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Pray For One Another !

# *June Camp Meeting Report*

We enjoyed a wonderful time of service to the Lord during the June Camp Meeting.

Nothing can take the place of being in the presence of the Spirit of God!

The services flowed together tremendously with a different messenger every service.

As the Spirit moved during the services, especially during the times of prayer, both at the altars and during times of special prayer, God once again showed himself mightily.

We believe that many chains were broken and bondages loosed. We heard testimony, after testimony of what God had done.

This is the essence of what Camp Meeting is all about; allowing God to have His way and seeing the power of God move in people's lives.

Once again, God must have all the glory for everything that happens within His will and purpose. It can be no other way.

These services are not about how good the ministers did; it is about how good God has done!

***Still Giving God Thanks  
and Praises!***



***More Camp Meeting  
Services This Year!***

The upcoming Camp Meeting during September 15-17 is still just the beginning. God is so good!

We are currently praying about the ministry opportunities for these services; please help pray for God's will in these services.

We will be giving more detailed information and plans for November meetings announced in the coming issues of the "BWA Messenger."

We believe these will be wonderful opportunities to be refreshed in the Spirit and to worship the Lord of Glory.

Start making plans now to attend!

Make plans to join us for  
another Three-day

# September Camp Meeting!

September 15-17, 2022

The service schedule for this  
Camp Meeting will be:

Thursday - September 15  
2 pm & 7 pm

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Friday - September 16  
10 am & 2 pm & 7 pm

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Saturday - September 17  
10 am (Closing Service)

*Our June Camp Meeting this year  
was a wonderful blessing. We en-  
joyed several anointed ministers who,  
not only brought the true Word of  
God, but also ministered greatly in  
prayer!*

*The Spirit of the Lord certainly  
moved and blessed in wonderful  
ways!*

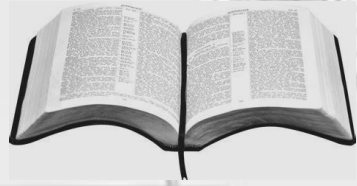
*We are looking forward to what  
God has in store for this September  
meeting.*

*Come join in the fellowship!*

*Bring your instruments and  
we'll worship together!*



*Bring the  
whole family!*



*Preaching the Word of God  
from the KJV Bible*

*Expecting the  
manifestations of the Holy Ghost  
with signs following!*

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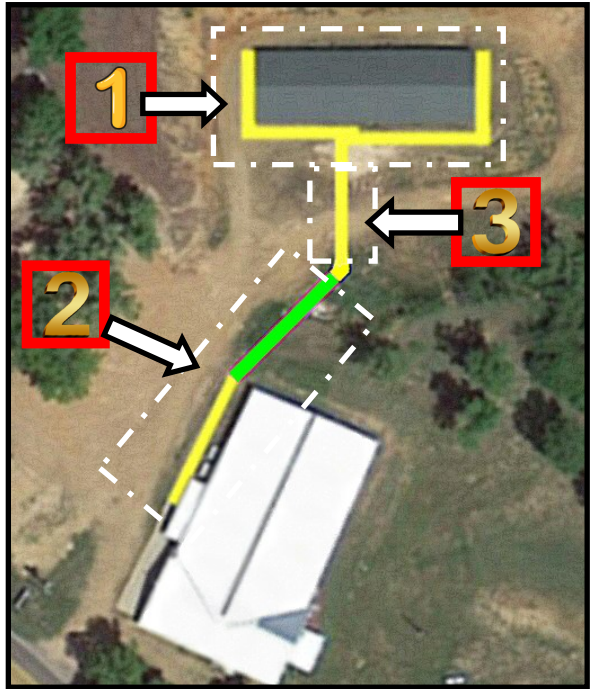
Call our office

573-996-7317 for more info.

# The new Sidewalk between the Tabernacle and the Dormitory

As we revealed during the June Camp Meeting, we are working to have the concrete walkway installed. We will be accomplishing this in at least three segments.

1. The first segment will be to have the concrete poured across the front of the Dormitory along with a new pad of concrete on each end spanning the ends of the building allowing for an improved handicap entrance. In the future, we will also be building a covered area over the doors to protect the entrances, especially during rainy times.



