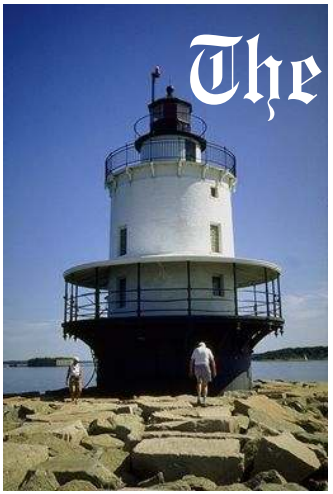


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"A Way To Escape"

Have you ever been so exasperated that you felt like you could not take anymore? Perhaps you even thought that no one had ever gone through what you were enduring. From a spiritual perspective, maybe you felt as if you were dealing with more temptations than anyone else. Without minimizing the issues of your life, let us notice what the apostle Paul wrote to the church at Corinth. "*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it*." (1 Cor. 10:13).

First of all, let me make sure that we understand that being tempted is not a sin. That is correct, being tempted is not a sin. How can I affirm such? Notice what the writer of Hebrews mentioned about Jesus. "*For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin*." (Heb. 4:15). Also, take a look at the writings of James. "*Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death*." (James 1:12-15).

Therefore, we must accept that temptations will come. However, we do not have to give into them. The church at Corinth was no different than us when it came to being tempted. They were given assurance that God would not allow them to be tempted to the point where they could not endure. Now, with that being said, Paul did not teach that "God will not put more on us than we can handle."! Friend, it is not God who is the "tempter". The "tempter" is the devil (Matt. 4:1-11)! God loves and cares for us! Therefore, God makes

sure that there is always "a way to escape". The challenge for us is to notice and utilize the "way to escape".

Just consider some sins that have been committed in the past. Each of those instances had "a way to escape". Before David sinned with Bathsheba, "a way to escape" was available. David could have turned his head and not continued to look at and lust after Bathsheba. Unfortunately, he did not take the "way to escape". Also, what about Adam and Eve? Eve could have stopped looking at the forbidden fruit and gone her way. She could have turned a deaf ear to the serpent's words. Adam could have been a better husband for example by refusing to take the fruit from Eve. Sadly, we know that those things did not happen. "The way to escape" was neglected each time.

Now back to ourselves. How many times have we sinned because we failed to identify and utilize "a way to escape"? Did we tell a lie when the opportunity to tell the truth was given? Did we commit fornication when we could have walked away? Did we steal when we could have stopped envying and coveting? Did we partake of alcohol or drugs when we could have chosen to abstain from such? None of us can blame God for our sins. It is our own fault when we neglect "a way to escape".

In bringing this article to a close, let me mention how grateful we should be. God wants us to succeed. God wants us to be faithful. It never has been, and it never will be, that God wants us to fall. We can endure whatever comes our ways. It is our responsibility to find "a way to escape" because God will always make sure that there is one.

Yours in Christ,
Bro. Sadat Silvester



Cards and Letters

Broken Bow, OK (May 26, 2022)

Greetings!

We hope this letter finds all our brothers and sisters in Christ well at this time. We enjoy receiving the Courier and look forward to reading the articles from contributing congregations all over the country and world. Our congregation has had many blessings recently, with increased attendance, and the baptisms of Alan Speligene and Kachton Speligene (May 2, 2021), Kachleigh Cochran (September 12, 2021) and Seinna Bruton (May 11, 2022). We are blessed to have these young people and their families worshipping with us. They love the Lord, study the scriptures daily, and share the Gospel with those they encounter. They are living Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:" This has been encouraging, made all of us aware of our

Christian duties, and labor more for the cause of Christ. Our Wednesday evening Bible studies and individual Bible studies have been excellent ways of studying, learning and growing our faith. We have also been receiving some very uplifting messages from Bro. Casey Dover, Bro. Randy Queen, Bro. Troy Mooney, and Bro. Mike Harcrow.

We enjoyed a wonderful visit from Norman and Crystal Harwood, of the Montrose, Colorado congregation, along with their granddaughter this past Sunday. They drove several hours to be with us for Sunday morning service. Their dedication to attending service with a scriptural church and arranging their plans in advance, to make that happen, is a lesson for us all. We have also enjoyed Heather Berryhill and her daughter Tessa attending both Sunday morning services and Wednesday evening Bible studies this spring. They will be traveling for the month of June and we pray for safe travels and an enjoyable time for their family. We would also like to welcome Andrew Burris and Troy and Sherry Mooney's grandson, Morgan. It has been great having Andrew and Morgan attend services with us.

