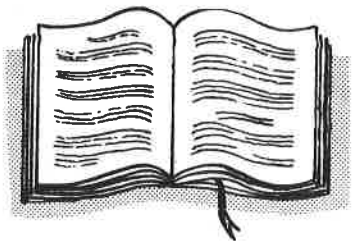
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HOLD FAST OUR POSITION:

In armies of the world, sometimes it is considered good tactics to draw back and leave a position to the enemy. In the army of the Lord this is impossible. [11 Tim 1:13] "Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me...." [1 Tim 6:12] "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life.." These are the positions given by our Lord and confirmed unto us by them that heard Him. One of these is the position of Fruit Inspector. [Matt 7:20] "Wherefore by their Fruits Ye shall know them." Paul says [1 Cor 11:1] "Be ye followers of me even as I also am of Christ." [1 Thess 5:12] "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you...." We know them by inspecting their deeds and words (fruit). Paul did this and wrote it in the Holy Word. Examples; [Gal 2:11] "But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face because he was to be blamed." [11 Tim 2:18] Hymenaeus and Philetus: "Who concerning the truth have erred,..." [11 Tim 4:10] Demas forsook Paul for the Pleasures of the world. (14 the verse) Alexander the coppersmith did him much evil. [1 Tim 1:20] Hymenaeus and Alexander also blasphemed. Paul noted these men and how he dealt with them. In Philemon he speaks very highly of Apphia and Arhcippus and Philemon, fellow soldiers and dearly beloved [11 Tim 1:16] "The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus; for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain." He counted Onesiphorus specially beloved for his work (fruit) sake. [Rom 16;1] Paul commends Phoebe, "our sister" and servant of the church which is at Cenchrea, because she helped many.

In this one chapter, Romans 16, Paul commends about 20 men and women (calling them by name) telling of their Good Fruits (deeds).

So by careful inspection he knew both the good and the bad fruit.

Now in the 17th verse, he tells us to Mark them which cause division and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned and avoid them. How can we know these people if we don't know theri fruits (works) and inspect them? There are many, many more examples in the Bible of Good and Bad fruit but these are enough to prove Christians and to be Fruit Inspectors according to Christ and the Apostles and we cannot give up this position and still Fight the Good Fight of Faith as Soldier of the Lord.

Another position is that of an agitator. Some time back, a dear brother noted that no matter how much water and soap you put in a washing machine the clothes will not get clean unless the agitator is turned on. Those who study the Scriptures know Christ and the Apostles were great agitators, stirring up the people by the Gospel. [11 Peter 1:13] Speaks of stirring us up by putting us in rememberance. Also 3:1; stir up our pure minds by way of rememberance. I have heard this saying quoted by almost all the preachers that I have heard at one time or another, but the question is, 'DO WE SAY AND DO NOT?

The sisters tell me that the best agitator to clean clothes goes back and forth, not just one way. So it is with the Word of God. It is good to preach on the Fruit of the Spirit; [Gal 5:22] LOVE, JOY, PEACE, and so on, but to get the garments Pure and White, the agitator must reverse and Preach against the Works of The Flesh. [Gal 5:19-21] and [Eph 5th chapter] (and many more) but this is a lesson for another time. Brethren, let us not quit our post as an agitator and Fruit Inspector just because someone wants us to, or we might find ourselves "Falling back into perdition." Let us continue to "Fight the good fight of faith and lay hold on eternal life." Let us not lay down our arms but Hold fast to the End.

In Love of the truth:

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Article on Jeremiah 18

Jeremiah 18:1-6:

"The word which came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words. Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels. And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it. Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying, O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the Lord. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel."

Here he declares to us, as he did to them. [Rom 9:21-23] "Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willin to shew his wrath, and to make his power know, endured with much longsuffering, the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory." So we see that what he did to them he can also do to us; so let us consider what they did and what he did and take warning. [Heb 2:1-2] And give the more earnest heed lest we let slip those things that we have heard. Or else he will do to us what he did to them. [Jer 18:7-8] "At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concering a kingdom, to pluck it up, and to pull it down, and to destroy it; If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them." Now we will briefly go on through the chapter.....

