

Word of Faith Preacher Charles Capps Passes at 80

Word of Faith preacher **Charles Capps** has gone home to be with the Lord. Capps passed away on Feb. 23. He was 80.

Capps was a retired farmer, land developer and **Bible** teacher who traveled extensively throughout the United States and several foreign countries sharing the truths of God's Word. He taught Bible seminars for more than 35 years, emphasizing the authority of the believer, faith and the power of words.

Capps and his wife, Peggy, had roots in the rich farmland of Lonoke County, Ark. Having been raised by parents who were farmers, Charles Capps began farming cotton, soybeans and rice immediately after graduating from high school and marrying in 1951.

Three-and-a-half months older than Capps, Peggy had to sign as the adult on his behalf when he wanted to take flying lessons at the age of 17. They joined an organization known as the Flying Farmers and gained experience going to "fly-ins" and national meetings across the United States.

Neither knew that this skill of flying would be such an asset later, when Capps began teaching personal **evangelism** in the 1960s. He spoke on the subject of soul-winning in churches not only in the U.S., but also flew his twin engine Piper Comanche to the Bahamas to teach students of **Youth With a Mission** how to share Christ with others.

After reading a book by Kenneth E. Hagin entitled *Authority of the Believer*, Capps and Peggy's life took on a new dimension of travel and ministry as he became known for his teaching gift and insight on the subjects of faith and confession.

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Fellowship International began to pour in, eventually leading to the publication of Capps' teachings in book form. *The Tongue a Creative Force* and *God's Creative Power Will Work for You* became best-sellers after Buddy Harrison, Hagin's son-in-law, launched his publishing company with these two classics. These two books have sold millions—the *God's Creative Power* series has sold more than 5 million copies—and are still much in demand today.

Capps had daily national radio broadcast and a weekly television broadcast aired over several networks, satellite and the Internet called *Concepts of Faith*.

Capps is survived by his wife, Peggy, and daughters, Annette and Beverly.