The Church of Christ Family Camp at Manzano Mountain, south of Albuquerque is scheduled for July 17-24, 2022. The address is Manzano Mountain Retreat 210A Los Pinetos Torreon, NM. If you plan to attend or would like to make a donation, please contact Kevin and Hayley Lamb (509)969-6881, Robert and Christina Fuson (918)696-3944 or Mike and Melissa Harcrow (580)212-4587. More information can be found on the camp's Facebook site @ Church of Christ Family Camp 2022. We are looking forward to a great time of fellowship and growth in Christ!

In closing, the Broken Bow congregation would like to extend an invitation to anyone visiting our area to attend services with us, Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. or Wednesday evening Bible studies at 6:30 p.m. Please add Tammy Smith and Tim Bartlett to the Courier's prayer list. They are members of the Broken Bow community. Both are suffering from cancer related issues and could use our prayers. We love each of you, and pray the Lord will give peace, strengthen, healing, and bless those with health issues, those who have lost loved ones, and all those in need.

Yours in Christ,
The Broken Bow Church of Christ

Goshen, AR (Feb, 2022)

Goshen church of Christ sends much love & prayers for all the members that are sick as well as ones that have lost their mates or loved ones. It makes for a sad year.

I'm happy that the paper is going to get what is needed to publish it again. I love to get the news. Also, at the same time I feel very sad when I find a member that has passed away that I knew for about 45-50 years.

Norman, my husband is not well. His heart doctor said that he & his partners at the heart clinic have done all they can, just medication now. His heart is going on 15-25 percent. He stays in heart failure or A-Fib 95% of the time. It makes it hard for him to do anything. He

can't do any work, even here in the house, it just does him in and he has to go sit down.

I had a light heart attack 5 days before xmas. I was in the hospital 4 ½ days. I have 2 stints now and I'm doing good, so the doctor tells me.

It was so nice that I had a friend that brought us groceries and cooked a large pot of soup. We ate most of it for lunch. Also, she made sourdough loaf of bread. It was good.

The rest of our members are doing pretty good. One has had the virus or the flu.

Everyone take care. Maybe some day we will get to have normal assembly at church.

Sis Carrie R. Daniels Traxler

Lorenzo, TX

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters:

Sis. Jaetta Loftis & Bro. Gene Boling are still dealing with age-related difficulties. They are in their 90's.

We sadly report the passing of our sister Leesa Howe Boling on May 9th, 2022. She will be sorely missed.

Among the visitors who gathered for Leesa's celebration of her life: Willie & Mary Howe, Steve & Oletta Spurlin, Mark & Tammy Perigen, Paul & Crystal Warford & family, Larry & Maxine Pollan, Donna Taylor & Joan (Sorry, forgot last name), Richard & Monica Johnston, and Barbara Bumgardner (If we missed anyone, we apologize)). These all with the local Lorenzo congregation made a hard time much easier.

Bro. Dan & Sis. Karen Greenway came to Lorenzo for about a month following the Yuma meeting before returning to their home in Oregon.

Bro. Ellis Forsman traveled to North and South Carolina to visit his remaining siblings: Elmer Forsman (79), Edith Craft (86), Ellis is (80). John & Maggie Forsman had 8 boys and 2 girls. These 3 are the remaining of their children.

Bro. Jerry McCay, Sis Lynell Forsman, & Sis. Barbara Bumgardner traveled to Aztec, NM to visit family members and fellow Christians at the Aztec church for a few days.

Bro. Ellis & Sis. Lynell Forsman also traveled to the State of Washington to celebrate their 80th birthday with loved ones.

We also wish to report the marriage of Sis. Sheena Boling and Austin Escalon on May 9th.

The Lorenzo, TX Gospel Meeting will be held July 3rd – the 10th with Bro. Mark Perigen and Bro. Roger Walkingstick. All are invited.

Don't forget the camp meeting at Manzano Mountain Retreat, NM this summer from July 17th – 24th.

See flyer for Camp planning.

Yours in Christ from the Lorenzo, TX congregation.

