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NATIONAL NEWS

NCNW Plans 122nd Birthday of Founder

The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW) announced plans to commemorate the 122nd birthday of its founder, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, on Wednesday, July 10, 1997. The events will be held at the Bethune Museum and Archives and in Lincoln Park, both located in Washington, D.C. Two income generators will take centerstage: Mrs. Bethune's Tea Cakes, a new merchandising product and The Brown Box Bethune Report, another fundraising initiative. The Brown Box was first introduced in the 1960s after NCNW was authorized by the 92nd Congress to place a monument to Dr. Bethune in Lincoln Park at no cost to the federal government. To raise funds members, staff and friends of NCNW were given brown boxes to collect donations. Each brown box can hold \$95 in quarters. The effort was successful and in 1974 the Bethune Memorial was unveiled, making it the first memorial to an African American and a woman of any race to be erected on public land in the nation's capital. The Brown Box fundraising drive was reintroduced in May 1997 and Dr. Dorothy Heighl, president/CEO of NCNW, will deliver a report outlining its success. "Our mission is to move the tradition of the Bethune legacy into the 21st century; to instill the value of, and to teach our children and youth to save in order to give to others," said Dr. Heighl. Congresswoman Carrie P. Meek (D-FL) will also deliver a special birthday message.

Black-Owned Internet Provider Announces Safeguards From Online Pornography

Online Connections, a Washington, D.C.-based African-American owned Internet service provider (www.oncon.com), recently announced that it has made available on its home page the "Net Nanny" software, which will give parents the ability to sift through online information and block their children's access to pornographic sites on the Internet. The move by the company comes on the heels of the recent U.S. Supreme Court's decision to strike down a law that would have restricted children's access to explicit, adult-oriented sites on the Internet. Darryle Carter, president of Online Connections, said after learning of the reaction of parents to the Court's ruling he was forced to take a stand. Parents were concerned that their children were being left vulnerable to the unrestricted Internet world, he said. Carter added that he decided to post the protective software on his site to eliminate the frustration of parents trying to locate it themselves and to make it easy for them to download.

Senate Approves Proposal to Create Juvenile Crime Center at Prairie View A&M

The Texas Senate has approved a proposal to create a center to study juvenile crime and prevention at Prairie View A&M University near Houston. The measure, sponsored by Senators Rodney Ellis (D-Houston) and Royce West (D-Dallas), said the new center would help develop juvenile prevention strategies to reduce youth crime in Texas. "Texas must do more to stop crime before it starts," said Ellis. "A new center to study juvenile crime at Prairie View A&M will allow more young people to be part of the solution to crime." The center for the Study and Prevention of Juvenile Crime and Delinquency at Prairie View A&M will conduct research on juvenile crime and delinquency, serve as a state and national resource for information on juvenile crime and develop programs, policies and strategies to address youth crime and related social problems. The state has committed \$100,000 in funding for the center. "By investing in juvenile crime prevention, we will create safer communities and save state resources that we are spending today on the incarceration of juveniles in state facilities," said West. "The juvenile crime center is a smart investment in Texas' future." Recent data shows that youth crime is on the rise in Texas. In 1996, almost one in 10 juveniles ages 10-16 was arrested. In addition, juvenile offenders are increasingly using guns in their crimes. In 1995, one in five youth crimes involved a firearm—an increase of more than 100 percent since 1990.

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL ELECTS FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN PRESIDENT



NASHVILLE, TN -- On June 30, more than 5,000 delegates at Kiwanis International's annual convention unanimously elected Walter G. Sellers of Wilberforce, Ohio, as the worldwide service club's next president. Sellers is the first African-American to serve in Kiwanis International's highest office. Kiwanis is one of the world's leading voluntary service organizations with more than 8,600 clubs and 315,000 members in 80 nations.

Sellers will serve a one-year term beginning October 1. As president of Kiwanis International, he will chair the organization's board of trustees, serve as chief spokesman for the organization, and visit Kiwanis clubs and service projects in many nations. His wife, Irene, will serve as First Lady of Kiwanis and travel with him throughout the world.

Kiwanis clubs are composed of business and professional men and women who want to serve their communities and the world through voluntary action. In the past year, Kiwanis clubs raised \$138 million and contributed almost six million volunteer hours to conduct more than 130,000 service projects.

Sellers is a 31-year member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Xenia, Ohio. He served as governor of the Ohio Kiwanis District in 1984-85. He was first elected to the

Kiwanis International Board in 1991.

Sellers is a retired higher education administrator. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree by Central State University in Ohio in 1988, at the time of his retirement after 38 years. The university has named its alumni building the "Walter G. Sellers Alumni Center."

In addition to Kiwanis, Sellers has served his community as president of the Xenia Board of Education and member of the boards of the Golden Age Senior Citizens, American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, Boy Scout Council, and Xenia YMCA. A senior citizens' 67-unit apartment building in Xenia is named the "Walter G. Sellers Senior Citizens Complex."

Sellers is also a past president of the Ohio School Boards Association and the Ohio Association of College Admissions Counselors. In 1986, he received a US presidential appointment to the National Afro-American History and Cultural Museum Commission.

As president of Kiwanis International, Sellers will lead an organization that emphasizes service to children and youth. The continuing service theme of Kiwanis is "Young Children: Priority One." Under this service focus, Kiwanis clubs work to meet the special needs of young children from prenatal development to age 5.

To promote the ideals of volunteerism among teens and young adults, Kiwanis also sponsors the world's largest service organizations for young people in three age groups: Builders Clubs for junior high and middle school students, Key Clubs for high school students, and Circle K clubs for college and university students. Together, this Kiwanis family of service numbers more than 600,000 adult and youth volunteers.

COLLEGE COLLABORATIVE ART PROJECT



A group of South Plains College art students recently completed a collaborative art project constructing a miniature series of aqueducts patterned after the famed Roman aqueducts. From left are Drake Gomez, assistant professor of art, students Toni Bamhill from Lubbock, Rene Munguia from

Levelland, Reid Campbell from Sundown, Wade Clark from Lubbock, Agustín Peralez from Spade, Kevin Keltz from Roaring Springs, Joe Lopez from Lubbock, Dee Laine Herrera from Levelland, Nina Stevanovic from Lubbock, and Oliver McRae (right), part-time art instructor at SPC.

