



# Bible Methodist

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# Thoughts & Travels

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## Thoughts:

Psalm 145:2–3 (NKJV)

- <sup>2</sup> Every day I will bless You,  
And I will praise Your  
name forever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup> Great *is* the Lord, and  
greatly to be praised;  
And His greatness *is*  
unsearchable.

Thank the Lord for the report from  
Pastor Bork for helping bring comfort  
to a lady in hospice.

Praise the Lord for the progress at  
DeRidder, LA

Only to sit and think of God.

Oh what a joy it is

To think the thought, to breath the Name

Earth has no higher bliss

O blessed Trinity

O simplest Majest!

O Three in One!

Thou are for ever God alone

Holy Trinity

Blessed equal Three

One God, we praise Thee

Timeless, spaceless, single, lonely

Yet sublimely Three,

Rejoicing with Millersburg, for the repairs that have been made to their building!

Thou art grandly, always, only  
God in Unity!  
Lone in grandure, lone in glory,  
Who shall tell Thy wondrous story?  
Awful Trinity.

Fredrick Faber



## Thanks:

Dear Friends of the Southwest Bible Methodist Conference,  
Thank you very much for the beautiful plant you sent for our 50th wedding anniversary! We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

The Mike Covingtons

Deepest thanks to Pastor Mike Covington for dinner Friday September 6th and then for providing his vehicle and fuel for the trip from Duncan to Rincon Marques, New Mexico and back!

G. Clair Sams

Pray for the Church in Millersburg, KY and Pastor Jolly during your Sunday morning prayer time.

Pray for Rhonda Gardner as she works through physical issues.

Pray for each church to have a newly converted Believer in the near future.

Pray for the Bible Fellowship Churches in Papua New Guinea. They are facing a Conference that will influence them for some time.

Pray for the church in Whitehouse as they search for a pastor.

Pray for wisdom for the members of the Executive Committee and the decisions being made over the next few months.

Pray for Melba and me as we search for an automobile.

## Travels:

Last Friday, September 6th, Mark Russell and I drove to Covingtons in Duncan, Oklahoma, had dinner with them and then spent the night. Early Saturday morning, Pastor Covington, Mark Russell and I traveled to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and picked up Pastor Darrell Lee Stetler II and then on to Albuquerque where we met Pastor Darrell Underwood. Together we traveled to Rincon Marques, New Mexico. Archibalds manage the Rincon Marques Holiness Mission.

The Stephen Archibald family ministers in this remote area among the Navajo community. Sister Archibald prepared dinner for us and the family hosted us for the evening. We toured the facility that includes a chapel, fellowship building, three places of residence, two shops and a well that supplies water for the compound and several of the families in the area.

Sunday morning we drove to Rock Spring Mission where Calvin and Martha McCasland minister. Rock Spring is about a 30-40 minuted drive from Rincon Marques, but there is little if any

interaction between the people, though the missionaries interact regularly. While at McCasland's we enjoyed breakfast, worship service with Darrell Stetler preaching and then a fellowship dinner. McCaslands have been in Rock Spring for about 20 years and are requesting help.



Above: at Rincon Marques Holiness Mission: Left to Right: Archibald family, Clair Sams, Darrell Underwood, Darrell Stetler II, Mike Covington and Mark Russell.



Above with McCaslands at Rock Spring: Left to Right: Clair Sams, Mike Covington, Darrell Underwood, Martha McCasland, Calvin McCasland, Mark Russell and Darrell Stetler II

Sunday afternoon we drove to Albuquerque and dropped Mark Russell then traveled to Amarillo, Texas to spend the night. Monday Mike Covington drove us to Oklahoma City, dropping Pastor Stetler and then we drove to Duncan, Oklahoma. I drove Mark Russell's vehicle on to Durant.

This week I have been occupied with writing some devotional material for *Opening the Word*, the Bible Methodist website and material in preparation for an Executive Committee (General Board) meeting.

Melba and I have also done some car shopping and would ask for your prayers. We need the Lord's leadership in this matter.

Sunday morning we plan to drive to Dallas and enjoy service with Pastor Anaya and his people.

## Events:

### **Mission's Services:**

Tim Keep along with Brennon and Ivon Muir  
(Missionaries to Mexico)

### **November:**

6th - 7:00 PM Duncan and Osage Road will do a  
combined service at Duncan.

8th - 7:00 PM Whitehouse, Texas

9th - 7:00 PM DeRidder and Kingwood at  
DeRidder.

10th - AM Dallas Spanish

10th - 5:00 PM - Durant, Oklahoma

10th - 7:00 PM - Sherman, Texas

### **Aldersgate Forum:**

Date: October 22 - 24

Location: Higher Ground, West Harrison, IN

### **Preacher's Meeting / Ministerial:**

Date: February 4-6, 2020  
Speaker: Dr. David Bubb  
Location: TBD

**Outreach and Bus Convention:**

Dates: March 3 - 5, 2020  
Location: Lebanon, Pennsylvania

**Camp Meeting 2020:**

Dates: July 28 through August 2, 2020  
Location: Garner Creek Retreat Center,  
Dickson, TN  
Evangelists: Rev. Harry Plank  
James Plank  
Song Evangelist: Jonathan and Jalena Glick  
Children Service: Harrold Taylor