2. The second segment of the project will be to pour the concrete across the front of the Tabernacle, along with a wooden walkway with handrails, as indicated by the green section in the picture. The wooden section will allow water runoff from the driveway to pass under and into the drainage area.
3. If possible, we will endeavor to have this section completed by the September Camp Meeting. However, it may need to be completed after the September Camp Meeting because there is an area of the driveway that goes to the right end of the Dormitory that will have to be filled and leveled to allow the walkway to be easily traversed without being too steep for easy wheelchair access.

We know this will be a significant improvement for everyone who wants to stay in the Dormitory rooms during both Camp Meeting and future Youth Camp Meetings.

# Update!

## The New Office Building

In the last issue, we gave pictures of the excavation preparing for the new office building. The ground was leveled in preparation for the concrete flooring. We hoped to have the floor poured before the June Camp Meeting but had to wait until the week following the Camp Meeting. Once they started the work, it was finished in just a few days.

They did a beautiful job, and the floor is now ready for construction to begin. We will have the donated lumber for the exterior walls, and the roof structure delivered.

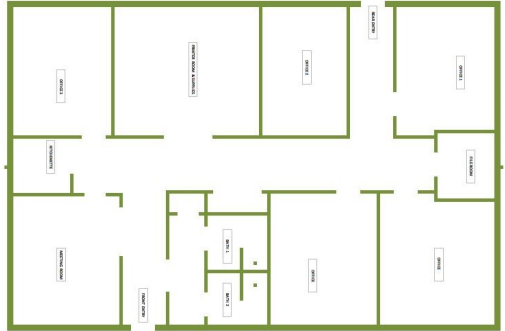
We have calculated the remaining materials needed to complete the job at today's costs. Unless costs change significantly the estimated remaining costs will be under \$40,000 for the materials, plus any labor costs to complete the building, plus HVAC costs and installation.



Things are beginning to happen, and it's exciting to see what God is doing and where it will lead! Over the past few months, the donations have improved and have become a great benefit to further the improvements of the Camp Grounds.

It's all about the future campground vision to make things more comfortable and accessible for those who will come. We do believe that continued Camp Meetings are the future of this vision.

The **Keepers of the Camp** is a program where people have been giving small monthly donations to help with cleaning, painting, mowing, and repairs.



Caring people and churches could pledge a monthly donation, or give a one-time donation, to keep these projects moving and improving. God has certainly been providing what is needed, and we believe with your help, His will can be done.

**Thank you for your prayers and support!**

**We are trusting God to make a way and direct our path as we continue to labor for His glory.**



# Hindrances To Faith

By: Rev. Leslie Buckner

There are times in our life when it seems like faith does not work. Prayers often go unanswered, and faith is ineffective because there are things in our lives that need to be brought to the Cross. Often during a trial, we err by looking to man's wisdom rather than God's Word for answers to our problems. Man is always ready to give us a reason not to believe. Most people have a hard enough time believing God for their problems, and they do not have the energy or inclination to stand with someone else to believe God to be delivered from that person's problems that do not even affect their lives. The biblical character Jairus, a ruler in Israel, was forced to come to grips with all these issues in a life and death struggle that resulted in a great miracle for his family. Jairus chose to trust God no matter what his friends said or what the circumstance indicated.

## **Luke 8:40-41**

The word besought here means to "beg." Jairus was passionate in his plea to Jesus. Being a ruler of the synagogue, he put his reputation on the line going to Jesus in the first place, much less openly begging an unpopular figure for an improbable miracle. This Jewish leader humbled himself without thought for his reputation or the opinions of others because he was desperate. People today come to the altar and go away offended after only a few moments if the answer doesn't come right away. They aren't desperate enough, or they haven't come in humility.

A great hindrance to faith is a lack of humility. God doesn't work on our timetable. He seldom answers in the way we want or expect Him to. Therefore we must come to the Lord in times of trial, in fact, *at all times*, with an attitude of complete surrender.

**James 4:6** *But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.*

Jairus fell at Jesus' feet; he abandoned himself to Jesus and poured out his heart with no reservation or pride. He risked his reputation, forsook his Jewish pride, and cried out in desperation to Jesus for help, and because of this, the Master gave heed to this man's cry.

## **Isaiah 57:15**

Jairus' need was that one of his own household was deathly ill. Some things are easier to believe for than others. The most challenging faith

battles are fought in times of crises involving our loved ones, and this was the case for Jairus.