BLOOD NEEDED HERE

Due to the recent 4th of July holiday and unusually high usage of blood and blood products in the Lubbock Area, we find ourselves in serious need of blood. We need specifically: platelets, whole blood (all types), and red cells (O neg. B pos, A neg). We have extended the center hours at the Texas Blood Institute this week to collect this needed blood. These hours are:
Tuesday: 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Thursday: 10:00 am to 8:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Please stop by the center at 2823 48th Street (behind Plains National Drive in Bank) during these hours to give blood. If you would like to make an appointment to give platelets or another apheresis product, please call Elaine at 797-6804 ext. 3110. Thank you for your gift of life.

FORMER PITTSBURGH STEELER AND BOY SCOUT EXECUTIVE NEW MAYOR OF WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS



Charles "Chuck-Hatchet" Beatty enjoyed several seasons as the starting strong safety with the Pittsburgh Steelers and St. Louis Cardinals of the National Football League. For the past nineteen years, Chuck has played on a different "Team" -- The Boy Scouts of America. He served as Field Director and Director of Urban Scouting for the St. Louis Area Council for six years and served ten years in Dallas with Circle Ten Council prior to going to St. Louis. He is now back with Circle Ten Council serving as Sr. District Executive of the Bluebonnet District (which includes all of Ellis and Navarro Counties). He was elected to the Waxahachie City Council in May, 1995. He has represented the city on the Water and Sewer Improvement District, North Texas Council of Governments, North Texas



Commission and Economic Development Commission. He is the architect of the First Time Home Buyers Program, Founding Board Member of the Waxahachie Boys and Girls Club, Waxahachie Crime Commission, Leadership Forum, W.I.S.D. Facilities Taskforce and Ellis County Facilities Taskforce. Waxahachie Alumni '94, Re-elected to The Waxahachie City Council in 1997 and was elected as Mayor of Waxahachie in 1997. (Waxahachie Mayor is chosen from council members) Chuck is a native of Waxahachie and a graduate of the University of North Texas with a degree in Physical Education and English. He was drafted in the sixth round by the Pittsburgh Steelers and started at strong safety his rookie year along with college team mate "Mean Joe" Greene.

Chuck also served in the Pennsylvania and Texas National Guards.

Nicknamed the "Hatchet", Chuck was known as one of the hardest hitters in the game. He earned him moniker from his hometown (Waxahachie), then from the arm-tackling technique with which he terrorized receivers who wandered into the secondary. "I wanted to be like Fred 'The Hammer' Williamson", he chuckled, mimicking the windmill arm motion he used to punish offensive ball carriers. "I got a blood clot in my arm at North Texas my junior year, and that's when I stopped doing it". The nickname stuck anyway.

Beatty returned to his native Texas in February of 1992 and is a Drug and Gang Consultant. "It is not enough to 'Just Say No', youth need to increase their self esteem and knowledge of the effects of various drugs to prepare them to defend themselves against peer pressure", says Beatty.

Beatty states that he is extremely happy to back in Ellis County and contributing to the growth and development of the areas youth. His record of success - both on and off the football field - and expertise with the Boy Scouts of America will serve him well on his new team as Mayor of The City of Waxahachie.

Blacks Closing Graduation Gap

Many Black Americans are finishing high school at the age that many whites complete college, reports a study by the American Council on Education. The Council, an umbrella group for colleges, universities and educational association, included this information in its 15th annual report "Minorities in Higher Education."

Researchers also found that Blacks and whites, ages 25 to 29, had nearly the same rate of high school completion, about 87 percent in 1995. But in the younger age group, 18 to 24, the gap was wider.

The report, released May 18, 1997, said the gap may have closed in the older age category because a greater number of Blacks finished high school requirements later in life through equivalency examinations. Just 10 years earlier, in 1985, Black had an 81 percent graduation rate, compared with 87 percent for whites.

Nonetheless, the council's analysis of Census data showed that Blacks and Hispanics finished college at a far lower rate than whites and the rate of enrollment increase is slowing down.

For example, minority enrollment at the University of Michigan rose 6.8 percent in 1992, 1.2 percent in 1995 and 0.7 percent in 1996. Wayne State University saw a six percent dip in minority enrollments in 1994 and again in 1996, although Black students remained 21 percent to 23 percent of Wayne State's overall enrollment, according to figures cited by the Detroit

Free Press.

Challenges to affirmative action is one of the key factors causing the overall enrollment slowdown. But John Matlock, the University of Michigan's vice provost, believes that there are other equally valid issues that affect enrollment. He said that more students are now choosing work over college because the economy is good and with rising college costs, fewer students can afford to attend colleges right away.

"But I don't want to discount the assault in terms of affirmative action nationwide," Matlock told the Free Press. "I think it does have a chilling effect on students in terms of where they go to college."

Matlock defends Michigan's use of race as one of several admission criteria. "We have to continue to open doors for a variety of students," he said. "I think that it's the national interest."

But Michigan philosophy professor Carl Cohen challenges the policy. He said that his analysis of applicants with similar test scores and grade point averages in 1994 showed minorities were more likely to be accepted at Michigan and its law school than at other colleges.

Cohen has some allies in the state legislature. Rep. Penny Crissman, (R-Rochester) has a bill that could stop community colleges from race norming, or adjusting test scores to account for social and economic factors. Her bill would also prevent colleges from using preferential treatment in employment, promotions and

contract awards.

Four other Republican state legislators have also promised to challenge the University of Michigan's affirmative action policies. Rep. David Jay of Washington Township, Deborah Whyman of Canton Township, Michelle McManus of Lake Leelanau and Greg Kaza of Rochester Hills, said they were seeking potential plaintiffs for a lawsuit.

The national study also focused on other racial minorities. It found that Hispanics fell behind whites and Blacks in completing high school, with a rate of 57 percent.

Among Hispanics, ages 25 to 29, less than nine percent completed at least four years of college in 1995. That number varies significantly from the 26 percent for whites and the 15 percent for Blacks, the highest recorded for both groups since 1975.

Another section on Asian-Pacific Americans sought to dispel the myth that they, as a group, are a "model minority."

Students from the group "are perceived as well-behaved, diligent high achievers who persevere and are educationally successful despite socioeconomic and linguistic obstacles," the report said. But the report also notes that this stereotype conceals a wide range of educational experiences.

