In Memoriam
2001-2003
Honoring Our Departed Assemblies of God Ministers
Honoring

Assemblies of God ministers who have passed on to their reward, as reported to the General Secretary's office for the period June 1, 2001 to June 1, 2003.

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As an exile on the island of Patmos, John looked across the expanse of the sea toward Ephesus where his fellow believers lived. The sea posed an impossible barrier, preventing all contact with those whom he loved.

To John was given the revelation of the seven things that would be no more in the New Jerusalem: sea, tears, mourning, crying, pain, curse or night (Revelation 21:1-4; 22:1-5). But, the first thing God brings to his attention as “no more” is the sea.

A “sea” now separates us from those ministers who are remembered in this memorial booklet. These dedicated men and women of God laid the foundation for this Movement, and we are reaping the benefit of their love and labor for the Lord. They served the Lord in their generation and have passed to us the torch of privilege and responsibility in this Pentecostal Movement.

With the apostle John, we eagerly await the day when the sea will be no more! There is going to be a meeting in the air, a great moment of reunion!

I encourage you to use this booklet as a reminder to pray for the family members of these ministers, to give thanks to the Lord for the heritage they have provided us, to examine your own commitment in light of their example, and to stimulate your hope in Christ who promised that death would not be God’s last word.

Maranatha!

George O. Wood
General Secretary
General Council of the Assemblies of God
I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

John 11:25,26
The Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage each other with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-18
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ACEVEDO, Felipe G.
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GOMEZ, Octaviano
PENA, Josue
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SOLIS, Raul M.
God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardship as the pathway to peace. Taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His will, that I may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with Him forever in the next.

—Reinhold Niebuhr
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Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!”

Matthew 25:21
The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul.

He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

—Psalm 23
Men of genius are admired;
Men of wealth are envied;
Men of power are feared;
But only men of character are trusted.
The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

Revelation 22:3,4
He will wipe every tear from their eyes.
There will be no more death or mourning
or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

Revelation 21:4
He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Christ Jesus from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. . . . You believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

—1 Peter 1:3-5,8,9
The time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7,8
He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way as you have seen him go into heaven."

Acts 1:9-11
He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him.

1 Thessalonians 5:10
For me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Philippians 1:21
If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

John 14:3

Not Pictured:
MIRANDA, Jaime
MORENO, Ana M.
SANTANA, JR., Mariano
For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38
Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?

1 Corinthians 15:55
Sunset and evening star.
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep
Too full for sound and foam.
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell.
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark.

For, though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

—Alfred, Lord Tennyson
Southern California

HARRISON
Floyd

HARTLEY
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HAYDUS
Miriam E.

HERTWECK
Erma G.

HILL
Annabelle

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LAYTON
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RICH, Donald W.
RIDENER, Florence

Safely Home

I am home in
Heaven, dear ones;
All the pain and
grief are over,

Oh, so happy and
so bright!
Every restless
 tossing passed;

There is perfect joy
and beauty
I am now at peace
forever,

In this
 everlasting light.
Safely home in
Heaven at last.

—Author unknown
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