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Monday September 22, 2014

## 2 charged in traffic stop with DUI



Kenny Byrd



Heather Ferrando

(See DUI pg. 4)

## Walmart employee charged with theft x4



Alecia Lawson

(see Walmart pg. 5)

## TVs and groceries stolen



Jonathan Morgan

(See Theft pg. 2)

## The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoe



### "And I Did Not Know It!"

I recently shared how God is redirecting and refocusing our lives here in Montana to stop doing "For God" and to spend more time "Experiencing God" and joining Him in the work that He is already doing among the people around us.

As I continued read-

ing through the Book of Genesis this week, I ran across a moment in the life of Jacob where he had an encounter with our Creator through a dream. Jacob quickly came to realize how amazing it really is to experience God aside from just knowing about

(see TGN pg. 3)

## DUI and revoked LC woman charged by LCSO



Sharon Weaver

(see LCSO pg. 7)

### Verse of the Day

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. — Ephesians 4:29

### Obituaries

see inside

### Wazzup

It's hard to believe the caution light at Muddy Creek and Ford Road is already gone, progress is coming for sure and it's long overdue.

### Weather

Today: Sunny skies. High 77F.  
Tonight: A mostly clear sky. Low 52F.  
Tuesday: Mainly sunny. High 81F. Tuesday Night Clear skies. Low 52F.

### Horoscopes

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Try not to react too strongly against whatever big news comes your way early today -- it's just too soon to de-

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### Theft

Jonathan Morgan, 26, W 9th Ave Lenoir City, was charged with Theft of Property x2. On 9/17/14 and 9/18/14 Loss Prevention at Walmart observed Jonathan place TV's and Grocery items in a buggy and pass all points of sale without paying, depriving Walmart of its property. War-

rants were issued on Jonathan. Lt. Mike Tinnel LCPD, arrested and transported Jonathan to the Loudon Jail.

### Police beat

Deidre Cooksey, 29, Kelly Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault and Resisting Arrest.

Sgt. Jeremy Dishner LCPD, was dispatched to Kelly Lane on a domestic disturbance. Upon ar-

rival Officer made contact with the victim, and Deidre Cooksey. Victim advised Officer that Deidre had been at a neighbors apartment drinking heavily before she returned to their residence.

Upon Deidre arrival she began yelling at the victim accusing him of assaulting her daughter. Victim advised that Deidre began

striking him several times and also bit his left forearm near the elbow. After an investigation it was determined that Deidre was the primary aggressor and was advised she was being placed under arrest Deidre refused to stand up and resisted arrest. Sgt. Jeremy Dishner LCPD, made the arrest.

