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## Meet your new editor— Chuck Winter, N7AAG, to fill *The Beam* editor's chair

*When Chuck Winter, N7AAG, agreed to take on the editorship of The Beam, I asked him to send me a biographical sketch. His account follows.* —Ed.

I was born in Modesto in California's San Joaquin Valley. We later moved to Southern California and located in the small community of Banning. At the age of 16 I received Christ as my Savior through the witness of my Uncle Charlie. This British-born evangelist would later perform the marriage ceremony for us. My high school days were spent in Banning as well as two years pursuing an A.A. degree from San Bernardino Valley College.

In the spring of 1954 I was pre-enrolled in the School of Forestry at Oregon State College in Corvallis. I left home aboard my three-speed Schwinn bicycle on a route that would take me from my home in the high desert to coastal Highway 1 and north along the California coastline. The

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## ARMS co-founder, Bob Matthews, W3BBM, now with the Lord

On March 2, 1957, Bob Matthews, W3BBM, joined four other Christian hams to establish the Amateur Radio Missionary Service.

On March 5, 2005, at the age of 90, W3BBM became a silent key. He joins three other ARMS founders, William "Doc" Mierop, K2JEI, Leonard Van Saun, W2RJQ, and Sherman Milligan, W3CGH, as members of the Glory Net. Only Dick Harris, K7VCD (ex-K2MBT) is still with us, living in Mountlake Terrace, Washington.

In 1938 Bob founded the church in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania which he would continue to pastor for the next



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## ARMS Motto

*Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*  
 Galatians 6:10 (NIV)

## From the editor's desk:

It is with very mixed emotions that I write this, my last editorial for *The Beam*. I have felt that with my wife's deteriorating health and my own advancing age (I will be 75 this summer), it was time, after 12 years, to pass the editor's pencil (and eraser) to someone else. I am very pleased that Chuck Winter, N7AAG, has agreed to take on the task.

I have enjoyed editing *The Beam*. While I had a lot of fun doing the layout and fitting all the articles and photos into the allotted space, the job provided much more for me. I cherish the many friendships that have developed through this position. I appreciate the cooperation that so many of you have given me over the years in submitting material in a timely manner. I trust that you will continue that cooperation with the new editor.

It has been interesting to note the changes that have taken place in just those 12 years. When I began, we were still publishing skeds with overseas missionaries. Faxes and e-mails have changed all that. While I was using a desktop publishing program to do the layout of the newsletter, the printing was done by a professional printer by the offset press process. All photos had to be made into halftones by the printer. That meant providing them with the original photos, each on a separate sheet of paper, with enlargement or reduction indicated, the amount of cropping and the location in the publication all marked on the sheet. Now the printing is done on a high-resolution photo-copier, and I insert all the photos directly into the copy with my computer, allowing me to do a considerable amount of editing of the photos before hand. I have been able to crop out unwanted background, remove blemishes and even insert missing individuals into photos. (You never knew, did you?)

So, life goes on. I will continue to be as active with the ARMS group as my situation allows. It has been a wonderful experience. You are a great group of folks. Carry on the good work.

—Dave Shortess, W7PTL

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farther north I traveled the more impressed I became with an insistent prompting from the Lord that it was far more important to rescue souls than to save trees. As I neared the Oregon state line I received an urgent night letter telling me that my father had to have surgery and I needed to return home.

During the following year I became more active in my home church in Cherry Valley, California. Forestry as a career choice began to fade as I sought the Lord's direction for my life. I was given a scholarship from the church to attend Grace College in Northern Indiana. This Christian school not only taught me, but also fed me on the precious Word of God. Oh, and I met a girl while I was there.

In 1957 I graduated with a B.A. degree and "the girl" — Marilyn, the farmer's daughter — and I were married the same year. We saw the Lord's gracious hand in allowing our paths and hearts to cross. I went on to attend seminary, and Marilyn graduated and began teaching 5th grade in Milford, Indiana.

I was making tentative plans to enter a mission ministry in Taos, New Mexico, when we were approached about joining a fledgling gospel broadcast production organization called Missionary Tapes, Inc. (MTI), in Altadena, California. We were betwixt and between. It was then we sought the advice of Uncle Charlie. He shared with us what he had heard once from Dwight L. Moody years before at Northfield. It was summed up with writing down your own inclinations and the advice of friends and loved ones on several sheets of paper. Then tear those sheets all up and seek the Lord's face. This is what we did and left for California when the school year was over.

I began to work as a recording engineer with Missionary Tapes in 1959. We

had the privilege of trusting the Lord's great faithfulness, couched in the words of Hudson Taylor: "The Lord's work done in the Lord's way will never lack the Lord's supply." It was so. (See a related article on page 14.)

Eventually we were producing and distributing four gospel broadcasts in 17 languages to 14 missionary radio stations. These were overseas missionary radio facilities with the exception of KGEI near San Francisco. I recall one letter we received from a listener to one of our Russian broadcasts. She and her grandfather lived in Manchuria and could barely hear our broadcast from HLKX in Seoul. She wrote: "My grandfather and I kneel beside the bed to listen to your program. If

ies to serve overseas. I was blessed to serve on our District Camp Board for many years and see Clear Lake GB Camp developed into a fine year-round ministry in the Cascades. For many of those years we sent out a once-in-a-while publication from the church entitled "Harrah Happenings." Our two sons were raised in the parsonage and we enjoy having eight grandchildren.

A long-standing interest in amateur radio was realized while in Harrah. I was first licensed in 1976 and made acquaintance with the fellowship available through the Northwest ARMS 75-meter Net. At one time the old church roof held a GEM cubical quad and sundry dipoles. My ham shack was an unused Sunday

School room. Friends from the church family returned to a Moravian Mission's ministry in Eastern Honduras, and I was able to help carry both family and medical traffic for them for several years.

After resigning from HGBC in late 1994, we spent most of 1995 in Indiana near several of Marilyn's brothers and where I worked for a Christian beekeeper. Then in the fall of 1995 I was contacted by a Christian friend who challenged me with developing a Human Resources program for his steel building fabrication company. I accepted the challenge and we moved back to the Yakima Valley, only this time it was to Sunnyside. I stayed in the position of HR Manager for three years until medical difficulties dictated retirement.

I currently serve as Associate Pastor of Senior Adult Ministries at the Grace Brethren Church of Sunnyside, Washington. I also serve on the church elder board. I still enjoy ham radio, though some medical challenges restrict my time on the air. I look forward to the opportunity of continuing the tradition of providing a readable and informative *Beam* for ARMS Christian Fellowship members.

—Chuck Winter, N7AAG



Marilyn and Chuck Winter

we can only hear the name of Jesus once, we are blessed and happy."

I continued with MTI until 1967 when we received a phone call from a pastor friend in the Yakima Valley. He had suggested my name to a small country church in Harrah, Washington. They extended a call and we accepted and arrived that fall to begin serving in the pastorate.

We served at Harrah at the Grace Brethren Church for a total of 25 years. We learned to love and appreciate those to whom we ministered in this small rural community on the Yakima Indian Reservation. Over the years this small congregation has sent many missionar-



## Meet your new webmaster—

# Dale Holloway, K4EQ

I was fortunate to be raised in a Christian home, where my parents were very active in the church. At the age of 13, I committed my life to Christ and received a call to the ministry while serving in the 291st Army Band at Ft. Benning, Georgia a few years later. That, of course, necessitated a few years of ministerial training.

I met my beautiful wife, Jan, while in high school, and we got married just a year-and-a-half after graduation. We have been married for 38 years now and have been blessed with three children, all married, and four grandchildren.

The years of my ministry have been wonderful and exciting. Jan and I have spent several years in pastoral ministry, and we served two short-terms in Honduras as missionaries. The first was in 1975-76 and the second from 1981 to 1984. In addition, I served five years in administration with World Gospel Mission and over four years on the senior staff of the Christian Medical and Dental Associations (CMDA). At CMDA I gave direction to a staff of over twenty regional and area directors in the U.S. In addition, because of my Spanish language skills, I was a frequent devotional speaker and workshop leader at Latin American Christian Medical Conferences. I also led medical/dental teams to Latin America, something I continue to do today for CMDA.

