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Apostasy and Evangelism

By the Editor

the renewed interest in evangelism in the face of worldwide apostasy.

Jesus said, "These glad tidings of the Kingdom will be published in the whole habitable, for a testimony to all the nations; and then will the end come" (Matt. 24:14, Diag.). Paul said, "We entreat you, brethren, concerning the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, . . . Let no one delude you by any means, because the apostasy must come first . . . '' (2 Thess. 2:1-3, Diag.).

It is our aim to learn what the great apostasy is, and how it affects the Church of God; to learn how apostasy and evangelism can be going on at the same time, and what opportunities and challenges this presents.

What Is the Apostasy?

The general conception of the apostasy is that, immediately preceding the second coming of Christ, there will be a mass exodus from the church, a forsaking of the truth, and a revolt against God. Several texts have a bearing on this subject.

1) 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 10-12. The Thessalonians were being troubled by some who said the day of the Lord was present. (V. 2, Diag.) Paul said it could not be present, "because the apostasy must come first."

"The apostasy"—the "falling away''-is from the Greek apostasia. Rotherham renders it "revolt," and Goodspeed, "rebellion." A. Van Hove notes that "the word itself in its etymological sense signifies the desertion of a post'' (Cath. Ency.).

In this text is listed a factor contributing to apostasy: a lack of love for the truth. One who has no real love for the truth could leave it, or be led away from it.

- A phenomenon of these last days is 2) Luke 18:8. "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find [the] faith on the earth?" (Diag.). A lack of "religion" is not indicated.
 - 3) 1 Timothy 4:1-3. "In the latter times some shall depart from the faith." This shows that the apostasy is a latter day event, and that it is a departure from the faith.
 - 4) Revelation 3:14-17. The Laodicean church is a type of the lukewarm church in the end of the age. There is an interaction in the whole process: people are lukewarm and indifferent, and have no love for the truth, so they get false teachers and preachers to "tickle their ears," and this in turn leads to more apostasy. (2 Tim. 4:1-5.)

Is the Church of God Affected?

It is the Church of God that is affected; one cannot fall away from a truth he has not held. The Church of God is affected when any of its members, ministers, or churches, leave God's way of truth.

The message of the Church of God is affected when apostate teachings and teachers are brought in, or important truths left out. The Church of God is changing not only in methods but in teachings. Some of our churches deemphasize Bible doctrine in order to become accepted as the "community church." Observance of "Good Friday," "World Day of Prayer," and participation in councils of churches, ministerial unions, and other associations, is contributing to apostasy in the Church of God. The latest fad is promoting the so-called "four spiritual laws''; these are nothing less than a "gutted" gospel!

Evangelism and Apostasy Jesus promised that the gates of hades would not prevail against the church. (Matt. 16:18.) God promised that his Word would not return to him void, but would accomplish what he pleased, and would prosper. (Isa. 55:11.) Evangelism is the proclamation of the good news of the coming Kingdom and salvation through Christ. The power of God unto salvation is in the gospel. (Rom. 1:16.)

Success in evangelism is to be attained through a combination of God's message and blessing, and our effort. We need to take the emphasis off of the "how to" and put it on the "now do." As Dr. Billy Graham has said, "Evangelism is not dependent upon methodology."

Millions of members of the world's churches are finding the foundations of their faith being swept away in the surge of ecumenism. Many of the unchurched desire a meaningful faith. Those who are sincere in their search for truth will come to us, IF we remain on the foundation. So, our challenge is to get the truth out—by every means of evangelism — where people can hear it, read it, and live it.

Be Realistic!

Salesmen's formulas may sound good when applied to "selling" the gospel and increasing the membership of the church, but the Bible and the facts of life show that while we are out contacting new "customers" our old customers are changing brands! We must be realistic enough to realize that while we are evangelizing, another force is at work—apostasy. This must not deter us, but should cause us to: 1) stay close to the message of God —the original gospel; 2) go forward with renewed zeal to reach those who are in need of God's good news!

General Conference Progress

Witnessing Crusade

A number of churches throughout the Church of God General Conference have already had their "kick-off" for the Witnessing Crusade. Every church and every member are needed to carry this campaign to successful completion.

In this year of Jubilee witnessing we pray that every member of the Church of God General Conference will feel a burden to bring someone to Christ—to make a sincere effort to witness. Leaders of every church are receiving materials that will be helpful in inspiring the membership to witness.

Ministers Fund

The Ministers Fund of the Church of God General Conference is one used for loans or gifts to ministers when an emergency arises. Several Sunday schools and churches have made voluntary contributions to this fund with birth-day offerings and other means.

One minister and a minister's widow receive small monthly payments, and with other recent emergency helps from the fund it has dwindled to a very small balance. The prayers and concern of the membership for this need will be appreciated.

Conference Finances

As this page is written, with about ten days of the current fiscal year, 1968-69, left, it appears that contributions are about two thousand dollars short of the goal. The Berean Youth Fellowship is making special effort to reach their portion of the budget needs. We believe that the goals will be met before the month ends.

As another fiscal year comes to a close we again want to express our thanks and appreciation to each church, state conference, and individual member who so generously supports the General Conference work with prayers, service, and financial contribution. May God continue to direct, lead, and bless throughout the new church year that it might truly be a year of JUBILEE as we near the Fiftieth Annual General Conference of the Church of God, Abrahamic Faith.

Conference Budget

The delegates at the 1969 General Conference voted the largest budget in the history of the Church of God General Conference. With increased costs of food, postage,

social security taxes, and general increases in all items of expense, plus some additions to the college staff and a Sunday school superintendent, the Goal for Giving for the year 1969-70 is set at \$99,000.00.

Following is the budget as adopted:

ANTICIPATED INCOME:

Tuition, Room, and Board (OBC) Gross Profit from Sales	\$38,000.00 6,000.00
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Total Anticipated Income	\$44,000.00

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Salaries	\$70,000.00
Utilities & Telephone	6,700.00
Insurance	1,500.00
Social Security	2,800.00
Postage	2,500.00
Depreciation & Repairs	2,500.00
Departmental Printing	7,000.00
Supplies & Expenses	4,000.00
Food	8,000.00
Auto & Travel Expense	6,000.00
Youth Caravan	500.00
Library	500.00
Legal & Audit	700.00
Golden Rule Contract	1,300.00
Advance Education	200
OBC Prof.	700.00
Emergency Reserve Fund	1,300.00
MISSIONS:	
Nova Scotia	4,100.00
India	1,300.00
Mexico	8,000.00
Philippine Islands	5,900.00
Lebanon	1,200.00
Nigeria	1,800.00
Pastoral Aid	3,500.00
Literature	600.00
Board Expense	600.00

Total Anticipated Expense \$143,000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED \$99,000.00

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970

\$99,000.00

To be given by September 30, 1970 \$99,000.00

Goal for October \$8,250.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



November is Missions Month

Athough we give financial and prayer support to our mission work twelve months of the year, one month is set aside in which we place special emphasis on missions. November is Missions Month, and we would encourage each church to put the accent on missions in some way during the month.

Mexico

We are sorry to report the death of Bro. Fernando Alvarez of Sierra Hermosa, Mexico, August 7, 1969. Please remember in prayer his wife and two young sons, as well as other members of the family.

Sr. Alice Aldrich has returned to Mexico, and Sr. Aurelia Alvarez and sons will be staying with her. Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore spent part of the summer in Mexico, carrying on the work, and Bro. Moore will continue to make trips there, spending about two weeks of each month in Mexico.

Lebanon

It was our privilege to visit with Bro. Jamal Sunna'a and his family and the members of the Beirut Church of God while on the Huffer Holy Land tour in July. We were happy to be there on a Wednesday evening so we could attend their midweek Bible study.

Bro. and Sr. Sunna'a are the parents of a new baby daughter born in August. Her name is Shirlynn, and she joins three sisters and two brothers.

Nigeria

A letter has been written to our brethren in Nigeria, with the hope of once again establishing contact with them. We have not yet heard from them, but trust that we will soon know where and how they are and be able to continue the Lord's work there.

Nova Scotia

'The annual Maritime Conference was held in Digby, Nova Scotia, August 18-31, 1969, with Bro. and Sr. E. Richard Smith as guest workers. Bible classes were held during the day, with preaching services at night. The average attendance for the conference services was 55, and for the Bible school it was 112. One hundred forty people attended the Bible school program, which is the highest number ever in one service at the Digby Church.

The Sunday school in Centerville is being discontinued

for the time being. The responsibilities and potentials at the Digby Church are increasing sufficiently to require Bro. Brown's full-time work, and he is not physically able to continue to carry on both works.

Philippine Islands

Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero reports that some of the ministers are now pastoring different churches. Bro. Crispin Calawagan of the Quezon church took the pastorate of the Uddiawan church. Bro. Bonifacio Gabanes of the Uddiawan church took over the work in Cordon; and Bro. Mauro Abon of the Cordon church replaced Bro. Calawagan in Quezon.

This year is a presidential election year in the Islands, and, because of this, the Huks have made numerous killings. Some of our people in the Quezon area have found it necessary to move because of the danger from these men.

India

We were sorry to learn that Bro. S. S. Manoah suffered some fractured toes in an accident in July. He has recovered well and is able to continue with his work in Thomas Town (the Bangalore church) and Wilson Gardens.

U. S. Congress on Evangelism

September 8-13 the first U. S. Congress on Evangelism was held in Minneapolis, Minn. Over four thousand pastors, evangelists, church executives, and laymen, representing 93 denominations, attended from all fifty states and ten foreign countries.

We were happy to be able to send as our representatives Bros. S. O. Ross and Warren Sorenson, and Sr. Rachel Krogh. Also attending the Congress were Sr. Mardy Lawrence and Bro. Hollis Partlowe. All felt this to be a valuable time in which we learned more about how to do the important work which Christ has given us to do.

PRAYER LIST FOR OCTOBER

- 1. Pray for the workers in Nigeria that they may be kept safe. Pray that we may soon be able to hear from them.
- 2. Pray for each missionary and his family.
- Pray that each Christian may realize his responsibility and share his faith with others during this Jubilee Witnessing Crusade.
- 4. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:38).

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

College Begins Thirty-First Year

Oregon Bible College, last month, began its thirty-first year as a theological college for the Church of God General Conference. It is dedicated to the task of preparing young men and women for the high calling of Christian service. Prayers and faithful support by its many friends will enable the College to accomplish its purpose and to experience continued growth in the future.

Academic Calendar for 1969-1970

Academic year, 1969-1970, for Oregon Bible College began with orientation and registration, September 4 and 5, and will conclude Friday, May 22. The year will be divided into three sessions. Fall session classes began Monday, September 8, and will conclude Friday, December 19, after final examinations.

The winter session will begin Monday, January 5, following two weeks of Christmas vacation. Easter Vacation will occur March 28-April 5. Winter session will conclude Friday, April 24.

A four-weeks spring session will begin Monday, April 27, and conclude Friday, May 22. Special classes and seminars will be included in this session. The ministers will hold their Ministerial Conference during the first week of the spring session. Regular students will attend all three sessions of the academic year.

New Catalogs Available

New catalogs for Oregon Bible College, 1969-1970, have been received from the printers and are now available. If you would like a copy, write to: The Registrar, Oregon Bible College, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Fall Semester Curriculum

Biblical Introduction, Bible Survey, Gospel of John, Public Speaking, and Preaching are fall semester courses being taught by Bro. John R. Lewis. He is also Vice-President and Registrar.

Bible Geography, New Testament Greek, English I, Christian Service Orientation, Psychology of Personal Adjustment, and Introduction to Christian Education are courses being taught by Bro. Eugene E. Stilson. He is also Christian Service Director and Library Adviser.

Old Testament I and Pastoral Work I are courses being taught by Bro. Francis E. Burnett, who is also Dean of Students. He is also head of the Youth Department for the General Conference.

Music Appreciation, Spanish I, and Choir are subjects being taught by Sr. Rachel Krogh, who is also head of the General Conference Foreign Missions Department. Missions I is taught by the Executive Secretary of the General Conference, Bro. Stanley O. Ross, who is also Director of Business Affairs for the College.

Seminar Course Taught by President

Alva G. Huffer, President of the College, was on the campus several weeks in September and will be there again several weeks late in October and early in November, as well as many other times during the year. During the week, September 8-12, he taught a seminar course in Old Testament Poetry which concerned worship and music in the Bible and the Book of Psalms.

Faculty Education During Summer Months

Several Oregon Bible College faculty members used much of the summer months for academic preparation, furthering their education, and work on graduate degrees.

Working on his Master of Arts degree at Northern Illinois University at DeKalb, John Lewis completed several courses during the summer.

Continuing work of his Master of Arts degree at the same university, Eugene Stilson attended a seminar on counseling held at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill.

Francis Burnett completed two courses during the first summer session at Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz.

Oregon Bible College Holy Land Tour

Dale Swartz acquired three semester hours credit at the College by going on the Holy Land and Europe Tour directed by President Huffer, this summer, June 21-July 12. London, Istanbul, Izmir, Ephesus, Pergamum, Athens, Corinth, Cairo, Beirut, Byblos, Baalbek, Cyprus, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, all major places of interest in Israel, and Rome were included. Dale prepared a notebook report concerning the tour as part of the course.

Gifts to the College Library

Recent gifts to the library include many volumes presented by Dr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Wood, members of the Hillisburg Church, living at Frankfort, Ind. We extend appreciation to all who are helping to make our library a valuable resource center for our educational program.

New Dishwasher in Use

Through the generosity of the friends of Oregon Bible College, a Hobart commercial under-counter-model automatic dishwasher was purchased and installed in late summer; in time for use for the fall semester. It is now in daily use, and proving a real help in the kitchen-dining room at the College. Our sincere thanks to all who helped!

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

1969 Berean Youth Conference is History

Many are the memories of the 1969 Berean Youth Conference held August 1-7 at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind. There were 259 young people enrolled and a staff of 46 regulars and 2 part-time. An interesting and very encouraging highlight of this year's camp was the number in the post-high group; it was 67. We are very thankful for the interest of the older young people in the work of the church.

The theme this year was "Now is the time." Special emphasis was given in all classes that "now is the time to rally for Christ, to pray, to witness, to work." This was supplemented with the thought of URGENCY now.

Highlights of the Week

The dearest to all hearts is the acceptance of Christ and the gospel of God. Twenty young people answered the invitation which was given both on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Caravan: The Southeast Caravan entitled its program for Saturday night: "Operation Mountain Trek." Extravaganza: The Teen Talent Extravaganza presented by several of the outstanding young people with their talents was excellent. Banquet Award Night: Outstanding performance gave Minnesota the trophies for the Quiz championship. Alan Hoskins of Eden Valley, Minn., won the boy's division in the Christian Speech Contest. Jane Patton of Eldorado, Ill., won the girl's division. All-star quizzers chosen were: Ruth Kennedy, Louisiana, capt.; Dennis Driskill, Ohio; Carol Coulter, Minn.; and Scott Strickland, Calif., members. Special recognition was given to Paul and Dolena Shaw for their faithfulness in the youth work for the past six years. An 8mm movie camera and a plaque were given to them in appreciation by the entire camp.

Goal for 1969-1970, \$10,500.00

As of this date, the 1968-1969 goal has not been met, but the youth are confident that it can be reached. As a result, they decided to raise the coming year's budget by \$500.00. Out of this budget, \$500.00 is to be set aside in a Foreign Student's Fund.

Post-High Winter Retreat

For the first time in the history of the Berean Youth work, a retreat for college age young adults will be held. It is to be January 1-4, 1970, at Camp Alexander Mack. The enrollment is limited to 50. Any single person who is college age may attend. The cost will be \$14.00. This is to be a leadership training retreat.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

DISCIPLINE IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Frank G. Coleman said, in his book *The Romance of Winning Children*, "They will manage you if they can! And they are ingenious when it comes to taking advantage of every opportunity to take charge of a gathering at your expense. Where boys and girls gather together, there a potential discipline problem lurks in the offing."

The Purpose of Discipline

The real purpose of all teaching is the promotion of learning, and real learning must involve personal experience—thus discipline, personal discipline, is the goal of each Sunday school teacher.

Unless the teacher's goal is aimed at changing the action, the daily living of each pupil, that teacher's goal is too low. Who shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven? "He that *doeth* the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 7:21).

Good Teacher-Pupil Relationships

Most in-the-class pupil disruptions are the fault of the teacher! The teacher establishes the atmosphere of the teacher-pupil relationship and thus is responsible for the love, cooperativeness and congeniality that flows in the classroom.

Following are several possible reasons for the breakdown of teacher-pupil relationships: (The stating of the problem, in most cases, implies the remedy.)

- 1. Children follow examples in reverence, consistency, faithfulness, love, and attitude.
- 2. Poor preparation—lesson, programs, activities—is a common cause of teacher failure.
- 3. No spiritual motivation from prayer and devotional life.
 - 4. Lack of interest in, and love for, pupils.
- 5. Unwilling to be trained, told how to improve, refuses to attend monthly teachers' meetings, lazy.

Analyze yourself, evaluate your class response. A Sunday school is only as strong as the teacher-pupil relationship!

THAT RASCAL

"That rascal," sighed the teacher. "Oh why should I be The one who must bear such a student as he! He wiggles and whispers and pinches each girl. To teach while he's present keeps me in a whirl!"

But when she remembered the price Jesus paid For that precious young soul, she quietly prayed: "Oh Lord, forgive me. His need I now see.

Please grant me thy patience and love him through me."

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 18—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Morning Star Church, South Bend.

Oct. 25, 26-Illinois Fall Conference at East Peoria.

Oct. 25, 26 - Missouri Fall Conference at Jordan.

Oct. 31-Nov. 1-Minnesota-Iowa ministerlayman conference, Koszta, Iowa.

Nov. 3-9-Evangelistic services at Ripley, Ill., Darrell Maddock, guest speaker.

Nov. 15-Laymen's Retreat, North Webster, Ind.

Nov. 30-Southeast Conference at Guthrie Grove Church, near Pelzer, S.C. Jan. 1-4, 1970—Post-High Winter Retreat

at Camp Mack, Ind.

BAPTISM AT FORT VALLEY, VA.

On September 21, 1969, Jimmy Scott was baptized in Fort Valley in the Passage Creek, near the Fulton Ramsey residence.

Jimmy and Barbara live in La Plata, Md., and he had asked several weeks before to be baptized on that date, and, though the water was high from a recent rain, the service was performed and his Christian life begun.

May God bless you, Jimmy, throughout fe. James Mattison, pastor.

PASTORING AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Bro. David Cheatwood, a junior at Oregon Bible College, is currently pastoring the St. Louis Church of God, preaching on the first and third Sundays of each month.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Sherwin Williams, Mrs. H. A. Goodell, Kathy Cooper, Ted Thal, and Mrs. Ted Thal.

BAPTISM AT COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

The Columbia Church of God welcomed into its membership one new member on August 31, 1969. Terry Walkem was immersed in the waters of baptism for the remission of sins. This young woman was received into the church the following Sun-day. We pray that God will bless her and direct her life from this time on.

C. Jesse Pestle, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT LOMBARD, ILLINOIS

The Lombard Church reioices with the angels of heaven in the hantism of Dr. Donald Tomkins. D. C., and his wife Lucia, on August 17, 1969. Don and Lucia began faithful church attendance at the time of the Percy Bilton lectures last October. It was the writer's privilege to assist them in put-Lee McQuinn, pastor. ting on Christ.

THANK YOU

Roselyn and I take this opportunity to thank all of our friends who have contributed prayers and money during our recent operation and illness. Our quick recovery can only be explained as God's answer to Verne E. Berry

SALEM CHURCH BURNS

The brethren of the Salem congregation at Marshall, Ill., were saddened by the destruction of their church building by fire on

Plans and effort are being made to relocate in the village of Martinsville, population approximately 1,400. If funds permit, and the Lord wills, the brethren will purchase the ground and building of a former Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

The active membership at Salem is twenty. The highest attendance has been thirtyeight, and the average the past several months has been eighteen. There are about thirteen young people.

We earnestly pray for the effective work of the Lord in this new area, and we greatly need and seek your prayers.

Daniell Watkins, pastor.

BAPTIZED AT CAMP MACK, INDIANA

Following the decision night service, August 6, 1969, at Berean Youth Conference, it was the writer's pleasure to assist Karen Mackey of Phoenix, Ariz., and Phyllis Spangler of Oregon, Ill., by baptizing them in the name of Jesus. We rejoice with them in their new life with Christ.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISM AT TROY, OHIO

On August 24, 1969, Greg Demmitt, son of Bro. and Sr. Dwaine Demmitt, responded to the invitation to accept Christ as his personal Saviour. He was baptized that same afternoon in a joint baptismal service with the Brush Creek Church. We welcome Greg to the fellowship of the Troy View Church of God and to the body of Christ, and pray God's richest blessings upon him as he begins his Christian walk. Scott Ross, pastor.

BAPTISM AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

The people of the Guthrie Grove Church of God at Pelzer, S. C., were pleased when, on August 24, 1969, John Marshall (Marty) Fuller came forward and requested baptism. He was baptized September 7 by the pastor. It is our prayer that the Lord will guide him in the way of life everlasting.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

DOCHSTADER - RAILTON

On July 12, 1969, Miss Alice Louise Dochstader and Mr. John Austin Railton were united in marriage by Bro. Milon Hall and the writer. The ceremony was held in Pennellwood Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Dochstader of Grand Rapids. John is the son of Pastor and Mrs. Austin

Railton, of South Bend, Ind.
The couple will reside at 909 Washington, Oregon, Ill. John plans to continue his studies at Oregon Bible College.

May much of our Lord's blessing rest upon this couple and their home as they walk and serve together.

Austin Railton, pastor.

CENTRAL HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE

The eighty-third annual meeting of the Central High Plains Conference convened at Holbrook, Neb., August 13-17, 1969. Guest speaker was Pastor Richard Dick

of the Omaha, Neb., church. Bro. Terry Dwyer of the church at Denver, Colo., spoke on Saturday evening. Bros. Richard Dick, Terry Dwyer, Clyde

Long, and James Rencontre conducted Bible classes during the day. Srs. Gladys Stedman and Muriel Harbert from Moorefield, Neb., conducted Bible school for the children.

All enjoyed the musical offerings given at the services by Bro. and Sr. Dick, and Srs. Jean Rencontre and Mary Lou Horna-

At the annual business meeting the fol-lowing officers were elected for three-year Ruth Wilson, secretary. Other officers are: Clyde Long, president; Lila Gardner, treasurer; and Otto Stinnette, member at large.

Our thanks to all who helped make the conference a joy and spiritual inspiration. Ruth Wilson, Sec.

MACOMB CHURCH NEWS

Debbie Hightower and Kevin Dean were united in marriage August 23, 1969, at the Macomb, Ill., Church of God. The couple will reside in Macomb. Our best wishes for happiness and the blessing of God go with

Graveside services were conducted September 7, 1969, for Keri Lee Hollenback, infant daughter of Terry and Kathy Hollenback. Our sympathy goes out to the parents Bette Potts, reporter. and family.

SYSTEMATIC **BIBLE STUDY** COURSE

Systematic Bible Study Course consists of twenty-nine lessons arranged in a systematic way to provide a thorough, basic understanding of the Bible. The only textbook necessary is the Bible, used with the attractively printed, interestingly written lessons. Here is a helpful way to study the Bible in your own home and at your own convenience without obligation.

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HASS-BUSCEMI

On August 16, 1969, in a ceremony in the Church of God at Oregon, Ill., Miss Lynn Hass and Mr. Carl Buscemi were united in marriage by the writer. Lynn is a daughter, of Raymond and Muriel Hass of Rockford, and is active in the Rockford church. Carl 's a son of Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Buscemi, also of Rockford, The young couple will reside in the Rockford area, where they are both teachers. May God bless their home as they honor him.

T. M. Ferrell.

SINCLAIR - NELSON

The marriage of Robert Sinclair and Kathleen Nelson took place June 9, 1969, at Glenwood, Iowa. Robert is a member of the Omaha church, and Kathy is an active worshiper. The service was performed by the writer and Pastor Richard Dick. This young couple enjoys the best wishes of their many church friends.

Clyde E. Randall.

JOBES - BENNETT

In a garden service at the home of the bride's parents, at Paynesville, Minn., Sharon Bennett became the wife of Larry Jobes on July 19, 1969. Sharon is a member of the Minneapolis church. Larry is stationed at the Williams Air Base in Arizona. The newlyweds will make their home in Arizona's valley of the sun. Clyde E. Randall.

KERN - STORTS

On July 19, 1969, it was our pleasure to unite Juanita Louise Kern and Robert Wesley Storts in marriage in the Philadelphian Chapel, Columbus, Ohio. They are temporary residents of Columbus, as they will soon establish their home at Oregon, Ill., where Robert is a student at Oregon Bible College. May God bless and keep them, as they found their home upon the Rock, Jesus Christ.

C. F. Roth, pastor.

ROBERT S. COOPER

Robert Sanford Cooper was born December 6, 1881, in the Oak Grove Community, and died June 23, 1969, at his home in Fredericktown, Mo.

He was one of thirteen persons baptized in the waters of Piney Creek, Sunday, October 30, 1904, by "Uncle" John Foore, at the close of an eight-day meeting at the Blush Church.

"Uncle" Bob Cooper will be greatly missed by the brotherhood, as he was an active member of the Church of God for sixty-five years. May his family receive comfort from the Scriptures.

Funeral services were conducted at the Fredericktown Church on June 25 by the writer. Burial was in Marcus Memorial Cemetery at Fredericktown.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

EDNA BANES NELSEN

Edna Banes Nelsen was born to Lucy and Richard Stewart, February 26, 1886, at Kennard, Neb., and died June 14, 1969, at her daughter's in Clear Lake Park, Cal. Sr. Nelsen was married to William Nelsen, and this couple enjoyed over sixty years of married life together. This union was blessed with five children: Wm. Jr., Kansas City, Mo.; Tressa Ambrecht, Clear Lake Park, Cal.; Nadeen Burke, Whittier, Cal.; Eunice Rix, Omaha, Neb.; and Fern Rainey, Downey, Cal.

Sr. Nelsen was battized by Bro Almus

Sr. Nelsen was baptized by Bro. Almus Adams, and remained firm to her faith to 'he very end. Following services in an)maha mortuary, she was laid beside her husband in the cemetery adjoining their old home farm at Kennard, Neb.

Clyde E. Randall.

RESIGNED PASTORATE

C. F. Pryor has resigned as pastor of the Church of God, Oregon, Ill., and is available for call. Address him at Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

WARE - ROTH

On June 21, 1969, Cinda Lou Ware and Carl Richard Roth were united in marriage at the Philadelphian Chapel Church of God, Columbus, Ohio. They will make their home at 800½ Heyl Ave., Columbus. May the Lord bless their walk together, as they establish a new home. C. F. Roth, pastor.

BELLE SHIPMAN PICKLESIMER

Mrs. Belle Shipman Picklesimer, 82, died

at Greenville, S.C., September 14, 1969. She was the widow of J. Oscar Picklesimer.

Belle was born in North Carolina and moved to Greenville, S. C., in 1904. She was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith, near Pelzer,

She is survived by four daughters, three sons, one sister, and one brother. She had ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchil-

Funeral services were conducted September 16 at the Guthrie Grove Church by the writer, assisted by M. O. Williamson. She was buried in the church cemetery. There she rests to await the resurrection at the return of Jesus Christ.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

FLORENCE HARGREAVES McARTHUR

Florence Elizabeth Hargreaves was born in Grantham Township, Lincoln County, Ont., January 25, 1928. She died at Welland, Ont., July 20, 1969, following a brief illness.

She was married to John McArthur, December 21, 1946. To this union three children were born: Thomas, Heather, and Bonnie.

Sr. McArthur was baptized January 8, 1956, by Bro. M. W. Lyon. She was a faithful, dedicated worker in the Church of God at Fonthill. Survivors include her immediate family; her mother, Mrs. Harold Hargreaves; brother, Douglas; two nephews and a niece.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Emory Macy, assisted by E. H. Goit. She was laid to rest in the Woodlawn Cemetery, awaiting the Master's call.

DORIS LILLIAN PAFFENBACK

Mrs. Doris Lillian Paffenback, a retired nurse, died July 15, 1969, in her home, 1310 N. 30th Dr., Phoenix, Ariz. She was a member of the Brush Creek Church of God near Tipp City, Ohio. She served her Lord and his church well.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer, July 17, 1969, at Scottsdale, Ariz., where she was laid to rest to await the coming of the Life-Giver.

Surviving are her husband, Harry; two daughters, Mary at home, and Mrs. Ruth Hunse of Tempe, and one grandson. May God comfort them through his Word.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

SILAS M. CLAYPOOL

Silas M. Claypool fell asleep in Christ June 12, 1969, at Terre Haute, Ind. He was born July 2, 1897, to Allen and Jessie (Mur-

phy) Claypool, early defenders of the faith.
His wife Ruth survives at home, Robinson, Ill. His son, Eugene R., preceded him in death. Also surviving: a brother, Virgil D. Claypool of Findlay, Ohio; a niece; and

several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Bro. Silas was a faithful member of the Salem Church of God, Marshall, Ill. He was baptized by Bro. G. E. Marsh nearly fifty-six years ago.

Services were conducted by the writer, with interment in the Marshall Cemetery, where Bro. Claypool awaits the call of his returning Lord and Saviour.

Daniell B. Watkins, pastor.

ELLA M. DUTCHER

Mrs. Ella M. Dutcher, a member of the Flagg Center, Ill., Community Church of God, died at her home on August 15, 1969, at the age of 92 years. She was born on the same farm on which she died, and had lived all but a few years of her full life on that farm.

Her husband, Joseph H. Dutcher, preceded her in death. She is survived by one son, Paul, and a daughter, Grace Countryman, both of the Flagg Center community; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Wayne Ewald, pastor of the Flagg Center Church, in Rochelle, and she was laid to rest in the Lawnridge Cemetery in Rochelle to await the call of the Master. S. O. Ross.



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CORA F. BABCOCK

Funeral services for Sr. Cora Babcock, a dedicated member of the Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Ariz., were held July 14, 1969

Surviving are her husband of 54 years, Roscoe L. Babcock; her daughter, Ione Ponder of Phoenix, and a son Ben Jay of Yuma, Ariz.

After the funeral she was laid to rest in Greenwood Memorial Park to await the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ who is "the resurrection and the life."

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Fonthill Church

Blanchard Ladies Aid

MRS. MYRTLE FLINK

Mrs. Myrtle Flink died at St. Helens, Ore., on April 30, 1969. She was born Octo-

ber 6, 1880.
She was baptized by Edwin C. Groat when a young woman, and had led a consistent Christian life. She read her Bible continuously, and spent much time in

She is survived by a foster son, and nine nieces and nephews. Her husband preceded her in death in 1956.

Mrs. Flink was looking for the soon return of her Saviour and King.

Mrs. Elmer E. Upton, reporter.

ROSCOE F. DUNBAR

Roscoe F. Dunbar was born July 18, 1888, and died June 11, 1969, after a brief illness. He was married to Florence Reighard, May 12, 1907. To this union were born: Delbert, Dale, and Glenn, and Amy Lutton. In 1918, he was baptized by Bro. S. J. Lindsay, remaining a staunch member of the Church of God, and student of the Bible, until he

After services conducted by Bro. Celaine Randall, assisted by Pastor Ora Wyse, Bro. Dunbar was laid to rest in Raker

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Cemetery, to await the great resurrection.

Bro. Dunbar could well use the Apostle Paul's testimony from 2 Timothy 4:7, 8. We are left with many precious memories and a rich heritage, because he was a godly man.

Submitted by Amy Lutton.

JOY STILSON NIEMIER

Joy Niemier, wife of Joseph Niemier o. 325 S. Valley St., Anaheim, Cal., died June 23, 1969, from injuries suffered in a traffic accident. She was born November 17, 1925, at South Bend, Ind.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, Kim and Cary; a daughter Debra; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stilson, Pomona, Cal.; a sister, Sybil McLeod; and three brothers, Kenneth Hal, John Elwyn, and Donald. Funeral services were held at Anaheim,

with burial at Fullerton, Cal.

Walaria Smith

Submitted by R. C. Stilson.

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

New Conference Site

The 1970 Annual Church of God General Conference will be held on July 19-24, 1970, at Riverview Park in Cedar Falls, Iowa. This camp is owned by the United Methodist organization, and is located just three miles from Waterloo, Iowa, where the General Conference was organized fifty years ago. This is the Jubilee (fiftieth) conference, and one in which special recognition will be made of, and programs geared to, this anniversary. A special Jubilee committee has been at work for more than a year on plans and preparations.

Riverview Park is a beautiful wooded camp with nearly one hundred cabins, sixty-five of which will be available for our use. These cabins will house from five to fourteen people with separate bedroom compartments, a kitchenette, and sink and lavatory facilities. Each bed has pillows and blankets furnished, and the linens may be rented. About one third of the cabins have tub or shower, and there are two adequate shower areas for the others. There are two dormitories that will sleep one hundred; an auditorium seating fifteen hundred people; a large church and a Mission Hall, each seating over two hundred, with adequate classrooms; cafeteria and dining area; swimming pool and other recreational facilities.

The General Conference Board of Directors was reluctant to leave Camp Alexander Mack, where the conference sessions have been held since 1957. The working relations with the camp staff there have been excellent. However, the conference attendance has grown to the point where more adequate facilities are needed. It is anticipated that the 1970 attendance will be even larger as we observe the "Jubilee" year.

It is planned to return to the family camping plan for those who wish to attend as a family. Cost per day per person will be \$3.25 plus insurance, which is the same as the rate paid in 1969. More details on the camp and conference planning will be available as conference time approaches. Begin now to make plans to attend the 1970 General Conference at Riverview Park.

Jubilee Witnessing Crusade

Be a witness for Christ in the Jubilee year. The Jubilee Committee has provided colorful bumper stickers to emphasize the event. They are available at two for twenty-five cents. Write Bumper Sticker, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for your supply, and display them on your car.

The Home Missions Department is asking every member to be a witness. Following are a few simple rules.

How to Witness

- 1) Be sure you are a Christian.
- 2) Be sure there is no unconfessed sin in your life. It will block the channel. (1 John 1:9.)
- 3) Be sure you are filled with the Holy Spirit. (Eph. 5:18.) (Controlled, yielded, submitted.)
 - 4) Be sure you are prepared to witness. (2 Tim. 2:2.)
 - 5) Be sure you are willing to go.
- 6) Make a prayer list. (1, yourself; 2, others whom you want to reach.)
 - 7) Go to people. Don't wait for people to come to you.
- 8) Talk positively about Christ. Don't argue. (Acts 4: 12.)
- 9) Expect results. The power of God will help. (John 14:12.)
- 10) Witness where you are. Begin in your Jerusalem. (Luke 24:47.)
 - 11) Be available. Your availability is your best ability.
- 12) Don't pick unripe fruit. Encourage the prospect to study and come to conviction and conversion. Baptism will follow. (Campus Crusade for Christ.)

Conference Finances

Due to some unexpected repairs, increased costs in many areas of the work, and the usual summer slump in giving, a loan was made last summer. At the end of the fiscal year five thousand dollars of this note is still unpaid. We trust that special effort will be made to help erase this deficit in addition to meeting the needs of the increased budget.

It appears that the giving for October will fall about fifteen hundred dollars short of the goal. We ask for your prayers and special effort in this matter that the General Conference staff will be able to carry out the plans of the conference delegates through the several departments.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



India

We are sorry to report the death of one of the young members of the Bangalore Church, Frederic David, son of David Lawrence. Remember his family in this time of sorrow.

On September 21, 1969, a Harvest Festival was held at the Bangalore Church, with the members of the Wilson Gardens group also in attendance. Following the festival, special honor was given to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry, who recently celebrated their forty-ninth wedding anniversary.

The group at Wilson Gardens has been meeting in the home of Bro. S. S. Manoah, but they are presently trying to rent a hall so more people can attend. The Church of God is the only Tamil language church in that area.

Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a reports that about sixty adults and one hundred seventy-eight children have been attending the meetings every Sunday in Beirut. At the present time seven hundred thirty people are enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course.

Invitations for Bro. Sunna'a to go and teach people the Word of God have come to him from Egypt, Jordan, and Syria. Pray for the interested people in these areas and for Bro. Sunna'a that he may be able to go and help them.

Mexico

During the month of September, Sunday services were held both morning and evening in the home of Pastor Francisco Martinez. Bro. Dean Moore was able to be in Mexico for each weekend, and he either preached or taught each time. Twice during the month he had opportunity to show his pictures of the Holy Land to groups of people, and there are others who want to see them later.

The Saturday class for children in the home of Sr. Alice Aldrich has been started again with Sisters Dora Martinez and Aurelia Alvarez doing the teaching. Average attendance for the first three weeks was twenty-one.

Bro. Roberto Badillo continues with the Sunday school in his village of Labor Vieja, using materials that Sr. Aldrich sends to him.

Nigeria

We are glad to report that since October 1, five letters have been received from Bro. Edet Akpan, secretary of the Nigerian Conference. They have received two of the four letters which we have sent to them. Bro. Akpan tells us that Bro. Obot is alive, but is still being detained, and over

three hundred of the brethren have died since the trouble began. However, he states that the work is progressing and that three people were recently baptized, bringing the total membership of the fifteen congregations to 3,588.

An item concerning Nigeria recently appeared in the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Press: "LAGOS, Nigeria (AP)—Nigerian leader Maj. General Yakubu Gowon ordered Wednesday the release of all civilian detainees of Nigeria's two-year-old civil war to mark the country's ninth independence anniversary. The exact number of detainees, among them leading public figures, has never been officially announced." We would hope that all the men from our group there who have been missing would be included in this release.

Philippine Islands

Sr. Felemina Cacavar Robles a faithful member of the Mangandingay Church, died in August after an extended illness. She leaves one daughter and three sons, all of whom are members of the Mangandingay Church. May God give them comfort at this time.

We are thankful that the radio program continues to reach many with the Word of God in this area. The program is regularly sponsored by the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College. However, for the past five months, part of which time school was not in session, the following Illinois churches supported the radio work: Rockford, Ripley, Flagg Center, Gethsemane Gardens (Rochelle), Dixon, and Peoria. Our thanks to them for their help.

Nova Scotia

The Digby Church of God continues with its regular services and activities. For the month of September the average attendance for Sunday school and morning worship was 63 and 60, respectively.

Special services in October included Rally Day on October 5 and a Thanksgiving Harvest service on October 12.

November Is Missions Month

November is Missions Month, and we are glad that many churches are using this opportunity to put extra emphasis on missions. We especially want to remember the Jubilee Witnessing Crusade and remind each member of his responsibility of sharing his faith in Christ with others. May God bless each church and each member as they carry on his great work.

NOVEMBER, 1969

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Fall Semester 1969-70

There are thirty-eight students enrolled at Oregon Bible College for the fall semester of the 1969-70 school year. Of the thirty-eight, thirty-five are full-time students.

Fifteen of the student body are freshmen. They are: Russell Berry, Lombard, Ill.; Paula Bolhous, Oregon, Ill.; Sandra Brooks, Dayton, Ohio; Russell Conley, Oregon, Ill.; Suellen Corwin, Kirklin, Ind.; Larry Gaskill, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Dale Harshman, Jr.; Tipp City, Ohio; Betty Haynes, Digby, Nova Scotia; Kathy Jones, Chagrin Falls, Ohio; Steve Knapp, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Dan Landry, Baton Rouge, La.; Telva Lippert, Eldena, Ill.; Tim New, Frankfort, Ind.; Shilah Richmond, Grandville, Mich.; and Mark Ryan, Circle Pines, Minn.

Student Council

The organization of the Student Council this school year is as follows: president, Joe Martin; vice-president, Dale Swartz; secretary, Dave Cheatwood; treasurer, Paul Moore; and social committee chairman, Waldon Winner. In the first several meetings we have had, all of the members have taken an active part in getting the Council started for the year.

There are many proposed functions and projects for the year. One project that seems to be very promising is that of radio work on two of the local stations. The cost is estimated to be \$15.00 to \$18.00 per week for two fifteenminute programs. Another project is that of presenting devotional thoughts in the local newspapers. We hope to have available soon T-shirts embossed with the O.B.C. emblem. Social activities and events are being planned by Waldon Winner.—Joe Martin, president.

Home Mission Fellowship

The Home Mission Fellowship officers for the coming year are Russell Conley, chairman; Tim New, vice-chairman; Sue Corwin, secretary; Ron Macy, treasurer; Dale Swartz, program chairman; Dan Graham, recruitment chairman.

Two projects of the fellowship are monthly services at Monroe Center, Wis., and Pinecrest Manor, Mount Morris, Ill.

In November the Fellowship will hold a gospel team rally. Each of the gospel teams will present musical numbers. We will outline the gospel team schedule for the year, discuss the opportunities to witness for Christ in the churches we will visit. The program will be concluded with a prayer service. In December the Home Mission Fellowship will conduct a personal evangelism workshop.

We will have reports on the evangelism programs of the area churches. This will be followed with discussion and prayer.

Foreign Mission Fellowship

The Foreign Mission Fellowship is proud to be a part of Oregon Bible College. We hope and pray that we can help fulfill the command of Christ to preach the gospel to every creature.

The officers for this year are: Dale Swartz, chairman; David Cheatwood, vice-chairman; Paula Bolhous, secretary; and John Carr, treasurer. We hope to continue projects that were started in the past. The Missionary Newsletter has been well received, and we will continue to support the Philippine radio ministry.

The Fellowship will host the third annual missionary conference at Oregon, in cooperation with the Home Mission Fellowship. We will emphasize home as well as foreign missions in support of the Jubilee year program.

The Fellowship is making contact with the mission fields in a new way. Pictures of the foreign mission fields are in the 1969 *Maranatha*, and we have asked churches and individuals to sponsor the sending of a College handbook and yearbook to each of the fields. There are many other plans and ideas which we hope to develop in the coming year.—Dale Swartz, chairman.

Oregon Bible College Alumni Banquet

The O.B.C. Alumni Association held its annual banquet at Camp Mack, Ind., on July 30, 1969.

Enid Maddock and Myrle Claussen decorated the tables. Following the meal, the writer introduced Jerry Cooper as master of ceremonies. Bro. Cooper introduced the speaker of the evening, Sr. Rachel Krogh. She is the new Superintendent of Foreign Missions and an instructor at O.B.C. She emphasized the need for better training of students for the missionary field. She talked of courses now presented at O.B.C., and of those she feels should be added in the near future. She presented a picture of the overall missionary progress, and challenged the alumni.

In a short business meeting that followed it was noted that O.B.C. has 225 alumni. Various approaches and methods for student recruitment were discussed. Bro. S. O. Ross was made an honorary alumnus. There were seventy-six in attendance.

The Alumni Association looks forward to the coming years as years of challenge and opportunity for both the Association and Oregon Bible College—Darrell Maddock, alumni president.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Jubilee in Christ

By the time you receive this issue we will be well on our way into the new and exciting year of the General Conference Jubilee. The young people desire to fully cooperate in every way and do what they can to promote the teaching of the gospel and the winning of men and women to Christ. But the emphasis and thrust of the program must develop in the local group. You, the pastor, you, the youth leader, and you, the brother in Christ to the young person, are the ones who will cause this program to move both for the young people and for your church. Have you started in your personal witnessing campaign? Have you started on meeting your goal of an increase of ten percent in attendance and membership? The young people at the 1969 Berean Youth Conference voted to increase their group attendance by 25 percent. Are they being encouraged to do this? Let everyone cooperate to truly make this a year of Jubilee in Christ.

This Year's Advisory Council

Five members were elected to the Advisory Council for two-year terms. They were: Shelly Gaspar of Minnesota; Cynthia McLeod of California (now Arizona); Joe Duncan of Indiana; Waldon Winner, Jr., of Illinois; and Dan Graham of Illinois. The members whose terms extend through next year are: Telva Lippert of Illinois; Robert Jones (president) of Ohio; Dennis Clark of Iowa; and Richard Gainey of Louisiana. The Council is an important functioning body in the program of the youth work. The Council will be meeting January 1-4, 1970, in connection with the Post-High Winter Retreat.

Mission Dollar Club

As of October 1, the Mission Dollar Club enrollment was lagging. Theoretically all enrollments should have been in by October. But we will still welcome anyone who wants to become a member. The real purpose is to pay one dollar per month for the year. Latecomers will need to make up the back months beginning with September. The Mission Dollar fund is important in the youth budget, and the Youth Budget performs an important part in the General Conference budget.

Youth Conference Slide-Sound Set

The 1969 slide-sound set is being prepared by Bro. David Krogh of Grand Rapids, Mich. This year's set is to be a little longer than previously. We hope to have it available by January 1, 1970. Information concerning it will be mailed soon. Plan to have the entire congregation see and hear about the 1969 BYF conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN JUBILEE WITNESSING

It is a recognized fact that 85 percent of our church members come through the Sunday school. If our growth for Christ is to be realized—individuals baptized into him—our Sunday school will have to grow MORE than 10 percent!

The main work of the Sunday school in the Jubilee Witnessing Crusade is that of introduction and training; Introduction of your church to your community, to the message—the gospel of the saving blood of Jesus and the plan of salvation.

I. Canvassing and visiting your community.

A. One of the most rewarding challenges for the growth of the Sunday school is to keep constantly in touch with the community and thus to gain prospects.

B. Every Sunday school should know who lives within its immediate vicinity—at least 25 homes in each direction.

C. Make definite plans for using information gained.

D. Sell the entire church on the importance of canvassing the community.

E. Instruct the workers and conduct several training sessions, including practice. 1) Develop a burden for souls. (Psa. 142:4; John 4: 35; Acts 20:31.) 2) Learn obedience to Christ. (John 20:21; Matt. 28:19, 20.) 3) Gain an inner compulsion. (2 Cor. 5:14.)

F. Appoint a definite time for the work to be done. Provide a tract to promote spiritual interest and printed information about your church.

II. *Train* teachers to *train* people in the Christian way. The Sunday school is only as strong as is the teacher-student relationship. This relationship is the responsibility of the teacher.

A. If our Sunday schools are to be bigger they must be better; if they are to be better thy must have better teachers; if there are to be better teachers they must be trained.

B. The Teacher—loving and valuing the Saviour and his message; plus the Message—personalized by the teacher for pupil inspiration; plus the Pupils—Christ-warmed by the glow of the teacher's methods; plus the Methods—learned and improved in continuous teacher training sessions; equals a successful Sunday school.

C. Teacher training is leadership multiplying itself. (2 Tim. 2:2.)

D. Where to begin: 1) Put teacher training on the agenda; 2) study books, magazines, and reports on teacher training; 3) enlist 100 percent support; 4) promote and publicize the program; 5) select the course, set the time, and sign up workers. Ask God's blessing.

FAITHFUL AND WISE STEWARDS

By the Editor

MENTION the word "stewardship" to the average church member and he figures you are going to talk about money. While the correct use of money is a part of a Christian's stewardship, it is not all there is to stewardship, nor is it necessarily the most important part.

In Bible times a steward was a manager of a household, assigning tasks to the servants, and generally overseeing the affairs of the master. It was a position of responsibility, and especially so in the absence of the master of the house.

In the absence of our Master, Jesus Christ, we are exhorted in the Scriptures to be faithful and wise stewards in at least these four areas: 1) stewardship of the Word of God; 2) stewardship of time; 3) stewardship of talent; and 4) in the stewardship of substance.

