

National News



How Do You Like Her Now?

By Ron Walters
I've been listening and I haven't yet heard an apology to Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney from Cynthia Tucker, the black opinion editor of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution or Sen. Zell Miller (R-Ga.), both of whom characterized McKinney as dangerous, loony, wacko, nuts and generally irresponsible for intimating in a March 25 radio appearance that there were numerous warnings about September 11, and asking what the administration knew, when they knew it and why the American people were not warned. McKinney also pointed to the economic bonanza reaped by those invested in insurance and defense stocks both before and after the event. For that she was derided unmercifully by the Right-wing press, some of her colleagues in Congress and the White House.

Now it turns out that there were at least two memoranda that substantiate her position, indicating strong substantiate her position, indicating strong suspicion that something was afoot. One was a daily Central Intelligence Agency memorandum that was shown to George Bush on Aug. 6 suggesting that Al Qaeda members could be planning to carry out highjackings in the United States. The other was a memorandum prepared by an FBI agent in Phoenix which states that some of Osama bin Laden's followers could be training at American flight schools. This memorandum was in the control of the attorney general and FBI Director Robert Mueller III, but each claims he didn't brief Bush about the existence of the documents.

Now there appears to be some finger-pointing because CIA officials say they did not receive the FBI memo until a few weeks ago, which the FBI disputes. FBI officials say that the names of Middle Eastern men mentioned in the memo were brought to me attention of the CIA as early as the summer of 2001. They claim they were told by me CIA that the men were not under suspicion. The CIA argues that they did not give the memo priority because they were "distracted" by other matters.

In this policy failure, at stake is the credibility of Condoleezza Rice, national security adviser to the president. Rice also says that she did not see the Phoenix memo until after 9/11. However,

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Mrs. Hollins & Mrs. Brown's Lives Were Celebrated at Lyons Chapel

The lives of two Lubbock ladies were celebrated on Saturday evening, June 29, 2002, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church. The ladies were Mrs. Orphis W. Hollins and Mrs. Clara E. Brown. The theme of the program was "We Continue In Faith."

It's an often acknowledged fact that at the foundation of any family is the mother. Sister Hollins and Sister Brown are truly representative of strong women and mothers who have stood the test of time, and have overcome many storms and battles in their lives for the family's sake.

Both stood and continue to

stand on the promises of God — they stand still and trust in Him, because they know, He'll fight their battles and make a way out of no way.

These ladies share a love which extends beyond their immediate families, and touch the Lubbock community which is in need of a touch from God.

They never complain about God's plan for their lives — they just continue to praise Him for the golden opportunities to be a witness of His grace and mercy.

These women are master builders who are spiritually wealthy, for they're rich in love, knowledge, wisdom and faith.

The women of the Women's

Ministry of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church were honored to help celebrate the lives of Mrs. Hollins and Mrs. Brown, and wanted to give them their roses while they yet live.

Mistress of ceremonies was Sister Jackie Porch. Prayer was offered by Sister Dorothy Hood, with the scripture read by Sister Wanda McCarty. A glorious welcome was given by Sister Elnora Jones. A response was given by Sister Mary Paul, president of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Women Ministry.

After a presentation by the Praise Dancers of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, several people talked on the subject: "I



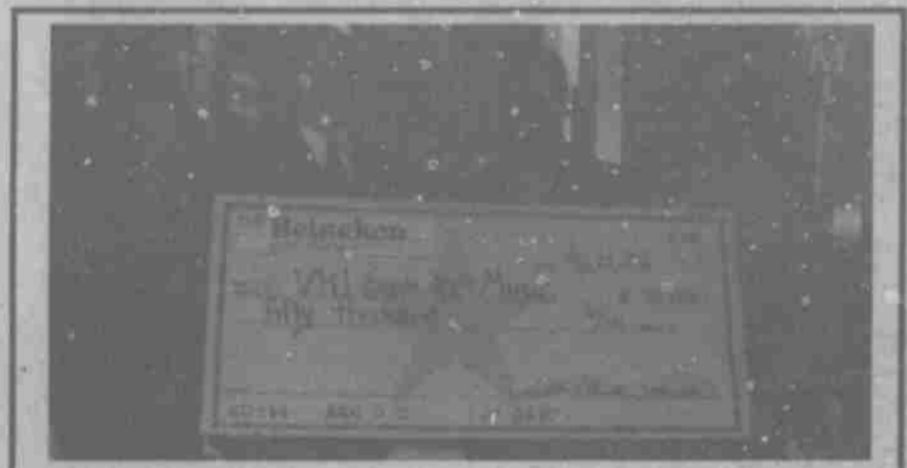
Orphis W. Hollins



Clara E. Brown

Remember When." Those speaking were Sister Tommy Ervin, Sister Mae Jessie Cage, Brother Thomas Payton and Sister Traci Snell-Jackson. Also, Sister Betty and Brother Joe Collins, Sister Lillian Shipman, Sister Roberta Hightower and Brother Samuel

Curtis. Presentation of gifts were presented to each lady. Special remarks were also given by Sister Shirley Cleveland, president of Women Ministry of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, and Rev. W. D. Davis, pastor.



Scott Hunter Smith of the Heineken Music Initiative presents VHI's Save the Music Foundation with a check for \$50,000. The Heineken Music Initiative is a not-for-profit organization created to raise funds for urban music education programs. L to R: VHI Save the Music Foundation's Jennifer Lynch and Robert Morrison with Scott Hunter Smith of the Heineken Music Initiative and Mark McIntire from VHI.

Black Group Condemns Anti-Pledge Ruling

Senate Faulted for Stalling Nominations of Qualified Nominees

An opinion issued by an understaffed federal court which outlawed children reciting the Pledge of Allegiance as an unconstitutional promotion of religion has outraged the membership of the African-American leadership network Project 21.

A panel of judges on the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals voted two-to-one that the Pledge's description of the United States as "one Nation, under God" violates the First Amendment's prohibition of the establishment of a state religion. Judge Alfred T. Goodwin, a semi-retired judge serving on the case due to judicial vacancies, wrote the opinion. He was joined by Judge Stephen Reinhardt.

"I guess Judge Goodwin was endowed by his creator with the inalienable right to misinterpret separation of church and state," said Project 21 member Council Ner'd. "The Founding Fathers were concerned about separation of church and state not because they opposed the mention or acknowledging of God, but because they did not want a state-imposed religion like the Church of England."