College participation ranged from 66 percent for Chinese-Americans to 26 percent for Laotian-Americans, the report said.

20th Celebration Thursday, Sept. 11, 1997. More Later!!

OPENING SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE 80th SOUTH PLAINS FAIR

LUBBOCK (Special) - Opening Saturday night performances in Fair Park Coliseum during the 80th annual Panhandle South Plains Fair by Grand Ole Opry stars Connie Smith and Stonewall Jackson with special guest appearances by Bobby Bare and Stella Parton have been announced by Steve L. Lewis, fair manager.

With the announcement that the four country entertainers will appear in a matinee show at 4 p.m. and one show at 7 p.m., the coliseum talent line-up for the fair is complete. The fair is set for an 8 day run Sept. 20 - 27.

Show tickets for the Grand Ole Opry Show are \$10, seating is reserved and everyone must have a ticket to attend. Tickets do not include fair gate admission which is \$4 for adults 12 or older, \$1 for children 6 - 11 and children younger than 6 are admitted free. A vehicle parking fee of \$2 and fair gate admission is charged after 1 p.m. on weekdays and 10 a.m. on weekends.

Currently show tickets for the Grand Ole Opry Show and other artists appearing during the fair can be purchased through the mail by writing SHOW TICKETS, P. O. Box 208, Lubbock, TX 79408. Mail order tickets can be purchased by check, money order or MasterCard/Visa. Mail orders should include \$1 per order handling charge, the artists' name, the

show time, a check or money order for the tickets requested and a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Anyone charging tickets to a credit card should include card number, expiration date and signature. Cash mail orders are discouraged. Tickets will be mailed to customers about August 1.

In addition to the Grand Ole Opry Show on Saturday, Sept. 20, at 4 and 7 p.m., other artists appearing during the fair include contemporary Christian music Petra, Sunday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m., \$8 general admission tickets; country comedian Bill Engvall, Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 7 and 9 p.m., \$10 reserved seating tickets; father and son Tejano stars Roberto and Bobby Pulido, Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 7 and 9 p.m., \$10 reserved seating tickets; Diamond Rio, Friday, Sept. 26 at 7 and 9 p.m., \$10 reserved seating tickets and finishing out the fair on closing Saturday night with 7 and 9 p.m. shows is Marty Stuart. Reserved seating tickets to Stuart's shows are \$10.

Across the counter sales of tickets for coliseum shows during the fair will begin July 28 at the following locations: Luskey's Western Store, 2431 34th St.; Ralph's Records, 909 University or 3322 82nd St.; Tejas Western Store, 5725 19th St. and the Fair Office, 105 E. Broadway. Call-in or drop-off orders will not be accepted at the fair office before July 28.

MILITARY NEWS

Army Pvt. Jeffrey S. Peoples has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Knox, Radcliff, Ky. The training combines basic military training and advanced individual training.

The first eight weeks of initial entry training (IET) include drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

During the advanced individual training (AIT), soldiers learn to serve as members of an armor unit in defensive and offensive combat operations. In addition to basic combat training, the soldier was taught to drive the armored weapon, load and fire the weaponry, perform ammunition supply duties, and to process intelligence and operations data.

Peoples is the son of Rita Cherie King of 4107 62nd Drive, Lubbock, Texas, and Donnie R. Peoples of McLoud, Okla.

He is a 1989 graduate of Coronado High School, Lubbock.

Air Force Capt. Casey J. Stewart has arrived for duty at Altus Air Force Base, Oklahoma. Stewart is a C-5 transport aircraft instructor pilot assigned to the 56th Airlift Squadron.

He is the son of Joann R. Stewart of 4312 57th.

His wife, Kristi, is the daughter of Jim D. Fry and Peggy J. Fry, both of Lubbock. The captain is a 1981 graduate of Monterey High School, Lubbock, and a 1985 graduate of Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Jeffery E. Pittman has been decorated with the Air Force Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Air Force.

Pittman is a jet engine mechanic with the 437th Aircraft Generation Squadron, Charleston Air Force Base, North Charleston, S.C.

He is the son of Jimmie W. Pittman of 1382 Brookwood Forrest Blvd., Jacksonville, Fla.

His wife, Trudi, is the daughter of Mack and Ronna Padgett of Lubbock, Texas.

The sergeant is a 1987 graduate of Terry Parker High School, Jacksonville.



Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Ave., where Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor, is the "Church Where The People Really Care".

Last Sunday morning was Youth Sunday, and the youth were in charge on their day. They did a wonderful job throughout the morning services.

Sunday School reassembled at 10:15 a.m. after thirty minutes of instruction by the dedicated teachers. All classes marched in singing "Yield Not to Temptation." The secretary's report: Youth Department -- Intermediate Class received the offering while the Senior Class retained the Attendance Banner. Adult Department: Class No. 1, 1st the Offering Banner to Class No. 2 Class No. 4 received the Attendance Banner.

High points of the morning lesson were given by Brother James Sterling. There were two visitors in Sunday School. These young people were the grandchildren of Sister Hattie Gipson.

The 10:45 a.m. devotional period was conducted by the Youth of the Church, with Sister Moton assisting the young people.

The Youth Choir marched in the processional singing "I'm On My Way Up!". After prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "Thank You, Lord," was sung. Scripture was read by Sister Jessica Jackson. A prayer was given by Brother Isaiah Skief. Another song, "Jesus Never Fails," was sung. Responsive reading was done with the congregation standing, and led by Sister Pam Moton.

The morning hymn was "The Lord Will Make Away." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. He spoke on the words from the morning hymn. He also men-

tioned all our sick and shut-ins. He reminded us there are many who are ill.

The hymn of preparation was "Near The Cross." Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "How To Keep Your Son From Going Down." His scripture text was Joshua 10:12-14. It was another wonderful message. On this message, one will have something to feast on all week long.

Remember, there are more names added to our sick list. Among them include Sister Lou Ella Hall who is a patient at Methodist Hospital. Pray for her family as well. Sister Pearlene Chase is a patient also at Methodist Hospital. Let us not forget General Ponder who is ill.

Elnora Johnson left last Friday for home. She attended her sister's funeral here. At this time, she lives in Georgia.

Sister Rosie Reddie lost her Aunt last week. Sister Alma Colquitt lost her Aunt in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Remember someone cares for you.

