cause them their fall, that, having separated them from God and brought them under his own power, he might gain possession of the earth and here establish his kingdom in opposition to the most high.

My Brothers and Sisters satan is still in business, by causing separation in the fellowship. Satan uses his unrevealed character to create deception. He furthermore presents a fascinating appearance which causes many to fall victim to his wiles. As God's preacher, my concern is to give fair warning that Christians should pray without ceasing, lest satan get an advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.

How does your faith stand with God?
Rev. E. Gentry, pastor; Sis. Laverren Fullbright, reporter.

Conference Set Friday, April 29th

A Career Conference is being planned for area junior high and high school students on Friday, April 29, 1988 beginning at 4:15 p. m. at Estacado High School, 1504 East Itasca.

The conference, an annual event sponsored by the Lubbock Mothers Club, is designed to allow students an opportunity to

meet individuals representing a variety of occupations. The students will rotate through three different sessions and listen while the individuals share with them the particulars about their job.

In addition to visiting with individuals, the students will have an opportunity to pick up a job application for the Youth Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) job program, sponsored by TEC.

They can also choose to attend a session designed to teach basic study skills or a session where they can learn how to write a resume.

Those students attending the conference will be treated to a cookout, with food being prepared by local VIP's and elected officials.

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In Revival

Pastor Eddie Scott of Lubbock, Texas will be in revival at Hope Deliverance Temple, 2812 East 4th Street, Sunday, May 1, thru Friday, May 6, 1988.

Services will begin nightly at 7:30 p. m. The host pastor is Elder Charles Tanner who is inviting the public to come share and be blessed in these services.

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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

It Needs To Be Said

by the Mystery Writer

Being late is better than never, therefore the "Letter to the Editor" in the April 14, 1988 edition concerning Dunbar is greatly appreciated. Your letter indicates your concern for Dunbar which is what the article was intended to generate. The racial overtone of the article should not be overlooked, yet it is significant. Too often when race is mentioned, we tend to take it as bias or prejudice, however, there are times when race must be considered as a cause of the problem. In the case of Dunbar's Coach Lee, I do not refer nor consider him a racist, bias or prejudice. I merely pointed to the fact, does he have the motivation, talent and abilities to get the best out of a majority Black football team. If you will recall, I also questioned Coach Wallace efforts at Coronado.

There are certain stimulants Blacks respond to that Whites in most instances can't supply. There also is a possibility that the black players simply refuse to give their best for a White coach. Therefore, race is involved, not in an overt manner, but behind the scene. As concern supporters of Dunbar, we must explore all alternatives to come up with a solution. As adults of the community, we are either part of the solution or part of the problem.

I also agree, Estacado has a larger enrollment and a better feeder program and for those reasons we give them the edge. An edge is a slim margin, however, Dunbar is competitive with Estacado in other activities in reference to sports, band, academic. The point here is, if Estacado 10-0, 9-1 annually, why can't Dunbar be at least 5-5, 6-4, in short have a winning season. That was the basis for the comparison. If you and I both brought identical material from Cloth World, the same patterns why would one outfit be superior to the other? Would you blame it on one house being better than the other, the annual income, or would you say, it was the skill of the seamstress?

As the writer stated, "parents do need to take control of the situation within our schools and stop the excuses." We as Blacks must be tuned to the steps we can take to resolve our concerns with school problems. Do you feel Coach Wallace's transfer to Estacado was not an "offer he best not refuse?" This is the same type tactic we must learn to employ. We tend to do a great deal of tongue flapping "in-house" or "in-community", yet when times require us to back-up our words, we become deaf and dumb. We tend to tolerate situations that are against our beliefs or that we know are totally wrong, as the fear of hurting someone feeling overcomes our sense of right and wrong. Be they Black or White, Brown or White, friend or foe, if they don't produce the desired results, we must find someone that will, regardless of where the chips may fall. And in the case of Dunbar, we are talking about our kids, they desire the best we can give them. If our football team is not meeting our expectations, who should go, the students or the coach?

As parents and adults of the community, we must instill certain values in our youth. The best place to do this is in the HOME. However, there are times we must move outside the home to take a stand with our kids and not place the entire blame on them. If we take a close look at the Dunbar/Estacado situation, they are "nip and tuck" in every area except FOOTBALL. And all I ask is WHY?

"I would far rather be ignorant than knowledgeable of evils."