Stewards of the Word

Being stewards of the Word of God, faithfully, is of first importance. The Apostle Paul said, "Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful'' (1 Cor. 4:1, 2). To Titus he said "A bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; ... holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers" (1:7, 8). In answer to his own question, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward?" Jesus said it was that servant of his "which knew the lord's will," and did it. (Luke 12: 41-48.) He also said more is required of those who receive much.

We have received enough of the Word of God to condemn us, if we do not use it wisely and convey it faithfully. In this sense we are also ambassadors for Christ; responsible for representing him and conveying his message—not our own. It is a wonderful privilege to have this "seed" of life in our hands, and to be able to share it with others!

Stewards of Time

Many people consider their time as

their own, not realizing that God is the one who gives life, and will require every person to give account of how he has used it. God has given us seventy years to live, on the average. (Psa. 90:10.) A computation of men's habits shows that the average person spends only one of those seventy years in active worship in God's house.

The late Dr. E. W. Bullinger, who is responsible for many valuable reference works on the Bible, told how he had written his *Lexicon and Concordance* to the English and Greek New Testament, a book of over one thousand pages, over a period of eight years, using time "redeemed from less noble pursuits."

While we are not enjoined to keep a sabbath, the proportion of one seventh of our time for sacred service is a valid claim. The Apostle Paul exhorts us to redeem or "buy up" the time, "because the days are evil" (Eph. 5: 16). In other words, the time is short, as Jesus will soon come, so consider every moment as valuable merchandise. We cannot horde time — we can only use it, and the Lord will judge us for the way we use it. Use it wisely.

Stewards of Talent

Though the word "talent" in the Bible refers to a weight or measure of money, its use in the Parable of the Talents is very near the meaning of talent in modern usage. Each servant was given a portion of money "according to his several ability" (Matt. 25: 15). We use the word talent to mean the natural endowments of a person; "a special often creative or artistic aptitude." (Webs.)

Every one of us has some special aptitude, gift, or ability that could be profitably used in the Lord's service. Few of us, however, even come close to reaching our potential. We should realize that our talents are given to us of God—we are stewards of these talents, and God will call us into account if we fail to use them as we should.

We do not all have the same talents. As the Apostle Paul said, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us," let us not

be slothful in doing what we are able to do. He went on to name gifts of ability, all the way from prophesying, preaching, and teaching, to being a cheerful visitor of sick people, and even being a liberal contributor of money. (Rom. 12:6-13.) We are not able to do all things, but we can do something for the Lord.

In the sense of stewardship, it is a sin not to use a God-given talent in his service. It is a shameful fact that many of our churches go week after week with no special musical offerings, when talented members are sitting in the audience. It is also a shame that many Church of God members are using their God-given musical talents to entertain the world, but never sing or play in church or at conferences. May the Lord help all of us to be more faithful in the stewardship of our talents!

Stewards of Substance

The stewardship of substance—money, land, houses—is more readily recognized when we realize we came into this world naked, and that we can take nothing out. (1 Tim. 6:7.) The person who hordes his substance is no better a steward than the person who squanders it.

In order to have a correct attitude toward the stewardship of substance we must realize with Abraham that Jehovah is "the possessor of heaven and earth." This led Abraham, the father of the faithful, to give tithes to Melchizedek, God's priest-king at Jerusalem. (Gen. 14:17-24.) We must realize along with Jacob that it is God who gives substance to us, as he said, "Of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee" (Gen. 28:22).

The fact that tithing was a part of the law of Moses has no bearing on our stewardship of substance. The examples of tithing men of faith is enough to show us it is God's way. In fact, stewardship through tithes and offerings is as much a Bible truth as God's oneness!

May God help us, in the absence of our Master, to be faithful stewards in those things committed to us!

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 15-Laymen's Retreat, North Webster, Ind.

Nov. 21-23-Texas Fall Conference at Buchanan Dam.

Nov. 22—Michigan Missionary Institute at Pennellwood Church, Grand Rapids

Nov. 30—Southeast Conference at Guthrie Grove Church, near Pelzer, S.C.

Jan. 1-4, 1970-Post-High Winter Retreat at Camp Mack, Ind.

March 14, 15—Illinois Spring Conference, Blessed Hope Church, Rockford.

June 19-21-Annual Illinois Conference at Oregon.

BEREAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

The 1970 Youth Conference of the Church of God will again be held at Camp Alexander Mack near Milford, Ind. The Conference will begin with registration at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 26, and will conclude on Friday, July 30, with the noon meal. Begin in Friday and Sunday Sun gin now to make plans to attend.

DAYTON, OHIO, CHURCH NEWS

There are three new additions to the Dayton, Ohio, Glad Tidings Chapel which

we are happy to announce.

First, Bro, and Sr. Rex Cain and family moved into the parsonage on September 1. They were met by several willing workers to help speed the long process of unloading the truck. We are happy to have Rex, Grace, Laura, and Alan with us. As the new year starts, we pray that God's bless-ing will be with the church and its endcavors to serve him, and reach those outside the body of Christ.

Second, we are pleased to have acquired, in July, with the Lord's guidance, a parsonage located at 4132 Natchez Ave. It is within easy walking distance of the church. It has been rented for several years as a place of residence for our former pastors.

Third, the Missionary Department of the church spearheaded the drive to purchase a bus for the church. It has a seating capa-

city of sixty.

We just concluded our second Annual Missionary Conference with 85 in attendance. Besides many wonderful group discussions, some led by out-of-state guests such as: Stanley Ross, Russell Conley. Rachel Krogh, David Krogh, and Kent Ross, we were able to raise \$312.61 during the day, which went to the General Conference for home missionary literature.

We thank God for these blessings, and pray that not only our church, but all the General Conference churches, will be the means of bringing many to Christ.

Dorothy Runyan, sec.

MICHIGAN MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

On November 22, 1969, the Michigan Missionary Board is sponsoring a Missionary Institute at the Pennellwood Church of God Institute at the Pennellwood Church of God in Grand Rapids. The program will feature Stanley Ross, Rachel Krogh, Russell Conley, and Willis Turner. The Institute will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information write to: Missionary Institute, 3459 Reiser S.W., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508 49508.

SR. LOTTIE PICKERL HONORED

Sr. Lottie Pickerl of the Hope Chapel Church, South Bend, Ind., was the subject of a cover-story article in Michiana, a Sunday supplement to the South Bend Tribune, written by Irving Feldman.

Now 78 years of age, Lottie was retired twice as a teacher by the school systems in and around South Bend, but she refused to retire and is successfully teaching a first-grade class in Edwardsburg.

Besides her teaching, Lottie tutors children in the evening, and is a teacher and organist at Hope Chapel.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE REPORT

The Southwest Conference of the Church of God held its fall meeting at the Phoenix, Ariz., Church October 17-19, 1969. This was the first time the Phoenix congregation had hosted the meeting.

Another "first" took place when, with the exception of a business meeting, the entire Saturday program was given over to a series of lectures by John Petrehn. The theme of the meeting was "Enthusiasm for Evangelism.

Ministers present were: Don Hightower, Delbert Jones, Lee McQuinn, Hollis Partlowe, Dallas Demmitt, Alva Huffer, and the writer. J. Arlen Marsh was present for the Sunday morning service.

The sermons and classes were appreciated, and the special music by various ones

added much to the conference.

Out of the board and business meetings several new plans were formulated, and others reactivated. An extra scholarship was proposed, to be given to a graduate student of Oregon Bible College for use in the proposed internship program. Another plan calls for setting up a special savings account for aid to new church building programs. Lee McQuinn will head a committee to plan goals for various aspects of the work in the conference.

Election of officers resulted in the election of Lester Strickland as vice-president, Bernedene Jones as secretary, and Jerry Graham as a board member. Officers held oranam as a board member. Officers held over are: Hugh Harmon, president; Paul McPherson, treasurer; and Paul Trimble and Malcolm McLeod, board members. The conference youth director, Ross McLeod, and the pastors of the six churches are also on the board. on the board.

The next meeting of the conference, D.V., will be at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Cal., June 26-28, 1970.

We praise the Lord for a fine conference, and pray we may always be in his will.

Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

BAPTISMS AT EAST OREGON, ILL.

On the crisp, fresh Sunday morning of October 5, 1969, Connie and George Bel-lows were baptized into the body of Christ. We thank God for our two newest members, and especially for these two now united in our common bond of faith through Christ Jesus.

Paul Moore and Joe Martin, associate pas-

BAPTISM AT EAST PEORIA, ILL.

Miss Alma Beach was immersed into Christ on August 24, 1969. Alma accepted Jesus as her Saviour at the Berean Camp in Indiana. We welcome you, Alma, into the body of Christ, and into the fellowship at Faith Chapel.

Louis Kump, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Reeta Cliftin and Brooke Richmond were September 7, 1969, by Bro. John Denchfield.
On the same day, Bro. Denchfield baptized his granddaughter, Colleen Kruis at

the Southlawn Church.

BAPTISMS AT LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

On September 21, 1969, Lois Hardesty and Judy Barnes came forward to accept Christ as their Saviour. That afternoon they were baptized into Christ's name for the remission of sins. We praise God for these additions to the body of Christ, and pray his richest blessings on Judy and Lois. Russell Magaw, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT SAN JOSE, CAL.

The San Jose Church of God was thrilled when Kathy and Beth Kinsey came forward to receive Christ on July 21, 1969. They were baptized on July 28. May God bless these two young girls at they begin their new life in Christ. Don Hightower, pastor.

BAPTISM AT SOUTHLAWN

Following the morning service on September 28, 1969, Rodney Smith made known his desire to accept the Lord into his life and be baptized into his saving name, During the morning service on October 5, he was immersed in the waters of baptism. A new life now lies before him in the Lord, and we pray he may ever seek the guidance of the Lord in this new life. How happy we are to see the Lord Jesus accepted early in life. May God bless Rodney in his new found fellowship with Jesus. Darrell Maddock, pastor.

BAPTISM AT TROY, OHIO

On September 28, 1969, Mrs. Miriam Longendelper came forward, expressing her Longendelper came forward, expressing her desire to accept Christ as her personal Saviour and be baptized. She was baptized the following Friday at the Lawrenceville Church. We welcome her to membership in the Troy View Church of God, and to the body of Christ, and pray that God will rich. ly bless her as she grows in faith and knowledge of him. Scott Ross, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

On August 24, 1969, Misses Carolyn Smith, Susan Stickley, and Pamela Perry were baptized into Christ. The brethren rejoice over their decisions to follow Christ. The right hand of fellowship was extended to these new members following their first partaking of the emblems of Christ.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Long, 2142 W. Cambridge Ave., Phoenix, were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ, September 28, 1969. We welcome them into the local church and into the Church of God at large.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

The congregation at Oak Grove Church of God was happy at the confession of Miss Barbara Jean Loyd. Barbara was baptized in the New Hope Church of God baptistry on September 28, 1969, by Elder R. D. Stanton, pastor of the Oak Grove Church, assisted by Bro. Bill Mitchel.

Mrs. R. D. Stanton.

BAPTISMS AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

On October 5, 1969, the following were haptized at Moore's Mill near the Guthrie Grove Church, Pelzer, S.C.: Charles John Moss, and Suzanne Campbell of Abbeville, S.C., and Marlane Saylors of Pelzer, S.C. We pray the Lord's blessing on them as they serve him. On September 29, 1969, the writer assisted

Bro. Hulon Durham in baptizing Luther C. Smith of Greer, S.C. We are grateful for these who have united with God's church.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Debbie Burnett went forward during Youth Conference at Camp Mack, and was baptized by the writer on August 10, 1969. We pray God's richest blessings on her.

John Hearp, pastor.

GROVE - BURKE

Marcia Gay Grove and Michael Burke were united in marriage August 31, 1969, at Fort Thomas, Ky. Leon Driskill, pastor.

WALKER-KAUFFMAN

In a double-ring ceremony on August 29, 1969, Helen Walker and Herman Kauffman were united in marriage by the writer. A reception was held in the church basement. Leon Driskill, pastor.

EMMA L. PEARSON

Emma L. Pearson, Tipp City, Ohio, died September 9, 1969, at her home. She was a member of the Brush Creek Church of God, and served her Lord in word and deed. Her example in faith is of special remembrance to those who knew her.

She is survived by her nine children:
Lora, Frank, and Ezra Pearson, Hazel
Moore, Clara Sandifer, Gladys and Dorothy Pensyl, Mildred Lambert, and Rozella Jester.

Funeral services were held in the Brush Creek Church, with the writer officiating. Interment was in Curtis Cemetery, where she awaits the call of her Master.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

JOHN RENNER

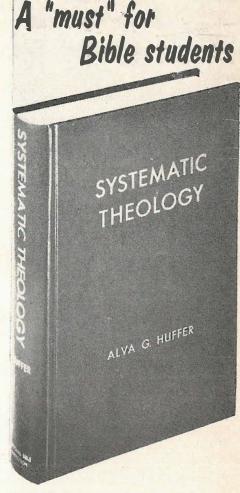
John Renner of Monroe Center, Wis. died on September 26, 1969, at the age of 83 years. He is survived by his wife Bonnie; five sons and four daughters; one brother; thirty-two grandchildren, twenty-four great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives. Bro. Renner had been a member of the Church of God since his early manhood.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Monroe Center Community Church on September 29, and he was laid to rest in the Monroe Center Cemetery to await the call of the Master. S. O. Ross

WILLIAM O. HUMPHREY

Bro. William O. Humphrey was born October 2, 1916, and fell asleep in Christ on October 2, 1969. He was a member of the Bedford, Ohio, Church of the Open Bible Services were conducted on October 6 by the writer, assisted by Pastor Stephen Bolhous. He is survived by his mother, Annie; his wife Virginia; two daughters, Nancy and Virginia; one son, John; and several grandchildren.

He now awaits the resurrection at the appearing of his Saviour. Rex Cain, pastor.



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JOHN AND JUDITH CRONAN

On Sunday, October 12, 1969, the brethren at Kokomo were deeply saddened when two of their faithful young members, John and Judy Cronan were killed in an automobile accident on the way home from church. Their two daughters and Vicki Cook were injured in the accident, but not seriously.

Judy was born August 30, 1938, at Bakers Corner, Ind., to Alton and Rebecca (Benge)

John was born April 29, 1937, in Rochester, Ind., to Emmett and Rebecca (Burns)

Cronan.

The two were baptized into the body of Christ during their teen years, and served as faithful members of the Jay Street Church of God.

They were married April 21, 1957, and had two daughters, Pamela and Lisa.

They are survived by their daughters, their parents, and brothers and sisters. Judy is survived by four brothers: Ray-mond of Greentown, Ind.; Terry of Swayzee, Ind.; Rex of Rochelle, Ill.; and Gary of Kokomo; and one sister, Virginia Cook, of Greentown. John is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Billy Lee (Mary) Swisher of Santa Barbara, Cal., and Mrs. Wm. (Rebecca) Keller of Marion, Ind.; and two stepbrothers, Michael and Steve Clark of La Fontaine, Ind.

They were buried on October 15 in

Greenlawn Cemetery at Greentown, after a double funeral service, conducted by Pas-

tor Dale Ward and the writer.

We pray God's blessing on the families of these two as they sorrow in this time of great loss, but rest in the hope of the resurrection to take place at Christ's soon Roger Cupp, pastor.

DESSIE REED ANTHONY

Dessie Lucile Reed, daughter of Mandes and Cora Reed, was born April 26, 1907, near Dill City, Okla., and died September 5, 1969, at Wellington, Kan.

She was married to Lewis Emerald Anthony November 26, 1950, and they made their home near Riverdale, Kan.

She was a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith, having been baptized by Almus Adams when a young lady. She attended Hope Chapel Church of God

at Arkansas City, Kan., whenever possible. She is survived by her husband; two sisters, Mrs. Letha Rinehart of Wellington, Kan., and Mrs. Vesta Anthony of Riverdale, Kan.; two brothers, Firman Reed of Kiowa, Kan., and Everett Reed of Amarillo, Tex.

Funeral services were conducted at Wellington by Lyle Rankin, and she was laid to rest in the Porter Cemetery near River-dale, there to await the call of the Master. Mrs. Letha Rinehart.

HUGH HUFFER

Hugh Huffer, longtime member of the Hillisburg Church of God, fell asleep in Jesus October 1, 1969. He would have been ninety years of age on January 1.

After funeral services on October 4 at Winchester, Ind., he was laid to rest beside his wife Orpha, to await the resurrection when Jesus returns.

E. Richard Smith, pastor.

DEA L. HOLT

Dea L. Holt, 61, of Piedmont, S.C., died at his home October 5, 1969. He was a native of Cocke County, Tenn., and a member

of the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near

Pelzer, S.C. Survivors include his wife Esti; one son, Lowell of Piedmont; four daughters, Mrs. Joyce Blanken of Piedmont, Mrs. Sylvia Bradley of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Patricia Jones of Morristown, Tenn., and Miss Brenda Holt of Clemson, S.C.; two brothers, Belus and Gail of Erie, Tenn.; a sister, Miss Lexie Holt of Erie, Tenn.; and ten grandchildren.

Funeral services were held October 7 at Sweetwater, Tenn., with the writer officiating, with burial in the old Sweetwater Kenneth Milne, pastor. Cemetery.

SID BAER

We sorrow over the death of Bro. Sid Baer who died August 30, 1969, after an illness of several months. After funeral services at Metamora, Ill., on September 2, Bro. Sid was taken to Evansville, Wis., to be laid to rest, where he will await the Lord's return. We extend our sympathy and our prayers for strength and comfort to Sr. Helen Baer and the family.

Louis Kump, pastor.

PASTOR AVAILABLE

Bro. Joe Astolfi, formerly of the Hillisburg Church of God, Michigantown, Ind., will be available for a pastorate after January 1, 1970. At the close of the present semester, Bro. Astolfi will have completed the required courses for graduation from Oregon Bible College. He will graduate with the rest of the senior class at the commencement exercises on May 22, 1970.

Any church interested in the services of Bro. Astolfi may write him at Box 231,

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Mrs. Bertha Countryman, 2112 W. Hazel-wood St., Phoenix, Ariz. 85015, responded to the Lord's invitation, October 26, 1969, and was immersed in the name of Jesus-Christ for remission of sins. The right hand of fellowship was then extended to the respect to the strength of age, and has recent-completed the Systematic Bible Study Course, which indoctrinated her in the great truths of Scripture.

Tom Thal responded to the gospel invitation October 26, 1969, and was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ the following Sunday. May God bless him as he uses the strength of his youth for our wonderful Lord. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

MACOMB, ILLINOIS, NEWS

On October, 5, 1969, four responded to the invitation of Christ: Mrs. Eugene Avery, Jimmy Lewis, Ronald Sorenson, and Wendall Weaver, Jr. We pray the Lord will be close to each one in the effort to serve him.

Bette Potts, reporter.

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Can I Evangelize?

By Hazel Cramer

COMETIME ago our brown sealpoint Siamese cat was confronted by our neighbor's part-chow dog. The dog jumped up and down like the cartoon Donald Duck, barking ferociously all the while. The cat simply stood her ground, ears drawn back, tail switching very slightly, and quietly hissing. The dog bounced up to within several feet of her, baring his fangs, and growling loudly. Still she did not move. She never averted her eyes, or changed her stance. Then she took one tiny step forward, her hissing reachng a high crescendo, and the dog literally fell over himself as he ran pellmell for the safety of his own home. We could hardly contain ourselves for our laughter; the superior-sized and more-aggressive animal running from the obviously terrified little cat!

When was the last time YOU put up a "good fight" for what you truly believe in, or for the way of Christ? I don't mean literal fighting, but a good old-fashioned verbal battle for the faith. We all know and love such songs as "Soldiers of the Cross," "Onward Christian Soldiers," and others, which expound the virtues of Christian living and faith, but is that all for which we should fight? Paul enjoined Timothy, "Watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. . . . I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (2 Tim. 4:5,

"Make full proof of [our] ministry"! "Do the work of an evangelist"! Is this OUR fight? A certified minister is far better qualified than my of us! Yet, how few there are of them! We may not have the Scriptural know-how of the trained evan-

gelist or pastor, but perhaps we can still hold our own, if nothing else, in a doctrinal discussion.

Far too often we sluff off any remarks concerning our doctrine, or pet beliefs, preferring not to get involved. It's far easier to remain neutral than to "fight the good fight" for our faith!

A good way to "have our cake and eat it, too," or salve our conscience, is to anonymously disperse tracts through the mail, leave them in the pages of library books, in railroad and bus stations, stores, restaurants, etc. We feel good; we did our "thing," as the younger generation terms it. But is that enough?

Once I got the bright idea of sending many of our "peculiar" doctrinal tracts concerning death, the trinity, the soul, and hell to many ministers outside of our faith. (I've always felt that ministers have the greatest responsibility of what the church, or congregation, is taught and believes in, as a whole.) All went beautifully until I got brave and started signing my name on the return address. Then I started receiving an avalanche of torrid replies, accusing me of heresy, and even witchcraft, not to mention their thoughts concerning our Church of God doctrinal tracts. One so-called pastor even used four-letter epithets to better express his dislike for our doctrines! Not being a brave soul, I reverted to sending tracts anonymous-

I like hiding behind those little white envelopes. If your recipient is angry, or an affluent talker, you don't have to listen, or even know it. That's the easy way out. Even I can do that. Yet, in my heart, I envy those peculiar, fearless individuals who are

afraid of nothing; those gifted people who can unafraidly knock on doors, invite others to church, uphold their doctrine, and remain unperturbed in the face of opposition.

Yet, though our hearts pound and our hands perspire, we are said to all be included under Christ's command, "Go ye" (Matt. 28:19).

Some helps for many of us in personal evangelism are various tracts published by the General Conference, consisting of simple subject headings along with a few well-chosen verses. One such tract is "Truths the Child of God Should Know." Another is the postcard type "Plan of Salvation." These can easily be inserted in your Bible, or in your pocket. A larger, more extensive, Scriptural guide, with a sentence reference after each verse, is called "Words of Truth." Of course there are many others of merit that might be preferable for individual needs.

A Church of God lady, now dead, had a unique way of presenting the gospel; orderly, correctly, and fully. She inserted little appendages on various pages of her Bible with "key" words written on them. For instance, the word "death" would be inserted on the page which she felt best described it, such as Ecclesiastes 9:10. Then, on that page in the margin she would write her next reference, like Ecclesiastes 3:19 or Acts 13:36, etc. Each reference pointed to another, if she so needed. It was far easier than trying to read the tiny marginal references to pick out the most useful, or pertinent, already in the Bible.

Perhaps by some of these helps we evangelistic "softies" can at least hold our own ground when witnessing to

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Conference Board Actions

The General Conference Board of Directors met in Oregen, Ill., on November 13 and 14. Reports of each department were viewed, and many matters discussed. In discussing Oregon Bible College it was noted that the student spirit was excellent this year, and that the Internship Program does have much to offer, and that graduating students should be encouraged to consider the program.

Action was taken to put an Annuities Program into effect, and anyone wishing to investigate this type of giving to the Conference should contact the Executive Secretary.

Since nearly all Church of God literature needs to be heavily subsidized due to the small volume of sales, the Conference Board urges the use of our own Church of God Sunday school quarterlies, and other materials, by all of our churches.

The overall Jubilee Year programs were reviewed. Cost of national radio time was discussed, but no acceptable time is available at present. Report of the committee to study license and ordination standards was accepted. Oregon Bible College was directed to work out a program for training for lay ministry applicants.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the program during the 1970 General Conference, and various other items were discussed and settled.

The Board approved the final draft of the "Ministers Information Form" and the "Church Information Form" as presented by the committee. These forms will be sent to ministers and church secretaries to be completed and filed with the Executive Secretary. This information will then be available for churches seeking pastors, and for ministers who are being called to a church.

Conference Car

John Lewis, Alva Huffer, and Rachel Krogh were involved in an accident while traveling to Chicago to attend the annual meeting of Bible Colleges. Bro. Lewis spent four days in the hospital and the others were shaken and bruised, however all are well now. The Conference's 1968 station wagon was a total loss, and will need to be replaced. A car from a side road caused the crash. We are thankful the injuries were not more serious.

Voluntary Retirement Fund

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Fund has been blessed with a number of special contributions, one in the amount of two thousand dollars. Th. has helped to make the fund even more secure, and it presently has a balance of more than nine thousand dollars after only one year of operation. Three ministers will be eligible for retirement on January 1, 1970. Churches not yet participating in this program may contact Ministers Voluntary Retirement, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061 for further information.

Conference Finances

In viewing the financial statements and audit reports of the past fiscal year (these reports will appear in the January Progress Journal), it appears that expenditures exceeded the income in the amount of over five thousand dollars. This deficit is in the form of a loan from a local bank.

There was need to purchase several items of equipment that were not included in the regular budget. These included furniture for one office, replacement of the kitchen freezer, an intercom system for Oregon Bible College, blackout shades to darken one classroom for projection in visual aid teaching, and other miscellaneous items.

It also became necessary to clean up and level the vacant lot above the girl's dorm to provide for student auto paring.

Usually these deficits due to capital expenditures beyond the budget can be absorbed and made up the following year. It does appear however that the income of the current fiscal year will be somewhat less than anticipated due to a smaller student body at Oregon Bible College, and some decrease in sales.

The membership of the Church of God has always responded to the need. We trust that this need will be met by prayer, concern, and sacrificial giving. May God bless, direct, and lead in the carrying on of his work and the spreading of the great gospel message.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970

\$99,000.00

Goal for November \$ 8,391.00 Given in November \$ 7,263.00 To be given by September 30 \$85,037.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a has completed the translation of the lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course and has been able to print lessons twelve through twenty-three, as well as reprint some of the first lessons. He tells us that at this time, the course is reaching eight hundred students.

He was able to make a trip to Jordan where meetings were held in a relative's home, with an average of twenty-five adults in attendance for the week. Four people were baptized and, while there, Bro. Sunna'a also had the opportunity to lead a Palestinian commando to Christ. He asks that we especially remember this young man in prayer as he is suffering persecutions because he left the troops to follow Christ.

Our people in Beirut were not affected by the recent trouble there except for a nationwide curfew for six days.

India

Bro. S. S. Manoah in Bangalore, India, writes, "By his grace, guidance, and through your prayers and help, the Lord's work and other church activities at Thomas Town and Wilson Gardens are carrying on peacefully and spiritually. Specially youth are taking keen interest to serve the Lord and also to assist me."

On October 12, 1969, the members of the church in Bangalore had a Sunday school anniversary celebration. The Sunday school children had their annual examination, and prizes were awarded to them according to their merits and attendance.

Other special events that have taken place recently are a Mother's Day celebration and Youth Sunday. Sr. Manoah was in charge of the programs for these special occasions.

Bro. Manoah asks that we pray that they will soon be able to find a hall to rent for their services at Wilson Gardens.

Nova Scotia

The Lighthouse Mission Church of God is the recipient of a mimeograph machine, given by the Fonthill, Ontario, church. With this machine, they are once again able to publish *The Lighthouse Beacon*, a monthly newsletter sent to members and friends to keep them informed of the activities and progress of the church.

The young people of the Digby church have a project of selling candy to help finish paying for the Dodge van which was purchased several months ago.

The pastor and his family were recently blessed with vegetables at the recent Harvest Festival.

Dennis Brown has completed the Systematic Bible Study Course.

Nigeria

Since October 1, 1969, six letters have been received from Bro. Edet Akpan, secretary of the Nigerian Church of God. He has also received the four letters we have written to him.

He says that three young people were recently baptized, bringing the total membership of the fifteen congregations to 3,588.

The Ross Commercial Secondary School is now in progress but they lack graduates to manage, lecture, and teach in the school.

Bro. Akpan closes by saying, "Give our love to all. May God bless you and lead you all in his work."

Mexico

Sr. Alice Aldrich reports that the Saturday class continues to go well, with an average attendance of twenty-six for the month of October. Several families in the neighborhood are planning to move away soon, but we trust that the new ones coming in will also be interested in the class and will send their children.

A group of thirty-six people recently gathered to view the Holy Land pictures of Bro. Moore. Regular Sunday school services are held each week in the home of Bro. Francisco Martinez.

Ghana

When Bro. Lee McQuinn visited Africa in 1967, he had the opportunity to meet and visit with a young man in Ghana named Oliver Amani. Since that time, this young man has studied *Systematic Theology* extensively and has started five Bible study groups.

During the past four months Mr. Amani and his friends have been able to distribute over five thousand gospel tracts which he translated into his local tongue and had printed. He says, "So many people take interest in reading these tracts, because of the wealth of truth contained in them."

Mr. Amani says that they are looking forward to the day when someone can once again visit their country.

Remember in prayer this young man and the others with whom he is working.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Winter Session Begins January 5

Monday, January 5, 1970, Oregon Bible College will begin its second session of the current academic year. The Fall Session will conclude December 19, before Christmas vacation. The Winter Session will conclude April 24. The four weeks Spring Session will begin April 27 and conclude May 22.

Advisement and registration for the Winter Session will be held for current students during the week of December 8-12. These students may complete their registration by paying their fees at any time, but not later than January 5.

New students planning to start their work at the College with the beginning of the Winter Session may have advisement and registration on January 5.

Curriculum for Winter Session

Introduction to Doctrine, Bible Survey II, Public Speaking II, and Preaching II will be taught by John R. Lewis.

Biblical Hermeneutics, Greek II, Principles and Practice of Teaching, English II, and History of the Adventist Movement will be taught by Eugene Stilson.

Spanish II, Missionary Preparation, and Choir will be taught by Rachel Krogh. Stanley Ross will teach Church of God History and Missions.

Old Testament II and Pastoral Work II will be taught by Francis Burnett.

Alva G. Huffer will teach a seminar course on Israel in History and Prophecy, and will do team teaching with John R. Lewis in other courses.

Christian Emphasis Week

Bro. Billie Kennedy of the Lawrenceville Church of God, Lawrenceville, Ohio, was the speaker for Christian Emphasis Week, October 13-17.

Each morning of the week, Bro. Kennedy opened the College day in the chapel by leading the students in a devotional thought. Bro. Kennedy also gave messages each day during chapel period and on Thursday evening, in which he emphasized the need for spiritual growth and dedication.

We are thankful to Bro. Kennedy for sharing his Christian ministry with us during this week.

Social Activities

The college students have been exposed to several social activities during the fall semester. Intramural basketball has been organized and the men students of the college have a schedule of games that they play each week.

An athletic instructor from Dixon, Mr. Roger Taylor comes to the college each Friday evening and instructs several of the college students in fencing lessons. We are thankful to Mr. Taylor for giving of his time in helping the college students in this way.

The Social Committee led in directing the activities for the fall breakfast on September 26 at Lowell Park near Dixon, Ill. The committee also planned the activities for the Halloween party.

Charles Pryor Counseling Consultant

Charles Pryor is serving as Counseling Consultant for Oregon Bible College. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio; his Master of Science degree from Northern Illinois University, DeKalb; and is now working on his Doctor of Education degree in Guidance and Counseling at the same university. He has had much experience in public education and is a member of the General Conference Board of Education.

At the beginning of the semester, he initiated a program of counseling interviews with all freshmen. In addition to attending our faculty meetings, Bro. Pryor spends every Tuesday at the College and counsels with other students as well as freshmen. This is a positive approach of maintaining meaningful communication with all students on a regular basis. He is doing an excellent work. This is another step forward for our college.

Day of Prayer

October 30, 1969, was spent in a Day of Prayer at Oregen Bible College. All classes were dismissed, and a program of service was planned.

The theme was centered around the five parts of prayer, namely, adoration, confession, thanksgiving, supplication, and intercession, along with an additional part of dedication in which each student, faculty, and staff member present dedicated his life to the service of the Lord.

The day started out with devotions in the men's dorm, followed by a breakfast to which everyone was invited. Then, the prayer service began in the chapel at the College. Each student was given the opportunity to participate either in song, testimony, Scripture reading, or prayer. The service was appropriately closed with Communion and a vocal solo of "The Lord's Prayer."

This day is perpetually a day of spiritual uplift for all who take part, and this year was no exception. Truly God's rich spiritual blessings touched the heart of each participant. Praise the Lord!

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Slide-Sound Set

The 1969 Berean Youth Conference slide-sound set is being prepared. It will have approximately 150 slides which are arranged in conjunction with a tape recording. On the tape will be the actual voices of staff members, teen-agers, music from the Conference, and such as will tell of some of the activities. The program will run for approximately one hour. There will be two sets made. We feel that every Church of God should see and hear about the Berean Youth Conference. Reservation blanks have been sent to every pastor, youth leader, and youth president. We invite any church to ask for the slide-sound set even if it does not have an active youth group.

1970 Berean Youth Conference

Plans are well under way for the 1970 Berean Youth Conference. The date has been set. It is to be July 26-31, 1970. The place is Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind. NOTE: The General Conference will be at a camp near Cedar Falls, Iowa. It will end on July 24, which is a Friday. Youth Conference will begin at 1:00 p.m. on the Sunday following General Conference. The theme for Youth Conference: "They Came Rejoicing." It is to be a conference of praise. Our goal is to have 350 enrolled, besides the staff. You can help to accomplish this by encouraging your sons and daughters, or the young people of the church, to attend. What better way to honor God than to assemble for study, worship, and Christian fellowship.

New Manuals Being Prepared

The Berean Lesson Manuals for January through June, 1970, are in the process of being prepared at the time of this writing. Pastors, youth leaders, and youth presidents should be receiving their copies in a few days. The Senior Manual has new editors. They are Bros. David Krogh and Michael Mattison. They have arranged a new format. We suggest that this new Manual be given a thorough examination, and be put to good use by all concerned with the education of our youth in the church.

Coming Events

Jubilee Coin Crusade in March and April; Youth Week the third week of March; choosing of a president of the Year; choosing of one for outstanding leadership award; Berean Youth Conference; and the Youth Caravan. Encourage your youth!

Post-High Retreat

Forty-two college age young people have enrolled for this retreat. We expect a wonderful time.

SU NDAY SC HIL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

THE TEACHER-STUDENT RELATIONSHIP

"Stir up the gift of God," "Shew thyself a pattern," "The Lord give thee understanding," "Study to shew thyself approved." Are you the best teacher you can be?

The Sunday school is only as strong as is the teacherstudent relationship, and this relationship is up to the teacher. If our Sunday schools are to increase by 10 percent during the next year they must be better Sunday schools; if they are to be better they must have better teachers; if there are to be better teachers they must be trained.

The teacher, consecrated and trained; plus the message, inspired from God; plus the pupils, subject of teacher's love and prayers; plus the methods, directed by the Holy Spirit; equals a successful Sunday school.

In an efficient and growing Sunday school every teacher will be trained to meet his specific challenges, including age group taught and the material used. This training should consist of major, annual teacher-training sessions, plus monthly revivals and reminders of the basics of reaching and teaching people for Jesus. This program should systematically keep each teacher sharp in consecration, use of methods, and the needs of each pupil.

Teacher training is leadership multiplying itself. Second Timothy 2:2 is an outspoken, inspiring word showing the value of teacher-training. It reads, "The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." The process of committing to faithful men is teacher training, which will also qualify them that they "shall be able to teach others also." The Lord's work must not be left to chance! The measure and intensity of the commitment definitely determines the willingness, love, vision, and effectiveness of the teaching process.

Not one of us would send our children to even grade school where the only qualities needed to be a teacher were a feeling of obligation, and willingness. The Sunday school is in the business of preparing people for eternity in the Kingdom. Let's make sure every pupil in our Sunday school is getting the very best in Christian teaching, inspiration, example, and challenge.

Set a time for your teacher-training program!

Enlist the enthusiastic support of your entire church!

Promote and publicize the proposed training program in every way possible that you might give everyone the opportunity to realize that he CAN teach.

Pray daily for your pastor, Sunday school superintendent, and those teaching in your teacher-training sessions.

DECEMBER, 1969

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 1-4, 1970-Post-High Winter Retreat

at Camp Mack, Ind.

Jan. 10—Indiana Quarterly Conference at
Burr Oak Church.

March 14, 15—Illinois Spring Conference, Blessed Hope Church, Rockford.

Apr. 18-Indiana Quarterly Conference at the Hedrick Church.

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21—Annual Illinois Conference at

Oregon.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. July 26-30 — International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at
Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

HERALD RACKS NEEDED

We have several requests for racks for The Restitution Herald, but our supply is exhausted. If you have racks that are not being used, please send them to this office, and we will gladly pay postage.

CHURCH OF GOD RADIO PROGRAMS

We have had requests for a listing of current Church of God radio broadcasts. We will be happy to publish this information in the next Progress Journal, if it reaches us by December 15.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

If the information on your church or conference is incorrect as listed in the directory, please send in a correction. These corrections will be made on a monthly basis throughout the year.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twen-ty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. Leon Larrington, Allen Loeffler, Mrs. Allen Loeffler, and Dennis Brown.

BAPTISMS AT POMONA, CAL.

Four young people were baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ on July 20, 1969. They were: Kathryn Jean Arnold, Kimberly Lynn Ferree, Kathy Luegene Ferree, and Laura Lynn Bradley.

On November 2, 1969, two more young people were baptized; they were: Christine Flaine Sheafer and Debra Kay DeYarmon.

Elaine Sheafer and Debra Kay DeYarmon. Laura Bradley is the only one whose par-

ents are Church of God members. We pray God's richest blessings on these

new Christians.

Mrs. Valdean Bass transferred her membership to the Church of the Open Bible from the Tempe Church of God.

Delbert Jones, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT MARSHALL, ILLINOIS

During my recent visit to Marshall, Ill., to be with my father on his ninetieth birthday, the following people requested baptism: Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hendrix and Suella Fitzjarrold. It was our privilege to baptize them into the saving name of Jesus for remission of sins on November 1, 1969. They will be members of the Salem Church of God, now located in Martinsville, Ill. We pray the blessing and guidance of God upon these new ones in Christ.

Harry Goekler.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Charlotte Burnett was baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins by the writer on October 19, 1969. We ask God's richest blessing on her as she begins her walk with him. John Hearp, pastor.

MODESTO, CAL., CHURCH ORGANIZES

The members of the Church of God in and around Modesto, Cal., have met and organized. Officers selected are as follows: David Hall, elder and board chairman; Eldo Lynn, deacon; Mrs. H. C. Copeland, deaconess; Mrs. David (Betty) Hall, secretary; Mrs. H. C. Copeland, treasurer; and Mrs. Raymond (Sue) Hall, youth director.
Raymond Hall, pastor.

REDUCED RAILROAD FARES FOR CLERGY DURING 1970

NEW YORK, Nov. 6-Railroads will continue to offer reduced fares to clergy during the year 1970, it was announced today by the Clergy Bureau of Eastern Railroads.

Effective January 1, 1970 the Eastern Clergy Bureau will absorb the New En-gland Clergy Bureau and the Eastern Clergy Bureau certificate will be the only certificate to be used to purchase clergy tickets at the clergy fare authorized via all Eastern railroads, including those operating in the New England states.

Reductions in railroad passenger fares

have been available for years to ordained and licensed ministers, missionaries, theological students, and many other categories of religious workers who obtain a certification coupon book from the railroad bureau.
Typical of the saving afforded for Year

1970 is the \$18.50 reduction in either direction on a first-class fare between Chicago and New York, and \$11.60 in either direction tion on a coach class fare between Chicago and New York.

Reduced clergy fare tickets are honored on all Eastern Railroads' trains EXCEPT Metroliner or Turboservice trains of Penn Central Co.

C. F. Montuori, Chairman of the Bureau, pointed out that "no other form of public



Mission Builders Appeal Number 23

Happy Woods Church of God, Hammond, Louisiana

The Happy Woods Church of God had its beginning more than eighty years ago under the leadership of W. H. Wilson. A building constructed many years ago has served until the present, but is no longer adequate.

The new building now under construction on the Bottolf property should be completed about January first, and will provide needed facilities for this active congregation.

Mission Builder appeal number 23 has been mailed to all members of the League.
If you are not now a Mission Builder,

and will agree to send at least \$5.00 for each new church designated for assistance by the League, we urge you to enroll now.

NEW MISSION MEMBERS

1138. Hanson Pickerl

1139. Ross Hillman and Family

1140. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bolhous 1141. Mr. & Mrs. James Graham 1142. Mr. & Mrs. Keith L. Williams 1143. Jewell & Georgia Richards 1144. Don Hightower 1145. Cecil Perry 1146. James G. Ring 1147. Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Prather

City, State, & Zip

1148. Sophie A. Carlson

Please enroll me in the Mission Builders League.

Name	
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(Mail to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.)

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transportation offers the clergy reduced fares in private space accommodations suitable for work and meditation enroute.

Mr. Mountuori said that applications for Mr. Mountuori said that applications for the 1970 clergy certificate books were now being accepted at Eastern Clergy Bureau, Two Pennsylvania Plaza, Suite 500, New York, N.Y. 10001. The cost of the 50 cou-pon book issued by the Eastern Clergy Bureau is \$14.00 and, as previously indi-cated, will entitle holder to purchase cler-gy-fare tickets on all Eastern Railroads. gy-fare tickets on all Eastern Railroads, including those in the New England states.

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CHILD DEDICATION AT BURR OAK, IND.

Infants Ryan Paul Reinholt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reinholt, and Joel Thomas Drang, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Drang, were dedicated by their parents August 17, 1969, at the Burr Oak Church of God. May

God bless these parents as they bring their children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. E. O. Routson.

RICHARD D. STANTON

Richard David Stanton, 7903 Stanton Rd., Little Rock, Ark., died November 4, 1969, having attained the age of 67 years.

R. D. Stanton was baptized into Christ by Bro. Zack Mathews forty-two years ago. Bro. Stanton was an elder of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. He preached and taught the Bible in the Oak Grove Church of God near his home.

Those surviving are: his widow, Mrs. Delia Browning Stanton; a son, R. C. Stanton of Little Rock; two sisters, Mrs. Delia Rodman and Mrs. Lucille Turner of Little Rock, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted November 7 at Little Rock by the writer.
C. Alan McLain

DAVID JOHN WEST

David John West died October 30, 1969, in Cleveland, Ohio. He was born December 30, 1905, in London, England, and came to this country in his youth. Bro. West had been a member of the Bedford Church of God for many years. He leaves to mourn him a brother and sisters in England, and friends and loved ones in the United States.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer on November 3, 1969, with burial in Lakeview Cemetery, Cleveland. Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

MRS. IRVIN FERGUSON

On November 11, 1969, at her home in Anderson, Ind., Mrs. Irvin (Gladice) Ferguson died after a prolonged illness. She was born June 3, 1898, in Elwood, Ind.; the daughter of John and Minnie Perkins Hughes. She was a member of the Kokomo Church of God and was baptized in 1928 by Bro. James A. Patrick. In 1927 she married Irvin Ferguson in a ceremony conducted by Bro. G. E. Marsh. She faithfully served her Lord, and others, all her life and esteemed the Scriptures and the truth they contain. She is survived by her husband, two sons, and two daughters. The funeral was conducted by the writer on November 15 in Anderson, after which she was laid to rest in the Elwood City Cemetery. Her family and friends are all comforted by the great hope of resurrection, knowing that on that day she will meet the Lord whom she loved. Roger Cupp, pastor.

CAN I EVANGELIZE?

(Continued from front page)

those who oppose our doctrines. We may never be famous evangelists, but we can "sanctify the Lord God in four | hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh [us] a reason of the hope that is in [us] with meekness and fear" (1 Pet. 3:15).

CONTRIBUTORS IN NOVEMBER

The following persons and groups through their faithful giving in November have helped make possible the work of the Church of God General Conference in missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, the Berean Youth Fellowship, and other essential services of the Confer-

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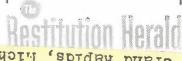
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Landmarks of the Church of God

A Guest Editorial*

"Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set" (Proverbs 22:28).

SAFEST progress respects experience. Highest soaring birds first walked upon the ground, and never shed their feet. Solomon, sage of centuries, counseled: "Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set" (Prov. 22:28). He who in Solomon's day removed a landmark, thus destroying a boundary, was at least suspicioned of thievery, as indicated in these further words: "Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless" (23:10).

Likewise, there are "landmarks" of the Church of God - "landmarks" not to be removed, "landmarks" beyond which we cannot safely or honestly pass, lest we steal from the Fatherless their God-given right to hear and receive the simple, soul-saving gospel of the Kingdom of God. Are we not to progress? Folly the question! but, as the Church of God soars to new heights in gospel enterprise, we must respect experience, we must keep our feet. Safe progress in our work can be built only upon fundamental doctrines of revealed truth. "Stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught" (2 Thess. 2:15).

"That Blessed Hope"

In keeping with God's promise to Abraham, "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" (Gen. 22:18), the Church of God has ever taught and must continue to teach the coming of the Lord Jesus; for Jesus, the Seed of Abraham, is the only one who can remove earth's curse and bless every nation. "He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass:

as showers that water the earth" (Psa. 72:6). "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea" (v. 8), and, "All nations shall call him blessed" (v. 17). Soon, we pray, we "shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory" (Matt. 24:30), for "unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation" (Heb. 9:28). We are "looking for that blessed hope" (Titus 2:13).

Life Only Through Christ

Not until one becomes thoroughly convinced that man is wholly mortal, can one appreciate the importance of the second coming of Christ. Why need the Christ return, if the righteous go to heaven at death? Why need there ever be a resurrection, indeed, how could there be a resurrection, if one went to heaven when he died. It was not God . . . who said, "Ye shall not surely die" (Gen. 3:4). God had previously said, "Thou shalt surely die" (2:17). Who lied? ... So-called "orthodox" preachers are still . . . denying the literality of death. "Thus saith the LORD, ... thou shalt die, and not live" (Isa. 38:1). "The dead know not any thing" (Eccl. 9:5).

Resurrection is the antithesis of death, and there will be no resurrection until Christ returns. "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming" (1 Cor. 15:22, 23). "The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of

God: and the dead in Christ shall rise" (1 Thess. 4:16). "Now, little children, abide in him: that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming," knowing that "when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 2: 28; 3:2). "He that hath the Son of God hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life" (1 John 5:12)

Irrespective as to what theologians teach for truth about their theoretical "immortality of the soul," the Bible says: "This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son" (v. 11). "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory" (Col. 3:4).

Other "Landmarks"

Other 'landmarks' of the Church of God, doctrines that must not be omitted carelessly from our teaching and preaching if we are to be fair to the Fatherless, concern the great themes of the Kingdom of God to be upon earth, the necessity of faith in the true gospel of this Kingdom, the joyful regathering of God's former people, Israel, into this Kingdom, the call to repentance, baptism by immersion for the remission of sins, and both the duty and blessing of living after the pattern of Christ.

*The above was written by the late Editor Sydney E. Magaw, and appeared in The Restitution Herald, August 11, 1942. What might he have said about the Church of God today?

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Address Change

Because the Oregon, Ill., post office installed new boxes, it has become necessary to change the box number in our address. The proper address for the Church of God General Conference is now Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Annual Ministers Meeting

For many years past, the ministers of the Church of God General Conference have met in an annual midwinter conference the last week of January. The association has now changed its meeting date to April 27 - May 1. Ministers of the General Conference are asked to keep this date in mind and make plans to attend.

Men's Retreat

Seventy men from six states assembled at Epworth Forest Camp, North Webster, Ind., on November 14 and 15 for a time of fellowship, uplift, and instruction. All who attended felt a real blessing from God. This type of retreat will be encouraged in several sections of the country for 1970.