There are many visitors in morning services at New Hope last Sunday morning as they were relatives of Brother Henry High who were here for a family reunion. All were welcomed, and were invited to come at anytime.

The Youth Department of the West Texas Baptist District Women's Auxiliary candidate for "little Miss West Texas" is Natalie Bell. All church members are asked to help her bring the title back to New Hope.

Bernadette Barber is still a patient at St. Mary's Hospital. Remember, if you can get around by yourself, you are blessed. You have something to thank God for!!

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Lubbock Area Host Families Needed

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Spain, Denmark, Germany,

Poland, Russia, Finland, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Paraguay, Australia, New Zealand, Croatia and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is designated by the United States Information Agency and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Lubbock area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-800-631-1818. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

LIPSCOMB AWARDS LUBBOCK AREA RESIDENT ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—A LUBBOCK area resident has been awarded an academic scholarship to attend Lipscomb University this fall.

Nicole Andrea Harter, of 2508 54th St., Lubbock, was awarded the scholarship based on her college entrance test scores and high school academic performance, said Jerry Masterson, assistant vice president and director of student aid services.

Academic scholarships awards range from \$600 per year to \$4,500 per year, Masterson said.

Students attending Lipscomb University may choose from among more than 100 major programs of study leading to bachelor's degrees. Master's degree programs in Bible and education are also available.

Lipscomb University is associated with the churches of Christ.

A NOTE OF THANKS

The family of Rev. Sidney Keys, associate minister of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will always remember with gratitude and appreciation the cards, flowers, telegrams and telephone calls received in an expression of sympathy. This is also true for those of you who were able to attend the services. T

Thank you for just being there. We know of others who thought of us in this time of bereavement.

Your prayers, coupled with the gestures of love and friendship, helped ease our grief. Please continue to pray for us.

May God-bless you.
Sincerely,
Ora Jean Keys & The
Keys Family

Obituary



ALICE MANUS

Funeral services were held for Alice Marie Barree Manus on Tuesday, July 1, 1997 at the Parkway Drive Church of Christ with Charlie Thompson officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery in Woodrow, Texas under the direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home.

Mrs. Manus died Friday, June 27, 1997 in Methodist Hospital.

She was born March 20, 1954 in Hubbard, Texas and moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1958.

She married Joe Manus in Lubbock on September 6, 1972. She worked at Methodist Hospital as a unit secretary and had worked at Highland Medical center from 1994 until the time of her death.

She is survived by her husband, Joe Manus; three sons: Joe, Jr., Jeffery DePaul and Michael Tyrone, all of Lubbock, Texas; one daughter, Twaila of Lubbock, Texas; one brother, Henry Joe Hopkins of Hubbard, Texas; three sisters: Essie Mae White, Nettie Campbell and Bernice Walker, all of Hubbard, Texas; grandparents Cornelius and Refus Bluit and Elnora and Buck Barree, all of Hubbard, Texas; and one grandchild.

CARL WILLIAMS, SR.

June 26, 1943 - June 21, 1997

Died after a lengthy illness on June 21, 1997.

He was fifty-three years old.

Born and reared in Lubbock, TX where he attended public schools, including Dunbar High School. He attended Mount Vernon United Methodist Church.

He was a disabled veteran who served four years each in the U.S. Navy and in the U.S. Army. He was honorably discharged from both branches.

His survivors include his wife, Ossie Bass Williams; four sons, Carlos Williams of

Shreveport, LA, Daryl Boyd of Lubbock, and Carl Williams, Jr. and Richard Bass of Long Beach, CA.; two daughters, Cynthia Williams and Carolette Williams of Long Beach, CA.; his mother, Estella Alexander of Lubbock; four brothers, L.V. Davis and L.J. McCallan of Lubbock, L.C. Alexander of Long Beach, CA., L.J. Stephens of San Diego, CA.; three sisters, Dorothy Moye, Jessie Barber, and Percy Williams of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Williams was funeralized on Friday, June 26, 1997 in Long Beach, CA. with Stricklin/Snively Family Mortuary in charge of the services.

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THIS N THAT

It's just good to go home and visit friends and family!! This N That had an opportunity to go back home and speak at the 25th Class Reunion of the graduates and former students of Booker T. Washington High School in Wichita Falls, Texas. There were Graduates and former students from many classes including the Classes of 1939, 1940, 1945, 1946, 1947, and even through the 1950's and 1960's, including the last class to graduate from Booker T. Washington, which was the Class of 1969. This N That enjoyed looking back over the years, bringing to the forefront things which had happened over the years. The banquet was held at the Wichita Falls Country Club, a place where This N That once was a caddy for golf. This N That walked in the area where the Caddy Pen once stood, but it was not there, only the memories remained. It was a Great Effort on the part of the Booker T. Washington Committee who worked hard. Not only this was great, but the meeting which will bring more opportunities for the Alumni, who are part of Booker T. Washington High School. This N That is hoping the Committee for 1999 will be able to top what happened last week. It was a very good class reunion as this institution has contributed much to the Black Community of Wichita Falls, Texas and throughout these United States of America, as well as the world.

Shirley Candidy the Barber says: "The beginning doesn't mean a thing, it's the end that really counts!"

Classmates visiting friend!! This N That learned of the concern a group of classmates of Herchel J. Patterson who have visited him in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This N That learned of this and that his attitude is very positive. It only

shows when people show an interest in what you are doing or your condition, things really will happen. That is especially true if you have Faith. Just good to see the concern!!

Bethel AME Church Celebrates 76th Birthday!! This N That is happy to be part of the 76th Church Anniversary of Bethel African Methodist Church which will be held Sunday, July 20, 1997 beginning at 3:00p.m. The public is invited to attend. Remember, it was Bethel under the encouragement of the late Rev. A.W. Wilson, that this newspaper had a beginning. We say Happy Birthday Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Won't be long now!! This N That walked by the works being done on the Mae Simmons Swimming Pool. It is still a ways off, but when it is completed, our young people will have a first class facility to do recreational swimming. Wouldn't it be nice if the Dunbar Neighborhood Association would begin planning for some kind of an opening. It wouldn't hurt to even have another "Miss Mae Simmons" contest! Just something to ponder. What about that Dunbar Neighborhood Association??? Maybe with this kind of an initiative, something could be done with that vacant old party house. Think about it!!

