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THE NEW YEAR

Another year is at hand and it is time again to analyze the past year and make plans for the new year.

It is time to hang a new calendar on the wall and lay a fresh diary on the desk. And it should be remembered that the markings of time have their spiritual significance.

Every clock tick means that life is not one big rush, one grand gamble, where our all is staked upon one issue, but it's a step-by-step process, and there are as many opportunities every twenty-four hours as there are seconds.

Every clock stroke says another hour is gone, a new hour is at hand, and it may be better than the last. At any rate, whatever we have to do, it is only one hour at a time.

Life as a lump is often too much. It is a burden to break any man's back. But one hour - we can all stand that - and that is all we have to stand. We don't have to tackle the second hour until it comes to meet us.

Every day is a new life. Every evening is a day of judgment - every morning is a resurrection.

We don't have to eat the whole loaf - just a slice. Nor drink up the whole pitcher - just a glassful. Nor jump a mile - just one step at a time.

The past year is gone. It belongs to the ages. We are alive and the future belongs to us.

All our mistakes and failures, our jealousies and heartbreaks, our wounds and bruises - all the whole league of temporary miseries that make life sad and weary are gone, swallowed up in that big black hole we call the past.

The fugitive years follow each other on their appointed rounds. Days and years are like the moods of men. Some are full of sunshine and brightness, blue skies and the fragrance of flowers; others are gray with clouds and hints of rain and storm, fretfulness and complaining.

The New Year is young - it lies before us. Let us not harbor the belief that we have plenty of time to make sure of our purposes. Today only is ours. What we do today is the essential thing of our life.

Providence has been good to the human race, because hopes of youth, plans of the matured, and memory's medium lend enchantment to the present, and make life very much worth while.

Therefore, in so far as humanly possible, let us drop the past as we might a night garment and put on the fresh clean clothing of hope. Let us wash our faces in the cool waters of faith.

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Birthday Greetings

JANUARY 4
Ruth Griffin
Arthur White
Maxine McKimnerney

JANUARY 5
Ray Darnell
Charles Tepher
Anna Ratliffe
Irene Mayfield
Brad Barnes

JANUARY 6
Colleen White Hook
Mrs. W.C. Brush

JANUARY 7
Richard Croft
David Grider

JANUARY 8
Tommy Darnell
Mary Ann Lee

JANUARY 9
Madge Bell

JANUARY 10
Mrs. McClanahan

BEDELAYED BIRTHDAY:
DECEMBER 31
Wilda Jean Erwin

Mrs. Lynette Starks Retires After

Twenty Years With The Postal Service

Mrs. Lynette Starks was honored by her fellow employees at a retirement and Christmas party at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. Don Boyett, Thursday night, Dec. 20.

Mrs. Starks has worked for more than twenty years for the Postal Service, and is well known and loved by the citizens of Rising Star, and surrounding Communities. She grew up in Cross Plains and graduated

from high school there. She began working in the post office in 1953, and will retire, due to failing health, Dec. 31, 1973.

The party was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. James Nance, Mr.

and Mrs. Raleigh Darnell, Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Griffin, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Creech.

Mrs. Starks was presented a set of jacks and coloring book to help pass her time, and a silver serving tray with "20 years" inscribed in the center as a token of love, friendship, and appreciation from her fellow postal employees, who extend to her their best wishes for many years of happy retirement.

Postal Service Increase To Rescheduled

The U.S. Postal Service will postpone rate increases scheduled for Jan. 5 until

March 2 in compliance with a Cost of Living Council directive, local postmaster has

announced.

That means the price of mailing a first-class letter will remain eight cents for another two months before going up to a dime.

The Cost of Living Council a week ago told the Postal Service to trim back the amount of the proposed increases but ordered no changes in the new rate structure. The reduction could be accomplished by delaying the rate hikes rather than reducing them, the council said.

The Postal Service had expected to raise annual revenue by \$1.54 billion by starting the rate increases Jan. 5. But the council said that should be reduced by \$236 million.

In addition to the boost in letter rates, the Postal Service will raise the cost of mailing a post card from six cents to eight cents and the cost of an airmail letter from 11 cents to 13 cents.

Twilite Acre Nursing Home Hosts Yuletide Party

The Twilite Acre Nursing Home was crowded and bright with the spirit of Christmas Tuesday, Dec. 19, when the Rising Star home for the aged hosted its annual Yuletide Party and open house.