Aeschylus

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You may be critical of some things that are written, but, at least you will have the satisfaction of knowing they are truthful and to the point.

People will react to that which is precise, and we will publish these articles as precisely and factually as is humanly possible. We will also give credit and respect to those who are doing good things for the Lubbock Area and the people. We will be critical of those who are not doing as they have said they would, and this, we think, is fair.

So, this is our resolution to you: "Feel free at anytime to call this office for information concerning this newspaper or any other matter that is of concern to you."

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AN EDUCATOR'S OPINION

Rescuing a Nation at Risk

In my last column, while discussing the fifth anniversary of the *A Nation at Risk* report, I said that if America is to compete economically with other nations, we must restructure education in profound, rather than superficial, ways. I also said that the previous five years have produced little leadership from the Reagan Administration in financing American education.

This past Friday, at an NEA-sponsored conference in Washington, D.C., nationally renowned Harvard economist Robert B. Reich tackled this critically important issue of restructuring education. Reich began by pointing to two missed opportunities in recent American history.

First, as the high-tech information age rose from the ashes of the industrial age, public policymakers took little note. Our schools continued to prepare students for jobs that demanded conformity rather than creativity. Assembly-line schools designed to prepare students for assembly-line jobs remained the norm.

Second, policymakers hid from the challenges posed by the emerging global economy. Schools met this new economic reality with old educational habits, and America remained wedded to a two-tiered system that sharply divided the educated elite from semi-educated, semi-literate workers. As a result, America now

shares the marketplace it once owned.

Our schools became anachronisms. Our curricula became obsolete. Our workers became unprepared for the changing economic environment. America became a nation at risk.

Reich insists that today's challenge is "to provide our children not with more education, but rather with a different kind of education." An education that introduces them to high-tech creativity. An education that stresses experimentation, not only repetition and drill.



Mary Hatwood Futrell
President, NEA

Reich notes that the engine of American productivity is no longer fueled by an elite corps of managerial wizards. The new engine is collaboration—collaboration among workers at all levels.

That kind of collaboration demands schools that place less emphasis on competition, more emphasis on cooperation. We in NEA are working hard to build this cooperation. In over 100 school buildings around the country, NEA experimental programs are empowering teachers, helping faculties make decisions at the school site.

Professor Reich understands that rescuing a nation at risk demands turning the educational status quo upside down. Cosmetic changes in education will produce cosmetic results. A nation at risk will be saved only by a nation of risk-takers.

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There is no charge for admission to the cookout, but the students must attend the conference to be able to participate.

After the cookout, the students will attend a dance with music being provided by a local DJ. There is no charge for those students who have attended the conference.

The conference is being

co-sponsored by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Hub City Kiwanis, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Martin Luther King Committee, and Texas Tech Student Support Department.

Letter to the Editor

"Wants To Help"

Dear Sir:

I recently read the following item, comparing the top seven major problems - past and present - confronting our schools, and thought you might like to print it. I believe many fail to realize that the majority of a child's learning takes place in the home and not in schools. We cannot expect educators who must deal with these problems to solve them in the school. My source for this material was in Lubbock, Texas, Police Department and the Lubbock Department of Education:

Top Problems In 1970

1. Talking
2. Chewing gum
3. Making noise
4. Running in the halls
5. Getting out of line
6. Wearing improper clothing
7. Not putting paper in the wastebaskets.

Top Problems Today

1. Drug abuse
2. Alcohol abuse
3. Pregnancy
4. Suicide
5. Rape
6. Robbery
7. Assault

Signed,

Bob Hope Robinson

Juneteenth Senior Citizens Picnic

If the good Lord is willing and Lake Six don't rise, the brothers and sisters will once again put on the gala Juneteenth Picnic. The grills are waiting to do their part in turning out the best ribs, chicken, sausage, and maybe, goat in Texas. The fun, good times and full stomachs are still fond memories from last year. We know what success and praise past Juneteenth Senior Citizens Picnics were, now we must get cracking for 1988.

To top last year's gala feast, we need more of everything. We need contributions from the businesses as well as each household and individual therein. If you will call 762-3612, leave your name, address, and a time to stop by, we will come to your door-step and pick-up your contribution. Or if you are in the area, drop it off at the Southwest Digest, 510 East 23rd Street. There is no set limit, give what you feel it is worth to you, as no amount is too large or small. In the past, some of our brothers and sisters have dug deep into their own "cookie jars" to cover last minute expenses, let's not let it happen this year.