**Luke 8:42** *For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him.*

Jairus humbled himself because he knew Jesus was his little girl's only hope. If their problems are not that great, many today tend not to seek as diligently after the Lord, but when their lives fall apart, they come to the Lord humbly, as they should have all along. We need to learn to go to the Lord before we reach the "end of the rope."

The Lord doesn't place a premium on the need for His people to suffer, but often it isn't until suffering comes that we get right with God as we should have all along.

So Jairus had to get desperate before he would finally approach Jesus on terms that God could honor and bring glory to His name by answering the man's prayer.

Interestingly enough, we find that while Jairus, desperate and in near panic, is expecting Jesus to come to his aid, another gets Jesus' attention first. This points up another obstacle or hindrance to faith, which is maintaining patience and compassion for others while waiting on our answer.

### **Luke 8:43**

Jesus had gone with Jairus willingly, but a great crowd pressed in with many needs. There was no question in Jesus' actions that He would go and heal the little girl. Jesus was the answer to Jairus' need, and with every footstep Jesus took on the journey, the answer was on the way, but then other people with problems got in the way. Jesus finally detoured altogether and stopped to meet the need of this poor woman with the issue of blood.

Just imagine the impatience that Jairus must have felt. He no doubt stood there, shifting from one foot to the other, willing Jesus to hurry up and meet *his* need. In a time of waiting for our answer, we must have patience and love for our fellow man. If we cannot get our minds off ourselves and rejoice to see another person's need met (even when our need seems so much more urgent), we have yet to learn the depths of God's love. If we do not understand God's love, our faith can not work. Faith and love work hand in hand.

**Galatians 5:6** *For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.*

Faith will not work without love. Love will not prevail without patience. How can we expect God to work a miracle in our life when we begrudge the blessings He is pouring out on others who may seem (to us)

less deserving? Now this woman with the issue of blood was ill, to be sure, but Jairus' situation was a life and death matter. No doubt Jairus was under intense stress at the time, but he kept silent and waited on the Master. Jesus was his only hope. This is another great hindrance to faith, the lack of determination. Jairus could have left Jesus with the woman there and gone to look for a physician or someone else to meet their need. Many people today are very weak on this point. They pray and believe, and then a short while later, they give up and turn to someone or something else to find an answer. We must use wisdom in these matters, but we must also learn to trust in the Lord and wait patiently on his answer.

**Ecclesiastes 7:8** *Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.*

As Jairus waited on the Lord, the unthinkable happened. One of his household came with a devastating report that points to another hindrance to faith, the "evil report."

### **Luke 8:49 - 50**

Sometimes those closest to us can inspire the greatest fear and panic in our hearts when trying to believe God. Jairus had a choice, would he believe the Master who commanded, "Fear not," or believe the report of his family and give up in his despair. Sometimes family members will not understand our step of faith. There are times we will stand alone and even run the risk of offending loved ones and friends to press through to our miracle. When Jesus came to the house, He acted with complete disregard for the emotions of those that were there.

### **Luke 8:54-56**

When we take a faith stand, we must be prepared to be misunderstood by those we may care most for. We must turn a deaf ear to the evil report no matter who it comes from. Here then, at last, is the answer Jairus dared to believe for.

He overcame the hurdle of pride and humbled himself. He steeled himself and remained patient and compassionate while Jesus ministered to the woman with the issue of blood (whose need seemed not as urgent as his); he chose to believe the word of the Master as opposed to what even those closest to him had to say. He stood in faith regardless of what friends and family thought, and his miracle came forth.

This story is a useful example for every one of us when we are called to stand and believe for a miracle. God is no respecter of persons (**Acts 10:34**), but He is a respecter of faith. Therefore, if we will do with our faith what Jairus did with his faith, we will get the same results.

*Rev. Leslie Bunker*





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To order, contact us at 573-996-7317, Ext. 103.

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We now have the following individual catalogs listing the volumes of ministry options available, all originating from the lifetime ministry of Rev. Leslie Buckner.

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*Margaret Buckner*

Margaret Buckner  
President

# Benevolence

## God's Love In Action

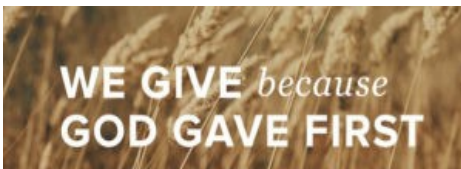
*Loving Thy Neighbor  
As Thyself*

*Matthew 22:39 - Galatians 5:14*

Sometimes it seems that there are so many needs and justifiable reasons to ask for donations or gifts regarding the work of the Lord, and so there are.