More than 150 relatives and guests crowded the large, gaily decorated reception - dining room, bringing gifts of good wishes. The gaiety and happiness which annual celebrates the beginning of life overflowed into the long halls and the resident rooms of the home to brighten the faces of many who had not too much of it left.

Mrs. Bob Newton and Mrs. Jerry Underwood and members of their staff hosted the party after spending days getting ready for it. Alone one side of the big room there were tables in white linen with dishes of hors d'oeuvres and candy and dips and cookies and Christmas cake that were much admired and a great bowl of fruit punch was kept full despite the demands made upon it.

Across the room a large Christmas tree, sparkling with ornaments stood out of the snowbank of gifts, mysterious and temptingly wrapped in a great variety of intriguing promise.

Besides a multitude of gifts sent by relatives and friends of the residents, were the individual gifts of bath powder from the Saturday Club, handmade pillows from the First Baptist Church, boxes of kleenex tissues from the North Star Club, sockettes from the Church of Christ, Bibby's Creations gave clutch bags to the ladies, and wallets to the men, and the Home Living Class of Rising Star High School made decorative mail boxes for each room.

In between the tree and the refreshment tables there was standing room only and little of that, with people talking and

laughing and listening to organ music that Vera Butler played on an organ loaned for the evening by the S&M Music Company and brought from Brownwood by Boyd Miller.

Pots of Christmas flowers stood about and there were decorations of streamers and stars and tinsel put there in days or preparation for the party by Mrs. Newton and the people of the home. There was a registration book on a stand but unfortunately, in the press of visitors not everyone thought to, or could conveniently register.

The evening came to a climax with a Christmas prayer by Minister Owen Aikin of the Church of Christ, the distribution of gifts - members of the staff carrying the presents and the names were called - and afterward there was much visiting in the rooms.

"It was the nicest and biggest Christmas party we have ever had", said Mrs. Newton. "We are very grateful to all those who came, who gave gifts or made contributions to the success of the evening. It gave a moment of good cheer to a lot of people who can do with good cheer, and it gave a lift to the staff of the home, too. And I am sure it made a moment of brightness in the lives some scores of people who took time at Christmas not to forget."

Kirby Bailey

Funeral services for Non Kirby Bailey, age 94, were held Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 2 p.m. in Higginbothams Funeral Chapel of Rising Star. Rev. R.D. Williams, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Wolf Valley.

Mr. Bailey was a resident of May. He was born Oct. 28, 1879, in Alabama moving to Texas at the age of twelve. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a veteran of World War I. Survivors include one son Weldon Bailey of May, one brother Joe Bailey of Martinez, Calif.; five sisters, Mrs. Mary Rogers of Denton, Mrs. Dick Butts of Iowa Park, Mrs. Gail Butts of Burkburnett, Ella Sudderth of Lubbock and Belle Spence of May, two grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Russell White

Russell White, 60, of Houston, brother of Hayden and Cole White and son of Mrs. I.A. White of Rising Star, passed away Sunday, Dec. 23, in a Houston Hospital.

Funeral services were held in the Heights Funeral Home in Houston with burial in Houston's Resthaven Cemetery.

Mr. White is survived by his wife; three sons, Ray, Boyd and Kenny White all of Houston; three daughters, Mrs. Clara Thacker, Mrs. Opal Hargraves and Kathy White, all of Houston; his mother, Mrs. I.A. White of Rising Star;

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three brothers, Hayden and Cole White of Willow Springs, Missouri; two sisters, Mrs. Odell Finwick of Dumas and Mrs. Grace Mitchell of Enid, Oklahoma.

Rep. Hanna To

Seek Re-election

Joe C. Hanna, state representative for the 54th district, announced today that he will be a candidate for that seat again in 1974.

Hanna is chairman of the House Rural Energy Crisis Committee, and represented Texas at a national conference on the energy crisis situation. He is also serving as chairman of the State Vocational - Education committee. He represented Texas at the Conference of National Legislators, and is also a member of the transportation and natural resources committees of the House.

Democratic primary elections will be held in May, with the general election in November. State representatives must run for that office every two years.

Off-Election Coming Up

According to the Constitution of the state of Texas for 1973, the signatures on a nominating petition must be equal to two percent of the entire vote cast for that party's candidate for Governor in the last preceding election. For districts, counties and precincts this must not be less than 25 nor more than 500.