Ringgold, TX (Feb, 2022)

The Eastside Church of Christ is sending a check to the Courier to help with publishing costs. As we begin a new year, we all have colds and sore throats occasionally. For quite a long time we all have needs concerned with the effects of covid. For some of our dear ones, it has been fatal just as well as our Bro. Jack Warford. Others have been hospitalized or forced to home quarantined. At Ringgold we are covid free at this time. All glory to God in

Jesus' name. We continue to pray for everyone who are struggling with health related issues of all kinds.

Bro. Stanley Goodwin has been struggling with tumor removal surgery and we give all glory to God for His recovery. Stanley is very dear to us at Ringgold and to all who know and love him. At Ringgold we are very few in number as many congregations are. We always ask everyone traveling through our area to stop in and attend church with us and stay in our home.

Larry & Maxine Pollan
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Waterford, CA (Jan, 2022)

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings from Waterford, CA. We haven't written in quite some time so we thought we should let everyone know we're still here. Thanks be to God our doors have been open every Sunday since the pandemic.

We've enjoyed having some visitors over the past year or so. Mike and Kay McCay from Yakima, WA, come here every few months. Crystal from Montrose, CO, has attended, as well as Leal and Alicia from Port Orchard, WA.

Sadly, we have to report the loss of two long-time members of our congregation. Sis. Juanita Brown-Warner passed away at the age of 96, and Bro. Al Burtis went to be with the Lord after suffering a fall that caused a broken hip. Al's wife, Charlotte Burtis, sold their home that she lived in for over 50 years and moved into a retirement home.

Please stop by if you're traveling through, everyone is welcome. Here's our address and some contact numbers:

Waterford Church of Church
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Waterford, CA 95386

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Terry Lucas – (209) 604-2753

Yuma, AZ (April, 2022)

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Beautiful days — Yes, we are having some beautiful days here in Yuma before the heat arrives and drives us continually inside our air-conditioned homes. It has been a tough last couple of years around this country and the rest of the world with covid still in the news and war over in Ukraine with all of the horrible deaths of men women and even children, old and young; all of the price increases and inflation that literally decreases the value of the dollar, but we still live in the greatest nation. Our faith maybe takes a knock once in a while but with all of that, we have our communities of faith that stay strong. We can still gather together and have meetings of like-minded brothers and sisters across several states to bind both old and new relationships, strengthening our faith and love for God. Times for the Christians are getting harder and with all the changes in morals; it's not a favor filled world with the craziness has suddenly become so prevalent in our society. The future is still very bright for those of us that believe that God has a place reserved for us. "What A Day That Will Be" for us.

Speaking of gathering, our meeting this past March is done and what a wonderful meeting it was. We from Yuma are ever so grateful that all of those that came and met with us for that short week. Even with gas prices sky rocketing, we had a great group that came down. We are of course looking forward to next year's meeting. The speakers and the lessons that they brought with them were amazing. Our meeting began on Sunday morning with our Bro. Jerry McCay from Lorenzo, TX; "Walking and Leaping and..." Bro. Jim Lamb was up next that evening with a lesson he titled "Is One Church as Good as Another" Monday evening Bro. Robert Fuson's lesson "Are You A D.V. D". Tuesday, our Bro. Billy Martin from Citrus City (almost a Yuman) gave his version of "Trick or Treat". Wednesday was Bro. Larry Pollan from Terral, OK gave us "Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth". Thursday our Bro. Terry Warford from Port Orchard, WA "Jesus' Caring For Us". Friday Bro. Paul Warford's lesson "Is It Finished". Bro. Eric Harper (we haven't seen him an a few years) spoke on Saturday about "Faith and Grace". And Sunday Morning we heard from our Bro. Ellis Forsman out of Lorenzo, a great subject "Does It Matter What I Believe". That final night of the meeting was repeat of Bro. Paul's lesson called "Is It Finished", some of the ladies wanted to hear it again. All great topics and great lessons. Again, we appreciate all the efforts from these brothers. There were some that we didn't get to hear from like our Bro. Bob Farley who wasn't feeling very good, and Kurt Harper was able to sneak by without a lesson, we will catch them next year. I believe that everyone had a good time just being together and enjoying each other playing games and singing before and after services.