In 2002 I got the itch to get back to more regular preaching and teaching of the Word, so that September I became

pastor of Living Hope Wesleyan Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This is a young, rapidly growing congregation that God is blessing greatly.

Ham radio has been a part of my life since I was a kid. I was first licensed in 1960 as KN8WHB for a year and then became K8WHB. Later calls were W9NXD (1976) and NJ8X (1984) before receiving K4EQ in the new

vanity call sign system in 1996. We were living in Virginia at the time. I keep a personal ham radio Web site at [www.k4eq.com](http://www.k4eq.com).

Ham radio has also been a useful part of my life. While living in Honduras, we never had a telephone, and it was before the days of the Internet. Ham

radio was the only way we could talk with family and friends back home. Fortunately, my father, Max, was licensed (N8CVH) by the time we went back the second time. We talked almost daily and he ran dozens of phone patches for us. My, how that has changed!

Ham radio has also been a valuable part of my life. In 1976, a terrible earthquake hit Guatemala which shook our bedroom quite violently at 3:01 a.m. Over 20,000 people were killed. From our home in Tegucigalpa, I was able to run several phone patches to the states for emergency relief agencies. Also, I was greatly involved in emergency communications during two major blizzards in Indiana in the late 70s.

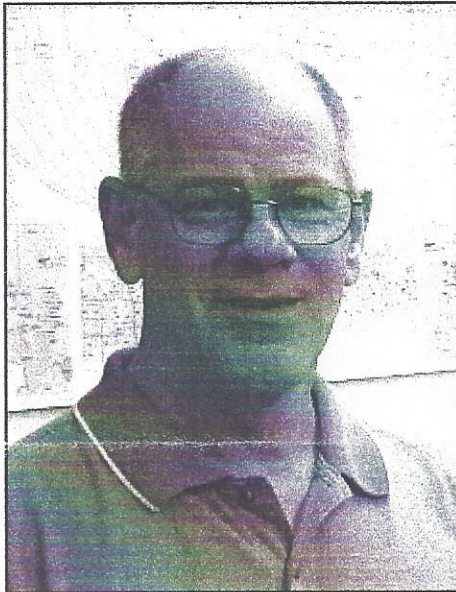
Ham radio has also been a fun part of

my life. I've had fun contesting (even won a few), meeting wonderful people, going to hamfests, operating some digital modes, running phone patches (years past), swapping QSL cards, collecting wallpaper, and doing zillions of other radio things through the years. My primary mode of operation is CW. I developed a love for that as a Novice and haven't stopped using it since.

Back in the 70s, I founded the World Gospel Mission Amateur Radio Fellowship. We had fairly active nets on 40 and 15 meters for a few years. During that time, I became acquainted with ARMS and even checked into the nets on occasion. But, for some unfortunate reason, I never joined. I ran across the 20-meter net a while ago and decided it was time to join. When I received my membership materials a few weeks ago, I was startled to see my picture on page 12 of the Fall, 2004 edition of *The Beam*. The "mystery photo" was taken at a Central Section ARMS meeting I spoke at in 1986. It's an especially meaningful picture to me because my father, N8CVH, is also in the picture. He went to be with the Lord the next year.

It's a privilege to be associated with the fine members of ARMS, and I look forward to meeting many of you on the air soon.

—Dale Holloway, K4EQ



## More scripture crossword puzzles are on the way

If you enjoy working the scripture crossword puzzles that appear in each issue of *The Beam*, you soon will be able to get your fill. Recently, Dave Shortess, W7PTL, who constructs these puzzles, has contracted with Barbour Publishing Co. to include over 100 of his puzzles in their new, four-volume series of Bible-based puzzles. They should be available in your local Bible bookstore later this year.



# Missionary reports

## **Gerald Pieper, XE1MP, Guadalajara, Mexico**

Greetings from sunny Mexico. We are now getting into our dry, warm and sunny season.

Our Guadalajara conference in January was really great! Brother Art McGahan, was here with his trumpet and the Harley Higgenbotham family from Oklahoma also was here as well as several other pastors and invited guests. Sister Higgenbotham is a whiz bang-cracker jack of a piano player.

Summer will soon be here. All of our churches have candidates for baptism. They usually like to wait for warmer weather before they baptize the new Christians. Two of our churches have baptistries but they have no heaters in them and the other churches always go to the river to baptize.

Our next year's conference will be in the Yucatan, in the city of Valladolid and will take place the third week in January, 2006. The churches there are prospering quite well under the direction of brother Crescencio Galaviz and Liliana Sarmiento. Crescencio has a new church started in Valladolid. They are saving money toward the purchase of land for the church building. They are presently meeting in a carport. We are hoping that they will be able to have the construction started before the conference next year.

Sister Pieper is prospering. She has been ill and bedridden since September 10, 2004. She is getting therapy as well as acupuncture treatments almost daily. The doctors say that she will walk again, they say that there is nothing wrong with the operation she had, but she needs time to heal. She goes to church every Sun-

day in Ameca, which is about 50 miles from our house. Her wheelchair is a familiar sight there.

—Gerald Pieper, XE1MP

## **Leon Winter, DU/WX6I, SIL, Bagabag, Philippines**

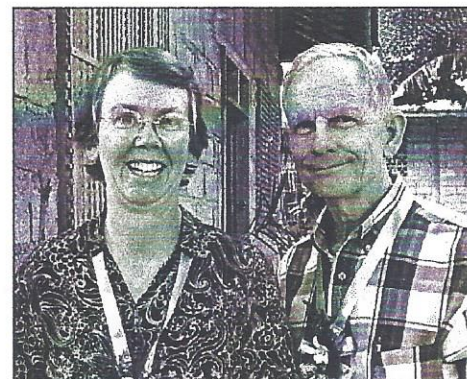
Our visit to Mindanao November 21-28 included four days at Nasuli. Both of us once lived there, so it is always a trip down Memory Lane to go back. Our purpose in visiting was for Sally to check on the school. In years past the school at Nasuli had around 60 students, but now the school has five full-time students, and two kindergarten girls who come for Art, Music, P.E., and Chapel. Also a 9th grade girl is doing her studies via DVD and the internet, using the school's computer room.

Sally was very happy to find the school running well. Teachers, students, and parents are all happy with the education the children are getting. One of her projects was to do a book inventory in preparation for ordering materials for the coming year. In January she will inventory books at Bagabag School and then begin the book order process.

After our time at Nasuli we went to General Santos City to spend three days with Pastor Cuma Saya, the Blaen man who is in charge of distribution of the Koronadal Blaen New Testament. We stayed in his home with him and his family. The distribution continues to go well. Pastor Cuma has a tremendous heart for evangelism and the study of Scripture. We saw improvements in his house, with a real plus being jalousie windows. Also he now has a new Honda motorcycle to use in his distribution work. He is very careful with its use,

referring to it as "the motorcycle that Jesus gave him." He asked us to express his gratitude to all those who gave towards its purchase.

November 12th found three buses leaving the Bagabag Center and heading north to the mountain region of Ifugao Province. We were off to attend the dedication of the Mayoyao Ifugao New Testament. The six hour program was held on Saturday, November 13th.



There were speeches, songs, and dancing. Even children danced to celebrate.

We were privileged to spend the weekend with a lovely Ifugao couple, John and Lillian Martin. John had been on the committee to read through the entire New Testament during the final revision process. At the dedication, he was in an Ifugao dance depicting the arrival of the Gospel 70 years earlier. God was at work here before we were born.

Some of you may have seen coverage in recent news of the super-typhoon named Yoyong. On December 2nd, we experienced this violent storm as it plowed through our Bagabag Center. The gale force winds—over 100 mph—began to blow around 8 p.m. and went until just before midnight. Typhoons are scary things, but seem much worse in the dark.

Several large trees went down around our house, but there was no damage to the house. Many power poles blew over causing widespread power loss.

### **Praise and Prayer**

- Praise for the safe arrival of Aiden Michael Robert Leigh on November 2.