However no person shall sign more than one petition for a candidate for public office. Under the constitution, the primary will be held on the first Saturday in May.

There will be primaries for parties that garnered 20 percent or more of the vote in the last election for governor of the state.

Parties whose candidates received from two to 20 percent of the vote may either nominate by primary or convention.

1974 will be an off - election year, just two years away from the big national and state elections of 1976.

What offices will be coming up for re - election in Eastland County?

According to County Clerk Johnson Smith and the Texas Constitution the following public offices come up for election next year:

All five of the county's Justices of the Peace.

County commissioners in Precincts 2 and 4.

The county clerk, the county treasurer, the county School superintendent, and the county surveyor.

Coming up for election again will be the office of the criminal district attorney, since in 1972 the election was for an unexpired term.

Also the office of County Judge will come up for election. And the District Clerk for the 91st Court will again be chosen.

In State offices, one of the judgeships of the Civil Court of Appeals for the district will be up for election.

Candidates for the above offices must file by the first



MRS. LYNETTE STARKS

Rising Star Girls Make All-Tournament Team

Marissa Polk and Taronna Chambers were named to the All - Tournament team in the

25th annual basketball tournament at Early this past weekend.

Marissa also hit 50 points to lead the tournament goers.

Rising Star won the girls consolation crown with a 64 - 34 win over Bangs.

Early boys and May girls won top honors in the tournament.

Owners Of Motor Vehicles To Receive Important Mail

Owners of some 8.4 million motor vehicles in Texas will have some important mail coming their way early in

January. Registration renewal application will be put in the mail shortly after the holiday season by the Motor Vehicle Division of the Texas Highway Department.

Monday of February, 1974.

"All is in the book, in the statutes of the State Constitution", said Smith.

Announced and registered candidates must either pay a filing fee or present a nominating petition with the adequate number of signatures.

Filing fees for Justices of the Peace in Eastland County are \$50 since the population falls under 200,000.

All other county offices have a \$150 filing fee, except that of the Criminal District Attorney, which is \$400. Also at \$400 is a candidacy for the Civil Court of Appeals.

All that must be done is to send the entire three - part application by mail to the county tax assessor collector in the owner's home county, enclosing the registration fee plus \$1 for each vehicle to cover handling and mailing.

There are three things to remember:

1. Leave the three - part form intact. Don't separate the three parts.

2. Mail it to the county tax office in your home county. (Mailing it to the Highway Department will only delay getting your 1974 license

plates).

3. Be sure to include the registration fee, plus \$1 for each vehicle for postage and handling. You may apply for license plates by mail after January 1. However, county tax offices won't mail plates until after February 1. Owners should allow at least 30 days from the time they apply for the license plates to be returned.

In - person registrations will begin at county tax offices and, in some counties, at substations on February 1.

Vehicle owners can save time that used to be spent waiting in long lines at county tax offices throughout the state by ordering their 1974 license plates by mail.



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THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Ingleside and Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Womack and son of Abilene visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ray Cox visited Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stevenson of Dallas over the holidays.

Joan Williams of Denton visited her parents Rev. and Mrs. Dick Williams during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mayberry and Elizabeth of McCawley visited Mr. and Mrs. James Cox.

Out of town visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Richter were Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Munn and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munn and Jeannie all of Fort Worth, Mrs. Dallas Richter of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Whitefield and children of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weiss of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schaeffer and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Long of Rising Star.

The holiday season is always a time for families and friends to get together and enjoy the merriment of Christmas time. Herewith are some interesting items about the holiday activities of some Rising Star and area residents.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jess McKinney were Mr. and Mrs. Floy McKinney of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Larry McKinney and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Beryl McKinney of Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Don McKinney of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKinney and children of Chico, Mr. and Mrs. N.L. Leonard Jr. and children, Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Richter, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Long, Mrs. Alene Lane of Carbon, and Mrs. Ruby Murdoch.

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 I would like to express my appreciation and sincere thanks to the many friends who were so thoughtful and kind during my bereavement of the death of my sister, Ollie M. Adams. May God bless each of you.
 Mrs. Cordie Wolf

We wish to thank all of our good friends and relatives for the many cards, phone calls, food and flowers while we were in the Stephenville Hospital. May God bless each of you.
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- ★ Chamber of Commerce luncheon
 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
- ★ Senior Citizens Club,
 each Wednesday at 2 p.m.
- ★ North Star Club,
 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 2 p.m.
- ★ BAPTIST WOMEN
 1st and 2nd Tuesday - 9:30 a.m.
 Eastern Star -
 1st Monday at 7:30
- ★ Young Homemakers
 2nd Monday - 7:30 p.m.
- ★ P.T.A.
 3rd Thursday - 3:00 p.m.
- ★ 4 - H Club
 2nd Thursday - 7:30 p.m.
- ★ Saturday Club,
 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 2:00 p.m.