(Verse 11) "Now therefore go to, speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying Thus saith the Lord; Behold I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: return ye now everyone from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good. And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imigination of his evil heart." (v 13) The virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing. (v 15) "Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity and they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up;" (and because of this He turned his back on them). Then verse 18; "Then said they, Come, and let us devise against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor councel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us not give heed to any of his words." (Now let us consider what God did to them, and then let us bring this down 2000 years to us from Christ and look at the church today). [Matt 28:18 - 20] Jesus commanded the apostles to teach and baptize. To teach to obey whatsoever he had commanded them, as we see in John 14:14. Then Paul told Timothy [2 Tim 2:2] to commit this gospel to faithful men. To teach to others as Jesus commanded them, but what do we hear when we teach on what was taught of the apostles? Like [1 John 2:15-16][2 Cor.6: 16-17] [Rev 18:4] [Duet 24:1-5] [1 Cor 11:1-18] [1 Tim 2:9] [Rom 12: 1-2] well what I have been told is that don't mean that. Or your preach to hard; or that is your opinion; or there is nothing wrong in what I am doing; Well what did they say back there in Jer 18;12? There is no hope if we walk after our own devices and we will everyone, do the imigination of his evil heart. Then verse 18, then said they come let us devise devices agains Jeremiah. (Well, what do we hear today?) We want have him to hold us a meeting because he preaches to hard; We want someone that won't get on those things for they drive the people

away from the church, yet we say our heart is not evil..

Well, what did God say? [Jer 17:9] "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (10) "I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings." [Jer 16:12] "And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not harken unto me." (Have we done worse than our fathers?) Let us go back to the days when I was a young boy in the country where I grew up. No one went swimming, even if it was just the family, without having their body covered from top to below the knees. I never saw a woman wear a dress that came up to the knee. No woman wore pants or shorts or any thing that might tempt the opposite sex and if any girl had a baby out of wedlock, she was despised of all, and made known to all what kind of woman she was. And when the cutting of the hair came in, in the mid twenties, everyone shunned the girl or woman as tho she were the serpent himself. All churches had nothing to do with them. Men with long hair was never seen. But what about now? You know you can see for yourself, and also ask yourself the question; 'Is sin worse now than then?' If so, what has made it worse? [2 Peter 2:1-3] "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that brought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of." Go back to Jer 18:18, and read, and then continue to read on in 2 Peter 2:3. "And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whos judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not." Meaning: Hold back part of the truth; Or not teach on that subject; (Make merchandise of you) ie; bag and sell you; or get you to follow them. [2 Peter 2:12-18] Says these are natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things they understand not. (Verse 18) "...they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, (coveteousness) those that were clean escaped from them who live in error. (19) While they promise them liberty (saying we have liberty) they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same he is brought in bondage." Brothers, and sisters, let us look to Heb 2:1-2 and give heed to what is spoken by the apostles and quit being workers of iniquity. [Matt 7:22-23] [Heb 12:1-2] Let us put off the 'I THINKs' which are the shackles of sin and put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make not provisions for the flesh to fulfill the lust of it.

In love to all God's people and of the truth.

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EXAMPLES FOR BREAKING THE BREAD

The idea for this article is not original. The idea comes from an article by Brother J.S.Bedingfield. Possibly I will use different words, but if I don't it is worth repeating. A lot of people may not have see it.

If we were trying a case in court, we would call together all the witnesses that knew anything about the case and let them tell what they know. Even if they couldn't testify agout all parts of the case their testamony would be valit and acceptable. Let's do the same thing with this subject. The first witness we will call is Matthew 26;26: "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the deciples and said, Take, eat; this is my body." Matthew says; (1) He took bread (2) He blessed it. (3) He broke it. (4) He gave it to them. (5) and said, Take, eat. The next witness is Mark 14:22; "And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave to them and said, Take eat this is my body. Mark says: (1) He took bread. (2) He blessed it. (3) He broke it. (4) He gave it. (5) Said, Take, eat. Matthew and Mark agree exactly on all the points. Next let's call Luke 22:19; "And he took bread, and gave thanks and broke it, and gave unto them saying, This is my body which is given for you, This do in rememberance of me. Luke says, (1) He took bread. (2) He gave thanks. (3) He brake it. (4) He gave it. (5) Luke says nothing about take, eat. But he does mention another point that Matthew and Mark doesn't. (6) This do in rememberance of me. The last witness we will call is Paul. [1 Cor 11:23 24] "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; And when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you; this do in rememberance of me." Paul says: (1) He took bread. (2) He gave thanks for it. (3) He broke it. (4) Paul doesn't mention he gave it. (5) He said take, eat. (6) This do in rememberance of me.

I think from these examples we can see how we are to take care of this part of the Lord's Supper. The servent at the table is to take a loaf of unleavened bread, give thanks for it, then break it, and then give it to the assembly to take, eat. There is no place for Jesus to eat and drink first. Maybe later we can send some more articles going into more detail on the individual points.