If this opinion is not challenged, it will be illegal for schoolchildren in Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Washington to recite the Pledge. The full 9th Circuit could be asked to review the ruling, or the U.S. Supreme Court could hear an appeal as early as this fall. The 9th Circuit ruling already conflicts with an earlier

ruling by the 7th Circuit upholding the constitutionality of the Pledge.

Over the past six years, the U.S. Supreme Court has overruled decisions by the 9th Circuit judges almost 90 percent of the time. Judge Reinhardt alone was reversed by the Supreme Court 11 times during the 1996-7 term.

A main reason why Goodwin, despite his semi-retired "senior status," was on the case was due to the fact that the court has five judicial vacancies. President George W. Bush has made three nominations to the court, but the liberal controlled Senate is stalling on dozens of the President's nominees — many of whom were nominated more than a year ago.

"When the 9th Circuit's ruling was announced, every senator in Washington rushed to vote in support of the Pledge of Allegiance. But many of these same senators are deceitfully engaging in partisan tactics that are keeping good judges from being confirmed to our courts," said Project 21 Director David Almasi. "Congressman Chris Cox was considered to this very court, but opposition from Senators Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer — who objected to Congressman Cox because he is devoutly religious — made him remove his name from consideration. Had these two senators not been so short-sighted and partisan, a foolish decision like the one that came down on the Pledge might never have happened."

Arlee Jackson Elected Vice District Governor of Lions Club International

Mr. Arlee Jackson was elected last month in Plainview, Texas at a District meeting of Lions Clubs International District 2-T2 as its Vice District Governor. Jackson was the favorite son of Century II Lions Club of Lubbock.

In his brochure, it showed his service, a family man, a man respected, a Lion who has paid his dues.

Jackson has been a Lion for 35 years, and has had a perfect attendance for those 35 years of service. Lion Jackson is the Charter President of the Century II Lions Club, and has also served as President of the Lubbock-United Lions Club. He has served this club as secretary for more than 20 years.

At the District level, he has served faithfully as a Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, now known as Region Chairman, LEO Committee Chairman, and three terms in the Chair of the Leader Dog Committee, topped off by serv-

ing a term as the District Governors Contest Chairman.

Lion Jackson has been elected delegate to three Lions Clubs International conventions.

In his recognition of his outstanding humanitarian works in behalf of his fellow man, Lion Jackson was presented the Melvin Jones Fellow Humanitarian Award by District 2-T2 in 1997.

He is a member and has faithfully served in the National Education Association, Texas State Teachers Association, Lubbock Educators Association, Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association, Lubbock Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association, National Head Start Association, and the Texas Head Start Association. He also served on the Board of Directors of the West Texas Cluster for Training and Technical Assistance.

In addition to 35 years service in Lionism, he is a member of the Lubbock Alumni Chapter of

Kappa Alpha Phi Fraternity, and he is the group's treasurer.

A member of St. John Baptist Church, Lion Jackson is a Deacon, a church trustee, President of the Choir, and serves as the church's treasurer. He is also President of the Federation of Choirs.

A retired administrator, Lion Jackson is, first and foremost, a loving husband and devoted father. He is married to his wife, Jeri.



LP&L Urges Caution for Kids Who Want to be 'Like Mike'

Lubbock Power & Light officials are joining other utility companies around the nation in urging children to stay away from power lines.

A scene in the new movie "Like Mike" shows a young teenager climbing on the roof to snag a pair of basketball shoes hanging on a power line. Lightning strikes, the shoes are energized and when the boy wears them, he has super pow-

ers on the basketball court.

"This is a classic case of 'don't try this at home,'" said LP&L Director Paul Thompson. "Young children who see this movie might not understand the danger associated with the high voltage electricity that power lines carry. Parents need to make sure they teach their kids to stay away from power lines at all times."

According to a Reuters report, utility companies are putting warnings on their web sites and are reaching out to the media to help spread the message. "As adults, we know the movie premise is fantasy. But children can't make that distinction," Thompson said. "Talk about the dangers of power lines with your kids. They need to understand that a power line can be deadly."

Combust on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals: "What were they thinking?"

"I believe this ruling is a serious, poorly reasoned that will not stand." — Justice of the Supreme Court, Justice Clarence Thomas, in dissent. "The Supreme Court since Congress asked it to do this in 1994, so how do we stand here?"

not required to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. That is one issue on which the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals did today almost body-shakes logic. EVERY U.S. dollar bill and coin in circulation contains the phrase "In God We Trust." Each day the Congress, Supreme Courts and school kids across America charge back days reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Let's see this poorly reasoned decision will not change that fact.

Our country has a strong history where religion and governmental work hand-in-hand (and the same noble persists). We in West Texas cherish our religious values. There are efforts afoot, as we see today, to quash religious references or representation in public places and institutions. I believe that this ruling demonstrates that our country needs more conservative judges stating our federal laws.

Today, I am sponsored a resolution supporting the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals' ruling.

Fashion Fun

by Shirley Roberson

SHOES, STEPPING PRETTY

At one time fashion conscious women needed only three pair of shoes, black, navy and bone, with these basic colors you could successfully coordinate any outfit in your closet. Life was plain and simple, not at all affected by the expectations and demands of society.

As the old saying goes, time changes things, it certainly does. Shoes, fashion and time changed coherently.

Ladies, summer is here bringing with it blue skies, sunshine and heat waves.

Everything is clear, hot, bright, light and quite colorful, and that is exactly what this season shoes reflects.

Have you been shoe shopping recently? Shoes will put a smile on your face and joy in your heart, its like being in a fantasy world, so much to see, choose from, try on and shoes enhances your ability to exercise the art of matching.

Dressy or casual, sandals or pumps, the correct selection of shoes will by all means compliment your total look. Don't settle for plain, regular shoe necessities. Get busy have fun, this summer the simplest styles



in shoes are heavily decorated, air brushed, hand painted, hand stitched, nail heads, clear and colored stones, brilliantly sequenced...strapless, backless, sling backs and flip flops, square toes, rounded toes, pointed toes, opened and closed toes and in between the toes.

Flats, semi-flats, high heels, low heels, heels that are wide, narrow, rectangular and triangular, shoes, shoes, beautiful, gorgeous, dazzling shoes.

Colors far beyond your imagination. Where ever you're going, what ever you're doing, the right shoes will let you do it in style.

Don't leave home half stepping, step proudly, step boldly and remember to always step pretty.