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### *—Missionary reports continued*

Sheri and Chris are the happy parents of our sixth grandchild.

- Praise for safety in the recent typhoon and in our travels.

- Praise for the freedom Christian workers have to proclaim Christ and to translate His Word in the Philippines.

- Pray for Sally and her staff. One teacher left when school ended in December due to a family crisis. Pray as Sally tries to find another teacher to cover the need.

- Pray for us as we deal with the daily problems that are the lot of everyone here. We desire to be faithful to hear His leading.

*—Leon Winter, DU2/WX6I*

### **Dave Newell, WA4DUP, Madison, Georgia**

Transition is the key word and describes our situation as we move into the new year of 2005.

Effective January 1, 2005, we are now on loan from Source of Light (SLM) to Neighborhood Gospel Missions (NGM). Please note that our financial support will continue to be handled and receipted through Source of Light, 1011 Mission Road, Madison, Georgia 30650.

We have transferred our responsibilities at SLM to others in the headquarters, and we have begun assuming duties at NGM by preparing to send SLM Bible study lessons to NGM campers. Those who complete the series of lessons will receive one-half off the tuition for next summer's camp.

Effective January 1, 2005, Dave began serving as Executive Director for NGM, and Anna Gay serves as Administrative Assistant as we begin to establish the NGM home office.

God answered prayer in a great way allowing us to purchase property one-half mile from the side entrance to the NGM property. Our house is now under construction and may be finished

before the end of the year.

Thank you for being a part of our ministry team through your interest, prayers, and financial support. We are trusting the Lord for His continuing guidance and blessing in our lives and yours as we face the challenges of 2005.

*—Dave Newell, WA4DUP*

### **Ben Watson, KBØUC, Source of Light Ministries, Madison, Georgia**

In April, 2004, Sanya (pronounced Sawya) Desunmu and his wife, Bosun, (pronounced Bosoon) from Nigeria came to Source of Light Ministries International to be trained, and I was privileged to assist with that.

While they were in Madison they spoke with Patricia Dye, our international representative, about coming to Nigeria to conduct a discipleship training seminar. She contacted several board members about the possibility of coming along to minister with her. Dr. Hap Struthers said he was able to go with her.

At that time she asked me to pray about the possibility of my going with her. As Gladys and I prayed about it, we felt that God was leading me to make my first visit to Nigeria, February 18 to March 8, 2005.

The purpose of the trip was to field test the "Foundations" course in the "Cross Walk 220" series written by Pat. We concentrated on our new life, new position and new identity in Christ.

In the mornings Hap and I ministered. Hap spoke on the names and attributes of God, and I spoke on the theme "Christianity is a Relationship." In the

afternoons Pat briefly spoke to the group about some aspects of disciple making, and then we split into three groups with each of us leading the group. Toward the end of the first week we had the group members take part in leading a portion of each lesson to prepare them to lead one of the groups the following week. The second week the schedule changed somewhat with the morning and the afternoon covering a lesson in the series. Both weeks we had question and answer sessions where they could ask questions about the lessons.

The first week Sanya invited ten of his key discipleship ministry directors to meet with us. Despite sometimes harsh conditions that included no electricity, no running water, and oppressive heat, the ten had a mind to work and work they did! They were already planning ways they could use the material and the method to disciple others when they left the conference.

Hap, Pat and I worked well together

as a team. It was neat to pray and plan together. It was neat to see how my series and Hap's series dovetailed right in with the materials Pat had written.

Hap Struthers is as capable a Bible teacher as I have ever heard or ministered with. He travels throughout the world holding seminars for pastors and teaching short courses in seminaries. Hap is

76 and has asked the Lord to let him teach for 19 more years. His burden is to teach a course called "Intimacy with God," a course on the names and attributes of God.

Pat Dye has a heart for training leaders to train other leaders. She's outgo-





ing and a good teacher, and she offered many teaching helps to the participants in the conference. She's a good organizer and worked very closely with Sanya and Bosun on many of the details of the conference. She even knew people by their first names who worked in the hotel dining room, and she treated each one of them with respect and dignity, just like they were the most important people in the world.

Though I was impressed with Sanya and Bosun when they were with us last April, I was even more impressed with them working with them on their own turf. They work tirelessly, energetically, and enthusiastically. Each of them conducts a discipleship ministry. Monday, Wednesday and Friday Bosun goes to public schools in their area and takes lessons to students.

Was the conference successful? I believe that in terms of both immediate results and long term possibilities I have never participated in anything that scored so high in both areas. Thank you for praying.

In Christ,

—Ben Watson, KBØOUC

## "Beep" Baseball

*The following is taken from an article which appeared in the Morgan County (Georgia) Citizen, "Beep baseball to make debut in Morgan County," by Sam Scott.*

Those without the sense of sight can't drive cars or read. They may suffer from difficulty finding a job. However, thanks to the efforts of the National Beep Baseball Association, they are not denied the opportunity to enjoy the rite of summer that is weekend baseball.

The idea for hosting a beep baseball game in Morgan County started with Source of Light Ministries' Assistant Regional Field Director (Africa) Ben Watson, [KBØOUC] who is visually impaired. Beep baseball is a unique adaptation of America's pastime. Teams are composed of visually-impaired or blindfolded players, with the exception

of the pitcher, catcher and a spotter in the field who calls out the direction of a hit ball. Players use a ball that emits a constant noise (the "beep"), and first and third bases that also emit a noise. A pitcher throws the ball from 20 feet from the plate, attempting to ensure that the ball and bat meet. If the batter makes a hit, an official causes either the first or third base to beep. The batter runs for whichever base is beeping, and if he or she reaches the base before one of six fielders can trap the hit ball, a run is scored. If the ball is trapped before he or she reaches the beeping base, the runner is out. Other differences distinguish beep baseball from its sight-intensive predecessor, but the object of the game is still the same — winning, yes, but having fun.

Ultimately, however, this is not only about bonding, nor is it about money. "We're on a quest to let people know that blind people can do something," said Watson.

## Ray Rising, CP6WV/ K4LWJ, Bolivia

We returned February 22 to hot, humid Santa Cruz! Though we enjoyed spending time with our sons, daughters-in-law and grandchildren, it is nice to be back to work!

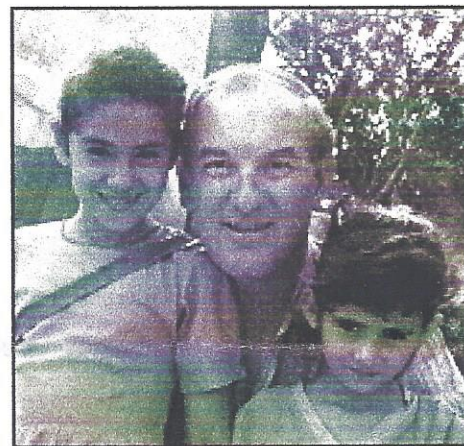
How we appreciate your prayers for us during our unexpected trip to the US. When Ray checked in with the eye doctor here, he told him to get to the U.S. as soon as possible. So off we went to Houston. When we got back, the doctor reviewed the X-rays taken in Houston and said he could see some improvement and to come back in two weeks.

When we did, Ray's eye tests showed that the swelling in his eye has gone down, that the circulation was improving slowly, and some of the latent cells are beginning to recover. Some days Ray says there is more light in the dark spot in his eye. We are "trusting God to move this mountain, but in the meantime we're keeping on climbing!"

We had a pile of Christmas cards and

letters waiting for us, people waiting for Ray to help repair equipment, taking our dog to the vet because of ticks and an ear infection, spraying the yard for ticks and ants, grocery shopping, etc. We're glad the strikes and protests, before and during our time away, are over. Pray for wisdom for the government of Bolivia to know how to help this country progress from being the poorest in South America.

Ray will not be going to Peru to repair a Quechua radio station he heard about while in Houston. A technician friend of his, Wayne, who grew up in Peru, planned to come to Bolivia and help do work on the Cochabamba Quechua radio station, and then they would go on to Peru to work. But it is



Ray and friends

cheaper for Wayne to go to Peru first and then come to Bolivia. I don't think Ray was really looking forward to a three-day trip to the location with the last five hours by horse back and then try to think at that altitude!