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THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

In choosing a faith and church, there are many questions for which

we must find answers. Some people say,'Are not all churches the same?' Others may say, 'What difference does it really make?' Still others may say ' How do you know which is the right one?' The answers to all these questions is found in [John 14;6] "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." In furthur reply to these questions, let us consider just what exactly the church is. [Col 1;24] "Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that whic is behind of the affliction of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church." THis tells us the church is Jesus' Body. [Eph 5;30] "For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones." The church of Christ teaches there is but one church; that of Christ. Let us consider what "THAT OF CHRIST really means. [Matt 16:18] Jesus said: "And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Upon this statement Jesus claimed ownership to the church. We also read in Zech 6:12-13 of a prophecy from God concerning Jesus' fist coming to earth. (12) "And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and shall build the temple of the Lord: Even he shall build the temple of the Lord; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon ;his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the cousel of peace shall be between them both." This prophesy commands us to give Jesus the Glory of the church.

There are many scriptures commanding Jesus' Glory. Let us consider [Acts 2:38] "Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.: [Matt 28:19] "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, batizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." [John 20:30-31] "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his deciples, which are not writtn in this book, But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name." [John 3:18] "He that believeth on him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

These are only a few of the scriptures commanding Jesus' Glory. Now let us read from [Acts 4:12] "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." [John 14:6] "Jesus saith unto him; I am the way the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. " Here Jesus professes the plan of salvation given in His name is the only one we have. As for any other doctrine; [Gal 1;8] truly applies: "But though we or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you let him be accursed."

Let us consider the reasons for other doctrines. [John 12:43] "For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God." Is the praise of men greater than that of God? Jesus also said in [Matt 15:8] "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoreth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me." Most of us probably think of this as refering to people of other religions. However we must be very careful we do not fall into the same catagory. Claiming to be a christian and actually being one is not the same thing. Let us now read from [Rom 2:23] "Thou that maketh thy boast of the law through breaking the law dishonourest thou God.?" We are asked this question, but what is our answer?

[Matt 10:32-33] "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." Must we go farther than just claiming to be Christians? CERTAINLY!

When a person or persons decide the name of the church, or the communion, or any other part of the plan of salvation needs to be changed they should consider the full weight of the situatioin. When someone says; 'It doesn't make any difference what name the church has,' surely they are not thinking about what they are saying. Let us consider [[Heb 10:28-29] "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" [Rom 8:9] "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Unless we have the Spirit of Christ we are told we are none of his. How is it possible to be in Christ while we wear the name of another, or no name? Also I would refer to [Acts 4:12] "Neither is there any salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

These scriptures are undeniable proof beyond any doubt the church of Christ is the only true church. Let us join in spiritual unity and strive each day to be worthy of the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ the Son of God so we may all stand before the throne of God on the side of those worthy to eat of the tree of life, and go throug the gates into that City fo heaven and live forever.

In Christian Love

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Please note: Brother Larry Pollan has requested some information or a copy of a sermon on the "HOLY GHOST BAPTISM". So if any one of the many preachers out there has anything, write to Brother Pollan or send them to me and I will publish in the Courier or forward them to Bro. Pollan.

Editor

"AS COLD WATERS TO A THIRSTY SOUL, SO IS GOOD NEWS FROM A FAR COUNTRY"

From the Editor

Before we get into the letters, I would like to let you know that I have gotten some response from some, regarding Bro. Howard McCay's request for your views on wine and the use of it. I am looking forward to receiving more, so I can put out a special edition. So, come on, lets get those letters written and get them in.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We in the Oklahoma City congregation are doing fine. It has been a busy fall, and winter is coming very soon, Lord willing. The weather has been extremely wet in this area this year, but it has been fairly mild temperture wise.

I will introduce you to some of the members here in this letter and Lord willing others in the future. The first two that I will introduce to you is Sister Wood and Sister Bessie Burgess. They have both attended church here for more than thirty years. Sister Wood's husband was the late J.V.Wood. They were originally from around the Duncan, Ok. area. Sister Burgess was married to the late Jesse Burgess. They lived around the OKC area for many years. Both of these brothers and sisters were directly responsible for the church existing here in OKC.

I realize that many of you do not know these ladies and yet if you did, you would care and respect them as much as I do. Hopefully in the future many of you will get to know the christians here and everywhere. I hope that I too will some day get to meet most of you.

Thank you and God bless each of you. Continue in the Lord's work.