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Tip... For your total fashion look, always wear a smile

FASHION, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

Frisco Receives "Golden Mail" Recognition

Amarillo Lone Star Rising Star Award by Phil Price received recognition at the 19th Annual Gold Mail Awards on April 21, 2002. Lone Star Rising received one of the three Golden Mail Awards that were presented for new, unique or innovative advertising or public relations that added a "gold on touch" to an ad or sale. The award, which launched in June 2001 at the Lake Meredith Amphitheater, was nominated for a Golden Mail Award by Debra Wells, editor and publisher of the Frisco Eagle Press. About 400 nominations from Amarillo, and the surrounding area were made.

A Business Award, recognizing exceptional financial support of the fine arts by a business or corporation, was presented to Sorger Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) for their support of the Center for Texas Culture's Lone Star Rising.

Price, writer and director of Lone Star Rising, is a graduate of Amarillo High School, Texas Tech University and the Texas School of Writing. He is the owner of The Price Communications Group in Lubbock, which is one of the largest full-service advertising, media, public relations, design, broadcast production and internet marketing agencies in West Texas.

Tree-Identification Guide Book

Available From The National Arbor Day Foundation

"What Tree Is That?" a pocket guide for identifying trees, is available from The National Arbor Day Foundation.

The 72-page guide will help you identify 135 different trees found in the eastern and central U.S.

Well-known trees are included: oaks, maples, spruces, and pines. Also species such as horsechestnut and mockernut hickory, sassafras and shadbush, persimmon and pawpaw and pagodatree and pecan.

Dozens of drawings illustrate the trees' leaves or needles and their acorns, berries, seed pods, cones, and other identifying features.

"What Tree Is That?" is organized to make it easy to identify trees in a simple step-by-step fashion.

"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees is central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "Being able to identify trees is important to knowing how to care for them and now to plant the right tree in the right place."

To obtain your tree ID guide, send your name and address and \$3 to "What Tree Is That?" The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

Special Programs for Children Presented by Lubbock Public Library

The Lubbock Public Library is pleased to present a special program for children with Texas author and illustrator Scott Arbuckle. Mr. Arbuckle will be at the Mahon Library (1306 9th Street) on Monday, July 15 at 2 p.m. and the Godeke Branch Library (6601 Quaker) on Monday, July 15 at 4 p.m.

The Lubbock Public Library is pleased to present a children's program of traditional American music with brother and sister musicians Buddy and Tina Wright Buddy and Tina will play at the Patterson Branch Library (1836 Parkway Drive) on Wednesday, July 17 at 2 p.m. They will be at the Groves Branch Library (5520 19th Street) on Thursday, July 18 at 2 p.m.

These programs are for children of all ages. For more information, please call 775-2838.



JAY'S CORNER

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care" and Rev. Billy R. Moton is pastor. Our doors are always open for those of you who are looking for a church home. You are always invited to come and visit with us.

SERVICES BEGAN LAST Sunday morning with Sunday School, beginning at 9:30 a.m. with all teachers present and on time. For thirty minutes, all students received instruction about the morning lesson. At 10:15 a.m., teachers and students marched to the main auditorium where the morning lesson was highlighted. What a time all had in the Lord!

Last Sunday was Men's Day and the morning devotion was conducted by Brother Henry High and Brother Robert Cork, with the assistance of the Praise Team. What a time in the Lord!

The Men Chorus marched in the processional singing out of their hearts. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Aubrey Bracey. After the singing of selection by the Male Chorus, the morning scripture was read by Brother Everett McCutcheon, and prayer was given by Brother Harry Stokley.

There was another selection sung by the Male Chorus, followed by the responsive reading with the congregation standing and led by Brother Ulysses Beaty.

The morning hymn was "Jesus Is Calling." Pastor Moton gave his pastoral observation which is always well received by the congregation. After the singing of another selection by the Male Chorus, Pastor Moton delivered a powerful sermon. His subject was "God Hears The Cry Of The Abundant." His text was Psalm 22:1-2. What a message!

After the invitation to discipleship was extended by Pastor Moton, the morning announcements were read by Brother Virgil Johnson. All visitors were welcomed by Brother M. Roy White.

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick and shut in. A telephone call or a visit would help tremendously. Our prayers also go out to those who have lost loved ones. God is able.

Get Ready! It's time again for the Annual Church Picnic for the family of New Hope Baptist Church. It will be held Saturday, August 3, 2002, beginning at 4:00 p. m. at Booker T. Washington, which is located across from the church. This activity is designed for the whole church family. Everyone is asked to participate. Don't forget your T-shirt.

Members of the Pastor's Aid of New Hope will meet today, Thursday, July 11, 2002, at 6:30 p.m.

Let us not forget the 3rd Annual Women's Prayer Retreat on August 16th and 17th at the Ark in Amherst, and will close out on Sunday morning, July 18th, with morning worship services. Any New Hope women who would like to work in any capacity, please contact Sister Elnora Dyer, vice president; and Sister Joan Y. Ervin, president.

Annual Usber's Day will be held at New Hop Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, July 21, 2002.

The B.M.E. Congress of Christian Education will be held in Dallas, Texas July 22 through 26, 2002.

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Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course Perimeter Fence for The Texas Tech University System Lubbock, Texas Project No-97-18F
Competitive Sealed Proposals will be received for the following project:
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Project Manager: Debbie Cox- Contact via phone (806) 742-2116. Fax 806-742-2241 or e-mail: debbie-cox@ttu.edu.

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it is the job of the national security adviser to not wait until information hits him or her in the face, but to help set priorities and to demand corroborating information when it looks as if the security of the nation is jeopardized. She also has the lower to advise the president to convene the National Security Council, where most of the players in the game are sitting, and to influence the agenda of that body to bring up matters that she feels are important. So, why didn't Rice put two and two together, where was the brilliance then? I know, "distracted."
Rice had served in a sensitive position on the security council of the previous Bush administration and knew the games agencies like the CIA, NASA and FBI can play. They withhold information from each other in a jealous game of one-upmanship in order to improve their profiles in dealing with crises so that at budget time they can get father.
Furthermore, Rice also convinced Bush not to spend the precious little credibility that he had —after being given the presidency by the Supreme Court—in following up on Clinton's failed attempt to achieve peace in what looked like a quagmire in the Middle East. The downside of this decision, no doubt, was that it sent signals throughout the intelligence establishment about the president's priorities and may have influenced it not to pay much attention to what seemed like minor issues related to that region.
On the other hand, the credibility of Rep. McKinney should have been respected. She serves on both the Defense and International Relations Committees of the House. And so, Georgia Rep. John Lewis may have had it right when he said McKinney may have had access to information that reflected what has now come to light, which is often the case with members of Congress. It's a primary reason their questions are usually given some respect.
Why did McKinney's own hometown newspaper not give her the respect that they routinely gave former Georgia Rep. Newt Gingrich? Remember, he once said that "America is a series of romantic folk tales that just happen to be true." I know. They were "distracted".

