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In memory of

Rev. M. S. Wasco

Rev. M.S. Wasco, staff member and long-time friend of the Apostolic Bible Institute, entered into rest on Wednesday, January 11, 1967.

Rev. Wasco was born on May 26, 1904, at Cleveland, Ohio. On October 31, 1928, he married Mary Paluch in Utica, New York. He received salvation in Watertown, New York, in 1928.

Feeling a call to the ministry, Rev. and Mrs. Wasco launched out on a work for God which was to find them pastoring churches in Pound, Wisc., Iron Mountain, Mich., Hibbing, Minn., and River Falls, Wisc., They remained at River Falls for twenty-four years. In the course of this ministry, Rev. Wasco built three churches in addition to ministering to his congregations. His ministry was characterized by a ready willingness to work, whether with the Word of God or with his hands.

After suffering a heart attack two years ago, Rev. Wasco retired from his active ministry in the River Falls Apostolic Church to devote the remainder of his life in service at the Apostolic Bible Institute in St. Paul, where he remained active to the very last day.

He died on Wednesday, January 11, at the beloved school he had helped to erect.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, two daughters, Mrs. Dale Aaron, River Falls, Wisc., and Mrs. Paul Hayes, Newport, Minn. and three grandchildren.

His wife, Sis. Wasco, has been the cook at the Apostolic Bible Institute for seven years. She will continue in the same capacity at the school. She is loved and appreciated by all for her good work and cheerful smile and encouraging words. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

Bro. Wasco has departed
To the One we all love so--
We would that he had stayed with us--
But, of course, he had to go

He will be missed by loved ones and friends,
And things won't be the same
But our loss of this dear one
Is certainly heaven's gain

For him the conflict's over--
For him the race is run
For him the work is ended
For him the day is done
We will never know the rejoicing
As he entered heaven's shore
To dwell in the presence of Jesus
In the Glory land for evermore!

Poem by Rev. Lloyd Hodges

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A. B. I students from Rev. Chambers' church (l to r): Susan Cline, Sue Lumbard, Norma Lumbard, Margaret Sword, Gene Hallmark, Rodger White, Ruben Winchell.

Revival

We enjoyed the presence of the Lord, and the ministry of Rev. G. C. Chambers, from Columbus, Ohio. Rev. Chambers is the pastor of one of the largest churches in Ohio. He is also the Director of the Home Missions Department in Ohio. Most important, he is a humble man of God, and his wisdom and spirit were appreciated both in the A.B.I. classes and in the church.

One outstanding message Rev. Chambers brought us was "The Steps of the Prodigal Son."

1. "GIVE ME" - This is the spirit of the world. Some people never mature because of this.

2. TOOK "HIS" JOURNEY - He would not go his father's way, the road of right. Paul says one of the sins of the last days is selfishness.

3. WASTED SUBSTANCE - How wonderful it is to devote your time to the work of the Lord instead of riotous living.

4. JOINED THE WRONG COMPANY - Conformity.

5. FED SWINE - He would have eaten the swine's food. What a difference there is in receiving the Bread of Life!

6. NO MAN GAVE UNTO HIM - He paid for everything. Christ gave us His all.

When coming to God, everyone takes these steps just as the Prodigal did:

1. Came to self 2. Put forth effort - "arise and go" 3. Admitted he sinned

4. Threw self on mercy of God

The Father is waiting!



Ham Radio Installed

There is a ham radio station in the room adjacent to the baptistry, with which we hope to contact many of our missionaries. With the help of Bro. Edwards, this equipment was transported by panel truck from Bloomington, Ill., during Christmas vacation.

I have personally contacted stations from Alaska to Columbia. We hope to talk to missionaries in Europe, Asia and Africa. Several of our missionaries have their own station and the remainder should be within a short distance of a ham operator. The station here is of high power and is capable of reaching almost anywhere in the world. The frequencies are crowded, but contacts of 30 minutes are possible.