Drill Team will happen!! This N That is happy over the new developments over an effort to organize a Drill Team involving young ladies from the Parkway/Cherry-point area. It appears as though it will happen. It just proves that with a lot of hard work, things will happen! At this time, there's only a few, but we believe more young ladies will come and take part. More on this later!!

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY COMES ALIVE

by Bernice Powell Jackson



Too often in the past the history of African Americans has been lost or hidden. Too often our history has been told by others. Too little of our history is known by others, resulting in the mistaken conclusion that African Americans have made few contributions to the life of this nation.

As you plan your summer vacations, one place you might want to include on your itinerary is the Detroit Museum of African American History. The \$39 million museum is the largest of its kind in the nation and is a great place for children -- and adults -- to learn about inventions and discoveries by black Americans and civil rights struggles over the centuries, as well as about African American soldiers and business owners.

A powerful part of the museum is the simulated slave ship which shows the wretched conditions of the Middle Passage which brought our ancestors to these shores and which millions did not survive. Detroit teens posed for the plaster casts. The names of the 2,000 slave ships which carried some 20 million men and women are imprinted on the beams over your head. The Museum is organized around eight areas of African American life: the African Memory, The Crime (Slave Trading), Survival of the spirit, The Imperfect Union,

Freedom and Betrayal; Urban Struggle, Urban Splendor; The Struggle for Empowerment and Becoming the Future.

Sometimes it uses clothing to tell the story. For instance, the uniform of Pullman porters, one of the first black unions, is exhibited as is the dress of a member of the Little Rock Nine, the group of students who integrated schools in that city in

1957. The gear of Dr. Mae Jemison, the first African American woman astronaut, is there.

Sometimes the museum uses videos to tell the story. Speeches from well-known African American leaders can be seen and heard, as can recent footage from the Million Man March. Another video shows the poet Maya Angelou reading her inaugural poem for President Clinton.

While the federal government has spent a decade or so talking about building a national museum on African American history, Detroit actually built one. The museum grew out of the collection of Detroit physician, Dr. Charles Wright, who began displaying African and African American artifacts in his home in the 1960's. Black scholars and collectors from across the country were asked to contribute to the new museum after the city of Detroit committed itself to building the 120,000 square foot museum. Go see the Museum of African American History in Detroit. And then tell your friends and neighbors what you learned. It's a part of all of our history. It prepares us for the future.

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU®

Your Better Business Bureau urges you to carefully evaluate appeals for donations to assist victims of recent disasters, such as the tornado in Jarrell and flooding in other parts of the country. It is important to fully evaluate requests from new, unfamiliar organizations, no matter how heartfelt the plea is for contributions. Watch out for questionable appeals on the Internet. The Bureau office in Austin learned of an individual using the Internet to invite donors to send \$1.00 to assist Jarrell tornado victims. The appeal requested funds to be sent to a post office box in San Marcos and asked that checks be made out to "cash". Before you give, examine your options. Watch out for appeals that are long on emotion and short on facts, such as what the charity will actually do with the donated monies. Ask what percent of

your gift will cover administrative and fund raising costs - it should not be excessively high. Don't feel rushed - the problems caused by disasters don't disappear after the headlines do.

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Get the Most From Your Medicines

By Larry Lucas



Here's a quick quiz. The prize is better health.

True or False?

1. The overwhelming majority of people take their medicines exactly as they're supposed to.
2. If you forget to take your medicine one day, just double the dose the next day.
3. If you're feeling better, it's all right to stop taking your prescription.
4. The best place to store medicines is in the medicine chest in your bathroom.
5. Never throw away medicine. You never know when you or someone in your family may need it again.

If you answered "false" to all of those statements, give yourself a gold star. Here are the right answers:

1. About half of all prescription medicines are not taken properly. That means that half the people aren't getting the full benefits of their medicines. In some cases, they may be causing themselves serious harm.

2. It's important to take all your medicine doses on time. If you miss a dose, ask your physician or pharmacist what to do. In some cases, it may be all right to double up the next day, but in other cases it could cause problems.

3. Never stop taking a prescribed medicine without asking your doctor. If you have an infectious disease, it may take all the medicine in your prescription to kill the infection. And some diseases, such as high blood pressure, have no symptoms. So, even though you are feeling fine, you could be at risk for a heart attack or stroke.

4. Medicines should be kept in airtight containers in a cool, dry location, usually not in bathrooms or kitchens where warmth and moisture can cause medicines to deteriorate and lose their effectiveness.

5. Go through your medicines periodically and safely dispose of outdated or unneeded medicines by putting them down the garbage disposal or flushing them down the toilet. Don't share your medicines or take medicines prescribed for others, no matter how similar your symptoms.

These and other important tips are included in a new booklet, "Getting the Most From Your Medicines," published by America's Pharmaceutical Research

Companies. These companies spend hundreds of millions of dollars to develop just one new medicine, and they want people to get maximum benefit from every medicine they take. The booklet includes special tips for older adults, guidelines for giving medicines to children, and a checklist of questions patients should ask their doctors.

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IN CINQUE

by Renetta W. Howard

Churches continue to be the only vestige of Black heritage left in most modern Black communities today. This entity has been threatened with the burning, nationally, of the existing edifices of Black churches. This by no means can destroy The Church. There is something, however, which is destroying the church; apathy and ignorance.

The church is often looked upon as one of the community hustles. For some 'ministers,' this is true. This is the easiest dollar they never worked for. They hold the name of 'pastor' and some are even called Reverend Doctor in respect to their position. Some were 'called' to preach and never set foot inside a theological seminary. Some are efficient and some are not. Regardless, these levered souls have taken on the leadership of an organization of faith, endeavoring to help lost souls to find their way to the fold of the rescued. Their members trust and follow them.

Many lose faith and stop trusting somewhere along the way. They become adults and do not see the need to expose their offsprings to any religious or moral upbringing, thus perpetuating a new cycle

of immorality which becomes more vicious as it blossoms. Finally, believers have so much fear until the only thing that they have left is faith and it then rests on shaky grounds. This is a vicious cycle which has to be broken.