We are mostly all doing good here in Yuma and are hoping for some of us to be able to attend some of the meetings that are coming up in other areas at other congregations. Summer finds Susie and I in attendance at Alpine, AZ, with God's help we will be able to go ourselves barring problems. I would like to announce the marriage of our Son Denny II to Valeria Matei on January 16th of 2022. He of course is both my Son and Brother in Christ they live in Hemet, CA. They can join us most of the time on Sunday mornings through internet connections, how it works, but sometimes it doesn't, I couldn't begin to tell you, but so glad that some our family that aren't living where there is a Church of Christ can attend with us. God be with each and every one of you. We love you all and miss you.

Bro. Denny and Sis. Susie Davis,
and the Yuma Congregation

You can't repent too soon, because you don't know how soon it may be too late.

News From Abroad

Harlingen, TX (Jan, 2022)

Greetings,I hope that on receiving this letter you are enjoying all the rich blessings of God. Receive my most sincere greetings.

I comment that during some weeks of December and the two weeks of January many brothers in the congregations in Mexico are suffering the problems of Covid 19. This situation forced the brothers to meet in their houses to avoid the infections.

Thanks to the Lord, the majority of the brothers are vaccinated, and for this cause this epidemic did not cause much damage.

Some brothers plan to begin to meet, and we pray to the Lord that we don't have sick brothers.

I comment that my wife and I visited the brothers in Matamoros, Mexico, and we also are contagious with the covid from January 2nd. We are at home with the passing of the quarantine, and thanks to the Lord it was not serious because we were vaccinated.

We request for you to pray for all the brothers, and we trust the Lord that the brothers can meet. Some brothers invite us to help with the work of the church and have confidence that soon will be possible to make.

My wife Mariela and I are ready to continue preaching the gospel to the brothers and others.

I sent copies of pictures that the brothers in Guatemala and Chiapas, Mexico, sent us.

Bro. Otto Alvarez and preachers in Spanish.

Harlingen (March, 2022)

Greetings,

By means of this simple letter I send you, greetings. Hoping at the moment you read it you may be enjoying good health in the Lord and family.

Brothers in Christ: I comment that in some congregations several brothers continue with the problem with covid 19, but thanks to the Lord, all continue improving, but very slowly. In some cases, very poor brothers in Guatemala need assistance. We are sending small economic help so that they have some food while they recover of their illnesses and improve their economic situation.

In southern Mexico (Quintana Roo) four families have problems of the covid 19, and they cannot work. For that cause we are also collaborating with them so that they have food.

I have worked during this month with two congregations in Mexico supporting them in the Christian life and making the evangelization work. Some people have received the gospel with happiness, and we hope the evangelists in those areas continue making this work.

In general, the brothers in all the congregations continue firm in the Christian life and fighting to survive all the problems of health and economics. The celestial Father and Lord Jesus are very merciful and all the brothers continual with their faith to overcome the problems of this life.

Your brother and servant in Christs,

Evangelists in Spanish.

Harlingen, TX (May, 2022)

Brothers,

By means of this simple letter I send you greetings hoping that when the moment you read it you may be enjoying good health in the Lord with your family.

I inform you that during the month of April I had opportunity to visit and to work with brothers in the churches that are in the rural areas in the state of Oaxaca, Mexico.

Two congregations are located in rural areas where many persecutions exist on the part of Catholic people, but thanks to the Lord these have remained firm in the truth. Many brothers in these congregations speak the language of Zapoteco only, but others speak Zapoteco and Espanyol, so they can translate for them.

Also, I visited the church in the city of Juchitan Oaxaca and worked in the evangelization together with all those brothers.

Many of these brothers in some places don't have Bibles and song books, for that reason I take 100 Bibles and 100 song books.

All the churches in Mexico continue practicing doctrinal truth and continue firm in the faith.

I have information of churches in Guatemala and Colombia (of the evangelists that we support), they continue firm and preaching of the gospel.

I am very thankful for your fellowship with us in the work of the Lord.

Your brother in Christ,

Otto & Mariela Alvarez

Report From Liberia

Some Personal Work Done by me (Bro. Suahgba) in the Month of November 2021

On November 5th, I went to the brethren of the ELWA Road Church of Christ in Monrovia. During my being with them, brother Jonah Y. Dors and I visited some weak brethren and encouraged them in the service of the Lord from the topic: "Is Church Attendance Necessary?" From the text of Hebrews 10:25.

