GOSPEL NEWS COURIER

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COMMENTS AND LATE NEWS FROM THE EDITOR.

As you have noticed, your paper is larger this month. This months mail yielded much news and we hope that it continues to do so in the future. We have received many letters in the past, both of praise and criticism. We welcome both for this is your paper, printed for you with your help of news, articles and money. We thank you for your faithful support in the past and pray for its continuation in the future.

We have received word of those who are teaching contrary to God's word relating to the work and worship of the church. For this reason, you, the leaders of each congregation must make every effort to obtain proof of the brethren on whom you call for your meetings and those who ask for your support. There are those who would enter into your confidence and your churches posing as men of God who are wolves in sheeps clothing. For this reason we are in the process of obtaining information of loyal churches and evangelists and preachers. This information we plan to print in a directory to be mailed to any who desires a copy. Write us giving any information you may have on this matter. Be assured we will investigate each church and each preacher to see if they are loyal to the word of God. ---Editor.

We are happy to bring you this late news item. Bro. & Sister Kenneth Baldwins youngest daughter and husband, Janice and Ronald Herbert of Tucson, Ariz. were baptized Sept. 29 by Bro. Tom Broadway. They have a baby daughter, Kimberly Jo, eight months old. We pray God's blessings and mercy will be with them as they walk as Christians in this world of wickedness. Bro. & Sister Baldwin are moving from Whittier to Brawley, Calif. We are sorry to report that Bro. Baldwin has been under a doctor's care the past two months with a bad shoulder. We pray for his speedy recovery. We are sorry they can not remain with us in this area, but we pray God's blessings will be with them. ---Editor.

Dear Bro. Snoderly: - Our meeting July 29 through August 5th. was enjoyed by all. Bro. Perigen brought some fine lessons, although there were no visible results. The church was very much edified, and we feel that we and Bro. Perigen have done our part and we hope the seed sown will in time produce fruit to the glory of God. The church here is doing as well as could be expected and we are having good crowds at the services. The churches at other places I have recently visited are doing as well. The third Sunday of July I baptized a young lady of the Tiner congregation east of Broken Bow, Oklahoma. The Bohannan Mountain Church of Christ east of Huntsville, Arkansas is doing well. In June I was in Wichita, Kansas over two Lord's days and visited my sons and daughters. They are earnestly contending for the faith once delivered to the saints. They meet in their homes and there are seven members in this congregation. Their place of worship is in the home of Melvin Daniels about two miles west of Mulvane, Kansas on rural route.

Other leaders there are, Alva Daniels, 2820 S. Mosley, Wichita, Kansas. Phone LY I-4433, R. E. Goldsmith, Rt. #I, Valley Center, Kansas, phone PL. 5-I947I, Code area No. 3I6. This phone is out of Wichita. Not necessary to use the code number, but it makes it quicker if you do.

Would you please send 5 or 6 copies of the Gospel News Courier to R. E. Goldsmith, Rt. #I, Valley Center, Kansas.

At this writing my wife is in the hospital and will be there two weeks tomorrow. If improvement continues, we expect her to come home in a few days. We hope the brethren and sisters everywhere are enjoying good health. Enclosed herewith is a little matter for the paper. Just put it in when you see fit, or to fill space. We enjoy the paper very much, but we need a few more copies each month. Please send us I5 copies. That will give us one copy to each family. Thanks for the work you are doing with the paper and keep up the good work. ---Yours in Christ.

W. E. Daniels.

Rt. 2, Stillwell, Oklahoma. August 2I, I962. Phone 774-2438.

Why allow Sunday visitors to keep you at home for friendly gossip and meaningless chatter? Bring them to church on Sunday and let them hear the gospel preached.

O U R D E P A R T E D

Funeral services for Daniel Edward Atchley, 1518 W. Broadway, Elk City, Oklahoma was held at 3:30 P. M. monday, July 23 in the Martin Funeral Home chapel.

Born March 16, 1872, Bro. Atchley died at a local nursing home July 20, 1962.

Bro. Atchley was married to Arabella Jernigan in 1894. He came to Oklahoma in 1914 from Texas. He moved to Martha in 1938 and was in the grocery business there with his son. He moved to Elk City in 1941 and had lived here since that time.

He is survived by his wife of the home address, three sons, F. E. of Santa Ana, Calif., Earl of Westville, Okla., and Paul of Lawton, Okla., one daughter Mrs. Jess Kent of Pueblo, Colorado, a half-brother, Isaac Atchley of Dallas, Texas, 13 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Bro. Coy Garrison of Grand Prairie, Texas preached the funeral sermon. Burial was in Fairlawn cemetery under the direction of Martin Funeral Home, Elk City.

