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## FRIENDS TO THE END

"Thank you Jesus, for my friends,
Who made me strong, this battle to win!"

Many sent words right up to Heaven
Fusing my feeble seed with His leaven.

Some shared their sacrifice of gold,

For daily bread and to keep out the cold.

Some sent their heart wrapped up in hope, Telling me, "rest in Jesus, don't grope!"

Some loaned their ears

To listen to my faith and fears.

Some shared a hand to play in the band To cheer me on across the land.

I Praise God for this team!

Who made me strong to reach the end!

"Now Holy Spirit, more and more fill their life,

As they help others in the strife."

## FOR BY HIS GRACE WE WILL BE, BROTHERS and SISTERS FOREVER! FRIENDS TO THE END!

Written on Monday, August 9, 1999 as I reflected on all the assistance I've received while writing this book.

Grateful - Prayenful for 2/04/ Wilbur S. Johnson

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## I REMEMBER

I remember, I remember
The house where I was born,
The little window where the sun
Came peeping in at morn:

I remember, I remember,
Where I used to swing;
And knew the air must rush as free
To swallows on the wing:
My spirit flew in feathers then,

I remember, I remember,
The cottonwood trees dark and high;
I used to think their fleecy tops
Were close against the sky:
It was a childish ignorance,
But now 'tis (high joy
To know, God's Spirit was with me,
All the days I was a boy.)
Adapted from a poem by Thomas Hood

When the Holy Spirit began to make Jesus the Lord of my life--He made a difference! Six months later I started teaching Sunday School, followed by preaching in country churches and youth rallies, followed by a three month interim ministry at the Cherryvale, Kansas, Christian Church. Then on to Midwest Christian College in Oklahoma City and my first every Sunday church at Ripley, Oklahoma. In 1974, after 25 years in the located ministry, He called me to our Faith Alive revival ministry.

The pictures at the bottom are a visual account of my sojourn-- at age seven, the house where I was born and lived for 14 years, and age forty seven. All my years leads me to conclude that the blessed Holy Spirit has been working all the time. Even before I was born, He was arranging circumstances for my birth. Beyond birth, sometimes on the outside, much of the time on the inside of my heart, His silent mighty work progressed.

The principles contained in this study were first lived out in the heart and home of myself and others.