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CHURCH DIRECTORY



**"WE THANK GOD FOR JESUS
AMERICA DON'T WANT GOD"**

MARK 12:12, JESUS SAID, A CERTAIN MAN PLANTED A VINEYARD, AND SET AN HEDGE ABOUT IT, AND DUGGED A PLACE FOR THE WINEVAT, AND BUILT A TOWER, AND LET IT OUT TO HUSBANDMEN, AND WENT INTO A FAR COUNTRY. AND AT THE SEASON HE SENT TO THE HUSBANDMEN A SERVANT, THAT HE MIGHT RECEIVE FROM THE HUSBANDMEN OF THE FRUIT OF THE VINEYARD.

AMERICA IS THAT VINEYARD; SHE HAVE BEEN BLESSED IN MANY WAYS, BUT HER FRUIT IT IS OF NO USE; UNLESS IT GETS SAVED.

MATTHEW 28:19, JESUS SAID, GO YE THEREFORE, AND TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST.

WHEN GOD BLESSED AMERICA; HE TOLD THEM WHAT HE WANTED THEM TO DO. BUT THE CHURCHES DIDN'T FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS; NOW LOOK AT THE FRUIT!!!!

ROMANS 1:21,22, BECAUSE THAT, WHEN THEY (THE CHURCHES) KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL; BUT BECAME VAIN IN THEIR IMAGINATIONS (DREAMERS), AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKEN, PROFESSING THEMSELVES (THE CHURCHES) TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS.

NOW AMERICA STOP FOLLOWING GOD; SO TO DO HER OWN THING, LOOK AROUND YOU PEOPLE; SHE IS NOTHING BUT SHAME, SHAME, SHAME.

*****THE CHURCHES ROB GOD?*****

THEY FOLLOW A DREAMER WHO WANTED MANKIND TO HAVE THEIR RIGHTS, NOW THEIR RIGHTS ARE WRONG, AND ITS SINFUL, DAY AND NIGHT.

ISAIAH 1:4a, AH SINFUL NATION, A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY, A SEED OF EVILDOERS, CHILDREN THAT ARE CORRUPTERS; THEY HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD.

(AMERICA RIGHTS; RUN AWAY CHILDREN RIGHTS, GAY RIGHTS, WOMAN RIGHTS, NO PRAYER IN SCHOOL RIGHTS, NO SPANKING RIGHTS, BLACK RIGHTS, WHITE RIGHTS, KKK RIGHTS, CONDOM IN KINDERGARTEN RIGHTS, SHACKING RIGHTS, BOMB THE FEDERAL BUILDING RIGHTS, BLACK SUICIDE RIGHTS, KILL THE FAMILY RIGHTS, ABORTION RIGHTS, CLONING RIGHTS, KILL THE TEACHERS RIGHTS, AND MANY MORE; THEY ARE OF THE DEVIL.)

PROVERB 14:12, THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO A MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH.

*****MAN'S RIGHTS ROB GOD?*****

THE PREACHERS AND THE CHURCHES; DIDN'T DO THEIR JOB; ITS TRUE, LOOK AROUND AMERICA; AT THIS HATEFUL AND UNLOVING FRUIT.

MATTHEW 24:11,12, JESUS SAID, MANY FALSE PROPHETS SHALL RISE, AND SHALL DECEIVE MANY. AND BECAUSE INIQUITY (SIN) SHALL ABOUND, THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL WAX (GROW) COLD.

GOD WAS TALKING TO AMERICA; WHEN THE TWO TOWERS CAME DOWN, HYPOCRITE AMERICA; UPON HER LIPS; GOD'S NAME WAS FOUND!!!

JOHN 14:6, JESUS SAID, I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.

NO MAN COMETH UNTO THE FATHER, BUT BY ME. ON 9/11 AMERICA BECAME ONE COUNTRY, UNDER THE TRUE AND ONLY GOD, BUT SHE WANT TO TAKE HIS NAME; CUT OF HER PLEDGE; SHE IS NOT SMART.

LUKE 19:14, JESUS SAID/ HIS CITIZENS HATED HIM (JESUS), AND SENT A MESSAGE AFTER HIM SAYING; WE WILL NOT HAVE THIS MAN (JESUS) TO REIGN OVER US.

*****WILL YOU TAKE HIS NAME OFF THE MONEY?*****

AMERICA PLEASE; LOOK AROUND; TROUBLE IS ALL OVER THIS LAND, ITS HARVEST TIME; THE MASTER GARDENER HIS TIME IS AT HAND.

WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY B.J. MORRISON/11/1



**from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith
"Oh What A Friend"**

The seventeenth-century English preacher, John Bunyan is most famous for having written the Christian classic "Pilgrim's Progress." In this book Bunyan talks about a fictional character who learns what it means to be a genuine disciple of Christ One of the truths he learns is that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross has thoroughly cleansed him of sin.

Bunyan had realized the truth about Christ's atoning sacrifice when he struggled with his own sins. Through his experiences Bunyan came to understand that Christ had made him holy in the sight of God. Bunyan imagined the voice of God saying to him, "Sinner, thou thinkest that because of thy sins and infirmities I cannot save thy soul, but behold my Son is by me, and upon him I look, and not on thee, and will deal with thee according as I am pleased with him." Bunyan came to understand what a friend he had in Jesus.

There are a lot of things friends

share today including secrets, tickets to games and other social functions, notes for, test, cars, time, a shoulder to cry on, a warm handshake of welcome, and much more; however, the greatest thing a friend could ever share with someone he or she truly cares about is Jesus Christ. All of the ideal attributes which we would hope to find in a friend—compassion, care, concern, encouragements all of these find their ultimate expression in Jesus and no other.