Staff Travels

Members of the staff of the General Conference travel many miles to fill pulpits, assist in services, and promote the work of the various departments of the General Conference. In recent weeks Bro. John Lewis, with a gospel team, attended a youth retreat at Waterloo, Ia.; Sr. Rachel Krogh, with a team, traveled to Martinsville, Ill., and Fredericktown, Morse Mill, and St. Louis, Mo. Bro. Francis Burnett, with a gospel team, visited Graytown, Wis., and Litchfield and St. Cloud, Minn. Bro. S. O. Ross has held services at St. Louis, Mo.; Golden Rule, Cleveland, Ohio; Casey Ill.; and with Sr. Rachel Krogh, took part in a Missionary Institute in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Church Emblem Road Signs

There are still a number of church emblem road signs available. Churches are encouraged to use these on bulletin boards, local church signs, and on roads leading into the town to identify your church as an affiliate of the Church of God General Conference, Oregon, Ill. These signs are \$6.50 each, postpaid when payment accompanies the order. Write to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Conference Finances

The delegates to the 1969 Church of God General Conference sessions voted a budget for the 1969-70 church

year that would require contributions in the amount of \$99,000.00. These contributions are needed to carry out the full program of the various departments of the Conference. This includes subsidizing the cost of education for students at Oregon Bible College in excess of forty percent of the cost of education. It provides the funds for the various activities of the Berean Youth Department. It provides leadership and planning in the national Sunday school program. These contributions help to provide materials such as tracts, Sunday school quarterlies, Restitution Heralds, etc., which need to be subsidized due to the small volume of sales. It provides the printing and distribution of the Progress Journal, Challenge, and the free Systematic Bible Study Course.

The contributions to the Goals for Giving help to promote the Witnessing Campaign, provide pastoral aid to small beginning churches, and carry on many general services of the General Conference.

In addition to the above needs, twenty-three missionaries receive full or partial support in carrying on mission work in six countries. Much literature is distributed in many countries of the world, and contacts made, inquiries answered, and the gospel message spread through the Mission Department.

When the Goals for Giving are not met, the staff and administration are hard pressed to know how to meet current needs. It appears that the December giving will be about one thousand dollars short of the needs. We believe that when the membership knows these needs that they will be met. We ask for your prayers, concern, and support that the whole program of the General Conference may continue forward.

As we begin this New Year of 1970, may God's richest blessings be upon each member of the Church of God. May the year be fruitful in the Lord's service.

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Nova Scotia

In the October Progress Journal we reported that Bro. Raymond Brown had to curtail some of his activities because of health reasons. We are glad to report that he is feeling much better.

Mrs. Joan Handspiker and Mr. Herman Bent accepted Christ as their Saviour and were baptized November 30, 1969. May God bless them as they begin this new life.

The young people of the Digby church sold ninety-six dozen candy bars in less than two weeks to raise money to help finish paying for the bus and also to provide funds for next year's youth conference. We are thankful for enthusiastic young people interested in the Lord's work.

Lebanon

Mr. and Mrs. Fouad Salameh were recently baptized into Christ by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a in Beirut. We pray God's blessing upon them in their new life in Christ.

Bro. Sunna'a writes that he is planning to visit Egypt very soon to establish a mission station there, and to immerse those who have requested baptism. He asks that we pray for him as he makes this trip.

India

The regular services are being carried on in the Thomas Town and Wilson Gardens Churches of God in Bangalore. Bro. S. S. Manoah has trained four local preachers who are about thirty-five years of age. He gives them opportunities to preach on Sunday evenings, and they are helpful in other activities in the church. These men and also the young people accompany Bro. Manoah as he makes hospital visitations and holds open air meetings.

Philippines

Bro. and Sr. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero are the parents of a son named Daniel, born October 20, 1969. He is their seventh child. We extend our congratulations to them.

Pastor Crispin Calawagan underwent an appendectomy the last of October and is now back at his work at the Uddiawan Church of God.

Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez writes that due to disagreeable weather there has been quite a bit of sickness which has resulted in lower attendance in the Saltillo services.

The Saturday school in the home of Sr. Alice Aldrich and Sr. Aurelia Alvarez continues to grow, with an average attendance of forty-four for the month of November. A Christmas program was held to which the parents of the children were invited.

Bro. Dean Moore's health has not been good, and it appears that he will not be able to continue in the Mexican work on a regular basis. Please remember the Moore family and the Mexican work in your prayers.

Nigeria

In November some of the Nigerian congregations held harvest services, and various fruits and vegetables from the farms of the members were brought to the churches. It was decided by the trustees and committees of the Nigerian Church of God that this food be shared among the homeless and other members who are suffering most because of the war.

Invitations to take the gospel of Christ to people in Ndak Nkut, Calabar, have been received, but it was decided that it would be best to wait for further developments in the situation there before going.

Regarding Bro. Obot, Bro. Akpan writes that they have heard a rumor that he has been taken to Kano in northern Nigeria, but they have not heard anything from him. Continue to remember him in your prayers.

Ghana

In last month's Progress Journal we mentioned the work that Mr. Oliver Amani was doing in his country. He was hopeful that someone from here would be able to go there to baptize him and some others. Since this was not possible at that time, instructions were sent so they would be able to baptize one another. Bro. Amani has written that on November 6, 1969, eighteen persons were immersed into Christ, and they have rented a large room in the city of Jasikan where they have been studying God's Word three times a week. When Bro. Lee McQuinn visited this young man in 1967, Bro. Amani said that if it were God's will and by his grace there would be a Church of God in Ghana within two years. We are thankful for this young man and his dedication in telling others of salvation through Christ.

Mission Board Meeting

The Mission Board will be meeting this month to discuss and make decisions regarding the mission work around the world. We would ask your prayers for the members of this Board that they may be given wisdom to make the correct decisions.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Gospel Team Program

Oregon Bible College is trying to reach a fourteen-state area through gospel team tours. Musical teams sponsored by Bros. Francis Burnett and Eugene Stilson, and by Sr. Rachel Krogh, present services of music, preaching, and testimony. In addition to these teams, the junior class has been sending out a team once a month. The freshman class has presented one program. The Home Mission Fellowship has presented programs at Mount Morris, Ill., and Monroe Center, Wis. The choir has performed in the area churches. Bro. Ross has taken students with him on several engagements in Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois.

Fall Visits

During the fall semester teams have visited at Dayton, Bedford, Cleveland, and Columbia Station, Ohio.

We also went to Monroe Center, Graytown, Wis., and Litchfield, and Saint Cloud, Minn. We would like an invitation to come to the other churches.

In December we went to Fredericktown, Morse Mill, and Saint Louis, Mo. We also went to the youth retreat in Iowa.

Services have been presented at Dixon, Flagg Center, Rochelle, Rockford, Lombard, Casey, Marshall, and East Oregon; all in Illinois.

Plans for Spring Semester

Invitations have been received to bring a team to Indiana, make a tour of the churches in Michigan, and bring two teams to Ohio. We would like to bring two more teams to Indiana and one team to Minnesota. We would like invitations from churches in southern Illinois.

Requests for Special Programs

1. The Brothers and Sisters have a well-developed program of gospel folk music, preaching, and testimony. This program is specially suited to youth rally programs. They have several openings on their calendar. Write if you would like them to come to your special program.

2. The juniors and seniors in the preaching class can organize speaking programs on timely subjects such as the "Witness of Youth" or "The Rise of the Nation of Israel." If you would like to meet several of the men in preaching class and hear a fine program, please write us concerning your desire.

3. Bro. John Lewis will be producing a religious program during second semester. This may be available for performance in two or three churches.

Spring Tours

During the spring vacation March 28 - April 5 there will

be several gospel teams available for tours. We have selected three destinations this year: Louisiana, Colorado, and Ontario. In February we will begin corresponding with churches along the way. We want to reach about eight churches on each tour.

Eugene Stilson.

Fall Banquet

On December 13, Oregon Bible College held its annual Fall Banquet. The activities of the evening were planned and directed by the Social Committee under the chairmanship of Waldon Winner.

Entertainment was provided by Waldon Winner, Dan Graham, Debbie Peters, and Joe Martin.

The food was prepared and served by the ladies of the Dixon Church of God.

The message for the evening was presented by E. Richard Smith of the Hillisburg Church of God, Hillisburg, Ind. Bro. Smith spoke concerning the individual's involvement in today's world. He pointed out that we are living in a changing world; a world that is much different from the world of the past. Many approaches can be taken toward modern-day society. One can look back and remember the good old days. One can become concerned and think and talk about the problems facing us in modern-day society. One can also ignore the problems that are facing the clergymen and others who want to reform this society in which we are living. The real individuals for whom we have high regard are those, however, who not only think and talk about the contemporary world but who attempt to do something about the situation.

President Huffer

President Alva Huffer will be in Ohio January 18-25. He will be delivering a series of messages at the Troy View Church of God, Troy, Ohio.

Scott Ross, pastor of the Troy View Church is presently attempting to make arrangements to have President Huffer appear on the Phil Donahue television interview program at Dayton, Ohio. The interview program is syndicated and will be seen in several cities throughout the United States. Interested people who are living in Ohio and in cities where the program can be seen could write to the Phil Donahue Show, WLW Television, 4590 Avco Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45401, and express their interest in having President Huffer appear on this program.

From Troy, Ohio, President Huffer will return to Oregon, Ill., where he will conduct a seminar at Oregon Bible College entitled "Israel in History and Prophecy." He will remain in Oregon until February 6.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Youth Week

In many of the Churches of God, Youth Week has come to have real meaning. For this we are truly thankful. We can recall a few years ago after a Youth Sunday was over in the church where we were pastor that one of the older and regular attenders came to us and spoke very highly of the ability of the youth. This remark was made. "When I was the age of these youth, I had nothing to do in the church. I was to be there and to listen. I am so thankful that our youth are being taught how to serve in the church and are being given the opportunity." We believe the preceding words could well be the expression of many.

Youth Week will be March 16-22, with Palm Sunday, March 22 being Youth Sunday. The youth leaders and the young people of our churches will be planning their programs. We urge you leaders of the churches, and you lay members and fellow workers with the youth, to give them your fullest support in this act of love towards the Lord.

A BYF T-Shirt

The order has been placed for a fine quality T-shirt, which was decided upon by the 1969 BYF delegate conference. The shirt will be two toned—powder blue with dark blue collar and cuffs. The BYF emblem and the word "International" will be in gold. We anticipate that many of these will be wanted. We urge adults to buy them too. Order blanks will be in the mail soon, if you have not already received them. If you would want one or more of these T-shirts, see your youth leader or the youth president.

Youth Finances

Contributions have been coming in slowly. We encourage our youth to adopt the plan of regular giving, either as individuals or as groups. The 1969 - 1970 budget demands a monthly average of \$875.00 per month. Besides this, there was a deficit of \$1,900.00 from the previous year.

We know that you, the adults of the Church of God General Conference, have been much encouraged by the progress of the youth in their giving. Continue to encourage them.

Film Strips

The Youth Department has many film strips on a variety of Bible subjects. Many are on the lives of those who were faithful. We have some about the use of drugs. We hope to get out soon a list of all that are available. We encourage you to use them. They are yours for the asking and the paying of return postage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP ABILITIES

In his book *Guide to Developing Your Potential*, Herbert A. Otto says, "The average individual is functioning at not more than 10 percent of his potential." If this statement is accurate, this means that 90 percent of our abilities have never been used. We use the word ability to designate the total sum of capacities and qualities which each possesses.

Abilities for Leadership

Every person has some of the following abilities: 1) The ability for more effective and more satisfying relationships with other people. These can become a source of vitality, a means of putting to use other strengths and abilities within oneself. 2) Hidden or dormant capacities, abilities, talents or resources. One of the findings of the Human Potentials Research Project by Gardner Murphy is the fact that very few people take the trouble to discover their abilities. 3) The ability for increased creative productivity. Almost everyone has at some time made a creative contribution to his environment, including his friends, family, neighbors, or his work. 4) There is the potential for developing the capacity for leadership in matters which affect other individuals, as well as the community.

Developing Leadership

Developing leadership is not always easy. There is the feeling that "no one ever tells me when I do a good job, but when I make a mistake, I hear plenty." Certainly we need encouragement in order to effectively develop our leadership abilities. How can we receive encouragement? There are several sources: 1) Look for accomplishments in others. As you recognize their accomplishments, let them feel your appreciation. 2) The person receiving will often experience this type of recognition as understanding and affection, a giving of love, in the best sense. 3) You are bringing about change in your inner climate as you see their accomplishments and capacities. As a by-product others will slowly begin to give you the recognition you merit.

Application of Leadership

Accepting responsibility is the beginning of any leader-ship experience. Each of us has some particular quality that should be used. There is a crying need today for more active leadership in the Church of God. Could it be that we are not developing and using our talents in the vine-yard of the Lord? We trust that you will discover your God-given abilities today and take progressive steps to use them for his glory.

Bernard Hightower.

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Youth Week

In many of the Churches of God, Youth Week has come to have real meaning. For this we are truly thankful. We can recall a few years ago after a Youth Sunday was over in the church where we were pastor that one of the older and regular attenders came to us and spoke very highly of the ability of the youth. This remark was made. "When I was the age of these youth, I had nothing to do in the church. I was to be there and to listen. I am so thankful that our youth are being taught how to serve in the church and are being given the opportunity." We believe the preceding words could well be the expression of many.

Youth Week will be March 16-22, with Palm Sunday, March 22 being Youth Sunday. The youth leaders and the young people of our churches will be planning their programs. We urge you leaders of the churches, and you lay members and fellow workers with the youth, to give them your fullest support in this act of love towards the Lord.

A BYF T-Shirt

The order has been placed for a fine quality T-shirt, which was decided upon by the 1969 BYF delegate conference. The shirt will be two toned—powder blue with dark blue collar and cuffs. The BYF emblem and the word "International" will be in gold. We anticipate that many of these will be wanted. We urge adults to buy them too. Order blanks will be in the mail soon, if you have not already received them. If you would want one or more of these T-shirts, see your youth leader or the youth president.

Youth Finances

Contributions have been coming in slowly. We encourage our youth to adopt the plan of regular giving, either as individuals or as groups. The 1969 - 1970 budget demands a monthly average of \$875.00 per month. Besides this, there was a deficit of \$1,900.00 from the previous year.

We know that you, the adults of the Church of God General Conference, have been much encouraged by the progress of the youth in their giving. Continue to encourage them.

Film Strips

The Youth Department has many film strips on a variety of Bible subjects. Many are on the lives of those who were faithful. We have some about the use of drugs. We hope to get out soon a list of all that are available. We encourage you to use them. They are yours for the asking and the paying of return postage.

E. Milon Hall, Editor

DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP ABILITIES

In his book *Guide to Developing Your Potential*, Herbert A. Otto says, "The average individual is functioning at not more than 10 percent of his potential." If this statement is accurate, this means that 90 percent of our abilities have never been used. We use the word ability to designate the total sum of capacities and qualities which each possesses.

Abilities for Leadership

Every person has some of the following abilities: 1) The ability for more effective and more satisfying relationships with other people. These can become a source of vitality, a means of putting to use other strengths and abilities within oneself. 2) Hidden or dormant capacities, abilities, talents or resources. One of the findings of the Human Potentials Research Project by Gardner Murphy is the fact that very few people take the trouble to discover their abilities. 3) The ability for increased creative productivity. Almost everyone has at some time made a creative contribution to his environment, including his friends, family, neighbors, or his work. 4) There is the potential for developing the capacity for leadership in matters which affect other individuals, as well as the community.

Developing Leadership

Developing leadership is not always easy. There is the feeling that "no one ever tells me when I do a good job, but when I make a mistake, I hear plenty." Certainly we need encouragement in order to effectively develop our leadership abilities. How can we receive encouragement? There are several sources: 1) Look for accomplishments in others. As you recognize their accomplishments, let them feel your appreciation. 2) The person receiving will often experience this type of recognition as understanding and affection, a giving of love, in the best sense. 3) You are bringing about change in your inner climate as you see their accomplishments and capacities. As a by-product others will slowly begin to give you the recognition you merit.

Application of Leadership

Accepting responsibility is the beginning of any leadership experience. Each of us has some particular quality that should be used. There is a crying need today for more active leadership in the Church of God. Could it be that we are not developing and using our talents in the vineyard of the Lord? We trust that you will discover your God-given abilities today and take progressive steps to use them for his glory.

Bernard Hightower.

Annual Financial Statement

October 1, 1968 - September 30, 1969

	October	1, 1968 - Sep	otember 30, 1969	
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND L	IABILITIES	S	STATEMENT OF OPERATING INCOME & E	XPENSE
GENERAL FUNDS			Operating Income	
Current Assets			Contributions—General	\$ 85,480.69
Cash in Bank—Checking \$	38.99		Contributions—Other	13,780.00
Petty Cash Fund	200.00		Tuition, Room & Board	35,082.60
Student Deposits-Room, Key & Car	348.00		Services	57.00
Accounts Receivable	719.79		Interest & Dividends	46.90
Notes Receivable (Within one year)	2,130.57		Camp	12,824.91 5,822.46
Inventory	12,204.33		Miscellaneous	3,022.40
Total Current Assets	\$ 1.	5,641.68	Total	\$153,094.56
Other Assets			Gross Profit (Loss) on Sales	(10,212.70)
	20,275.49		Total Operating Gross Profit	\$142,881.86
Less: Amount Classified as Current	1,980.57		Operating Expenses	¢ 40 022 45
Total Other Assets	15	8,294.92	Salaries	\$ 48,832.45 6,425.73
Fixed Assets	1	0,271.72	Telephone, Light & Fuel Insurance	1,768.18
Construction in Progress—			Postage	2,285.41
Women's Residence Hall \$	1,410.00		Supplies & Expense	4,458.79
	22,941.91		Depreciation	4,616.32
Improvement to Grounds	896.28		Advertising	68.40
Buildings \$248,603.55	21,416.83		Repairs & Maintenance	2,601.34
Allowance for Depreciation 27,186.72 22	21,410.83		Travel	7,385.64
Furniture & Equipment \$ 58,547.13			Towel & Laundry Camp	272.20 12,759.90
	30,243.32		Printing	7,224.99
A			Editorial	1,330.00
Auto \$ 3,480.20 Allowance for Depreciation 1,063.90	2,416.30		Speakers	140.00
Allowance for Depreciation 1,000.90	2,410.30		Assistance to Mission Points	19,442.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$279	9,324.64	Assistance to Churches	10,659.05
M-4-1 A4-			Literature & Visual Education	514.56
Total Assets	\$31.	3.261.24	Food Social Security Toy	6,364.78
Current Liabilities			Social Security Tax Interest	3,052.23 222.28
	2,457.32		Legal & Audit	664.68
Withheld & Accrued Payroll Taxes	732.19		Auto Expense	341.93
Withheld Hospitalization Insurance	154.77		Miscellaneous	8,566.18
Deposits—Room & Key	300.00		Bad Debts	115.26
Deposits—Car Registration Loans Payable	48.00 5.000.00		Foreign Exchange	212.74
Boans Tayable	3,000.00		Youth Caravan Teacher Training	481.67 569.09
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 8	3,692.28	Royalties	466.20
Deferred Income			Royanies	400.20
Gain on Sale of Printing Equipment	2	2,965.75	Total Operating Expense	\$151,842,00
Net Worth Surplus	201	(02.21	Net Operating Loss	\$(8,960.14)
Surprus	301	1,603.21	STATEMENT—OTHER RECEIPTS AND EXPE	NDITHRES
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$313	3,261.24	Net Operating Loss (Forwarded)	\$ (8,960.14)
	-		Add: Other Receipts	φ (6,900.14)
RESTRICTED FUNDS			Contributions—Scholarship Funds	400.00
Current Assets			Contributions—Building Fund	2,650.65
	4.231.06		Contributions—Ministerial Fund	117.29
	6,275.28		Student Council Fees	340.00
Stocks & Bonds—At Cost	9,046.98		Interest	2,657.58
Loans Receivable	726.68		Net Gain on Sale of Equipment	280.49
Total Assets Destricted Funda	\$ 20	280.00	Total Other Receipts	\$ 6,446.01
Total Assets Restricted Funds	φ 30	0,280 00	Total Net Operating Income (or Loss) and	-,
Net Worth			Other Receipts	\$ (2,514.13)
Fund Balance	\$ 30	,280.00	Deduct: Other Expenses	
			Assistance to Ministers	1,100.00
TRUST FUNDS			Scholarships Granted Annuity Benefits	710.00
Current Assets			Annuity Delicitis	2,938.61
Cash in Bank—Savings \$	1,311.38		Total Other Expenses	\$ 4,748.61
Notes Receivable (Within one year)	841.47		Net Income (or Loss) From All Sources	\$ (7,262.74)
		152.05	Add: Non-Cash Expenses Deducted Above	
Other Assets	\$ 2	2,152.85	Depreciation	\$ 4,616.32
	0,228.47		Net Cash Income (or Loss) Deduct: Capital Expenditures	\$ (2,646.42)
Less: Amount Classified as Current	841.47		Additions to Improvements to Grounds	896.28
_			Additions to Furniture & Equipment	3,847.92
Total Other Assets	9	,387.00		
Fixed Assets Land	20	075 00	*Total Capital Expenditures	\$ 4,744.20
Daild	39	0,075.00	Net Cash Received in Excess of Expenditures	¢ (7 200 (a)
Total Assets Trust Funds	\$ 50	.614.85	(or Loss)	\$ (7,390.62)
Net Worth	-	- 19		
Net Worth				
Fund Balance	A FO	.614.85	The Annual Financial Statement above is a portio	C 41

The Annual Financial Statement above is a portion of the report of the firm of Ramsey, King, McBride, & Horn, Warsaw, Ind., accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, November 13, 1969.

*See explanation of this item at the right, on the news page.

CHUR CHNEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 10-Indiana Quarterly Conference at Burr Oak Church.

March 14, 15—Illinois Spring Conference.
Blessed Hope Church, Rockford.

March 16-22-Youth Week.

Apr. 18-Indiana Quarterly Conference at the Hedrick Church.

Apr. 27-May 1-Annual Ministerial Conference at Oregon, Ill.

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21—Annual Illinois Conference at

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-30 - International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind. Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: J. Don Swartz, Gary R. Turner, Mrs. Mae Smith, P. A. Olagundoye (West Nigeria), Evela A. Jordan, Miss Karen Mackey, and Mrs. Larry Plank.

BAPTISMS AT DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA

On November 30, 1969, Mrs. Joan Handspiker and Herman Bent, both of Rt. 3, Mt. Pleasant, Digby, were baptized for the remission of sins, and received into the fellowship of the church.

Raymond Brown, pastor.

*ADDITIONS TO CAPITAL ASSETS

General Administrative	
Air Conditioners (2)	\$ 420.41
Dictating Machine	139.50
Oregon Bible College	
Parking Lot	\$ 761.28
Vapor Light	135.00
Office equipment	317.54
Classroom equipment	204.00
Intercom system	201.06
Dishwasher & installation	1,221.77
Freezer	197.00
Library	1,146.64
Total	\$4,744.20

The net loss is due to less income than anticipated in sales, and the purchase of some needed equipment not included in the budget. This equipment includes furniture for one office, replacement of the kitchen freezer, intercom system for Oregon Bible College, and blackout shades for one classroom. Local authorities required that we clean up and level the vacant lot, and a parking lot was provided.

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BAPTISMS AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

We were pleased on November 21, 1969, to be able to baptize two into the saving blood of Jesus Christ. Mrs. Don Adkins, 935 Oxford Way, Modesto, Cal. and Randy Hall, 1105 Cannes, Modesto, Cal. We praise God for these two additions to the body of Christ, and pray his richest bless-Ray Hall, pastor. ings on them.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Richard Rogers, his daughter Kandi, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mills, and Leslie Evans were immersed in Christian baptism November 23, 1969. How thankful we are for the gospel to preach and teach in these crucial days! We welcome them into the "household of faith" and our local church. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT DAYTON, OHIO

Harry Lynn and Miss Kim Deubner came forward November 16, 1969, to accept Christ as their Saviour through baptism. They were baptized the following Sunday at the Lawrenceville church. We earnestly pray their lives will be led of God until the return of his Son. Rex F. Cain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT KOSZTA, IOWA

On October 3, 1969, Richard Lee Cronbaugh, son of Bro. Carrol Cronbaugh, Rt. 2, Belle Plaine, Iowa, professed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and was baptized into his body. We rejoice in his faith and obedience to the great command of his Master. Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS

Send Progress Journal news by the fifteenth of the month preceding publication.

IMMERSIONS AT HOPE CHAPEL South Bend, Indiana

Mrs. Evelyn Perry and Mrs. Malvina Palmero were immersed in Jesus' name on

July 6, 1969.
On July 23, 1969, Misses Cheryl Perry and Paula Perry were immersed in Jesus' name. They had made their statement of faith at the Indiana Family Camp.
On the same day, Mrs. Marjorie Gyorgyi,

under deep conviction as to her need, and as a validation of her act of obedience, was reimmersed in Jesus' name.

After declaring her faith in Jesus Christ as her Saviour, Miss Dawn Marie Clark

was immersed on November 23, 1969.
Our heavenly Father, please keep these in your family, always.

Austin Railton, pastor.

RAYMOND H. METZGER

Raymond H. Metzger was born February 18, 1888, in Marshall, Mich. He died November 11, 1969. For 80 of his 81 years, Ray lived in South Bend, Ind. He married Lulu Pontious on February 26, 1908.

Raymond was immersed by Bro. Harry Sheets, on May 5, 1957. Hope Chapel Church of God has been enriched by the cheerful years of this member of the body of Christ. He is held in respectful memory by us who remain.

Surviving are two daughters, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.
Buried at St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Mr. Metzger silently awaits the voice of Jesus to call him forth from the grave.

Austin Railton, pastor.

SYSTEMATIC **BIBLE STUDY** COURSE

Systematic Bible Study Course consists of twenty-nine lessons arranged in a systematic way to provide a thorough, basic understanding of the Bible. The only textbook necessary is the Bible, used with the attractively printed, interestingly written lessons. Here is a helpful way to study the Bible in your own home and at your own convenience without obliga-

WRITE NOW TO:



HECTOR, MINNESOTA

Our Sunday school classes have been rearranged, class names have been chosen, and memory work has been stressed in the younger groups. The theme of his able co-workers is, "The strength of the church is in the Sunday school.

The series of special meetings with Bro. and Sr. Z. B. Duncan the first week of December were well attended by our mem-

Pastor and Mrs. Harry Sheets continue to serve our church very well. The Sunday evening services are prophetic, and are timely for our troubled times. Midweek services are open for discussion, and prove interesting.

Ruth Sheets, Vicki Johnson, and Miriam

Johnson have charge of the music.
The Dorcas Society faithfully meets each month, and eagerly assists with worthwhile church projects.

May we all give of our best until the Lord's return, is our earnest prayer.

Mrs. A. Johnson, sec.

Orin Hoskins

MINNESOTA STATE CONFERENCE

As we look back upon the past year we are grateful to the Lord for the progression of planned events. We continue to enjoy the regular meeting of the State Missionary Society in February and November with a day set aside also during June Conference.

The Sunday school department projects its activities with special events and a conference session. The theme of the fall conference was "There's Power in the Sunday School." In November the Minneapolis church hosted the state to a meeting conducted by a dynamic speaker who promoted the Sunday school.

Our June Conterence was well attended and all were blessed by the messages presented by John Lewis. Preliminary work has been started in the building of the chapel. Two offices were filled by the reelection of Gordon Swanson as vice-president and Mrs. Elmo Gaspar as secretary.

The state youth remain active under the leadership of Lowell Wegner, with spring and fall retreats, senior and junior camps, and many joint projects. The latest one was to pay for a bus purchased to provide transportation to national camp, lowa retreats, and many other activities.

Plans for the year are being formulated, and, the Lord willing, may we work diligently to promote these projects in an effort to present the gospel

Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, sec.

EDEN VALLEY, MINNESOTA

With our church year in full swing we are enjoying many additional services to our regular schedule. The summer activities provided us with a well-attended vacation Bible school conducted by Madge Savage;

22.00

followed by the summer camps in July, and several attended the General Conference. The Sunday school and Ladies Aid served a banquet in August to honor the quiz team and express our appreciation to the young people and their leader for their service to our church. In September the other churches were invited to see the missionary pictures presented by Mardy Lawrence.

The church was invited to the wedding of

Barbara Tysdal and Ewald Schoenherr on October 4, and to those of Veloy Parks and Rose Ann Schwandt on October 11, and Henry VanderBeek and Joyce Grossinger on November 15 in Paynesville.

Rally Day was October 19 with one hundred in attendance; the Bereans were in charge of the services while our pastor was in Ohio for meetings. The previous weekend the adults attended a retreat at Long Lake.

Pastor Z. B. Duncan held special meetings Thanksgiving week, after having held services in Minneapolis the previous week. It was a blessed week of services here, for six came forward for baptism and were immersed Sunday evening at the conclusion of the meetings. These were: Mrs. James Loesch, Gayla and Brenda Blomker, Judy and Jody Lang, and Ewald Schoenherr.

As we proceed with plans for the new year and are perplexed by the magnitude of our nation's problems may we remember that if we wait upon the Lord, he will save Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, reporter.

CONTRIBUTORS IN DECEMBER

The following persons through their contributions in December have helped make possible the work of the Church of God General Conference in missions, Oregon Bible College, publish-ing, Berean Youth Fellowship, and other essential services of the Conference.

the Conference.	
O. H. Berry	\$ 5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Burton Smith	25.00
Hillisburg Miss. Soc.	75.00
Hope Chapel, Ark. City	10.00
Faye Graf	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Chaplin	100.00
Faith Community, Mpls.	405.00
Michael Berry	3.00
Fremont Church	27.00
Mr. & Mrs.	2,,00
Wilbur Burnham	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Starbuck	30.00
Oregon Church	41.48
Jehovah Praise Serv.,	.2.10
Cleveland	164.01
Clyde Long	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
Beverly Parks	12.00
Ruth Nichols	15.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Guiles	10.00
Mrs. Alta Thrush	5.00
Eden Valley Jr. Bereans Ripley Bereans	1.00
Ripley Bereans	15.00
Virda Sitler	5.00
Southlawn Church	186.03
Southlawn S. S.	16.47
Mildred Niles	29.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. Benedict	35.00
Ellen Ramsey	12.00
John Hearp	10.00
Golden Rule S. S.	50.00
S. P. Dismukes	25.00
Ruby Railton	15.00
Alfred Anthon	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Ward	40.48
Mr. & Mrs. G. Osborn	200.00
Oregon S. S. Sharon Guiles	6.65
Macomb S. S.	30.00
	18.71
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Johns	5.00

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Mr. & Mrs. Jay Brossard	39.00
East Oregon S. S.	19.00
Last Oregon S. S.	25.00
Lombard Church	35.00
Bedford Church	67.79
Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Wetzel	40.00
Clair Rice	20.00
Richard LeWarne	3.00
Vicki Johnson	3.00
VICKI JOHNSON	
Mr. & Mrs. Russel Thoms	10.00
Willing Workers, Fremont	10.00
Felida Church	2.70
	2.70
Anonymous	21.00
Walter Fisk	10.00
Fonthill Church	77.27
Mrs. D. H. Richmond	5.00
Pennellwood Miss. Dept.	110.00
Anonymous	25.00
Josephine Kennedy	10.00
Mildred Mathews	5.00
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Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Hicks	50.00
Cecil Smead	30.00
A Canadian Friend	5.00
Tempe Church	147.30
E. Alan Bover	12.00
E. Alan Boyer Macomb Church	78.71
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Hector Church	200.00
George Kugler	10.00
Garden Park Miss. Dept.	36.00
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Garden Park Church	65.49
La. Contributors	30.00
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Mr. & Mrs. Lowell E. Holt Fairy Lyon	20.00
Fairy Lyon	15.00
Isie Jenkins	5.00
D. Clause	
Pomona Church	63.69
Blessed Hope, Rockford	61.18
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Francis C C	17.39 7.50
Fremont S. S.	7.50
Edgar Harvey	50.00
Edgar Harvey Mrs. C. J. Carey Fort Valley BYF Alice Bassett	15.00
Fort Wolley DVE	
roll valley bir	100.00
Alice Bassett	8.00
Mrs. C. C. Fuson	10.00
Connie Ross	2.50
San Jose Church	117.74
Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Stadden	10.00
	10.00
Hazel Cripe	
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00
Jr. S. S. Class, Raymore	31.00
Mr & Mrs Geo DeForest	
Mr. & Mrs. Geo. DeForest	11.00
Shilah Richmond	11.00

Mr. & Mrs. I. Anderson	60.00	Mas E I Austin	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. L. Anderson	60.00	Mrs. F. L. Austin	5.00
Dan Graham	12.00 25.00	Mr. & Mrs. S. O. Ross	42.00 75.00
Troy View BYF	15.00	Anonymous	10.00
Raymore Church	154.39	Macomb Miss. Soc.	56.00
Brush Creek Church	25.00	Faith Chapel, Peoria	4.00
Everett S. Rogers Dan Dovenbarger	20.00	Cool Spring S. S. Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Birkey	10.00
	10.00	Jennie Townsend	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. John Rainey Litchfield S. S.	46.00	Mrs. Delos Andrew	10.00
John Kugler	20.00	Leota Hanson	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ed Bender	55.50	Marjorie Bolhous	10.00
Pennellwood Church	153.40	Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Shaw	10.00
Happy Woods Church	102.98	Paul Overholser	20.00
George Robinson &	102.90	Rachel Krogh	50.00
Lillian Richardson	42.00	Morris Zeller	10.00
Dorothy Boyer	15.00	Mary & Martha's, Oregon	12.50
Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00	Mr. & Mrs.	12.50
Hope Chapel Miss. Soc.,	5.00	Wilsey McKnight	10.00
S. Bend	65.00	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jones	35.00
Ripley Miss. Society	30.00	Morning Star Church	10.57
Brooke Richmond	2.50		246.00
Collyn Richmond	1.25	Mr. & Mrs. John Lewis	50.00
Holbrook Church	73.54	Mr. & Mrs. Kent Ross	16.00
Lyle Lewis Family	50.00	Fonthill Dorcas	15.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Lapp	18.90	Russell Berry	33.00
Mr. & Mrs.	20.70	Ruth & Joe Kennedy	6.00
Carroll Bennett	125.00	Blanchard Miss. Soc.	15.00
Blanchard Church	64.85	La. State Conference	95.01
Southlawn BYF	10.78	Hugh Welsh	25.00
Michigan State Conf.	44.78	Emil Gesin	5.00
Becky Barnhill	7.00	Anonymous	68.00
Fort Valley S. S.	43.03	Indiana State Conf.	31.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Randall	10.00	Lawrenceville Miss. Soc.	16.44
Fonthill Miss. Society	39.52	C. E. Goekler	25.00
Kokomo Sunday School	19.12	Mr. & Mrs. Preston Landry	40.00
Mr. & Mrs. B. Carpenter	20.00	Mr. & Mrs. W. Naylor	100.00
Brush Cr. Gospel Gleaners	5.00	Grace Marsh	30.00
Northeast Conference	715.00	Hope Chapel, South Bend	36.80
The Braden Manuels	162.00	Maurertown Church	40.00
Lawrenceville Church	167.28	Mr. & Mrs. Wilber Coulter	20.00
David Krogh	30.00	Harry B. Franklin	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ken Holsinger	10.00	Edith Eades	38.99
Litchfield Church	8.20	Mr. & Mrs. Francis Burnett	
Laurence Howell	5 00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Rice	12.00
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Three M's of Evangelism

By the Editor

UNDER the caption "Few Want to Evangelize Anymore," Dr. David Randolph, director of New Life Ministries of the United Methodist Church, said, "Christian evangelism suffers mainly from a lack of interest by church laymen, and even some pastors" (Rockford Star, Sept. 20, 1969). He went on to speak of the problems related to evangelism. Three words occurred over and over in his discourse: message, motive, and method.

These three—message, motive, and method—have long been the three m's fevangelism. They are interrelated. In can have the message, but lack motivation or method, or be improperly motivated. This is sad. Far worse is to have motivation and method and not have the message. Motivation and method may change, but God's message does not. That is why it is first in importance.

The Message

The message of salvation is briefly stated in Acts 8:12, as "the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ." According to verse five, this is what it means to "preach Christ." The King cannot be separated from his Kingdom. Jesus is not a Saviour unless he comes again to save. As "the son of David, the son of Abraham" (Matt. 1:1), he is nothing unless he comes again to reign on David's throne at Jerusalem and bless the families of the earth.

God has made us ambassadors to carry his message. (2 Cor. 5:20.) An ambassador never carries his own words, but those of the person he represents. We have no right to tamper with the gospel message; but some ave. The Apostle Paul pronounced an anathema on any who changed or perverted the gospel. (Gal. 1:6-9.)

The deadly error of Adam and Eve was to add to the Word of God, subtract from the Word of God, and to change the Word of God. Let us not be thus guilty! It is certain that no man can improve upon the message of God. God has said, "He that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully" (Jer. 23:28).

The Motive

As Dr. Randolph said, "If we had laymen who really were motivated to do it, every church would have a vital outreach program. . . . Basic to good evangelism practices and related to proper motivation is an attitude of caring about people."

What are proper motives for evangelism? and why aren't people motivated to evangelize? Obedience to God's command to go into all the world and preach the gospel is a proper motive. The message itself is a grand motive; people are dying in sin, there is no hope in the world, and this is the only way of salvation. Jude 23 indicates that bringing someone into Christ is actually like "pulling them out of the fire." Our love for people is also a great motive. Growth for growth's sake is a poor motive; that's what cancer does.

But why aren't people motivated to witness and share God's message? There are probably several reasons: lack of encouragement, timidity, lack of Bible knowledge, or indifference. The latter is by far the most serious and common. Why are people indifferent? A major cause is they do not believe in the message. By inference from their leaders they are convinced that those who believe in the trinity, immortality of the soul, kingdom in heaven, and sprinkling for baptism are already "Christians" and accept-

able to God. Why witness to someone who has "it" already? Underrate the message and you remove the motive. By bringing in "authorities" who know less Bible than our own people, we are saying Bible knowledge is unimportant. Statistics show that the more ecumenical the churches become the less interested they are in evangelism. Why? With the message gone, the motive is gone. An examination of the fastest growing church groups in the world shows that they have "stranger" doctrines than we, but they are motivated.

The Method

Those who have a message and a motive for presenting it will find or develop ways to present it. It is safe to say there is not one best method. People are different, with different backgrounds, education, experience, and interests. It is true all are in need of the Saviour and the Kingdom, but one approach will not work with everyone. Fishers of men do not use the same "bait" all the time, anymore than fishers of fish. In the parable of the lost in Luke 15, we have examples of the need of different methods; the lost sheep cried out for help, the lost coin was valuable but satisfied to be lost, and the lost son had to come to himself. The direct method is not necessarily the best method.

There is no method as important as the message or the motive. The most unskilled person method-wise who has a message and motive will be successful. Any method or tool which is not true to the message cannot be used; our witness must be consistent.

Frankly, there is no method that can take the place of plain WORK. It is time we realize the Lord's will for our lives, and do it!

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Department Boards Meet

The General Conference Mission Board met in Oregon on January 12 and 13; the Sunday School Board on January 17; and the Youth Advisory Council met with Bro. Francis Burnett, the National Youth Director, during the Post-High Retreat at Camp Mack early in January.

Several people give hours of their time and sacrifice much to serve on these boards and committees. Thanks and appreciation are extended to each one who so generously serves the General Conference in this way.

The General Conference Board of Directors will forego its usual January meeting and will meet a little earlier in the spring. A special committee was appointed to arrange the program for the 1970 General Conference, and this committee also met in January.

Riverview Camp Film

The 1970 General Conference sessions will be held at Riverview Camp at Cedar Falls, Iowa. Since most of the membership is unfamiliar with this camp a set of fifteen colored slides is available for showing. For reservation write to Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Conference Statistics

The statistics chart of the past fiscal year reveals many interesting facts. There are eighty-two churches in the United States and Canada affiliated with the Church of God General Conference. The church in Bangalore, India, and five in the Philippine Islands are also Conference affiliated. Seventy-nine of the eighty-two churches in North America contribute to the finances of the General Conference, either as individuals or as a church. Four hundred eighty-three individuals or families made contributions the past year, and this is an increase of seventy-five over the previous year. We praise God for the churches and members who have love and concern for the work of the General Conference and who provide the means to carry on the work of the several departments of the Conference.

Staff Travels

The past few months staff members have helped to fill the pulpits of the Lombard, Oregon, and Rochelle, Ill., churches. These churches have been without regular pastors due to illness, resignation, or leave of absence.

Sr. Rachel Krogh and the writer, together with Russell Conley, a student of Oregon Bible College, took part in

the activities of the Indiana State Conference at the Burn Oak Church in January.

The Conference automobile that was wrecked in October has now been replaced with a 1970 Chevrolet station wagon. This automobile is necessary for staff travels, gospel team trips, and the many business trips of the General Conference.

Ministers Retirement Program

For the first time in the history of the Church of God General Conference some provision is being made to give some retirement assistance to our ministers. Three of our older ministers began drawing their retirement benefits from the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association in January. Churches and state conferences not yet enrolled in this program are urged to write for further information. Write to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Witnessing Crusade

We are pleased to note that many churches are involved in witnessing programs. Several Illinois churches are having Witnessing Training Sessions conducted by Bro. John Denchfield. Other areas have special training programs in progress also. May the message of salvation reach many through these efforts.

Conference Finances

We are pleased to report that the Goals for Giving for the month of January have been met. We know that many have made special effort to help reach this goal and that sacrificial giving on the part of some has made this possible. We praise God for this accomplishment and trust that the necessary funds will come in each month to meet the needs so that the programs and plans of each department of the Conference work might move forward to completion. We express thanks to each contributor, and praise God for his goodness.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970 \$99,000.00

Goal for January \$ 8,624.00 Given in January \$10,374.51 To be given by September 30 \$67,292.00

Goal for February \$8,411.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



News From the Fields

In Lebanon, Bro. Jamal Sunna'a continues to provide the lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course for over eight hundred students in fifteen Arab countries. At Christmastime he sent a letter to those enrolled in the course, asking if they were profiting from the lessons and wanted to continue the study. Their answer was that they did want to keep on with the course until they had finished. All the lessons have been translated, but there are still some that need to be printed. The work in Jordan is going well, with many coming to hear God's Word.

We are thankful that our prayers have been answered in that the civil war in Nigeria is officially over. Our brethren in Nigeria have made contact with Bro. A. A. Obot and are making arrangements to see him. Seventy-five of the brethren who had been carried away by the rebels in March, 1968, have returned home safely, although they are suffering from malnutrition. Fifty young people from a village near one of the churches have been baptized, and Pastor Edet Akpan is working with this new group. The Vigerian members send greetings for the new year to all. All of the correspondence to and from Nigeria has been going through. We have sent a test check to them, and they have received it, so we will resume sending them support.

The Christmas program presented by the boys and girls of the Saturday class in Mexico was very well attended with over one hundred fifty present, sixty of whom were adults. Bro. Dean Moore's doctor suggested that he find employment which would have regular hours and which would not entail so much travel. So Bro. Moore has requested that he no longer be employed by the General Conference. We are thankful for the work that Bro. Moore has done in Mexico and trust that the seed that has been sown there will continue to bear fruit.

Needs of the Fields

Every missionary project has two sides: the missionary and you.

The missionary's part begins simply—with a need. Perhaps some funds to help in printing Bible lessons to be distributed; or a slide projector for outdoor film showing; or maybe some help in providing for orphaned children.

Each missionary is a part of the General Conference, working under the direction of the Mission Board. When a need arises, the missionary writes to the Mission Super-

intendent telling about it. Each need can then be evaluated in an effort to determine which are essential to the progress of the missionary advance.

On the other side of this project is you. But you are not just a giver; missionary projects may supply a need for you as well.

All people need to share, and many are involved in some group that is looking for an opportunity to do just that. Many of these projects deal with needs which you can understand because you and your church have had similar ones.

Below are listed some of the needs that have been made known to us. If your Sunday school class, your missionary society, or any individual would like to share by helping with these needs, please write to us and let us know which one you have chosen.

- 1. Legal permit for the Beirut, Lebanon, church. This legal document, issued by the Lebanese government, will enable the church to be officially recognized as such and also to print literature using the church name. It will also protect the members from other denominations and groups that might cause trouble because of the beliefs of our church. About \$125 is yet needed for this project.
- 2. Ten Efik Bibles for Nigeria. The group of young people mentioned above need these Bibles for study.
- 3. Literature for Ghana group. As we mentioned in a previous Progress Journal, Bro. Oliver Amani and the members in Ghana have translated three tracts and have printed and distributed over five thousand copies of them. We are sure thy would appreciate some help in paying printing costs for such literature.
- 4. New Testaments for Ghana young people. We are continually receiving requests from young people in Ghana for Bibles and other literature. We usually send a copy of the New Testament and a selection of tracts to them free of charge. Contributions would help in purchasing these Testaments and in paying the postage to send them and the letters we write to the young people.
- 5. Printing the rest of the Systematic lessons for Lebanon. Bro. Sunna'a said in his last report that he felt that \$75 would take care of printing the remaining lessons.
- 6. Bibles for Nova Scotia. Bro. Raymond Brown has written that there is a need for Bibles in the Lighthouse Mission Church of God. Because of the high cost of sending them across the border, it would be best to send the money so they could be purchased in Nova Scotia.

FEBRUARY, 1970

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Student Council Radio Work

The initial planning for the radio work is nearing completion. A tentative time of 8:05 to 8:20 on Sunday mornings, which we understand by many to be prime time, is already scheduled with the radio station management. The station on which our program will begin is WHRL, 1060 kc, which is located in Rochelle, Ill., a city about twenty miles from Oregon. Specials are to be taken from gospel teams, special groups, or any willing member of the student body, while the majority of the speakers will come from the preaching class. In using members of the preaching class, this not only gives them another occasion to preach, but also orients them to radio work in general which, hopefully, they will have opportunity to use in their future ministries.—Joe Martin.

Scholastic Recognition

Congratulations are extended to the following students for receiving scholastic recognition at Oregon Bible College during the fall semester of 1969.

To receive high honor recognition the student had to attain a 3.5 average. To receive honor recognition the student had to attain a 3.0 average.

Those students receiving high honor recognition were: John Carr, David Cheatwood, Suellen Corwin, Vivian Kirkpatrick II. Those students receiving honor recognition were: Steven Knapp, Russell Berry, Betty Haynes, Telva Lippert, Ronald Macy, Henry Joseph Martin, Timothy New, John Railton, and Delbert Rankin.

Scholarship Awards

Several scholarships are given the winter semester of each year to students showing academic achievement and Christian character. The following scholarships were given: Russell Berry received the Oregon Bible College Alumni Association Scholarship in memory of S. E. Magaw for \$175.00; David Cheatwood received the Conference Scholarship in memory of James A. Patrick for \$175.00; Vivian Kirkpatrick II received the Lea Doeden Family Scholarship in memory of Leila M. Doeden for \$175.00; Paul Moore received the Booth Family Scholarship in memory of Glen and Violet Booth for \$175.00; Henry Joseph Martin received the scholarship in memory of Chester A. Ferrell for \$200.00; Dale Harshman received the Northeast Bereans Scholarship for \$150.00; John Carr received the Southwest Conference Scholarship in memory of Norman McLeod for \$175.00; Joseph Duncan received the Southwest Conference Scholarship in memory of S. J. Lindsay for \$175.00; Telva Lippert received the BYF Scholarship for \$175.00; Ronald Macy received the

Mr. & Mrs. James Dennis Scholarship in memory of Lucian Murphy for \$175.00; Russell Conley received the grant-in-aid provided by Alberta Fedde in the amount of \$100.00; Lawrence Gaskill received the Indiana State Conference Scholarship in memory of Otto E. Dick for \$75.00; Timothy New received the Indiana State Conference Scholarship in memory of Otto E. Dick for \$75.00; John Railton received the Indiana State Conference Scholarship in memory of Otto E. Dick for \$75.00 and a grant-in-aid from Oregon Bible College for \$100.00; Betty Haynes received a grant-in-aid from Oregon Bible College for \$50.00; and Sandra Brooks received a grant-in-aid from Oregon Bible College for \$50.00.

