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Where Is Your Faith?

By the Editor

WHERE is your faith?" These words were spoken by our Lord after he had calmed the storm on the Sea of Galilee that threatened the lives of the disciples. (Luke 8:22-25.)

In the corresponding text in Matthew 8:26, Jesus said, "O ye of little faith." This expression is used by Jesus — and Jesus only — four times to rebuke four different states of mind: anxiety, fear, doubt, and forgetfulness. (See Bullinger's Lexicon.) These four states of mind are opposed to faith.

We believe a majority of our shortcomings and failures as individuals, and as a church, are traceable to a lack of faith.

Anxiety

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus talked about the relative importance of things temporal and eternal. He assured his listeners that God is concerned about the needs of every living thing — from lilies, to sparrows, to mankind. He said, "If God so clothe the grass of the field, . . . shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?" (Matt. 6:30, 31). Jesus did not say, "Don't think about food, drink, or clothes," but, "Be not anxious" (Diag.) about these things.

Anxiety divides up and distracts the mind from its proper goal. Our goal is the Kingdom of God, and the desire to help others prepare for it. Anxiety says to the individual, "Nobody else is looking out for you." Anxiety says to the church or conference,

"You're doing too much; where will you get the money?" Faith says, "Trust in God; put first things first and he'll bless you."

Fear

In the story of Jesus and the disciples on the Sea of Galilee, alluded to in our introduction, Jesus said to them, "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?" (Matt. 8:26).

Joseph F. Newton, onetime writer of the newspaper feature "Everyday Living," branded fear as "Private Enemy No. 1." There are legitimate fears, and areas involving caution. However, many of our fears are unfounded. We must unmask those, but we must also have courage; and, something beyond courage — faith. Faith drives out fear.

Churches and conferences also have fears—real and fancied. Faith is the answer here, too. Using the brains and talent in the church, all of the angles should be figured, and the cost counted. Naturally, a church with fifteen members shouldn't build a million dollar church! But, there are other goals within reach, with effort. Jesus told the disciples, "Launch out," but they said, "We've tried that already." (Luke 5:4, 5.) They did what he said, and succeeded. The Preacher said, "He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap." So, he advised us to go forward in faith along several fronts, because some endeavors may fail. (Ecc. 11:1-6.)

Doubt

Matthew 14:22-33 records the story of Jesus walking on the water. When

the disciples saw him they were disturbed, thinking it was a "phantom." Jesus spoke to them, but Peter said, "Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water." We all remember how Peter started to walk on the water, too, but he began to sink and cried out for Jesus to save him. Jesus did rescue him, but said, "O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?" When they came into the ship, the disciples said, "Of a truth thou art the Son of God." Their minds were reassured, but they had doubted that he was the Son of God. They had stood in two ways, not really believing in his Sonship.

As individuals, or as a church, we cannot hope to be faithful workers and effective ambassadors for God, if we harbor doubts about the importance of our message—the coming Kingdom and the Messiahship of Jesus.

Forgetfulness

On an occasion when the disciples had failed to take food with them, Jesus warned them of "the leaven of the Pharisees." They didn't understand, but imagined he was chiding them for forgetting the food. "Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, . . . Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?" (Matt. 16:6-12). They then realized his main object was the warning of the evil teachings of his enemies, but the secondary lesson was they had forgotten his power to multiply food for their needs. (Turn to page 8)

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

General Conference 1971

The annual Church of God General Conference in 1971 will be held in Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. The conference will convene on Monday evening, August 9, and end on Saturday, August 14, at 9:00 a.m. This change was made necessary due to a conflict at the camp on Sunday. It appears that there will be many advantages in starting on Monday and we trust the inconveniences will be minimal. Registration will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9.

Survey Material Available

In accordance with recommendation number six which was passed by the delegates at the 1970 General Conference, materials have been prepared which can be a guideline in conducting a survey of the evangelistic potential of the local church. This is not a survey of the area but rather a self-survey of the church and its various inner departments.

Samples of this material have been mailed to each church. The number of forms needed will be supplied upon request.