Some fourteen years ago when I was going through a crisis, 99 percent of my so called ministerial friends of my faith, shunned away from me for the fear of being intimidated by the powers that be. However, my friend Jesus has always stood by me both in good times and bad times. He came not to intimidate, but to enter into an intimate relationship with you and me. He moved to our level to look us in the eyes and love us from his heart. That's really the message Paul was trying to convey when he said, "Who, being in the very nature God, did not consider equality with God

something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!" (Philippians 2:6-8, NIV)

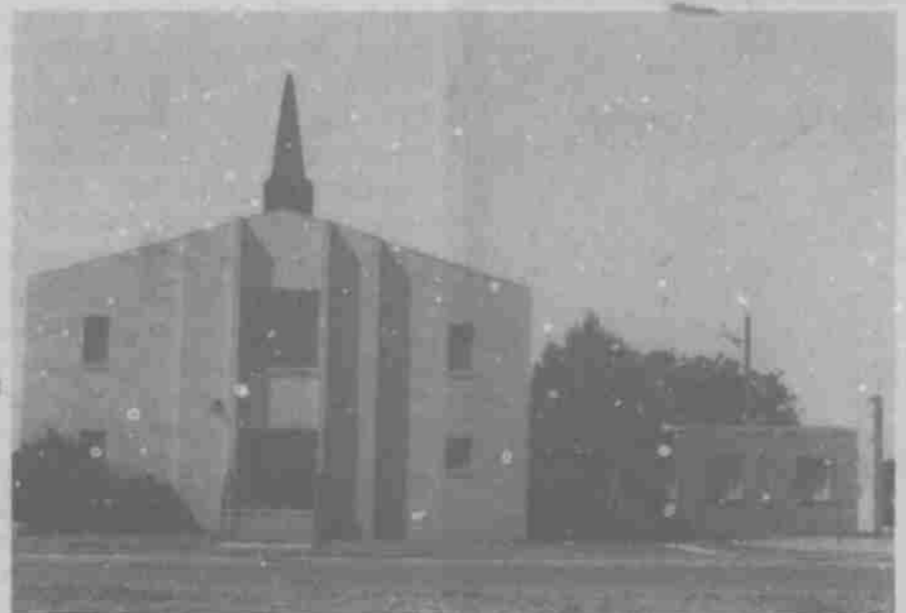
We ought to learn that there is not a friend like Him who get down on his knees and look us straight in the eyes. Do you realize how awesome this is? Do you realize that He who has taken on our flesh and blood is God Himself—the One who thundered from Mt. Sinai, the One who split the sea so that His friends wouldn't get bogged down in the mire of life; the One who announced the arrival of salvation through the birth of a little virgin named Mary. He is God. The One who knit us together in our mother's womb. The One who opened our eyes for the first time and every time since. The One who gives us breath of life even at this very moment. The One who hung the stars in the heavens, created the atom, taught the spider how to spin a web, provides food for the

fish of the sea, shelter for the birds of the air, and hope for the hopeless. Oh what a friend!

Jesus entered our existence. He cried our tears. He suffered our pain so that He could not only identify with our experiences, but so that He could remedy them with His abundant love.

I like what the writer of Hebrews tells us: "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way just as we are—yet without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." (Hebrews 4:15-16, NIV)

Modern-day friendship is flimsy, weak, wobbly, fragile, but those of us who have been "born again" and washed in the "crimson flow" know we have a friend who sticks closer than a brother, a friend like no other, and His name is Jesus! Do you know Him?



Here is a photo of one of our landmarks in the Black Community. It is the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, which is the oldest Black Church in Lubbock County, Texas. This Church is located at 2511 Fir Avenue. Rev. J.J. Johnson is pastor.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The regular meeting of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning. The meeting began with songs of praises and prayer was offered by Sister Christene Burleson, vice president. Others also participated in praying. The morning lesson was taught by Sister Elnora Jones. Her subject was "Teach Me, Lord, To Wait." Her scriptures were Psalm 62:5; Psalm 33:20; Proverbs 20:22; Psalm 27:13-14; Psalm 37:34; Isaiah 40:31; I Corinthians 2:9; and St. Luke 18:1-2.

We're a nation of quickaholics. We have fast food restaurants, jiffy markets, jiff car wash, one day dry cleaners, instant coffee, express lanes, express mail. We can get our eye-glasses in an hour, engine oil changed in 10 minutes.

The danger lies in the fact that: are we taking time to seek an intimate relationship with God? Jesus told his disciples to go into Jerusalem to wait for the promise of God. In Luke, they were told to wait until they receive power. Waiting brings about expectation. They were expecting to receive what they were waiting for. Waiting involves more than time. Waiting means to watch. Jesus told his disciples to watch with me one hour.

He meant for the disciples to do more than just sit for time to pass. We are to watch, fight and pray. The word wait in Hebrew means twisted. Our heart waits until God answers. We have to cooperate with God's time, rather than our own. We may cry how long, O Lord? We still hold on. God rewards our waiting, if we are obedient. Psalm 37:34.

Why wait? God gives more promises to those who wait. Waiting is faith and hope. Waiting involves time — means to submit. The apostles in Acts 6:4 chose to wait on God rather than tables.

How do we wait? We must chose to wait. The five wise virgins came prepared with extra oil to wait through the night. The five foolish virgins brought only the oil that was in their lamps, because they didn't expect to wait. Often times, we don't prepare to wait, and miss out on extraordinary blessings. Jeremiah 14:22. We will wait upon thee.

Don't look at the circumstances.

Waiting doesn't depend upon our surrendering and our appearances. We have to hope when there seem no hope. Jesus told his disciples they should always pray and not give up. Luke 18:1-8. Sometimes God delays our answers.

If we are waiting patiently, we want to tolerate distractions, distractions messes up your thoughts. Satan's scheme.

How do we know, we're waiting?

David cried, my should only wait upon God. Psalm 62:5. God will give us our heart's desire, if we wait on him. Our waiting must continue beyond our prayers. When we are waiting, we don't get upset if our expectations are not met. We have to hang on to faith, even during disappointments. If God always answered our prayer quickly, we would be shortchanged. There are benefits in waiting. Spiritual growth in waiting. We hold onto our confident, expectations, God is faithful.

Waiting is a test. On one hand, we are doing nothing. On the other hand, we are doing all we can. Waiting means perseverance. Waiting means to endure. Timothy 2. Thou, therefore, endure hardness as a good soldier. If a soldier is put on the frontline, he will still fight the battle.

In conclusion, Hab. 2:3; though it wait for it because it will surely come. God wants us to wait on him in prayer and beyond.

Thanks, Sister Jones. We love you. For the word is power.

Sister Verlina Carroll and Sister Irma Crawford desired special prayers.

Also our sick, the bereaved families and those in need of Prayer is needed in various kinds of problems and prayer will bring results.

Come by our next meeting. We will announce the location in this article. Thanks for reading, good people, and keep praying for your leader, and all of those who are over you. Pray, America! LIFT UP! THE NAME OF JESUS! WE LOVE YOU cut there, really!

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christene Burleson, vice president; and Sister Joyce Ross, secretary.

Vacation Bible School Set at St. John Baptist Church

The St. John Baptist Church is sponsoring its annual Vacation Bible School, July 9 through 12, 2002. Classes will be held from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Rev. Solomon Fields is pastor. The church is located at 1712 East 29th Street.

