

# The Reporter

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## Director's Report

by Mural Worthey



Week six begins on Monday, April 27. We are nearing the end of our Spring 2 term at Amarillo College. I have 22 students signed up already for our Summer philosophy class and 5 for Greek 1. The Summer class will last for eight weeks during June and July. All of these students are taking the classes for their degree program, but others can take the classes for audit as well.

There are so many individuals and churches involved in the work of the Bible Chair. I appreciate the good work of everyone. Mike Foster has been faithful in mowing the grass each season. Norma and Becky Hugg prepare meals each Tuesday for our students. We are having 16-20 each week who gather for lunch and a devotional period. We enjoy the fellowship with one another.

On May 9, two of our students will be married at Palo Duro Canyon. They have asked me to officiate their wedding. Another student will be presenting her thesis for her high school graduation. She is a home-school student who took dual-credit Bible classes at the Bible Chair. She chose "Once Saved Always Saved" as the topic for her research. I served as her mentor for this research as she used books from our library. She will present her thesis at graduation on May 8. We have had several high school students to take dual-credit classes at the Bible Chair.

## CLASS SCHEDULE

### SPRING 2026

**RELG 2301-001**  
**Life of Christ**  
March 23 - May 15  
M/T/W/Th 9:00 - 10:15 AM

**RELG 2301-002**  
**Life of Christ**  
March 23 - May 15  
M/T/W/Th/F/S Online (Web)

**PHIL 1301-002**  
**Intro to Philosophy**  
March 23 - May 15  
T/Th 5:30 - 8:15 PM

**RELG 2304-001**  
**Revelation**  
March 23 - May 15  
M/T/W/Th/F/S Online (Web)

### SUMMER 2026

**GREE 1311-001**  
**Greek 1**  
June 8 - July 31  
Tuesday/Thursday  
7:00 - 9:00 PM

**PHIL 1301-001**  
**Intro to Philosophy**  
June 8 - July 31  
M/T/W/Th/F/S Online (Web)

INCOME & EXPENSE	MAR 2026
<b>Income</b>	
Adrian	500
Anna Street	400
Bell Avenue	3,600
Borger	200
Bushland	400
Clarendon	25
Claude	1,200
Clovis	500
Colonies	400
Dalhart	150
Golden Plains	200
San Jacinto	750
Sunray	1,000
Texline	700
Individuals	275
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$10,300</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Payroll Expense (plus PR taxes)	7,962
Utilities	408
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$8,370</b>
March Positive Cash Flow	<b>\$1,930</b>

### Why Can't Christians Answer Basic Questions?

(Ken Ham, blog on April 25, 2026)

- #1: *They've compromised with atheistic ideas.*  
 #2: *Many Christians don't know what the Bible says.*  
 #3: *There's been a lack of apologetics (faith-defense) teaching in our churches and homes.*

The points above are a summary of the blog written by Ken Ham. I have followed the teaching and writing of Ken Ham ever since he came to the United States from his home country of Australia. He was a science teacher there and challenged the evolutionary ideas by his powerful use of the book of *Genesis*.

I was especially appreciative of the last point in his blog. We plan to give due emphasis to the teaching of apologetics at Bell Avenue. Paul wrote these words: "Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense (*apologia, Gr.*) of the gospel." (Phil. 1:14-15.) The word, *apologia*, occurs eight times in the Greek New Testament.

The apostle Peter said, "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts and be ready to give an answer (*apologia*) of the hope that is within you with meekness and fear." (1 Pet. 3:15, KJV)

**Meal & Devotional** is scheduled Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 7 pm, at the Bible Chair for our online students. Since many of our online students are not available to attend on Tuesdays at noon, we have planned another time in the evening so we can get to know one another better.

Several of our students will be graduating in May; some will be entering universities to further their education. We wish them well in their chosen fields of service. We believe that they will help provide a solid foundation for their homes and communities.

Thank you for helping to provide for these students a Christian environment to learn and grow in Christ.

**Bell Avenue Church of Christ** is the overseeing church for our work at Amarillo College. They recently appointed two additional elders to serve the congregation. We now have six shepherds to provide leadership for the church. They have now been overseeing the Bible Chair since 2017. In addition to this work, the church at Bell provides support for nine other mission works.

This Sunday, April 26, will conclude our series at Bell on "Christian Apologetics". Jerry Lawlis will present the final lesson in this series titled "Jesus on Trial".

This study of apologetics and evidences has been beneficial for us. I plan to present these studies for students in the future at the Bible Chair.