FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CORRY, PA



A Thanksgiving for the Life of William Kenneth Shade August 22, 1934 – Jan 1, 2023

January 14, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.

A Message from the Family

We are deeply thankful for the love and support of our family and friends, and we appreciate your many prayers and acts of kindness shown to us during these difficult days as we mourn the earthly loss of our dear loved one. In lieu of flowers, we kindly ask that memorial donations be made to:

Source of Light Ministries 1011 Mission Rd Madison GA 30650

Thank you again for praying for us and standing with us at this time. Dr. Shade's autobiography is available in the foyer for anyone who does not have a copy. There are also flash drives with his last three messages. You are encouraged to take one per family and share with others

In Memoriam

Dr. Bill (William K.) Shade, 88, of Corry, PA, entered into the presence of the Lord on January 1, 2023. He was the husband of his loving and dedicated wife, Ruby L. (Sizemore) Shade for 67 years.

Dr. Bill was born in Altoona, PA., August 22, 1934. He was the only child of Kenneth L. Shade and Esther (Singer) Shade. While attending Philadelphia Bible Institute (now Cairn University) he met Ruby, a classmate from Southeastern Kentucky. After graduation they married, and Dr. Bill transferred to Wheaton College for one year. From there the Lord led them to Southeastern KY where Bill and Ruby were missionaries with *Scripture Memory Mountain Mission* for 8 ½ years. He pastored the "McRoberts Missionary Baptist Church" and traveled to 27 public schools in 7 counties each month to hold chapel services. It was also during those years that he began a radio ministry and wrote the "Through the Bible Correspondence Courses."

In December 1964 they moved from Kentucky to York, PA where they began the "Grace and Truth Evangelistic Association." Upon hearing a presentation at a prayer breakfast about the rising violence among the youth of the city and the lack of resources available to meet the growing crisis, they launched the ministry of

"Teen Encounter," which included three homes for resident teens who for various reasons could no longer live at home, weekly teen rallies, Bible Clubs in the schools and a camping ministry. In those years, they also expanded the radio ministry and out of the initial "Through the Bible Courses," began the Worldwide Bible Institute, a full 3-year, 6 semester, Bible Institute program.

Always being convinced of the effectiveness of a camping ministry to reach kids and teens with the Gospel, they founded Camp of the Nations in NE Pennsylvania in 1975. After 20 years of very fruitful ministry there, it was eventually turned over to Arrowhead Ministries in 1996 where that vision continues and is now known as "Rock Mountain Bible Camp." The same year Dr. Bill was invited to join Source of Light Ministries International in Madison, Georgia and move the WWBI project vision there. For the next several years he was asked to guide and develop the WWBI effort.

In February of 2005, Dr. Bill was asked to become the Interim General Director of "Source of Light" Ministries in Madison, GA., where three months later he was made International Director. In the following years, he and Ruby made multiple ministry trips to Romania, India, Africa, the Philippines, and Singapore. Bill stepped down as International Director December 31, 2012; but remained Director of Advanced Studies until June 2019 when he officially retired and moved to Corry, PA where they are closer to family. He has maintained an itinerate Bible teaching ministry since then and has authored six published books. His first book was an autobiography of God's faithfulness and is entitled Amazed by Grace.

Bill is survived by his wife, Ruby, and their five children, 21 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Their children are Phillip Shade and his wife Heather Stewart Shade. They have three children: Douglas, Matthew, and Gregory. Douglas and his wife Tiffany have 4 children: Harper, Greyson, Londyn, and Campbell. Matthew and his wife Kristen have three children: Raelynn, Brynlee, and Kenzley. Gregory and his wife Laura and her son Jasper.

Stephen and his wife Lani Borgman Shade have two children: Abigail and Ethan. Steve has two older sons: Jonathan and David and his wife Lesley.

Rachel (Shade) Zuch and her husband Dan have three children: Charissa, Richard, and Michael. Charissa and her husband Joseph Ketcherside have three children:

Max, Will and Eden. Richard Zuch and his wife Tiffani have four children: Calvin, Charleston, Isabella, and Soren.

Elizabeth (Shade) Brenner and her husband Dale have nine children: Grace, Nathan, Daniel, Jael, Isaiah, Julia, Jacob, Ruby, and Maria. Their son Caleb preceded Dr. Bill in death.

Esther Virginia Kearse has one son: Dr. Jonathan Mathis. He and his wife Jamie have two children: Jonathan Jr. and Riley.

He was also preceded in death by his parents Kenneth and Esther Shade.