We have a multitude of works and efforts we are reaching into and endeavoring to accomplish in God's time. And we feel that each and every effort is of value with great purpose in the work of the Lord.

However, for quite some time my heart has been heavy regarding the needs of many of our ministers that are in membership with the Association. You don't have to look very far to witness that life can become extremely difficult at times, almost beyond measure.

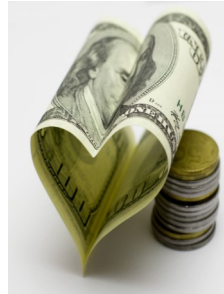


Because of this, we have started a **Benevolent Fund** to enable the Association to offer assistance to relieve the pressures.

We are a relatively small group compared to the larger organizations and denominations in the Christian

realm, but I am assured that we all have the heart to help those in need, especially those of the household of faith that are laboring for the furtherance of the Kingdom of God.

It may not seem like much, but we are designating **3%** of everything received at the office from tithes and fees from our ministers and churches.



With this small amount, we can provide a small base fund help this effort. That may seem small, however, we must start somewhere.

These funds will be held in a special account and only used for benevolent purposes regarding the needs of our membership.



Tax-deductible donations for this account can be sent to:

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## **Jesus said:**

**Matthew 11:28-30 KJV** *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (29) Take my yoke upon you, and **learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. (30) For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

Jesus commanded all his disciples to take his yoke upon them and learn of him. We should be compelled to do this, not out of necessity, but willingly and with desire. There is no greater need for the born-again believer than to learn of Jesus and his perfect will in our life.

There can be many avenues of learning that are open to us. Consider the Apostle Paul, who was taught at the foot of Gamaliel concerning the law of Moses. God began to prepare him early in life for the task and purpose that would define his life in the early church. This man of God was taught and tutored in the law of Moses and grew in the understanding of God's will for his people Israel. He willingly dedicated his life to the service of the law and became very zealous in upholding it in his life. By his own testimony he declared that concerning the law, he was blameless, he kept the law.

However, when the calling of Jesus Christ came into him on the way to Damascus, the same passion rose up in him. After the prayer of Ananias and receiving the Holy Ghost, he willingly dedicated himself to diligently following the Lord Jesus Christ and passionately learning of him. He sought God for revelation and understanding in the Spirit of Truth. God continued preparing Paul to become the Man of God for his time who could speak with understanding and the wisdom of the Holy Ghost unto the house of Israel, pointing them to the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

He also turned that same passion for the will of God and obedience to the law of life in Christ Jesus to win the lost people of the Gentiles wherever he went. He led them unto the salvation of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Ghost, just as each minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ should willingly desire to do.

**Philippians 4:11-13 KJV** *..... **for I have learned**, ..... (12) ..... **I am instructed** ..... (13) *I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.**

**2 Corinthians 12:8-10 KJV** *For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. (9) And he said unto me, **My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.** Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ*

*may rest upon me. (10) Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.*

**Romans 5:3-5 KJV** *And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; (4) And patience, experience; and experience, hope: (5) And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.*

It is the vision and desire of Bible Way Association and the Voice of Truth Ministries to continually assist in the building of our ministers and ministries in the understanding of the Word of God and the fullness of the Holy Ghost.

In offering courses and seminars, we are not declaring ourselves to be greater than anyone else because we are all working together with God to reach for the same rewards. We are simply endeavoring to do our God-given part to stir the pure minds of our ministers by way of remembrance and quickening of their God-given calling.

None of us receive the things of God to 100% capacity immediately upon accepting Christ into our life; neither do we have all the fullness of God's perfect will immediately upon receiving the Holy Ghost. It takes our entire lifetime to continually learn and grow while seeking God's fullness. We must apply ourselves diligently and daily to continually grow in Christ and his perfect will. We must all keep ourselves open and hungry for the perfect fullness of God and his Word. Remember, freely you have received, then freely give to those God has entrusted under your care and ministry.

Our goal is to simply be obedient to the will of God and to teach others to do likewise. As God instructs us to give, we want to freely give unto our ministers of whatever instruction, revelation, or understanding that God may grant unto us for your sakes. Remember, everything we offer freely to you is for your benefit more than ours. We must all seek the fullness of God's riches through knowledge and understanding and through the continuing revelation of Jesus Christ.