Brush-Eddleman Vows To Be Exchanged Jan. 4

Barbara Gail Brush and Norman Neil Eddleman were united in marriage Friday, Jan. 4, in the Westview Baptist Church in Slaton with the Rev. J.L. Cartrite officiating the double ring ceremony. The altar candelabras featured thirty fushia pink tapers accented with ivy and babies breath. The bridal aisle was marked with four single candelabras topped with crystal globes and fushia pink tapers highlighted with ivy.

The bride, escorted by her father, was attired in a candlelight victorian gown, of moire taffeta with a full princess silhouette. The high neckline and gathered sleeves were edged in pleated ruffles accented with pearls. The princess lines of the gown front were beaded with pearls. A deep pleated ruffle edged the gown and the chapel length train. Miss Brush wore a camelot cap of re-embroidered alencon lace and pearls. Pearls scattered the panels of the chapel length silk illusion veiling. Scalloped with fushia pink and ivory ribbons the bridal bouquet was made of pink roses, hot pink feathered carnations, ivory gladiola blossoms, babies breath and ivy. Following tradition, the bride wore her wedding attire as something new, for something old and borrowed she wore her mother's wedding band, and for something blue she wore an ivory lace and blue satin garter, a gift from her maid of honor.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Wayna Faye Criswell of Brownfield. Gay Nell Eddleman and Christine Eddleman, sisters of the groom from Granbury, served as bridesmaids. They wore victorian gowns of fushia pink velveteen. The princess silhouette featured an empire cumberbund edged with ivory lace ruffles. The bodice featured an ivory peau de soie bib covered with ivory re-embroidered alencon lace and outlined with a lace ruffle. The victorian sleeves were edged with lace ruffles. They wore matching lace gloves and ivory peau de soie Dior bows in their hair. They carried nosegays of hot pink feathered carnations, ivory gladiola blossoms, babies breath and ivory surrounded with fushia pink ribbons.

Serving the groom as best man was Tommy Tuck of Stephenville. Groomsman were Ricky Andrews of Granbury and Weldon Patterson, cousin of the groom from Arlington. Ushers were Dennis Brush of Slaton, brother of the bride and David Cobern of Burleson, cousin of the groom.

Favorite musical selections were played before the ceremony by Janet Gossett of Arlington. She accompanied Mrs. Keith Norrell as she sang "Twelfth of Never" and "We've Only Just Begun". Guests were registered in the church foyer by Sandra Brush, cousin of the bride.

The reception followed the ceremony in the fellowship hall of the church. The couple was assisted in the receiving line by their mothers and attendants. The serving table was laid with a pale pink linen cloth overlaid with an ivory antique lace cloth. A silver candelabra featuring fushia pink tapers and accented with greenery and babies breath centered the table. The bridal bouquet and the attendants nosegays completed the setting. Punch was served from a crystal

punch bowl by Sherry Wilkins, cousin of the bride from Slaton. The fushia pink and ivory wedding cake was baked and served by Mrs. Joe Skinner, Jr., from Smyer, aunt of the bride. Mrs. Kenneth Baker served coffee from a silver coffee service set on a circular table that was covered with a fushia pink satin cloth. Rice bags were distributed by Carolyn Wilkins, cousin of the bride.

Mrs. Eddleman is a 1970 graduate of Slaton High School, a 1971 graduate of the Dallas Fashion Merchandising College and is a sophomore accounting major at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Eddleman is a graduate of Granbury High School and is a pre - vet major at Tarleton State University. The couple will make their home at 1092 Elm Street in Stephenville, following their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brush are parents of the bride from Slaton. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Eddleman of Granbury are parents of the groom. Miss Brush is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Brush of Rising Star, and Miss Criswell is the granddaughter of Mrs. A.O. Criswell of the Okra Community.