Holy Land Tour in June

June 13 through July 4, 1970, are the dates for President Alva G. Huffer's tour of Europe and the Holy Land. The tour is open to persons of all ages. For information write to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85281.

The tour will include: Athens and Corinth (Greece); Izmir, Ephesus, and Pergamum (Turkey); Cairo (Egypt); Nicosia (Cyprus); Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and major places (Israel); Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, and Capri (Italy); and Paris and Versailles (France).

Persons who so desire may acquire three semester hours of credit at Oregon Bible College by going on this study tour. School teachers who go on the tour usually receive credit from their school districts as well.

Scholarships for Graduate Program

The Southwest Conference, at its meeting in October, set up two scholarships of \$175.00 each for students who participate in the Oregon Bible College Graduate and Internship Program at Tempe, Ariz.

The Graduate Program, explained in detail in the current catalog, was established a year ago and is open to graduates and ministers. Administered by the President, the program utilizes facilities of the Bible Church of God at Tempe and Phoenix, Arizona, as well as Arizona State University, and the services of Church of God professional persons in the area, who serve as part-time instructors.

Many research projects need to be accomplished by the Church of God General Conference. Through its Graduate Program, Oregon Bible College hopes to prepare scholars to work on these projects as well as provide pastoral internship and professional training.

A Church of God member in California has offered to provide a Graduate Fellowship of \$1,000.00 to be used for a student in this program.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Jubilee Coin Crusade

For the past several years the youth of the church have promoted a concentrated effort in the matter of raising the budget for their part in the finances of the General Conference. Many of you are familiar with the Coins-for-Christ Crusades held in the past. Last year very little emphasis was given to a crusade as such. During the delegate business meetings of the 1969 Berean Youth Conference it was voted to have the Jubilee Coin Crusade from October 1 through April 30. Special emphasis is to be given during March and April. Again this year, there will be coin cards and the thermometer. At its meeting in January of this year, the Advisory Council set the goal for this year's Crusade at \$5,000.00. The committee also felt that a good and healthy spirit could be developed if Berean groups would challenge one another to raising a certain amount.

Also at the 1969 BYF Conference, the delegates voted to recognize any group which contributed \$50.00 or more, or any individual. It was the hope of some of the delegates that at least one group would be recognized as a \$1,000.00 contributor! Certificates of recognition will be given for contributions of \$50.00, \$100.00, \$250.00, \$500.00, etc. What can and will your group be doing in March and April?

BYF Conference and Caravan Enrollments

The March-April issue of Challenge will contain enrollment blanks for both the 1970 Berean Youth Conference and the 1970 Caravan. We urge readers, most of whom are parents of those who attend the Conference or go on the Caravan: be sure to sign the enrollments. Each one will have a medical release and will need your signature. Your signature also shows to us your approval and interest in the work of the BYF.

Youth Caravan

The 1970 Caravan will be in August. The probable date is August 10 through 28 or 29. The Caravan will travel through the East to the Atlantic coast and northward to St. John, New Brunswick. This Caravan will take part in the Maritime Conference at the Digby Church by helping with the vacation Bible school and the evening services, August 16-23.

BYF Conference

Plans are developing for the 1970 BYF Conference. As of this writing, the staff has been contacted, and more than half of them have accepted. We trust that you will encourage your son and/or/daughter to attend this inspiring time of learning and fellowship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

Teen-Age Quarterly Writers

We are sorry that the names of the writers of these lessons were omitted from the current issue. Following are the lesson numbers and the writers:

- 1. Scott Ross
- 2. John Hearp
- 3. Michael Mattison
- 4. Shirley Urish
- 5. Ruth Halls
- 6. Mary Mickey
- 7. Donald Needham
- 8. Dale Ward
- 9. Darrell Maddock
- 10. Edward Goit
- 11. David Krogh
- 12. Gordon Landry
- 13. Russell Magaw

The Importance of the Sunday School Superintendent

"Leadership is the ability to get other people to work willingly by knowing how to bring out the best in them." -Richard S. Schulz, Supervision.

This is the challenge of the Sunday school superintendent. Each teacher must receive his personal attention in daily prayer, in intercession, then in encouragement and assistance to lead others to Christ. Each teacher should be made to feel that the superintendent is just outside her classroom door, ready to do anything to bring out the best in her to the glory of God and edification of her class.

The superintendent must always live what he wants his teachers (and pupils) to be. "Leadership is the force of personal example. In the last analysis, leadership is always provided by individuals, not by groups, and it is by their personal example that individuals exert leadership."— Robert F. Wever, Kiwanis.

Each superintendent should have and read the Superintendents' and Workers' Sunday School Manual, published by The Restitution Herald and available at \$1.00 each. This booklet can be of great help in many ways.

The Manual covers such subjects as: The scope of the work of the superintendent and his qualifications. The part the Sunday school should play in the church as a whole, and how the departments and classes should be set up. It covers the qualifications and duties of all officers and teachers, plus why helpers are necessary and where and how to find them. It provides ideas on how teachers and officers should be selected and how they should be trained. Basic principles of attendance and attendance building are included, as well as methods of holding pupils, also thoughts on the seriousness of the absentee problem and how to conquer it. The final pages have to do with financing, equipment, and workers' conferences.

Let us all pray daily for our spiritual leaders: pastor, Sunday school superintendent, teachers, and officers.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 14, 15-Illinois Spring Conference, Blessed Hope Church, Rockford.

March 16-22—Youth Week.

March 21, 22—Missouri Quarterly Conference at Doniphan.

March 22-Southeast Conference at Anderson Chapel, Hendersonville, N.C.

Apr. 18—Indiana Quarterly Conference at the Hedrick Church.

April 24-26—Northeast Spring Conference at Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton, Ohio.

Apr. 27-May 1-Annual Ministerial Conference at Oregon, Ill.

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21-Annual Illinois Conference at

July 18, 19—Missouri Quarterly Conference at Fredericktown.

July 19-24—Missouri State Youth Camp.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-30 - International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 11-16—Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

-Central High Plains Confer-Aug. 12-16ence at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.

Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

SEEKING A PASTOR

The St. Louis, Mo., Church of God is seeking a pastor to take office on September 1. 1970. Any pastor interested may contact the secretary, George E. Kugler, 1079 Jere Lane, Arnold, Mo. 63010, or call collect 314-287-3667

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mrs. William Bulloch of Arkansas was baptized into Christ January 2, 1970. May God richly bless her as she lives for him.

Mrs. Helen White and Mr. and Mrs. R. Lynn Hurlbert, all of Phoenix, were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, January 18, 1970. Our goal of ten percent increase during the Year of Jubilee meant that we needed to reach ten people. These three make thirteen who have been baptized since the year began. God be praised! He continues to be good to us!
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

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BAPTISMS AT GARDEN PARK

On December 21, 1969, in response to the gospel invitation, Paula Knapp and Jamie Williams came forward to accept Christ. Paula was baptized December 28 and Jamie was baptized January 11. We are happy to welcome these two young ladies into the body of Christ. David Krogh, pastor

PEWS AVAILABLE

The Dixon, Ill., church is having new pews installed the last of March. They have fourteen light oak pews nine feet long to donate to any Church of God group in need of them. Contact Janice Haberer, 205 W. Graham, Dixon, Ill. 61021, phone 815-284-2971.

FREE SEATS

The Morning Star Church, South Bend, Ind., has 31 wooden double folding chairs to give to a church willing to pick them up. Contact: Miss Sandra Duncan, 2811½ Mishawaka Ave., South Bend, Ind. 46615.

MACOMB, ILL., CHURCH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Vaughn are parents of a daughter born November 25, 1969. Minnie Hightower fell asleep in death November 27, 1969. Funeral services were at Rushville.

Verne Cheeseman, uncle of Jerry Vawter, died December 8, 1969, and services were at Macomb.

Funeral services were held in Beardstown for the mother-in-law of Gladys Lucas, Mrs. Jeanetta Lucas, who died December 4, 1969.

Bette Potts, reporter.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Vicky Sue Hill, Marilyn Faye Hill, Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Mrs. Clyde Long, Mrs. James Rencontre, Mrs. H. A. Mattison, Mrs. J. R. Gardner, Mrs. Lloyd Barnett, Mrs. Clara Barnett, Miss Icel Stedman, Mrs. Orval Shepherd, Mrs. Norman Barnes, and Mrs. Forrest Long.

W. RAY MOORE

Ray Moore was born July 29, 1896, and died suddenly on November 19, 1969. Bro. Moore was married to Rachel Velzy on January 11, 1921. Ray was baptized into the body of Christ on December 26, 1930. He has actively served his Lord and church for many years. He is survived by his wife many years. He is survived by his wife Rachel.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer on November 22, 1969. Ray was laid to rest at Grand Rapids to await the coming of his Lord. Darrell Maddock, pastor.

DANIELS-NOLL

The wedding of Miss Diane Daniels and Mr. Verner V. Noll, Jr., was held on November 14, 1969, in the New Hope Church of God in Little Rock, Ark. Pastor John Humphreys performed the ceremony.

Diane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Daniels of Little Rock, and Verne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Verner V. Noll, Sr., of San Antonio, Tex. They are at home in San Diego, Cal., where Verne is stationed with the Navy. We pray God's blessing on this new home. Mrs. T. E. Daniels.

LEONA EADIE

Leona Eadie, a member of the Southlawn Church of God for several years, died suddenly on November 21, 1969. Due to illness for several years, Sr. Eadie had not been very active in the church, but whenever she was able she would attend. She was baptized into the saving name of Jesus October 29, 1045.

28, 1945.
Funeral services were conducted by the writer on November 24, 1969. She was laid to rest near Coopersville, Mich., in the hope of her coming Lord.

Darrell Maddock, pastor.

CAROLINE B. PATTON

Mrs. Caroline Hollett Patton fell asleep in Christ on January 2, 1970, after a short illness. Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Warren Sorenson on January 5 at the Burr Oak Church of God. She was laid to rest in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, where she awaits the resurrection.

Carrie, as she was known, was born October 12, 1908, and was married to Orley Patton in 1929. She was baptized by Bro. Harry Sheets July 23, 1950, and served her Lord and church well. Her life was a fine

Christian testimony to all who knew her.
She is survived by her husband; one sister, Mrs. C. H. Greenway, South Bend; and a brother, C. R. Hollett, Plymouth.
Ellsworth Routson, pastor.

LONNIE R. ANDERSON

Funeral services were held at Oregon, Ill., January 9, 1970, for Bro. Lonnie Anderson, who died in his sleep January 7.

Lonnie was born March 19, 1912, at Pelzer, S.C., the son of the late Bro. J. H. and

Lulu Wall Anderson. He was married to Nora Wood on December 9, 1935.

Lonnie was baptized in early manhood, and was active in Christian service on the

local, state, and national level.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Glyn (Nancy) Craig, now of Oregon, Ill.; one granddaughter; three sisters: Mrs. Mellie Trongeau, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Vada Bigger, Goodland, Ind.; and Mrs. Harry (Pearl) Otterman, Frankfort, Ind.;

and one brother, Harold, of Tempe, Ariz.

Lonnie was buried at Oregon, Ill., in the hope of resurrection at Christ's coming.

T. M. Ferrell.

LULA JANE ARMSTRONG

The Fredericktown, Mo., Church of God was saddened by the death of Sr. Lula Jane, wife of F. J. Armstrong of Cape Girardeau, Mo., on January 2, 1970. She was 68 years of age, and had been ill several months, but

her faith remained strong.

She was baptized into the body of Christ on August 21, 1949, by Pastor Roy Graham. Services were conducted by the writer on January 5, and she was laid to rest at Cape Girardeau to await the Lord's return.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

DON HOLMES

Don Holmes, born September 6, 1898, died suddenly at the wheel of his car on November 11, 1969. Bro. Holmes_married Esther Calkins on May 13, 1921. Don was baptized into the body of Christ on June 19, 1932. Since that time he has been an active member of the Southlawn Church of God, Wyoming, Mich. He is survived by his wife

Esther, and one daughter, Marie Ashley, both of Grand Rapids.

Funeral services were conducted for Bro. Holmes by the writer on November 13, 1969, and he was laid to rest at Grand Rapids to await the call of his Lord.

Darrell Maddock, pastor.

FAYE L. BUXTON

The Morse Mill, Mo., Church of God was

The Morse Mill, Mo., Church of God was saddened by the death of Sr. Faye L. Buxton, a faithful member. She died August 25, 1969, at the age of 52.

She is survived by her husband Orville of Dittmer, Mo.; four daughters, Mrs. Diane Halbot, Mrs. Joyce Wulfers, and Misses Kaye and Debbie Buxton; her son Ronald L.; and three grandchildren Ronald L.; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held August 28, with Bro. Alva Huffer, former pastor, bringing a very comforting message. She was laid to rest in the church cemetery to await the coming of our Lord.

C. M. Jones, sec.

MICHAEL LLOYD MORRIS DeBOLT

Michael DeBolt was born April 6, 1950, and drowned while surfing in the China Sea off Vietnam on November 22, 1969

Mike leaves his mother and step-father, Mike leaves his mother and step-tather, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Kasparian of Los Angeles, Cal.; a half-brother; his grandparents, Ernest M. and Rachel Humphreys Morris; six aunts; and other relatives.

Words of advice and comfort were spoken by Pastor Don Mace, Advent Christian minister of Bellingham, Wash., on December 12. and burial was in the Burling-

cember 12, and burial was in the Burlington cemetery. Rachel Humphreys Morris.

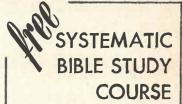
WILLIE ISAM PIERCE

Willie Pierce of Greenville, S. C., died at his home January 15, 1970. He was the husband of Ellie Chandler Pierce. He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Bet-

ty Grissop of Greenville; three sons, James and Jack of Greenville, and William of USAF, Myrtle Beach, S. C.; and thirteen grandchildren.

The funeral was held January 17 at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, with the writer officiating, assisted by R. Loie Jones. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.



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RUBY RAILTON

Ruby Railton, daughter of Fredrick and Mary Chase Austin, was born December 26, 1897. at Rensselaer, Ind. She died on January 16, 1970, at Greenville, S. C.

She was baptized in her early years by her father at Niagara Falls, N.Y. She con-tinued to be active and faithful in her Christian life. During her lifetime, she had been a member at the Fonthill, Oregon, Rockford, and Guthrie Grove Churches of

She was married in Fonthill, Ont., on November 23, 1919, to John Railton. To this union, two children were born: Albert Austin Railton, pastor of the Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind.; and Mrs. Kenneth (Mary) Milne of Pelzer, S.C. At the time of her death. Publications of the Mark Market States. the time of her death, Ruby was making

her home with Mary at Pelzer. She is also survived by two grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Leland (Mary) Hanson, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Mrs. Paul (Ethel) Johnson, Oregon, Ill.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at Rockford, Ill., and burial was in

the Willwood Cemetery there. Francis E. Burnett.

VICTOR RAILSBACK

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at Argos, Ind., on January 3 for Victor C. Railsback who died January 1, 1970, at the age of 88.

He is survived by six daughters, including Mrs. Albert (Evelyn) Overmyer of the

Burr Oak Church.

Ellsworth Routson, pastor.

MARIE BROWN SCHREIBER

Mrs. Marie Brown Schreiber of Palm Desert, Cal., fell asleep in Jesus at Indio, Cal., on November 25, 1969.

She was born March 3, 1878 in Lightsville, Ill. Sr. Schreiber was an active memher of the Los Angeles and Pomona churches, and at the time of her death was regarded an active member of Blessed Hope Church of God, San Gabriel, Cal.

Surviving are her son Lowell, and daughter Mrs. Harold (Nadine) Tjossem, of

Palm Desert.

Graveside services were conducted by the writer at Indio, using Sr. Schreiber's own well-worn and well-marked Bible. It remains a testimony to her commitment to Christ, and her assurance of his coming to raise the dead. Daniel Judy, pastor.

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The Tithe Is the Lord's

By Harold Doan

WE OFTEN think of the tithe as the ultimate in giving. It is assumed that tithing is the apex of faithful stewardship and sacrificial support. Perhaps it is time to take a long look at this philosophy in the light of God's Word. Is the tithe (one tenth) the maximum of faith and sacrifice, or the minimum?

"Is the Lord's"

An outstanding verse that has come to our attention is Leviticus 27:30, in which the Lord said, "All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord."

The tithe is the Lord's. The verse does not say that it "should be given to the Lord," or "is a gift for the Lord," but it is the Lord's. Somber reflection upon this fact puts the tithe in a new light. One tenth is the Lord's from the moment that it comes into our hands. We cannot give it; we can only return it.

It is for this reason that God could say with all candor and honesty that Israel had robbed him in that they had not returned his tithe to him. The tenth did not belong to Israel but to God, hence his rebuke, "Ye have robbed me... in tithes and offerings" (Mal. 3:8).

If the tithe is the Lord's then we must conclude that it requires little faith or sacrifice to tithe, since we are thus only turning over to the Lord what is already his. We cannot say that special patriotism is required for one to pay his taxes to the government, or that unusual honesty is demonstrated when one pays his rent. Nor can we think that special faith and sacrificial concern are evident when one returns to the Lord the tithe which is already his.

We conclude that the tithe is not the ultimate in the financing of the Lord's

work; it is the basic minimum. Indeed, it is the least that can be expected of a Christian.

Where Is Faith?

Where can faith and love and sacrifice then enter into one's giving? They do not enter till after one has met the minimum by turning over to the Lord what is already his. After one has tithed he can go on into that kind of giving that demonstrates gratitude, love, and desire to serve. It is after the tithe that we can enter into the realm of offerings of love, pledges based on faith, and sacrificial giving over and above the minimum requirements of stewardship.

Perhaps this principle is included in the admonition of Paul to the Corinthians, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2). Each one was to set aside an amount in proportion to the blessings he had received in the week past. This is systematic, proportionate giving. Certainly it was at least the tithe.

The motive for this "setting aside" as explained here is the real motive for all giving: "As God hath prospered." The Christian recognizes that God is the giver of every good and precious gift. God owns the cattle on a thousand hills. "The silver and the gold is mine," said the Lord. The Lord God gives the talents and the strength to perform the work which results in a profit at the end of the week, or the month, or the year. It is because he believes this and appreciates this that the child of God sets aside that tenth which is the Lord's. and then goes beyond this in love and gratitude to express his faith in offerings and sacrificial gifts.

The tithe acknowledges the ownership and the Lordship of God. It meets the minimum requirements of obedience. The pledge, the gift, the offering that goes beyond the tenth shows faith, love, gratitude, and desire to serve. The tithe should be the first goal of giving, but it is not the ultimate demonstration of faith.

Church Giving

We have often thought that a church which uses at least ten percent of its gross income for missionary work outside its own community has reached the peak of accomplishment and can rest back in satisfaction. What is true of the individual is even more true of the church. The church which spends all its energy and income in self-centered pursuits and internal development is robbing God.

The church which expends only one dollar in ten for evangelism and missions outside its own immediate community has reached only the minimum of effectiveness. Strangely, those churches which have gone far beyond the tithe realize this the most. They are the most concerned about going out beyond the minimum, in faith and sacrificial giving. Tithing for missions is a "First Step Goal," beyond which is an unlimited challenge to faith.

The tenth is the Lord's. It is the least that can be expected of a Christian to return what is already God's. Beyond the tithe, the Christian begins to show his appreciation for the blessings of God, his love for the God who is the Author of salvation, and his willingness to sacrifice that the knowledge of the Lord and his Son Jesus Christ might be made manifest to every creature. Tithing is the first step toward sacrificial giving, but is not the ultimate goal of the faithful individual and church.

(This editorial by Bro. Doan in the September 15, 1958, issue of The Restitution Herald will soon be available in tract form.)

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Jubilee Witnessing Crusade

The delegates to the 1969 Church of God General Conference voted to make this, the Jubilee Year, a year of special witness of Christ and the great plan of salvation that God has provided for man. Most churches have instigated special witnessing and evangelistic programs to meet the goal of ten percent increase in both attendance and membership of the member churches.

This witnessing crusade has reached the half-way point. A survey is now being taken to evaluate the progress that has been made. The April Progress Journal will carry the results revealed by the survey. Forms have been sent to each church. Please complete them and return promptly. The few returned so far show that attendance has increased considerably and each one reported some type of planned witnessing program. Praise God for this evidence of progress.

Many new contacts have been made through these special witnessing programs. Many more will be reached in the continuance of the evangelistic efforts still in progress. We now want to encourage the membership to concentrate on a follow-up program for these new contacts. See that they are invited to services. Visit them in their homes. Encourage study of God's Word. Make every effort to lead them to accept Christ and to be baptized into the body of Christ. The season's labors have not been completed until the fruit has been harvested. "Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:37, 38).

Annual General Conference

The 1970 General Conference sessions will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Plans for the annual conference are well underway. Programs are being arranged and special emphasis will be made to properly commemorate this, the Fiftieth Annual General Conference. The dates are July 19-24.

The Jubilee Committee is working hard to make this a memorable Conference. Make plans now to attend. The April Progress Journal will carry reservation information for housing. Those wanting a unit to house one or more families, or a particular group, are urged to make reservations. Family camping is encouraged so that the family

will stay together as a unit. The theme of the conference is, "Jubilee, a Time for Rejoicing."

The June Progress Journal will be the Conference issue. The full program for the conference as well as all department reports and proposed recommendations will appear in that issue.

Vacant Pulpits

It appears that the shortage of ministers in the Church of God General Conference continues. Three seniors of Oregon Bible College will graduate on May 22, 1970. One of these has already accepted a pulpit. Bro. Joe Astolfi and his wife Karla are serving the Morse Mill, Mo., Church of God. Bro. Astolfi completed his academic requirements at the end of the first semester and will graduate from Oregon Bible College in May with the other two seniors, Joe Martin and Vivian Kirkpatrick II.

Any pastor available for a pulpit should submit his name to the writer. Truly the need for workers in God's vineyard has never been greater.

Conference Finances

The contributions for the month of February are six hundred dollars short of the goal. For the five months of this current conference year the giving is two thousand dollars short of the goal. This fact, coupled with increased costs and less sales and tuitions than anticipated, calls for real concern in the finances of the Conference.

We express our sincere thanks to those who do contribute regularly, and even make sacrificial contributions when the need does arise. We solicit and encourage those who do not generally give to arise to the occasion and help to meet these needs. We believe the needs will be met. Praise God for a concerned membership in the Church of God.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970 \$99,000.00

Goal for February \$ 8,411.00 Given in February \$ 7,802.00 To be given by September 30 \$59,490.00

Goal for March \$8,499.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Newly elected members of the Board of Directors of the Philippine Conference are, left to right: Eleodoro Javar, vice chairman; Crispin Calawagan, director; Mauro Abon, director; Mrs. Rizalina Aguinaldo, treasurer; Santiago Somera, director; Eleodoro S. Ortiguero, chairman; Placido Ortiguero, secretary.

Philippine Islands

The eighth annual Philippine Church of God Conference was held at the Uddiawan church December 28-31, 1969, with one hundred fifty people in attendance.

In the afternoon of the first day elections were held for the members of the Board of Directors, whose pictures appear above. Bible classes were held for all ages, and there were three evangelistic meetings in the evening. On the fourth evening of the Conference, the Lord's Supper was observed, and the Christmas and New Year festivals were celebrated by giving gifts to one another.

Other activities of the Conference included business sessions, ministers' meetings, and contests and quizzes.

The following ten persons accepted Christ as their Saviour and were baptized during the Conference: Delia Duran, Floservida Ferrer, Marietta Ortiguero, Moises Ordonia, Felomina Jornadal, Lolita Ordonia, all from the Uddiawan church; Romeo Ortiguero, Sinaida Jornadal, Johnny Ortiz from San Nicolas; and Rolly Pimentel from Villaros. We pray God's blessing upon each of them.

We are sorry to report that Bro. Bonifacio Gabanes, who was one of the pastors in the Philippine Islands, is no longer serving in the Church of God there.

Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a writes that he has spent several weeks in bed because of the Hong Kong flu and is still

feeling weak. He asks that we remember him in our prayers.

In the February issue of Progress Journal one of the projects we listed was help in obtaining a legal permit for the Beirut church. The necessary funds have come in for this project, and Bro. Sunna'a expresses his thanks and appreciation for all who helped.

Bro. Sunna'a also asks that we remember to pray for the Systematic Bible Study Course and those students that it is reaching.

Nigeria

Bro. Edet Akpan, secretary of the Nigerian Church of God Conference, writes, "We have established two new congregations, bringing the number of our congregations now to seventeen. Three thousand seven hundred Christians have been baptized within 1966 to 28th January 1970. There are now fifteen pastors on the ministerial record of our group."

The district meeting of the church was to be held on February 27 and 28 at Nung Ukim Village. There is still a need for Efik Bibles for the Nigerian Christians.

India

The youth and ladies of the Church of God in Bangalore have been visiting nearby villages that have not heard of Christ. The people in these villages are idol worshipers, and though they do listen sometimes, there are other times when they drive the Christians away.

Bro. S. S. Manoah learned that there are some isolated Christians living near the airport, about six miles from where he lives. He visits them on Wednesdays and, if possible, plans to conduct services there for them. Remember in prayer these new efforts to reach others.

Nova Scotia

The Digby Church of God Sunday school has begun a Sunday school contest, and attendance has increased above that of last year.

A missionary society has been organized at the Lighthouse Mission; the first meeting was to be February 17.

Mexico

Sr. Alice Aldrich reports that services have been started in her home on Sunday afternoons. Some of the parents of the children who attend the Saturday class expressed an interest in having their own class. Bro. Francisco Martinez and his wife go over to help with the services.

Future plans for the children include a choir and a special program for Easter.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

SPRING SESSION

Oregon Bible College is now well into the winter session of its new schedule known as the 4-4-1 plan. This plan consists of three sessions of school, a fall session and winter session consisting of four months each, and a spring session consisting of one month.

This plan has several advantages. It helps the student expand his education by exposing him to additional courses during his college career. Also, the fall session is completed before Christmas vacation, thereby enabling students to enjoy a true vacation and be refreshed to start a new semester immediately after the New Year starts.

The 4-4-1 plan provides for a short session in the spring, giving students the advantage of taking courses they would not otherwise be able to take during the rest of the school year. By having longer class hours in a short period of time the student can concentrate his study time on one or two subjects.

The short spring session lends itself to a variety of teaching methods and student experiences. This spring session at OBC will have team teaching as well as seminar classes. Junior class students also will be able to obtain practical experience doing pastoral work in churches, if they choose.

Service to Pastors and Laymen

One other advantage to the 4-4-1 plan is that by offering the short spring session Oregon Bible College can be of service to the laymen and pastors of the Church of God by giving them the opportunity to take courses during this short period of time that they might not otherwise be able to receive.

Oregon Bible College invites the laymen and pastors of the Church of God to enroll in the courses that will be offered during the spring session this year.

Tuition and Costs

Tuition for visiting students will be \$16.00 per semester hour. Room and board will be \$18.00 per week.

Visiting students should send the enrollment form to the Registrar's office, Oregon Bible College, by April 10.

Courses Being Offered

Pastoral Counseling Seminar

2 semester hours

Instructors: Charles Pryor, Dallas Demmitt, and John Lewis

10:00-12:00 m. April 27-May 22

Open to juniors, seniors, and pastors. (Others with consent of instructors.)

PRAYER DAY

Again this semester students and faculty set apart one class day in prayer and praise to God. The morning was separated into two sessions; the first, a time of happy and lively singing and sharing; the second, a time of quiet joy and peace with the Lord. Scattered throughout the program were many specials and testimonies. Included in the program were the traveling gospel teams: The Ambassadors, The New Life Singers, and The Brothers and Sisters.

Although mentioned little in this article, but most important of all, is prayer. It is assumed that by simply attending OBC one gains spiritual uplift. But the simple truth is that we *learn* to gain this spiritual strength. Prayer day is one step in the growth of each student; this growth becomes a part of our Christian maturity. Only by faith, study, and prayer can we hope to attain our goals as leaders in God's church.—*Joe Duncan*.

Israel Films

The Student Council is currently sponsoring a series of films based on the history, current problems, and daily life of the people of Israel. This is helping the students understand present-day events in Israel.

Archaeology II

1 semester hour
Instructor: Alva Huffer
8:00-9:50 a.m. Apr. 27-May 9
Open to everyone.

Misused Texts

1 semester hour
Instructor: Francis Burnett
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 11-22
Open to everyone.

Teaching Media
1 semester hour
Instructor: Ruth Lewis
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 11-22
Open to everyone.

Evangelism

1 semester hour
Instructor: Eugene Stilson
10:10-12:00 m. May 11-22
Open to everyone.

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BYF NEWS



SUNDAY SHOOL SCOPE

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Current Youth Activities

The Jubilee Coin Crusade is well in progress. We hope that in one way or another all youth groups are participating. If a large part of the budget needs are not raised in this Crusade, it appears the fund would be very short by the end of the year. Encourage the youth of your church to do their part. Youth Week may have been observed in some of your churches but in most is yet to come. Help the youth of your church to learn how to serve. . . . In many of the youth groups, the president of the year, and one who is outstanding in Christian service, will be nominated as a candidate for the award for these two citations. The citations will be made at the 1970 Berean Youth Conference. The winner need not be present to accept the citation. Ask your youth leader if such a candidate has been considered from your youth group.

Slide-Sound Sets in Use

The two slide-sound sets have been in much demand. These are the pictures, with narration on tape, of the 1969 Berean Youth Conference. The pictures and taping were done by Bro. David Krogh. We still have openings in April, all of May, much of June, and all of July. We would urge every church, if possible, to see these pictures. They give a good account of the Berean Youth Conference activities. The cost of showing is \$2.00, plus the paying of special delivery postage to the next destination.

Youth Caravan to Nova Scotia

In the February issue, we announced the tentative date of the Caravan. Plans are much more definite now. The date is August 10-29, 1970. The destination is Digby, Nova Scotia. The Caravan will be in Digby for one week—August 16-23. It will be helping to conduct the Maritime Conference. Members of the Caravan will help to conduct a vacation Bible school and evening services. Churches of God en route will be visited. The tuition cost of the Caravan is \$30.00. Each member going should take an additional sum to cover meals and sundry expenses of approximately \$45.00 to \$50.00. Your Youth Director and his wife Iris will be sponsors of the trip. Enrollment forms are in the current issue of Challenge (March-April) and are also available from your Youth Leader. From the applications received, four young men and four young women will be chosen.

Youth Day at General Conference

On Tuesday, July 21, special emphasis is to be given the youth of the Church of God. The afternoon program will be by the youth. May God bless us together,

E. Milon Hall, Editor

To the Teacher

The call to teach is a beautiful part of spreading the gospel everywhere. In James 3:1 we read, "My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation." In the Revised Standard Version this reads, "Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, you know we who teach shall be judged with greater strictness." And the Phillips translation says, "Don't aim at adding to the number of teachers, my brothers, I beg you! Remember that we who are teachers will be judged by a much higher standard."

There seems to be evidence enough that teaching is a serious responsibility and we should approach it with a sober mind. In addition, we should realize that we need to be constantly alert to the fact that we must teach truth.

Then, we might say, Why should we try to fulfill this "higher calling"? Why should we expose ourselves to this strict judgment? It appears we could turn our backs on this calling if we wanted to. Should we ever turn our back on God's invitation to serve? First Timothy 3:1 says, "This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop he desireth a good work."

Many Responsibilities

Ephesians 4:11, 12 tells us that "he gave some apostles; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Phillips translation casts more light on the calling of teaching and its purpose as written by the Apostle Paul in this same text. "His gifts unto men" varied. "Some he made his messengers, some prophets, some preachers of the Gospel; to some he gave the power to guide and teach his people. His gifts were made that Christians might be properly equipped for their service, that the whole body might be built up until the time comes when, in the unity of common faith and common knowledge of the Son of God, we arrive at real maturity—that measure of the development which is meant by 'the fullness of Christ.'"

All Christians Must Be Trained for Service

We find, then, that the teacher in the Sunday school or Berean group is to have power to guide and teach God's children or people. In addition, God's gifts were made that Christians might be properly equipped for their service. The real purpose of these words is to challenge you to expect to receive and to recognize the high calling of God to service, to accept the call, and to prepare for this service as God speaks to your hearts.—Willis Turner.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 3-5 - Special services at Bedford, Ohio, Scott Ross, guest speaker.

April 6-12—Evangelistic meetings at Hope Chapel, South Bend, Ind., Z. B. Duncan, speaker.

April 13-19—Evangelistic services at Macomb, Ill., Z. B. Duncan, speaker.

Apr. 18-Indiana Quarterly Conference at the Hedrick Church.

April 24-26—Northeast Spring Conference at Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton, Ohio.

Apr. 27-May 1—Annual Ministerial Conference at Oregon, Ill.

May 3-June 28 - National Sunday School Contest.

June 11-14 — Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at McGintytown Church, Greenbrier,

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21-Annual Illinois Conference at Oregon.

June 27—Indiana Conference annual business meeting at Burr Oak.

July 16-19—Iowa State Conference at Waterloo. Richard Smith, guest speaker; Raymond Brown, music director.

July 18, 19-Missouri Quarterly Conference at Fredericktown.

July 19-24—Missouri State Youth Camp.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-31 — International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 11-16-Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

Aug. 12-16—Central High Plains Conference at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.

Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Oct. 17-Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lessson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. Martha Grievey, Mrs. Jean Berry, Lynn Berry, Mike Berry, Mrs. Eliza-beth Campbell, Daniell Watkins, Sylvan Richey, and Mrs. Sylvan Richey.

BAPTISM AT TROY, OHIO
On January 24, 1970, during special evangelistic meetings with Alva G. Huffer,
Myron Longendelpher responded to the invitation to accept Christ as his personal Saviour. He was baptized the next afternoon. We pray God's richest blessings upon this young man as he begins his Christian walk. Scott Ross, pastor. Scott Ross, pastor.

SALEM NEWS, MARTINSVILLE, ILL.

John R. Hollis was baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ on January 4, 1970. We welcome John into the fellowship of the Salem congregation and the Church of God in general. It is our prayer that the Lord will abide with him and lead him in the path of righteousness.

On January 4, 1970, the following persons were elected to office: Dean Hendrix, Sunday school superintendent; Sylvan Richey, assistant; Betty Hendrix, secretary-treasurer; and Grace Richey, assistant and pianist. We pray that God's grace and blessing will attend them in their service.

D. B. Watkins, pastor.

MEETINGS AT TROY, OHIO

Special meetings were held at the Troy View Church of God January 18-25. Our guest speaker was the president of Oregon Bible College, Alva G. Huffer. Average attendance at the services was 124. Many new contacts in the community were made, and much fellowship with our sister churches of southern Ohio was enjoyed. During the

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meetings Myron Longendelpher made his decision to accept Christ as his personal Saviour.

Saturday evening, before the service, a banquet was held for students interested in someday attending Oregon Bible College. Bro. Huffer spoke at the banquet and special music was provided by the Brothers and Sisters of O.B.C. Over fifty attended the banquet. Scott Ross, pastor.

BAPTISM AT MOOREFIELD, NEB.

We are pleased to welcome Deloit Cross into the body of Christ and the fellowship of the Moorefield Church of God. He was baptized by the writer on February 1, 1970. Deloit came forward while at Berean Youth Conference. We pray God's richest blessings will abide on him and his decision for Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Edward Bender, pastor.

BAPTISM AT RAYMORE, MO.

Timmy Elkins was baptized into Christ on Februray 1, 1970. In so doing he has entered the eternal purpose and will of God, and has received a Friend not only for this life, but one who holds the keys of death Don Ward, pastor. and the grave.

STAPP - CRONBAUGH

On February 6, 1970, in a ceremony in the Church of God at Koszta, Iowa, Miss Connie Stapp and Mr. Robert Cronbaugh were united in marriage by the writer. Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stapp of Columbus Junction. Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cronbaugh of rural Marengo. They will reside in the Koszta area. May God bless their new walk together as they establish their new home.
Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT EDEN VALLEY, MINN.

We are happy to have had the privilege to baptize two persons into the name of Jesus for the remission of sins on February 1, 1970. They are: Mrs. Mildred M. Theisen of Eden Valley, and Rebecca Jean Otto of Paynesville. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

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HARLAN BELL

Harlan S. Bell was born near Elk River, Minn., June 19, 1883. He married Mabell Eaton on December 25, 1909. He was an engineer on the CB&Q railroad for 43 years. After retiring they moved to Saratoga, Cal. and then to Pleasant Hill, Ore. Bro. Bell died January 17, 1970. He leaves his wife, a son, two grandchildren, and two greatgrandchildren. His lifetime hope was the return of Christ and the resurrection.

Pastor Don Hightower.

Bedford Church

WILLARD LEE HOLLENBEAK

Willard Lee Hollenbeak of Tempe, Ariz., son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hollenbeak of Burlingame, Cal., fell asleep in death February 22, 1970. He was born April 21, 1944, in Dodge City, Kans. Having been laid to rest in East Resthaven Park Cemetery, he

waits for the coming of the one who holds the keys to death and the grave.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

CLEO WILLIAMS

Mary Cleo Williams, 79, of Liberty, S.C., died March 1, 1970. She was the widow of the late Bro. Ed Williams.

The daughter of the late Monroe and Carrie Pack Reams, she was baptized by Enoch M. Anderson, the organizer of the Guthrie Grove Church of God.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. George (Edith) Smith; one grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer on March 3 at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, with burial in the church

The Guthrie Grove Church has lost a

long-time member and faithful worker. We rejoice that she sleeps in hope of the res-Kenneth Milne, pastor.

EDWIN F. KLINE

Bro. Edwin French Kline fell asleep in death January 24, 1970, at the age of sev-

Bro. Kline was recently baptized into Christ by Bro. Paul Shaw, and was a member of New Hope Church of God, Little Rock, Ark.

He leaves his wife, Viola Mercing Kline; one brother; two step-children; and four grandchildren, all of Little Rock.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Isaiah 57:1, 2 and Revelation 21:1-5. Bro. Kline was laid to rest, in the Lord's care, in the National Cemetery at Little Rock. Pastor J. Roy Humphreys.

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A Call to Service

By the Editor

SINCE the beginning of his dealings with man in the plan of redemption, God has called workers into his service. The method of giving his call, and the response to God's call, have varied, but God's will has been served.

The call of Moses, and Moses' response to that call, can be helpful to the Christian for an example.

God Called Moses

When God called Moses, Moses was about eighty years of age, and was a keeper of the sheep of his father-inlaw, Jethro, in Midian. He was in the district of Horeb, where Mount Sinai is located. The angel of God appeared to Moses as a fire in a bush; this caught Moses' attention, and he turned aside to investigate. God identified himself as the God of Moses' fathers; of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

God then proceeded to state the reason for the call of Moses. He said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry" (Ex. 3:7). God recalled his promise to Abraham and his seed, the promise of the possession of Canaan—the good land—flowing with milk and honey. God said, "Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt'' (v. 10).

Moses' Difficulties

1. "Who am I?" The events of forty years earlier were still fresh in Moses' mind—his rejection by his own people and his flight from Pharaoh. Moses felt inadequate for the task. In asking, "Who am I?" Moses was saying, "What can I, a private citizen, a single individual, do about a task so large?" How much this sounds like

the excuses we hear today! Moses was forgetting—as we do today—that one with God is a majority. God said, "Certainly I will be with thee" (v.

2. "What is his name?" His first difficulty swept away, Moses then said, "When I tell the children of Israel that the God of their fathers has sent me, and they ask me his name, what will I tell them?" (vv. 13-15). Not that Moses and the Israelites were unacquainted with God's name YHWH, Jehovah. But, what is his fame? What are his mighty acts? God successfully instructed Moses as to how he ought to answer them, assuring them that he "will be" (not "I am") everlastingly their Guide and Sustainer.

3. "But suppose they will not believe me?" "They will say, the LORD hath not appeared unto thee' (Ex. 4: 1). God had just told Moses the children of Israel would listen to him, but Moses remembered the time his brethren said, "Who made thee a prince and a judge over us?" (2:14). Moses saw the need of something stronger than words to convince his people of his divine mission.

God answered Moses' third question with a question: "What is that in thine hand?" (v. 2). Moses was seeking elsewhere for the means of convincing his people, when the very tool was already in his hand! We find ourselves searching elsewhere for some tool or method to use in God's work, when the best tool in the world is already in our hands - the Word of God! God has proverbially used insignificant and despised things to accomplish his will, and it has "pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe" (1 Cor. 1: 18-28).

God's Three Signs

In Exodus 4:2-9, God gave Moses three signs to perform before the eyes of the Israelites to convince them he was sent of God.

1. Moses' rod or shepherd's crook became a living and dangerous serpent when he threw it to the ground. When he took it by the tail it became a rod again.

2. Moses thrust his hand into his bosom and it was leprous when he withdrew it. On thrusting it in again

it came out healed.

3. The first two signs were performed there for Moses' benefit and were to be repeated in Egypt for the people's benefit. The third sign was to be performed when he arrived in Goshen, Egypt. Turning the water of the Nile to blood was an affront to the gods of Egypt.

The signs should have been sufficient to convince Moses and the Israelites of

God's call and purpose.

Moses Still Hesitated

Moses' answer to God's call was, "I am not eloquent." God reminded Moses that he had made Moses' mouth, and would give him words to say. Moses reluctantly agreed that God would have his way. (V. 13.) Moses had exhausted his excuses and God had exhausted his patience. God did not turn from Moses, but chose Aaron to be his spokesman. "The rod of God'' in his hand was the symbol of God's power and presence. (Vv. 17-20.)

Our Call to Service

God is still concerned about his people, and is calling leaders to help them. We cannot expect God to ap-(Please turn to page 7)

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Jubilee General Conference

The Annual Church of God General Conference sessions for 1970 will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19-24. This is the fiftieth annual conference and is the "YEAR OF JUBILEE."

The housing facilities at Riverview Park are mostly cabins adapted for family camping. There are some dormitory beds available for those who wish to use them. The cabins will each house from five to fourteen people. All have running water, toilets, and wash bowls. Some have hot water, others facilities to heat water. A few have tub or shower but all have shower facilities near. Most of the cabins have a small living room area. Bedrooms are partitioned off for privacy if cabin is shared by two or more families.

In past years offerings taken at the evening services have been used to defray the expense of the conference. The Board of Directors and many others feel that those attending conference should pay the camp costs directly and the offerings taken can then be designated for a special purpose. Camp costs at General Conference this year will be \$3.70 per day (breakfast \$.50, lunch \$1.00, supper \$1.00, lodging \$1.00, insurance and miscellaneous, \$.20) per person. Total for the Conference \$17.50. Meals are one-half price for children under age eight. Our former facilities would have cost us \$4.10 per day this year.

The Board of Directors suggests that camp costs be paid at the desk upon registration or during the conference and a special project will be selected for the offerings taken at the evening services. We want to emphasize, however, that no one should stay away from conference due to finances. We want to encourage all to attend.

We encourage pre-registration for conference. Send your reservation in soon to assure the facility you desire. Make up your party and send in your reservation requesting the number you will want to sleep in one cabin and we will make reservation for you on a first-come-first-

Please reserve one cabin at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for General Conference July 19-24. We will need sleeping accommodations for people.

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served basis. We will need to make use of most every bed. If your family is small and you have no one special you want to stay with, you may be placed in with another family. Use the coupon below or write to General Conference Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Witnessing Crusade Progress

Churches and Sunday schools have been challenged to increase their attendance by at least ten percent in this Witnessing Crusade year. In the recent survey taken twenty-nine churches reported and twelve of those have had an increase of ten percent or more. The total figures of the twenty-nine churches, however, shows that the overall Sunday school attendance has increased only 4.3 percent and the church attendance 4.8 percent. The challenge is still real. It can be done. Let us work even more diligently these remaining months to make the ten percent increase a reality before the year ends.

Conference Finances

Contributions to the Goals for Giving have fallen about \$900.00 short for the month of March. We would ask each church and each individual to have special prayer and concern for the budget in the month of April. Many are being reached for Christ by the twenty-two missionaries being supported on foreign fields. Thirty-four young men and women are being trained for greater Christian service at Oregon Bible College, the written Word is going forth through the Publishing Department, and the youth of the Church of God are maturing in Christian service through the Youth Department. The Sunday School Department is challenging the churches to growth, and the Home Missions Department is continuing to emphasize outreach in our home areas. These projects do need to be financed. We know the Church of God will not fail in this need.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970 \$99.000.00

 Goal for March
 \$ 8,499.00

 Given in March
 \$ 7,584.00

 To be given by September 30
 \$51,906.00

Goal for April \$8,651.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh





Pictured are the Nigerian brethren who form the Ross Commercial School Education Committee. From left to right: S. Mbeye, J. S. Akpaidiok, J. J. Obot, Pastor A. A. Obot, Anthony A. Idiong, and Chief J. Obot.

Nigeria

We are thankful to God that Bro. A. A. Obot has been released from the camp where he was held and that he is well. He has returned to his home and church, and continues his work as pastor and general overseer of the Nizerian Church of God.

Recently the brethren met together in a district meeting of the Nigerian Church of God, and at this time an election of officers for the current year was held. They are: Pastor A. A. Obot, general overseer; Pastor N. A. Udo, general secretary; Pastor J. U. Ekpo, trustee; Miss Eno Akpan, secretary of Women Uplift Association; Deacon A. Thompson, treasurer.

Nova Scotia

The last of February a representative of the government informed Bro. Charles Cook that his house, which the Brown family has been renting, would have to come down as it was in the way of a new road. In the transaction, the house was given to the church with the understanding that it be moved by the middle of April. The Digby Church members plan to move the house to a lot behind the church and make it a parsonage. Until the house is ready, the Browns will be staying in the basement of the church.

We are sad to report that on March 9 Bro. Raymond Brown and two members of the Digby Church, Bro. Herman Gray and Bro. Chester Sullivan, were involved in a serious automobile accident. Bro. Sullivan was killed instantly, and Bro. Gray died later. Bro. Brown was in the hospital with injuries to one of his legs, but was released

within a few days and was able to preach the following Sunday morning. He will have to be on crutches for awhile. Please pray for the mourning families and for the complete recovery of Bro. Brown.

India

Nearly seventy children with seven adults from the Bangalore Church of God enjoyed an outing recently. There were Bible quizzes, chorus singing, prayer, games, and refreshments. While the children were singing, many other people assembled to listen and then asked questions which gave the Christians an opportunity to witness of Christ.

Bro. John Jerry, one of the faithful members of the Bangalore church, died February 10, 1970. Remember his aged wife in your prayers.

Plans for the future which we ask you to remember in your prayers include special pre-Easter revival meetings and a vacation Bible school for the children when they finish their classes in school.

Mexico

Sunday school is held in the Martinez home on Sunday mornings. In the afternoon, meetings are being held in the home of Sr. Aldrich. The Saturday morning class of children continues with about thirty attending each week, and there are still new ones coming all the time. Sr. Aldrich has started a junior choir for those who are interested.

We are sorry to learn that Sr. Dora Martinez, wife of Pastor Francisco Martinez, has contracted tuberculosis. Remember her and her family in prayer.