He is making plans to go to Colombia to pursue work on the Amazon Basin Radio project perhaps in April. We keep getting reports of the tremendous interest people are showing in being able to listen to God's Word in their own language, so we pray that the pending stations will soon be a reality.

Thank you for praying and being with us in regular daily life and in the trials that come.

—Doris Rising for Ray, CP6WV/K4LWJ

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## **Don Jensen, KC7WV, Wycliffe Bible Trans., Catalina, Arizona**

**Desert house sells!** Over a year ago, Sharon decided that her desert house had to be sold. This decision was made after learning of her acceptance as a Wycliffe missionary and assignment to the Mexico Branch of SIL in Catalina, Ariz., over 40 miles away. Three realtors later, a firm offer was finally made. Sharon is busy running around closing up loose ends. There are still many things to sort through, toss, save and move to "our" house in Catalina. Please pray for safety in traveling the 80-mile-round-trip, good health and strength to handle all the stuff.

**New Testaments completed.** We are rejoicing that the Queretaro Otomi New Testament was dedicated. It was the first New Testament completed by a Mexican native speaker, Evaristo Bernabé, under the supervision of Wycliffe translator, Nancy Lanier. Please pray that the Mexican indigenous people of the Queretaro Valley will read God's word in their own language, and that many will be drawn to Him and come to salvation. The New Testament for the Tlachichilco Tepehua people of Veracruz was also recently dedicated. Jim and Juanita Watters, our Branch Director, and his wife were the translators. Please also pray for the Tepehua people to be enlightened by God's Word in their own language. There are now 106 New Testament translations completed of the 213 indigenous languages of Mexico! We are so thankful to be part of the team, with you our partners, to see this happening!

**Whole Bibles completed** The whole Bible is in the final process in three distinct language variations of the Huasteca Aztec language in Mexico. Richard and Patricia Beller have worked many years with their Aztec translation committees to finish this mile-stone. There are over

600,000 speakers of these languages in the heart of Mexico. Please pray that God's Word will become alive to these many speakers and that many will receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!

*—Don Jensen, KC7WV*

## **Loren Murphy, KA7KHB, Mursea Missions, Inc. Clarkston, Washington**

We are now in Clarkston, Washington ready to build "Zebulun," a 96-foot aluminum sailboat for our overseas mission work, Mursea Missions, Inc. The Lord works in mysterious ways and it



**Georgia and Loren Murphy**

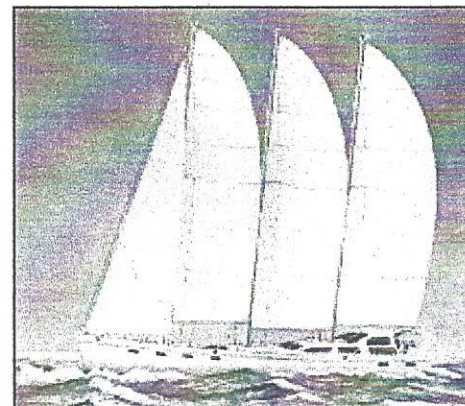
is true that His ways are higher than our ways! We first thought of building it in Hawaii, but there were a lot of road blocks along the way. Finally we decided to go ahead and find a suitable place closer to our home in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. So here we are in Clarkston, Washington.

Clarkston is an inland port. The Clearwater and Snake Rivers come together here and then go into the Columbia River which goes on to the sea. After we launch "Zebulun" with the big port crane, we will motor down the river through eight dams with locks, and then stand up the masts in Portland. There, we will provision the boat.

We live on the construction site in a 35-foot 5th wheel trailer which is so handy for all the things that come and go from here. The site is by the Snake River and contains a warehouse big enough to build the ship inside. We only

have to knock one wall out to get the boat out! Our landlord has given us lots of "okays" about what we wanted to do with his warehouse. Blessings on him!

We are presently preparing the warehouse for the construction. This has included building an office block, installing wiring for welders and equipment,



**Artist's rendition of "Zebulun"**

better lighting and workbenches. We have formed and poured a 90-foot long footing on the concrete floor to support the weight of the boat as we construct her. "Zebulun" will weigh 94 tons when we launch her and be 110 tons when rigged and fitted out.

### **Project needs—**

We need a welding/fabrication foreman, skilled and qualified welding personnel, skilled riggers and installers. We also need high quality MIG welders suitable for aluminum, shop equipment and tools, 86,000 lb. of 5086-116 aluminum plate, and 56,000 lbs. of lead for ballast for the keel.

As you can see there is a lot to do, but with the Lord and lots of prayers, and asking for wisdom and calling out for help, we will take one day at a time!

*—Loren Murphy, KA7KHB*

## **Dave Immel, KE4EW, JAARS, Waxhaw, N.C.**

During the past year, the Lord provided three state-of-the-art turbine aircraft for two of our field programs: a Bell Jet Ranger for Papua New Guinea and two Pilatus PC-6 aircraft for Papua, Indonesia. One PC-6 and the helicopter



were purchased with project funding, and the second PC-6 was given to us to operate by a Dutch relief agency. As the most expensive JAARS projects on record, our faith was put to the test, but the Lord provided the funding. We are very encouraged by this provision.

Another exciting event took place in October. Quest Aircraft, a Christian company, flew their Kodiak aircraft for the first time. This specially designed single engine turboprop aircraft was built specifically to meet the needs of missions in the years ahead and will be sold commercially as well.

You may be wondering if the recent catastrophic events in Asia have affected any of our Wycliffe folks. We are happy to report that Wycliffe directors



in that area of the world have reported all workers are accounted for with no injuries, but some have sustained property damage. You can check our web site, [www.jaars.org](http://www.jaars.org), for details on how we are involved with the tsunami relief effort.

I continued responsibilities managing our aviation radio shop until the end of January. During this past year I've been involved with all the details of several major radio installations—getting FM approval, making sure all the work is done correctly and everything functions normally.

I've also dealt with numerous radio-related problems that some of our fields have had. The high tech world we live in has brought incredible enhancements in aircraft navigation and safety. We are attempting to take advantage of this technology by keeping our aircraft all updated.

—Dave Immel, KE4EW

## Section Reports

### Southeast Section

It is hard to believe it is time for a Southeastern Section report again. Time does fly as we get older.

We do appreciate our faithful members who check in every Saturday (schedule allowing) such as our Net Control, KC4DOG, Bobby and others such as W4VGI, Ed, WA4LLR, Dave, K4WOS, Ed and K4RBZ, Gerry, coming down from the Eastern Section.

We welcome to our group KE4KKC, Dave, my good friend with whom I attend church.

We also miss WA4DUP, Dave, who is in the process of moving and getting his antenna back-up. (See details under Missionary Reports on page 6.) There are a number of others from whom we have not heard in a long time. We pray you can come back and join us soon.

Lord willing, our group is planning our yearly SE Section get-together on May 13-14, 2005, this year in Wilmington, North Carolina. Dan W4MGZ and his wife Pat have a great time planned to for us to see Ft. Fisher, a Civil War site, The Aquarium, a Ferry ride across Cape Fear, and great seafood at Calabash, N.C. We mainly are looking for good fellowship around our Lord Jesus Christ. Talk-in will be on 146.67 (-600) (no tone). I hope all of you can join us.

God Bless,

—Denis Parker, WD4ACH

### Midwest Section

First of all, I want to announce that our 2005 Midwest ARMS Section get-together will be held on Saturday, August 13, starting at my QTH at 8:55 a.m. (note the time change). Then we will follow the usual routine with lunch, a business meeting and a program at the Old Country Buffet. So mark your calendars as no notices will be sent out. If you have any questions, you can call me

at 507-625-8083.

I have been trying to track down some of the ARMS old-timers in our Midwest Section. I was able to get ahold of a few, but got no response from others. If you have any information on them, drop me a line. These are the ones I've tried to check on:

I heard from Don, WAØLLI recently. He has been off the air because he has lost his hearing. He was going to try to set up some kind of system with his computer where it would convert the audio into text so he could read it on the computer screen, but I don't think he has it going yet.