This is a community event, food and good times for everyone that comes, as no one is refused. Come on East Lubbock, let's make this a fun filled day, call in your contributions today. We need it for planning our menu. We can do it. Yes, we can!

Attention EHS

'78 Grads

For all those who graduated from Estacado High School in 1978, we will be having a meeting every Thursday at Estacado High School at 7:00 p. m.

Please come!

Wins 2nd Place



Darles McWilliams, a junior at Estacado High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert McWilliams, recently won 2nd place in poetry interpretation at the

UIL Regional Contest in Brownwood, Texas. McWilliams will now be competing in the state competition held in Austin, Tx. on May 6 and 7.

From The Desk

Of The NAACP

The Lubbock Chapter of the NAACP would like to remind the citizens of Lubbock of the upcoming city elections to be held Saturday, May 7th. In the election, there are

five candidates running for mayor, seven candidates for LISD school board of trustees and two candidates for city council, District II.

We encourage all citizens to read up on all the candidates and be ready to vote on Saturday, May 7th.

St. James Baptist Church News

There will be an all Women's Day program Saturday, April 29, 1988. There will be refreshments and registration at 9:30 a. m. The program will begin at 10 a. m.

The theme for the program is "Prayer Changes Things." It is being sponsored by the Young Women's Auxiliary.

Thank God for our Pastor, Rev. Kado Lang, who brought a wonderful message last Sunday morning. He talked about Jesus and Zaccheus. His subject was "Time To Come Down."

He talked about as Jesus was passing through

Jericho, a man named Zacchaeus, one of the most influential Jews in Roman tax collecting business, and, of course, a very rich man tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed into a sycamore tree beside the road to watch from there.

When Jesus came by, he looked up and said, "Zaccheus come down, for I am going to be a guest in your home today."

The Pastor was trying to tell us we need to come down. It looks like we have forgotten who put us where we are. It took some of us a long time to get where we are. It took some of us a long time to get where we are, and the same one who put us up there can bring us down in just a few minutes.

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We have forgotten, and we think we are so high until we can't serve the Lord anymore. We can't work together. We can't love. We have "I" special people we want to work with, but let me tell you something, God doesn't have no special

person. He loves us all. God is getting tired. He is hitting hard everyday somewhere and is trying to open our eyes. The more he hits, the blinder we get. It is so sad. It is time to come down. God bless you.