Local Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hill and family visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Brooks of Lake over the Christmas holidays. Returning to Rising Star on Christmas Day, the Hills were happy to have as their guest for the remainder of the holidays Raymond Wysong of the Stephenville Children's Home. A highlight of Raymond's visit was the construction of a 14 ft. teepee, using 52 yards of ducking.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Nichols this holiday season were their children and families, Lt. Col. and Mrs. C.B. Nichols, Linda, Bill and Rob of O'Fallon, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Nichols and Barry of Arlington; and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nichols, Deana, Barbara and Dannett of Abilene. Also visiting the family was Nick's brother and family Mr. and Mrs. George Nichols and daughter Vanita, of Junction.

Dr. and Mrs. C.D. Braungardt of Fort Worth were holiday guests of her mother, Mrs. Hazel McCollum. She returned home with them for a longer visit.

Mrs. Jess McKinney has been dismissed from Eastland Memorial Hospital.

James Steel was a patient in Eastland Memorial Hospital where he underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pickens and Christa of Friendswood and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pell of Midland visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack White.

Mr. and Mrs. Floy Maynard had the following guests in their home: Mr. and Mrs. B.E. Bowers of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Welch and Bobby of Balmorhea, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nunnally and son San Marcos, Mrs. Bobah Jule of Abilene, Mrs. Bob Hubbard of Balmorhea and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hubbard of Three Rivers.

**First United
Methodist Church
Rising Star**

The Peace That Passes Understanding"

Father, we pray for the Peace that passes understanding. Yet, even as we pray, we are tempted to want the peace we understand!

Vivian Koonce fell this week and broke her arm. She is in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

Mary Boase is ill in Stephenville Hospital. Geneva Bobum is recuperating from a back ailment.

Happy to report John Stock and Calvin Easterling are home from the hospital.

Pastor officiated funeral service for Mrs. Pearl Rudloff in Cross Plains Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Hurst and wife of Denton visited his grandparents this week. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook.

Visiting with the Lloyd Cokers through holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith and children of Corsicana, Melba Coker of Blooming Grove, Mrs. Albert McLaughlin and children of Blanket.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Armstrong of Odessa visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. James Armstrong over weekend and attended morning church service.

During holiday Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Upton and Church visited with her mother, Mrs. Fiara Westerman.

Lucy Boase spent holiday with the Bob Rahmboos of Terrell.

Dorothy Shook spent several days with her brother and wife in Houston.

Hazel McCollums daughter, Doris Sue and husband visited Mrs. McCollum during holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sone are

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Welch and Bobby of Balmorhea, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nunnally and son of San Marcos, Mrs. Beulah Judd of Abilene, Mrs. Mary Hubbard of Balmorhea and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hufford of Three Rivers enjoyed Christmas together.

FROM OUR CHURCHES

leaving for a tour of the Holy Land in a few days.

Those who attended Christmas program at Baptist Church on Sunday night enjoyed it very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Crawford and sons from Cleburne attended church service Sunday morning with his mother Mrs. Irene Crawford last week.

If you have a problem just find a faith that's bigger. Through Christ you can find a faith that's bigger than any problem.

May the New Year find us stronger Christians.

**Church of Christ
Rising Star**

As these lines are being written, an old year is fast fading away and a fresh yearly cycle is at hand. It is most important at this time that we focus our attention on both the past and the future, especially as concerns our spiritual situation.

Now is a good time for "old things to pass away" and everything to become "new" (2 Corinthians 5:17). Wouldn't it be wonderful if December 31 could mark, along with the end of 1973, a sharp decline, if not a termination, of immorality, greed, anger, wrong attitudes, hurtful and debasing language, falsehood and deception (Colossians 3:5-9), grudge-bearing, jealousy, harmful habits (drinking, smoking, intemperate eating, drug abuse, etc.) (Galatians 5:19-21), in the life of each one of us?

How much better we, and others, would be if all this could be replaced by: understanding, compassion, humility, patience, forgiveness, love (Colossians 3:12-14), joy, peace, kindness, loyalty and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23).

And this IS possible! However, such a tremendous transformation can only take place through the power of God, as he works through the Gospel (Romans 1:16; 12:1-2), and in Christ: "If any man is in Christ, he is a new creature..."

(2 Corinthians 5:17). And we get into Christ only through the New Birth (John 3:3-5), which includes: faith in Christ as the Son of God, a turning away from all that God defines as sinful in His Word (Repentance), and a burial in water in the likeness of that of Jesus (baptism) - Romans 6:1-23; Acts 2:36-38.