Conference Finances

As this page is written it appears that the contributions for the 1969-70 fiscal year will probably fall short of the Goals for Giving. With ten days remaining, nearly \$5,000.00 is needed to meet the goal. Pastors and church boards have been made aware of this challenge. We believe that with this special effort most of the amount will come in.

As we come to the close of another fiscal year of General Conference activities, we express thanks and appreciation to all who have contributed in any way to make the conference year a success. These thoughts of appreciation are on behalf of the staff, the Board of Directors, and your executive secretary.

Conference Budget

The delegates at the 1970 General Conference sessions voted a budget of \$105,000.00 for the 1970-71 fiscal year. This is an increase of \$6,000.00, due mostly to a lower anticipated income; this item fell far short during the past year. Following is the budget as adopted:

ANTICIPATED INCOME:

Tuition, Room & Board (OBC)	\$26,000.00
Gross Profit From Sales (Sales less printing & purchases)	6,000.00
Total Anticipated Income	<u>\$32,000.00</u>

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Salaries	\$67,200.00
Utilities & Telephone	7,500.00
Insurance	1,700.00
Social Security	3,000.00
Postage	3,000.00
Depreciation and Repairs	2,500.00
Departmental Printing	7,500.00
Supplies and Expense	4,500.00
Food	7,000.00
Auto and Travel Expense	6,500.00
Youth Caravan	500.00
Library	500.00
Legal and Audit	700.00
Golden Rule Contract	1,500.00
Advance Education OBC Prof.	700.00
Emergency Reserve Fund	1,200.00

MISSIONS:

Nova Scotia	4,100.00
India	1,300.00
Mexico	3,000.00
Philippine Islands	5,400.00
Lebanon	1,200.00
Nigeria	1,800.00
Pastoral Aid	3,500.00
Literature	600.00
Board Expense	600.00

Total Anticipated Expenses	<u>\$137,000.00</u>
CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED	<u>\$105,000.00</u>

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

To be given by September 30, 1971 \$105,000.00

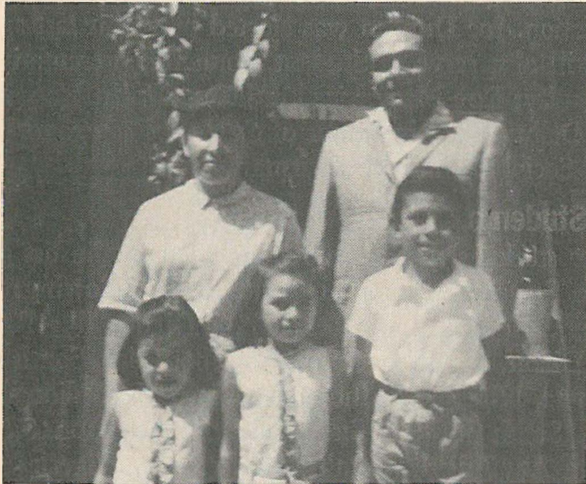
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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Pastor Francisco Martinez and family, Saltillo, Mexico, in a picture taken before the death of their older daughter (front center) on August 22, 1970.

Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez writes that on the day that their daughter was buried several people who had not heard the Word of God before had the opportunity to hear. Especially mentioned was a high school teacher and his wife. Please pray for these interested ones that they may come to know Christ through what has happened.

Nigeria

We are sorry to report the death of Pastor Tommy Itabang of the Nkek Abak Church of God in Nigeria. Please remember his family and his congregation in prayer.

Bros. Anthony Idiong, John Obot, Ephraim Udo, and Solomon Idiong will be staying at Oregon Bible College on a probationary basis for the entire school year. They began their classes at the college with the rest of the students September 22, 1970. If anyone would care to assist with their education costs, please write to the Superintendent of Missions, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for more information.

The men have recently received word from home that the government will allow their school to continue to operate since it has shown that these men are in training.

Lebanon

The summer camp held in the mountains August 10 through September 14, 1970, was a success. Forty-five adults from four countries attended, and four accepted Christ and were baptized.