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

1970 Missionary Conference—May 16

Here is an opportunity for you to not only learn about Foreign Missionary work, but also the Home Mission field. In honor of the Church of God's Golden Jubilee Witnessing Crusade the Conference Board has decided to include both missionary endeavors in this year's conference.

For Foreign Missions we hope to provide a speaker who has had actual field work and can relate to us the trials and wonderful experiences to be expected in such a life. Also, to be covered is an outline showing the preparation a hopeful missionary must go through to know what to expect in his work.

We are glad to announce that Dr. William Lawrence has accepted the invitation to speak on our responsibilities in the Home Mission field. His personal experience in this work is known to all, and his dynamic speaking ability will prove to be inspiring to all who attend the conference. We pray that his own motivation to serve our risen Lord might move each of us to act on our faith and show our love for him.

Other activities in the conference will include a movie on missionary life and workshops in Home Missions. The noon meal will be provided, and overnight accommodations for Friday night, May 15, will be provided for those desiring it.

Your participation in this conference will enhance its success. So, mark Saturday, May 16, on your calendar as a day to find out what is and can be done for the praise of God. Plan now to come!—*John Carr*.

Gospel Teams on Easter Tour

March 27 through April 5, 1970, Oregon Bible College teams will present services in twenty-six churches. Each team presents special music, words of testimony, and proclamation of the gospel.

"The Brothers and the Sisters" will be traveling to Denver, Colo. Team members are Dave and Dan Graham (Dixon, Ill.), Joe Duncan (South Bend, Ind.), Debbie Peters (Eden Valley, Minn.), and Michal Burnett (Oregon, Ill.). The sponsor is Eugene Stilson, Director of Christian Service and instructor at OBC. The itinerary for "The Brothers and the Sisters" is: March 27, Macomb, Ill.; March 28, Raymore, Mo.; March 29, Arkansas City, Kan.; March31-April 1, Denver, Colo.; April 2, Moorefield, Neb.; April 3, Holbrook, Neb.; April 4, Fremont, Neb.; April 5, Omaha, Neb.

The "New Life Singers" will be traveling to Fonthill, Ont. Team members are: Telva Lippert (Dixon, Ill.),

Kathy Jones (Bedford, Ohio), Tim New (Lafayette, Ind.), and Larry Gaskill (Ft. Wayne, Ind.). The sponsor is Rachel Krogh, Superintendent of Missions and instructor at OBC. They will present services at the following places: Hedrick, Ind.; Columbus, Ohio; Royersford, Penn.; Fonthill, Ont.; Delta, Ohio; Burr Oak, Ind.; North Salem, Ind.; and Hope Chapel, South Bend, Ind.

"The Ambassadors" will go to Louisiana. Team members are: Joe Martin (Hammond, La.), Dale Swartz (N. Olmsted, Ohio), Steven Knapp (Wyoming, Mich.), Norma Davis (Havana, Ill.), and Ellen Canfield (Oregon, Ill.). The sponsor will be Francis Burnett, International Berean Youth Director and instructor at OBC. "The Ambassadors" will present sermonettes.—Eugene Stilson.

Chapel Speakers

Recent chapel speakers have been Sr. Evelyn Austin who spoke on "The Signs of the Zodiac as Related to the Scriptures"; Bro. Ernest Graham of Dixon, Ill.; Bro. Edward Bender of Moorefield, Neb.; Bro. Dennis Baldwin of Eldorado, Ill.; and Dick Young who discussed the radio missionary work in Quito, Ecuador.

We enjoy having these guest speakers for chapel services. We feel that they contribute much to the spiritual betterment of the students.

New Catalogs

A new catalog for the 1970-71 school year is being printed. The catalog contains information on improvements and advancements being made for Oregon Bible College. Anyone desiring a copy can write to Registrar John Lewis, Box 100, Oregon, Ill., and it will be forwarded as soon as available.

May is Booster Month

In past years Booster Month has proved to be of great benefit to Oregon Bible College. The funds from Boosters have provided for educational improvement that otherwise would not have been possible.

As last year, the Booster funds this year will be used for improving the library. The library will soon contain 6,000 volumes and the immediate goal is 10,000. This will soon be reached with the aid of Booster funds.

Bro. Eugene Stilson and Miss Olive Stoffregen continue to do excellent work in library improvement.

We pray that as in the past many people will show interest in Oregon Bible College by becoming Boosters. We trust that the Lord will help us in this way to improve the quality of Christian education for our young people.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Youth Week is History

Another loved and important event is over. Youth Week is now history. We saw the printed programs of many of the groups throughout the country and it appeared as though the Bereans were very active. We wish it would have been possible to visit many of you during that time. We want to thank the adult leadership of our churches for giving the young people the opportunity and responsibility of teaching and giving the services. Under your leadership, our youth of today will become able leaders tomorrow. We have received no reports as we are preparing this page. We expect several very soon.

Jubilee Coin Crusade Nearing an End

The Crusade will end April 30. It began with the fiscal year, October 1, 1969. Special emphasis has been given to it during March and April. We know that several groups are working hard to raise large contributions. We are very thankful for the determination and zeal of the youth in wanting to do their part in the finances of the General Conference budget. The deadline for reporting the funds raised during the Crusade is May 15. We will be giving a report in the May-June issue of *Challenge*. The goal set by the Advisory Council was \$5,000.00 and we anticipate going over the top.

Youth Day at the Jubilee General Conference

This was mentioned briefly in the March issue. The youth asked for a special part in this Jubilee General Conference. The program committee assigned Tuesday afternoon to the youth since this is the day the Berean Youth Department report and activities will be considered. Hopefully we plan to have quizzing between some of the BYF alumni and last year's winner. There will be special music, and some other features of the Berean Youth Conference and Youth Department will be emphasized.

Diamond Jubilee Yearbook

The Bereans had hoped to put out some kind of memory book this year of 1970. But the interest was not sufficient to warrant it. However, the Berean work will be celebrating its Diamond Jubilee in 1973. We want to have special recognition then. What better way than a beautiful memory book! Any state conference or church with Berean history that dates to 1898, or that might even predate this time, let it be known to us.

Another Reminder

Some youth groups have still not sent in their charter applications with a list of their youth. They will not receive *Challenge* if this is not done.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

GROW TO GOD'S GLORY!

There is to be an attendance contest among all of the Church of God Sunday schools. The theme is: "Grow to God's Glory." The period of this contest will include the Sundays of May 3 through June 28, 1970. The basis for this contest is the average attendance in your Sunday school for the months of May and June, 1969. Winners will be those Sunday schools that have increased 10 percent or more during May and June of this year. Superintendents of the winning Sunday schools are to receive special recognition at General Conference on Sunday School Day. "Special Honor" recognition will be given those who exceed 10 percent, in the order of their accomplishment.

SIX BLESSINGS a Sunday School Contest can bring:

- 1. Revive your members spiritually.
- 2. Increase enthusiasm. This is especially true if the goal of your effort is to bring people to Christ, and not just to get them to attend.
 - 3. Develop unity and teamwork.
- 4. Bring the lost to have at least one opportunity to accept Christ as their Saviour.
- 5. Reinstate "inactives" by letting them know someone is interested in their spiritual welfare. These should be placed first on the contact list.
 - 6. Build attendance permanently.

Prayerful A SUNDAY SCHOOL
Planning and CONTEST SHOULD
Preparation must EMPHASIZE
Precede SOUL WINNING

Permanent AS ITS
Progress! MAIN GOAL!

Progress! MAIN GOAL!
Each Sunday school could conduct its own intra-Sunday-school contest during the same period.

Your contact list can be made up from inactives from past Sunday school records, from those who attended Easter Sunday services, and from suggested names from every member. This can give your Golden Jubilee Witnessing Program a real boost. Take advantage of it!

Each superintendent is asked to send us each Sunday's attendance in his Sunday school for the months of May and June, 1969, no later than April 20.

We selected these two months for the contest because during these months the Sunday school attendance starts a downward plunge to reach the year's lowest attendance during July and August. As we enthuse more of our people in faithful attendance during May and June, we will keep more of them during July and August.

GROW TO GOD'S GLORY!

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 13-19-Evangelistic services at Macomb, Ill., Z. B. Duncan, speaker.

Apr. 18-Indiana Quarterly Conference at the Hedrick Church.

April 24-26—Northeast Spring Conference at Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton, Ohio. Apr. 27-May 1-Annual Ministerial Confer-

ence at Oregon, Ill.

May 3-June 28 — National Sunday School Contest.

May 15-17-Minnesota Junior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

May 29-31—Annual May Meeting, Fonthill, Ont., C. E. Randall, speaker. June 11-14—Arkansas-Oklahoma Confer-

ence at McGintytown Church, Greenbrier,

June 11-14—Minnesota State Conference, Long Lake Camp, John Hearp, speaker.

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and
Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21—Annual Illinois Conference at Oregon.

June 21-28-Southwest Youth Camp, Idyllwild, Cal.

June 26-28—Southwest Conference at the

Valley Church, Van Nuys, Cal.

June 27—Indiana Conference annual business meeting at Burr Oak.

June 28-July 3—Minnesota Junior Camp on Long Lake, Eden Valley.

July 5-11—Minnesota Senior Camp, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

July 16-19—Iowa State Conference at Waterloo. Richard Smith, guest speaker; Raymond Brown, music director.

July 18, 19—Missouri Quarterly Conference at Fredericktown.

July 19-24—Missouri State Youth Camp.
July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at
Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
July 26-31—International Berean Youth
Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 11-16-Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

Aug. 12-16—Central High Plains Conference at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp,

speaker.

Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Sept. 11-14—Minnesota Fall Youth Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Sept. 25-27 — Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Oct. 9, 10—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley Minn

Eden Valley, Minn.

Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at
Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Our hearts were made glad as Karen Kunkel requested baptism. She was immersed in the saving name of Jesus on February 22, 1970. We pray God's richest blessings on her. John Hearp, pastor.

BAPTISM AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

Earl Honeycutt of Hendersonville, N.C., was baptized by the writer on March 8, 1970. He will have his membership at Anderson Chapel, Hendersonville.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

Scott McCaw came forward and accepted Jesus as Lord and Saviour, and was immersed on February 15, 1970. Leonard Hoffman and his daughter, Louise, and son, Michael, were baptized on February 28, 1970. These last baptisms unite this family in the household of God. May God richly bless these four in their new life for him. Lee McQuinn, pastor.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Gusta Mills, Wilmer Wendroth, Catherine Vanderbeek, Bette Loesch, Mrs. M. M. Thiesen, and Beverly Parks.

"Profit Added To Your Account" (Phil. 4:17).



Many new programs for expanded stewardship are now possible. The government has recognized the great value of donations to churches, colleges, and non-profit organizations and has provided incentives for such giving through tax deductions. Now there are ways for people in every income bracket to give to those institutions in which they believe. People with the most moderate incomes who have any kind of real or personal property, as well as people with substantial estates, should know of these ways to contribute.

Church of God General Conference and its several departments are qualified to receive the benefits of these new concepts in stewardship of possessions. One of these plans may be especially suited to your circumstances and provide a way for you to support the Lord's work and receive a personal benefit.

- Short term trusts
- Giving insurance
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- Bargain sale gifts
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- Transfer of stocks and bonds
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Use the postage-paid envelope, or write to the Executive Secretary at the address below, to receive a free booklet with full information.

CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

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GENERAL CONFERENCE PAGEANT

Traditionally the fiftieth anniversary has been the occasion for great celebrations, and the forthcoming General Conference will be the Golden Jubilee year for the Church of God. Nearly two years ago a committee was assigned to make plans for this conference and they now announce that hey hope to present highlights of the past fifty years, in pageant form.

This will mean that many persons will be involved and the committee is desirous of knowing the names of those who will be interested in helping with various phases of the program. Oftentimes talented and eager persons are overlooked merely because those in charge are not aware of their capabilities or do not know them personally.

This is a request for persons interested in dramatics or some activity related to pageants to please send their names to the committee. There will be a need for electricians, script writers, those to help with costumes, lights, and stage preparation. Also, if any church has costumes of the Bible era, please let us know if you would be will-ing to permit the use of them during con-

Do you have old photographs of special conference happenings? We would like to have the use of these for preparing the scenes, selecting costumes of the period,

While it will be necessary to limit the number of events to be portrayed, the committee would like to know what YOU would include. The request is hereby made for YOU to send in YOUR list of events which you feel are significant to the progress of the conference. In this way, each one can participate. Please direct all correspondence to: Jubilee Committee, in care of Mrs. Don Overmyer, 1405 Walton Ave., LaPorte, Ind. 46350. Please let us hear from you right away

WHITNEL, N.C., CHURCH NEWS

Effective January 18, 1970, we became a full-time minister for Jesus Christ. Since then our attendance has grown thirty percent. Our Sunlay school is in the high 80's with more for church. We have been having about 60 to 70 for night services, and our Wednesday night services are running about 55 on the average.

We would like to report that since we began full-time work we have had four baptisms: Mr. Keener Bell; his daughters, Miss Francis Bell and Mrs. Gloria Os-borne; and Miss Faye Gilbert. After one baptism we were called late at night and told that we would be killed for baptizing one into "this stuff." We invited the man to our home and talked with him for three hours in our office. He has attended church once since then.

We are now working in rest homes, and also in the prison camp at Hudson. It is something to go into prison into the mess hall and sit and talk with these men. Most of them come from broken homes, and homes of poverty. What a tremendous job could be done here for the Lord! "I was in prison, and ye came unto me." may be a literal as well as a spiritual thing.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

JUBILEE SONG WRITING CONTEST

Perhaps you have never thought of yourself as much of a composer, but have you ever found yourself humming a little melody? Members of the Golden Jubilee com-mittee think it would be nice to have some special songs written for the occasion of our Golden Jubilee General Conference.

Start putting the notes and your thoughts on paper. Remember the Sunday school song, "In my heart there rings a melody"? Maybe there is one in your heart. Start writing the songs now, and watch the May Progress Journal for further announcement.

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A CALL TO SERVICE

(Continued from page 1)

pear to us in a burning bush as he did to Moses. Neither can we expect the Lord to appear to us as he did to Saul of Tarsus on the road to Damascus. God's call comes to us through the Word of God and our knowledge of the needs of his people. The people are typically in bondage in Egyptsin, and need the Saviour. Will you not heed God's call to service? You are empowered through his Word to carry the good news of God's coming Kingdom and Christ's sacrifice to the lost and dying.

Moses' excuses - that he was only one person, that he might not know what to say, or that the people might not believe himwere not valid. Neither are ours. The rod of God-the Word of God, is in our hands. We must use it and go forth in his power

to serve!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-1970

"God Speaks Through Holy Men" is the title of this year's Vacation Bible School lessons. The aim is to emphasize witnessing. The five lessons are: "Isaiah, Called to Be a Witness," "Daniel, a Witness Through Word and Deed," "Paul, a Traveling Witness," "Peter, a Witnessing Fisherman," and "John, a Witness Who Looked Ahead." Orders are now being accepted for these materials. Order early!

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McPHERSON-McCOMBS

Miss Karen Anne McPherson, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Paul McPherson, and Mr. Howard Ray McCombs, son of Mr. & Mrs. Donald McCombs, exchanged marriage vows the evening of February 13, 1970, at the Bible Church of God, Tempe, Ariz.

Vernis Wolfe, former pastor, officiated in the double ring ceremony. Both are active members of the Phoenix and Tempe churches. We extend congratulations to this young couple, with the prayer that God will bless them throughout their new life together, to his glory. Lee McQuinn, pastor.

ELIZABETH SAYLOR CARR

Mrs. Elizabeth Saylor Carr was born February 12, 1876, in Morrall, Kan., and died February 23, 1970, in Phoenix, Ariz. She was united in marriage on July 1, 1899. to Otis Carr, who preceded her in death in 1958.

Carr was a faithful member of the Bible Church of God for more than seventy

years. She is survived by a brother, Ray Saylor, of Tempe; a sister, Mrs. Mary Bolton of Berkeley, Cal.; and several nieces and nephews. Memorial services were conducted by the writer at Tempe, with interment in the Double Butte Cemetery, where she awaits the resurrection voice of the Lord.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

OLA HORNADAY

Ola May Crouch, daughter of Levi and Louis Crouch, was born August 18, 1892, near St. Paul, Neb., and fell asleep in Christ at Oxford, Neb., March 17, 1970, after three months of illness.

She was baptized into the all-saving name

She was baptized into the all-saving name of Jesus Christ by O. J. Allard on April 13, 1909, and was a faithful member.

On February 22, 1913, she was united in marriage to Charles O. Hornaday at Grand Island, Neb. To this union three children were born: Arthur Kenneth of Oxford; Verald Eugene, who preceded her in death; and Mary Lou of Arapahoe, Her husband and Mary Lou of Arapahoe. Her husband preceded her in death in 1961.

Besides her son and daughter, she is sur-

vived by two grandchildren and one great-

After services conducted in the Holbrook Church of God by the writer, assisted by the pastor, James Rencontre, she was laid to rest beside her husband in the Arapahoe Cemetery to await the awakening call of her Saviour.

V. E. Kirkpatrick.

THOMAS MARTIN

Thomas Cothran Martin, 51, of Belton, S.C., died at his home February 18, 1970. He was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near Pelzer, S.C.

Survivors include his widow, Frances Picklesimer Martin; two sons, Doyle of Greenville, S.C., and Thomas Earl of Piedmont, S.C.; a daughter, Mrs. Macky Ray (Betty) Stevenson of Orangeburg, S.C.;

and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held February 20 at the Guthrie Grove Church, with the writer officiating. He was laid to rest in the church cemetery to avail the research. church cemetery to await the resurrection at the coming of the Lord.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

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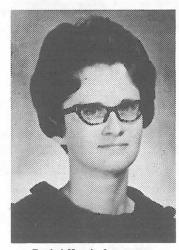
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A student's view

What is Oregon Bible College? What is it like? What do you have to do to graduate? These questions represent a sample of questions that the typical OBC student encounters as he comes in contact with people. Whether at work, or traveling among our own churches, people are interested in what it is like. Perhaps a student's view might help.

First of all, OBC is a center for higher learning not typical of any other. At other colleges the number of students is usually very great, which means that you are not as much a part of a large school as you would be at OBC. Rather than the student in seat number 21, Room 182, History 201, the student becomes, at OBC, "Tim, the one in the front of the Old Testament IV class."

Not only is there a difference in number, but also there is a difference in the goal of the students. For instance, at most colleges the student is concerned with bettering his status through being able to get a degree. However, the OBC student training for Christian service is concerned about the future happiness and hope of others through Jesus Christ. At Oregon Bible College, education and training are for the "high calling" of which Paul spoke.

Now that we have brightened your picture of OBC, what are some other aspects? As the old saying goes, "It is not all a bed of roses." Being students with the goal of Christian leadership, we are more concerned and, proportionately, more involved in the activities of the College. Rather than just being students, we might become student pastors, youth leaders, Sunday school teachers, or fill other positions of service in the local churches. Therefore, since the student here is more involved and more concerned, the pressure on the student is much greater.

Recently, in the comic strip "Peanuts," we read this caption, "The heaviest burden is a great potential." The Church of God, with a Bible-based truth, has one of the greatest potentials in these end times. In striving to meet this potential of spreading the gospel, the burden is especially heavy on us students as we come to realize that only through our training as leaders will we be able to meet the potential that the Church of God has. However, even though the burden is heavy, we are assured of God's reward as we become pastors and teachers for the church. When we hear a shy freshman say, "I could never preach," and then a few years later hear him deliver an inspired message, we realize that OBC is meeting its potential.

Yes, Oregon Bible College is unique in many ways. It is unique in that it is one of the most important assets the Church of God has. Without it, there would be little means whereby our church might meet its "great potential."—Joe Martin, Editor.

The faculty's view

Oregon Bible College is a college with a future! The best days of the Church of God are yet to come. Administration, faculty, and students seek to join together in the pursuit of academic excellence, centered in the Lord Jesus Christ, and founded squarely on the Word of God.

Development of administrative organization, library, and faculty graduate work are steps toward our immediate goal of recognition by the State of Illinois.

Our faculty members are continuing professional development. John Lewis and Eugene Stilson are enrolled in Master Degree programs at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb. They anticipate completion about a year from now. The writer is nearing completion of work on his Doctor of Philosophy Degree in the Administration of Higher Education at Arizona State University, Tempe. During the past year, Francis Burnett has taken courses at both Tempe and DeKalb. Rachel Krogh has been attending conventions relating to evangelism, missions, and music.

Another major forward step has been the systematic evaluation and building of our College library. Educators know that the library is the heart of any college, and is one of the measures of its academic excellence. Eugene Stilson serves as Library Director. He has been surveying our needs, and adding books required to support our curriculum and to meet the specific objectives of our College. We now have about 6,000 books in our library; our goal is to attain 10,000 volumes within a few years. Friends of our College are continuing to contribute funds to help purchase needed books.

Oregon Bible College offers programs of studies which will lead to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible, with a choice of three minors: Pastoral Studies; Missions; and Christian Education. Each of these three programs includes a major in the Bible and Theology, with a minimum of 58 semester hours required in the major field. Each program requires courses in General Education and a minimum of 15 semester hours in the professional minor.

Subjects offered by the College are organized under three major divisions: Division of Bible and Theology, Division of Christian Ministries, and Division of General Education. Each of these three divisions is subdivided into various departments. Twelve courses, for example, are listed under the Department of Evangelism and Missions.

The College also offers Extension Courses taught by OBC faculty members in various geographical areas. The new catalog lists three courses which are currently available. The College also offers four Correspondence Courses, the annual Holy Land Tour Study Course, and the Internship and Graduate Program.—Alva G. Huffer, President.







Seniors

Left to right: Joe Astolfi, Morse Mill, Mo.; Vivian Kirkpatrick II, Oregon, Ill.; and Joe Martin, Blood River, La.

Left to right: Dale Swartz, Columbia Station, Ohio; Joe Duncan, South Bend, Ind.; Dave Cheatwood, Lawrence-ville, Ohio; John Railton, South Bend, Ind.; Dave Graham, Dixon, Ill.; Delbert Rankin, Cashmere, Wash. Not shown: John Carr, Tempe, Ariz.

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Sophomores

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Social Committee

We can't always get you pop corn for the movie, or promise you will win the games, or ever get you a date for the banquet, but we do promise you fun and entertainment. The Social Committee of OBC has one of the most important roles in our college life; to break the monotony of the everyday routine; to provide something to expand the physical as well as the mental; to give a time of release and relaxation. How? Through the two major banquets in the fall and spring for the formal atmosphere; basketball games for grueling competition;

movies for enlightenment and entertainment, and parties for a casual affair.

The Social Committee is made up of the chairman, an adviser, and the interested students. It requires time to be spent in meetings, getting up early to prepare the spring and fall breakfasts before the other students arrive, extra time for preparing and being part of the entertainment, as well as cleaning up afterwards. It also requires much dedication from the members of the committee to bring these times of fellowship. Though it requires much from us, we enjoy doing it.—Waldon T. Winner, Jr.

Radio Committee

Oregon Bible College, in an effort to broaden the spectrum of learning for the student body, has branched out into radio broadcasting. This has been a joint effort of students and faculty. The work of the program was carried out by a committee consisting of Joe Martin, Dan Graham, Wally Winner, Bob Schrienk, and Russ Berry, and was under the supervision of Rachel Krogh.

At the present time, we are broadcasting through WRHL 1060 AM in Rochelle, Ill. Soon we hope to be broadcasting through a station in Dixon, Ill. There will be a possibility in the future for tapes to be sent to any church group requesting them for broadcasting in its own area of the country.

The program is fifteen minutes long, and consists of singing by various groups and a Bible-based message by one of the juniors or seniors of the Bible College. These messages are short (about ten minutes), so they have to be well planned and to the point. This effort was carried through under the direction of John Lewis in his preaching class for the juniors and seniors. On the whole the preaching class was rather nervous about this task, but they have done very well with their messages.



The first few programs were taped in Rochelle for later playback. This became very inconvenient, as Rochelle is located twenty miles from the College. In two separate chapel collections, enough money was obtained to buy a high-quality stereo tape recorder for use at the College.

May the Lord guide in this new work and bring his blessings upon it.—Bob Schrienk.

Gospel teams



New Life Singers

Through Christ we have abundant new life—life that can quench our soul's deep need. Like the woman at the well, all mankind is searching—for that certain something that can give happiness, satisfaction, and hope. The answer for mankind can be found only in Jesus Christ. This man and the new life he gives is the message of the New Life Singers.

During the school year the New Life Singers have traveled to five states and Canada. Under the direction of Sr. Rachel Krogh, Superintendent of Foreign Missions of the Church of God, we have presented programs in Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Fonthill, Canada. Our music is spirited and enthusiastic. We attempt to uplift the hearts of all who hear and encourage each to find the joy in knowing Christ as personal Saviour. Along with the music of new life, we also present messages and personal testimonies from the team members.

Members of this singing group are: Tim New, Larry Gaskill, Paula Bolhous, Kathy Jones, and Telva Lippert. The year of service has been an inspiration to each team member and we pray that every individual who heard our message might have been drawn closer to Christ Jesus and is enjoying the new life that only Christ can give.—Telva Lippert.



Brothers and Sisters

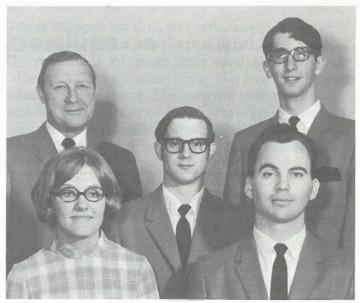
Young people today want to spread the Word of God just the same as anyone else. But for them to be real they want to tell of Christ in their own way. One of the new sounds being heard is that of religious folk music. The Brothers and Sisters are completing their second year of this type of music. Members of the

group are: Michal Burnett, Debbie Peters, Dave Graham, Dan Graham, and Joe Duncan.

During spring vacation we headed west, touring Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska.

Music is one of today's best ways to communicate and reach people. Music can display all the emotions that man feels; this is why a musical ministry is so important. As the Brothers and Sisters have traveled, their ministry has centered on the music they sing. Intermingled throughout the service are various testimonies and introductions to songs; in this way the congregation is given a musical sermon.

The primary theme used in the services of the Brothers and Sisters has been God's plan for man; beginning with Old Testament characters, to the New Testament, showing Christ as Saviour of the world. The services have ended with a look to the future and the last days before Christ's coming.—Joe Duncan.



Ambassadors

During spring vacation, the Ambassadors of Oregon Bible College went on a tour of eleven churches, singing and preaching the Word of God. The members of the group were Ellen Canfield, Norma Davis, Steve Knapp, Joe Martin, Dale Swartz, and Francis Burnett.

Services were presented in St. Louis, Mo.; Cleveland, Ark.; McGintytown, Ark.; Royal, Ark.; Baton Rouge, La.; Hammond, La. (Happy Woods); Blood River, La.; Little Rock, Ark. (Oak Grove); Little Rock, Ark. (New Hope); Eldorado, Ill.; and Casey, Ill.

The purpose of our tour was to contact some churches that are isolated by long distances from General Conference headquarters, and to spread the Word of God through our singing, testimonies, and sermonettes.

The trip was not all traveling and singing. We toured New Orleans; saw the French Quarter, the French Market, and walked along the wharf of the Mississippi River. We ate a picnic lunch at the Louisiana Conference campground, and in the afternoon we waded in a stream and rested on the bank of a creek behind the home of Joe Martin. While we traveled to Little Rock, we took a ride through the Vicksburg National Park in Mississippi. We also toured the city of Little Rock, Ark. So we did get some relaxation.

The tour was enjoyed by all, and we hope and pray that the people we met might have been drawn closer to God through our visit.—Dale H. Swartz.



Student pastors

Every year, year after year, it is the same old story. It is like a dove flying in the night, softly cooing for her mate that has been shot down by the hunter. The hunter is the world with its callings. The other call comes from the churches who have lost their pastors! The people cry out in need as though they had lost a mate. Some cry aloud; others silently; some not knowing what their need is. This year this great call was met,

inasmuch as was possible, by some students at OBC. There is a great shortage of ministers in our churches. We wish that this were not so, and, perhaps, through much prayer by many (including you), this can be changed. But in the meantime, seven students at OBC set aside time from their studies this year to work in some of our closer churches. These students were: Dave Cheatwood, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, Dale Swartz, Waldon Winner, John Railton, Joe Martin, and Paul Moore.

Dave has been driving to Saint Louis, Mo., every other week to fill the pulpit there. Vivian has been alternating with his father in preaching at Graytown, Wis. Dale has been filling in as needed at Rochelle and will be taking a full-time pastorate there in June. Waldon has been driving to New Lenox every week to preach the gospel there. John has been preaching on alternating weeks at Flagg Center. Joe and Paul accepted the East Oregon Church to work with this year.

Our purpose as student pastors is to help to fill man's greatest need. Preaching is only a small phase of our job. The work, at times, seems to be monumental. We need your help. Support your pastor with your prayers, to-day!—Paul Moore.



Student Council

Throughout this year, the Student Council has, as in the past, carried on the tradition of representing the students.

For social activities, the Student Council works through the Social Committee, and through this committee many activities have been planned and carried out.

Spiritually, the Council has also attempted to help the students grow. It strives to have a good spiritual atmosphere for all the students. Ways of attaining this are: special chapel services, at which time there are "singspirations" mixed with Student Council reports to the whole student body; also there are other organized special chapel services, such as the week of services immediately before Christmas vacation.

The Council is also involved with many academic affairs of the College. The Council has supported a series of films concerning Israel. From these films much knowledge was gained concerning Israel, not only about the past, but also present-day Israel, and the lives of the people there. Also, the Council, through the Radio Committee, has given the students opportunity to preach messages and sing gospel music to the public by organizing our present radio program. There has also been much done in getting all of the students involved in College activities.—Joe Martin, president.



HMF & FMF

Home & Foreign Mission Fellowships

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15) is our Great Commission as members of the Foreign and Home Mission Fellowships. These fellowships are clubs designed with the primary purpose of promoting missions and building up missionary zeal within Oregon Bible College and the Church of God.

The focus of the Foreign Mission Fellowship is on those fields in foreign lands outside the continental United States, while that of the Home Mission Fellowship is on those at home, with their local needs.

The Foreign Mission Fellowship has financially supported the radio work in the Philippine mission field.

Our main project this semester has been planning the Missionary Conference. In the past, the Missionary Conference has emphasized foreign missions. This year, because of the General Conference Jubilee Witnessing Crusade, both mission fellowships are working together to sponsor the foreign and home missions Conference announced in the following item.

We have benefited greatly from these fellowships, and it is our continual prayer that as "the Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, . . . that all will come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9).—Tim New.

1970 Missionary Conference - May 16

This year's Missionary Conference is being sponsored by both the Home and Foreign Mission Fellowships of Oregon Bible College. With the General Conference designating this year as the Golden Jubilee Witnessing Crusade we thought it advantageous to divide the Conference into two sections, home and foreign missions. The morning program will be dedicated to work in foreign missions. Our speaker is a veteran missionary to Mexico. She is Rachel Krogh, presently the Foreign Missions Director for the Church of God. Her understanding of missionary preparation and field work will be included in her talk, along with a description of the work being performed in our missionary fields.

Also in this session will be a movie on the lives of some missionaries who literally gave their lives for the sake of the gospel; an inspiring film that reveals an important lesson for each of us.

To aid the missionary work we are setting up a goal for giving at the Conference of \$600 to be divided equally among our missions for the advancement of their work. Come prepared to give!

Lunch will divide the two sessions.

Recognizing our responsibilities on the home front we will regroup to hear Dr. William Lawrence explain how we can be zealous witnesses for Jesus in our daily lives. He is well qualified to present such a message, having given his life to our Lord's service, witnessing even when he makes his rounds among his patients. Knowing his calling well, he puts it into action.

Following his presentation there will be two periods devoted to workshops in Christian service. Each individual will be given the opportunity to participate in two of the several workshops offered.

Song services and prayer sessions are also planned.

Cost for registration will be \$2.00 for the first person in a family and \$1.00 for each additional member over five years of age. Those under five will be admitted free.

Make plans now to attend!—John Carr.

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors Meets

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference held a meeting in Oregon, Ill., on May 1 and 2. Conference reports and recommendations that will be presented to the delegates at the 1970 Conference sessions were approved. These actions, together with the program and other miscellaneous information regarding the Conference, will appear in the June Progress Journal.

The seven members of the Board of Directors give much time and effort in attending meetings, corresponding regarding Conference business affairs, and in public relations for the Conference in speaking to churches and church groups regarding the Conference work. They each deserve our commendation.

1970 General Conference

Cabin reservations are coming in rapidly since the April issue of Progress Journal. If you plan to attend the conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19 to 24, we urge you to make your reservation. Let us know the number in your family, or in your party, that will want to stay together, and we will try to arrange the facility that will fit your need. We need to use almost every bed, so all cabins will need to be filled to near capacity. There are two dormitories available for those who do not want to stay in a family-type facility.

OBC Graduation

Oregon Bible College commencement exercises will be held at the Oregon Church of God on May 22, 1970, at 7:30 p.m. Carl Joseph Astolfi, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, and Henry Joseph Martin will receive their diplomas at that time. Bro. James Mattison of Maurertown, Va., will be the commencement speaker.

Bro. Kirkpatrick has accepted the pastorate at the Graytown, Wis., Church of God and Bro. Astolfi is already serving as pastor at the Morse Mill, Mo., Church, since he finished his academic studies the first semester. Bro. Martin is not yet committed to a pastorate. Remember these graduates in prayer as they begin their life's work in the Lord's service.

Home Missions

Many churches are conducting witnessing training sessions, carrying out planned witnessing programs, and presenting a real challenge to their membership. At least fifteen churches of the General Conference have passed the ten-percent-increase goal, and at least two have increased more than twenty percent. Praise the Lord!

Five churches are receiving assistance through the Pastoral Aid program. This program is most helpful to the smaller local church that is beginning a full-time pastorate. Mission Builders appeal number twenty-four for the remodeling of the Graytown, Wis., Church of God will be in the mail shortly.

Road Signs and Bumper Stickers

We still have several Conference emblem road signs available. These signs sell for \$6.50 each, postpaid when payment accompanies the order.

Bumper stickers advertising the Golden Jubilee are also available at two for twenty-five cents. Order yours now, and display them on your car, or in any way you can, to help publicize the Golden Jubilee of the Church of God General Conference.

Ministerial Conference

Fifty-two ministers of the Church of God General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., April 27 to May 1. This session replaced the former mid-winter Conference. It was a time of Bible study, devotions, fellowship, presentation of papers, and worship.

Conference Finances

It is a joy to report that the Goals for Giving were met in the month of April. We express our thanks and appreciation to all who have helped to make this possible. A special "thank you" goes to "A Brother and Sister" who made an especially fine contribution.

The membership of the Church of God is to be highly commended as much progress is being made. Several churches have building programs, some are going into full-time pastorates that in past years have had only a part-time ministry, and state conferences are launching out in more ambitious programs. Praise God for his goodness and blessings.

We solicit the continued concern of the membership in the months ahead as earnings do go down when college tuitions stop during the summer months.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969-September 30, 1970

\$99,000.00

 Goal for April
 \$ 8,651.00

 Given in April
 \$ 9,320.00

 To be given by September 30
 \$42,586.00

Goal for May \$8,517.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress "Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Mission Projects

Several months ago on this page we listed some special projects for the various mission fields. These projects have been well taken care of, and we want to thank you for responding with such enthusiasm.

Each month, \$1,385.00 is needed in the Mission Department to pay the regular salaries of the missionaries on the field. When the time comes each month to send the support, we sometimes find that there are not enough funds available, and so some of the missionaries may receive their money late. We would urge you to make this a project for your group during the following months. Emphasize the need to supply the regular monthly support of those overseas who are spreading the Word of God.

If your group would like to sponsor a particular missionary on a regular monthly basis, please write to us for the correct figures and more details.

Mission News

March 23-27 special pre-Easter services were conflucted by Bro. S. S. Manoah in the Bangalore, India, Church of God. Early Easter Sunday morning the following nine persons were immersed in the waters of baptism: Luke Balraj, Miss Mary Thangaraj, Miss Joyce Pomiah, Miss Saroja, Mrs. Esther Shanti, Mrs. Mary, Mrs. Ruth Nayagam, Mrs. Danabhagyana, and Mrs. Esther Thavamani. May God bless each one in the new life.

Bro. Raymond Brown, missionary in Digby, Nova Scotia, has recovered very rapidly after his recent auto accident, and we praise the Lord for this. He is no longer on crutches, but does use a cane. Work continues on the moving of the parsonage, and the Browns hope to be able to move in within two months.

Sr. Alice Aldrich and Sr. Aurelia Alvarez continue to work with the children in their home on Saturday mornings. Afternoon meetings are held for the adults on Sundays. It was felt best not to have meetings in the Francisco Martinez home since Sr. Martinez has tuberculosis. Bro. Martinez expresses appreciation for the prayers of the brethren and says that they are trusting the Lord to heal his wife.-Rachel Krogh.

Missions and the Sunday School

The work of the missionary never stands alone.

The work of the Missions Director never stands alone. The work of the Mission Department never stands

The work of either home or foreign missions is only a

part of an overall work that must "click" together, each part assisting and strengthening the other parts, that all may function effectively to the glory of God.

The Sunday school is second to none in assisting and strengthening the work and growth of our missionary effort. The Sunday school is not only the greatest evangelistic arm of the church, but is also the greatest educational force for missions-at home and abroad!

The Sunday school superintendent and the head of the missionary program of each church ought to work hand in hand for education in the cause of missions and a constant promotion program. This same cooperation should be evident on the district and national levels at all times.

As you plan your next missionary board or committee meeting, be sure your Sunday school superintendent is there—with the anticipation of seeing the integration of both programs. Thus everyone in the Sunday school could become enthused with a missionary spirit.

Maybe you think you can't do anything about the lack of missionary interest in your group. A church in the west dutifully collected food and clothing for the needy in its own community, and designated one Sunday each month for a mission project. Then they had a Sunday school contest and, to spark missions, they decided to do something concrete, novel, and timely. They decided to adopt a Korean orphan at a cost of \$125.00 for board and room. Their usual offering was much less than half of this, but on that Sunday during the contest, \$250.00 was received—enough to adopt a boy and a girl! The difference was made by a little "concentrated consecration" on how to be definite and interesting, and the cooperation of the mission and Sunday school departments.-E. Milon Hall, Superintendent of Sunday schools.

THE WORLD IS OUR FIELD



BYF NEWS



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

BYF and Oregon Bible College

We, as leaders in the Church of God General Conference and the Berean Youth Conference, know that many who enroll in Oregon Bible College are influenced by the Berean Youth Conference. This does not mean that the main emphasis of the Berean Youth Conference is toward Oregon Bible College. It is not. Those who have worked on the staff will verify this. But that which is emphasized is fervent and zealous Christian living and service. Through this kind of program in the BYF Conference, the young people are led to see the need of sound Christian education. They also are led to the conviction of wanting to give their lives in full-time Christian service. May I say again, this does not come through a specific class or workshop.

Recognition has been given Oregon Bible College during the BYF Conference week. It has been done in different ways. Some years, there has been a college night program. In such a program, one of the faculty members would have an important part, as well as former OBC students. In 1969 there was an information slip filled out by each one attending BYF Conference. In this year's program, we plan to have a booth where someone will give out brochures and information. There have been two or three who have acted as career counselors during the last four or five years. What is the purpose of a career counselor? It is not to "brainwash" the camper with information that he or she must attend Oregon Bible College in order to have a good and useful life. It is to help that young person to relate his life to college education-the kind of education that will be the most useful. In some instances, a camper has, through such counseling, definitely decided to attend Oregon Bible College.

One important feature each year of the BYF Conference, is the OBC competitive test. It is open to any post-high student attending the camp. The camper receiving the highest score is given a \$175.00 scholarship to OBC.

It surely is the understanding of most members of the Church of God that Oregon Bible College is the strength of the future church. This being our understanding, we will continue to encourage our young people to consider further Christian education and full-time Christian service. Oregon Bible College gives each student the opportunity to serve Christ in a practical way. This experience is invaluable preparation for Christian life work, regardless of the vocation chosen. We believe parents owe it to their children to think of OBC.

E. Milon Hall, Editor

Test Yourself

What do you know of the qualifications and standards of the Sunday school superintendent?

I. Spiritual

- 1. The spiritual standards of the S.S. Supt. should be that of: A. Deacon..... B. Elder M. C. Layman.....
- 2. Who should have the highest spiritual oversight over the Sunday school pupil? A. S.S. Supt...... B. Pastor..... C. Teacher..... D. Parent.X...
- 3. Who should have the second highest spiritual oversight over the Sunday school pupil? A. S.S. Supt...... B. Pastor..... C. Teacher D. Parent......
- 4. How often should you expect your S.S. Supt. to pray for you as a S.S. student? A. Never..... B. Seldom..... C. Often. D. Studiously..... E. Continuously..... F. Daily.....
- 5. Number in the order of practical reading value that these should be to the S.S. Supt.: A. Newspaper. B. Bible...I.. C. Christian periodicals..... D. S.S. quarterlies. E. Restitution Herald and Progress Journal. F. Christian books. S... (In which do YOU spend the most time?)
- 6. For his own edification, and as an example, how often should the S.S. Supt. be expected to attend:

	Worship a.m.	Worship p.m.	Midweek Serv.
Occasionally?			
When convenient?			
Every week?	X		

II. Personality

Of these character traits and attitudes, how would you number them as to importance in the S.S. Supt.? A. Extrovert. J. B. Cheerfulness. C. Tact. D. Dedication. E. Patience. F. Love. J. G. Enthusiasm. H. Loyalty. E. Sincerity. J. Trustworthiness. K. Friendliness. L. Kindness. J.

III. Habits and Practice

How would you rate the successful S.S. Supt.? (Several could have the same rating, 1 through 5.) A. Bible reading..... B. Prayer..... C. Church attendance..... D. Prayer Meeting..... E. Visit members..... F. Visit teachers..... G. Try new ideas..... H. Plans future..... I. Attends: Church board meeting..... S.S. board meeting..... Church socials..... State & national conferences..... Nearby S.S. conventions.....

This evaluation survey can be equally valuable to the Sunday school as to the superintendent. It would be well for the superintendent to review these from time to time, and if he truly want to improve let him ask his pastor, elders, and maybe some members how they answered these questions. (Fill it out carefully and prayerfully, yours may ask you.)

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 3-June 28—National Sunday School Contest.

May 15-17—Minnesota Junior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

May 17—Fourth Anniversary, Faith Chapel, Lafayette, Ind., Curtis Simpson, guest speaker.

May 29-31—Annual May Meeting, Fonthill, Ont., C. E. Randall, speaker.

June 11-14—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at McGintytown Church, Greenbrier, Ark.

June 11-14—Minnesota State Conference, Long Lake Camp, John Hearp, speaker.

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21—Annual Illinois Conference at Oregon.

June 21-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.

June 26-28-Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.

June 27—Indiana Conference annual business meeting at Burr Oak.

June 28-July 3-Minnesota Junior Camp on Long Lake, Eden Valley.

July 4-5-Missouri Quarterly Conference at Fredericktown.

July 5-11-Missouri State Youth Camp.

July 5-11—Minnesota Senior Camp, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

July 16-19—Iowa State Conference at Waterloo. Richard Smith, guest speaker; Raymond Brown, music director.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-31—International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 11-16—Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

Aug. 12-16—Central High Plains Conference at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.

Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Sept. 11-14—Minnesota Fall Youth Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Sept. 25-27—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Oct. 9-10—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

BAPTISMS AT GARDEN PARK Grand Rapids, Michigan

On April 5, 1970, Karen and Sandy McClain, and Kim Harbison were baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins. We are happy to welcome these three into the body of Christ.

David Krogh, pastor.

BAPTISM AT WHITNEL, N.C.

Mrs. Chester Mikeal came forward and accepted Jesus Christ as her Saviour, and was baptized by the writer on March 4, 1970. With great joy we welcome this mother and her children into the fellowship of the people of God.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

On March 28, 1970, Gerald Miller and his daughter Charlotte were baptized into the body of Christ by the writer. The whole church at Tempe rejoices in their decision. This now brings their family into the household of faith, along with Jerry's wife Betty.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT HARLINGEN, TEXAS

It was our privilege on March 21, 1970, to baptize Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Williams into the saving name of Jesus for remission of sins. Mr. and Mrs. Williams live in New Madrid, Mo., Rt. 1, Box 152, and were visiting relatives in Harlingen, and attending our services. We pray the blessing and guidance of God upon them until Jesus comes.

Harry Goekler, pastor.

ACCEPTS PASTORATE

Bro. David Cheatwood, a junior at Oregon Bible College, will pastor the Lombard, Ill., Church of God beginning June 7, 1970. He and his family will live in the parsonage there, at 21 W 251 North Av, Lombard 60148. He will continue his studies at OBC this fall, commuting from Lombard.

BAPTISM AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

On March 22, 1970, we baptized Philip A. Yahle. The brethren rejoice that Philip has accepted Christ, and pray for him as he walks in newness of life.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISM AT FONTHILL, ONTARIO

Mark Napper of Hamilton, Ont., was baptized into Christ on March 29, 1970, by Pastor Emory Macy. Mrs. Emory Macy, reporter.

BAPTISM AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mrs. Mildred Workman was immersed in the name of Christ for remission of sins April 26, 1970. We welcome her into God's redeemed family and into our local fellowship.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

JUBILEE SONG WRITING CONTEST

The desirability of having an official Jubilee song for the fiftieth anniversary of the Church of God General Conference has been expressed by several. It could be used at the Jubilee General Conference, Youth Conference, state and district conferences, and in the churches.

June 15, 1970, has been set as the deadline for the contest. Entries should be sent to: Song Contest, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Entries will be judged by an impartial panel on the basis of originality, appropriateness, and singability; with technical skill also being considered.

Let's sing our Jubilee! Enter the contest!

CHURCH NEWS, MACOMB, ILL.

Albert Lee and Dorthea Allen were united in marriage April 4, 1970. Bro. Warren Sorenson performed the ceremony. We pray the Lord's blessing upon them.

Congratulations to Cindy Brown and Randy Bainter. They were united in marriage on April 4, 1970. May the Lord be close to them.

The Brothers and Sisters gospel team from OBC presented musical and spiritual thoughts on March 27, 1970. The evening was very inspirational.

March 8-13 Bro. John Denchfield conducted Christian witness training classes. There was an enrollment of 49 persons, with an average attendance of 22. Previous to Bro. Denchfield's classes Bro. Sorenson conducted witness training sessions on Wednesday evenings. On Thursday nights those attending classes put into effect what they had learned.

Attendance for Easter services was 210; our goal was 200. Thanks be to God for helping us reach our goal. Bette Potts, church reporter.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Jimmy Pulsifer (Nova Scotia), Ronald Harrison (Nova Scotia), Mrs. Harold Grant, Alma Schutz, Jean Schutz, Lynn Kirkpatrick, Ewald Schoenharr, Grace Brossard, Mrs. Beatrice Maxwell, Irvin Verplank, Mrs. Irvin Verplank, Russell Blomker, Mrs. Russell Blomker, Mrs. Harold E. Swanson, Mrs. Harold Blomker, and Gaylia Blomker.



Systematic Bible Study Course consists of twenty-nine lessons arranged in a systematic way to provide a thorough, basic understanding of the Bible. The only textbook necessary is the Bible, used with the attractively printed, interestingly written lessons. Here is a helpful way to study the Bible in your own home and at your own convenience without obligation.