Reydon, Okla., August 20, 1962---Dear Bro. Snoderly: It was good to hear your voice yesterday, (via telephone) I must admit though, I was greatly surprised.

We plan to go to Elk City, for services tonight, the beginning of Bro. Paul Ferguson's meeting. I would be glad to do what we can for the paper. We look forward to its coming each month. I may try at writing an article some time, but then I think how much better other brethren are, I hesitate to write. I know we have brethren far more able to write than I am. For that reason I do not want to monopolize space in the paper where others can offer a far more reaching article than myself. But I do want to help, and in my weak way shall stand ready at all times to do so. Hoping that all is well with you and all the faithful in your section of the country. I will close with a prayer for you and yours.

---Your brother in Christ, J. C. Spurlin.

Bro. Claude Perigen, 8748 E. Artesia Blvd., Bellflo-

wer, California. August 2I, I962---Dear Bro. Roy: There is not much news to write from Bellflower, except we're cleaning up and painting up and doing a little repairing around our church building trying to get everything ready for our Gospel meeting which starts this Sunday August 26. Bro. W. A. Nelson from Somerton, Ariz. is the preacher. Be sure to announce it and tell everyone about it you see. We just returned from about a six weeks trip. We visited numerous friends and brothers and sisters in Christ, also several of our relatives. We found the the little bands of brethren at Furnish Canyon, and at Springfield, Colorado just doing okay and they certainly conduct their services as "Thus Saith the Lord". We can most assuredly say the same about the church at Stillwell, Okla. where we also held a meeting. We were well pleased with our meetings at all three congregations.

One lady was restored to the faith. She had been out of duty for awhile. We certainly welcomed her back. She lives at Springfield, Colo. We enjoyed our visit so very much and certainly enjoyed working with all these Christians.

The Perigens-

Church of Christ, 99I4 Arkansas Ave., Bellflower, Calif.

For some reason or other, the above letter was left out of the September issue of the Courier. We are very sorry this happened and we sincerely apologize to Bro. Perigen and the Bellflower church for this oversight. We regret very much this error on our part, but it was not intentional.

--The Editor, and the publisher.

Bro. Tom Broadway of the Bellflower, Calif. church will hold a meeting for the brethren at Springfield, Colo. of one week duration, starting Oct. I4. We urge every one who can to attend this meeting and hear this brother earnestly proclaim the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. You will be glad you did.

As we go to press, Bro. Paul Ferguson of Buena Park, Calif. is engaged in a meeting for the Bohannan Mountain congregation east of Huntsville, Ark. This meeting started Oct. 7 and is to run through Oct. I4. Bro. Ferguson is another of our able and capable evangelists. We wish him and Bro. Broadway success in these meetings.

J. L. JARED, Sept. 5, 1962.- Dear Bro. Snoderly: How are you and the other church folks there in southern California? We think of you so often and we should have written much sooner, but there are so many I haven't written to yet, but I did want to get the paper started to coming over here.

I had an uneventful trip over when I came but the filght that Eunice and the children came on wasn't. The plane blew a tire when it landed at Wake Island. They had about a 24 hour lay over there while waiting for another tire to be flown in. Then when the plane landed here at Clark Air Base, only 3 engines were going. One of them quit somewhere between Wake Island and here.

The house we live in wasn't completed until 2 days before the family arrived. You should see the quality of construction in these houses over here; it's really poor. Most of them are made of a very poor quality of cement block then covered over with cement. Our house has 2 bedrooms upstairs and 2 down. The upstairs is all wood which is a lot nicer in this damp climate. Speaking of climate, they have 2 kinds here, warm and hot.

We pay 320 pesos a month rent. The rate of exchange is $1 for 3.86 pesos, so that makes our rent about $85 a month. Our house is located about a mile from the main gate to the base. It is located in a new subdivision. On the other side of the street there is only one house. The Water Buffalo or Carabao graze around in the vacant lots. The children were not long in getting one of the Philipinos to let them have a ride on a Carabao.