Love,

Oklahoma City Congregation

LOCO, OKLAHOMA

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We hope that this letter finds everyone strong in the faith. We pray that all the Brothers and Sisters are well and able to be about our Father's business. At this time all are well here at the Loco congregation. There have been a few suffering from the normal ailments that go along with the colder weather. We are proud to announce the marriage of TRACI DAWN BARNES to AUSTIN ANTHONY (Tony) NORMILE on the 14th day of November, 1986. What God hath joined together let no man put asunder. Let us all pray that they may have a long and prosperous life together. And may they always remain strong in the faith. They are both young in age and Tony is new in the faith, but is doing a

fine job helping out with the song leading and prayer.

We had several visitors during the month of Nov. We enjoyed the fellowship with the brothers and sisters in Christ. Bro. Jerry McCay brought us a good lesson from God's Word on Nov. 16th.

In Christian Love we write
Audley Barnes for the Loco congregation.

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WATERFORD, CALIFORNIA

Just a few words to let everyone know how we are doing. As I write to you tonight, I can honestly say that today, the 23rd of October felt like winter might slowly but surely be on its way in.

Sister Vivian Baker had surgery but is now back on her feet and is able to come to services, and for this we are thankful. Lottie Shaw lost her grandson in a violent crime. May all of us as brothers and sisters remember her in our prayers. Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted. [Matt 5:4] We also have been blessed with many visitors this past few weeks and this has been very encouraging. My family and I had the opportunity to witness Sister Barbara McKinny get married up in Antioch, Ca. What a beautiful and radiant bride she made. May our Lord bless their lives richly. Brother Dennis Bentz brought us a lesson a few weeks back. Dennis is a very gifted person and it certainly shows in his ability to bring God's Word. We should all take a little effort to write to the paper. It takes so little effort, speaking for myself, I will try to do better.

May Christ be with you all.

Ken Williams

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GOSHEN, ARKANSAS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I had sent in a letter a few months ago but it was not in the paper. I guess it got lost or something. I will try to catch up on the news. I hope I don't leave anything out. If I do I am sorry. I seem to be getting very forgetful. Lets get the sad news out of the way first. On Nov. 29th we lost my grandmother. Sister Lue Lawson. She was know as "Granny" by everyone young and old alike. She was 92 year old and had been sick since the 1st of June. She was in the hospital 4 times since then. We took care of her like a baby while she was home, but we don't regret it and would do it again if we had the choice. Her funeral was the next Tuesday afgernoon at Broshens Funeral Home in Huntsville. She was buried in the Bohannan Cemetery. Brother Howard Taylor conducted the funeral. Less than 2 weeks after she passed away, my Dad, Brother Buren Andrews was admitted to the hospital with double pneumonia. He had lost the oxygen out of his blood. He was a very sick

man for a few days and we almost lost him too. He is home now and improveing though. He is awfully weak but the Doctor says that will take a long time to get his strength back. Everyone else here is doing okay except for colds and flu. We have all had that.

Now for some good news. We have had some visitors. Oct 19th, Brother Geard Buckner and Sister Wilma and Brother Terry Warford from Stilwell was here. Brother Gearld gave us a good lesson. On Dec. 21, Brother Terry came back and gave us another good lesson. Yesterday (Jan 4th) we were supprised by having Brother Gabe and Sister Auslom from LaHabra, Ca. with us. We appreciate all visitors, especially speakers. I haven't gotten to go anywhere due to so much sickness, but hope to go more next summer if I can.

We want to announce the dates for our meeting next summer. It will be MAY 31 through JUNE 7th. Brother Howard Taylor from the Loco Oklahoma congregation will be the speaker. I have known Bro. Howard a long time and he is a good speaker and a fine chrisitian man, so I know anyone who can come will enjoy it. Everyone that can make plans to come and stay the whole week. WE can put you up in our homes and try to treat you right. The more visitors we have the better the meeting is. All visitors are welcome anytime whether we are having a meeting or not. I home haven't left anything out, but will close since this is so long.

In Christian love.

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BROKEN BOW, OKLAHOMA

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

A few lines to tell you we appreciate the paper very much and our prayers to all of you who contribute.

We are small in number and as of November 30, 1986, even smaller. We lost our beloved Sister and Grandmother, Louisa C Parks, age 99. Whe was Brother Lloyd Treat's first wife's mother. She is missed sorely by her family and friends. Prayers to all of us in this time of loss is needed. Brother Howard and Sister Nell McCay came through in November to stay one day and Brother Lloyd Treat and Sister Susie Treat wouldn't hear of it. We had a beautiful week long visit before they journeyed on to Lorenzo.