WRITE NOW TO:



OREGON, ILLINOIS 61061

STORY - SMITH

Charlene Story and Donald Smith were united in holy wedlock by the writer on March 21, 1970, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Story, in Cozad, Neb. Charlene is a member of the Holbrook Church of God. May the Lord's richest blessings go with this couple in their life together.

James Rencontre, pastor.

KINDER - BARNETT

On March 20, 1970, in a ceremony at the Holbook Church of God, Nancy Kinder of Cambridge, Neb., and Vaughn Barnett of Cozad, Neb., were united in marriage by the writer. Nancy is the daughter of Charles Kinder, and the late Mrs. Kinder, of Cambridge. Vaughn is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Barnett of Cambridge, and has always attended the Holbrook church. James Rencontre, pastor.

NOVA SCOTIA NEWS Herman Reed Gray

Bro. Herman Gray fell asleep in death March 10, 1970, at the age of 56.

Bro. Gray was a member of Lighthouse Church of God, and held office as elder and deacon for a number of years. He leaves his wife, two children, one step-son, and four grandchildren. He was laid to rest in Brighton cemetery to await the sound of the trumpet.

Chester Edward Sullivan

Bro. Chester Sullivan fell asleep in death on March 9, 1970, at the age of 39.

Bro. Sullivan was baptized into Christ in 1967 by Bro. John Denchfield, and was a member of Lighthouse Church of God. He leaves his father and four sisters. He was laid to rest in Brighton cemetery to await the coming of the Lord.

Hersey - Comeau

On March 21, 1970, Bro. Raymond Brown united in marriage Judy Hersey and Frederick Comeau. Judy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hersey of Culloden, and Fred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Comeau of Digby. We pray God's blessing on this young couple as they start their life together.

Pat Handspiker, Sec.

5.00 Southlawn S.S. Classes

MRS. VERNA E. LINDSAY

Mrs. Verna E. Lindsay was born at Ripley, Ill., and died April 17, 1970, at Phoenix, Ariz., at the age of 82.

Sr. Lindsay, along with her husband William and her family moved to Tempe, Ariz., in 1946. She was a lifelong member of the Church of God, and will be missed.

Sr. Lindsay was preceded in death by her husband. She is survived by two daughters: Mrs. Clarence E. Johnson of Tempe, and Mrs. Robert P. Watson of Dallas, Tex.; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Harry Wood, and a sister, Mrs. Don Mumford, both of Tempe.

Interment took place at Phoenix, Ariz., where she awaits the resurrection call of the Lee McQuinn, officiant.

MRS, JAMES ROWEN

Anne Lenore Rowen was born January 31, 1920, at Beaman, Ia., to Nettie and Oscar Nichols. She died March 24, 1970, at Eldora, Ia.

She was married on April 1, 1940, to James Rowen.

As a young girl Lenore was baptized into the Church of God by Bro. Almus Adams. She continued strong in faith, being diligent to pass that faith to her husband and daughters. She was longsuffering and patient, and showed great courage during her lingering illness.

She was preceded in death by her father. She is survived by her husband, her two daughters, Melissa and Susan, and her mother, all of Eldora; also by a brother, Richard Nichols, of Sunnyvale, Cal.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Linford W. Moore, and burial was at Eldora.

Mr. & Mrs. Wilber Coulter

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CONTRIBUTORS IN APRIL

The following persons and groups supported the work of the Church of God General Conference in missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, Berean Youth Fellowship, Sunday school activities, and general services in April. We are grateful for this manifestation of faith.

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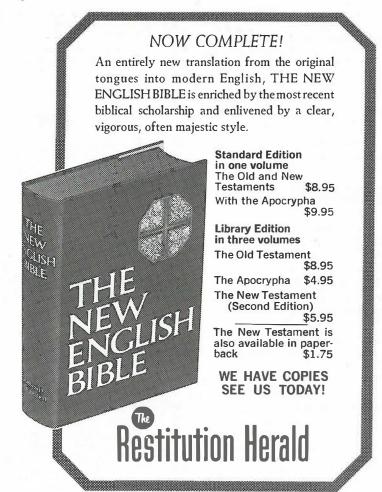
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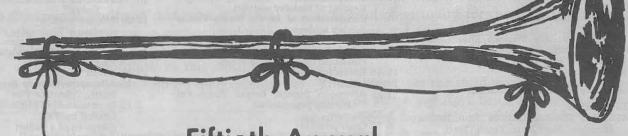
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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: Jubilee, a Time for Rejoicing

Conference Workers:

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 19

2:00 Registration begins

5:30 Supper

7:30 Evening Worship, Musicale, Eugene and Janet Stilson

8:45 Chairman's reception

10:30 Lights out

Monday, July 20, Sunday School Day

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Paul Hatch; Ministers: Scott Ross; Youth: Terri Driskill; Priscillas: Charlotte Mattison)

9:00 Adult Bible Class: Hollis Partlowe, "Two Sons and the Vineyard"

Youth Class: Lee McQuinn, "Social Responsibility in the Home"

Sunday School Supt. Class: Joyce Knapp Sunday School Teachers' Class: E. Milon Hall

Children's classes
Ministers' meeting
Priscillas' meeting
10:00 Youth Class: John Lewis,
"Spiritual Growth"

10:00 First Business Session

Welcome by the Chairman Seating of the delegates

Introduction of new delegates and delegations

Communications

Chairman's message to the delegates Question period on written reports of committees and boards

Report on activities of the Board of Directors

Financial report

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Willis Turner, "White Already to Harvest"

2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions: Applying the message of "White Already to Harvest" to each age group, teacher, and worker.

1) Beginners and Primary, Doris Brown

2) Juniors, David Krogh3) Teen-agers, Michael Mattison 4) Adults, Kent Ross

3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Worship Service, Raymond Brown, song leader; Rex Cain, speaker, "Come Rejoice With Me"

10:30 Lights out

Tuesday, July 21

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Louis Cronbaugh; Ministers: Dale Ward; Youth: Terry Kirkpatrick; Priscillas: Peggy Ross.

9:00 Adult Bible Class, Ellsworth Routson, "The Perfect Man"

Youth class, Michael Mattison, "Social Responsibility in the School

Children's classes Ministers' meeting Priscillas' meeting

10:00 Youth Class, Dennis Baldwin, "Youth in Witnessing"

10:00 Business Session

Reading of Monday minutes Consideration of Berean Youth Fellow-

ship business Sunday School Department business

Election of two Sunday school directors Publishing Department business

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Service, Berean Youth Fellowship presentation

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Service, Kent Ross, song leader; Harry Goekler, speaker, "Joy in the Harry Goekler, speaker, Hope of Christ's Coming"

10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, July 22

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Norvald Sogge; Ministers: James Graham; Youth: Michael Brown; Priscillas: Mary Mickey)

9:00 Adult Bible class, Donald Needham, "A Working Religion"

Youth class, Roger Denchfield, "Social Responsibility in Your Community"

Children's classes Ministers' meeting Priscillas' meeting

10:00 Youth class: James Mickey, "Moral Values'

10:00 Business Session

Reading of Tuesday minutes Nomination for three directors Mission Department business Election of Mission Board director

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, C. F. Pryor, "Is There Any Word From the Lord?"

2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
1) Puppets and Marionettes in Sunday School and Youth Work, Ruth Moore Misused Bible Texts, Francis Burnett

Tithing Emphasis, Cecil Patrick Sensitivity to Need, Dallas Demmitt

5) Christian Witness Follow-up, Warren Sorenson

3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Worship Service, Roy Humphreys, song leader; J. R. LeCrone, speaker, "The Glorious Liberty of the Children of God"

9:00 Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association meeting, C. E. Randall, chairman

10:30 Lights out

Thursday, July 23

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: John Hayse; Ministers: Linford Moore; Youth: Dennis Clark; Priscillas: Walcie Kirkpatrick) 9:00 Adult Bible class, C. E. Randall,

"Marginal Christianity" Youth class, Richard Dick, "A Chris-

tian's Practical Responsibility" Children's classes

Ministers' meeting
Priscillas' meeting
10:00 Youth class, Michael Hale, "Drug Abuse Today"

10:00 Business Session Reading of Wednesday minutes Election of three directors Oregon Bible College business

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, E. Richard Smith, "Shrub or Tree"

2:15 Continuation of Business Session General business Adoption of a budget

3:30 Adjournment

5:30 Supper—Old-fashioned outdoor picnic 7:00 Evening Service, Installation of Officers; Pageant: "Church of God General Conference in Progress," Jubilee Committee; Communion Service, Gerald L. Cooper, C. E. Lapp

10:30 Lights out

Friday, July 24

7:00 United Prayer Service

7:30 Breakfast

9:00 Camp should be vacated

JUBILEE GENERAL CONFERENCE

This is the Fiftieth Annual Conference of the Church of God, headquarters at Oregon, Illinois. The organizational conference was held at Waterloo, Iowa (a sister city of Cedar Falls), August 28 to September 3, 1921.
This Conference will feature many special

events to commemorate the occasion. One is a pageant on Thursday evening in charge of the Jubilee Committee.

The Annual General Conference is a time of Christian fellowship, prayer, devotion, classes, sharing sessions, messages, and the conducting of the Lord's business.

We hope that every church and every state conference is represented and that this will be the finest conference ever held.

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Annual Report of the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors

This report of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference was approved at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors in Oregon, Ill., May 1, 1970. The report is presented here so that delegates to the 1970 General Conference business sessions (July 19-24, 1970, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa) will have opportunity to study it and form opinions and seek suggestions from the church or state conference whom they will represent.

This report covers the first eight months of the current fiscal year. The activities which occur between now and General Conference time will be reported orally at Conference. The progress and activities of the several departments are reported herein and some comments and observations of the work as a whole are also included.

We feel that much progress has been made in most areas of the Conference work and that most churches have had a very real experience in witnessing during this Jubilee Witnessing Crusade year. We trust that much more will be accomplished in the remaining months of this year and we praise God for his goodness and blessings upon us all.

Berean Youth Department

Bro. Francis E. Burnett became director for this department on September 1, 1969. He had been working closely during the months previously with the former director, Bro. Paul Shaw.

The activities of the Youth Department continue to be many, with an addition or two being made through action of the youth in their delegate meetings at the Youth Conference, Challenge is printed bi-monthly. It is our purpose to help the young people to find in this youth magazine many valuable helps that will aid them in their lives today. We hope that Challenge is sent into every home of the Church of God where there are young people. It is sent in addition to any young person who attends the BYF meetings. Bro. Kent Ross, Grand Rapids, Mich., is editor. We thank Bro. Ross and many contributors for the fine work they do. A Youth Worker's Memo and a Newsletter are published and sent out bi-monthly. The Memo is mailed to all youth leaders, pastors, and youth presidents. The Newsletter is mailed to all young people on our mailing list. Also printed in our department are the Senior and Junior Berean Lesson Manuals. Editors for the senior manual are Bros. David Krogh and Michael Mattison. Editors for the junior manual are Bro. and Sr. Russell Magaw.

Again, we would like to thank these editors and their helpers for the fine work they do.

These past several months we have been trying to bring our mailing list up to date. May we emphasize to you in the words of Bro. T. M. Ferrell, that the mailing list is the "lifeline" of our work. We want to thank you for your cooperation.

At the 1969 Berean Youth Conference, the young people voted to purchase T-shirts. These have been ordered and you will be seeing many of them at the conferences. It is a fine garment and one way to advertise the Bereans.

A Berean Youth Caravan will be going to Digby, Nova Scotia, in August. The members will be helping to conduct a vacation Bible school. Your director will be speaking each night and on Sundays for the Maritime Conference, which will be the same week. This is a wonderful opportunity for these young people to be able to serve and to help others. A sum of \$500.00 is allocated in the General Conference budget towards this trip.

Youth Week was the third week of March, with the months of March and April being Jubilee Coin Crusade months. There was much participation. At the time of this writing, it is impossible to make a knowledgeable report. Youth Week and the time for the Coin Crusade are matters determined by the young people in their delegate sessions during the Youth Conference.

The Berean Youth Conference continues to be one of the major items of interest in the Berean work. The 1969 Conference with the theme: "Now is the Time," is still being remembered by those who attended. Plans are completed for the 1970 BYF Conference. The theme is: "They Came Rejoicing." We are anticipating the number of campers to be the largest ever in this the Jubilee year. There will be a staff of approximately 45 adults. Several functions of the Conference are stimulating and very worthwhile. The contests, under the supervision of Bro. Jim Mickey, bring much excitement. The Bible quiz is invigorating to those who take part and those who watch and listen. Several teams are preparing for the 1970 conference. The speech contestants of 1969 were excellent. We anticipate those of 1970 to be equally so. Each year a competitive test is given for post-high students that the one receiving the highest score may receive a \$175.00 scholarship to Oregon Bible College. The 1969 winner was Miss Telva Lippert. Enthusiasm is always high during BYF Conference week among both campers and the staff. There



Church of God General Conference Board of Directors: (left to right) Dean Urish, vice-chairman; Vernis D. Wolfe; C. Jesse Pestle, secretary; Wayne Laning; William D. Lawrence, chairman; Dwaine Demmitt, treasurer; and Delbert A. Jones.

are two sets of slides of the 1969 BYF Conference being circulated among the churches. These help to give a brief picture of life during Youth Conference.

As Bro. Alva Huffer has said, "We have some of the finest young people in the world in the Church of God." With this we wholeheartedly agree. They are to be commended for the zeal they have in wanting to do their part in the work of the Church of God General Conference.

Sunday School Department

At a General Conference Board session last fall, it was agreed that a part-time Superintendent of Sunday Schools would be hired for the year. E. Milon Hall was selected and has been working in this capacity, as well as chairman of the Sunday School Board. At the same time, he has maintained his work as editor of the Teen-age Quarterly and of Sunday School Scope in Progress Journal.

Often in the work of the church, and especially in reference to the work of the General Conference, it is said, "Why don't they do this or that for the promotion of the Lord's work?" It must be remembered that the extent of the work of the Sunday School Board and that of the superintendent must be limited to the principles of persuasion, influence, promotion, instruction, and prayerful inspiration, and these only in an advisory capacity.

Your Sunday School Board met November 8, 1969, January 17, 1970, and April 4, 1970; and, after much prayer, discussion, and deliberation, evolved a working program for it and the Sunday schools. One development that has evolved from these sessions is that the Sunday School Board must work more closely with the individual superintendents. The Lord willing, this work will be multiplied within the next year. The Sunday school contest held during May and June of this year was an outcrop of this Board's deliberation. Also, it was their privilege to plan and program the first day of the 1970 General Conference, calling it Sunday School Day.

The following recommendation was presented to the General Conference Board November 12, 1969: "We,

the National Sunday School Board, after having studied in considerable detail the Sunday school publications of the Church of God General Conference and weighed them as to content and subject matter, aims and commentary, arrangement of copy, and the neglect of certain teaching material necessary to well-rounded Christian life, feel that some definite action should be taken to improve these publications. It is further thought that since for two years there has been a Council of Christian Education, that specific, immediate steps should be taken to begin to use this department of the General Conference in a positive and definite way for the improvement of our entire curriculum-content, especially as it applies to the Sunday school material."

Following this Executive Board meeting, a committee was appointed to offer suggested revision in the Beginners and Primary quarterlies. The Council of Christian Education, composed of Warren Sorenson, Eugene Stilson, Charles Pryor, Enid Maddock, Barbara Harvey, and Milon Hall, was to consider the revision of the Adult and Teen-age quarterlies.

The Sunday School Board is made up of Willis Turner, Bernard Hightower, Joyce Knapp, and E. Milon Hall, Superintendent of Sunday Schools.

Publishing Department

The Publishing Department is headed by Editor T. M. Ferrell, and is responsible for the publishing of The Restitution Herald, Progress Journal. Truth Seeker's Quarterlies, Systematic Theology, Songs of Truth, Challenge, the Superintendents' and Workers' Manual, Systematic Bible Study Course, vacation Bible school materials, tracts, booklets, special bulletin covers, bulletin inserts, and promotional materials. It also takes care of orders for Bibles, concordances, and books; and all textbooks and library books for Oregon Bible College. Bro. Paul Johnson is Associate Editor.

About 2,200 copies of The Restitution Herald are sent out each month; about the same number as before the Berean campaign. This includes copies to individual subscribers, and for use in racks. About 1,500 extra copies of the special Get-Acquainted Issue were sold.

The direct printing costs for The Herald, but not including editorial, paste-up, or mailing costs, is about \$7,000.00 per year. Income is about \$6,000.00 per year, so, contributions of about \$1,000.00 are needed to pay the printing cost alone. There is no accurate way of apportioning editorial and other costs in preparing The Herald, as personnel perform other services. The direct printing costs for eleven issues of Progress Journal amount to about \$4,300.00. This publication is sent without charge to all members, so is totally supported by contributions. About 3,850 copies are printed each month. As you can see, a total of about \$5,300.00 in contributions is needed each year to pay direct printing costs for these two publications.

If these two publications were combined and sent without subscription to all member families, about \$4,000.00 in additional contributions would be required. There would be some saving in editorial and other preparation costs; a saving in postage; and other savings in the mailing department due to the elimination of notices of expiration and processing renewals.

An attempt would need to be made to impress upon readers of the magazine the cost of good print, and the value of the message of God through the printed page. It could be expected that many of those receiving the magazine would pay for it by contribution, and help pay for those who do not respond. (The subscription list would need to be "weeded" occasionally, to overcome waste.)

If this plan were adopted, it is hoped thereby that some of the weaknesses of our present system might be overcome, and that the distinctive message of the Bible as taught by the Church of God might be disseminated more widely than at present.

Much credit is due the editors and writers of Truth Seeker's Quarterlies. About 8,000 copies are sent out each quarter. Many hours of study, writing, and preparation go into each issue. The present editors are: Beginners: Genniel Anderson; Primary: Doris Brown and Amy Lou Schaefer; Junior: Ruth Lewis; Teen-age: Milon and Joan Hall; and Adult: J. R. LeCrone.

The vacation Bible school material for 1970—"God Speaks Through Holy Men"—was edited by Irene Sorenson, with artwork by Lois Worley. About 3,000 students' books and 500 teachers' books were printed. This five-lesson course is the first in the ten-year cycle, and considerable revision was made. This material is being considered objectively, with an attempt to make it the best black-and-white we can produce, and Biblically correct. We thank Srs. Sorenson and Worley for their work, and our churches which are faithful in using our own material.

While we remain at a disadvantage cost-wise because of the size of our church—this has been true since the inception of our printing ministry—we feel strongly

that the message we believe and herald is worth the effort and outlay. God promises us that his Word shall not return to him void, but shall accomplish that which pleases him, and shall prosper in its purpose. (Isa. 55:11.) May we be faithful in sending it forth!

Foreign Missions Report

The Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference is made up of five members. Superintendent of Foreign Missions, Rachel Krogh, is chairman of the Board, and the elected members are: Warren Sorenson, Lee McQuinn, Merle Patrick, and Mardy Lawrence, secretary. The Board has met twice during the year, in addition to meetings during General Conference, and has carried on much correspondence.

During the year the membership has received bulletin insert sheets which have carried information and promotion of the mission work. Each month the Missions Page has appeared in Progress Journal, also bringing news of the activities in the various fields.

The third annual Missionary Conference, sponsored by the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College, was held in Oregon, Ill., in May. Local and statewide missionary conferences were also held in various churches during the year.

The mission work in Mexico lost two of its workers in the past year when Sr. Rachel Krogh left to assume the position of Superintendent of Foreign Missions and Bro. Dean Moore found it necessary to seek secular employment in Texas. Bro. Francisco Martinez and his family continue to work in Saltillo with Sr. Alice Aldrich and Sr. Aurelia Alvarez. In addition to Sunday school in the Martinez home, classes for the children are conducted on Saturday mornings and for the adults on Sunday afternoons in Sr. Aldrich's home. There is a great need for a missionary couple to enter the work in Mexico.

In Lebanon, regular services are held in the capital city, Beirut. In addition, groups are meeting in another Lebanese town and in Madaba, Jordan. Many students from fourteen Arab countries are enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course which Bro. Jamal Sunna'a has translated into Arabic, and students in Egypt have invited him there for more study. Money was contributed by the United States brethren to provide a legal recognition permit for the church in Beirut.

Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah continue to carry on the work in Bangalore, India. Regular services are conducted in the Thomas Town Church as well as in Wilson Gardens where they meet in a home. Bro. Manoah has trained several of the men in his congregation, and they have been a help to him in the church services. The youth and the women of the church, as well as Bro. Manoah, have had opportunities to reach into new areas with the gospel in recent months. (more)

During 1969 communication was lost with our brethren in Nigeria due to the war there. In the fall of the year we began hearing from them again, and many of the people who had been detained, including Bro. A. A. Obot, were released. At the present time, there still seems to be some uncertainty regarding the personnel in Nigeria, and until this is clarified, we will not be sending the regular support which had been resumed in early 1970.

Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown are in their third year of service at the Lighthouse Mission, Digby, Nova Scotia. In August, 1969 Bro. and Sr. E. Richard Smith were guest workers at the second Maritime Conference and Bible School, and plans are being made for the BYF youth caravan to be there for the third conference in August, 1970. The Digby brethren are assuming more financial responsibility and are presently in the process of providing a parsonage.

In the Philippine Islands, Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero continues to lead the work of God there. Each week he speaks on the radio broadcast which is being sponsored by the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College. In addition to Bro. Ortiguero and Sr. Rizalina Aguinaldo, who help in all the churches, there are six ministers who pastor the seven churches. Bro. Bonifacio Gabanes, who served as pastor of the Uddiawan Church for a time, is no longer working with the Philippine Church of God.

Bro. Oliver Amani in Jasikan, Ghana, started several Bible study groups after Bro. Lee McQuinn's visit there in 1967. In the fall of 1969 Bro. Amani and seventeen others were immersed into Christ and began to rent a meeting place. Several tracts have been translated and distributed.

From other parts of Ghana we receive many requests from young people for Bibles and other literature. In the city of Cape Coast a man is studying his second correspondence course from Oregon Bible College. Inquiries also come to us from other parts of the world.

We are thankful to God for all the opportunities that are open to us, and we express our thanks to the membership for your prayer support and financial help in all these endeavors.

Home Missions Department

The Home Missions work of the Church of God General Conference is administered under the direction of S. O. Ross and the Mission Board of the General Conference. During this Witnessing Crusade year literature and helps have been provided monthly, some bulletin insert sheets have been written to emphasize the crusade, and several training sessions and missionary institutes have been conducted. Most churches in the conference have conducted some type of witnessing

program and many churches have attained the goal of a ten percent increase in attendance.

Happy Woods Church at Hammond, La., and the Graytown, Wis., Church of God have received Mission Builders assistance during this year. The Graytown appeal was for an addition to the former church and the Happy Woods appeal was for the construction of a new building at a new location.

Five local congregations have received Pastoral Aid this year. This program has been of great assistance to help small churches carry on full-time pastorates. The churches in this program have generally shown good growth and stability in the five years covered by the program.

We praise God for the many doors of opportunity provided the Church of God and we are thankful for those churches that have recognized these opportunities and have reached many for Christ in this witnessing year.

Oregon Bible College

Oregon Bible College is completing its thirty-first year as an institution of higher education for the Church of God General Conference. It is dedicated to the task of educating young men and women for the high calling of Christian service. Prayers and faithful support by its many friends enable the College to accomplish its purpose and to experience continued growth in future years.

The 1969-1970 academic year began last September with an enrollment of thirty-eight students. Thirty-six of these were full-time; two were part-time students. Thirty-four students were enrolled for the second semester. We have had a wonderful student body. There has been an excellent atmosphere characterized by dedication and cooperation. Three seniors were graduated on May 22,1970: Carl Joseph Astolfi, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, and Henry Joseph Martin.

Administration and faculty during the year included: Alva G. Huffer, President, instructor and Chairman of the Board of Education; John R. Lewis, Administrative Vice-President, Registrar and Director of Admissions, and instructor; Eugene E. Stilson, Director of Christian Service, Library Director, and instructor; Stanley O. Ross, Director of Business Affairs, and instructor in missions; Francis E. Burnett, Dean of Students and part-time instructor; Charles Pryor, Counseling Consultant; and Rachel Krogh, Dallas Demmitt, and Ruth Lewis, part-time instructors.

The staff included also: Edith Eades, men's housemother; Elna Ross, women's housemother; Nora Anderson, Helen Pryor, Margene Rager, Myrle Claussen, Shilah Richmond, and others who served in the cafeteria.

Charles Pryor is serving as Counseling Consultant. He is doing an excellent work. This program is an important forward step. Having his Masters Degree, he is now working on his Ph.D. Degree in Guidance and Counseling at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb. He is also a member of the Board of Education. He took part in the orientation program, attended faculty meetings, and initiated a program of counseling interviews with all freshmen. He spent every Tuesday, and often other days, at the College and counseled with other students in addition to freshmen. During the year, he had group sessions with juniors and seniors on Sunday afternoons. During our four-weeks spring session, he taught a Pastoral Counseling Seminar for upperclassmen with the assistance of Dallas Demmitt and John Lewis.

Professional development of faculty members continues. John Lewis and Eugene Stilson are both enrolled in Master Degree programs at Northern Illinois University. They anticipate completion about one year from now. Alva Huffer is nearing conclusion of work on his Doctor of Philosophy Degree in the Administration of Higher Education at Arizona State University. During the year Francis Burnett has taken courses at Arizona State University and Northern Illinois University.

Another major forward step has been the systematic evaluation and building of our college library. Educators know that the library is the heart of any college and is one of the measures of its academic excellence. Eugene Stilson serves as Library Director. A year ago he made investigations at Wheaton College and Northern Illinois University concerning procedures for building college library resources. He has been surveying our needs and is adding books needed to support our curriculum and to meet the specific objectives of our College. He is using Church of God scholars in various parts of the country to assist in certain aspects of the on-going program. We have about 6,000 books in our library; our goal is to attain 10,000 volumes in the near future. Friends of our College continue to contribute funds to buy needed books. The Board of Education continues to give special emphasis to the purchase of books through the Booster campaign.

The College is following a new academic calendar which includes three sessions: fall semester, winter semester, and spring session. The fall semester began September 4 and concluded December 19, before Christmas vacation. The winter semester began January 5 and concluded April 24, before Ministerial Conference. The spring session began April 27 and continued four weeks, until May 22. Everyone seems to like this arrangement and can visualize many benefits. We have since discovered that some other Bible Colleges also follow this 4-4-1 plan. Several special courses were offered during the special spring session: Pastoral Counseling Seminar, Archaeology II, Misused Texts,

Teaching Media, and Evangelism. These courses are open to anyone who would like to come for the session.

Oregon Bible College offers programs of studies leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible, with a choice of three minors: Pastoral Studies; Missions; and Christian Education. Each of these three programs includes a major in the Bible and theology, with a minimum of 58 semester hours required in the major field. Each program requires courses in general education and a minimum of 15 semester hours in the professional minor.

The College offers Extension Courses taught by OBC faculty members in various selected geographical areas. Tuition is charged; courses may be taken for college credit, or without credit. Scheduling of classes involves flexibility to fit local situations. Three Extension Courses currently available are: Christian Marriage and the Family (Dallas Demmitt, instructor); Biblical Archaeology (Alva Huffer, instructor); and Introduction to Systematic Theology (Alva Huffer, instructor). Additional courses will be available in the future.

The College continues to offer four Correspondence Courses. These home-study courses may be taken for credit, or without credit. Each course is for two semester hours, and the charge is \$20.00.

The Holy Land Tour Study Course is offered annually by the College. It gives three semester hours of credit to persons, if they so desire, who go on the Tour of Europe and the Holy Land directed by President Alva Huffer. This twenty-one-day package tour includes visits to important countries and cities associated with the Bible.

An Internship and Graduate Program is also provided by the College for graduates and ministers at Tempe, Arizona. Under direction of the President, the program utilizes services of Church of God professional persons in the area, facilities of the churches there, as well as Arizona State University.

The Alumni Association continues to be an important source of encouragement, spiritual enrichment, and blessing for the College. The Association meets twice each year, during General Conference and the Ministerial Conference. Officers during the past year were: Darrell Maddock, president; Rex Cain, secretary; and Kent Ross, treasurer. The officers appointed David Krogh to head an Alumni Recruitment Program for the College. The alumni are very active and their work is much appreciated.

The Board of Education consists of the President of the College as Chairman and four other members appointed, each for a term of two years, by the Board of Directors. Current appointed members are: Dallas Demmitt, Phoenix, Ariz.; Ruth Halls, Cleveland, Ohio; Don Overmyer, La Porte, Ind.; and Charles Pryor, DeKalb, Ill. John Lewis, Administrative Vice-President, also attends meetings. This Board acts in an advisory and promotional capacity and makes specific recommendations regarding the College to the Board of Directors.

We firmly believe that Oregon Bible College is a college with a future! Administration, faculty, and students seek to join together in the pursuit of academic excellence, centered in the Lord Jesus Christ, and founded squarely on the Word of God.

General Services

The Church of God General Conference staff members perform many services in addition to the departmental activities covered in the preceding reports. Speakers are often provided to fill pulpits when pastors are sick or away and also are available for special meetings, dedications, state conferences, etc. Public relations appearances are often required at civic functions as well as within the church membership.

Much correspondence is handled by the staff. Often questionaires or requests for information are received from governmental, civic or religious agencies. These give opportunity to witness and declare the truths of Scripture.

The staff is often called upon to give assistance in finding a pastor when a pulpit becomes vacant. The Ministers Insurance and Ministers Retirement programs, as well as many general services, are administered. The staff covets your prayers and support in carrying out the many aspects of our Father's business.

General Conference Finances

While it appears that the contributions to the Goals for Giving will fall behind at the midyear point, we believe that the goals will be reached before the fiscal year ends. Due to rising costs, smaller student body than anticipated, and other factors, it appears that even if the Goals are met we will be forced to operate on deficit spending throughout this fiscal year. We ask for the prayers and concern of the membership to meet the needs so that all the programs of the conference can be carried on to completion.

The General Conference Board of Directors and the staff members appreciate the sacrificial giving of many, and we express our thanks and appreciation for this. We pray God's continued blessing upon each member of the Church of God, for surely we have been greatly blessed. May the work of the General Conference continue to progress and be blessed and bring forth much fruit in the months ahead.

Recommendations for 1970

1) We recommend that a Youth Caravan be held in the summer of 1971, provided it is deemed advisable by the delegates at the 1970 International Berean Youth Conference, and providing sufficient funds are appropriated in the 1970-71 youth budget.

2) We recommend that the adopted guide to the Sunday School Board be revised as follows:

The purpose of the General Conference Sunday School Board will be to act in an advisory capacity to the Superintendent of Sunday Schools and to the General Conference Board of Directors in the following areas:

- a) Develop and promote ways and means of making the Sunday school evangelistic and better able to prepare pupils for more meaningful church membership.
- b) Develop new ideas for the improvement of teaching methods, standards and qualifications of teachers and officers, and training of teachers.
- c) Provide ideas for the improvement of Sunday school programs and organizations.
- d) To correlate lesson subject and content matter with the curriculum presented by the Council of Christian Education.
- e) Advise on ways to improve and promote the use of Church of God Sunday school publications.
- f) Develop plans on ways and means to organize new Sunday schools and home study classes.
- g) Advise on that portion of the General Conference budget devoted to this department.
- h) To furnish copy for Progress Journal and The Restitution Herald on Sunday school work.
- i) Plan that portion of the General Conference program having to do with Sunday school work.
- j) This Board shall convene at least four times a year and said meetings shall be conducted by the Superintendent of Sunday Schools.
- 3) We recommend that we accept the Ghana Church of God into fellowship and membership in the Church of God General Conference.
- 4) We recommend that the Witnessing Program be continued and expanded by having regional training sessions conducted by Church of God personnel.
- 5) We recommend that Pastoral Aid be increased to start at \$100.00 per month with the stipulation that the church involved be engaged in an evangelistic outreach program.
- 6) We recommend that the local churches of the Church of God General Conference make a survey of their evangelistic potential in order to become aware of their specific program needs and evaluate their assets for the purpose of developing a stronger base upon which a successful Home Missionary effort might be supported.
- 7) We recommend the adoption of the departmental goals entitled, "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five."

SPECIAL REPORTS

Ministers Retirement Association

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association is completing its first year in which payments are being paid to retirees. There are three ministers who became eligible for retirement payments January 1, 1970. Reserve funds are gradually being built up through premiums received from member ministers, churches and conferences, and voluntary contributions. At present there are 45 ministers, 49 churches, and 6 conferences in the Association. The brotherhood at large is encouraged to make contributions, wills, and bequests to the Association. The sooner reserves can be increased to warrant action, the earlier will be the time when payments to retirees or their widows can be increased. There will be a regular business meeting of the Association at the forthcoming General Conference. Churches and conferences should appoint delegates to this meeting. Representation is limited to members of the Association.

Board of Trustees: Clyde E. Randall, chairman Stanley Ross, secretary-treasurer Willard Navlor, member.

Ministers Fund

During the past year two ministers have been helped with loans from this fund, and one retired minister receives \$25.00 per month. The widows of two ministers were receiving monthly support, but during the past year one asked that the support be stopped, and one was deceased. Contributions have fallen off. Many perhaps feel that the Ministers Retirement fund makes this fund unnecessary. It should be pointed out that this fund is still very important to assist ministers and their families in emergencies.

At the last annual report the balance in the fund was \$818.60, and during the year it has dropped to a present balance of \$693.47. We trust that some will remember this fund in their giving so that help will be available when an emergency does arise. The fund is administered by the pastors of the Oregon, Rockford, and Dixon churches, the dean of students at Oregon Bible College, and the Executive Secretary of the Church of God General Conference.

S. O. Ross, Secretary.

Military Personnel Committee

The requirements to become chaplain are:

- 1. Four year degree (B.A.) (Accredited college)
- 2. Three years at Theological Seminary (OBC)
- 3. Two years experience (waived sometimes)

The committee completed a list, as of October 1, 1969, of Church of God servicemen and women. Lists were mailed to those who requested it. We continue sending The Restitution Herald, Progress Journal, and Challenge to those requesting them.

Easter greeting cards were sent to all service personnel; 65 cards were sent, with 20 returned due to incorrect addresses.

Letters were sent to all U.S. churches suggesting the youth groups and church members write to servicemen from their own church on a regular basis.

New names are promptly contacted by mail.

Committee: Joe Duncan, Sr., Cecil Patrick, Charles Jones, Chairman.

Council of Christian Education

The Board of Directors of the General Conference appointed the following persons to serve on the Council of Christian Education: Chairman Warren Sorenson, Macomb, Ill.; Enid Maddock, Wyoming, Mich.; Barbara Harvey, Kokomo, Ind.; Charles Pryor, DeKalb, Ill.; Eugene Stilson, Oregon, Ill.

The Board of Directors appointed another committee to study the revision of the Beginners and Primary Sunday school quarterlies. The Council of Christian Education was asked to concentrate its efforts on the publications for the remaining age groups; the Junior, Teen-age, and Adult quarterlies.

The plan of procedure decided upon by members of the Council was to begin with a study analysis, evaluating and revising the existing Sunday school publications. This study analysis consists of:

- 1. A study of the age group characteristics.
- 2. Evaluating the present educational approach of each Sunday school quarterly.
- 3. Study and evaluate the present curriculum of the lesson cycle of each quarterly.
- 4. Determine a detailed list of objectives to meet the needs of each age group.
- 5. To revise the curriculum of the lesson cycle of each quarterly involved to meet the needs set forth in the determined objectives. The Council plans to meet with the editor of each quarterly involved before the actual revision of the curriculum of the lesson cycle.
- 6. To evaluate and revise the lesson format of each quarterly in accordance with the age group characteristics and educational approach for the age group involved.

The Council has begun this study analysis with the Junior Quarterly and will, upon completion of this publication, and approval of the conference and Board of Directors, continue until each of the remaining quarterlies has been revised.

The Council has studied the existing three-year cycle of the Junior Quarterly, the age group characteristics of juniors, and determined a list of sixty-two statements which outline the objectives desired to be accomplished for juniors, under the following headings:

What the junior should know about God.

What the junior should know about Christ.

What the junior should know about the Holy Spirit.

What the junior should know about God's plan of the ages.

What the junior should know about the Bible.

What the junior should know about the church.

What the junior should know about prayer.

What the junior should know about character and citizenship.

What the junior should know about his home.

What the junior should know about missions.

The above list of headings covers the major areas of learning for spiritual growth for juniors. To determine the list of objectives the Council studied other publishers' lesson cycle plans and adapted an outline of objectives, taking into account the distinctive doctrines of the Bible as taught by the Church of God.

Chairman Warren Sorenson.

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License and Ordination Committee

Since the report given in 1969, six ministers have been granted licenses from the General Conference. They are Verne Edward Berry, Stephen Edwin Bolhous, Roger Lewis Cupp, James Addison Graham, Michael Patrick Hale, and Milon Ray Hall

There have been no applications for ordination.

Three graduating students of Oregon Bible College were interviewed in April, with a view to licensing them if they qualify.

We now have 111 licensed ministers, of whom 36 have been ordained. Ten of these are considered inactive, having reported that they preached fewer than twenty sermons during the year.

A Committee on Lay Ministry was appointed by our General Conference Executive Board to study the feasibility and advisability of establishing a lay-ministry program. Members of this committee were Dwaine Demmitt (chairman), John R. Lewis, Kenneth Vancil, C. E. Lapp, J. R. LeCrone, and C. F. Pryor. The committee has submitted a report to the Board of Directors of the General Conference.

Applications for annual ministerial recognition will be sent out to licensed ministers prior to July 1. These applications

should be returned as soon as possible, in order to allow time for recognition cards to be prepared for distribution at General Conference. It is necessary that these cards be kept up to date for previously issued licenses to continue in effect. Those who do not return applications will not receive cards. Those cards which cannot be handed out at the General Conference will be mailed to those eligible ministers who return applications.

The License and Ordination Committee of the Church of God General Conference is composed of C. E. Lapp, C. F. Pryor, and J. R. LeCrone.

J. R. LeCrone, Chairman.

National Arbitration Committee

This committee has had little occasion to serve the ministers and churches since its inception. There has been a long period of relative peace and goodwill between churches and pastors, for which all should be very grateful. The committee stands ready at any time its services are needed to assist churches or ministers in solving perplexing problems, but can act only when called upon by parties involved.

Committee: Clyde E. Randall, chairman; Stanley Ross; Wayne Laning.

Additional Conference Information

SITE: The 1970 Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park at Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19 to 24. This camp is owned by the United Methodist Church, and is located on the west edge of Cedar Falls on U.S. highway number 20. Cedar Falls is a sister city of Waterloo, Iowa, where the organizational meeting of the Church of God General Conference was held in 1921. Waterloo has an airport where some jet airline service is available.

CAMP COSTS: The costs at Riverview Park will be \$3.70 per person per day (\$17.50 for the conference). The daily costs are: breakfast \$.50, lunch \$1.00, supper \$1.00, lodging \$1.00, insurance and miscellaneous \$.20. (Meals are one-half price for children under age eight.) In addition to the actual charges made by the camp, there are other conference costs for promotion, travel, folders, printing, displays, supplies, etc.

Your General Conference Board of Directors is urging that camp costs be paid at the desk upon registration or during the conference. In former years the costs were met by evening offerings. It is the plan this year to designate the evening offerings for some special Conference project instead of being used to defray the costs of board and room at the camp. No one should stay away from conference, however, due to finances. We want to encourage all to attend.

LODGING: Lodging is provided in cabins and in two dormitories. Cabins will house five to fourteen people each, and families are encouraged to stay together. Two or more families will need to share larger units. Reservations should be made ahead if possible to insure the accommodation you desire. The dormitories will be used for singles who do not wish to stay in the family cabins.

Riverview Park can accommodate only nine camping trailers during the 1970 General Conference. Water and electricity hookup is available but no sewer. Write to Box 100, Oregon, Ill.

61061 for a reservation. Two public camping facilities are located in the area. Tents will not be allowed on the grounds.

YOUNG PEOPLE: The youth are expected to stay with their family in cabins and thus be under direct supervision of their parents. There will be one dormitory for male and one for female, and the youth who desire to stay in these dormitories will be under the supervision of a Youth Counselor and will be expected to abide by the rules set up by the youth director for General Conference.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES: Sr. Louise Lapp will be in charge of classes for children of all ages Monday through Thursday of General Conference. The class schedule will be 9:00 to 11:15 a.m. and 1:25 to 3:00 p.m. Parents of children in these classes are requested to come to the classroom and call for their children at the time of dismissal both morning and afternoon.

There will be a refreshment break during the class period and those who wish to help are requested to please bring cookies.

DELEGATE POOL EXPENSE: Each year delegates from the various churches and conferences have opportunity to pool their expenses and thus equalize the costs of travel for those from far away and those nearby. Delegate pool expense forms have been mailed to each church and conference secretary. Each church and conference is encouraged to enter the pool to make attendance at conference possible for all churches. This is a fair means of assuring general delegate representation.

NOTE TO TEACHERS AND LEADERS: Teachers of General Conference adult and youth classes, and leaders of the Christian Sharing Sessions, are reminded to prepare mimeographed copies of their lessons or outlines. Enough copies should be prepared that those not able to attend their particular session will be able to secure copies.

Department	Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five (I	Phil. 3:13, 14) By September, 1975
FOREIGN MISSIONS	 An experienced pastor or missionary representative to visit a foreign field and spend six months to a year in a training program for the missionaries in that field. 	Two new Mission Fields Five more Missionaries in the field
HOME MISSIONS	1) Thorough follow-up of the witnessing programs 2) Each One Teach One in Seventy One 3) Two new churches in the General Conference	Pastoral Aid increased to \$150 per month Ten new churches in the General Conference
SUNDAY SCHOOL	1) Two new Sunday Schools in each District of the General Conference 2) Each Sunday School increase attendance by at least 20% 3) Each Sunday School continue to conduct systematic teacher training program 4) Each Sunday School use General Conference quarterlies in every class 5) Each district of the General Conference conduct an annual Sunday School Superintendents' Seminar	1) Five new Sunday Schools in each District of the General Conference 2) Each Sunday School increase attendance by at least 50%
BEREAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP	 1) 10% increase in membershipapproxi-mately 150. 2) Definite plans for the publishing of a Diamond Jubilee Anniversary Album; 1898 - 1973 3) District Post-High Youth Retreats 	1) 20% increase in membership 2) Monthly publication of Challenge, including a page for Youth leaders, pastors 3) Full Time Youth Director
PUBLISHING	 Revise and improve Vacation Bible School materials so that every Church of God school will use it. Every Church of God family receive The Restitution Herald. Develop a new line of tracts that includes evangelistic and study-type tracts. 	1) Develop the outreach of <u>The</u> <u>Restitution Herald</u> , sending to friends, prospects, and all who request it, with a goal of 10,000 per issue.
OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE	 Total new graduates- 15 Student Body Size - 60 Volumes in Library - 7,500 Recognition by State of Illinois achieved 	 Total New Graduates-45 Student Body Size - 75 Volumes in Library - 10,000

JUNE, 1970

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

General Conference Issue

This issue carries the General Conference program, the reports of the several departments and committees, the proposed recommendations, and other pertinent conference information. Each church, and each state conference, is urged to select its delegates soon. Have them become familiar with the proposals, and the local churches should direct their delegates how to vote on the recommendations and other phases of the conference work.

Delegate forms, statistical report forms, and pool expense forms have been mailed to all church and conference secretaries. Please complete these important forms promptly and return them in the envelope that was enclosed.

Jubilee

The theme of the 1970 General Conference is, "Jubilee, a Time for Rejoicing." Make plans now to attend the conference meetings July 19 to 24 at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Write to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061 for cabin reservations.

This is the fiftieth annual General Conference and special plans are being made to commemorate the occasion. The Jubilee Committee has planned many special events, including a pageant on General Conference progress.

General Conference Board Meets

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., on April 30 and May 1, 2. Final approval was given to the conference program and the departmental reports and recommendations which will be presented to the delegates at the conference sessions at Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19 to 24

The Board gave approval for the publishing of some new witnessing tracts written by Church of God people, and agreed that a six-day youth camp be held in 1971 if facilities can be arranged. A report of the progress of the Sunday school department was received from the Sunday School Superintendent.

Considerable discussion was had regarding the use to be made of the forty-six acres of Bottolf property now owned by the General Conference at Hammond, La. A committee is giving study and will present proposals on how it may best be used.

The Conference Board has entered into a church visitation program to better acquaint the membership of the Conference with the work that is being carried

on. In the past year Board members have visited over forty churches and several state conference meetings.

It is apparent that there is a shortage of pastors in the General Conference. The Board gave due consideration to the matter and a committee was appointed to study and to endeavor to find some helpful solution to the problem.

Some time was spent on the study of long-range plans for Oregon Bible College, review of staff personnel, approval of a tentative budget for 1970-71 and many other matters pertaining to the work of the General Conference.

Retirement Association Meeting

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association will hold its biannual business meeting on Wednesday evening, July 22, at 9:00 p.m. at General Conference. There will be election of a vice-chairman for a four-year term, several reports to be presented, and some items of general business that need to come before the meeting.

Each church that is enrolled in the retirement program is requested to appoint a delegate to represent it at the meeting. This may or may not be the regular delegate to the General Conference business sessions.

Conference Finances

We are pleased to report that the Goals for Giving for the month of May have been met. The generous youth giving this month through the Coins-for-Christ Crusade has been a big factor in reaching these Conference goals.

This is the time of year when we often approach the "summer slump" period. We have confidence that the membership of the Church of God will rise to the challenge and not allow a "slump." The needs will then continue to be met that the full programs of the General Conference may be carried out. Praise God for all his rich blessings.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969-September 30, 1970

\$99,000.00

Goal for May \$ 8,517.00 Given in May \$ 9,238.00 To be given by September 30 \$33,348.00

Goal for June \$8,337.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress "Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh





The interior of the Bangalore, India, Church of God as it was decorated during the Easter season. Pictured is Lawrence Manoah, younger son of Bro, and Sr. S. S. Manoah,

India

From Bangalore, India, Bro. S. S. Manoah reports that six people accepted Christ and were immersed on May 2, 1970. Pray for them as they begin their new life in Christ. This brings to fifteen the number that have been baptized in 1970.

When Bro. Manoah learned of the Easter tours taken by groups of students at Oregon Bible College, he mentioned it to the choir members of the Thomas Town Church. Now they have the desire to go to other churches, singing inspirational music and witnessing of our truth and faith.

Bro. Manoah writes, "We are having special prayers for our General Conference Jubilee Year."

Philippine Islands

We were sorry to learn from Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero's last report of the Philippine work that he had to spend a week in the hospital the last of March for a heart ailment and high blood pressure. Remember him as you go to the Lord in prayer.

Bro. Eleodoro Javar has been pastoring both the Mangandingay and Cordon churches while residing in Mangandingay. The Cordon brethren have been preparing a house for him and his family and by this time they have probably been able to move into it.

There is a possibility that the Mangandingay Church will have to be closed. Life is guite hard in that area. The people earn their living by farming, depending on the rainfall for their crops, and this year there was little rainfall so the harvest was poor. The members are planning to settle in other areas because of this difficulty. You may remember that this same problem occurred some time back in the Abut area, and the church there had to be closed.

Mexico

Sr. Alice Aldrich, Saltillo, Mexico, has written that X rays taken recently show that she and those living with her are free from tuberculosis. Because Alice is working in rather close contact with those who do have it, she will be continuing to take preventive medicine and to have tests from time to time. Continue to remember the wife and two daughters of Bro. Francisco Martinez that they may soon recover from this disease.