For taxis around here they use World War 2 model jeeps slightly converted. They put on a metal roof that extends a little out over the sides and down maybe 6 inches. The back is cut out and a step put in to enter from the rear. Some of them have rear fenders attached, styled after late model Fords and Chevies. Most of them are painted in carnival colors. For those who can't afford to ride a jeepney, they have a Colesa. It's a two-wheel cart pulled by a very small horse. I never saw such small horses; they are no taller than a large pony, but their bodies are small and legs long. These

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Colesa's create quite a hazzard at night as they drive around on the streets without any lights on. We live in the town of Balibago which is a suburb of Angeles in the province of Pampanga. Angeles is quite a filthy town so we don't go to town very often. The market place really smells, especially around where they sell the ripe fish. I say ripe, because they don't use ice or anything to try to keep them fresh.

Eunice an I went down to Manila the first of last month to get our car. We rode an Air Force bus that makes a daily run between Clark and the Amerncan Embassy in Manila. Parts of Manila are quite nice compared to this town of Angeles. Last month we took a little vacation and went to Baguio for three days. Baguio is 103 miles north of here up in the mountains at an elevation of 5.000 feet. It's hard to realize there could be such a difference in the temperature between here and there. It's cool in Baguio. We kept a fire in the fire place of the house where we stayed in the evening, and of a morning until about 9 or 10 A. M. The Air Force runs a vacation camp there called Jon Hay Air Base. The main attraction is a beautiful hilly golf course. We stayed in a 3 bedroom completely furnished house for $6.00 a day. It was sure a welcome relief from the heat here.

As yet we haven't found anyone to worship with, so we have the worship at home. There is quite a bunch of people around this part of the Philippines that calls themselves Church of Christ (Iglesia Si Cristo), but they have communion only once a year, have instrumental music and Sunday School. They also teach that before they will baptize a person, one must say that God is a spirit, but Jesus is a

Man. We had some interesting talks with one of the construction workers around here who belongs to that church. In nearly every town between here and Baguio we saw one of those churches and there is a lot of towns between here and there.

The rainy season is on us here now. It has rained for the past 4 days. In July we had 7 straight days of rain. Sometimes it really pours to.

With love, --The Jareds.
1961 Com. Group, Box 29, A. P. O. 74,
San Francisco, California

BOX 182, Somerville, Ohio, July 27, 1962.--Dear Bro. Snoderly: I am writing to say we enjoy the Courier very much. The church here in Hamilton, Ohio is doing fairly well. We had a week's meeting on singing and teaching vocal music this past week. Some nights there were very few in number in attendance. We are a small congregation trying to do God's will and trying to grow in the Lord. A hearty welcome will be extended to anyone passing through who wishes to stop and worship with us. The services are Thursday night 7.30, Sunday morning at 10.30, and Sunday night 7.00.

We pray for all Christians everywhere and we ask the prayers of the faithful. We will send a small donation later. Right now our finances are low.

Your Bro. and Sister in Christ,
Ralph and Bonnie Rhodes.

CARTER, OKLA. August 27, 1962-- Dear Bro. Snoderly:-- I wish to report that our meeting closed last night at 818 N. Washington Str., in Elk City, Okla. Bro. Paul Ferguson did the preaching. There were no additions to the church, but the meeting was very inspiring and uplifting, and I believe the members will be strengthened by the good lessons presented..

A remakrable part of the meeting was the prenence of brethren from other congregations and the help and encouragement they gave us in the song and prayer services.

Visitors and number of services attended were; Bro. and Sister Wm. Goldstrap, Lonewolf, Okla., (Lugert);

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8; Bro. and Sister Joe Taylor, Loco, Okla., 3; Bro. and Sister W. H. Francis, Mangum, Okla. (Lugert) 5; and Bro. and Sister Edd Tate, New Castle, Texas (California Creek); I. We hope to have another good meeting next year, only better. Am sending obituary of our beloved Bro. Daniel Edward Atchley, a long time member of the church and the Elk City congregation. Yours in Christ. --W. R. Farrar.

(You will find Bro. Atchley's obituary on another page-Editor)

P. O. Box 133, Roll, Arizona. August 17, 1962.-- Dear Bro. Snoderly: Sorry we haven't written sooner but being new in the faith we just didn't know how to do so. We want to thank Bro. Harry B. Dye of 828 Oak Drive, Yuma, Arizona for having the Courier sent to us. We also want to thank all the brethren of Yuma and Somerton for all the help they have given us. We want to invite any one coming this way to stop and meet with us here in Tacna, Arizona. We meet every Lord's day at 10:15 A. M. and at 8.00 P. M. Yours in Christ. Melvin Lytle.