Dean, WBØHJG hasn't been on the air for over a year. He has a problem with the offset on his rig—transmitting on one freq. and receiving on another. Karl, WAØTFC and I got him on track a few years ago, but when I talked to him recently, he still has the same problem. Dean is 91 years old!

Don, WØLSF has been off the air with power supply problems. We hope to hear him back on the air soon.

I have been trying without success to get ahold of two of our Midwest old-timers, Francis, WØQCB, and Mary, NØBBL. Francis was the one who started the Midwest Section way back in the beginning. He must be about 87 years old now. The last I heard he wasn't doing real good. Mary was the Secretary of the ARMS for a number of years. Since her husband died a few years ago, she has been out of touch. If anybody has any more information on these folks, let me know.

My XYL, Vicki, went on a mission trip to India from March 5th to March 16th. I'm glad I could still rustle up a little grub so I didn't starve to death.

I'm still working on my Stealth Antenna projects. A book I would highly recommend is *Stealth Antenna Radio, Operate*

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from Anyplace by Kirk A. Kleinschmidt, NTØZ. Also, SGE, Inc. has smart tuners for stealth antennas. You can find them at [www.sgeworld.com](http://www.sgeworld.com).

—Arnie Kopischke, WAØDFT

## South Central Section

We meet on 40-meters, at 7226.5 kHz Saturdays at 0800 Central time for approximately 30 minutes. The regular ARMS members who check in number from about 7 to 9.

Gerry, K4RBZ and his wife, Shirley, made a motor trip to Texas in January and stopped in Baton Rouge to visit Celia and me. Then on return stopped in North Arkansas to visit Boyce, K5VSP, and Thelma, and W5ADT, Eldo. Gerry checks in the South Cen-

tral Net most of the time to keep in touch, and sends greetings from the Eastern section, and the South Eastern section. We had checkins from the travelers during their stops.

It has been a good year despite some rough propagation on the bands.

Look for a picture of Eldo, W5ADT, from Delaplaine, Ark. on page 13. He is a new ARMS member and a regular checkin for the South Central section and the 20-meter ARMS net.

—Duane C. Stradley, KM5O

## Northwest Section

This will be the last report from the Northwest Section to be sent to W7PTL for publication in *The Beam*. Dave has been doing this job for 12 years, I believe, ever since he retired to the Olympic Peninsula in Washington. We were so fortunate to have had Dave arrive on the scene and publish *The Beam* for us in such a fine manner. Fortunately, we are going to keep the publication here in the NW Section family, as Chuck, N7AAG, takes the job over in the fall. Thanks to both of you folks.

George, KA7HGE, and Elsie are back from a three-week trip to visit their son and his family in Thailand. Their son is serving as a missionary there.

Ralph, WB7OOL, and Maxine celebrated their golden wedding anniversary the 26th of March. Ralph says he was a little slow getting around to asking Maxine to marry him!

Bill, KI7XT, and Jean had moved to a retirement home in Medford, Oregon where Jean could get better care. However, things didn't work out very well there, so they decided to move to Anthem, Arizona to be close to their daughter, where she can be of help. Perhaps Bill will be able to get on 20-meter from there.

Ron, K7RSS, reported that his wife, Betty, fell in the retirement home where she lives now, and broke her shoulder. Surgery is pending when the swelling goes down.

73 and 99,

—Bob Hambly, WA7BYD

# Net Manager's Report

We had 16 days when the regular Net Controls had to be away from the net the first quarter of 2005. I did not keep records for the last quarter of 2004.

It happens that some weeks more than one Net Control was out of pocket. This fall and winter was no exception, and our alternates did a fine job covering for holidays, anniversaries, and sickness.

I will name one very helpful relay station, W7PKS, Parks, who relayed many days during the winter's poor propagation. Thanks to all of the net members who have also relayed when band conditions were terrible.

Our alternates are always ready to



Duane, KM5O, and Celia Stradley take an open date. Thanks so much to each of you for your assistance.

Alternates:

K7PTL, Mike, Penna.  
KCØGWD, Gus, Minn.  
AGØM, Frank, Iowa  
NØVK, Novak, Colo.  
KØTVJ, Dean, Ariz.  
WØRGW, Bob, Neb.

Also, I stand ready to fill in from Louisiana when needed.

—Duane C. Stradley, KM5O

## We welcome our new members!

Dale Holloway, K4EQ  
2860 McGowan Blvd.  
Marion, IA 52302

Eldo Denton, W5ADT  
1546 Greene Rd. 229  
Delaplaine, AR 72425

Paul J. Stack, W8VDH  
4245 Thunder Mountain Rd.  
Chino, CA 86323

Harold L. Barnhart,  
KA9WWG  
45 Cherokee Rd.  
Cherokee Village, AR 72529

Wally Janzen, VA3WIT  
1890 Effingham Rd., N.  
Ridgeville, ON LØS 1MØ  
Canada

## Congratulations!

to Phil Caster, ex-N7YJJ, on the acquisition of his father's old call, **W6NJO!**



# From our members here and there

## Don Helling, WAØNJZ, Wasilla, Alaska

I thank all of you who prayed for me during the last year and I would like to report—God has blessed us all in such a special way this year. I'm happy to report that everything is going well. My health is better now than it was before my last year's hospital stay. Our entire family is rejoicing with this news.

Lorie was so tremendous during my hospitalization and recuperation. I was hooked up to hoses for breathing and eating for eight months and she slept by my side in a chair and suctioned me sometimes every 20 minutes, 24 hours a day. I am so blessed to have a wonderful wife like her.

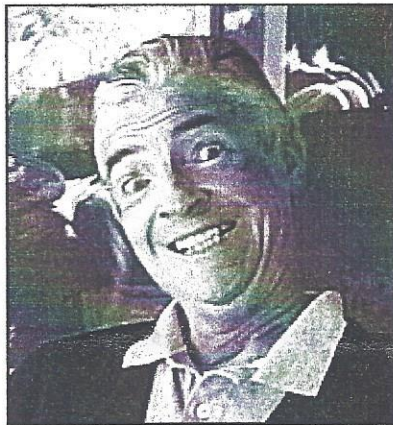
Now I spend as much as eight hours at the computer every day. I use Dragon NaturallySpeaking, making my computer completely voice activated. The keyboard just sits unused on the back of the desk. As you may know, I am struggling to become a novelist and am working on my fourth book.

I enjoy living in Alaska, it is such a beautiful state. We had an easy winter with only a little snow and it wasn't very cold. I continue to be amazed at the colors displayed on the snowcapped mountains as the sun lights up the peaks with an iridescent glow.

We often have moose in our backyard. Sometimes they come up and peek in the window. We could reach out and pet them, they seem so tame, but of course they are not.

The dogsled racing season began earlier this spring, and there were so many competitors who live in this area. Of course the Iditarod is the World Series of dog sled racing and the race begins here in Wasilla.

We have enjoyed our new home, it works so well for all three of us. I have a ceiling track in the bedroom that conveys me to and from my chair, into the bathroom and into the bathtub. What a blessing that has meant to us.



We also have an emergency generator that comes on automatically when the power goes off. I have a new door opener. This gives me easy access in and out of the house and

on to our paved patio and driveway. Lorie is so good at decorating and has turned our home into a real showplace.

We have a large, beautiful yard (too large when it's time to mow). We had lots of flowers last summer and the flowers up here are amazing; they bloom so profusely with gorgeous deep colors and huge gigantic blossoms. Wildflowers light up the valleys and mountainsides with splashes of color everywhere. We had a small vegetable garden that produced more vegetables than we could use, lots of beans, carrots, broccoli, cabbage, squash, beets, lettuce, peas, spinach, onions and radishes. I was astounded at the size of the plants and the size of the produce. We enjoyed the State Fair in Palmer where they had giant cabbages displayed. Sometimes they grow to be as large as 80 pounds per head.

We are homeschooling Kathleen. She is doing very well with her studies. She plays clarinet in the home school band and was ice-skating but had an accident and hurt her neck.