On Sunday, November 7th, I worshipped with the brethren and I was given the opportunity to preach and I preached from the topic: "The One True Church," taken from the txt of Matthew 16:18. The attendance of the church was 20.

Now, I want to extend you my many thanks and gratitude for your kindness in supporting us financially as we will be together on the Gospel Meetings with the brethren of the James Town Church of Christ in Rivercess County from December 6-12, of this year, 2021 respectively. This will help to carry the works of the churches of Christ further in Liberia.

May God richly bless all of you as we continual to be together in the in the unity of Christ.

In Christian Love, Bro. James A. Suahgba

Report From Kenya (March , 2022)

This week we had two important missions to accomplish. Firstly, to renew the church certificate, then secondly to attend the orphanage meeting at Kakamega. Glory and thanks to God, the two missions have been accomplished and completed well.

I left Nakuru to Nairobi on Monday 28th February 2022 early in the morning. Bro. John Mbithi joined me from Machakos. We could not complete renewing the church certificate on the same day till next day on Tuesday 1st March, 2022. We did not succeed either because there were many people from different churches for the same reason (church certificate renewal). After which I left Bro. John Mbithi to accomplish the mission because the form required to facilitate the renewal had already been signed by the church officials/leadership. Since I had a scheduled Orphanage meeting at Kakamega with the Orphanage Committee members, I left Nairobi for Kakamega where the orphanage meeting was held on Wednesday 2nd March. I returned to Nakuru on Thursday 3rd very, very tired and feeling very much sick in regard to my health. But very, very happy to have served my Lord.

The church has an exclusive mission on the earth, i.e., the bringing of lost men and women to God through Christ (Matt. 28:19-20). This is accomplished through three approved avenues: evangelism, edification, and benevolence. The church's primary duty is to proclaim the good news of salvation to every earthling (Mark 16: 15-16). Having taught and baptized the receptive souls, She (the church) must help them to remain faithful and grow to Christian maturity (Ephesians 4:11-16). That is why my deteriorating health will never stop me from fulfilling the much that our Lord needs accomplished i.e., preaching the gospel to the lost souls.

On behalf of the Restoration Church of Christ here in Kenya, I thank you and the committee for working hard to support the Lord's work even during this difficult moment of Covid-19. Also praying for me and the Lord's work at this end.

Attached herewith is the receipt for certificate renewal, the signed form which facilitated the church certificate renewal and photos taken at Kakamega where the orphanage home is due to be constructed soon when the funds are available.

God bless you and the brethren in the US. You are all in our hearts and in our daily prayers for God's protection in our lives here on earth and thereafter.

I thank God and Jesus Christ. I am so grateful to be a member of the Lord's Church – Church of Christ. Am so grateful too for the opportunity to study the word of God from the Bible in order to know the truth which has set me free (John 8:32). Bro. Ellis you are so special in my heart, being grateful for your love, sacrifice of your life, to come to Africa to teach us the truth about God our Father and Jesus our Lord and Saviour. I am so grateful too, to have met Bro. Gerald. He is now a great friend in Christ. Lastly but so important is Sis. Kelly Shepherd who is now doing the communication work that Bro. Ellis used to do. Through her we are able to get the information we require to know about Missionary work. God bless her and her family. What I need from you most are prayers in regard to my health condition which is slowly improving especially the heart swelling problem. God will reward you so much. Let us pray for one another, dear brethren.

Yours in Jesus Christ.

Bro. John Kombo

Report From Tanzania

We departed here on the Jan 4, 2022, to Dar where we arrived at 12:09 AM Jan 05, 2022. We rested for six hours then we headed to the office of the Registrar. Because of the big number of the people who attended, we were told to go back on Friday. We went on the appointed day still there were people coming thus we went back to the lodge. On Tuesday, we were there, and we succeeded our church papers were updated and from there we came back to where we were staying. We did preparations for coming back home but because of many people who were going back to their destinations we couldn't get tickets. And so, we were told to do booking three days before the traveling date, and we did so.

One of the things that we were commanded to do is to give them report on how the funds are being used and the church property in the first six months of the year without delay. Now I would like for you and others over there to put this in mind and mark it on your calendars because if we will fail to comply with their orders, we may get penalty. They gave us the receipt after the update.

We were to travel three of us, but Bro. Deus had family matters and he couldn't leave the family. And so we traveled two of us I and Bro. Shadrack Wilson.