There are over a quarter of a million hams in the U.S.A. alone. Because of the vast number, the Federal Communications Commission has set requirements for obtaining a license to operate such equipment. A test is given which covers fundamentals of electronics, basic rules and regulations of the FCC, and ability to copy Morse Code at a rate of 13 words per minute.

This equipment was brought here with the approval of the school to be used as a facility in contacting our missionaries. It will take the cooperation of the whole school to get its full benefit. I hope it will prove a great help to the missions class, the school and the work of God.

Lloyd Ruckman, Bloomington, Illinois

No Man Convicts Me

Rev. S.G. Norris, Pres.

John 8:1-11

This is one of the saddest experiences that Jesus Christ ever had here on this earth. Because the Jews destroyed the law, the Lord forsook them for some four hundred years with no voice of a prophet, a seer, a judge, or a king. The Lord did this because there was no conviction left under the law. In this message in the 8th chapter of St. John, they brought a woman to Jesus Christ who was apprehended in one of the most terrible sins. He would have liked to have convicted her so that she could have been saved. But from the eldest to the youngest, all her accusers walked out because there was no one in church that day who lived close enough to God to bring conviction upon that woman. She might have had some strength through the character of others to go out and fight against the sins of this world. He said (as it were) to her, "Even though you are weak; even though you've committed a terrible sin; even though your character has been blackened and your name disgraced, I'll have to send you back out into the world. The best I can say to you is 'go and sin no more.'"

We have to live such exemplary lives that Jesus Christ can save people. There was no conviction for drinking, smoking, card playing, gambling in the denominational church from which I came. The only reason God convicted me when I came into Pentecost is because people were living lives of holiness. That is the only way God can save anyone. You can pray, you can sing, you can preach from the pulpit, but unless those things work out in the pew, a poor soul coming into our meetings must go out and save himself.

In answer to His query, she said "No man." In other words, "No man convicts me. No man makes me feel like I'm a sinner. No man makes me feel like I need God. They've all walked out. Here I am. I'm just as I was when I came in. I'm no better off." Why didn't Jesus Christ say, "All right, I'll save you."? He didn't say that. He said, "Go and sin no more."

It is possible to destroy the church (the Jews destroyed their law), or it is possible to have a revival. It is possible when a new student comes into A.B.I. that he or she will quickly catch on to realizing that he needs to walk closer with God.

In the Bible, Rahab believed that no matter if the great walls would fall down, God would somehow allow her house to stand - and it did. Rahab, a saloon keeper, listened to the spies. She believed their word, put it into practice, demonstrated it and God saved her and her household. If we had been there that day, we would have seen the walls of Jericho flattened, except for one place that stood as a monument to the faith of that young woman. Today when the walls of this old world, society, jobs, friends, neighbors, sometimes families, have allowed you to be isolated with your faith in God, yet you have stood. And you will stand with Rahab someday in that great city of Almighty God.

Abraham stands as a monument of character in the Bible. He believed God. He became the father of the faithful. In one sense of the word, he lived a life of frustration. He never really attained his goal. He never planted his feet inside the gates of the City of God. But Abraham died believing the Lord and he left a wonderful testimony. He got His name on the honor roll. We believe through the faith of Abraham.

Even more wonderful is the person in this church or school who has certain aspirations, desires, or ambitions for God, and they always seem to be just a little beyond him. They're there, but he can't quite reach them. "My healing - I almost have it - I feel better, and yet something holds me back - I haven't quite got it." And yet, instead of turning back, instead of giving up, instead of saying "God's Word and promises are not true; I've tried and cannot attain them; I've reached and can't find them; I've longed for and yet have not grasped them, you say upon being questioned concerning your health, "I still have faith in God." Such an answer brings conviction. It brings blessing; it brings the power of God in present tense.