We are so grateful for God's wonderful gift of the Lord Jesus Christ and we appreciate his watch care and guidance. Our prayer for you is that this finds you peacefully happy and rejoicing in His love.

—Don Helling, WAØNJZ

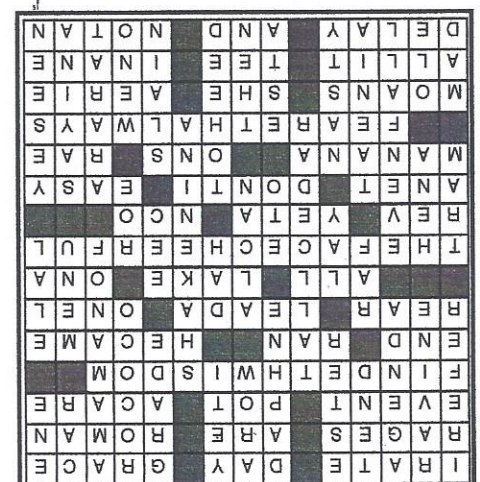
*As many of you know, Don was stricken with polio as a child and has been severely paralyzed all his life. He lived in Colorado until a few years ago when he got married and moved to Alaska. —Ed.*

## I. J. Tharp, WDØDBE, Blue Springs, Missouri

I was born June 24, 1924 in Duncan's Wood, Texas. At some point, my parents, my two brothers and I moved to Port Arthur, Texas. After my sister was born in 1930, my father lost his job at the Gulf Refining Company, and we moved to Monroe, Louisiana. My brothers and I attended grade school near the town of Fondale.

We moved to western Kansas about 1937. As the depression wore on, we began working for farmers. There were times when the whole family (except for my sister) worked picking up pota-

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toes to help earn enough to live on. I began working on a farm during the summer while in high school. We attended Shallow Water Consolidated Schools where I graduated in 1942. I attended one semester at Garden City Jr. College before I was drafted into the U.S. Navy in late 1943. There I became an Aviation Electronics Technician's Mate 3rd class. After I was discharged in 1946, I was able to attend the University of Kansas and got the BS in



I.J. Tharp in his shack. Behind him is the IC-735 transceiver that he got from his brother-in-law, Dan Hough, KA7BHS, who is now a silent key.

#### Electrical Engineering in 1950.

While I was at KU, I met Eulea, and on December 28, 1950, we were married. She had graduated from Baylor University and was attending graduate school at KU in the field of chemistry. At the time of our marriage, I was working for Boeing Airplane Company in Wichita, but in 1951, I got a job with the IBM Corporation. I was sent to school at Endicott, New York for training as a customer engineer. On graduating, IBM gave us an all-expense-paid trip to New York City, where we enjoyed all the sights!

My first working assignment was in Washington, DC! We lived in Alexandria, Vir. until 1954. While living there, our son, David was born. From Washington, we were transferred to Hartford, Conn. By this time, IBM had come into the big computer age, and I was trained at first on the 701, then the 704 and the 709. We had several big computers at

the United Aircraft (Pratt & Whitney) plant in East Hartford. While there, we moved into our first home in Enfield, Conn., where our daughter, Carolyn was born.

In 1958 we were transferred to Huntsville, Alabama. It was wonderful how folks from the First Baptist Church helped us to move into our house in Huntsville! We spent about two years there, and then moved to Poughkeepsie, N.Y. where I became a product test engineer. We lived there until 1965 when the opportunity came to move to Boulder, Colo. where we stayed until 1979. By 1979, I obtained my ham radio license because I was encouraged by Darwin Moxness to join ARMS.

In 1979, we were transferred to a new IBM plant in Tucson, Ariz. I worked there until 1989 until I retired after working for IBM for 38 years. We sold our home in Tucson and moved to Blue Springs, Missouri, to be near our daughter.

One of the most important areas of our lives has been our participation in the churches we attended. I taught a men's Sunday school class in Huntsville. I was one of the elders at the Tucson church, and I later was the deacon of Children's Ministry. My wife taught many children's classes, first in Huntsville, then in Boulder and later in the First Evangelical Free Church in Tucson. She also taught in vacation Bible School. We were greatly blessed as we served.

At this time I am 80 and Eulea is 75 years of age. We are still able to drive our car and visit with those we want to see in different parts of the United states!

*—I. J. Tharp, WDØDBE*

### **Jay Allenbrand, KCØORJ, Bolivar, Missouri**

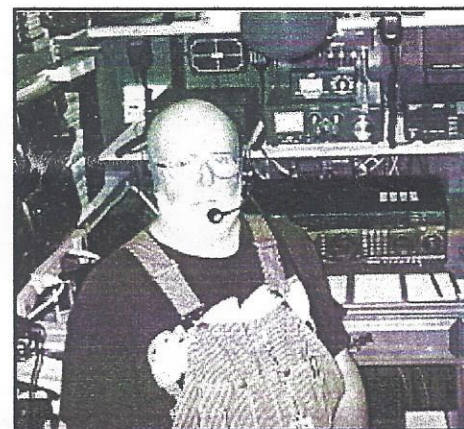
Being raised in a Christian home, I came to know the Lord at the age of eight, and over the years I have been involved in about every kind of church-related activity that there is. I was ordained in 1973 and eventually pastored three small Baptist churches.

In 1978 I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. While my roots have always been somewhat tied to the Southern Baptist Church, I am presently very much involved in what is commonly referred to as the "Word of Faith" field of ministry.

Although I was born in Kansas, I have spent almost all of my life in Missouri. After graduating from high school, I enrolled in the U.S. Trade School in Kansas City and received training in auto mechanics.

I spent six years in the Army National Guard, and was trained in field radio repair. As a result of my electronics training, I managed to get a job with our local telephone company. In 1992, the company was sold to a much larger concern, and I was transferred to Bolivar, Mo. where I now reside.

I took early retirement in July, 1997 and immediately began pursuing the one



thing that I wanted to do the most: pour myself into studying the Word of God. As a result, I have learned more in the last seven years than in all of the rest of my life put together.

I first took an interest in ham radio back in 1976, but got so wrapped up in it that I was neglecting my wife and young son. It soon became quite apparent to me that if I was going to save my marriage, ham radio would have to go, and it did.

In the winter of 2000, my son got interested in ham radio, which eventually rekindled my interest. Soon afterward, with the "blessing" of my wife, I got back into it. As soon as I got my tech



license I went ahead and stepped up to a general class and immediately went after the extra and got it.

In late January of this year I started checking into the "Hams for Christ Christian Fellowship Net" and was soon asked to be a net control. One of the frequent checkins was KM5O, Duane Stradley. Duane told me about the ARMS Net and asked me if I would consider being an alternate net control for ARMS. So here I am.

I can truly say that being involved in the ARMS net has been a great blessing to me. I have met many really fine Christian people on this net, and look forward to many more years of fellowship with them.

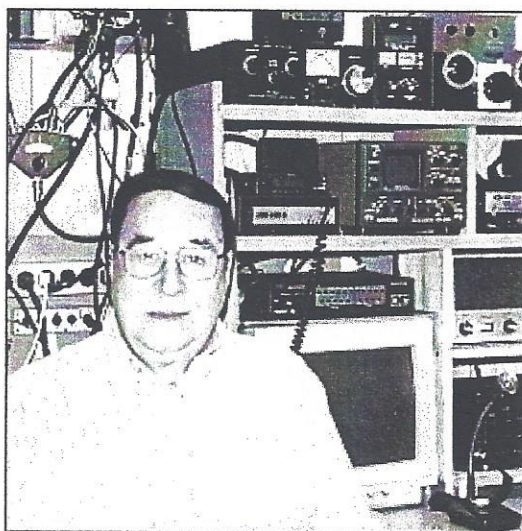
—Jay Allenbrand, KCØORJ

Jay is now the regular Monday morning net control station on the ARMS 20-meter Net. —Ed.

## **Martin Matheson, VE6GE Edmonton, Alberta, Canada**

Last year, I celebrated 50 years as a ham, being first licensed in 1954.

