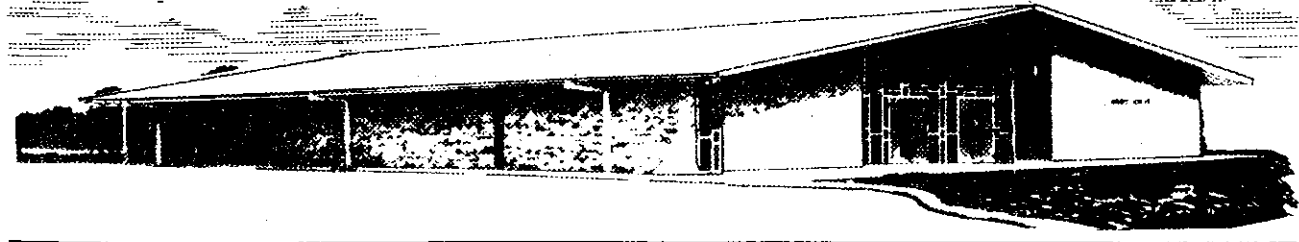


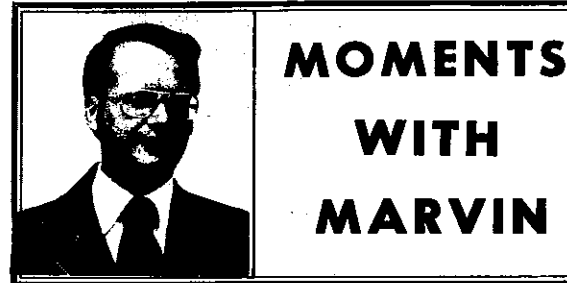
HAPPENINGS in God's Family



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**MOMENTS
WITH
MARVIN**

Cathy and I really appreciate the opportunity we had to be a part of the ACU Lectures. It was ACU's 75th anniversary, therefore, "Our Uncomm- on Commitment" was a timely theme. It was great to see so many of our friends, and to share in the spiritual feast throughout the week. I must admit one thing was quite different -- never have I seen such beautiful weather -- high 70's in Abilene in February for Lectureship!

Our foyer looks different! We do thank Weaver Mills and Loran McPherson for installing our new bulletin boards. I wonder -- do we have someone who has the talent to help us keep our boards decorated nicely? If you would like to help in this area, please let me know.

I'm looking forward to seeing YOU Sunday as we worship God together!

wedding

*In the spirit of Christian joy
Janiss Elaine
and*

*Mr. William Lee Dean, II
will vow their lives to one another
on Sunday, the first of March
at two-thirty in the afternoon*

*Church of Christ
New Boston, Texas*

*We invite you to worship with us
and witness their vows. If you are unable
to attend, we ask your presence in thought
and prayer.*

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Glen Kerley

Reception following ceremony

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, February 22, 1981

Bible Study	149
Morning Worship	159
Evening Worship	124
Contribution	\$ 1151.78

WEDNESDAY, February 25, 1981

Bible Classes	100
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THOSE TO SERVE MARCH 1, 1981

A.M. PRAYERS:	P.M. PRAYERS:
Gary Tucker	H. L. Vance
Rickey Burleson	Bo Johnson

NURSERY: Juanita Higginbotham
Dana Johnson

BIBLE HOUR: Geraldine Murray
Oda Mae Orrison

NOTE: *If you are unable to serve on this date, please call Haskell Roberts at 628-3954.*

OUR VISITORS

Dana Duke of New Boston; Tommie and Margaret Williams of Bluffton, Ark.; Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Hitt of Piggott, Arkansas; Mrs. Paul R. Hitt of Lebanon, Tennessee; and Thresa Weir was visiting with Marvin, Cathy, & kids.

BUS REPORT	SUNDAY, A.M. ---	16
	SUNDAY, P.M. ---	19
	WEDNESDAY ---	17

PANTRY ITEM
Canned Fruit

Elders:
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Ernest Shelton, Jr. 628-2201

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DeWayne Hardage
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John Inman
Elliott Raney

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:
Bible Classes . . . 9:30 A.M.
A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M.
P.M. Worship 6:00 P.M.

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

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MARVIN L. WEIR, Editor

IS IT REALLY FAITH
THAT WE POSSES?

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1).

Faith is such an easy word to utter. It's not even hard to spell or pronounce. The average Christian probably considers his faith to be adequate. However, I'm convinced we all need to grow in this area; I know I do. The Bible even makes a special effort to record the apostles as pleading, "Lord, increase our faith" (Luke 17:5).

In that great "faith" chapter of Hebrews 11, verses 17 and 18 really reveals a true faith. One must remember that the covenant promise of God made with Abraham was to be realized through the posterity of Issac. But Abraham is suddenly commanded to offer his son as a sacrifice to God. Any ordinary man of faith would begin questioning God immediately. How could God keep his promise if the one who was the key to that promise was dead? Abraham just trusted in God completely, never expressing doubt that God's promise would not be fulfilled. Perhaps Abraham could not see just how it would all work out, but he had *faith* it would!

We live in an age today that demands statistical proof and positive facts. Christians are usually no different even though they have every right to be. One might say, "I'd give more to the Lord if I could see how," or "We've served God regularly for ten years and we just can't see that," or "I'm a faithful Christian and just look at the tragedy I've had to endure . . . I just can't see why God would"

Brethren, I'll be the first to admit that I just cannot see all that God sees. No human has this ability! But is this not what faith is all about? The Hebrew writer mentioned "the evidence or assurance of things not seen" concerning faith. I'm just wondering, but if we must "see it" before we launch out or take action, is it really faith that we possess?

-Marvin L. Weir



News & Notes

Those Who Are Ill

NEW BOSTON GENERAL

Iris Pierce is in room 215-B for tests.

Sister Nancy Shirley, Bea Williams' mother, was admitted to the local hospital, room 225-B.

Ashley Henry is now recovering at home after his tonsillectomy last week.

Winnie Tucker's brother is undergoing treatment for cancer in Ohio.

Carvin Braswell and wife are now at home, having been hospitalized last week.

Edith Balkcom suffered several heart attacks in previous weeks and is in a Houston hospital. Her home address is 418 Hummingbird, Houston, Texas 77060.

RESTORATION & REQUESTING PRAYERS

Jimmy Brookshire

AREA MEETING

A gospel meeting is scheduled at the Genoa Central Church of Christ, Mar. 1-6, Adrian Maynard of Nash, Texas preaching. The time is 7:30 each night.

Thank-You!

Thanks to James and Sylvia Williams for opening their home to the youth for the fellowship last Sunday evening. Thanks also are in order for those who helped by bringing food. Everyone had a great time!

THANK-YOU NOTE

It's hard to find words to express our many beautiful cards, prayers, visits and the good food brought to us at home. Each was an expression of love. Thank each of you and may God bless you.

*In Christian Love,
Jim & Winifred Harper*

Upcoming Events

March 1 - Area-Wide Singing at Genoa Central from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

March 2 - Area-Wide Leadership Dinner at 7:00 p.m. in the educational building of Rose Hill.

March 5 - Area Ladies Bible Class at the Beverly Heights congregation in Hooks - 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

March 7 - SHARPENING THE SWORD seminar in Longview, 8:45 a.m.-6:30 p.m.



A.M. "Accept One Another"

P.M. "Another Look At Faith"

*"Come . . . let us reason together."
Isa. 1:18*