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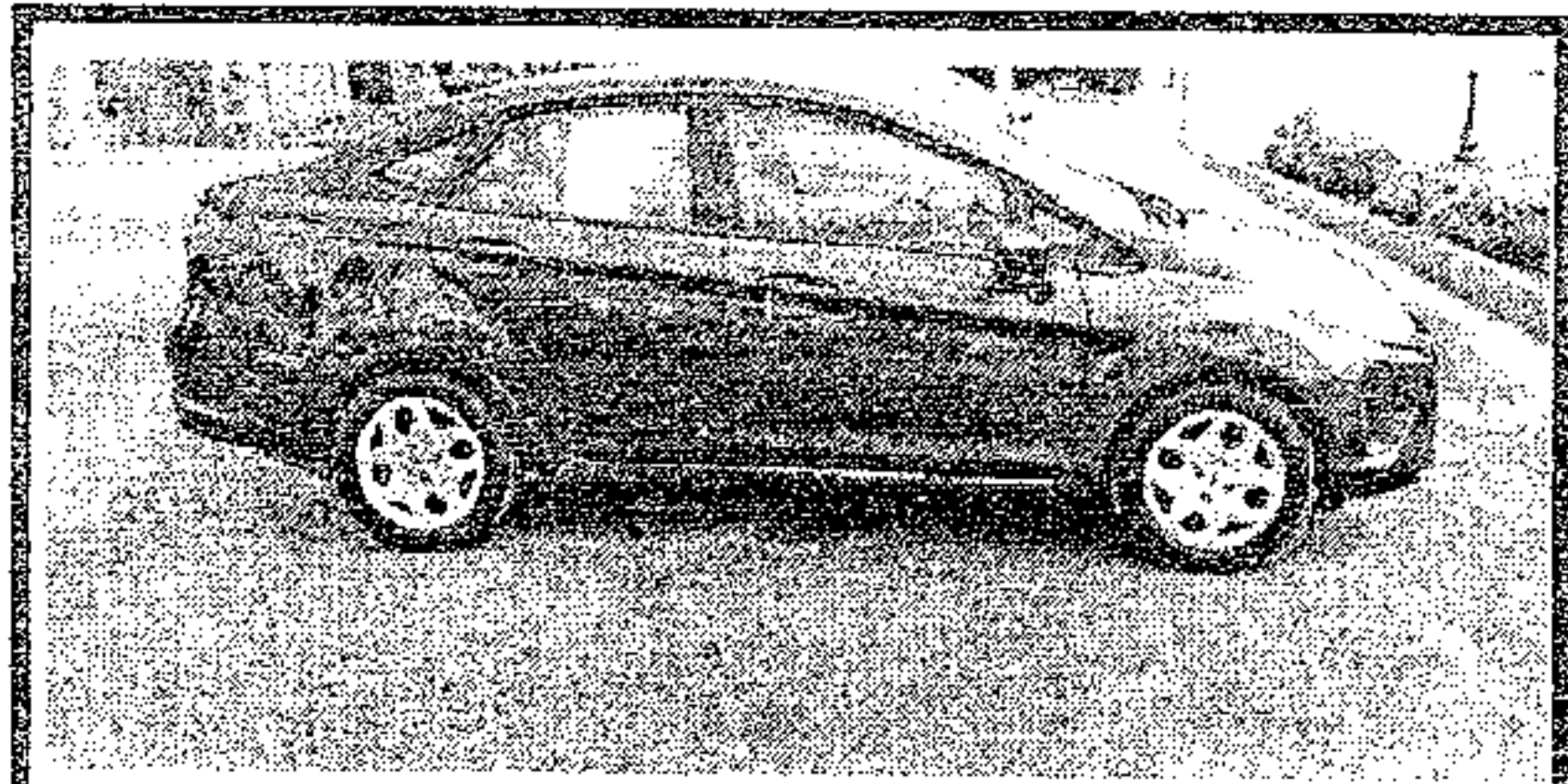
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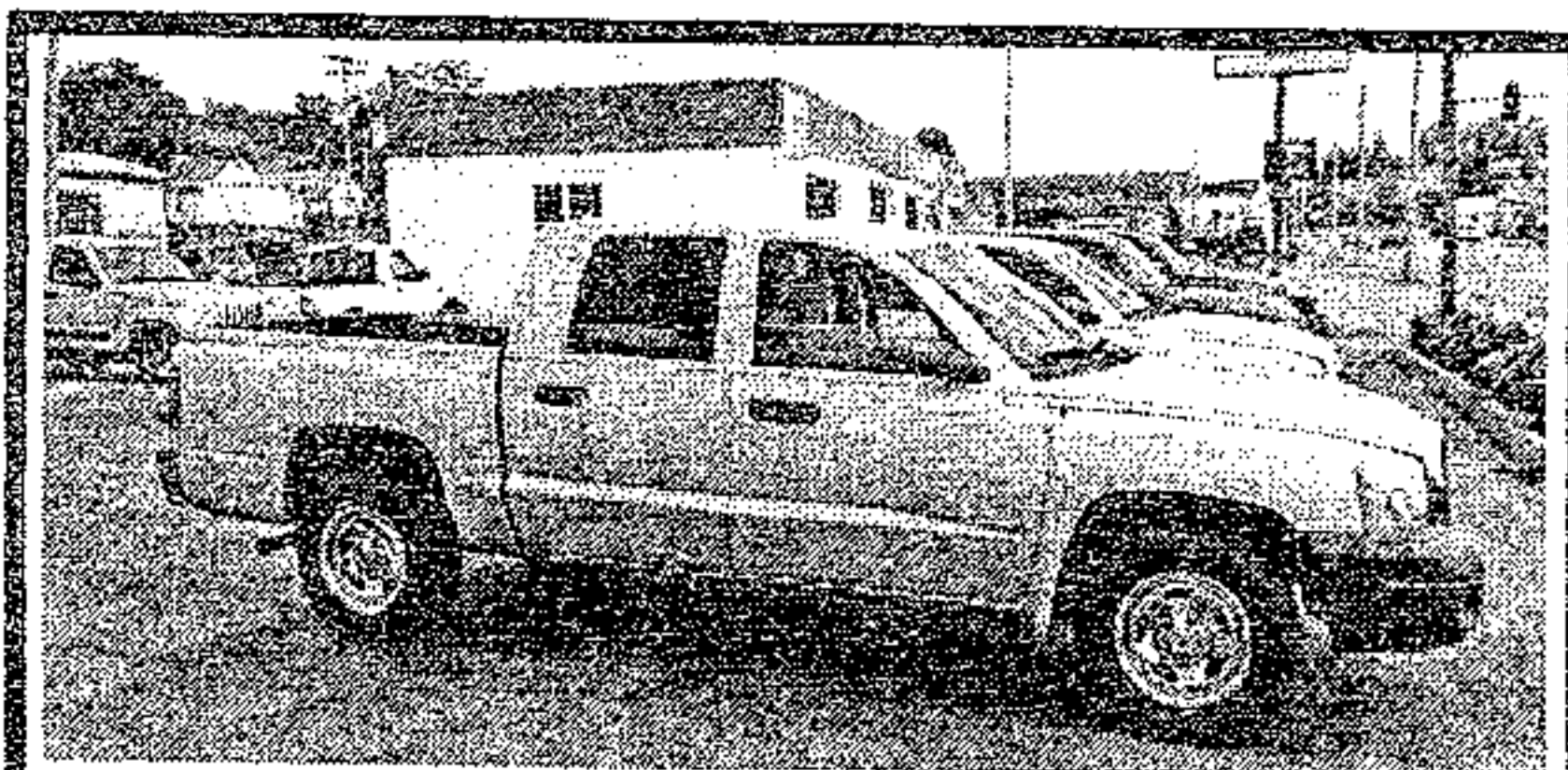
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Him. I invite you to take moment to read this cool story for yourself:

Genesis 28:10-17 (NKJV) Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went towards Haran. So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

And behold, the Lord stood above it and said: "I am the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac: the land

on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.

Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it." And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate to heaven!"

I am convinced that Jacob had heard about God's promise from both his grandfather Abraham, and his father

Isaac. God had established this covenant with each of them personally and it was surely discussed around the campfire on numerous occasions throughout Jacob's life. But this day, at this moment, God told Jacob what He was planning to do through him and it had a profound impact on Jacob.

"Surely The Lord is in this place and I did not know it!" Jacob had just "Experienced God" and the Bible says he

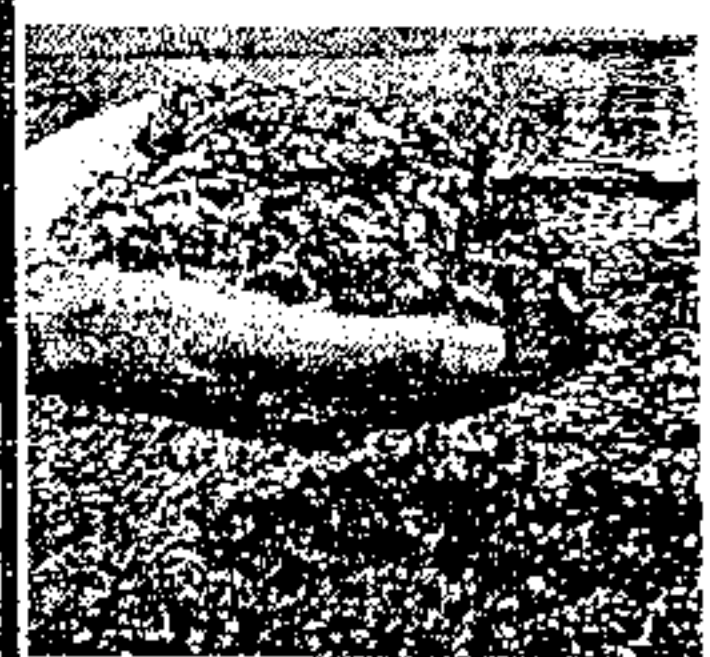
was afraid! He was in awe that the God of the universe had just spoken directly with him.