We devote a great deal of time and prayer to finding God's will for each outreach. Please consider what God may have in store for you. Stretch your mind and heart in the power of the Holy Ghost and seek to grow together with us into the mighty things of God in Jesus Christ, who is the head of the church and our Savior and Leader in the kingdom of God within you.

*Rev. Eugene Abrams*

# Letters of Encouragement

*To all of Bible Way Association,*

*I am sending a donation to the Keepers of the Camp. Please use it as needed for the Camp Grounds.*

*Thank you for all you have done, sure looking forward to seeing what God is getting ready to do for Bible Way.*

*May God bless and watch over you all.*

*Rev. Dannie Nichols*

Dear Rev. Abrams and Staff,

My husband and I know what ever is put into Bible Way is good ground.

We were thankful that Donald could take his scooter up to the church. I didn't have to put it on the truck each time and take it off. That was a blessing!

So here is an offering to help on the concrete for the sidewalk to the church.

The Word says in Colossians 3:23 Whatever you do, do it with all you heart!

And we know that's what all of you are doing.

God bless you all for everything!

Rev. Donald and Lula Coomes



Won't you join Brother and Sister Coomes with a donation to help us expand the vision?

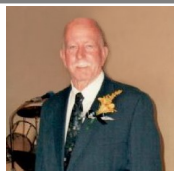
See the Keepers of the Camp coupon on page 15

## *Those Who Have Gone Before*

### **Rev. Chalmer Lee Dennis**

July 20, 1938 - June 2, 2022 (83)

Rev. Chalmer Lee Dennis, 83, of Brashear, passed away on June 2, 2022, at his residence. He married Sally Baugh on March 20, 1989 in Ft. Collins, Colorado. He was a Pastor at Bibleway Light-house Church in Sulphur Springs Texas and a long time member of Bible Way Association. He is survived by his wife, Sally Dennis, two daughters and four sons, and several grandchildren



### **Rev. James "Jack" Arthur Retherford**

July 15, 1935 - March 11, 2022 (86)

Rev. James Retherford was born to Jim and Gladys Retherford on July 15, 1935 in Burns Oregon. He married his best friend and love of his life, Betty Jane Freeman, on March 17, 1956 in John Day Oregon. He is survived by his wife, Betty of 65 years. He became an ordained minister of the Assembly Of God Church and later an ordained minister of Bible



### **Rev. Authur Wayne Brust**

January 17, 1928 - December 30, 2021 (93)

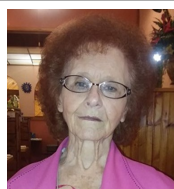
He was born January 17, 1928, in Boulder City, Missouri. On August 13, 1945, he married Vivian Charlene Cargile in Kansas. She preceded him in death on March 23, 2011. Wayne later married Janie Odessa Cargile (Turner) in Granby. He has been the pastor of Granby Miracle Church for 36 years. He was an ordained minister with Bible Way Association for many years. He is survived by his wife Janie Odessa Brust of Lee's Summit, Missouri, four sons, three stepchildren, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren



### **Wanda Jean (Fulton) Robinson**

July 27, 1933 - June 18, 2021 (87)

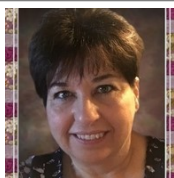
Wanda Jean Robinson, 87, of Carmi, passed away on June 18, 2021, at Enfield Healthcare in Enfield, Illinois. She was born on July 27, 1933, the daughter of Leonard and Ruby (Reed) Fulton. She married Huey Robinson on July 21, 1951 and he preceded her in death on February 23, 2007. She has been an ordained minister of Bible Way Association for many years and pastored the Full Gospel Deliverance Church in Carmi, Illinois.



### **Donna Lou Moss**

February 3, 1966 - July 14, 2022 (56)

Donna Lou Moss, age 56, of Brumley, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at her home surrounded by her family. On June 30, 1984, in Brumley, Donna was united in marriage to Dallas Moss, who survives at their home. Dallas is a member of Bible Way Association. She was also survived by three children, Adam (Sara) Moss, Matt (Brittany) Moss, and Amber (Brien) Kiser; father, Junior Rodden; eight grandchildren, and numerous family and friends.



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