

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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Charles R. Rose was the youngest of four children born to Cecil and Pearl (Blackwood) Rose in a little two-room house in the Red Oak community of Searcy County, Arkansas on September 21, 1942. (A neighbor, Mrs. Dee Watts served as mid-wife). He was educated in the public schools of Marshall, London and Russellville, Arkansas until 1959 when he joined the U. S. Army on his 17th birthday, serving three years, attaining the rank of Specialist Fourth Class.

On April 8, 1967 he was united in marriage to Mary Lois Crawford on Culpeper Mountain near Clinton, Arkansas with Brother Floyd Bonds officiating. Charles and Lois have three children: Eric, Doug and Jill. Eric is our song leader at the Lincoln church of Christ. Doug and his wife Becky live near Lincoln with their three children Elizabeth, Thomas and Hannah. Doug and Becky both are teachers in the Bible school program. Doug teaches the youth class and Becky the primary class. Jill is married to Carson Sloan and they live in Benton, Arkansas. They have one son, Scout, and worship at the Northside church of Christ in Benton.

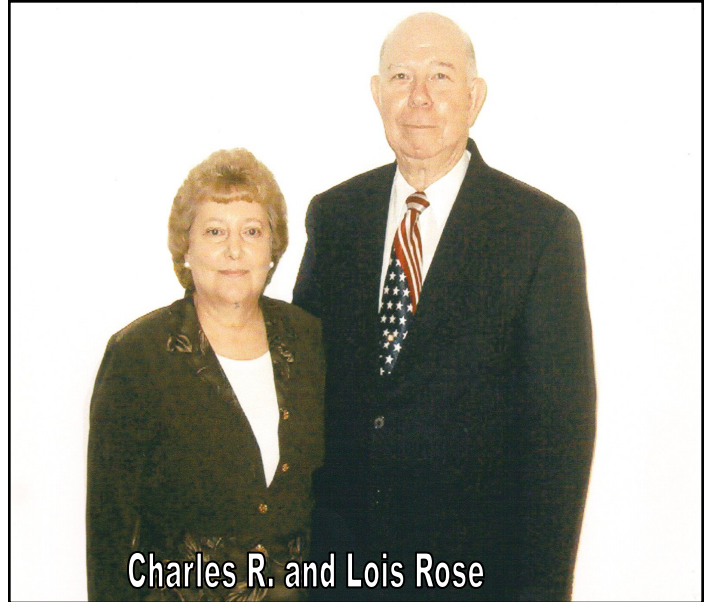
Charles and Lois were both baptized into Christ on October 15, 1967 at Clinton, Arkansas by Brother Jimmy Duncan. He served as deacon at Clinton, Arkansas and Bellefonte, Arkansas before he began preaching. Charles began his preaching career by filling in at small congregations in northern Arkansas, his first sermon was preached at Saint Joe, Arkansas on July 26, 1974.

Unable to attend a formal school of preaching he and Lois opened their home to students and faculty of the Northside School of Preaching that was located at the Northside church of Christ in Harrison, Arkansas for several years. His first full time work was at Saint Joe, Arkansas where he worked from December 1977 to April 1980.

His ministry has been primarily with small mission congregations, raising his own support. He has served the Lord's church at Saint Joe, Arkansas, Mexico, Missouri, Leesville, Missouri, Western Grove, Arkansas, Lincoln, Missouri and Norfolk, Arkansas. On February 1, 2016 he began the 14th year into his second term at Lincoln, Missouri having worked with the Lincoln congregation eleven years before moving to Norfolk. He has preached in gospel meetings throughout Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma and done radio work at Marshall and Harrison, Arkansas, Mexico, Missouri and Lincoln, Missouri. The present program on KAYQ 97.1 FM out of Warsaw, Missouri began broadcasting the first Sunday of December 1989. For eighteen years Charles worked with the third summer session at Green Valley Bible Camp near Rogers, Arkansas.

He has written articles for The World Evangelist, Four State Gospel News, The Voice of Truth International and a number of smaller journals and church bulletins, and edits "*The Lincoln Light*" which serves as the Lincoln church bulletin. He has written his own study material for classrooms and hopes to have a study pamphlet on each New Testament book to leave for his children and grandchildren. He has a book of memories and poems titled "Polka Dot Frogs And Green Persimmons," and a history of his mother's family titled "The Blackwoods in America" from genealogical and historical records. His poetry, for which he has received numerous Golden Poet awards, has appeared in several magazines and newspapers. In 1990 he was named to Who's Who in American Entertainment for his poetry and work with children as Flapjack the Clown.

Charles is available for a limited number of gospel meetings each year. Interested congregations may contact him by e-mail at crrose@iland.net or call (660) 547-2567 or (660) 723-1315.



Charles R. and Lois Rose