Why not start in this direction by being with us for a detailed study of God's Word in Bible Classes this first Sunday of the New Year, at 9:30 a.m., for the morning and evening worship periods at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Then come back for further Bible study at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evening. Or we would be glad to talk with you about this at any time of day or night.

Several of our number enjoyed being with the residents at Twilite Acres Home for the afternoon devotional last Sunday.

A group of young people from the Rising Star Church of Christ went to Ranger last Monday evening for an area-wide Youth Rally, to mark, with Christian fellowship and discussion, the end of 1973 and the beginning of a New Year.

Congratulations are in order for Lynn Chambers and Ricky Purvis, on the occasion of their marriage in our meeting place last Saturday evening. Herchal McDonald, former minister here, performed the ceremony.

Our sick include: Earl Fussell, who is better now and has been moved out of Intensive Care at West Texas Medical in Abilene. Mrs. Matilda Elliott's condition has improved some, but she is still very weak. Clifford Hale has been quite ill the last several days. Everette Harris is now home and gaining in strength, but visits still need to be short and limited. Guy Houser, Curtis Alford's stepfather, has been moved from Eastland to Hendrick Hospital in Abilene for treatment. Buck Williams has not been doing well at all lately. Rena McClanahan is now home and would enjoy visits. Leonard and Belle Harris have been sick and unable to be out the last several days. Clyde Flanagan was taken to the Comanche Hospital last Sunday morning, for tests

and observation. Several others have been ill with flu and viral infections.

Hope all of you have a very good New Year! Call us if we can help you in any way.

**First Baptist
Church
Rising Star**

Thomas a Kempis said, "If every year we would root out one vice, we would soon become perfect men."

Looking over the past year the hindrances to our spiritual growth stand out in our minds.

Too often we have forgotten God's blessing to us. God's blessings should stimulate us to good works.

Too often we have neglected the church, Bible reading, prayer, etc. This should lead us to repentance.

Too often we have made vows (promises) which have not been kept. We must be careful of the promises we make. Every Christian should stand good for his word.

"Some alert minds which once grappled with new ideas and tough propositions are now satisfied with daily dribble", so said Gerald Kennedy. Is this true of us as Christians. We can easily sell ourselves short of what by God's grace we can become.

Let us this day take inventory. Am I a better Christian today than I was a year ago?

We cannot control the length of our lives, but we can control its width and depth.

Not only will we seek to "root out...vice" and this by taking inventory, we will take a positive step forward.

A pattern is given to us by Peter in his second letter. "It was through the excellence of his glory that we received the precious and very great gifts he promised to us, and it is through these gifts that you are enabled to escape the world's corruption, which is the fruit of unbridled passion, and so to become sharers in the divine nature. And this is the very reason why you must make up your minds to make every effort to equip your faith with virtue, your virtue with knowledge, your knowledge with self-mastery, your self-mastery with fortitude; your fortitude with godliness, your godliness with Christian friendliness; your friendliness with love. For, if you possess these virtues, and if you keep on growing in them, it will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive on your road to an ever deeper knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ". (A new Translation by William Barclay). What do you plan to do this new year?

Sunday Morning Message, "A New Beginning".

During the month of January our church will be studying Paul's letter to the Colossians. Churches of the Southern Baptist Convention will all unite in the "January Bible Study". The Pastor will be giving an introduction to this letter and study the first twelve verses Sunday Evening and Wednesday Bible study hour. All are invited to attend these studies.

Two important meetings coming this month: Church conference, January 9, and Church fellowship supper January 16.

**Nimrod
News**

Mrs. Evelyn Wigginton and her granddaughter of Oklahoma spent last week with their mother and grandmother Mrs. Beulah Sheridan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stroebel had their son Dennis and wife of Brownwood and Lorn and wife of Cisco for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wende of Cisco and the Charles Wendes of El Paso spent the holidays with their mothers Mrs. Jeff Graham and Mrs. Dan Wende. Most of Mrs. Wende's grandchildren were here for Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Julie Townsend spent the holidays at her ranch home with most of her children and grandchildren. Also Mrs. Edgar Townsend was a visitor there.

Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Livingston spent Christmas day with his sister the Emmett Johnsons in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schaefer and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wende visited the Wende's daughter and husband the Polsons in Mineral Wells Thursday.

Mrs. Conrad Schaefer has been visiting relatives in Austin for several days.