So how does this story apply to you and me today?

Almost everyone in Loudon County Tennessee knows about God. We can all recite John 3:16 and we know many hymns by heart from growing up around church folk. But how would your life be forever changed if you were to have a

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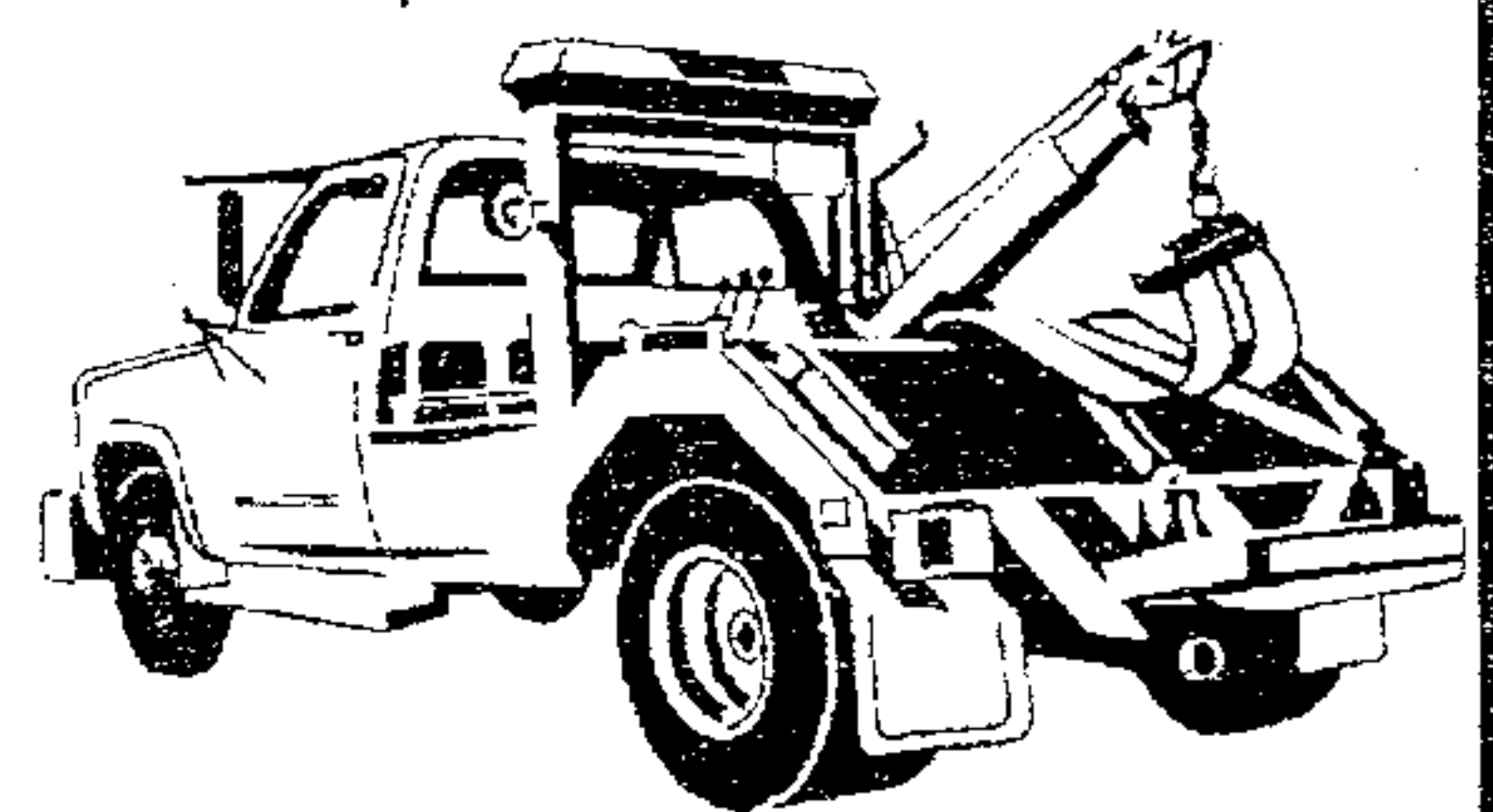
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**DUI**

Kenny Byrd, 32, Cartmill Road Powell, was charged with DUI.