HAYSE MORRIS, 3250 Buell Road, Hamilton, Ohio. Aug. 17, 1962. - Dear Bro. Snoderly: Received your letter today, and I am glad to be of service and I think a church directory would be very useful to any church member of the Church of Christ, especially when taking a trip or traveling, and want to know where there is a true loyal church where they can worship. We are having quite a lot of confusion with our brethren over the breaking the bread. I guess Jack and Harry have told you about it, but they are not worrying me very much. I am worrying more about sinners who have never obeyed the gospel.

The church at Hamilton is getting along very good. I baptized a Baptist woman the first of this month and there is a big family of them. I am working, trying to get the husband to accept the gospel. Now about the members. I am the only leader at this time. I am trying to make leaders out of the young brethren. Two of my sons, and we also have two other young brothers plus Bro. Jerry Jared, whose address is 8339 Robert Ave., cincinnatti 39, Ohio. Telephone WE L-7202. I don't have a phone. I live about 20 miles from the church out in the country.

You have my address. The address of the church is 1201 Grand Blvd., Hamilton, Ohio. Worship at 10:30 Lord's day morning, 7 oclock Lord's day night, 7:30 Thursday night. Bro. Jery Jared, 8239 Robert Ave., Cincinnatti 39, Ohio. Telephone WE 1-7202. He is the only leader we have who has a phone. Every one welcome and we love to have visitors from other places.

Your Brother in Christ with the church in Hamilton wish you every success with the paper, and anything we can do to help, feel free to call on us. I always enjoy hearing from the brethren. I feel like I am not alone when things go wrong when I get a letter from a brother in Christ. With brotherly love and prayers, I am your Bro. in Christ Jesus our Lord.--

---Hayse Morris.

Dear Bro. Snoderly: Enclosing $5 to help with the News Courier. Please send me a copy or two of "Cup, or Cups", and the Class Question. Hope you can get out a church directory. The church of Christ at Springfield and the one at Furnish Canyon, are the only ones I know near here. Bro. F. F. Francis of Kenton, Okla. is leader of the church at Furnish Canyon.

We sing a few songs, have prayer, then preaching or teaching, the Lord's Supper, giving thanks, break the bread, give thanks for the cup, divide it among ourselves, contribution, song, dismiss with prayer. Use one container. Yours in the one Way,

J. H. Lackey.

Rt. I, Box 6, Springfield, Colo. August 18, 1962.

Dear Bro. in Christ: I have never met you personally, but would like to. I would like very much for you to publish this in the Gospel News Courier. I am back preaching the gospel of Christ after a few years absence by sickness and other things. I am able to go any where to preach the good word of God. I have been in preaching field since 1928. I would like to hear from the brethren and churches in Texas and Okla. where I have held meetings and week-end services, and also the churches that care to write to me. I preached at my home congregation last Lord's day. Had a

good size crowd and good singing. Church is located at Glenn and Dallas Strs, Modesto, Calif. A few Sundays ago, Bro. Bert Weakley gave us a wonderful lesson and one obeyed the gospel and I was happy to be given the opportunity of doing the baptizing. I want to commend Bro. Weakley by the word of God, in his teaching. The church here is doing good. Hope to receive a lot of letters. I will answer all letters and answer all Bible questions if you want to ask any. In brotherly love, --Ben F. Rollins.
626 South Sunset, Modesto, California

Dear Bro. Snoderly: Please send the Gospel News Courier to my niece, Mrs. Jesse Kent, I25 Lucille, Pueblo, Colo. I am enclosing $2 for her subscription and mine. I get my paper at church; no need to mail it to me. I enjoy the paper so much. Sure would like to locate a congregation in or near Pueblo, Colo. Thank you. Yours in Christ.
--Mrs. Jewell Cadwell,
I703 Waverly Drive, Modesto, California. August 20, I962.

Dear Bro. Snoderly: Just a few lines to let you know they have given our town new street numbers. The street number where we worship is The Church of Christ, 2I0 Park Drive. Everyone is welcome that comes through our town of Broken Bow as well as all others. Those tracts about the Cup and Cups, please send me about 4 of each. We have some hot dry weather. Everything is about burned up. We need a rain real bad. Well the churches are holding out still, both at II0 Park Drive and at the rest home. So I will close for this time with lots of love for the Truth of our Lord, and brethren and sisters in Christ.
---Willie Doan,
Rt. 2, Box I29, Broken Bow, Oklahoma. August 2I, I962.