Church membership has fallen off tremendously in many communities while many are turning to their personal 'psychic' over the telephone and raising their telephone bills by hundreds of dollars, as well as anyone else's, whose line or number they can steal, and are not supporting the churches. Churches like homes, schools and any other organization in the community, has to have financial support. One cannot see his 'psychic' or God, but you can sit down and talk with one of his representatives, face to face, who may know you and be able to help you solve some of life's problems. Your chance of getting help for far less expense as a member of a church is much greater than the one hundred to one shot that a 'psychic' can help you. He can certainly help you relieve yourself of your money, too fast, for what you get out of it! It is time that we get 'in cinque' and turn to the man who has all the power in his hand. Our children must know the right way to go, and soon! If we do not teach them, how will they know?



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GRACE REIGNING IN ELECTION

"Vain man would be wise, though man be born like a wild ass's colt." (Job 11:12)

Accordingly he finds fault with election as a mere system of arbitrary partiality and favoritism; and tells us that if there be such a thing as total helplessness in man and sovereign election in God, then man is not to blame if he be lost. Man's entire apostasy and death in sin, so that he cannot save himself, and God's entire supremacy, so that He saves whom He will, are doctrines exceedingly distasteful to human pride. But they are Scriptural!

Why was one thief saved and the other lost? "Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight." God was not bound to save the one, and He had power enough to have saved the other, and neither could save himself. What made the difference? The sovereign grace of God.

Why was Paul saved and Judas lost? Was it because the former deserved to be saved and the latter to be lost? No, neither deserved to be saved. Was it because the one was a fitting object for the grace of God and the other not? No, the one was no more a fitting object than the other. Was it because Paul chose Christ and Judas rejected Him? Well, but how was it that Paul chose Christ? Was it not because Christ chose him?

Why is it that Britain is a land of light and Africa a land of darkness? Who made the difference? Who sent the gospel to Britain and withheld it from Africa? Is God unjust in leaving the mighty continent in the hands of Satan, and in delivering from his yoke that small island of the sea?

Why was it that Judea was made a land of light and Egypt remained a region of darkness?

Who made the difference? Man or God? Was God unjust in leaving Egypt in the shadow of death when He made light to arise on Israel? What had Israel done to deserve a privilege like this?

None have deserved salvation. No man is more fit for it than another. God was not bound to save any. God might have saved all. Yet He has only saved some. Is He then, unjust in only saving some when He could have saved all? Objectors say, "Oh, those who are lost, are lost because they rejected Christ." But did not all equally reject Him at first? What made the unbelief of some give way? Was it because they willed it, or because God put forth His power in them? Surely the latter. Might He not, then, have put forth His power in all and prevented any from rejecting the Savior? Yet, He did not. Why? Because it seemed good in His sight.

Is it unjust in God to save only a few when all are equally doomed to die? If not, is there any injustice in His determining beforehand to save these few, and leave the rest unsaved? They could not save themselves, and was it unjust in Him, to resolve, in His infinite wisdom, to save them? Or, was it unjust in Him not to resolve to save all? Had

all perished, there would have been no injustice in Him. How is it possible that there can be injustice in His resolving to save some?

There can be no grace when there is no sovereignty. Deny God's right to choose whom He will, and you deny His right to save whom He will. Deny His right to save whom He will, and you deny that salvation is of grace. If salvation is made to hinge upon any desert or fitness in man, seen or foreseen, grace is at an end.

One of the controversies of the present day is respecting the WILL of God - as to whether His will or man's will is the regulating power in the

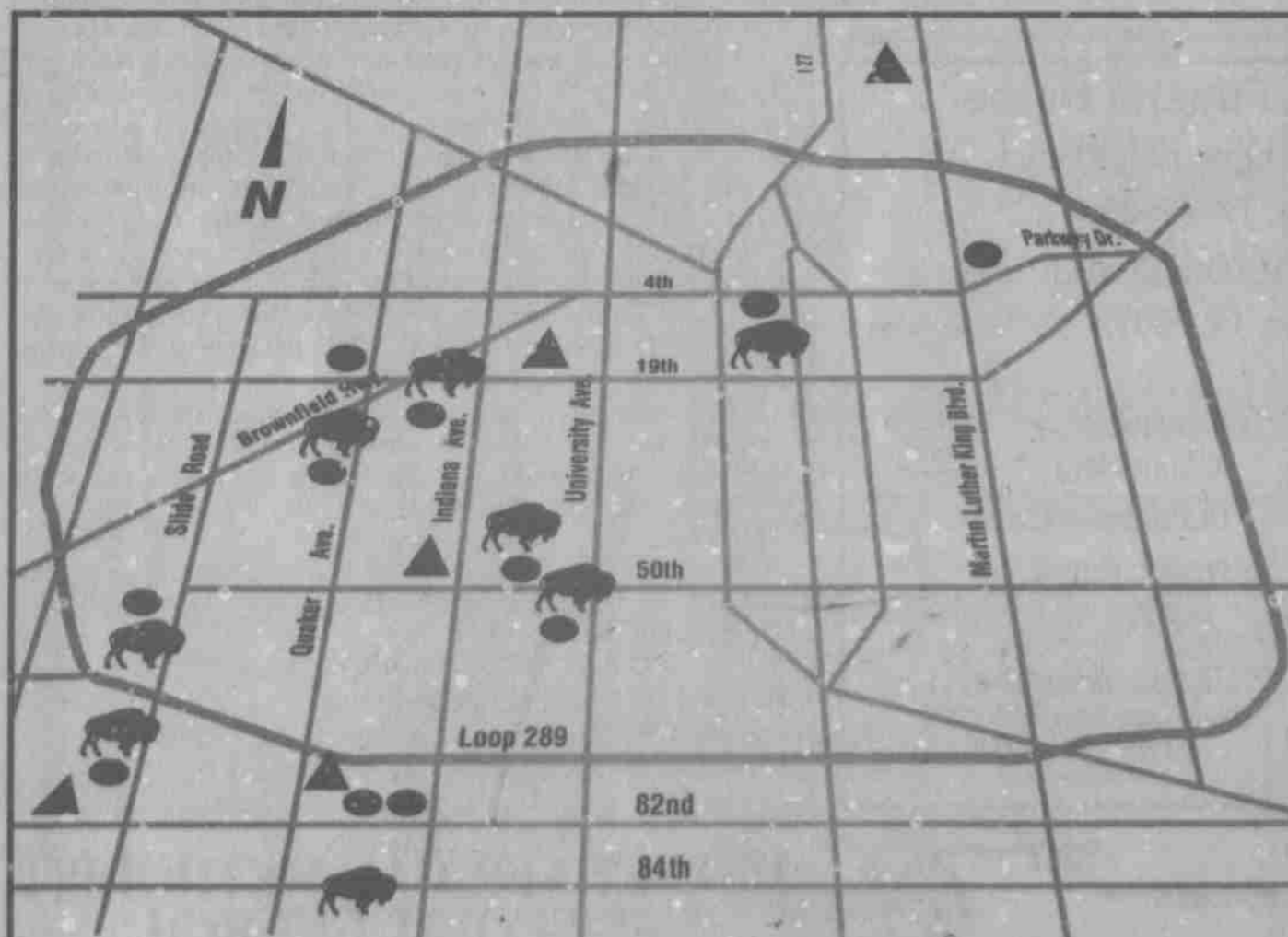
universe, and the procuring cause of salvation of souls. The supremacy of God's will over individual persons and events is questioned. Things are made to turn upon man's will, not on God's. Man's will, not God's, is to decide what individuals are to enter heaven. Man's pen, and not God's, is to write the names of the saved ones in the Lamb's Book of Life! Much zeal is shown for the freedom of man's will; little jealousy seems to be left for the freedom of God's will. Men insist that it is unjust and tyrannical in God to control their wills, yet see nothing unjust, nothing proud, nothing Satanic in attempting to fetter and direct the will of God. Man, it seems, cannot have his own foolish wish gratified unless the all-wise God will consent to relinquish His!