Nova Scotia

We are thankful that Bro. Raymond Brown has fully recovered from his automobile accident and that he was able to attend the Ministerial Conference held at Oregon, Ill., in April.

Average attendance for the Sunday school and morning worship services at the Lighthouse Mission in April was sixty-six. For the Sunday evening service it was fifty-two, and for midweek Bible study, fortyseven.

Missionary Conference

On May 16, 1970, approximately one hundred twenty people gathered in Oregon, Ill., to attend the Third Annual Missionary Conference, sponsored by the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College.

The morning was devoted to foreign missions, and the film. "Through Gates of Splendor." the story of the five missionaires slain by the Auca Indians of Ecuador, was shown. Following this, Sr. Rachel Krogh presented a message, discussing the missionary call, preparation of the missionary, and opportunities that are now open for service. A report of the various mission fields, with slides, was also given.

In the afternoon the emphasis was on home missions, and Dr. William Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz., gave a message on how we can be witnesses for the Lord here at home as we go about our daily lives. Eight different sharing sessions followed, each one presented twice, which gave opportunity for interaction and participation by all.

The conference was closed with a season of prayer. We trust that the conference was beneficial to all who attended, and we pray that we may put into practice what we learned.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 14-20—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp at Camp Mack, Milford.

June 19-21—Annual Illinois Conference at Oregon.

June 21-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.

June 26-28—Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.

June 27-Indiana Conference annual business meeting at Burr Oak.

June 28-July 3-Minnesota Junior Camp on Long Lake, Eden Valley.

July 4-5-Missouri Quarterly Conference at Fredericktown.

July 5-11-Missouri State Youth Camp.

July 5-11-Minnesota Senior Camp, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

July 16-19—Iowa State Conference at Waterloo. Richard Smith, guest speaker; Raymond Brown, music director.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-31—International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 9-16—Maritime Conference, Digby, Nova Scotia, Youth Caravan, special workers.

Aug. 11-16—Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

Aug. 12-16—Central High Plains Conference at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.

Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.
Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Sept. 11-14—Minnesota Fall Youth Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Sept. 25-27—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Oct. 9-10—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

INVITATION TO IOWA CONFERENCE

We would like to invite any early arrivals for General Conference to attend our State Conference at Waterloo, 1050 Conger St. It immediately precedes General Conference.

Helen Temple.

INVITATION FROM OREGON CHURCH

The Church of God at Oregon, Ill., invites those who are traveling between General Conference in Iowa and Berean Youth Conference in Indiana to stop off in Oregon to visit and worship. If you would like to do so and need lodging, please contact Miss Leota Hanson, Box 303, Oregon, Ill. 61061, or phone 815-732-6595.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

On April 29, 1970, the Church of God Ministerial Association held its annual business meeting at Oregon, Ill. Officers elected were: John Hearp, president, Emory Macy, vice-president, and David Krogh, secretary-treasurer.

The Association will meet again during the General Conference, July 19-24, at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. David Krogh, sec.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

The following five persons put on Christ in baptism on April 26, 1970: Alvin E. Yarberry, Kimberly J. Yarberry, Dorthie Marie Rose, Leonard Lee Gibson, and James Steven Burgess. May God richly bless those who accept the call to follow his Son.

C. Jesse Pestle, pastor.

BAPTISM AT FREDERICKTOWN, MO.

Mrs. Roy (Diane) Cooper confessed Christ as her Saviour and was baptized in the Little St. Francis River at Thompson Ford, where many gathered to witness the service.

Arnold T. Johns, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT WENATCHEE, WASH.

Brooks, Mildred, and Candi Skibitzke were baptised by Bro. Gary France at the Wenatchee church on April 26, 1970. The Skibitzke family is active in the Seattle evangelistic work, and Bible classes are often held in their home.

BAPTISMS AT SOUTHLAWN Grand Rapids, Michigan

On May 17, 1970, Carol McClurken was baptized, following her public confession. We welcome Carol into the body of Christ. Darrell Maddock, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT ROCKFORD, ILL.

The following persons were baptized into Christ on April 26, 1970: David and Charlotte Bachman, and Mrs. James (Jean) Mann. On May 10, 1970, Willard Feyen was also baptized. May God lead them. E. Milon Hall, pastor.

BAPTISM AT TIBURON, CALIF.

We are pleased to report the baptism of Barbara Irvine Murphy on May 3, 1970, by Pastor Jim Rankin, our evangelistic minister. Barbara is the mother of three children, and has been attending our Sunday school and Bible studies for a year.

Pastor Rankin is doing an outstanding job here in our area, and our church continues to grow! Jean Wright, Sec.

BAPTISMS AT LOMBARD, ILL.

Mrs. Lorine Reagor was baptized into the body of the faithful on April 18, 1970. On May 2, 1970, we baptized her daughter, Lana Reagor. We ask your prayers for these new sisters in the faith. David Cheatwood, pastor.

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BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

On May 10, 1970, Lester and Linda McQuinn were buried in the waters of baptism. This is an especially joyful occasion as they are brother and daughter of this writer. Our prayer is that they may always walk in newness of life, hand in hand with the Master.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT POMONA, CALIF.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tate became one with Christ in baptism on December 28, 1969, while Joe was on leave from the service.

Miss Tamy Clabaugh and Miss Kelly Thomas were baptized on March 29, 1970.

May God guide and protect them as they dedicate their lives to his service.

Delbert Jones.

BAPTISMS AT TROY, OHIO

Martha Grieve accepted Christ and was baptized on April 19, 1970. On May 17, 1970, we baptized Richard Scott. We welcome them into fellowship at the Troy View church, and may God richly bless them.

Scott Ross, pastor.

CLARENCE GOEKLER

On April 22, 1970, funeral services were held for Bro. Clarence Goekler at Marshall, Ill. Bro. Goekler was baptized many years ago by Bro. Siple, and remained a faithful member of the Salem Church of God.

D. B. Watkins, pastor.

CLARENCE WOODS

Clarence Woods, a faithful member of the Burr Oak Church of God, died April 14, 1970. He was born April 16, 1887. He is survived by his wife Hattie; a son, Sam; and other relatives. He was laid to rest in the Burr Oak Cemetery to await the return of Christ.

E. O. Routson, pastor.

JENNIFER ANN SEEBACK

Jennifer Ann was born to Bro. and Sr. Jerry Seeback on May 20, 1970. She lived only one hour. Graveside services were held on May 21, and she was buried in Lawnridge Cemetery, Rochelle, Ill. Francis Burnett.

GORDON E. DAVISON

Gordon E. Davison fell asleep in death December 18, 1969, at the age of 73.

As a young boy he joined the Columbia Avenue Church of God in Cleveland, Ohio. As a young man he accompanied a group who formed the Golden Rule Church of God and at the time of his death he was the last survivor of the incorporators of this congregation. In recent years he attended the Church of the Open Bible in Bedford, Ohio. During his sixty-year membership he was active in most phases of the work.

Brother Davison had a great love for life and the beauty of God's world, and desired that the Lord's work be done "decently, and in order." He is survived by his wife, Mildred Smith Davison one son Kenneth and two grandsons.

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Funeral services were conducted by the writer, a former member of Bro. Davison's Sunday school class, on December 22, 1969. The deceased was laid to rest in Lake View Cemetery to await the resurrection call of his Master.

Jack Hearp.



BRO. HARRY SHEETS HONORED

Bro. Harry Sheets (on the left) was presented a plaque from the Church of God Ministerial Association in honor of his forty-five years in the ministry. The presentation was made by the Association's president, Bro. Jack Hearp, at the recent ministerial conference at Oregon, Ill.

"GROWTH, TO GOD'S GLORY" Sunday School Contest

Following is a list of Church of God Sunday schools and their average attendance during May and June of 1969.

ARKANSAS: Cleveland 10. ARIZONA: Phoenix 81, Tempe 65. CALIFORNIA: Pomona 52, San Jose 41. ILLINOIS: Dixon 48, Eldorado 34, Flagg Center 20, Macomb 121, Oregon 95, E. Peoria 59, Ripley 69, Rochelle 32, Rockford 54. INDIANA: Hillisburg 39, Kokomo 58, Lafayette 37, North Salem 20, South Bend (Hope Chapel) 87. LOUISIANA: Hammond 68. MICHIGAN: Blanchard 86, Garden Park 42, Pennellwood 100, Southlawn 109. MINNESOTA: Eden Valley 88, Minneapolis 26. MISSOURI: Doniphan 18, Kansas City 34, Morse Mill 29, St. Louis 27. NEBRASKA: Fremont 36, Moorefield 24, Omaha 54. NORTH CAROLINA: Hendersonville 16, Whitnel 67. NOVA SCOTIA: Digby 77. OHIO: Bedford 33, Columbus 19, Dayton 63, Lawrenceville 183, Troy 81. ONTARIO: Fonthill 88. SOUTH CAROLINA: Pelzer 133. VIRGINIA: Browntown 15, Fort Valley 36, Maurertown 18. WASHINGTON, D.C. 15. WASHINGTON: Felida 6.

MRS. DORA E. SCOGGINS

Mrs. Dora Emmaline Scoggins was born at Scotland, Ark., November 11, 1874, the daughter of C. C. and Mary Jane Castleberry Roberts. She died April 9, 1970.

She was a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. She was the widow of Erasmus Scoggins.

Those who survive are: a son, Roy; three daughters, Mrs. Una Thomas, Mrs. Harold Hatchett, and Mrs. Claude Nation; six grand-children; twelve great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; a half-sister; and two half-brothers.

Services were conducted by the writer in the Church of God at Cleveland, Ark., April 11, 1970.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.

HOMER HENDRIX

Funeral services were held for Bro. Homer Hendrix in Martinsville, Ill., on March 1, 1970. Bro. Hendrix was baptized many years ago, and remained a faithful member of the Salem Church of God, now located in Martinsville. He was laid to rest in Green Moss Cemetery, and there awaits the resurrection to life.

D. B. Watkins, pastor.

GEORGE LICHTY

Bro. George Lichty fell asleep in death on March 3, 1970, at the age of 74 years. Bro. Lichty served as one of the pastors of the Church of the Open Bible in Pomona for twenty years. Sr. Lichty continues to live at 350 Chester Place in Pomona. May the Prince of Peace soon come.

Delbert Jones.

HARRY H, BEATTY

Funeral services for Harry H. Beatty of Phoenix, Ariz., were held April 10, 1970. He was a member of the Bible Church of God in Phoenix.

Surviving are his wife Esther, and a son, Harry G., of Cupertino, Cal.

He was laid to rest to await the call of him who has the power to raise the dead.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

ELLIS ELDON HOLLEY

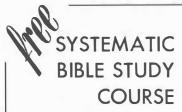
Ellis Holley was born May 12, 1917, and died April 14, 1970.

He was married to Olene Tubbs in 1941, and she survives. He was a member of the McGintytown Church of God.

Other survivors are: one son, Jerry; three daughters: Mrs. Hank (Barbara) Garrett, Mrs. Edward (Margaret) Freyaldenhoven, and Mrs. Joe (Tommy) Abrams; two grandchildren; one brother; and four sisters.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the McGintytown Church on April 16.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.



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BEAUMONT CHURCH NEWS

We continue to have about 15-17 at Sunday school and church each Sunday. We rejoice in Christ that Bonnie Walls has accepted Christ and was baptized April 19 at the youth retreat held near Beaumont. We pray that her fellowship with Christ will grow sweeter with each passing day.

The youth retreat was held April 17-19 at Camp Victory, a rented camp near Beaumont. Total attendance was 122, with representatives from Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana. Offerings for the weekend totaled \$530.00, which virtually met all the expenses for the weekend. The retreat was on a faith basis with no charge for those who attended. We praise God for his victory, both financial and spiritual, during the weekend! Those in attendance requested that the retreat be made an annual event for the three states each spring.

We are planning for a good attendance from Beaumont at the Texas Conference to be held at Gatesville July 11-14. Guest speaker will be

Pastor Louis Kump from Peoria, Ill. Bro. Kump also has been commissioned to come down for the week prior to conference and hold services at the churches in Dallas, Beaumont, and Gates-ville, as well as visit some isolated members and make a one-day trip to Saltillo, Mexico.

We are planning vacation Bible school July 6-10. We recently purchased a piano for church use. Please remember our church in your prayers. We want God to lead us each one to the center of his will. Paul Shaw.

ATTENTION CHURCH LEADERS

Each year, many Sunday schools, youth groups, and churches pay some part of the tuition for those attending BYF Conference. It would help much if the amount were sent to headquarters in advance. If this cannot be done, be sure to send it along with an adult sponsor, or a responsible Berean, who will be attending the BYF Conference. We thank you much, Francis Burnett.

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AVAILABLE FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY

Bro. V. E. Kirkpatrick will be available for pastoral supply this fall. Contact him at 704 Jefferson St., Oregon, Ill. 61061, or phone 815-732-7257.

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COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

We congratulate the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Darrell Gray, Mrs. Darrell Gray, Richard Scott, John Henry Evans, Jr., Mrs. Marvin Cooper, and Mrs. Roy Cooper.

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Should We Change?

By the Editor

HE ABOVE is the title of an interesting article by Dr. Moses C. Crouse in the June issue of Advent Christian Witness. The article was essentially a report of the results of a questionnaire formulated in a class on "Contemporary Adventism" at Aurora College.

The questionnaire was sent to eightythree persons, including officers of their General Conference, advisory board, laymen in various regions, Advent Christian members on the Aurora College staff, and eight members of the class.

The first set of questions dealt with the possibility of changing the form of whurch government. The response by all segments to proposals of retaining purely congregational or modified congregational systems was overwhelmingly in the negative. In answer to what form of government they favored, a large majority indicated the presbyterian. (Presbyterian form of church government is "characterized by a graded system of representative ecclesiastical bodies . . . exercising legislative and judicial power."-Webs.) A very small percentage favored the episcopal form of church government. The questionnaire showed most respondents in favor of a more centralized government.

The next portion of the questionnaire dealt with the possibility of the Advent Christian Church merging with another church. To the first proposal, stating that Advent Christian doctrine is Biblical and their church should continue as a separate body, only forty percent voted in favor; fifty percent opposed the proposal, and ten percent were undecided. In regards to merging if no compromise in historical position were required, about sixty percent were in favor. The next option had to do with a change in the mode of bapism to accept any of three ways: immersion, pouring, or sprinkling. The vote in favor of this ranged from 49 to 68 percent. A vote to accept infant baptism

showed 25 to 47 percent in favor. A vote on the concrete proposal for merger submitted by the Western Advent Christian Association (by 1976) showed 56 percent of the church sampling, 71 percent of the Aurora faculty, and 86 percent of the Adventism class in favor. There was mixed response to a question asking whether they would favor merging if it left a portion of the churches unmerged.

The third part of the questionnaire was devoted to a speculative speech by an Anglican bishop from Canada.

The reason we found this article so interesting is the relationship between the Advent Christian Church and the Church of God. Historically we have both held to the importance of Christ's return, the Kingdom on earth, the mortal nature of man, the oneness of God, immersion of believers, and congregational polity.

We Have Changed

Frankly speaking, we believe the lead question might more truthfully be made a statement: "We have changed!" The "adventist" cause has become respected. The "fat cat" attitude of complacency has gripped this once lean and active movement. A "counterreformation" is taking place, with a tendency to return to the "mother church," and accept doctrines once rejected as unbiblical-the trinity, for example.

Should WE Change?

We wonder what the response would be if the aforementioned questionnaire were answered by a cross section of the Church of God?

There are areas of similarity between the two church groups. We, too, are leaning toward more centralized church government. Our annual General "Conference" has become a "convention" of delegates, rather than a meeting where each individual represents himself. Our "executive board," organized to execute the

conferees' wishes, has become a board of "directors." We are gradually surrendering our congregational rights, including the ordination of pastors. (True, a pastor needn't be "recognized" by the General Conference, but, few churches will call a man not so "recognized.")

The idea of merger is not repugnant to many in the Church of God. As more and more members speak of "our denomination," and consider it such, the reasons for our remaining separate become less important. (If the Church of God is just another denomination, we believe it would be well for all of us to look for a better one and join it!) Many of our people worry about the size of the Church of God, and equate this with failure. We need to reexamine the word "success." Based on size, God's church has never been a success, and Jesus himself was a failure. The largest church in the world without God's truth is a complete failure! Merging God's truth with error is out of the question.

Although the majority of our ministers preach baptism, believer's baptism is less important than it once was. Witness the growing practice of receiving members on the basis of a former immersion—one not preceded by correct faith. This is tantamount to rejecting Scriptural baptism as important. If the truth is unimportant, the form is unimportant. If the sincerity of the applicant is to be made the criterion, why not accept the sincere applicant who has been sprinkled?

What Can We Do?

How can we counter this present course? By a return to the Bible and the principles that sparked the "adventist" movement-the truth that Jesus is coming again, and soon! The Church of God can be viable and vibrant as it heralds this truth! With God for us we cannot but succeed!

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: Jubilee, a Time for Rejoicing

Conference Workers:

General Program Chairman: S. O. Ross

Camp Director: Michael Hale

Worship Program Directors: D. Urish, J. Pestle, S. O. Ross

Youth Director: David Cheatwood Recreation Director: Dale Swartz Children's Class Director: Louise Lapp

Head Usher: Charles Jones Music Director: Rachel Krogh Credentials Committee: Ruth Halls

Jubilee Committee: E. Goit, D. Swartz, and M. Overmyer

Chairman's Tea: Don and Marj Overmyer Housing and Grounds: Linford Moore Room Assignments: Alberta Fedde and Amy

Lou Schaefer Desk Clerks: Mary Krogh, Hilda Partlowe, Marcine Laurion, Barbara Harvey

Ministers' Meetings: John Hearp Priscillas' Meetings: Mary Mickey Business Office: Mary Jo Brewer Camp Nurse: Mary Ellen Jones

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 19

2:00 Registration begins

5:30 Supper

7:30 Evening Worship, Musicale, Eugene and Janet Stilson

8:45 Chairman's reception

10:30 Lights out

Monday, July 20, Sunday School Day

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Paul Hatch; Ministers: Scott Ross; Youth: Terri Driskill; Priscillas: Charlotte Mattison)

9:00 Adult Bible Class: Hollis Partlowe, "Two Sons and the Vineyard"

Youth Class: Lee McQuinn, "Social Responsibility in the Home" Sunday School Supt. Class: Joyce Knapp

Sunday School Teachers' Class: E. Milon Hall

Children's classes Ministers' meeting Priscillas' meeting

10:00 Youth Class: John Lewis, "Spiritual Growth"

10:00 First Business Session Welcome by the Chairman Seating of the delegates

Introduction of new delegates and delegations

Communications

Chairman's message to the delegates Question period on written reports of committees and boards

Report on activities of the Board of Directors

Financial report

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Willis Turner,
"White Already to Harvest"
2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions:

Applying the message of "White Already to Harvest" to each age group, teacher, and worker,

1) Beginners and Primary, Doris Brown

2) Juniors, David Krogh

3) Teen-agers, Michael Mattison

4) Adults, Kent Ross 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Worship Service, Raymond Brown, song leader; Rex Cain, speaker, "Come Rejoice With Me"

10:30 Lights out

Tuesday, July 21

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Louis Cronbaugh; Ministers: Dale Ward; Youth: Terry Kirkpatrick; Priscillas: Peggy Ross.

9:00 Adult Bible Class, Ellsworth Routson,
"The Perfect Man"

Youth class, Michael Mattison, "Social Responsibility in the School"

Children's classes Ministers' meeting Priscillas' meeting

10:00 Youth Class, Dennis Baldwin, "Youth in Witnessing"

10:00 Business Session

Reading of Monday minutes
Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business Sunday School Department business

Election of two Sunday school directors Publishing Department business

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Service, Berean Youth Fellowship presentation

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Service, Kent Ross, song leader; Harry Goekler, speaker, "Joy in the Harry Goekler, speaker, Hope of Christ's Coming"

10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, July 22

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Norvald Sogge; Ministers: James Graham; Youth: Michael Brown; Priscillas: Mary Mickey)

9:00 Adult Bible class, Donald Needham, "A Working Religion"

Youth class, Roger Denchfield, "Social Responsibility in Your Community" Children's classes

Ministers' meeting
Priscillas' meeting
10:00 Youth class: James Mickey, "Moral
Values"

10:00 Business Session Reading of Tuesday minutes Nomination for three directors Mission Department business

Election of Mission Board director 11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, C. F. Pryor, "Is There Any Word From the Lord?"

2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
1) Puppets and Marionettes in Sunday
School and Youth Work, Ruth Moore Misused Bible Texts, Francis Burnett

Tithing Emphasis, Cecil Patrick Sensitivity to Need, Dallas Demmitt

5) Christian Witness Follow-up, Warren Sorenson 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions

5:30 Supper

6:30 Choir practice

7:30 Evening Worship Service, Roy Humphreys, song leader; J. R. LeCrone, speaker, "The Glorious Liberty of the Children of God"

9:00 Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association meeting, C. E. Randall, chairman

10:30 Lights out

Thursday, July 23

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: John Hayse; Ministers: Linford Moore; Youth: Dennis Clark; Priscillas: Walcie Kirkpatrick) 9:00 Adult Bible class, C. E. Randall,

"Marginal Christianity"

Youth class, Richard Dick, "A Christian's Practical Responsibility"

Children's classes Ministers' meeting Priscillas' meeting

10:00 Youth class, Michael Hale, "Drug Abuse Today"

10:00 Business Session Reading of Wednesday minutes Election of three directors Oregon Bible College business

11:45 Recess for lunch

12:00 Lunch

1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, E. Richard Smith, "Shrub or Tree" 2:15 Continuation of Business Session

General business Adoption of a budget

3:30 Adjournment

5:30 Supper-Old-fashioned outdoor picnic

7:00 Evening Service, Installation of Officers; Pageant: "Church of God General Conference in Progress," Jubilee Committee; Communion Service, Gerald L. Cooper, C. E. Lapp 10:30 Lights out

Friday, July 24

7:00 United Prayer Service

7:30 Breakfast

9:00 Camp should be vacated

JUBILEE GENERAL CONFERENCE

This is the Fiftieth Annual Conference of the Church of God, headquarters at Oregon, Illinois. The organizational conference was held at Waterloo, Iowa (a sister city of Cedar Falls), August 28 to September 3, 1921.

This Conference will feature many special events to commemorate the occasion. One is a pageant on Thursday evening in charge of the Jubilee Committee.

The Annual General Conference is a time of Christian fellowship, prayer, devotion, classes, sharing sessions, messages, and the conducting of the Lord's business.

We hope that every church and every state conference is represented and that this will be the finest conference ever held.

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Jubilee General Conference

The Fiftieth Annual Church of God General Conference will convene at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19 to 24, 1970. This is the Jubilee Conference and the theme is, "Jubilee, a Time for Rejoicing." Plan now to attend these five days of teaching, preaching, sharing, fellowship, prayer, and conducting the Lord's business.

We trust that all church and state conference secretaries have returned their delegate and statistical forms so they can be properly represented at the business sessions. All churches sending delegates are urged to enter the delegate pool so that travel expense is shared equally by all, whatever the distance from the conference site.

Riverview Park is located on U.S. highway number 20 on the west edge of Cedar Falls, and is only a few miles from the airport, and train and bus stations, with taxi service available.

More Time in the Field

Lord willing, your Executive Secretary plans to spend considerably more time in the field during the next church year. With the approval of the Board of Directors he plans to visit churches and state conferences, and hold services, sharing seminars, and planning sessions on behalf of all departments of the General Conference.

If your church or conference has a preferred time or special services at which you would desire such General Conference representation, please contact him at Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Personnel Change

Bro. Waldon Winner, Jr., a student at Oregon Bible College, resigned his position as General Conference mail room clerk effective May 31. We are pleased to announce the appointment of Sr. Lois Graham, Dixon, Ill., to that position.

Sr. Mary Jo Brewer has recently been promoted to the position of office manager for the General Conference. We ask for your prayers for these workers and for all the staff of the Church of God General Conference as they perform their important and responsible positions in the Lord's service.

Retirement Bi-Annual Meeting

The bi-annual meeting of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association will convene on Wednesday, July 22, 1970, at 9:00 p.m., at Riverview

Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. All ministers in the retirement program are urged to attend. All churches in the program should designate a delegate to the meeting.

Mission Lessons and Brochures

The Home Missions Department of the Church of God General Conference is offering at no cost a set of six mimeographed lessons entitled, "Missions and the Church of God." Write to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061 for your sets today. These are excellent for Bible study class or a special missions program.

There is still available a small supply of the Conference Jubilee Brochure at \$1.50 per hundred, Jubilee bumper stickers at two for twenty-five cents, and General Conference emblem road signs at \$6.50 each. All of these can be ordered from Box 100, Oregon, Ill., and they will be mailed postage free when payment accompanies the order.

Conference Finances

Contributions for the month of June have fallen twenty-eight hundred dollars below the goal. Budgets are figured very conservatively and, with increased costs, no Oregon Bible College tuitions during the summer, and necessary summer maintenance and repairs, the needs are great.

Programs have been established in the several departments of the Conference. Contributions are needed to subsidize Oregon Bible College and the printing of Church of God publications. The work of Missions and the other departments of the Conference are carried on entirely by contribution. It appears that the business of the Conference will need to be carried on by deficit spending for the balance of this fiscal year, unless some areas of the planned programs are cut off.

We believe the membership desires that all the planned programs of the Conference be carried out. We trust that each member will make this a matter of prayer and concern that the message of salvation may continue to go forth.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970

\$99,000.00

Goal for June \$ 8,337.00 Given in June \$ 5,524.00

To be given by September 30 \$27,824.00 **Goal for July \$9,275.00**

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh





Members of the Beirut, Lebanon, Church of God sorting one day's correspondence from Systematic Bible Course students.

Lebanon

We were sorry that Bro. Jamal Sunna'a was involved in an auto accident while traveling with a church member to hold a Bible class in the new mission station, two hours from Beirut. He was badly bruised and had to spend three weeks in the hospital. We are thankful that the Lord was with him, and that he has recovered.

During his absence, the meetings at the church were conducted by one of the members, and Sr. Sunna'a and other women carried on the children's classes.

In May, Bro. Sunna'a baptized two young men, Saleem Yousef and Tanios Abu Salih. He asks that we pray for them that they may grow in God's Word.

Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez, Sr. Aurelia Alvarez, and Sr. Alice Aldrich recently made a trip to the village of Labor Vieja, about three hundred miles south of Saltillo. Special services were held two evenings, in addition to an afternoon children's class. Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo and family live in this village and conduct Sunday school there. The people were greatly encouraged by the visit, and plans are being made to travel there and meet with the interested ones every four to six weeks. Please remember this endeavor in your prayers.

Philippine Islands

Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero writes, "We are so much inspired with our radio work. Many letters from hearers are coming in, giving subjects to be explained in the broadcast. Some sent selective hymns to be used in the program. Others requested visitation in their homes. I am very happy that our radio work is beginning to bear

fruits. May God continue to help us make progress in this method of preaching the gospel."

We are thankful that Bro. Ortiguero is recovering from his heart ailment and that his blood pressure has returned to normal. He thanks everyone for the prayers offered for him.

Nova Scotia

The young people of the Digby Lighthouse Mission participated in the Youth Week program.

May was Stewardship Month, and a Stewardship Banquet was held on May 27 with sixty-nine people present. The majority of the brethren covenanted with God to tithe during this next year.

Plans are being made for the third annual Maritime Conference to be held August 16-23, 1970. Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett and the BYF caravan of eight young people will travel there to help with the teaching of the Bible classes and the evening services.

Medical Mission Fund

We have a special fund that was established some time ago to be used to help missionaries who were burdened with medical expenses. If anyone would care to contribute to the fund to help those who have recently had heavy medical bills, we are sure your offering would be appreciated.

India

Bro. S. S. Manoah conducted a Bible school for the children and youth May 14-23, 1970. Nearly thirty-five non-Christians attended regularly, and some of them have begun to attend the Sunday services.

Average attendance for the Sunday worship service at the Thomas Town church in May was two hundred thirty. At Wilson Gardens it was thirty-two.



Pictured are six who were baptized at the Bangalore, India, Church of God on May 3, 1970.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Commencement 1970

Congratulations to Carl Joseph Astolfi, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, and Henry Joseph Martin who graduated in ceremonies held at the Oregon Church of God May 22. The invocation was given by John Lewis, the commencement address by James Mattison, with diplomas being awarded by S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary. The choir was under the direction of Rachel Krogh, with Francis Burnett giving the Scripture reading, and Eugene Stilson bringing the formal services to a close with the benediction. The organist was Dale Swartz, and flower arrangments were prepared by Janet Stilson and Iris Burnett.

In directing our attention to the Scriptures in his message, Bro. Mattison made clear the responsibilities and qualifications of the pastor, emphasizing that at the same time the rewards of the ministry are many and great.

Joe Astolfi has become pastor of the Church of God in Morse Mill, Mo., Vivian Kirkpatrick II will become pastor of the Graytown Church of God at Clear Lake, Wis., in September, and Joe Martin will go to Phoenix, Ariz., to take part in the Oregon Bible College Internship Program.

New Officers

Before the end of the Winter Semester the various student organizations elected new officers for the coming year. Joseph Duncan was elected Student Council president. David Cheatwood is the new president of Foreign Mission Fellowship, with Ron Macy now serving as president of Home Mission Fellowship, and Delbert Rankin, assisted by Russell Berry, serving as editors of Student Voice.

Spring Banquet

David Krogh, speaking at the Spring Banquet, encouraged the students to prepare for a challenging ministry. He pointed out that for the Church of God to become even more successful the pastoral work of the individual minister must be increased. Personal visitation and witness to the unbelieving is an area in special need of more pastoral energy. He urged students to increase their service activities at Oregon Bible College and continue this service in the churches they will pastor.

Joe Martin served as master of ceremonies for the banquet, and entertainment was provided by various student skits.

Dean's List

Seven students were put on the Dean's List during the Winter Semester of the 69-70 school year. To achieve high honor a student must maintain an average of 3.50 or better. David Cheatwood had a grade point average of 3.80, and John Railton achieved a 3.50 average. To receive honor a student must carry an average above 3.00. The following students receive our congratulations for the following grade point averages: John Carr 3.35, Betty Haynes 3.29, Russell Berry 3.10, Dale Swartz 3.06, and Delbert Rankin 3.00.

Radio Program

The Oregon Bible College radio program being presented from Rochelle, Ill., is continuing through the summer months. The juniors and seniors are presenting sermons on various Biblical subjects, and special music continues to be provided by the gospel teams. Robert Schrienk is serving as the announcer for the programs. The broadcast is financed through the summer by student pledges.

Summer Student Activities

Several students are continuing their studies during the vacation period. Joseph Duncan is taking part in a pilot apprenticeship program in cooperation with the Pennellwood Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich., and the College administration. David Cheatwood and Dale Swartz are doing field work under the direction of Eugene Stilson. David Cheatwood is also taking a reading course in pastoral counseling under the guidance of Charles Pryor.

Catalogs Avaliable

Several hundred College catalogs were mailed to the Church of God membership. If you did not receive one but would like to receive one to promote interest in the College, please write to Registrar, Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Fall Registration

Sixteen new students have indicated they plan to enter Oregon Bible College next fall. The dedicated young people of the Church of God see the definite need in the world today for Christian workers and witnesses for Jesus Christ. The administration is continuing to work to improve the College program and is planning for years of growth and development for the College, as well as for the Church of God.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Youth Week Winner

For the third time in as many years, the Bereans of Faith Chapel, East Peoria, Ill., won the first place award. The one important feature that was outstanding with this group was that 106 visitors attended their services during Youth Week. The Bereans at Blanchard, Mich., placed second. Thanks to the pastors, youth leaders, and churches for helping and encouraging the young people.

Jubilee Coin Crusade

Congratulations to the Bereans of the Blood River Church, Hammond, La., for placing at the top in the Coin Crusade. The total contribution from their junior and senior groups was \$714.00. The Brush Creek Bereans were second with \$215.00. The next seven largest in order are: Blanchard, Southlawn, Dixon, Pennellwood, Burr Oak, Koszta, and Raker Union, with Bedford, Ft. Valley, and Tempe tied for tenth place. Contributions totaled about \$2,000.00 toward a goal of \$5,000.00. We thank all who helped. Be sure to read page 16 of the May-June Challenge.

Youth Caravan Members Chosen

The young ladies chosen are: Sheila Sheeley, Kansas City, Mo.; Gayla Walkington, Blanchard, Mich.; Lynne Knapp, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Theresa Oettel, Waterloo, Ia.; and Debbie Burnett, Clayton, Ill. The young men are: Jay Ramsey, Waterlick, Va.; Charles R. Richardson, Hammond, La.; and Bruce Burnside, Troy, Ohio.

The team will meet in the Tipp City-West Milton, Ohio, area on August 10 for practice. Their first service will be at Brush Creek on August 11. They will travel through Virginia, Washington, D.C., to Bar Harbor, Maine, and by boat to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, arriving at Digby on August 15.

During the Maritime Conference, August 16-23, the Caravan members will be helping with vacation Bible school, and will take part in the evening services. Your Youth Director will be speaking throughout the week.

From Digby the Caravan will go to Fonthill, Ontario, for a service on August 26; to Blanchard, Mich., for a service on August 27, and to L'Anse, Mich., for a service on August 28. On August 29 we will travel toward home.

No July-August Challenge

Because of a lack of copy and the short time before General Conference and Youth Conference, Editor Kent Ross has decided not to publish a July-August Challenge.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

Promoting Adult Class Participation

Most teachers use the lecture method. Visual aids can help bring about class participation. Before presenting your lesson, print a pointed thought to be reached or a progressive outline of the lesson on a chalkboard. This will enable and encourage your class to formulate a response fitting to the lesson. Bulletin board displays made from magazine pictures or newspaper clippings will bring about participation as your class grasps how your lesson applies to what they already know.

Another tip for really timid groups is to give out several scriptures before class that are either numbered or on paper of various colors and corresponding with questions, of the same number or color, you will be asking throughout the lesson. Ask your participants to listen or watch for your questions and then use the verses to answer at the proper time. These particular students will have participated but without having done so in error.

If you have six or more students, try dividing them into groups of three or four with the purpose of reaching opinions on specific questions relating to the lesson. After five or ten minutes, have the groups share their answers with all of the class and then you present to them how the scriptures answer the questions.

A marvelous way to promote class participation is through you, the teacher, relating an actual experience pertaining to the desired learning point of your lesson and then encouraging the pupils to share their personal experiences.

Last but not least is the use of a really thoughtprovoking question at the very start of your lesson. Really challenge your students' thinking, and repeat the question several times throughout the lesson.

Please keep in mind that as we promote class participation, we are asking for many facets of thought. This means that each lesson should have a definite and concrete conclusion by the teacher.

Is participation in adult classes really necessary? Through participating pupils you learn whether or not they have understood that which you have desired for them to learn, and you can become aware of their individual needs of spiritual growth and thereby give your future lesson planning direction to bring about this spiritual growth. Participation surely creates enthusiasm as nothing else can, so let's get out of any lesson presentation ruts we might be in and get our adults enthused about Sunday school!—Joyce Knapp.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 16-19—Iowa State Conference at Waterloo. Richard Smith, guest speaker; Raymond Brown, music director.

July 19-24—Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

July 26-31—International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

Aug. 8-16—Annual August Meetings, Guthrie Grove Church, Pelzer, S.C., James Mattison, speaker.

Aug. 16-23—Maritime Conference, Digby, Nova Scotia. Youth Caravan special workers.

Aug. 11-16—Annual Missouri Conference at Raymore.

Aug. 12-16—Central High Plains Conference at Holbrook, Neb., C. E. Lapp, speaker.

Aug. 28-30—Northeast Fall Conference at Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont.

Aug. 30-Southeast Conference, Whitnel, N.C.

Sept. 11-14—Minnesota Fall Youth Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Sept. 25-27—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.

Oct. 9-10-Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.

CAMP INFORMATION FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE

Here is pertinent information regarding the 1970 Church of God General Conference to be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 19 to 24.

REGISTER AND CHECK OUT: Registration begins at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, July 19. Everyone staying or eating at the camp should register at the desk in the administration building upon arrival and check out at time of departure.

LINENS: Please bring your own bed linens. These should be double bed size, as many of the facilities do have double beds. Pillows and a blanket are provided on each bed.

MEAL SERVICE: Meals are served cafeteria style. Dishes are left on the table and washed by the camp staff.

FEES: Breakfast—\$.50; Lunch—\$1.00; Supper—\$1.00; Lodging—\$1.00; Insurance and miscellaneous—\$.20. Total fee per day—\$3.70, for the conference—\$17.50 per person.

SWIMMING: The camp staff handles the swimming which is in a pool. Cost is \$.25 per day per person, \$1.00 for the week, or \$3.00 for a family for the conference. Swimming will be from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. each day.

YOUNG PEOPLE: Youth who are not staying in a cabin with their parents will be under the direct supervision of the Camp Youth Director, Bro. David Cheatwood.

FAITH CHAPEL, LAFAYETTE, IND.

Faith Chapel celebrated its fourth anniversary on May 17, 1970, with Pastor Curtis Simpson, former area home Bible study leader, bringing to the congregation challenging Biblical sermons. He urged the church to show a 50 percent attendance increase on the next anniversary Sunday. The event was a fine day of remembrance of Faith Chapel's beginnings.

Just before and during anniversary time the church also looked forward to the future needs of God's household. On April 22 the congregation met to consider Faith Chapel's immediate needs for larger sanctuary and classroom facilities. At that meeting it was voted to construct a new building to meet these needs. Since then the building committee and the church trustees have been busy with floor plans, financial plans, and prayers. A large donation of cement blocks for the basement walls has also been received. We invite you to pray with us that these needs may be met—for God's glory and for the cause of Christ.

BAPTISM AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

Philip A. Yahle was baptized March 22, 1970. We pray for him as he walks in newness of life.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT CAMP VICTORY, TEXAS

On April 19, 1970, three young people attending youth camp near Beaumont, Tex., were baptized by the writer. They were: Kathy Hammer, Gatesville; Becky Wilson, Diboll; and Bonnie Walls, Beaumont. We pray God's blessing on them.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Frances Loene Smith of Quincy, Ill., was re-immersed on May 17, 1970, in accordance with her understanding of God's Word. May God continue to bless her as she shows and shares this faith with others.

. John Hearp, pastor.

BAPTISM AT WHITNEL, N. C.

On May 31, 1970, Mrs. Judy Hamby Watson of Lenoir, N. C., put on Christ as her Saviour, and is now a member of the church of our Lord.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISM AT FORT VALLEY, VA.

JoAnn Coverstone, of Fort Valley, was baptized May 3, 1970. JoAnn came forward during Bro. C. Jesse Pestle's meetings. May God help her to grow in grace in these last days.

James Mattison, pastor.

BAPTISM AT ROCKFORD, ILL.

On May 24, 1970, Marlene Loth was baptized for the remission of sin. She is a sister of Willard Feyen, who was baptized recently. May God lead and bless her. E. Milon Hall, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Mrs. Marilyn Swain and her daughter Kimberly, having confessed Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, were buried with him in baptism, May 24, 1970. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT DAYTON, OHIO

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Jay were baptized in the name of Christ on June 7, 1970. We pray God's richest blessings on them. Rex Cain, pastor.

JUBILEE CONFERENCE SOUVENIR

Useful key tags, made of durable plastic and imprinted in gold, complete with ball-link chain, will be available on the Conference grounds, and later at headquarters. Plan to buy several at the low price of 25 cents each.

Jubilee Comm.

NO JOURNAL IN AUGUST

Progress Journal will not be published in August. The September issue will contain reports of the Jubilee General Conference.

COSTUMES AT GENERAL CONFERENCE

The Jubilee Committee has planned an old-fashioned picnic for Thursday evening of General Conference. The helpers were to wear clothing of the 1920's, but now it is being suggested that everyone who cares to should dress for the occasion. Costumes would also be in order at the Chairman's Reception on Sunday evening. Come prepared to join in!

Marj Overmyer.

CARUTHERS - HUDSON

On May 23, 1970, Miss Joan Caruthers became the bride of Mr. Darrell Hudson, son of Bro. and Sr. Dennis Hudson, in a double ring ceremony in the Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Ariz. May God bless them in their lives together.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

SMITH - BERRY

Miss Valeria Smith and Mr. Russell Berry exchanged marriage vows at the Brush Creek Church of God on May 3, 1970. Valeria is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Smith of Tipp City, Ohio, and Russell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Berry of Grand Rapids, Mich. Russell is a student at Oregon Bible College, and the couple is living at Oregon, Ill. May their lives together develop in glory to Christ.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

DIXON - CAMPBELL

Miss Lynette Kay Dixon and Mr. Ronald Lyn Campbell were united in marriage in the Jaynes Street Church of God, Omaha, Neb., on May 31, 1970. She is an active member of the Jaynes Street Church. They plan to continue their education at Hastings College, Hastings, Neb., and will make their home at Omaha.

Richard S. Dick, pastor.

AVAILABLE FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY

Bro. V. E. Kirkpatrick will be available for pastoral supply this fall. Contact him at 704 Jefferson St., Oregon, Ill. 61061, or phone 815-732-7257.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Sharon Guiles, Mrs. Fred Bennett, Mrs. Lyle Waite, Mrs. Helen White, Mrs. Edwin Jacob, and Mrs. Marilyn Swain.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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BETTY L. MAGAW

Betty Lorraine Magaw was born October 18, 1930, at Hillisburg, Ind., to Otto and Blanche Dick. She died at Anniston, Ala., April 3, 1970, as the result of cancer. She was a lifetime member of the Church of God.

Betty is survived by her husband Milo; two children, Diana and David; three brothers: William Dick, Claremont, Cal.; Otto Dick, Jr., Oregon, Ill.; and the writer, Omaha, Neb.; two aunts: Faye Graf, Frankfort, Ind.; and Maude Pumphrey, Drummond, Mich.

She was laid to rest in a cemetery near her home in Jacksonville, Ala., after services conducted by the writer. Richard S. Dick.

PENNY STETZER

Miss Penelope (Penny) Stetzer died at her home in Waterloo, Ia., on May 27, 1970. She was born September 8, 1949, in Eau Claire, Wis. Her family moved to Waterloo in 1955. Penny was baptized May 24, 1959.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stetzer; and three sisters: Mrs. Sandra Stokes, and Joni and Robin Stetzer.

Funeral services were held May 29, with the writer officiating, and she was laid to rest in the Waterloo Cemetery. Michael Hale, pastor.

MRS. JOYCE WELCH

Mrs. Joyce Thomas Welch was born May 12, 1937, and died in an auto accident on May 31, 1970. She was the daughter of Roy and Nina Thomas of Watson, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in Effingham, Ill., on June 3, with interment at Watson, Ill.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

MRS. MINNIE E. HIGHTOWER

Mrs. Minnie E. Hightower was born December 22, 1881, and fell asleep in death November 27, 1969, at Rushville, Ill. She was preceded in death by her husband Rollo in 1962.

She was baptized into Christ in 1906, and was a member of the Ripley Church of God.

Surviving are eleven children: Lorena Davis, Lilly Resch, Minnie Gallaher, Clarice Vincent, Geraldine Downes, and Harold, Joseph, Bernard, Rollo, Robert, and Betty Hightower; one sister, Lula Grist; twenty grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren. These children, and the faith given to, and maintained by, them, are her heritage.

Services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Pastor Warren Sorenson. She was laid to rest in the Huntsville Cemetery to await the the resurrection morn.

John Hearp, pastor.

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MRS. HATTIE LONG

Mrs. Hattie Long was born April 29, 1889. She died March 1, 1970, at Rushville, Ill. She was a lifetime member of the Macomb church, but had lived in Ripley for about twenty years, and was a faithful attender at the church here.

Christ's return and the establishment of God's Kingdom, two themes beloved by Sr. Long, were the basis of the writer's funeral meditation. He was assisted by Pastor Warren Sorenson.

She was laid to rest in Herke Cemetery to await the resurrection call.

John Hearp, pastor.

HELEN WILLIAMS

Helen Williams, 71, fell asleep in death May 14, 1970, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Williams was baptized several years ago by Pastor Harvey Krogh, Jr. Funeral services were conducted May 16. She is survived by her children, Gordon, Gray, and Mary Verwys; and 12 grandchildren.

David Krogh, pastor.

REBECCA LYNNE STINE

Rebecca (Becky) Lynne Stine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stine, Jr., of West Milton, Ohio, fell asleep in death May 13, 1970. She was born December 15, 1953. A member of the body of Christ, Becky was well known by the youth of the church, and her community. She maintained an outstanding example with her smile and courage throughout the one year of suffering with cancer.

After memorial services conducted by Pastor Francis Burnett and the writer, Becky was laid to rest in Riverside Cemetery to await the

resurrection at Christ's coming.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

CONTRIBUTORS IN JUNE

Following are the people who contributed to the work of the Church of God General Conference in June, and thus helped make possible the programs of missions, Oregon Bible College, Berean Youth Fellowship, publishing, and other Conference efforts.

Conference efforts.	
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Birkey	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dan Scholtes	15.00
Mrs. D. H. Richmond	5.00
Brooke Richmond	2.50
Collyn Richmond	1.50
North Salem Church	6.20
George Kugler	15.00
Lawrenceville Youth	33.00
Joe & Ruth Kennedy	6.00
Josephine Kennedy	21.00
Fonthill BYF	39.40
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Mr. & Mrs. Preston Landry	50.00	Lawrenceville Miss. Soc.	19.78
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Janell Van Blaricom	2.00	Mr. & Mrs. L. F. Slocum	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Larsen	33.00	Troy View Church	51.00
Cecil Smead	30.00	Troy View BYF	59.00
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Fedde	50.00	Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00
Shilah Richmond	20.00	Forest Hills Church	26.92
Fremont S.S.	10.20	Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Lapp	10.00
Fonthill Church	107.23	Edith Eades	17.07
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Lynda Smith	2.00	Hope Chapel, So. Bend	83.63
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Shelly Gaspar	12.00	Mr. & Mrs. John Lewis	25.00
Leota B. Hanson	5.00	Felida Church	5.50
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Russell & Pearl Jewell	17.80	Rachel Krogh	43.40
Alice Bassett	8.00	Mary Jo Brewer	35.75
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Chairman's Message to the Delegates

By William D. Lawrence

In DEALING with men there is no absolute formula; only practice and experience can bring success, regardless of the understanding of any principle. Every action—no matter how correct the precept it reflects—must be suited to the circumstances in which it is taken. No method is right for everyone.

These general statements apply to all aspects of life—especially in the selling and managing world. They also apply to bur General Conference programs. For two years we have been emphasizing witnessing. It really hasn't caught on. One of the problems has been that many have found fault with the methods they have been exposed to and that they have seen others using. A few of these people would find fault with anything new presented to them. These few find fault with old things too.

There are many different approaches to Jesus Christ. One can learn first of his birth and life; or one can learn first of his death and what it means to us; or one can learn first of his coming Kingdom and our potential in sharing it with him. No one of these approaches is complete, but each of them-and many others we could mention-are good as starters as long as we remember that a positive personal relationship with Jesus is the ultimate goal. To get their attention start with whatever they will listen to, but before you consider you've fulfilled the commission for that person be sure he has heard the whole gospel.

It is a strange fact, however, that we humans are a very stubborn species habit-wise. Most of us act as we do today because the past has satisfied us. We often fail to note the changing circumstances brought about by time, and persist in these habits—our own particular ways of doing things—long after their real effectiveness has disappeared. And then, generally, only a major setback or shock will impress that realization on the individual. Otherwise he drifts innocently along for years, wondering why the success he seeks and sees others having, and maybe the success that was his once, is passing him by.