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City Wide Ushers Meeting

Members of the City Wide Ushers will meet at the Fifth First Missionary Baptist Church, 1504 East 15th Street, on Saturday, July 13, 2002, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Rev. N.R. Canch is host pastor. It is important for all of us to attend as we need to make plans for our next breakfast. Without your presence, it might not be successful (smile). So all of you come, even Bethel we want you to be with us.

Sharon Nimmo Darwood, reporter

In Remembrance...

Ponder Points by Peary Perry

Another point about Paul Revere...in addition to using a silverfish, he was also a dentist. Learned how to repair false teeth and to clean teeth from another surgeon.

Straight...what we call a "French kiss" here in America is called an English kiss in France.

Afternoons on Venus can get up to 984 degrees. Better bring some good sunscreen.

The only NBA game in which neither team scored more than 20 points happened on November 22, 1950...the Minneapolis Lakers (now the L.A. Lakers) beat the Fort Wayne (now Detroit) Pistons by a score of 19 to 18.



S.C. COVINGTON

Funeral services for S. C. Covington were held at the Unity Baptist Church with Rev. R. D. Adams, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Covington died Tuesday July 2, 2002.

He was born July 7, 1928, in Hugo, Oklahoma. He married Margie Neloms in 1998. He was a trucker and a Baptist.

He is survived by four sons:

S. C. Jr. Covington, Charles Covington, Curtis Neloms and James Neloms, all of Lubbock, Texas; a daughter, Elaine Nelome; nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

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Question: How can I believe that God really will answer my prayers?

Answer: The answer is very simple. God promised He would answer our prayers. Since it is impossible for God to lie (Hebrews 6:18), if He says He will answer our prayers, then He will. I suppose the concern comes about because we are not sure how He is going to answer or when He is going to answer. Let me offer some reasons that you can be assured that He will answer.

Firstly, Look at His track record, he has always answered prayer. The Bible teaches us that God is faithful (1 Corinthians 10:13) and Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, yes and forever (Hebrews 13:8). God is a covenant keeper. He has never broken an agreement that He has made. "O Lord the God of Israel, there is no God like Thee in heaven above or on earth beneath, who art keeping covenant and showing loving kindness to Thy servants who walk before Thee with all their heart" (1 Kings 8:23). God is faithful even if we are not. "What then? If some did not believe, their unbelief will not nullify the faithfulness of God will it" (Romans 3:3)? Jesus says what you ask in my name it shall be given (John 14:12-14).

Secondly, the Lord has a plan for your life and in order to receive His guidance we must pray and God must answer if we are to receive His guidance in our lives. "For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call on Me and pray to Me, and I will listen to you, and you will seek Me and

find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:11-13).

Thirdly, ask some of the older Christians that you know if God answers prayer. Sometimes we need to have a witness. We believe what the Bible says, it's just that sometimes we need someone in flesh and blood to verify what we already believe. You will get a resounding, "Child, yeah God answers prayer. You wouldn't be here if He didn't." Those gray-headed Christians who have walked with Jesus for decade after decade know how faithful God is. Not only do they know His faithfulness, they have also learned His time-table. They will tell you that God does not always come when you want Him to, but He's never late. These saints have learned to wait expectantly for the Lord (Micah 7:7). They offer up their prayer and then sit on the edge of their spiritual seats waiting for God to answer. They can testify to the faithfulness of their God. They have no reservations about Him answering prayer. The older saints can testify to how they prayed for their children when danger was near and God protected them. They can give the amen to how the Lord healed their family of sickness. They gladly proclaim how the Lord carried them through a time of grief. They joyfully affirm that only God can heal the broken heart. These saints can witness to how God speedily brought about justice for them. They know the jubilation of seeing loved ones freed from prison and put back on the right track. Most of all they know the liberation from the bonds of sin and a Devil's hell. If you want to know if God will answer your prayer, ask those whose prayers He answers all the time. They will tell you about the God of

Heaven. They ought to write that down somewhere, maybe in Romans 6:17-18 would be a good place to put that.

Do not worry about how and when God is going to answer your prayers. Worrying simply takes away the spiritual energy you need to pray with. When you find yourself worrying stop at that instant and start praying. If you focus on worry, you cannot concentrate on prayer. The only thing the child of God needs to be concerned with is seeking God and His righteousness and all of things we need will be given to us (Matthew 6:33). God is faithful. He will answer our prayers. This truth will give us strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

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Gerald P. Jackson

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Help for Victims of Crime

Q: My husband is in the military and is stationed in Texas. Recently, he was the victim of a drunk driver. We were told that he couldn't apply for crime victims' compensation because he isn't a Texas resident. Is this true?

A: No it isn't. Your husband is eligible to apply to the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses resulting from his accident. He is considered to be a resident of Texas for the purposes of the Crime Victims' Compensation program. Unfortunately, many victims of violent crime and are not aware

of this fact. My office administers the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, which helps victims of violent crime and their families pay for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as a result of the crime. To be eligible to apply, a person must be a United States resident and a victim of a violent crime that occurs in Texas or a Texas resident who becomes a victim of a crime in a country that does not have a compensation program. In addition, the victim must report the crime to the appropriate law enforcement entity within a reasonable period of time and file the application for compensation within three years of the date of the crime.

Qualified applicants include victims of a violent crime, a dependent of a victim, someone who is injured while trying to help a victim of a crime, immediate family or household members of a victim who require counseling as a result of the crime, and peace officers or fire fighters who are injured in the line of duty.

Crimes that are covered by the Fund include sexual assault, robbery, assault, homicide, DWI, and failure to stop and render aid, among others. Property crimes such as theft are not covered under the Fund.

Qualified applicants may be approved to receive up to \$50,000 in financial assistance. There are strict guidelines as to which expenses may be covered by the fund. Qualified expenses include medical bills, psychiatric care, relocation assistance for victims of family violence and sexual assault that occurs in a victim's residence, loss of earnings or support, funeral or

burial expenses, and travel expenses to participate in the criminal justice proceedings related to the crime. Victims who suffer catastrophic injuries are eligible for additional benefits.

Q: My car was stolen and never recovered. I need help buying a new car so that I can get to work every day. I applied for Crime Victims' Compensation and was declined. I was a victim of a crime, why won't you replace my car?

A: The Legislature set up strict limits on what expenses can be reimbursed by the Crime Victims'

Compensation Fund. The goal of the Fund is to help victims of violent crime cover expenses incurred as a result of the crime. This does not include stolen or damaged property such as a car. Generally, other sources such as homeowner's or car insurance can help cover property loss.