Such are some of the steps in the march of Atheism. Such are the preparations making in these days in the wily usurper for dethroning the Eternal Jehovah.

Men may call these speculations. They may condemn them as unprofitable. To the law and to the testimony! Of such speculations the Bible is full. There man is a helpless worm, and the salvation from first to last, is of the Lord. God's will, and not man's, is the law of the universe. If we are to maintain the gospel - if we are to hold fast grace - if we are to preserve Jehovah's honor - we must grasp these truths with no feeble hand. For if there be no such a Being as a Supreme pre-determining Jehovah, then the universe will soon be in chaos; and if there be no such thing as free

electing love, every minister of Christ may close his lips, and every sinner upon earth sit down in mute despair.




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As any one can see, there is TROUBLE all over this old land; THE WORD OF GOD IS COMING TO PASS; and the time is at hand.

Matthew 24:7,8, JESUS SAID, For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be FAMINES, AND PESTILENCES, AND EARTHQUAKES, IN DRIVERS PLACES, ALL THESE ARE THE BEGINNING OF SORROWS.

WHEN A COUNTRY HAS SINNED; THE WORD OF GOD IS USED TO TURN THEM AROUND; BUT THE TRUE WORD; ITS NOT GOING FORTH, ITS BEEN WATERED WAAY DOWN!!!

2 Timothy 4:1-4, I CHARGE THEE THEREFORE BEFORE GOD, AND THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, who shall judge the quick and the dead at HIS APPEARING AND HIS KINGDOM; PREACH THE WORD; BE INSTANT IN SEASON, OUT OF SEASON; REPROVE, REBUKE, EXHORT WITH LONG SUFFERING AND DOCTRINE, FOR THE TIME WILL COME WHEN THEY WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND DOCTRINE; BUT AFTER THEIR OWN LUSTS SHALL THEY HEAR TO THEMSELVES TEACHERS, HAVING ITCHING(TO TICKLE) EARS; AND THEY SHALL TURN AWAY THEIR EARS FROM THE TRUTH, AND SHALL BE TURNED UNTO FABLES(LIES).

MANY PREACHERS WON'T PREACH: GOD WILL PUNISH; THE SIN OF ADULTERY; HE KNOW ITS IN THE CHURCH; BUT DON'T WANT TO RUN OFF THE MONEY!!!

ISAIAH 56:10,11, THE LORD SAID, HIS WATCHMEN ARE BLIND; THEY ARE ALL IGNORANT, THEY ARE ALL DUMB DOGS, THEY CANNOT BARK(SPEAK WARNINGS);SLEEPING, LYING DOWN, LOVING TO SLUMBER, YEA, THEY ARE GREEDY(\$\$\$) DOGS WHICH CAN NEVER HAVE ENOUGH, AND THEY ARE SHEPHERDS(PREACHERS) THAT CANNOT UNDERSTAND: THEY ALL LOOK TO THEIR OWN WAY, EVERYONE FOR HIS GAIN, FROM HIS QUARTER(ANNIVERSARY).

SOME PREACH THAT LIE CALLED: GOD WANT HIS PEOPLE TO HAVE THE BEST OF THINGS; THAT LIE THE WORLD TEACH; AND TO THE GOSPEL OF GOD; ITS SHAME, SHAME, SHAME!!!

1 JOHN 2:15:4:1, 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.BE-LOVED, BELIEVE NOT EVERY SPIRIT, BUT TRY THE SPIRITS WHETHER THEY ARE OF GOD: BECAUSE MANY FALSE PROPHETS(PREACHERS) ARE GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD.

(BROTHERS AND SISTERS, I WOULD NOT HAVE YOU TO BE IGNORANT; BUT GOD HAVE GIVEN US THE BEST THAT HE HAD! HE SO LOVED US THAT HE GAVE US SON: JESUS TO DIE FOR OUR SIN'S. WE CAN ALL HIM! WHAT MORE IS IT THAT WE CAN ALL HAVE THE SAME? DO WE ALL HAVE NEW HOMES? DO WE ALL HAVE NEW ROYCES? DO WE HAVE THE BIGGEST OF DIAMONDS? DO CHRISTIANS HAVE THE BEST OF JOBS? THY FOOL: HOW CAN YOU PREACH: GOD'S BEST TO A NEW CHRISTIAN THAT IS POOR? KNOWING THAT HE OR SHE WILL NEVER HAVE A CAR, OR HOME, OR OWN A PEACE OF LAND??? PREACH JESUS!!!)

THIS LAND IS FULL OF SIN; MURDERS,FORNICATORS, HATERS OF GOD; HE IS PUT OUT; STANDING IN THE GAP FOR THE PEOPLE; IS WHAT PREACHERS: SUPPOSE TO BE ABOUT.