Heather Ferrando, 40, Cartmill Road Powell, was charged with DUI by Consent.

On September 17, 2014 Deputy Brian Smith LCSO, did observe a Black Jeep Wrangler traveling North on Highway 411 in Loudon County At 78 MPH in a 50 MPH zone with his in car radar unit. Upon stopping the vehicle Deputy identified the driver to be Mr. Kenny Wayne Byrd. While speaking with Mr. Byrd, Deputy could smell a strong odor of alcohol coming from the vehicle and Mr. Byrd had glassy and blood shot eyes. Deputy then asked Mr. Byrd if he had been

drinking and he stated he had three beers about one hour prior.

Upon exiting the vehicle Mr. Byrd was very unsteady while walking and standing. Mr. Byrd did consent to standardized field sobriety and did perform poorly. At this time Mr. Byrd was placed in custody and read the Tennessee Implied form and he did agree to take the Intoximeter test and was transported to the Loudon County Jail. Upon taking the Intoximeter test Mr. Byrd blew a .177 and was given a copy of the results. Deputy Smith

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also found Ms. Heather Owen Ferrando to be the passenger and the owner of the vehicle. Ms. Ferrando stated to this officer she knew the driver (Mr. Byrd) had been drinking and had been arrested in the past for Driving Under the Influence. At this time Deputy placed Ms. Ferrando in custody for Driving Under the Influence by consent and transported her to the Loudon county Jail. Deputy Brian Smith LCSO, made the arrest.

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Applications will be accepted for children from Age 1 through 8th grade that are enrolled in the Loudon County or Lenoir City School systems. ALL applications must be returned to the Loudon County Sheriff's Department by 4 PM, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2014. It is requested that everyone please submit their application as soon as possible. Applications must also include a copy of the parent or guardian's current income information. A current Tennessee Driver's License or State Issued ID is required from the parent, and a copy of the child's social security card is also required. Names will be available beginning in mid-October through business and churches. If you are considering helping a child this Christmas, please be assured that applicants are thoroughly checked to make sure they require this assistance. Names are also compared with the school systems to make sure no one is receiving duplicate assistance. If your business or church would be willing to take names please call Debbie Hines, Toys for Tots Coordinator at 988-2300.

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**LCSO**

Sharon Weaver, 53, Misty Ridge Drive Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, Violation of Implied Consent, and Driving on Revoked License.

On 09/19/2014, Deputy Chris Hutchens LCSO, did observe the above vehicle make a right hand turn onto Muddy Creek rd from Hwy 11. The vehicle traveled down Muddy Creek rd and Deputy did observe the vehicle cross the center double yellow line at least three times, with one of those the vehicle crossed the center line to a such a degree that more than half the vehicle was in the wrong lane of travel. Deputy did initiate a traffic stop on the

vehicle in front of Lee Heights Baptist Church and the vehicle did turn into the furthest entrance of the church before stopping. Deputy approached the vehicle and identified the driver as Mrs. Sharon Weaver, Mrs. Weaver did have a strong odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from her person, she did also have blood shot, watery eyes, slurred speech and slow reaction times to the questions Deputy asked her. Mrs. Weaver stated that she had not consumed alcohol this evening and could not account for the odor of alcoholic beverage. It was discovered through an NCIC check as well as Mrs. Weaver's own admission that she did have a restricted/ re-

voked driver's license for a DUI that occurred in 2013.