On Jan 22nd, they wanted us to show how church funds are used, how much we received in the half of the year and how it has been used. Thus, a written report should be submitted in June. What we will need is the transportation. Yes, but by this it means what has been purchased or sold and if it has been purchased, it is in whose name. General, they want to see how church funds are used. Because there areother denominations that don't used their funds correctly. There was a time when a Lutheran church preacher requested the bible from abroad and when the container was checked they found pieces of Heroin in each copy of the bible.

That is why they want to make sure the churches in the country are running their institutions wisely.

Jan. 25th. The past three days I went to a funeral in the farm. My relative passed on from this life at 99 years old. It's today that I'm able to have the internet.

Thank you all for enabling the work in Africa to have roots. May the good God bless each of you and your families.

April 26th. Here is the report on the work done both in Tanzania and in Congo. For several months we have been going out knocking on doors and the Lord has been bringing harvest through the seeds we plant in the hearts of the people.

We now have a congregation in Katesh Manyara Region, and in Runzewe Geita Region. The only problem we face is reaching these people at the appointed time. Traveling has been so expensive and most of the time we fail to have some money to hire Motorcycle. But all in all our Lord is faithful because we have been fulfilling the mission. We now have two congregations added to the previous list of the loyal one.

Kachege on the other hand, is working with those in Siko and from what I heard from him is that two or three people were added in the Church. Lukio and Orao being the leaders of the congregations over there. We appreciate that we are not growing weary in doing this work though there may come times of discouragement.

I have been communicating with Bro. Ebamba from DRC Congo for four years now. He comes from Baraka and according to him if one wants to reach him, he must cross Lake

Tanganyika by boat. He got the information about One Cup in the Courier, when he read articles in there and decided to communicate with me. According to him he was looking for someone from the church who will help him discuss God's Word, that is when he sent me a request. From there we started to communicate. They are still young spiritual but to my view Ebamba is so quick in grasping and catching up with God's Word.

They had a problem in serving the Lord's Supper and I told him what to do. Now they are moving on well. Last week they had a seminar which ended on Friday, and he managed to send me some pictures of the meeting. In this seminar non-believers were also included. Will send them to you too.

We need many prayers and if possible, the Lord may open ways for us to get means of transportation to reach the prospects whenever we plan. Pray for Ebamba as he is strengthening the church that has been established in Congo.

Your Bro. in Christ, Sadat.

In Loving Memory of Leesa Howe Boling

It is with great sadness that the family of Leesa Howe Boling announce that she passed from this earth on May 9th, 2022. Leesa was the youngest child, born to Van Earl Howe and Mary Olene Howe in Lubbock, TX on September 1, 1963. She was raised in Ralls, TX, alongside five sisters and one brother.



Leesa had a way of making you feel like family from the moment you met her. She always said that family was the most important thing in the world to her. She was such an inspiration; in that she loved every single person in her family unconditionally. She loved and would give anything not only for those closest to her, but even friends or strangers and never expected anything in return. Leesa was incredibly artistic and used that ability to create artwork for her business, to cook and bake, and most of all, to make music. Whether it was playing the piano, or listening to her beautiful singing, Leesa could change everything with song.

She carried her passion for singing into barbershop music, and it brought her immense joy. She was the director of the local chapter of Sweet Adeline's, The Pride of West Texas Show Chorus, and singing in several quarters through the years, most recently with Rhinestones. Her family, friends, brothers, and sisters in Christ, and her singing sisters will miss her tremendously, and will never forget the mark she left on this world.

Leesa is preceded in death by her parents Van Earl Howe and Mary Olene Howe; her brother-in-law Errol Anders Forsman; her sister Patricia Earlene Jared; and her nephews William Brandon Howe and Brian O'dell Burt.

Leesa is survived by her siblings Kathy Burt, Willie Howe, Vandra Wood, Amy Gilpatrick, and Oletta Spurlin; her children Sarah (Siva Kanagaratnam), Sheena (Austin Escalon)(, Shiloh (Peggy Boling), and Sable (Aggie Taylor); her 11 grandchildren' and her best friend and business partner for nearly 30 years Maria Rosales.

Leesa's family and friends celebrated her life, and lovingly laid her to rest May 14, 2022.