We welcome the J.W. Hobbs family who have moved to our community from Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Stroebel were in Eastland Monday and visited her great - great - nephew the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Dinky Hill who was born in Eastland Hospital Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Livingston of Denver, Colorado spent last weekend with his parents the C.A. Livingstons

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Townsend of Eastland visited Mrs. Edgar Townsend recently.

Mrs. Vernie Allen was Sunday guest of her daughter the Lewis Maryons in Cisco.

Mrs. Betty Nelson and son Marvin of Fort Worth spent the holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. Edgar Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Stroebel visited relatives and friends in the nursing home in Cisco Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gonzales, Kevin and Karen of Abilene visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Boggs.

**GOSSIP
(Did You Know?)**

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Phillips and son of St. Jo and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Claude Forbes and baby of Grapevine, visited Mrs. Olice Jones.

Visiting Mrs. B.B. Norris were Mr. and Mrs. Jess Gordon and Sydney of Abilene, La., Mr. and Mrs. David Prince and Vicki of Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Algood of Eastland, Bobby

Phillips and Sherry Jennings of Eastland and Mrs. Emma Morris.

Mrs. Lucy Boase visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rhamlow of Terrell, also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tutgens of Irving were there for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Ware were host to the following guests: Mrs. Fran White, Alison, Stuart and Carl of

Corsicana, Mr. and Mrs. James White of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ware of Arlington.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Steel and James were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Davis and Leslie of Mesquite, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey, Patti and Marylyn of Brownwood, Mrs. Herman Thompson of Brownwood, and David Steel of Arkadelphia, Ark.



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BY
Entha Campbell

Dear Sis
This is a column of May News dedicated to my sister Mrs. Norma McCoy of Beaumont. I rarely ever have time to write her a personal letter. So this is

my Merry Christmas to her and she will be getting a letter each week in the Rising Star.

Our sympathy is extended to the families of Mr. O.T.

Houston who died Dec. 4 and Mr. Mack Henry who was killed in a pedestrian - pickup accident Dec. 7 about dusk.

Sometime between midnight Friday and Saturday at 6 a.m. the Campbell's Country Store was broken into and robbed of approximately three thousand dollars of merchandise. Some of the empty cartons have been found and positively identified.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Glenn

are visiting their daughter K Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kilpatrick, Kavin, Laura in Cheyenne. They plan to be back home for Christmas.

The May Home Demonstration Club members have begun their help with plotting the May Cemetery. About 20 percent of the work has been done.

Mrs. Burl Wagon had surgery in the Brownwood

Community Hospital on Dec. 4. She is in satisfactory condition and plans to be home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Edgar Burnett is in the Brownwood Community Hospital and remains on the critical list.

Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Blissett of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. Maike Mabra last weekend.

Mr. Sam Altum had a good report when his doctor gave him his first checkup after surgery.

The FHA girls are very busily engaged in preparation of surprise packages for some people in our community. I gave them my name for the list several times.

Marshall spent Sunday, Dec. 9, with his mother Polly Campbell in Austin, Indiana.

We have been invited to a holiday luncheon on Dec. 23 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.K. Coppinger. And Christmas dinner with Ed and Pearl Petty - come on up Sis and we will decide what to do. I have a smoked turkey in the freezer.

The Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Smith of Phoenix are visiting his brother Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Smith. Leroy Smith is supt. of Missions in Phoenix and they are well acquainted with Richard Jackson who is pastor of North Phoenix Baptist Church now and was former pastor of Calvary Baptist here. Mr. Smith preached in the Sunday night service of First Baptist Church here.

The Calvary Baptist Church will have their Christmas program on Sunday night, Dec. 16, with a fellowship hour in the dining room after the program.

We send a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year greeting to all readers of this column.

Mr. Walter Chambers of Brownwood visited in the community Saturday.

Sincerely yours,
Entha Campbell



Caudle family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roach of Fort Worth, and Eldon Roach of Abilene were visitors of their mother, Mrs. John Roaches during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Butch Butler, Jody and JoLynn of Rocksprings, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Butler and Jamie of McCamey, Isla Carlock of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. David McGowen of Abilene were holiday visitors in Rising Star.

The John Kelley family was happy to have their children at home for Christmas. Visiting in the Kelley home were their two daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jarman and Jamie of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard McPherson and Jeffrey of Lubbock. Mr. Dan Haburn of Dallas was a Christmas Eve visitor in their home.

Nell Barnes of Dallas visited her mother, Mrs. Ethel Barnes over the holidays.

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