Dear Bro. Snoderly: I received a copy of the September issue of the Gospel News Courier and read it with the usual interest. The little congregationhere had a very pleasant surprise on Sept. 8 by a visit from Bro. and Sis - ter Studer and Siter Scott of Lorenzo, Texas over the week-end. Bro. Studer gave us a good lesson on Lord's day and that day, they, and the Paul Bruce family gathered at my

home for singing. It was all edifying, especially for a small group like we are here. Inclosed is a small donation for the paper. Yours in Christ.

---Mrs. Laura Willis,
205½ S. Olive, Carlsbad, N. Mexico. September 17, 1962.

Dear Bro. Snoderly: I enjoy reading the Gospel News Courier very much and am sending a donation for it. Would you please send it to Mrs. Cora Clements, 1616 Navasota Str., Austin, Texas. Also to Mrs. Sallie Nabors, Rt. #1, Paris, Texas. I would like a copy each of "What Saith the Lord, Cup or Cups." and "The Class Question". Yours in Christ, --Mrs. R. C. Clements, 403 N. Costilow Str., Broken Bow, Okla. Sept. 6, 1962.

Brother Snoderly: I'm a member of the Church of Christ in Modesto, California, on Glenn and Dallas Sts. Am sending a little help to keep the paper going.

In Christian love, ---L. E. Arnett.

La Habra, Calif. News.--Oct. 9, 1962--Bro. and Sis-Paul Ferguson are in Arkansas where he is holding a meeting for the Bohannan Mountain church east of Huntsville. Returning home they will stop briefly at Springfield, Colo. where Bro. Tom Broadway will be in a meeting with the church there. Sister Bernice Cavin will return this week from a visit in Texas; and Bro. and Sister Clouse have been back for some time from their vacation in Central Calif. Bro. Kenneth Baldwin brought us an able sermon L. D. morning Aug. 5. He and Sister Baldwin are presently residing in Whittier, Calif. Bro. F. H. Logan spent the latter part of Sept. visiting in this area and he also gave us a fine sermon Lord's day Sept. 23. Bro. Claude Perigen will bring us a gospel message next Lord's day. Most of La Habra members attended the meeting at Bellflower Aug. 26 through September 2 and heard Bro. W. A. Nelson of Somerton, Ariz. preach some able and uplifting gospel sermons. We have recently made some improvements inside our building and also paved the parking lot, the latter being something that was badly needed in rainy weather.

ALERTING THE MEMBERSHIP

Matt. I0:28; "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."

From the beginning of time man has feared the unknown, that which he is unable to see or understand. Here of late we have been living in a state of fear because of the threat of a nuclear war and the probability of our country being bombed. If we were to have as much concern for our life in eternity, we would be much better Christian men and women, and greater workers for the cause of Christ.

DO WE NEED A FALL-OUT SHELTER? I SAY NO. DO WE NEED THE BIBLE AND THE PROTECTION IT OFFERS? I SAY YES. FEAR NOT THE WORLD, BUT RATHER FEAR GOD AND HIS POWER OF DESTRUCTION. Therefore we see that we must prepare ourselves for that which is to come, life eternal, hell or heaven.

I. THE IMPORTANCE OF OBEYING THE COMMANDS OF GOD. 2 Thess. I:7-I2.
2. THE IMPORTANCE OF SUFFERING AS A CHRISTIAN. I Pet. 4:I2-I9.
3. THE IMPORTANCE OF PREPARING OURSELVES. I Pet. 3:I5.
4. THE IMPORTANCE OF ADORNING OURSELVES. I Pet. I:I3-I6.
5. THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING HOLY. I Cor. 3:I6-I7.
6. THE IMPORTANCE OF WEARING THE ARMOUR OF GOD. Eph. 6:II-I8.
7. THE IMPORTANCE OF VIGILANCE AND FAITH. Jude 3.
8. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR FAITH. Heb. I0:23-29.
9. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR ASSOCIATIONS. 2 Cor. 6:I4-I8.
I0. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR DAILY WALK IN LIFE. Eph. 5:I5-I8.
II. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR CALLING. 2 Pet. I:I-II.
I2. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR LIVING AND WALKING IN THE SPIRIT. Gal. 5:I6-26.

WE MUST TEMEMBER THIS, THAT WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR BUT THE JUDGMENT OF GOD. THE WORLD WILL NOT BE DESTROYED BY BOMBS BUT BY GOD'S POWER. NOT A CLOUD OF DUST RISING FROM THE EARTH, BUT A CLOUD DESCENDING FROM THE THRONE OF GOD. (Preached by J. C. Spurlin, Reydon, Okla. at Lorenzo, Texas 5th. Sunday meeting, July 28, I962)