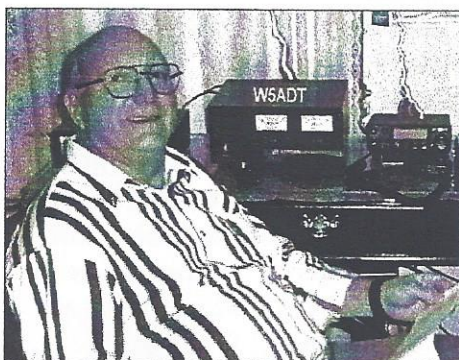
My interest in radio began when I was 12 years old. A ham in our town had a radio repair shop. Seeing him operate his station inspired me to become a ham. I bought old radios from him for \$0.50 a piece. Month-old radio magazines were bought from the drug store for a nickel each. From radio circuits in these magazines, Hugo Gernsback books and parts from old radios, I was able to build my first receivers. I built a code oscillator, but I didn't learn the code until much later when an-



## **Eldo Denton, W5ADT Delaplaine, Arkansas**

Eldo Denton, W5ADT, is a new member of ARMS and a frequent check-in on the South Central and 20-meter Net.

We don't have a biography for Eldo, but at least we have the photo, below, sitting in his shack. Perhaps Eldo will share some of the facets of his life in a future issue. — — —



Eldo, W5ADT

other ham helped me.

I was raised on a farm in Saskatchewan, but I decided to pursue electronics. I studied and graduated in Electronic Engineering, which was followed by a postgraduate course in Specialized Communications Engineering. It was after graduation that I became VE6GE

and started building ham equipment. My receiver was an aircraft AR2. I build all my transmitters starting with a crystal-controlled 6L6 rig and eventually advancing to a plate modulated 813 tube rig.

I have enjoyed working all over the world, but I was not a collector of diplomas or certificates. My first antenna was for 75-meters. It was suspended between two poplar poles, 35 feet high, which a ham friend pulled into

## **Art Hiebert, VE5ARJ Nipawin, northern Saskatchewan, Canada**

Art Hiebert, VE5ARJ, lives and hams in Nipawin, Saskatchewan. If you check a map, you will find Nipawin about 90 miles ENE of Prince Albert, way up north. In fact, there is virtually no civilization north of Nipawin.

Perhaps one of these days we will get the whole story on why Art lives in such an environment and how he came to be there. In the meantime, here is a photo of him standing beside his radio tower. — — —



Art, VE5ARJ

town behind his car. You couldn't do that today! Later, I built verticals and three-element beams.

I was employed in the Engineering Department of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Besides my job, I was involved in other positions like Civil Defense Coordinator. I helped in starting the Central Alberta Radio League and was their first secretary. I served as treasurer of Amateur Radio League of Alberta for several years and was a board member. I was a member of CARA for a few years while in Calgary. In 1970 I was transferred to Edmonton and joined NARC and have been a member for 34 years.

One of the things I enjoyed about ham

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radio was the contacts which I had with Christian hams. One of my first contacts was with W3BBM, Bob (See page 1 of this issue). That was many years ago, but I still remember it as enjoyable. It was through his influence that I joined ARMS.

Several years ago I started a Christian ham 2-meter net in our city. It is called ECHO Net, standing for Edmonton Christian Ham Operators. We meet at a restaurant once a month for fellowship.

My spiritual journey also began at the age of 12. I was brought up in a Christian home and it was at an old-fashioned camp meeting that I accepted Christ as my Savior. A large tent was set up on a farmer's pasture on the bald Saskatchewan prairie, with not a tree in sight. Most of the speakers were from the USA, and there were missionaries from various countries who challenged us. I looked forward to the camp meeting each year, as there was no church to attend in our area.

When I was 24, I helped to organize a church which was the first Gospel church in our area. I served as its first treasurer and also taught Sunday school.

When we moved to the city, this opened up new opportunities. I served as board member for Christian & Missionary Alliance, and treasurer and board member for FGBMFI. I joined the Gideons International and served as Zone Leader for 10 years. I am also an Honorary Life Member of the Gideons.

I was married in 1948 and we had three children: a married daughter living in Spruce Grove (near Edmonton), a son who passed away last April of a heart attack, and a son who is the head of a Medical Department at Stanford University.

Today, I am retired and living in Edmonton where I enjoy my hobbies of ham radio, woodworking, photography and computers.

*—Martin Matheson, VE6GE*

## **“Paid in Full”**

by Chuck Winter, N7AAG

I had been working as a recording engineer with Missionary Tapes, Inc., in Altadena, California, for several years. We had accepted the challenge of serving by faith in 1959, and the ministry followed the concept that Hudson Taylor had laid down many years before: God's work, done in God's way, will never lack God's supply.

We had a 1951 Ford Crown Victoria, which had several problems including a cracked block. Over a period of some months the mechanical difficulties increased to the point where it just stopped running. Money was tight and repairs were not feasible. I'll forever remember that when I sold it I received the grand total of \$35.00 for it—junk price.

With no vehicle I now rode my bicycle back and forth to the studio and even to the grocery store. Friends from church helped us to get there on Sundays. Of course the need for a vehicle became paramount in our praying. The Lord led us to a portion of Scripture beginning at Mark 11:23-24: “For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.”

We were already practicing living by faith and it was a wonderfully simple thing to believe God that he would provide us with a needed vehicle. Many mornings we awoke fully expecting that the Angel Gabriel, or some other heavenly emissary, would have delivered a car to our carport during the night hours. In our mind's

eye we could see someone standing at the front door and handing us the keys to a car. The days and weeks of waiting stretched into months. I became more adept at balancing a bag of groceries on the cross bar of the bike and the exercise in faith was surely a special place in our Christian growing experience.

Then there came a letter in the mail. A man living 100 miles away wrote and asked that we come and see him. That meant borrowing our director's car and driving east toward the California desert. We met the man and he led me to a small greenhouse in his backyard.

Inside he began digging down in one corner and soon uncovered a Mason jar. He cleaned it off, and we took it into the house. When he unscrewed the lid, a cloth sack was revealed, and it in turn contained a roll of bills. He counted out three thousand dollars and said that was for us. I don't think he was an angel, but he certainly was sent from God and was an answer to five months of prayer.

Within a few days of returning to Altadena we visited a car dealership and paid cash for a brand new vehicle—a 1960 Renault Dauphine. I can still see the surprised look on the salesman's face as we counted out the cash to the penny. We still have the bill of sale and on it are stamped these words in now-faded red: PAID IN FULL.

How often in preaching and teaching and in just daily living I have been blessed and refreshed to recall how the Lord provided a vehicle for us. Greater by far than this, our blessed Lord Jesus Christ has willingly paid the price for our salvation and our account is marked PAID IN FULL.

*—Chuck Winter, N7AAG*



# Silent keys

## Al Folden, W7KAP

On Friday, November 5th, 2004, Albin T. "Al" Folden, W7KAP, went home to be with the Lord at age 88.

Al was born December 8, 1915 near Newfolden, Minnesota. He attended high school in Newfolden and later attended the Bible Institute and Academy in Minneapolis and the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. Al began his 40 years of ministry in North Dakota serving mainly Evangelical Covenant Churches.

On July 15, 1941, Al married Ivie Elseth, also from Newfolden. Together they served in the pastorate among churches in North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, California, Arizona and finally Alaska. Al and Ivie raised three children, Richard, Carol and Daniel, during those years and now have 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Al and Ivie lived in Sun City, Arizona for 20 years before joining Covenant Village of Golden Valley, Minn. in May of 2002.

Al's hamming interests went back to around 1953. He was having some medical problems due to the stress of his work, and his doctor advised him to

take up a hobby. He chose ham radio and was an active ham until shortly before his death. He would check into the ARMS 20-meter Net mobile after he moved to Covenant Village.

He found ham radio to be a great help when he and Ivie spent four years in Nome, Alaska. It provided a way to contact their friends and family in the lower states, especially their daughter in Arizona. He also made many contacts with missionaries overseas.

