



Donald Lee Long

April 3, 1933 - January 18, 2012

Donald Lee Long was born to Charles and Eva (Barger) Long in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma April 3, 1933 and went to be with the Lord Wednesday, January 18, 2012. After graduating high school, Don married Ina Donne Carol Manzanares in 1952 and in 1955 they had one son, Dennis Lee Long. Don served in the 1st Armored Division of the U.S. Army during the Korean War. After returning from the war, Don worked for Phillips Petroleum Company until entering college. He attended OU and graduated from OCU with degrees in Geology and Math. After graduation, Don worked as a Computer Programmer, and later as Program Analyst for the Federal Aviation Agency for the next 17 years. During that time he developed the international numbering for all aircraft, which is still in use today. While working for the FAA, the Lord directed Don to begin a Bible study at his workplace. Within a short time this Bible study expanded and souls were saved, other branches of government and military located at FAA began to attend. As a result, when these people transferred, they, too, began Bible studies at their new assignment. In 1979, Don answered God's call to enter full time ministry. He accepted the call from Jenks First Baptist Church to serve as Minister of Education and Administration. While there, God began to put it on his heart to build a school. Later that same year, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Enid, approached Don to come on staff. He accepted the position of Administration/Associate Pastor, with the understanding that he would build a school, which is now known as Emmanuel Christian School. In 1981, Emmanuel Baptist Church ordained

Don as minister. He was on staff there until 1985 when he answered God's call to foreign ministries. In 1987 Don and Ina were sent by Liebenzel Mission to serve on the Island of West New Britain in Papua New Guinea. They served there for the next 7 years, returning to the U.S. to care for Ina's parents. In 1998, they served in Maadi, Egypt as teachers in an underground Bible school. They next served in Kazakhstan in missionary care. Their last service was in Suriname, South America where they ministered and finished building and opened the church there. Heaven is a little fuller because of Don's mantra with was, "hear God and do what He says." Don is survived by his wife, Ina of the home; son Dennis Long of Waukomis; three grandchildren, Mandy Ukena and husband Eddie, and Aaron Long all of Enid, Oklahoma and Jared Long of England, four great-grandchildren, Dylan and Sophia Ukena, Serenity and Ada Long; brother Fred Long and wife Judy of Texas; and sister Dora Mae Lockhart of Midwest City, Oklahoma. He was preceded in death by parents and niece Gail Dickinson. Memorials are to Covenant Life Christian Fellowship