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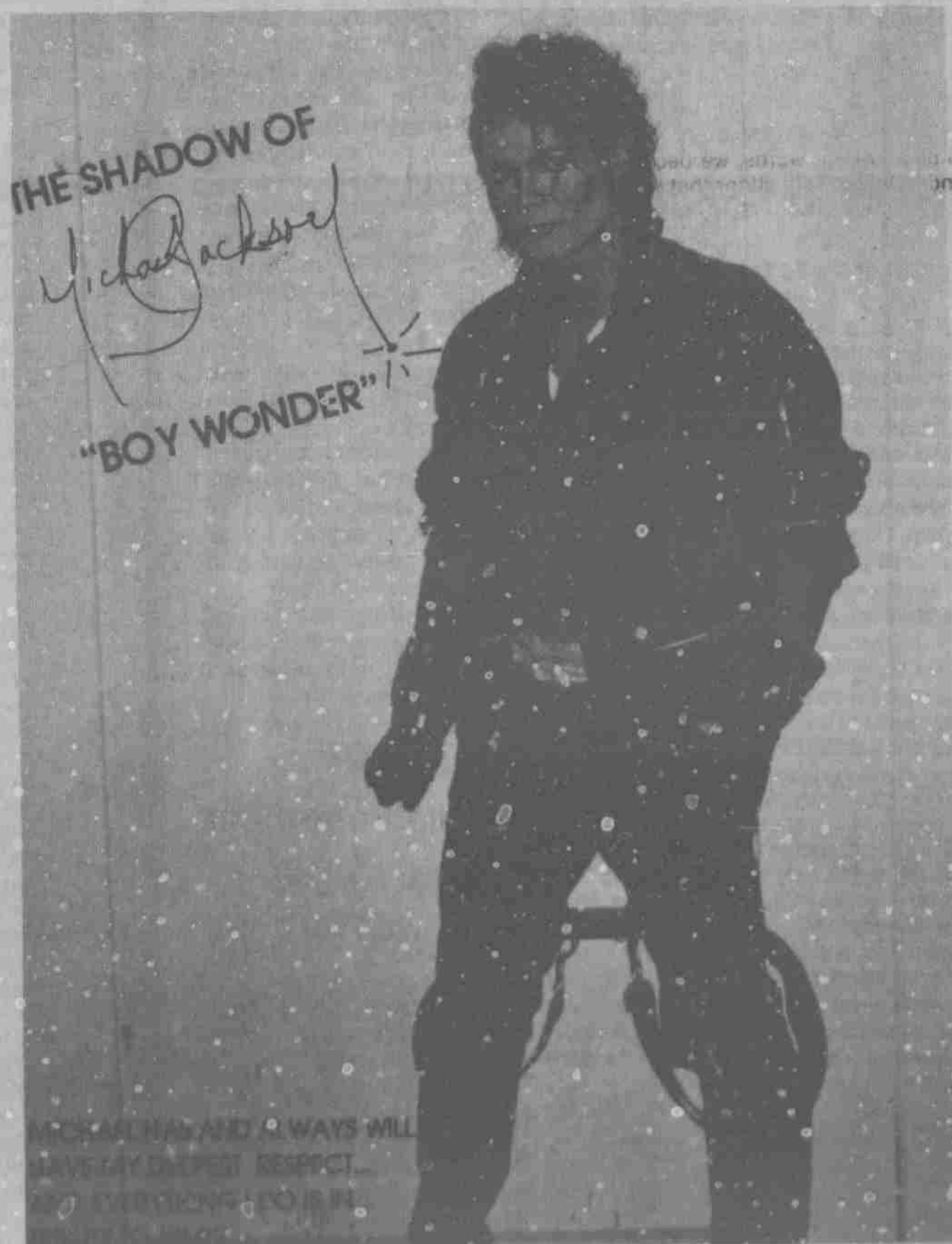
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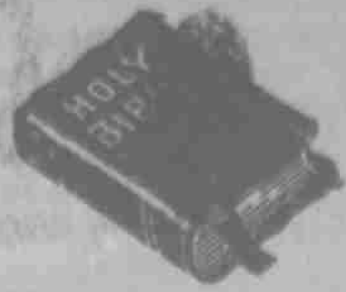
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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the lovely home of Mrs. Mittie Wallace. President Christine Burtleson presided over the meeting. Opening scripture was Psalms 90 which was read by Sister Wallace. This is such a beautiful scripture. When you have the time, read it. It will bless your soul.

Morning lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her scripture was Matthew 24. Her subject was "Signs of Christ's Coming."

(4) "Take heed that no man deceive you. (5) For many shall come in my name, saying, I'm Christ; and shall deceive many, (6) and ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. (7) For nations shall rise against nations, and kingdoms against kingdoms, and there shall be famines and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you; and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

(13) But he that shall

endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

This teacher said: "When your good is evil spoken of, read all of this chapter, and you will know, not only that, but some will go as far as to kill you for doing good, you thank it's bad now. It's just the beginning of sorrow.

We thank God for you, Sister Jones. It was truly a blessing to us for you to bring such a lesson. We love you, and God does too.

Thought for the week: "Christians, hold on a little while longer. Everything will be alright. When things get tough, be strong, of a good courage. God is still in control. Stand tall on the word of God." Think about this.

Breakfast was served to all nice and hot.

Also plans were made for the Prayer Revival which will be held June 6, 7 & 8, 1988. We are hoping to have the fellowship of all the churches in this city and beyond. We are hoping to have many prayer warriors that will be in prayer around the clock for this meeting. Please mark your calendar now. Place will be announced later.

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Write: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Tx 79409. Or you may call 762-3347. We love you and only you. Keep smiling and feeling good about yourself. Speak positive. Words are containers. They carry faith or fear, and they produce after their kind.

To all of God's people not feeling well today all over the city and beyond.

Let Us Pray The Word Jesus, you gave us the authority to use your name and that which we bind on earth is bound in heaven, and that which we loose on earth is loosed in heaven. Therefore, Lord, in your name we binds the principalities, the powers, the rulers of darkness of this world, we bind and cast down spiritual wickedness in high places, and render them harmless and ineffective against your people in the name of Jesus, AMEN.

Matthew 16:19; John 16:23-24; and Ephesians 6:12.

We walk by faith and not by sight.