Many people come to the house of God frustrated, with their lives confused, baffled, full of question marks, reaching - but never attaining, hoping - but never finding, - until they almost give up and think God's Word is not true. Then they find you. You have reached and haven't attained at all. You have believed and yet all the promises of God have not been fulfilled. You may have a pain in your body and yet you love God, you testify, you praise Him. What have you done? You've made

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Rev. Fred Scott, Outgoing Missionary

With a burning desire to fulfill the words of the songwriter to "Rescue the Perishing," we began our preparation for a cause which was to become our lifetime work.

There was no mistake about the call of God upon my life. The visit that Mrs. C.E. Lundquist, Missions' instructor at A.B.I., made to our home town of Salem, Oregon, was the deciding factor leading us to A.B.I.

In September, 1939, my wife, small son, Ken, and I bade farewell to our home and loved ones and headed for A.B.I. Words cannot express my appreciation for the instruction and guidance I received from the faculty of A.B.I. My wife did not attend school but was instrumental in re-copying my lessons. I think she learned almost as much as I. The wonderful year spent at A.B.I. was far beyond my expectation. I shall never forget the warm hospitality of the saints at Midway. I consider the time spent at A.B.I. as the most valuable months of my life.

Shortly after the school year ended, I was ordained to the ministry at a conference in Clintonville, Wisc. We pastored our first four and one half years at the church in Cochrane, Wisc. Precious memories of this place linger still.

Later we served the churches at LaCrosse, Marshfield and Clintonville, Wisc. During the four years in Clintonville, thirty-five were baptized in Jesus' Name and thirty-two received the marvelous gift of the Holy Ghost. Many outstanding miracles of healing were witnessed. Our God is still the same!

During World War II, God led us to a pioneer work in Portland, Ore. Three years later we returned to Wisc.

In the summer of 1957 we left Wisc. for the last time. After a few months stay in Calif., we moved to North Oregon and accepted the pastorate of the church at Salem, Oregon. During my fourth year here God began dealing with me and impressed me with a definite call to the mission field. At an altar



Rev. and Mrs. Fred K. Scott, Kathy and Tim

service, as the presence of the Lord hovered over the congregation, God gave me a vision of South America.

In March of 1962, we moved to North Bend, Ore., and accepted pastoral duties here. The mission call continued. For four years I waited on the Lord seeking His will for my life. Then I felt beyond a shadow of a doubt that the Lord was calling me to South America. With the doubts removed, I felt it was time for action. I made application to the Missionary Board for an appointment to Argentina. I still did not feel a peace of mind and as I prayed I felt a burden for the country of Paraguay.

Upon appearing before the Missionary Board I was asked to consider going to Uruguay. I asked for time to pray about it and spent most of that night in earnest prayer before God. Then like waves the glory of the Lord swept over me and like the prophet Isaiah I said, "Here am I, Lord send me." A peace flooded o'er my soul and I knew I was in God's perfect will.

We received word from the Missionary Board that we would go to Montevideo, Uruguay, and assist Mr. and Mrs. Elga Battle until they come home for furlough and would continue the work there until they returned to the field. Then we could go to the yet untouched field of Paraguay.

Until the end of this school year, we will remain at North Bend, Ore. Our daughter Kathy and son, Tim, will accompany us to the field. We thank God for these consecrated children who will be a great help to us. Continued on page Eleven



Third Year Mission panel discussion. L to R: Sis. Lundquist, Jim Turkington, Norma Lumbard, Helen Jones, and Elaine Jones.

Rev. S. G. Norris teaching the Tabernacle Plan to the first year Old Testament class. What a blessing to learn these precious truths of God's Word.



A.B.I. Rally Choir performing at a Rally in Anoka, MN. Dale Starks is pastoring.



Sis. Lundquist and Paulette Ma... are reading books in the library.

Class presents a
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Richard Ward,
b Hilderbrand



First Year students editing their weekly paper, "The Darda," (Pearls of Wisdom), L to R: Mary Ann Humphreys, Dick Mattox and Elinor Moe.



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Abraham live again. You have made faith real.