One of Al's favorite Scripture passages was Romans 4:20-22, which he often quoted on the ARMS Net. It reads:

*He did not waiver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, being fully convinced that what He had*

*promised he was also able to perform. And therefore, "it was accounted to him for righteousness."*

Al was also talented musically. One of the choruses he composed is as follows:  
*O what a joy to know my sin's forgiven,  
To know the wonder of redeeming grace.  
O what joy to know I'm bound for heaven,  
For there I'll see my Savior face to face.*



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64 years. At first it was called the Gospel Center Tabernacle, but shortly he changed the name to the Calvary Bible Church. He retired from the pastorate in 2002 at the age of 88.

When the church built the current church building, Bob made sure that there was a ham shack in it, with a tri-band beam on the roof. In his earlier years he would often set up schedules with overseas missionaries to coincide with worship services or prayer meet-

ings at the church. He had the sound piped into the auditorium so everyone could hear the QSO.

In addition to his church planting, pastoring and significant amateur radio work, Bob also taught Biblical Archeology at the Central Jersey Bible Institute in New Jersey.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, Phil. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Esther, and their three daughters, Sandra Martin, Priscilla Hall and Beth Freeman, as well as 11 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. — — —

## Bud Owen, KG8BK

Lionel "Bud" Owen, KG8BK, age 62, is now a silent key. We mourn the loss of Bud. He was an avid DXer, but more importantly, he was a "Ham for all seasons."

Bud lived in Jenison, Mich., and for many years he was active with the IRA, MDXA, 541, Inc. and MARA. He also served the Independent Repeater Association. Bud was also an Honor Roll member, and a prince of a guy. He had a great sense of humor, and he was also very supportive of many area clubs.

Bud was also a man of God and a well-known defender of the church. He is gone but not forgotten. He now belongs to the ages and no longer needs a radio to work that rare DX! We will miss him greatly and we thank the Lord for sharing him with us. He was a blessing to all who knew him. Bud we know that you are with our Lord, and we also know that He is well pleased with your great service! — — —

## Andy Moore, W3FJF

James "Andy" Moore, Sr., W3FJF, was born on October 2, 1919 in Wilmington, Del. He served his country in the 198th Coast Artillery and in the Army Air Corps after graduating from high school and serving as a journeymen machinist in Wilmington, Del. He was retired from Sun Oil Company in Marcus Hook, Penna.

He came to know Jesus Christ as his savior in 1965. Andy loved anything with an engine or electricity. A long-time ham, it was easy for him to get involved with ARMS. He was proud to use the phonetics, "Following, Jesus, Forever."

His youngest son attended and graduated from Eastern Mennonite College as a result of an ARMS meeting there in 1972. He is most remembered by all for his quick wit and his shiny bald head. He lived all of his life in Wilmington, until April of 2004 when he moved to South Burlington, Vermont. He died on October 21, 2004 from pneumonia.

—submitted by his son, Joe Moore





Unless stated otherwise, scripture verses are taken from the King James (Authorized) Version of the Bible.

## Across

- 1 Furious
- 6 "Let that \_\_\_ be darkness;" (Job 3:4)
- 9 "\_\_\_ be with you all. Amen." (Heb. 13:25)
- 14 "...the fool \_\_\_ and scoffs;" (Pr. 29:9, NIV)
- 15 "...which among you \_\_\_ able;" (Acts 25:5)
- 16 "...you to scourge a man that is a \_\_\_," (Acts 22:25)
- 17 "...there is one \_\_\_ unto all;" (Eccl. 9:3)
- 18 "...save a \_\_\_ of oil." (2 Kgs. 4:2)
- 19 "...who pass by without \_\_\_," (Mi. 2:8, NIV)
- 20 "Happy is the man that \_\_\_," (Pr. 3:13)
- 23 "But the \_\_\_ of all things is at hand;" (1 Pt. 4:7)
- 24 "And Esau \_\_\_ to meet him," (Gen. 33:4)
- 25 "And Jesus, when \_\_\_ out," (Mk. 6:34)
- 28 "...and wilt thou \_\_\_ it up in three days?" (Jn. 2:20)
- 30 "But I \_\_\_ blameless life;" (Ps. 26:11, NIV)
- 33 Lama's distinction
- 34 "For \_\_\_ have sinned," (Rom. 3:23)
- 36 Gennesaret, for example (Lk. 5:1)
- 38 "...or that leaneth \_\_\_ staff," (2 Sam. 3:29)
- 39 "A happy heart makes \_\_\_," (Pr. 15:13, NIV)
- 44 Follower of Jude (abbr.)
- 45 "...because he was \_\_\_ youth." (Judg. 8:20)
- 46 Cpl. or Sgt.

- 47 "...he hath spread \_\_\_ for my feet," (Lam. 1:13)
- 49 "\_\_\_ mean more to you than ten sons?" (1 Sam. 1:8, NIV)
- 51 "For my yoke is \_\_\_," (Mt. 11:30)
- 55 Tomorrow in Tijuana
- 57 Light switch positions
- 59 Explorer who charted much of the Canadian coast
- 60 "Happy is the man that \_\_\_," (Pr. 28:14)
- 64 Audible sounds of distress
- 66 "\_\_\_ considereth a field," (Pr. 31:16)
- 67 Eagle's nest
- 68 "...\_\_\_ shall be one beaten work of pure gold." (Ex. 25:36)
- 69 Ball holder
- 70 Pointless
- 71 "...he would not \_\_\_ to come to them." (Acts 9:38)
- 72 "Call unto me, \_\_\_ I will answer thee," (Jer. 33:3)
- 73 "Am I \_\_\_ apostle?" (1 Cor. 9:1)

## Down

- 1 "\_\_\_ to those whose sin does not lead to death." (1 Jn. 5:16, NIV)
- 2 "...set an ambush in the \_\_\_." (1 Sam. 15:5, NIV)
- 3 Order of business
- 4 "The men are shepherds; they \_\_\_ livestock," (Gen. 46:32, NIV)
- 5 Often aromatic organic salt
- 6 Greek mythology, she became a laurel tree

- 7 "...and \_\_\_ of new timber;" (Ezra 6:4)
- 8 "And \_\_\_ say unto you," (Mt. 6:29)
- 9 A- or B+
- 10 Elaborate 18th century art style
- 11 "...because I \_\_\_ unclean lips," (Is. 6:5)
- 12 "...to a point below Beth \_\_\_," (1 Sam. 7:11, NIV)
- 13 Opp. of WSW
- 21 "...and will cut down the \_\_\_ trees thereof," (2 Kgs. 19:23)
- 22 "...the nations as grain is \_\_\_ sieve," (Am. 9:9, NIV)
- 26 Computer program offering, often
- 27 Airline to Tel Aviv
- 29 Brit. fliers
- 31 Alaska Highway, once
- 32 Dit's companion
- 35 "... where she may \_\_\_ her young," (Ps. 84:3)
- 37 It uses the euro, for the most part (abbr.)
- 39 London trolley
- 40 "where are the gods of Sepharvaim, \_\_\_ and Ivah?" (2 Kgs. 18:34)
- 41 "...they shall \_\_\_ into the mouth of the eater." (Nah. 3:12)
- 42 DDE's command
- 43 "My beloved is like a \_\_\_ or a young hart;" (S.S. 2:9)
- 48 Tapeworm, technically
- 50 "...and \_\_\_ is better than the fat of rams." (1 Sam. 15:22, NIV)
- 52 "And the ark rested...upon the mountains of \_\_\_." (Gen. 8:4)
- 53 "...but \_\_\_ word, and my servant shall..." (Lk. 7:7)
- 54 "Have \_\_\_ this man that is come up?" (1 Sam. 17:25)
- 56 Difficult, as a cold
- 58 "...were \_\_\_ with the sword;" (Heb. 11:37)
- 61 ¿Como \_\_\_ usted?
- 62 "\_\_\_ Job answered and said," (Job 9:1)
- 63 "For here have \_\_\_ continuing city," (Heb. 13:14)
- 64 "...Lo, ye see the man is \_\_\_;" (1 Sam. 21:14)
- 65 Norwegian-American author Rölvaag

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