Mrs. Weaver was asked to exit to the vehicle to perform standardized field sobriety tasks. Upon exiting and during the entirety of the tasks Mrs. Weaver did have very unsure balance and very slow reaction times to instructions and questions, as well as the odor of the alcoholic beverage emitting from her person becoming much stronger as we were in a closer proximity to each other. Mrs. Weaver did also perform poorly during these tasks and was then arrested and advised of the Tennessee Implied Consent Law in which she refused to provide

a breath sample. Mrs. Weaver was then transported to the Loudon County Jail. Deputy Chris Hutchens LCSO, made the arrest.

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real life encounter with the One who spoke our world into existence? Knowing that "God so loved the world" is one thing, but when you actually hear from God through the Holy Spirit .... well that is a whole "Nuther" story!

During the last three weeks or so, Blondie and I have stopped planning out the things we do for The Lord and we began to pray that God will simply speak to us. We have asked God to show us where He is working among people here and how He would like for us to

join Him in His work. During this time there have been three separate groups of people contact us asking for our help with issues within their lives and marriages. Did you catch that? They called us!

Our response..... "Surely the presence of The Lord is in this place and I did not know it!" God doesn't need us to start programs, He spoke to us by simply saying, "Watch this".

What is God asking you to do today? Who will He place in your path this day and invite you to join Him in something amazing? Will you answer? Can He count on you? Do you truly desire to experience God? Or are you satisfied just knowing about Him?

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**Police beat**

Todd Elden, 38, Forkners Chapel Road Sweetwater, was charged with Driving on Revoked License, and Poss. of Drug Para. On 09-12-2014 at 17:24 Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, did observe a Green Chevrolet Blazer traveling East on Pond Creek Road at a high rate of speed. Deputy did clock the vehicle going 65 mph in a 50 mph zone by radar. Deputy stopped the vehicle at Highway 11 at Pond Creek Road. Deputy made contact

with the driver Mr. Todd Ellis Elden. Deputy asked Mr. Elden for his license, registration, and insurance. Deputy ran Mr. Elden though dispatch at which time they advised

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Mr. Elden's license were suspended for failure to satisfy citation. Mr. Elden was placed under arrest for driving on suspended license. While inventorying the vehicle Deputy did locate a container commonly used for holding and smoking marijuana. Inside the container Deputy located a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana. Mr. Elden was then transported to the Loudon County jail. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