In addition, there is no provision in the Fund for payments for pain and suffering as a result of the crime. The Fund is intended to reimburse victims only for actual expenses incurred.

For more information on the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, visit our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us. You can download an application form through the Crime Victim Services section of our Web site. You can also request an application by calling (800) 983-9933 or (512) 936-1200 in the Austin area.



Olive Loaf made with BRIDGFORD FROZEN BREAD DOUGH

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Simply purchased olive spread fills Bridgford Frozen Bread Dough to make delicious bread. Olive spreads with garlic, assorted chopped olives, and spices can be purchased at club stores or larger grocery stores in their deli sections. This bread is so incredibly easy to make. Simply flatten out thawed Bridgford Bread Dough to a rectangle. Spread olive mixture down the center, fold over each side of dough and seal edges. Place seam side down on pan, let rise only until puffy and bake. To make a delicious appetizer, thinly slice baked loaf and serve. A great bread to bake for summer entertaining.

Olive Loaf
 • 1 loaf Bridgford Frozen Bread Dough, thawed
 • 1/2 cup purchased olive spread*
 • 2 tablespoons olive oil or melted butter

Lightly grease a large baking sheet, set aside. On a lightly floured surface, roll out the thawed loaf into a 10 x 12-inch rectangle. Evenly spread olive mixture lengthwise down center third of dough. Fold over each side of dough (12 inch sides) and seal seams. Place loaf, seam side down on prepared baking sheet. Brush dough with oil or butter. Let dough rise until puffy. Bake

in preheated 375-degree oven for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and brush with additional oil or butter. Remove from pan to cool on wire rack.

*Olive spread can be found at some warehouse club stores in the gourmet deli section or in deli or olive area of your grocery store. It is a mixture of chopped olives, garlic and spices.
YIELD: 12 slices

Nutritional Information:
 Servings 12, Calories 150, Fat 7g, Cholesterol 0mg, Sodium 240mg, Total Crb 20g, Protein 3g.

Vouchers Offer Hope to Black Families Supreme Court Decision to Provide Choice in Areas with Failing Schools.

The U.S. Supreme Court's June 27 decision upholding the constitutionality of school vouchers is hailed by the African-American leadership network Project 21 as a major leap forward in providing inner-city minority children with access to a quality education. "The Supreme Court's decision on vouchers is a clarion call," said Project 21 member Council Nedd. "This is an opportunity for parents to get their children out of substandard schools and be afforded an opportunity to truly learn." In its decision the Court upheld the constitutionality of an existing voucher program in Cleveland, Ohio by overturning a lower court ruling that claimed the program was a violation of the Constitution's guarantee of the separation of church and state. In his opinion, Chief Justice William Rehnquist wrote that the voucher program "is entirely neutral with respect to religion. It provides benefits directly to a wide spectrum of individuals, defined only by financial need and residence in a particular school district."

The Cleveland program pays up to \$2,250 a year for qualifying students ranging from kindergarten to 8th grade to cover tuition at public, private or parochial schools of their parents' choice. In Cleveland, the average income for households receiving vouchers is \$19,000 a year. Last year the Cleveland Public Schools — the only other option for poor households besides the voucher

program — met only four of Ohio's 27 performance standards and only graduated 36 percent of students out of the system. Currently, only Cleveland, Milwaukee and the state of Florida have voucher programs that allow parents with children in poor-quality schools to enroll them in alternative institutions. According to Clint Bolick of the Institute for Justice: "This decision removes a major impediment to school choice legislation around the nation. At least half a dozen states... should see significant action." In addition, the Bush Administration is promoting a \$2,500 per child educational tax credit in its 2003 budget.

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“The Red, White & Blue: It’s About You and Me!”

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Get this extraordinary new book by Mr. Bennett, and find out the real story including Abraham Lincoln's desire to deport Blacks and create an all-white nation. Find out why President Lincoln was literally forced into glory. If Lincoln had had his way, Oprah Winfrey, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Jesse Jackson, Lena Horne, Muhammad Ali, Hank Aaron, Maya Angelou, Malcolm X, Rosa Parks and even Clarence Thomas would have been in slavery. "Forced In Glory."

Famous words of Lincoln: "If I could save the Union without freeing any slaves, I would do it. If I could do it by freeing all slaves, I would do it. If I could save the Union by freeing some and leaving others along, I would do that. What I do about slavery and the colored race, I do because I believe it helps the Union for that the Lincoln phony era is gone. The true Al Edwards era is now. The celebration was successful. The only complaint

was no religious services.

July 4th is always successful. When America became a free nation in 1776 from being a British Colony. Since September 11th, the patriotism has multiplied across the United States of America — "One Nation Under God." The past celebration was a huge success. The only problem and complaint this writer received was we had a real American hero here who happened to be a Black fireman from New York. In this writer's opinion, he did not get the publicity he should have received. Most people, including this writer, did not know who he was on the fire truck which was in the parade. My co-worker said: "If people would have known who he was, he would have had much more applause and ovations."

Just think about this — a real live American hero who was at the Twin Towers on that day in history and happened to be Black. He was in Lubbock on July 4, 2002. He was Dwayne Palmer of the New York Fire Department.

We have been blessed to have gone through two Independence Days. The forgotten one is Juneteenth, June the 19th, when some Americans were not notified they were free — from not foreign government or not even from some foreign hostile government, but free other Americans. Yes, Americans — Home of the Brave! Land of the free! Black folks, free from Americans!

"Forced Into Glory", Abraham Lincoln's White Dream, by Lerone Bennett, Jr., who is also senior editor of Johnson Publication and publishers of Jet and Ebony Magazines. This is a book which challenges the way you look at yourself, Abraham Lincoln in the Civil War, race, and American history. "Forced Into Glory."

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In Cinque

by Renetta W. Howard

School is out and summer is in. This is the season of the year which tries the souls of parents. This is the time when a parent can get a feel of what they may or may not be doing right in the rearing of their children. Well trained and well-behaved children will demonstrate just how 'good' or how 'bad' they really are during the summer months especially if they are not in summer school.

Of course, summer school generally does not carry with it all of the pressures of the regular school year anyway, but it does provide some activity with which the mind is deterred from destructive actions. Athletic pursuits such as track, soccer, tennis, golf, baseball and a few other sports also provide some detractions from idleness during the summer. The

children still want to be children. So, regardless to the activities in which they are involved, they still want to do what all other children are doing when they are not in school or on the athletic field or practicing for a musical concert.