We have to admire David because he could have taken the life of Saul and thus rid himself of the terrible jealousy that Saul had against him, but he would not touch God's anointed. We also admire David's unselfishness in the case of Mephibosheth, son of Jonathan, grandson of Saul, whom he should have disdained, hated, and despised. Instead he brought him from across Lodibar to Jerusalem, gave him back the lands of Saul, let him eat at the king's table, restored his wealth to him, and treated him just like one of the kingly princes.

However, the greatest witness that we have is someone in the church or the school who could be selfish, who could stab as with a dagger or sword, or brush others out of the way. Instead of that, that one keeps God first, loves the Lord, unselfishly walks with God, believes that God does all things well, believes that all things work together for good to those who love Him. What do such actions do? They bring strength and blessing. They bring conviction, and bring the Word of God right down to the headlines on our "today's paper!"

There is no way for God to bring conviction through the minister's preaching unless the Rahabs, the Abrahams and the Davids live right.

This is an hour when not very many people need God. Not very many people are destitute. Not very many people are so sick they can't get some help even if they can't pay for it. This is a generation when God is really not needed and you have to draw at the reins of your own mind to walk with God. Let us search our own hearts when we come into the house of God that we come as saints of God who have paid some price - whether it be prayer, consecration, acting like saints, dressing like saints, believing like saints, praying like saints, so that Jesus Christ, when He steps through the door, will not have to stand here in the face of an adulterous woman and say, "All of the members, the pastor included, all of the students have walked out and there's no one left here that I can point to and say, 'that one, that man, that woman, lives the life'. You go out, poor sinner, and do the very best you can. Just go out and sin no more."

Fasting will bring conviction in the church and conviction will bring salvation. Salvation will bring blessing and blessing will bring happiness into the souls of men. When you fast, you have sacrificed something for the cause of the church. Whenever anyone, no matter who he is, a little boy, a little girl, older man, whenever anyone does something that is sacrificial, God always blesses that sacrifice. So when we fast it is to break the bands of wickedness, or we can say it this way, when a sinner comes into the church, or a backslider, or someone who is lukewarm or just with one foot in the church and one foot in the world, he can feel the power of God and it will help break the bands of wickedness. Not only that, but to "undo the heavy burdens and to let the oppressed go free and that ye break every yoke." Isa. 58.

There is also a blessing in giving. God has promised to send His blessing into the church, and when He sends His blessing in the church, people are saved. Then people do not have to walk out of the doors of the church with the feeble strength they had when they walked in. When they feel the heavens have been opened and God has poured His "balm of Gilead," their very souls are strengthened.

It would be sad to be in an unprofitable business. It would certainly be sad to be married and have the marriage not to be a blessing. But the saddest thing that ever happened to a group of people is when they destroy their church. We can destroy this particular church. We've got it in our power. We can compromise on the Word of God. We can live such careless, indifferent lives that there is absolutely no conviction. We can yell and scream and yet be like the prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel which could not bring any fire down from heaven. Or, we can preach the truth and conduct ourselves in the fear of Almighty God.

The Lord wants to heal. He wants to save. He wants to bless your hearts. He wants to lift you up. He wants to break the yokes upon you. He wants to take your burdens. He wants to give you salvation. When people come in the house of God He wants them to feel, "Lord, I need You, I need You! You've got other people here. You've blessed them. You've saved them. Save me, oh God! Heal me, oh God! Lift me up, oh Lord! You have done it for others - You will do it for me!"



Cramming For Finals

Donna Beaulieu
Senior
Knoxville, Iowa

Cramming for the finals! That sounds familiar, doesn't it? Semester exams just finished, it isn't hard to remember the early risings, the worrying, and the last minute studying and praying we did in trying to get a passing grade.

It would have been so much better, we suddenly realize, to have studied each day as it came along, but it was too late for that, now. So cram! And cram we did, and to a certain extent, we got away with it.