Saturday, the 30th of April, we will meet in the home of Mrs. Gladys Coffee. She lives north on University Avenue, six miles to Farmers Depo. Someone will be there to direct you, before 9 a. m. See you there!

Can any good come out of Nazareth??

"Come and see!" Closing prayer was offered by President Burtleson.

Many thanks to our guest: Sis. Corna Portee, Sis. Elnora Jones, and Sis. Mittie Wallace for opening up her home and inviting us in. You are special, all of you!

President, Christine Burtleson; secretary, Annie Johnson; and reporter, Dorothy Hood.

Week Of Celebration For New Hope Baptist Church

The week of May 1-6 has been designated as a time of celebration for the New Hope Baptist Church at 2002 Birch Avenue.

The week begins with the celebration of the 62nd Church Anniversary. The highlight of the day's celebration will be the afternoon service at 3:00 o'clock.

After the Sunday Jubilee, the Church will enter a week of Revival. The evangelist for the revival will be the Rev. B. R. Daniels of the Beth Eden Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas.

Pastor Nash and the New Hope Family are looking forward to a GRAND time in celebration. The entire city is invited to join in this celebration.

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THE EVIDENCE OF HIS RESURRECTION.

1. The testimony of the angel. Matthew 28:6-7 says "He is not here; for he is risen as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell His disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; and there shall ye see him."
2. The testimony of Jesus to the apostles. He told them in Luke 24:39 "Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones as ye see me have."
3. His invitation to Thomas in John 20:27 "Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side; and be not faithless but believing."
4. The declaration of the Holy Scriptures in 1 Corinthians 15:4 "And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." Mark 16:6 says "Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified; he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him."
5. The empty tomb. Luke 24:1-7 "Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came into the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them. And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre. And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus. And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments: And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee, Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again."
6. The change wrought in the apostles.

a. After His death they were disheartened and afraid. John 20:19 says "Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you." Luke 24:37 says "But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit."

b. After He revealed Himself to them in His resurrected body, they were very bold in preaching and witnessing about the resurrection. They would die rather than give up this precious doctrine.

(1) Hear what Peter had to say on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:22-36 "Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it. For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved: Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope: Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance. Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. For David is not ascended into the heavens; but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, Until I make thy foes thy footstool. Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ."

(2) Hear Peter again in Acts 3:14-15 "But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; and killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses."

(3) Note him before the Sanhedrin and others in Acts 4:10 "Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole." Acts 4:33 says "And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all." Also in Acts 5:29-32 it says "Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him."

7. Stephen saw Jesus standing at the right hand of God in Acts 7:54-56 which reads "When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, And said, behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God."

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RESURRECTION.

1. Without it, our preaching and our faith would also be vain. Notice what it says in the book of 1 Corinthians 15:12-14 "Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen; And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain."
2. Without it, we would be false witnesses for it says in 1 Corinthians 15:15 "Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, how so be that the dead rise not."
3. Without it, we would still be in our sins. 1 Corinthians 15:16-17 continues to say "For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins."
4. Without it, the dead in Christ have perished. 1 Corinthians 15:18 says "Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished."
5. Without it, all our hope would be in this life only, and this would make us of all men most miserable. In closing, 1 Corinthians 15:19 says "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead,"

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I walked in the old world of sin and shame. "I was Black and proud, and was doing my own thing."

I wallowed in this world's "hog pen", "finding no rest", for the shape for the shape I was in."

(The world pig pen, I loved money, drinking, gambling, women, smoking, doping, and all the others).

Romans 6:23 -- For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

I John 2:15-17 -- Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

I was looking for "love", in all the world places. I thought I would find it; in many of the new faces.

I would lay down at night, couldn't get no rest. I tried the new drinks, "the new drugs, only to be depressed."

Matthew 11:29-30 -- 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 (get to know); for I'm meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

I was raised in a Christian home: "Under the word of prayer." I'm now grown and went out on my own, "and left God's words there."

My life was so much like "The prodigal son's." "I wanted to get away from "The father's and have my fun."

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 into him, and will sup (eat) with him, and he with me.

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"I remember asking forgiveness of all my sins." I and the prodigal son, "we don't belong in the hog pen. (Hogs and blo flies belong there).

Romans 10:9 -- That is thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

John 8:32 -- Jesus said, and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Hebrews 4:16 -- Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

"I'm now just a nobody, trying to tell everybody, about somebody, who can save everybody."

God is not through with us yet; so let's pray for one another always.

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