That brings me back to my first posture, that the effectiveness of upbringing comes into play when children are not being positively led in an activity. Their moral maturation is tested when they have a lot of time on hand to do as they please. Often, they will do as someone else pleases depending on their level of moral maturation. Peer pressure is superfluous! The most conscientious parent cannot always win over peer pressure.

Peer pressure is one of the greatest causes of adolescent crimes and misdemeanors. Too many parents

try to show their children the way to go, but fail to walk in the paths themselves. PARENTS MUST LEAD their children. You cannot show them where to go if you do not go yourself. If you do not go, they will follow whoever goes. Too often, the path the child takes is not the one we wanted him to follow in. Once in the wrong path, it may be difficult to get him out of it without a lot of headache and heartache and empty pocketbooks.

There are a lot of latchkey children out there. I am speaking from experience. I was one and I raised one. All is well, but moral maturation was the key to success. It has to come from the home. School, Sunday schools and churches cannot work successfully without that basic input from the home and parents who are the real role models. To insure successful unplanned activities for our children, we need to get in cinque! and make sure that our children are morally mature and have the will power not to bend under peer pressure, but to follow their parental guidance and leadership.

Texas Department of Health offers food safety tips for barbecues, picnics

Summertime picnics and barbecues can move the food and the fun to the outdoors, getting the cook out of the kitchen heat.

But there can be more to worry about than just an army of ants when dining in the open air. Unseen and often unnoticed, harmful bacteria can multiply in the warm weather, potentially bringing food borne illnesses to the table.

"People need to take extra precautions with food when they get ready for a picnic or barbecue," said Deborah Marlow with the retail foods division at the Texas Department of Health (TDH). "These safety checks need to begin at the grocery store and end with leftovers."

Keeping cold foods cold and hot items hot is the basis of food safety. "When shopping," Marlow said, "buy cold food such as meat and poultry last. Don't let raw meat or poultry juices drip on other foods in your shopping cart, put them in separate plastic bags."

She also suggested taking the groceries home immediately. "In the summer, if you are traveling more than 30 minutes, put perishable food in a cooler with ice."

Next comes safety with cooking. "Completely defrost meat and poultry in the refrigerator before grilling so these foods cook evenly," Marlow said. Marinate meat and poultry in the refrigerator as well; not on the counter. "If you use marinade both with raw food and as a sauce on cooked food, reserve part of it in a separate container before adding the raw meat or poultry."

For backyard picnics or barbecues, keep meat and poultry refrigerated until ready to use. "But if you are traveling, keep food in an insulated cooler with

enough ice to keep the food at 41 degrees F or lower," Marlow said. Keep the cooler out of the direct sun and avoid opening the lid

often, she added. "Be sure to pack beverages in one cooler and perishables in another."

Never consume the ice that is used to store the food or beverages. Wipe off the beverage cans or bottles before drinking; especially if they have been buried in the ice.

If you partially cook food in the

microwave, oven or stove to reduce grilling time, do it right before the food goes on the grill.

When it is time to cook the food; be sure to cook it thoroughly; Marlow said. Grilled food may brown quickly on the outside. A meat thermometer gives accurate internal temperatures.

Beef, veal and lamb steaks and roasts should be cooked to 145 degrees F; pork and ground beef to 155 degrees F. Poultry should reach 165 degrees F.

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Combs Calls Mexico Water Release A "Bad Deal For Texas"

AUSTIN—Agriculture Commissioner Susie Combs today called the recent Mexican water release agreement a "bad deal for Texas and an insult to the agricultural producers and all the citizens of the Rio Grande Valley."

"What the agreement boils down to is merely a 'contingency assignment' of 90,000 acre-feet from the Amistad and Falcon reservoirs and is a conditional payment on Mexico's 1.5 million acre-feet debt," Combs said. "If you take a look at the conditions, once again Texas and the Rio Grande Valley come up high and dry."

"Most significant, the payment is contingent on whether the 90,000 acre-feet is offset by water flowing from Mexican rivers into Amistad and Falcon reservoirs by Oct. 26, 2002. For example, if only 50,000 acre-feet flows into Amistad and Falcon reservoirs from Mexico by Oct. 26, then the United States is required to credit Mexico with 30,000 acre-feet of our water," Combs said.

"In addition, Minute 308 requires the United States to credit Mexico with 28,845 acre-feet of water for conveyance losses from evaporation and seepage, so at best, Texas only nets a little more than 60,000 acre-feet," Combs said. "This is too little, too late and too unbelievable."

"Our position from the very beginning is that Mexico owes us the water, and they should have started transferring the water months ago when it would have helped farmers and ranchers in the Rio Grande Valley."

"What's even worse," Combs said, "is that while Mexico has refused to release the water it owes the United States, Mexico has also been illegally diverting water from the Rio Grande at El Múrate which adds up to 36,000 acre-feet per year."

"This is water robbery, and the token release is nothing more than an old-fashioned 'confidence game' with the Texas Rio Grande Valley as the victim," Combs said.

"I have often said, 'You cannot run or move away from being black, you cannot graduate from being black, and you cannot gain enough wealth to remove your blackness.' Unfortunately, some

of us think we can, and we are sadly disappointed when we find our efforts are futile. Nevertheless, some of us continue to try to assimilate and feel so graciously endowed and "extra special" when allowed in the inner-sanctuaries of white-owned corporations, country clubs, boards, and all of the other positions that make some of us feel privileged.

Some of our people, to this day, desperately continue to seek that special title of being the first black," and use it to rank themselves over others. "What do those folks think when they stand absolutely alone and look at themselves? What do they do when faced with a decision that will impact, either positively or negatively, on another black brother or sister? What do they do when no one is looking?"

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Being Black When No One Is Looking

By James Chigwin

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Someone said good character is "doing the right thing when no one is looking." Being black has the same application for me. Some of us are so enamored by the trappings of society that when placed in a situation where

someone is watching, especially whites, we tend to do and say what it is. We want to be accepted as equals, as peers. This is especially true in the work-place. It's the "mask" we wear. But, even if you are one of those black folks, there will still be times when you will face the reality of your blackness. There will come a time when you will have to make a decision, when no one is looking, for instance, to make a purchase from a black-owned business. You may encounter an opportunity to help your brother or sister in a way that may not sit too well with white folks if they found out. What will you do?

Many black people make those kinds of decisions everyday. Our level of consciousness more times than not determines what our final decision, when no one is looking, for instance, to make a purchase from a black-owned business. You may encounter an opportunity to help your brother or sister in a way that may not sit too well with white folks if they found out. What will you do?

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