But there is coming a Final Exam for which there will be no time to cram. We won't be told a week in advance what time it is going to take place. Jesus Christ is coming as unexpectedly "as a thief in the night" to catch away those that are ready to pass the Test.

It will be our daily grade that matters then and if we've really done our best each day as it came along. Let's not keep putting off "studying" for that Final like we are prone to do in school, thinking we can cram just before the Day.

For then there will be no time for last-minute good deeds, or for fulfilling all the good intentions we've put off from day to day. Christ is coming soon and He's coming when we least expect Him. Could you pass the Finals today--without cramming?
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God's

Greatest Gift

I want to thank the Lord for the wonderful gift I received from Him at Christmas.

In Doctrine Class, Bro. Norris said something that touched our hearts and made us wonder about our own personal lives.

Everyone in the class began to pray and it wasn't long before that wonderful, marvelous Spirit and power of God came flooding into that room filling our hearts.

I could feel that convicting power of God and it was then that I realized I needed God in my life to help and guide me. Kneeling, I began to pray. I could see Jesus offering me the greatest gift that man could ever receive - the gift of the Holy Ghost. His Spirit and power flooded over my soul and into my heart as I accepted this wonderful gift.

Thomas Jett
First Year Student
Dayton, Ohio



L to R- James Hinkle, Dennis Merchant, Tom Jett, Ted Wright and Dan Gill



Robert Fuller ('66) and Susan Bierschenk ('65) were married in Louisville, Kentucky, December 30, 1966. Bob is assisting Rev. Carl Stephenson in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Many A.B.I. students attended this lovely wedding.

Darla Burns ('66) is evangelizing. Her ministry has been blessed and many souls are coming to Christ. Deanna Stone assists her with the music.

Belmont B. Graffius ('47) age 45, died in December, 1966, in Phoenix, Arizona. He is survived by his wife, twin boys and three girls all of Phoenix, Arizona. He painted the A.B.I.'s insignia which hangs on the wall in the new A.B.I. office.

Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Merrill ('53) are pastoring in Orange, California.

Rev. Derold Doughty ('63) and wife are the proud parents of their second son, Derold Kent, born in December, 1966.

Rev. and Mrs. William Feathers ('60) are assisting Rev. J. C. Cole in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Rev. and Mrs. Oliver Spencer ('61) have adopted a fine boy, Mark Andrew, born December 25, 1966. Rev. Spencer pastors in St. Louis, Missouri.

Elton and Sharon Sermon adopted a son, Edward Joseph. They are assisting Sharon's father, Rev. F. J. Ellis ('38) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sherry Jeanne Owens selected Wendell ('66) and Arty ('65) as her parents, November 24, 1966. They are living in Clarkston, Wash. Wendell is assisting the pastor at Clarkston.

Stanley and Ruth Baker (Ruth Hufford '65) are missionary-teachers in Colombia, So. America. They arrived on their field of labor October 29, 1966, and are busy learning Spanish. They report how extremely poor the natives are. The walls of their homes are made of sugar cane stalks tied vertically. The roofs are thatched and the floors are dirt. The women cook over fires in their back yards. Their clothes, which are washed by hand are draped over bushes and fences to dry. Hogs, chickens, dogs and cats enjoy the same shelter as the people themselves. Stan and Ruth have an infant daughter, Laurie, with them on the field. Pray for these laborers.



Rev. and Mrs. Stan Baker and Laurie

A.B.I. OUTGOING MISSIONARY

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Our oldest son Ken and his family, our daughter Pat, son Jerry and my wife's mother will remain in the homeland. Although we love them dearly, our greatest love is to the Lord and the souls for which He died.

After we look on the ripened harvest fields and see the night coming, we feel an urgency to go to the field. We rejoice in the fact that the Lord has counted us worthy to fulfill this call. We earnestly covet the prayers of God's people everywhere.

If the Lord should come while we are in Uruguay, what a grand reunion we will have in the portals of glory.

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