

## A BRIEF HISTORY

**I**n February of 1970, Bro. Dell Rose, a prominent Apostolic evangelist in great demand across the US during the late 60's, had a request from several local families to start an Apostolic church in Lompoc.

**R**everend Dell Rose, with God's direction, cancelled the revivals that were already scheduled in the Midwest and began having church services in one of the family's home on Third Avenue in Lompoc, California.



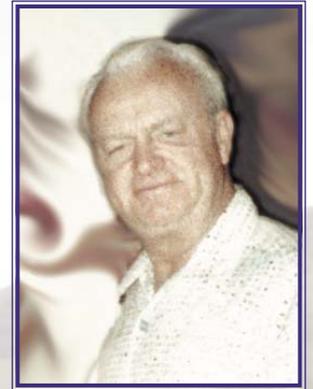
**F**or five years, they had church services at several locations in Lompoc until they were able to purchase the Lerner Ranch, located on four and a third acres at the corner of North Avenue and North "O" Street.

**T**en reliable, hardworking men who were dedicated members of the church signed their names to the mortgage to pay for the property and construction materials. Much of the building was built by the members of the church, who were mostly young electricians, painters, plumbers and carpenters.

**W**hat skills they couldn't provide themselves, they acquired by bartering. For example, Pastor Rose traded his new pickup truck and camper to pay for the block walls of the sanctuary to be erected. Working many hours each evening after the members completed their regular day jobs, the sanctuary was completed in 1975.

**T**he K-12 Key to Learning school annex, dedicated to the memory of a faithful saint, Sis. Ruth Sickler, was completed in 1988.

**T**he twelfth child of an Oklahoma ranching couple, Angeline and Dillard Rose. Pastor Rose came to California during the Oklahoma dustbowl when he was three year old.



**A**s a young man, Pastor Rose traveled around the world a time and a half before he was twenty-one while serving in the US Navy, seeing some combat in the Korean Conflict.

**H**e is also an accomplished singer who entertained in the Bakersfield area during the middle 50's before his conversion. He has sold many of his gospel recordings across the US.

**P**astor Dell Rose and his wife Dorothy



celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in October 2004.

*The steps of a good man are ordered of the LORD; and he delighteth in his way. Ps 37:28*