2 CORINTHIANS 2:16,17, TO THE ONE WE ARE THE SAVIOR OF DEATH AND UNTO DEATH; AND TO THE OTHER THE SAVIOR OF LIFE UNTO LIFE. AND WHO IS SUFFICIENT FOR THESE THINGS? FOR WE ARE NOT AS MANY, WHICH CORRUPT THE WORD OF GOD: BUT AS OF SINCERITY(GENUINE), BUT AS OF GOD, IN THE SIGHT OF GOD SPEAK WE IN CHRIST.

GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH US YET. SO LETS PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS. WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON, 111 YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST JESUS!!!



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

Having an Affair with God

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only so, but we glory in tribulation also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope; and hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. — Romans 5:1-5.

School reunions can be fun. I was privilege to attend the "Stanton All School Reunion 97" this weekend past at Harvey Convention Center in Tyler, Texas. The committees planned the programs well.

Friday night's banquet was moving as the senior classes from 1920's to 1966 stood and took their bow. The recognition of classes, teachers, tribute to the legends and presentation of awards were fashion as with the touch of a tool liken to a diamond cutter.

The banquet speaker, a former teacher, was jubilant in his "testimonial message" of how the Lord had cured him from Alzheimer's disease. The gentlemen whom I do not remember, left every profession and vocation executed by Stantonites with the exception of the preacher. The Lord cured him but he forgot the PREACHER! He forgot God's man.

If one is to have a life long relationship with God, he or she must come into contact with the preacher. James the brother of Jesus, a preacher, a leader in the Jerusalem church; one who was used to death with a club he used to beat clothes for giving powerful testimony for Jesus, wrote: "Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from (eternal) death, and shall hide a multitude of sins" (James 5:20). Paul, another preacher agreed. "Being now justified by his (Christ's) blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him (being reconciled to God) we shall be saved by (Christ's) life" (Romans 5:9-10).

The preacher wants you to know that every person is born with a sinful nature, and that puts him or her at war with God. And individual who is sinful is at variance with God Who is holy and pure. The word will not tell you but, the preacher is compelled to let everyone know that most people live and die in a state of warfare with God and they face eternal torment and alienation from their Creator. However, for those who have been justified (declared righteous) because of their faith in Christ, their affair with God is one of peace. The alienation is gone, and fellowship with Him has begun which will last forever.

The preacher also wants you to be aware of the fact that the life of faith begins at conversion, but it continues on from there, as well. Believers are ushered into a whole new sphere of experiences in which they may draw upon the wisdom and power of God for meeting challenges and tests. They stand within that territory where "grace" operates. The same faith which empowered them to believe for salvation also empowers them to believe for God's help in all of life's need. Whenever a need is met, believers can rejoice in the hope they have in God, for that hope is strengthened.

Paul the preacher, wanted believers to rejoice not only in reception of God's grace but also to see profit in difficulties which God allowed them to experience. This preacher based his reason on four basic terms: tribulations, patience, experience and hope.

He also told them that those who have strong hope in God for the future run the risk of being ridiculed by people who know nothing about a life of faith and who scorn the concept that God exists or that He will take care of His Own children.

This preacher would have believers to know that it does not matter what happens in life you have the witness of the Holy Ghost within you making it clear that God loves you and is concerned about your welfare. Sinners, why not trust God enough to have a love affair with Him!

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Met in the home of Delbert & Dorothy Hood. This was a very spirit filled meeting. We are preparing ourselves for the special meeting for the people of this city, and beyond. We have missed a couple of meetings but for a good cause; family reunions, vacations, Sis Nash vacationed in California. Reunion for the Burleson family. Also Hood family. I'm sure others I do not know at this time. Our devotion was great. Remarks by Sis Crawford, Sis Burleson, and Sis D. Nash.

The morning scripture lesson by Sis Elora Jones. Subject: "Repent" and get about our Fathers business. John 6:38, Matt 11:27-28, II Tim 2:15.

For I have come here from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to have my own way, and this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, Matt 11:27-28. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father, only the Father knows the son, and the Father is known only by the son and by those to whom the son reveals him, 28, Come to me and I will give you rest - all of you who work so hard beneath a heavy yoke. II Tim 2:15 Work hard so God can say to you, "Well Done," be a good workman, one who does not need to be ashamed when God examines your work know what his word says and means. It is time to decide whether we will live for God or not and then, living out what we have decided, because God will examine what kind of worker we have been for him. We should build our lives on his word and build his word into our lives, because it alone tells us how to live for him and serve him. Believers who ignore the Bible will certainly be ashamed at the judgement. Consistent and diligent study of God's word is vital, or else we will be lulled into neglecting God and our true purpose for living. This speaker said study the word, study the word, study the word of God. Repent. Repent. Repent so we can work in power as in Acts 1:8.

Thanks Sis Jones for the word. We love you. May God continue to bless you in the word. Breakfast was served. Why not come and eat with plain ordinary people that love the lord. "Hurting, read Mark 11:22-26, II Chro 7:14.

God bless you. Keep smiling and loving your people.

Thought: They will know you're a Christian by your love, not by how mean and evil you can be to your people. Think about it saints.

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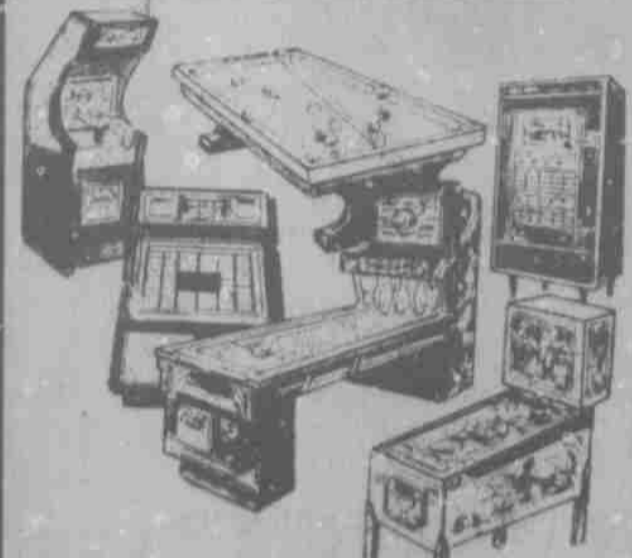
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