Two other factors that may limit us are the concept that a man knows more or is more intelligent, and therefore is better qualified to direct his fellows, simply because he has lived longer or has been a member of an organization longer. The other false concept is that because our fathers initiated or promoted an idea or method that it is best for us.

We have been doing some things for so many years in our long-established ways that we no longer have any consciousness of what we are doing. Many a leader has wasted his time and hurt his organization by trying to solve, by reorganizing, problems which could be solved only by a better staff or by better administration. We should look to our new Christians as a pool of new talent for witnessing. They have the enthusiasm many older ones don't have and they don't have the "hang ups" many older Christians have allowed to dominate their lives and efforts. If we can provide these new children of God with a few ideas and methods I believe they can be a fine and productive witness for Jesus and secondarily for our organization. We are forever to be confronted with the fact that it is the men who count and not the systems.

No matter what you believe in or think you believe in, you've got to put it into action before it will do you or anyone else any good. In success there is no substitute for performance. It really doesn't matter what methods your brother uses in his witnessing program. Just the fact that he does witness and work for Christ in some manner through which Jesus is calling lost souls should be acceptable to all in our organization.

The most efficient results can be obtained only by the personal touch. Nothing beats talking face to face with a person about Jesus Christ—what he means to you and what he can mean to them.

Napoleon said, "In war, morale is to the physical as three is to one." I'd like to say that in Christian witnessing morale is to methods as three is to one. Morale is that mental state directly reflecting the degree to which a man possesses enthusiasm, interest, and confidence in himself and in his group. Some of us are more confident and enthusiastic about one method of allowing the Lord to work through us to save souls and others are as confident and enthusiastic with different approaches to the unsaved. However, no matter what method gives any one Christian good morale, if with that method or approach Jesus can save souls through that individual, it is a successful ap-

I'd like to close by repeating an earlier statement: In success there is no substitute for performance.

Minutes of the 1970 General Conference

C. Jesse Pestle, Secretary

THE Fiftieth Annual Meeting of the Church of God General Conference convened at Riverview Park in Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Monday, July 20, 1970. William D. Lawrence, Chairman of the Board of Directors, opened the first session at 10:10 a.m. by asking David Krogh to lead in prayer. Credentials Committee Chairwoman Ruth Halls Overholser and her assistant Jewell Holt Manning then took charge of seating the 137 acting delegates which included 7 officers, 45 ministers, and 85 church delegates.

Chairman Lawrence recognized Mrs. Emily Manoah, representing the Bangalore, India, Church of God. Approximately twenty other delegates and alternates serving for the first time at a General Conference introduced themselves.

The Secretary read letters of greeting to the conference from: Harold Doan and the Valley Church of God, Eva Bottolfs and the Happy Woods Church of God, and J. Howard Shaw, Executive Secretary of the Advent Christian General Conference of America. C. E. Randall and Loie Jones moved that the above communications be accepted and placed on file and that the Secretary give acknowledgment. Motion carried.

The Chairman's message (page 1) was then presented to the delegates with the challenge to accept the best suitable methods of evangelism. He concluded by saying, "In success, there is no substitute for performance."

Special reports on pages 9 and 10 of the June *Progress Journal* were considered. Delbert Jones and Ed Goit moved to accept the special reports as presented in the *Journal*. Motion carried.

Vernis Wolfe reported on activities of the Board of Directors during the past year by first conveying greetings from the Board. Those presently serving are: William Lawrence, chairman; Dean Urish, vice-chairman; C. Jesse Pestle, secretary; Dwaine Demmitt, treasurer; Delbert A. Jones, Wayne Laning, and Vernis Wolfe. Results of Board meetings are published regularly in the Journal. Board members

have carried out a visitation program among the churches with a twofold purpose: to give information about the General Conference, and to understand the sentiments of the people. The reporter stated that Board members sense their responsibility in representing the people of the churches. He concluded with the hope that our present rejoicing at this Jubilee Conference will be the motivation of our work for the future.

Executive Secretary S. O. Ross explained the various financial reports in the delegate folders and answered questions regarding these reports. Cecil Smead and Clarence Lapp moved to accept the reports and place them on file. Motion carried. Terry Ferrell gave travel pool expense information to the delegates and distributed the appropriate forms.

Milon Hall, Director of the Sunday School Department, gave the results of growth in the various Sunday schools throughout the nation as revealed in the recent contest. The first fifteen Sunday schools in order of the highest percentages were: Donniphan, Pennellwood, N. Salem, Felida, Columbia Station, Dayton, Garden Park, Hillisburg, Tempe, Pomona, Phoenix, Whitnel, St. Louis, Ripley, and Pelzer.

Announcements were made regarding the next session and other Conference activities. The closing prayer was given by the secretary.

Tuesday, July 21

Delegates of the 1970 Jubilee General Conference gathered in the tabernacle of the Riverview Park camp at Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the second session on Tuesday, July 21. Chairman William Lawrence called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. and called upon Harry Sheets for the opening prayer. There were present: 8 officers, 47 ministers, and 95 church delegates, with a total of 150 as compared to 149 last year. The minutes of Monday's session were read and declared approved.

Francis Burnett presented the Berean Youth Fellowship report by stating that as of last Friday there were 246 enrolled

for the 1970 International Youth Conference in Indiana. Plans for the Youth Caravan to Digby, Nova Scotia, in August are completed. Bro. Burnett made mention of a series of four letters to youth leaders and pastors in an effort to bring the mailing list up to date. Questions were raised about the \$10,500 B.Y.F. budget being too much, and whether or not the General Conference underwrites the Youth Department work should they fail to meet their budget this year. The reporter spoke of the drastic increase in the youth budget in recent years, but expressed confidence in the young people doing their best. It was stated that the Conference has aways underwritten work in the Youth Department. The answer "yes" was given to the question: "Will consideration be given at the Youth Conference this year to change Youth Week dates to the fall instead of the spring?"

John Huston and Leon Driskill moved to accept recommendation number one which reads: We recommend that a Youth Caravan be held in the summer of 1971 provided it is deemed advisable by the delegates at the 1970 International Berean Youth Conference, and provided sufficient funds are appropriated in the 1970-71 youth budget. Motion carried.

A question was raised and answered regarding the order of B.Y.F. T-shirts.

C. E. Randall pointed out that the Bereans of old gave leadership for the organization and promotion of the present General Conference, and that Grace Marsh and Leota Hanson were the only members of the original Berean study committee present at this Jubilee Conference. It was suggested that those present at the 1970 International Youth Conference be made aware of this fact.

Milon Hall spoke regarding work of the Sunday School Department. He declared that the success of the churches is dependent upon the Sunday school, and expressed his thanks for those who made Sunday School Day (Monday) a success. His intentions as Director are to concentrate on assisting superintendents.

Lee McQuinn and Ed Dykstra moved

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that recommendation number two, a guide to the Sunday School Board and containing ten parts, be adopted as presented. After adequate discussion on the relationship of this Board to the Council of Christian Education this motion was carried.

Those nominated for positions on the Sunday School Board were Russell Reye, Robert Huddlestun, Dennis Baldwin, and Russell Magaw. Russell Reye and Robert Huddlestun were duly elected by the delegates to two year terms. Other members of this Board are Willis Turner and Joyce Knapp, with Milon Hall as Director. It was suggested that more recognition be given to Sunday schools and their superintendents who have realized a ten percent increase this year. It was also suggested that a list of positions to be filled be published in advance for the benefit of delegates. Announcement was made that mailing lists of those currently receiving The Restitution Herald and Progress Journal are being made available to pastors.

Terry Ferrell, representing the Publishing Department, stepped to the platform. He reported that 6,400 copies of the Get-Acquainted issue of The Restitution Herald had been printed. Three issues of The Herald have been sent to all Church of God members as a trial subscription in an effort to gain new subscribers and proclaim Bible truths more widely. Sixty new subscriptions have resulted thus far. Bro. Ferrell expressed the need for returning unused Herald racks, and he displayed a tract rack made by Elmer McChesney available for \$5.00 each. The Editor spoke briefly of contacts with Charles French in Australia. Mr. French is head of the Gospel Publicity League, an organization now circulating Christian Literature in 69 countries, and has expressed interest in using more Church of God publications. Deadlines for copy included in the Journal and Herald were given as follows: the fifteenth of the month preceding publication for the Journal, and the twentieth of the second month prior to publication for The Herald. Bro. Ferrell stated that all Vacation Bible School materials had been sold this year (3,000 student books and 500 teachers). Chairman Lawrence strongly encouraged all Church of God families to subscribe to The Restitution Herald.

It was announced that three members of the Board of Directors would be nominated tomorrow and that one member of the Mission Board would be elected then.

S. O. Ross, on behalf of the Home Missions Department, presented the results of a Church Growth Survey with the

following facts and figures: 46 reports returned, 12 showed no gain or a loss, 34 gained, 18 gained more than 10%, and 9 showed a gain of over 20% in either the Sunday school or church (Tempe, Rockford, Columbia Station, Waterloo, Minneapolis, Garden Park in Grand Rapids, Hedrick, Moorefield, and Pennellwood in Grand Rapids). Moorefield (43%) and Columbia (34%) had the greatest gain in Sunday school attendance, and Pennellwood (37%) and Columbia (28%) were highest in church attendance. The eleven churches realizing over 10% increase in membership were: Modesto, Calif. (29%); Garden Park, Mich. (21%); St. Louis, Mo. (21%); Blessed Hope, Rockford, Ill. (18%); Bible Church, Phoenix, Ariz. (17%); San Jose, Calif. (15%); Bible Church, Tempe, Ariz. (15%); Columbia Station, O. (12%); Lafayette, Ind. (11%); Resurrection Hope, Lenoir, N.C., (11%); and Troy View, O. (10%). There were 178 additions by baptism reported. The Chairman admonished the delegates to be ready with the gospel. The session was closed with prayer by Paul Shaw.

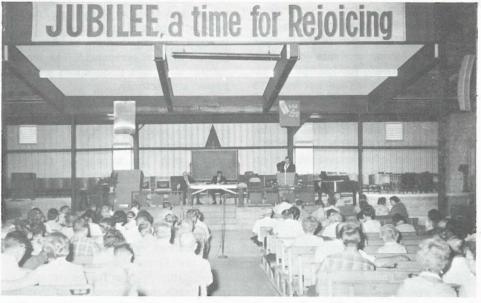
Wednesday, July 22

Wednesday's delegate business session of the 1970 Jubilee General Conference opened at 10:05 a.m. at the call of Chairman William Lawrence. After Ed Goit led the group in prayer the minutes of Tuesday's session were read and approved with minor changes. The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance figures at the close of the morning session: 8 officers, 52 ministers, and 92 delegates, with a total number of 152 as compared to 149 last year.

The Chairman reported on two recent decisions of the General Conference Board of Directors: 1) the Garden Park Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan, will be the recipient of Mission Builders Appeal number twenty-five in the fall, and 2) a Committee on Family Life has been established to study the need of creating such a board to concentrate on family life in the Church of God. This committee is composed of Charles and Lois Pryor, Warren and Irene Sorenson, and Dwaine and Joyce Demmitt, and is to report to the Board of Directors at their November meeting.

Nominations for three directors on the General Conference Board were opened. Nominees for director number one were Rex Cain (OH) and Paul Shaw (TX); for director number two Robert Johnson (MN), Joe James (SC), Howard McClain (MI), and Elmo Gasper (MN); and for director number three Arlen Marsh (OH) and Charles Knapp (MI). The Chairman urged the delegates to get acquainted with these men before the election on Thursday morning.

Rachel Krogh presented a report on the General Conference Foreign Mission work. A letter was read from S. S. Manoah containing greetings to the brethren in the Conference and information about the Bangalore and Wilson Gardens Churches of God. The Bangalore church now has 80 families and approximately 350 members with an increase of 15 baptized members this past year. The Wilson Gardens church has 9 or 10 families with 41 members and has need of a meeting hall for 120 persons located midway between the two churches. Bro. Manoah



Delegates in session in the tabernacle during the 1970 Jubilee General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.



Those in attendance at the first General Conference meeting at Waterloo, Ia., in 1921, were honored on the occasion of the fiftieth annual General Conference. Seated left to right are: Lillian King, Esther Jenkins, Grace Marsh, Leota Hanson, Ada Simpson, and Arthur Johnson. Standing left to right are: Arlen Marsh, Delbert Jones, Louis Cronbaugh, C. E. Randall, and Paul Johnson. Also in attendance, but not shown: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harper, Blanche Harland, and Paul Hatch.

also mentioned that July 30, 1970, would be the third anniversary of the Wilson Gardens church. Twenty-seven children are being supported in school by U.S. Churches of God.

Sr. Krogh then directed attention to the work in Nigeria and the difficulty of identifying by mail the persons met by Lee McQuinn in 1967. The Mission Board has considered three ways of finding the facts: 1) sending a non-Church of God agent to investigate the situation in Nigeria 2) sending a non-identifiable Church of God person to investigate, and 3) sending a member of the Mission Board such as Bro. McQuinn. The Mission Board recommends that support to A. A. Obot be resumed, and that an appeal for funds be made when and if the need arises to send someone abroad.

Sr. Krogh then listed policies of the Mission Board which govern the practice of bringing foreign students to Oregon Bible College. Young foreign students adjust quickly and often do not want to return to their own country. When they return they usually expect the same high standards. Many want to travel and not become leaders of churches. Coming to a foreign country often causes jealousy on the part of others who can't come. Money can be spent to better advantage in other forms of missionary work.

A resume of the Ghana work revealed a membership of 4 in 1967, of 18 in 1968, of 23 in 1969, and a total membership to date of 39 baptized members and 13 non-baptized. This church has a rented hall for Bible study and is doing house-to-house visitation work. There was further discussion about methods of investi-

gating key persons in the Nigerian mission field.

Sr. Alice Aldrich, missionary in Mexico, came to the microphone and spoke briefly on the success of the work in Saltillo and Labor Vieja and the health of the workers there. She expressed thanks for the prayer and financial support of the delegates.

Arnold Johns and George Kugler moved that recommendation number three be adopted, which reads: "We recommend that we accept the Ghana Church of God into fellowship and membership in the Church of God General Conference." The motion carried.

Gerald Cooper and Richard LeCrone moved that recommendation number four be accepted as presented: "We recommend that the Witnessing Program be continued and expanded by having regional training sessions conducted by Church of God personnel." The motion carried after several questions were answered satisfactorily.

Jack Hearp and Russell Reye moved the adoption of recommendation number five: "We recommend that Pastoral Aid be increased to start at \$100.00 per month with the stipulation that the church involved be engaged in an evangelistic outreach program." The recommendation was clarified by pointing out that the increase was from \$75.00 to \$100.00 per month, and that the outreach program would be mandatory. Paul Shaw and Grace Marsh moved that recommendation number five be amended to read, "with the encouragement that the church be involved in an evangelistic outreach program." The discussion which

followed included defining key words and reading the guidelines and requirements for Pastoral Aid recipients. The amendment was defeated, but the original motion was passed.

Willis Turner and Milon Hall moved that recommendation number six be accepted: "We recommend that the local churches of the Church of God General Conference make a survey of their evangelistic potential in order to become aware of their specific program needs and evaluate their assets for the purpose of developing a stronger base upon which a successful Home Missionary effort might be supported." Nancy Demmitt and Delbert Jones moved to amend by adding the words: "Guidelines are available from the Home Missions Department upon request." Both the amendment and the motion as amended carried.

Nominations for Mission Board member were opened and Lee McQuinn was reelected by motion for four years.

It was reported that this year's delegate travel expense pool figure is \$56.89 as compared with \$47.29 last year. Chairman Lawrence recessed the meeting until 10 a.m. Thursday. Vivian Kirkpatrick gave the concluding prayer.

Thursday, July 23

Chairman William Lawrence called the Thursday morning General Conference business session to order at 10:05. Don Hightower offered the opening prayer. The minutes of the Wednesday session were read, corrected, and accepted. Ruth Overholser urged delegates to be faithful in attendance by saying only 135 were present with a possible attendance of 162. Attendance figures reported by the Credentials Committee at the close of the morning session were as follows: officers 8, ministers 52, church delegates 92, with a total of 152 as compared with 148 last year. Sr. Overholser gave the following average delegate attendance figures of past conferences: 69 in 1950, 90 in 1955, 104 in 1960, 124 in 1965, and 143 in 1970. The Chairman complimented the young people on their good behavior at this General Conference.

During the balloting for three new members of the Board of Directors various announcements were made by delegates and officers, and various Board members and Conference workers were introduced. The Chairman introduced the Mission Board members: Rachel Krogh, Director; Mardy Lawrence, Secretary; Merle Patrick, Warren Sorenson, and Lee McQuinn. Members of the Board of Education were introduced: Chairman Alva Huffer, Dallas Demmitt, Ruth Overhoiser,

and Vernis Wolfe and Robert Johnson (newly appointed members). College staff members introduced were: Alva Huffer, Dallas Demmitt, Rachel Krogh, Eugene Stilson, Charles Pryor, Francis Burnett, and John and Ruth Lewis. The Sunday School Board came forward and was introduced: Director Milon Hall, Secretary Willis Turner, Joyce Knapp, and Russell Reye, and Robert Huddlestun (newly elected).

Chairman Lawrence stated it would be the general policy of the Board of Directors to have at least one practicing minister on the Board of Education.

Balloting for the three positions on the Board of Directors resulted as follows: Paul Shaw was elected as director number one, Joe James was elected as director number two, and Charles Knapp as director number three.

Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, then spoke regarding College activities and plans. The College has completed 31 years as an institution of higher learning and has graduated 112 persons (an average of 3.6 per year). Alumni present were recognized along with various workers at the College. The President spoke about the College catalog, available courses, tuition, and the internship plan, and stated that Oregon Bible College has a program of study leading toward a Bachelor of Theology degree.

The question was raised about College teachers receiving training in subjects other than Bible and theology. Bro. Huffer expressed appreciation for the support of Oregon Bible College from the delegates and churches. The question was raised about Bro. Huffer's not living in Oregon, Ill. The Chairman referred to a letter of explanation regarding the College and its president recently sent to all pastors, church boards, and superintendents, and spoke concerning the long-range plans being made for O.B.C. by its president and concerning the internship to begin this fall in Arizona. The Chairman reiterated the thinking of the Board of Directors and the Board of Education by saying that both Boards believe Bro. Huffer to be the best man available for the position of president, and that they believe he is doing an outstanding work. David Cheatwood, a senior at the College, commended the president for his effective labor and spoke highly of the operation of College administrators during his past three years at the College. He stated that seven of the eight seniors for next year are planning to participate in the fifth year internship program after graduation.

Ed Goit and John Huston moved the adoption of recommendation number seven: "We recommend the adoption of the department goals 'Reaching Forth to '75' printed on page 11 of the June Progress Journal." This recommendation which contains goals for six departments of the General Conference was passed in the afternoon session. Delbert Jones and Clarence Lapp moved that we recess until the call of the chair at the afternoon session. Ed Graham dismissed the morning session with prayer.

Thursday afternoon, July 23

The Thursday afternoon business session of the Jubilee General Conference was called to order by the Chairman. Kent Ross led in prayer. Jack Hearp, President of the Ministerial Association, came forward and conducted the installation service for members of the newly formed Board of Directors. Board members present were: William Lawrence, Wayne Laning, Dean Urish, Jesse Pestle, and Paul Shaw. Not present were: Joe James and Charles Knapp.

It was reported that congratulatory letters were on display in the administration building from fourteen state governors, the Assistant to the President of the United States, and the Premier of Ontario, Canada. Those elected to office on the Board of Directors were: William Lawrence, chairman; Dean Urish, vice-chairman; Jesse Pestle, secretary; and Wayne Laning, treasurer.

Rachel Krogh and Arnold Johns moved that if there are further developments which indicate the need for a trip to Nigeria, that with the recommendation of the Mission Board and the approval of the General Conference Board of Directors, a representative be sent and that a special appeal be made at that time for the necessary funds. The motion carried.

Francis Burnett and John Hayse moved a standing vote of thanks for the retiring Board members: Dwaine Demmitt, Delbert Jones, and Vernis Wolfe. Motion carried with all standing. It was observed that today would be the 100th birthday of the first General Conference president, James A. Patrick. A local newspaper representative attended to photograph those present who attended the first General Conference in Waterloo, Iowa, in 1921.

S. O. Ross reviewed the Proposed Budget for 1970-71. Comments were made about the salaries of Conference employees being low, the amount allocated for literature, the \$13,500.00 deficit, and the possibility of this trend continuing. The question of what we should do to meet

the proposed \$105,000.00 budget in light of the present deficit was answered by the Chairman with the word—tithing. This word brought spontaneous agreement among many delegates. Lee McQuinn and John Hayse moved that we adopt the proposed tentative budget for 1970-71 which calls for contributions totaling \$105,000.00. The motion carried.

The final report of the Credentials Committee showed these figures for the afternoon session: 8 officers, 40 ministers, 79 delegates, with a total of 127 compared to 130 last year. Other statistics for the 1970 Conference were given: largest attendance 152, smallest attendance 127, average 143, delegate forms sent to churches 81 (60 returned), forms sent to conferences 14 (12 returned), and membership reported on returned forms 3,683. Leota Hanson and Clyde Long moved to accept the Credentials Committee report. Motion carried.

Vernis Wolfe reported on the 52-acre General Conference property in Louisiana. Six acres are being used by the Happy Woods church congregation, and thought is being given for the continued development of the remainder of the property.

Willis Turner and Russell Reye moved that the five songs written for the Jubilee Conference be included in the Secretary's minutes, and also included in the Progress Journal if financially feasible. Motion carried. Lee McQuinn and John Hayse moved that the Secretary be instructed to record the names of those attending both the first and Jubilee Conferences. Motion carried. Lee McQuinn and Delbert Jones moved to accept the Secretary's minutes of this day and all the minutes of this week. Motion carried. Gerald Cooper and Ed Goit moved to adjourn the Jubilee General Conference business sessions. Motion carried.

All present stood and sang the Conference theme song, "Golden Jubilee 1970" by Elmer McChesney, after which Executive Secretary S. O. Ross gave the closing prayer.



Conference attenders dressed for the occasion of the old-fashioned picnic on the grounds.

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

General Conference

The Fiftieth Annual General Conference of the Church of God is history. Six hundred fifty-seven were registered for the largest attendance in many years. The facilities of Riverview Park at Cedar Falls, Iowa, were well accepted and decision was made to return there for General Conference next year, and the Conference will convene the week of August 8.

Greetings and best wishes on the Jubilee Conference were received from sixteen state governors, the Prime Minister of Ontario, Canada and James Keogh, a Special Assistant to President Richard Nixon.

At least fourteen persons were in attendance who were at the organizational conference in 1921. Two of the original committee, Srs. Leota Hanson and Grace Marsh, were present at this fiftieth conference.

New Officers Elected

Paul Shaw of Beaumont, Tex., Charles Knapp of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Joe James of Greenville, S.C., are the new members of the Board of Directors. These three were elected to replace the retiring members, Dwaine Demmitt, Vernis Wolfe, and Delbert A. Jones. The retiring members have served well in their years on the Board and are to be highly commended.

The Board elected the following as officers for the ensuing year; William D. Lawrence, chairman; Dean Urish, vice-chairman; C. Jesse Pestle, secretary; and Wayne Laning, treasurer.

Conference Souvenirs Available

The delegate folders that were used at General Conference were a special Jubilee folder and about one hundred still remain. These may be had upon request by contacting Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

A small supply of the Jubilee brochure is still available at the price of \$1.00 per hundred, while the supply lasts.

The Jubilee Committee provided a souvenir key chain which sells for 25ϕ each, and the historical sketch booklet at 75ϕ each. These are also available at the above address. We still have a large supply of each of these and the proceeds will help to defray the Jubilee Committee expenses.

The Jubilee Committee arranged and presented a pageant on the history of the General Conference on Thursday evening. This was the climax of the Conference and the pageant ended in the Communion service.

Commendations Due

It takes the cooperation of many, many people to make any General Conference a success. In moving to a new site, additional diligence is required. We want to take this means to express to each one who took any part or who worked on any committee or committee assignment our sincere thanks and appreciation for a job well done. A special thanks should go to the Jubilee Committee, Edward Goit, J. Don Swartz and Mrs. Don Overmyer for their efforts in the success of the conference.

Delegate Duties

The minutes of the business sessions of the Conference appear in this issue and all are urged to carefully read them.

We trust that all delegates will make reports to their local churches. A delegate's responsibilities do not necessarily end when the conference sessions end, but they are urged to be a liaison between the local church or state conference that they represent and the General Conference throughout the following year.

Conference Finances

Offerings were taken at each evening service during General Conference and these were designated to be used to reduce the bank loan of \$13,500.00. The total of the five offerings was \$1,934.93, so the loan has been reduced by two thousand dollars.

There is no issue of Progress Journal in August so the contributions toward the Goals for Giving were figured on a six-week basis, July 1 to August 15. The giving during this period exceeded the goals by about twenty-five hundred dollars. We praise God for this and we commend the membership of the Church of God for their zeal in giving.

The fiscal year ends on September 30 and we trust the giving will continue to exceed these goals so further repayments may be made on the bank loan.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1969—September 30, 1970 \$99,000,00

Goal for July 1-August 15	\$13,912.00
Given July 1-August 15	\$16,520.00
To be given by September 30	\$11,304.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress "Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh





Pictured are six of our brethren from the Nigerian Church of God. From left to right: Solomon Idiong, John Obot, Ephraim Udo, Mercy Obot, Anthony Idiong, and A. A. Obot.

Nigeria

Bros. John Obot, Anthony Idiong, and Ephraim Udo arrived in Oregon, Ill., August 7, 1970. At their annual general conference in July, the people of the seventeen Nigerian churches decided to send the men here to help us better understand the situation in Nigeria. There is also the possibility that the government will close the Ross Commercial School unless there are leaders and teachers being trained to work in the school. So the people sent the men to receive some training at Oregon Bible College. Each man's church took care of his plane fare to travel here.

On August 16, Bro. A. A. Obot, his wife Mercy, and Bro. Solomon Idiong arrived. Bro. Idiong will remain to study with the others. Bro. and Sr. Obot visited in Oregon and discussed the Nigerian mission work with the Superintendent of Missions before returning to their home on August 20.

India

A special service was held in the Bangalore Church of God on July 30, 1970, to observe the third anniversary of the building of the church. The church was decorated with flowers and greens, and special music was offered by the choir

and the Sunday school children to a full church.

Bro. S. S. Manoah writes, "During the worship we specially remembered all the brothers and sisters who are very kind enough to give their kind help for the construction of our beautiful church building."

Revival services were conducted by Bro. Manoah August 6 through 8. A tent was erected in front of the church so that non-Christians, who are not willing to enter the church itself, could sit inside and hear the gospel.

Sr. Emily Manoah, wife of Bro. Manoah's brother, is in Phoenix, Ariz., taking some training at a hospital there. We are happy that she was able to attend our General Conference in July and act as a delegate from India.

Lebanon

Two young men, Mr. Khalil Yousef and Mr. Elias Jello, were baptized by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a in July. Remember these men in prayer as they begin their new

On August 10, 1970, a summer camp in the mountains was begun and will continue until September 14. People from Jordan, Syria, and Lebanon were expected to be in attendance.

Bro. Sunna'a reports that there are now fifteen hundred students from fifteen countries enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course.

Philippine Islands

We are happy to report that during the month of June, eleven people from the Cordon Church were baptized into Christ. They are Tiburcio Galvez, Alfredo Javier, Diego Meliton, Enocencia Astrera, Francisco Dacanay, Julita Javier, Rudy Javier, Arsenio Javier, Milagros Galvez, Verginia Alberto, Maximiniano Javier. We pray God's blessing upon all of them.

Mexico and Nova Scotia

Sr. Alice Aldrich was here to attend General Conference and to help at the Berean Youth Conference and has now returned to her work in Saltillo, Mexico. We were sorry to learn that the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Francisco Martinez died August 22 of tubercular meningitis. Please remember her family.

The Raymond Brown family also attended the conferences and have returned to their home in Digby, Nova Scotia. The Berean Youth Caravan traveled to Digby and, at this writing, the Third Annual Maritime Conference is being held.

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President; John R. Lewis, Vice-President

Christian Emphasis Week

Christian Emphasis Week is a significant part of the Oregon Bible College program. This week makes a meaningful contribution to the spiritual development of the student body and faculty alike.

Pastor C. E. Lapp of the Eden Valley Church of God will be the Christian Emphasis Week speaker this year October 12-16.

We appreciate the contribution the churches, pastors, and laymen of the Church of God make toward the spiritual development of Oregon Bible College.

Booster Campaign

Due to the continuing support of Oregon Bible College Boosters much progress has been made in recent years in the development of the College library.

At this writing a total of \$1,544.00 has been received in Booster funds during this year's campaign. Through the continued expansion of the library a broader source of material is made available for student education. With the availability of this material, a student can be better prepared for Christian service in such areas as: Pastoral Studies, Evangelism and Missions, Christian Music, and Christian Education.

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Importance of Bible College Education

As we near the time of Christ's return the need and importance of a Bible college education for our Christian young people becomes more apparent. External controls and influences that helped to guide a young person's spiritual and moral development in times past have virtually become non-existent.

The Bible college has the definite task of training spiritually strong young people. The statement by Dr. Larry W. Poland in the May-June issue of Challenge magazine is true for Oregon Bible College. "The consensus of Bible college educators is that if the church isn't more vital, more relevant, more powerful, and more adept at fulfilling the great commission in the years ahead, it won't be their fault." The need and the task are apparent and the only question remaining is one of means.

New Students

We welcome several new students to the Oregon Bible College campus. They are: Georganna Andrews, Baton Rouge, La.; Bruce Burnside, Troy, O.; Ellen Canfield, Chana, Ill.; Timothy Cook, Greentown, Ind.; Diane Cupp, Oregon, Ill.; Jane Cupp, Dayton, O.; Alan Hoskins, Eden Valley, Minn.; Charles Hutchinson, Hammond, La.; Bob Jones, Cleveland, O.; Carola Ruth Jouette, Baton Rouge, La.; Sandra Kamp, Wyoming, Mich.; Sydney Kirkpatrick, Oregon, Ill.; David Landry, Baton Rouge, La.; Linda Maddock, Wyoming, Mich.; Benjamin Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Dale Ramsey, Waterlick, Va.; Faye Richardson, Holden, La.; Ellen Sandoe, Clayton, O.; Vicki Smith, West Milton, O.; Bob Storts, Oregon, Ill.; Duane Stouffer, Rochelle, Ill.; Fay Wegner, Litchfield, Minn.; and Dallas Zizert, Oregon, Ill.

Fall Curriculum

Alva Huffer, John Lewis, Eugene Stilson, Francis Burnett, Rachel Krogh, Stanley Ross, and Charles Pryor are on the Oregon Bible College faculty this fall.

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O.B.C. Alumni Banquet

Each year the members of OBC's Alumni Association hold a banquet and time of enjoyment coinciding with the dates of General Conference. This year's banquet was held on Tuesday evening, July 21, 1970, at Sweden House cafeteria in Waterloo, Iowa.

After a delicious meal, our M.C., Pastor Michael Hale of Waterloo, Iowa, regaled us with tales of many of the guests when they were much younger. No doubt, many of the tales were not entirely true, but they were enjoyable. The speaker was John Lewis, vice-president of Oregon Bible College. His topic was "Alumni Involvement in Oregon Bible College's Programs!" Basically, Mr. Lewis feels there are three areas of Alumni involvement: 1) Involvement of the INTEL-LECT; 2) Involvement of the WILL; and 3) Involvement in WORK.

As a result of this speech, the Executive Board of the Alumni Association is preparing new programs that will enable the Association members to become much more involved in our College, and its continued progress in the education of our young people.—Kent Ross, Alumni President.

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Sept. 14-20—Special meetings at Hillisburg,

Ind., Scott Ross, speaker.

Sept. 20-27-Special meetings at Blessed Hope Church, Rockford, Ill., Harry Sheets, speaker.

Sept. 21-25-Special meetings at Koszta, Ia., E. Richard Smith, speaker.

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Nov. 2-8-Special services at Lawrenceville, O., Z. B. Duncan, quest speaker.

OTHER NEWS

For lack of space, several obituaries and wedding reports had to be omitted from this issue, but will be included next month.

OBC ALUMNI NEWS

We are working hard to make the OBC Alumni Association a more vital and active part of the total program of OBC and within the Church of God.

We would like to feel that this fall term will see several students there as a direct result of the OBC Alumni Student Promotion Committee under the direction of Bro. David Krogh. Last May, 215 letters were sent to Church of God high school juniors and seniors to acquaint them with OBC, and encourage them to make plans to visit and/or attend.

Plans are underway to divide the country into regions where the alumni president will contact active and concerned alumni in their area to promote and encourage support of the programs and activities of the Alumni Association.

Who is an alumnus? Anyone with at least fifteen credit hours from OBC, whose class has graduated, or an honorary member of the Alumni Association. At present, we have about 250 alumni.

Dues? If you alone are an alumnus, they are \$5.00. If both husband and wife are alumni, dues are \$6.00 per year. They are payable to the treasurer. These funds provide scholarships, speakers for special occasions, promotional literature, and regular alumni publications.

The present officers are: Kent Ross, president; Rex Cain, secretary; and Michael Mattison, Box 66, Blanchard, Mich. 49310, treasurer. Rex Cain, secretary.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mary H. Seman, Ivan E. Seman, Douglas Madden, Connie Stewart, Michael Brown, Arlene Burke, John Burke, Deloris Driskill, Mrs. Ann Pearson, Mrs. Michael Q. Burke, Michael Q. Burke, Dale Harshman, Sr., Mrs. Duane Stickley, Homer Rice, Larry Shaw, Mrs. Hep Kohler, Mrs. John Anderson, Anthony Idiong (Nigeria), Ephraim Udo (Nigeria), John Obot (Nigeria), and Solomon Idiong (Nigeria).

HISTORICAL BOOKLET AVAILABLE

A historical sketch of the Church of God General Conference, complete with pictorial coverage, is now available in printed form. This 24-page booklet is well worth the modest price of 75¢, postage paid when payment accompanies the order. Send to: The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

JUBILEE SONG CONTEST RESULTS

We were pleased to receive five entries in the contest: Grace Cain, Louise Lapp, Elmer McChesney, Janet Stilson, and Verna Stine. The songs were all good, and were of different types—from chorus to anthem. The judging committee chose as the General Conference theme song, "Golden Jubilee 1970" by Elmer McChesney and Marjorie Gyorgyi, who are members of Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind. Congratulations to the winners, and a sincere thank you to all who entered!

DIRECTORY ISSUE COMING

A reminder to all church and conference secretaries, and pastors, that it is time to send a list of your officers to Progress Journal to be published in the annual directory issue. Send to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

BAPTISMS AT MACOMB, ILL.

On May 24, 1970, Leanne Sorenson, Sue Vancil, and Earlene Avery were baptized. On June 7, 1970, Cindy Potts also answered our Lord's call.

Vickie and Debbie Morrell and Evelyn Avery were baptized July 19, 1970. Marty Brown went forward at Youth Camp, and was baptized at his own church on August 2, 1970. We pray the Lord will be near each one.

Bette Potts, reporter.

BAPTISM AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

On June 14, 1970, the following people were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ: Robert L. Overcash, his daughter Connie, and son Terri Lynn; Terri Stine, and Mrs. Anna T. Pearson. May they be nurtured in the faith by the family of God. Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

On June 21, 1970, Douglas Madden and Connie Stewart were baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins. On July 5, 1970, the following young people were baptized: Mark Bormes, Pam Bormes, Louise Lawson, Kim Leary, and Tim Ryan. We thank the Lord for allowing us to surpass our Jubilee Year goal. Don Needham, pastor.

BAPTISM AT ELDORADO, ILL.

On May 17, 1970, Elizabeth Lorene Patton was baptized into the body of Christ, May God richly bless this young girl.

Dennis J. Baldwin, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT MONROE CENTER, WIS.

It was our pleasure to assist Linda and Jessie Renner and their grandmother, Mrs. Bonnie Renner, put on Christ in baptism on June 28, 1970. We welcome them into the household of S. O. Ross.

BAPTISMS AT BLANCHARD, MICH., AND CAMP MACK, IND.

Each of these nine young people attended Berean Youth Camp and was baptized just before, during, or after camp: Roger Courser, Todd Chaney, Linda Burns, Sarah DeForest, and Karen Smith, Blanchard, Mich.; Deborah Gaskill, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Debbie Robinson, Ponchatoula, La.; Edwin Johnson, Champion, Mich.; and Steven Rager, Chana, Ill. "Jesus is was one of the favorite camp songs and has become a living experience for each of these Michael Mattison, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT GRAYTOWN, WIS.

On July 5, 1970, Kyle Hillman of the Graytown Church and Donna Kirkpatrick of Oregon, Ill., were buried in the waters of baptism. V. E. Kirkpatrick, co-pastor.

BAPTISM AT WATERLOO, IOWA

Rose Jenssen made her decision to accept Jesus Christ as her Saviour and was baptized July 10, 1970. May God bless her in her new walk. Michael Hale, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT HECTOR, MINN.

Having made their decisions at Minnesota Junior Camp, Bradley Johnson, son of Bro. and Sr. Robert Johnson, and Allison and Blair Johnson, daughter and son of Bro. and Sr. David Johnson, were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ on July 5, 1970. They are young, but have God-fearing parents. Harry Sheets, pastor.

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BAPTISMS AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

On June 21, 1970, the following came forward at Southeast Youth Camp and were baptized: Susan Bagwell, Karen Holt, Denise Saylors, Varena Saylors, and Awone Rumsey.

The following came forward during August meeting and were baptized August 16, 1970: Jackie Blanken, Mary and Gene Sprouse, Bobbie, Mike, and Joe Thomason, Debbie and Wanda Fuller, Bobbie Partain, Daniel Stone, and Greg Elwell.

We pray the Lord's blessing on these as they serve their God and their Saviour in the coming Kenneth Milne, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

On July 12, 1970, this writer immersed Keith Carter, Andrew De Jesus, and Clifford and Alice Kitts into the body of Christ.

Linda Steele was baptized at the same service by her father, Walter Steele, a minister of the Advent Christian faith.

We rejoice with these five that the Lord adds to the church daily such as should be Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISMS IN ARKANSAS

On May 24, 1970, at the McGintytown Church of God, Greenbrier, Ark., we baptized three brothers and their wives: Charles Cardin and his wife Susan, Doye Cardin and his wife Linda, and John Cardin and his wife Kaye.

At our youth rally at Camp Bradford, we baptized Winfred and Ann (Roberson) Gates on June 28, 1970. They attend the Cleveland, Ark., church.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

On July 5, 1970, Myra Kirby was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. On July 12, 1970, Jeff Knapp was also baptized. May God bless his children through faith.

C. Jesse Pestle, pastor.

BAPTISM AT WHITNEL, N.C.

We recently baptized into Christ and our church Mrs. Elmo West, 326 Nuway Circle, Lenoir, N.C. 28645. She is the mother of four children, and all are attending.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Churchill and Mrs. Florence Jones, all of Phoenix, were immersed in the name of Jesus on June 14, 1970. Michael Hall, son of Bro. and Sr. David Hall, accepted Christ at Southwest Youth Camp and was baptized July 5, 1970.

Marilyn Francis was immersed in the name

of Jesus on July 12, 1970.

That God will continue to bless these is our Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE NEWS

At the first Southwest Conference youth camp, held in 1955 at Prescott, Ariz., there were about thirty campers and a staff of ten. At the 1970 Southwest youth camp, held June 21-26 at Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal., there were 94 campers, a staff of 17, plus three more, for a total of 114. It was "the best ever"! Don and Mary Hightower were the directors. Eleven made their decisions at camp.

The Southwest Conference meeting began on Friday evening of the camp, with a registration of 194. On Saturday morning a decade of development for the 70's was presented and discussed. Three phases were considered: evangelism, Sunday school, and youth work. In the afternoon business session a program based on the morning presentation and called "Progress With a Purpose" was adopted. The feeling seemed to be that the Southwest Conference is now ready to do many of the things it has talked of doing for so long. May God help and

Ministers present at the conference were: Don Hightower, Harold Doan, Delbert Jones, Hollis Partlowe, Ray Hall, Lee McQuinn, Robert See, Dallas Demmitt, and the writer. Francis Burnett, General Conference Youth Director. was also present.

We are grateful to the host church, the Valley Church of God of Van Nuys, Cal., for the smooth manner in which everything was accomplished. Gerald L. Cooper.

CENTRAL HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE

The eighty-fourth Central High Plains Conference convened at Holbrook; Neb., August 12-16, 1970. The theme was "Prophecies for Today", and the speakers followed this and the speakers followed this thought. Our guest speaker, Bro. C. E. Lapp of Eden Valley, Minn., spoke each evening, except Saturday, when Bro. Edward Bender of Moorefield brought us the message.

Bible classes were conducted during the day, with classes being taught by Bros. Lapp, Clyde Long, Bender, and Terry Dwyer. Bible school was taught by Srs. Edgar Harbert and Delbert Stedman of Moorefield,

Attendance and participation were very good, with ninety-three signing the register. Largest attendance was on Sunday morning with seventy-nine.

At the annual business meeting on Saturday afternoon Bro. Clyde Long was reelected president for a three-year term. Other officers are: Gladys Stedman, vice president; Lila Gardner, treasurer, Ruth Wilson, secretary; and member at large, Otto Stinnette. Ruth Wilson, sec.

ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

The Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference of the Church of God of Abrahamic Faith met at the McGintytown Church near Greenbrier, Ark., June 11-14, 1970.

Bro. C. Alan McLain, president, opened the conference with a special prayer session.

Speakers were Bros. Jess Humphreys, John

Humphreys, and Roy Humphreys.

Friday night the Bereans of Arkansas presented a program of songs, a short sermon by Keith Moreland, and slides of Arkansas youth

Special songs were presented by different

groups throughout the conference.

Officers for the coming year are: C. Alan McLain, president; Jess Humphreys, vice president; Blanche Hayes, treasurer; and Jettie Moreland, secretary.

Conference will be held at Forest Hills

church, Hot Springs, next year.

We ask the prayers of everyone for our conference that it might grow and be up and doing the Lord's work in these last days.

Jettie Moreland, sec.

SUNDAY SCHOOL, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Our work continues to grow here in this area. For seven weeks we have held Sunday school in our home, where we have been having our Thursday evening Bible studies. The average attendance during this time has been fifteen, with ages ranging from infant to adult. Most who now attend are children between the ages of two and ten.

We call our classes the Truth Seeker's Sunday Bible School, and the meetings are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at 1117 Treat Ave., San Francisco, Cal. 94110. Our Thursday meetings are still being held at 7:30 p.m.

Lorraine M. Moeller.

MEETINGS AT SHAMROCK, TEXAS

Bro. Z. B. Duncan and his family of Lenoir, N.C., were here in Shamrock, Tex., for a revival effort the week of July 5-12, 1970. We had vacation Bible school mornings of the same week. Paul Duncan taught the young people's class. Bro. Duncan preached Sundays and each evening. There were three conversions, and Bro. Duncan baptized one of the girls on July 12. The other two were to be baptized later in their own churches; one in Rochester, N.Y., and one in Pampa, Tex.

We praise God for Bro. Duncan and his family. We took notice that he had been with Miss Mae Turnbow, reporting. Jesus!

FAITH CHAPEL, LAFAYETTE, IND.

The Lafayette Faith Chapel Society meets the second Wednesday of each month. They use the Bible for their lessons, and are starting with the Book of Genesis.

Much fellowship is enjoyed in the Lord, and plans are made to help those in need, Each member keeps a "penalty calendar," and we occasionally have white elephant auctions and rummage sales. From our offerings and proceeds we tithe to the building fund, and help needy ones. A food shelf is also being stocked in the church for good causes. A white Bible was given for the church sanctuary.

A new project is saving Top Value and S&H green stamps for folding chairs for the church, and Betty Crocker coupons for silverware and

other items for the church kitchen.

Plans are being made for a new church building, as we often are short of seating space for our worship services. We ask your prayers as Mrs. Meredith New, sec. we take each step.

YOUTH CONFERENCE DECISIONS

Twenty-seven young people responded to the gospel invitation during the 1970 Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack, Ind. Seventeen of these were baptized on Thursday night at the camp, with six different ministers Francis Burnett. officiating.

LUTHER C. SMITH

Luther C. Smith, 68, of Greer, S.C., died at Greenville, S.C., August 6, 1970. He was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. He is survived by his wife, three sisters, and a brother. Services were conducted by the writer at Greenville, with burial in Woodlawn Memorial Park.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

LEONARD J. ROBINS

Leonard J. Robins, 62, of Kennett, Mo., died May 30, 1970. He was a former elder of the Ripley, Ill., Church of God.

Surviving are his wife Bertha; three sons: Glenn, James, and Daniel; one daughter, Mrs. Ann Baker; his mother, Lura Robins; three brothers; one sister; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted June 1 at Kennett with Pastor John Jolley and the writer John Hearp, pastor. officiating.

BLANCHE COULTER

Blanche Marie Coulter was born August 9, 1904, the daughter of Sherman and Stella Mills. She died June 18, 1970.

On September 26, 1923, she was united in marriage to John Coulter, who preceded her in

She leaves to mourn her death two daughters: Mrs. Donald (Virginia) Albright of Paynesville, Minn., and Mrs. Robert (Barbara) Johnson of Hector, Minn.; two sons, Jerry of Hector, and James of Isanti; ten grandchildren; two brothers, Scott Mills of St. Cloud, and Gerald Mills of Richmond; and one sister, Edith Eades of Eden Valley.

She was a member and faithful worker in the Eden Valley Church of God. She was laid to rest in the old Eden Lake Cemetery to await the call of Jesus. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

IVAN HETRICK

Ivan Hetrick, 73, fell asleep in death June 2, 1970, at Quincy, Ill. He was a faithful attender of the Ripley Church of God. Funeral services were conducted June 5 by the writer, Surviving are his wife Marjorie; one son, William; a brother and a sister; and several nieces and nephews. Our sympathy and the abiding comfort of God are extended to them.

John Hearp, pastor.

bless us in these efforts.

ELMER GOEKLER

Graveside services were conducted by the writer on June 13, 1970, for Bro. Elmer Goekler at the Auburn Cemetery between Marshall and Martinsville, Ill. He is survived by his wife Goldie and children who have their home in Oklahoma; two sisters, Ruth Gaskill and Lorene Sanford; and two brothers, Ralph and Harry Goekler.

Bro. Goekler was laid to rest in the hope

and assurance of the resurrection when Christ comes. D. B. Watkins.

AMY LYNN HILLMAN

Graveside services were conducted by the writer on July 5, 1970, for little Amy Lynn Hillman, daughter of James and Jacqueline Hillman,

WILFORD TENTON WESLEY

Mr. Wilford Tenton Wesley was born October 20, 1899. He died May 14, 1970, at Williamsport, Ind. He was a member of the Hedrick Church of God. His presence is missed by all who knew him. Funeral services were held May 16, with the writer officiating, and he was laid to rest in the West Lebanon Cemetery to await the resurrection call.

James Graham, pastor.

CONTRIBUTORS IN JULY AND AUGUST

Contributions from these people made possible the continuation of the work of the Church of God General Conference. Missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, Sunday School, and Berean Youth Fellowship programs are supported by your gifts. We appreciate these offerings.

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