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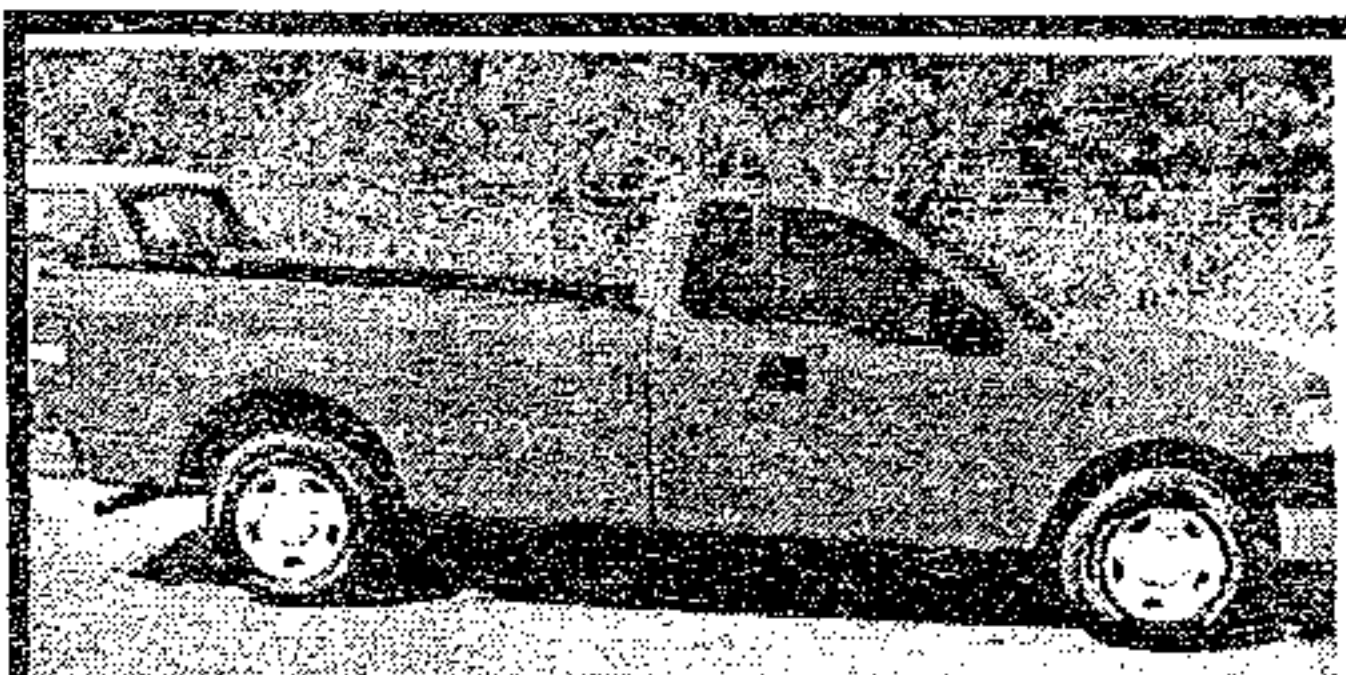
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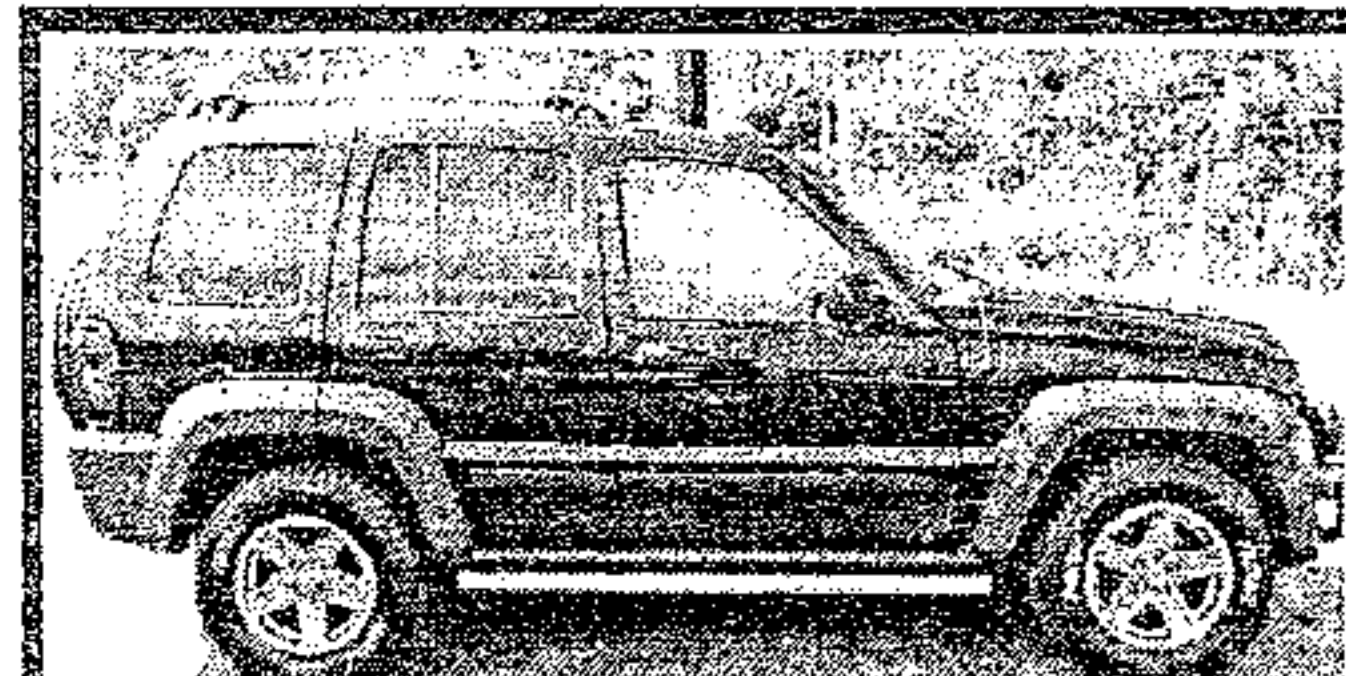
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