Our Sunday services are at 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. at 210 N. Park Drive in Broken Bow, Ok. and if anyone is passing through, we would love to have visitors drop by. We hope to show any good christian hospitality at any of our homes.

God bless all and may He keep you.

IN Christian Love

Broken Bow Congregation
Sister Kathy Treat.

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

(Editors note: Due to their move and due to the hectic work schedule, this letter was delayed getting to us, and I would like to commend Brother and Sister Forsman for the expense and effort they are puttin out in order to have a permanent building where the church can meet.)

To our Brothers and Sisters:

Its already less than one week until Christmas, so most of you will be receiving these messages late. Please forgive us for choosing this somewhat impersonal way of letting each of you know what has been happening to us. But our pressing lack of time insists that it be this or nothing.

Most of you know that the church group here has needed a permanant home for almost 7 years now. After looking for many months, we found some property that we all feel will be more than adequate. It is about an acre of level land with a building 24 x 38 feet that will be just fine for worship services (with some remodeling, of course). It also has another building that is about 1500 square feet as well as a fairly roomy 3 bedroom house. After much prayer and discussion of the options with so many of you, it was decided that we would by this property jointly with the church, and live in the house ourselves so that we can make the monthly payments and be handy to work on the buildings.

We still are in the process of gathering the down payment and arranging the financing, but the terms are all decided. The delays are due to things such as access roads, survey lines, possession of home, etc. While the delays have been frustrating, it has actually been ablessing in that the interest rate is still dropping. We were able to sell our home without even running an ad or putting out a sign. To make a long story short, we started moveing Dec. 1st. Another delay kept us from moving into the house until Dec.4th. We still do not have possession of the warehouse, but we should have it by Dec. 20th. We are to get the church building sometime in January, 1987. It took one full week working long hours to get moved, and many of our things are still in the yard, under tarps for protection from the rain until we can get them put away; but we are here at last.

Lynell has had daycare kids every day (even dureing moving) and Ellis has been working graveyard at Boeing, with most of the daytime spent trying to get past the hassles of everything being in boxes. We have had a lot of help from Paul, Lori, and kevin as well as Wayne and Amy, and Brother Jack Wilson. We could not have done it without them. We also have had emotional, spiritual, and financial support from so many others of you, our loved ones. We can never thank you enough. Our new address, as well as that of the Sea-Tac Church of Christ is: 1034 So. 140th St. - Seattle, Wa. 98168 - - - - -

Our phone remains (206) 241-7493. As this holiday season approaches, and passes, we all eagerly look forward to 1987. Please remember all of us in your prayers as we do desire all of this to be to God's glory. Any and all of you are invited to come and be with us whenever possible.

Our love and prayers for each of you always.

The Brothers and Sisters at Sea-Tac Church of Christ.

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IN MEMORY

"Many lives have been touched by one who is now gone. He brought joy to the hearts of many, then God saw fit to call him home. He made the light to shine, in the eyes of Dad and Mother. He shared days of joy and fun, with sister Mary and others. He grew up and found someone, to him she was so fair. They marrìed Oh so young, their lives and love did share. They were blessed with four dear babes. Their hearts weref full of joy. God's boquet need one more bud, so he chose their baby boy. He knew no bounds for work and toil, he lived for family and God. He made enemies of some men because of the path he trod. His faith and love did not waver, His character true and strong. His work here on earth is finished, He's gone to his reward, he has gone home.

12-27-1927 to 2-1-1986. In loving memory of Bill Nelson. Thank you for sharing 38 years and seven months of your life with me. Verda.

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Deaths

Sister Vesta Lytle	Dec.22, 1986	Roll, Az.
Sister L. Lawson	Nov 29, 1986	Goshen, Ark.
Sister Louisa Parks	Nov. 30, 1986	Broken Bow, Ok.

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MARRIAGES

TRACI DAWN BARNES and AUSTIN ANTHONY NORMILE - Loco, Oklahoma

Nov. 14, 1986

May God bless this new Chrisitan family is our prayer.

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GOSPEL MEETINGS

Goshen, Arkansas	May 31 - June 7	Howard Taylor
Cedaredge, Colorado	July 4 - 13	CAMP

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Let us be sure be remember all those who need the prayers of the church. Especially those who have lost loved ones. Especially Sister Lottie Shaw, who lost her grandson. It makes it easier when we know that Jesus wept also for one who died, whom he loved. He weeps for us also when we loose one so dear to us. What a loving Saviour and God we have. Who has compassion on us in our time of sorrow. May he bless us all.