In Loving Memory of J. D. Logan



J. D. Logan passed peacefully from this life surrounded by loving family on April 25, 2022, at the age of 93. He was preceded in death by his wife, Fern. He is survived by his 2 children, Patricia Bergman and Lloyd Logan, 8 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was born December 19, 1928, in Hatfield, Arkansas to F. H. and Annie Logan. The following year, the family moved to California where they remained for several years. Baptized at an early age, he brought his first sermon at the age of 14. He loved studying God's Word and sharing the Gospel with others. He married the love of his life, Fern Conder, on June 1, 1949, and spent the next 49 years raising a family, working in the hardware business, and faithfully serving the Lord. In the spring of 1998, he and Fern moved up to the Pacific Northwest, something he had wanted to do for many years.

Throughout their 72 years of married life together, he and Fern loved traveling to church meetings and helping wherever needed. He was an avid gardener and kept quite a large garden until almost 90 years old. He enjoyed playing the guitar and was passionate about singing gospel music whenever he had the chance… and he didn't have to be asked twice to join those who were singing! At the age of 84, he brought his last sermon.

J.D. touched the lives of so many over the years and was loved by so many. We will be forever grateful for having had him in our lives. He truly was a good man.





These 2 photos are of the two congregations in the Congo





Above are pictures from Guatemala and Chiapas, Mexico
Below are pictures of John Kombo and others are at the Evangelism Meeting at Total Junction Londian





We cannot do everything we want to do, but we should do everything God wants us to do.

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July 17-24, 2022	Family Camp, NM	Guest speakers
July 29-31, 2022	Glenwood, WA	Guest speakers
Sept. 2-4, 2022	Stilwell, OK	Ellis Forsman
Nov. 11-13, 2022	Broken Bow, OK	Guest speakers

Weddings

Denny II Davis & Valeria Matei	Yuma, AZ	Jan. 16, 2022
Austin Escalon & Sis.Sheena Boling	Lorenzo, TX	May 9, 2022

Baptisms

Alan Speligene	Broken Bow, OK	May 2, 2021
Kachton Speligene	Broken Bow, OK	May 2, 2021
Kachleigh Cochran	Broken Bow, OK	Sept. 12, 2021
Seinna Bruton	Broken Bow, OK	May 11, 2022

Passings

J D Logan	Glenwood, WA	April 25, 2022
Leesa Boling	Lorenzo, TX	May 9, 2022

Prayer of Faith for those in need

Jon Rawlins	Ottawa, Canada	Needs heart transplant
John Kombo	Nakuru, Kenya	Diabetes, Enlarged heart, heart attacks
Wilkister Silvester	Gaita, Tanzania	Malaria
Agrippina Silvester	Gaita, Tanzania	Severe back problems
Julius Kachege	Shirati, Tanzania	Malaria
Linda Camp	Broken Bow, OK	Cancer
Vicki Camp Perrin	Broken Bow, OK	Cancer
Carolyn Queen	Broken Bow, OK	Back pain
Tammy Smith	Broken Bow, OK	Fighting cancer
Tim Bartlett	Broken Bow	Fighting cancer
Brent Berry	Canton, GA	Heart problems
Debbie Wilkerson	Cedaredge, CO	Fighting cancer
Billy Martin	Citrus City, AZ	Fighting cancer
Mike Wilcher	Citrus City, AZ	Fighting cancer
Pauline Holloway	Gleed, WA	Uterine & cervical cancer
Ilene Thrush	Gleed, WA	Several strokes & heart issues
Otto Alvarez	Harlingen, TX	Dangerous travel, two angioplasties
Mariela Alvarez	Harlingen, TX	Dangerous travel, Thyroid problems
Stanley Goodwin	Newcastle, TX	Fighting cancer
Jessica Chastain	Pleasant View, OK	Health issues
Reba Morris	Pleasant View, OK	Lupus
Russell Morris	Pleasant View, OK	Effects of stroke
Retha Morris	Pleasant View, OK	Fighting Parkinson's disease
Darletta Spencer	Pleasant View, OK	Heart attack
Tony Brister	Yuma, AZ	Chemo & fighting cancer
Fred Cummings	Yuma, AZ	Congestive heart failure
Dennis Davis	Yuma, AZ	Back & leg problems

All of those in Africa that fight malaria, all those fighting Corona virus -19, all those who are aging or in nursing homes.

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