Those attending enjoyed devotional periods, Bible

studies on prophecy, evangelism lessons, and evening messages on salvation and how to be in Christ.

Life in the Balance!

The world held its breath for four days as three astronauts hurtled through space with life hanging in the balance. On more than one occasion, the difference between life and death depended on what happened in as little as thirteen seconds. The precious value of life was felt by all who watched with concern for the safety of these three brave men. The world looked to God for help for the safety of life.

The precious value of life is the motive for our evangelistic efforts and concerns. The promise of God through Christ is life, "for God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). When this present life is so precious, how can any of us think lightly of the gift of everlasting life through the Son of God?

The difference between life and death is Jesus Christ. "He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life" (1 John 5:12). It is as simple as that. The motive for earnest evangelism is obvious. How many funerals must there be before we take God at his word?

"God grant the courage to do all things which thou dost require of us, and grant us the wisdom to put first things first."

Men are God's method. He has control over the elements, power over the mountains and the seas, but he has chosen to share Christ through the lives of MEN.

Success in evangelism must be measured in God's terms. We suggest these three steps in meeting the measure of God's program of evangelism:

A renewal of the horizontal outreach. Reaching out to those who have not yet come into the fellowship of the redeemed.

A renewal of our vertical relation to God. Reaching up toward God, expecting to find his hand reaching down to help in our service to him.

A renewal of our circular relationship with those in Christ. Increasing the effectiveness of the fellowship of faith. —R. Warren Sorenson, Mission Board Member.

REMEMBER—NOVEMBER IS MISSIONS MONTH!

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Graduate Internship Program

The Graduate Internship Program for Oregon Bible College began this fall in Arizona. This program, administered and coordinated by the president, is provided for graduates and ministers. It utilizes facilities of the Bible Church of God at Tempe and Phoenix, the services of Church of God professional persons in the area, and selected courses at Arizona State University for helping students prepare for the pastoral ministry, missionary work, or advanced study in theology and research. The program lasts for the entire academic year and the student pays the same tuition charged for courses on campus in Illinois.

Joe Martin, who was graduated from the College in May, has become the first student enrolled in the program. He lives at Palm Wood Apartments, Apt. 23, 2108 South Rural Road, Tempe. His program includes pastoral study sessions and practical pastoral experiences through working with Pastors Hollis Partlowe and Lee McQuinn. He is enrolled in two classes at Arizona State University. He serves as a Director of the Church of God Collegiate Fellowship, the church's student religious organization on campus recognized by the university. Under the leadership of Dallas Demmitt, Joe Martin is engaged in a program of counseling and is attending meetings of many professional organizations. He feels that his future ministry will be enriched by his having participated in this graduate program.

Largest Enrollment

Oregon Bible College began its new academic year, September 4, 1970, with its largest enrollment thus far. Fifty-four students registered for courses on campus at Oregon, Ill. One student, Joe Martin, began the Graduate Internship Program at Tempe and Phoenix, Ariz. This makes a total of fifty-five students. We have an excellent student body. There is a wonderful atmosphere of dedication to academic and spiritual growth.

Dale Ramsey Teaching Music Course

One of our new full-time students preparing for the ministry is Dale Ramsey of the Fort Valley Church in Virginia. Last June he was graduated from Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pa., with the Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education. This semester he is teaching a two-semester-hour course each Monday evening, Music Fundamentals and Directing. He is also giving private organ, piano, and voice lessons. He plans to present a pipe organ recital in the Oregon community sometime this fall.

Student Affairs

The following officers were chosen in the Student Council election. Joe Duncan was elected president last spring and will also serve as Student Council representative to the faculty; Ron Macy, vice president; Mark Ryan, treasurer; Delbert Rankin, editor of *Student Voice*, and Mark Ryan, Social Committee chairman.

New Students

New students that were not included in the list given in the September JOURNAL include the following: Lois Anthon, Holden, La.; Joel Lamz, Dixon, Ill.; Ramon Leal, Dixon, Ill.; John Jacob Obot, Ibot Ebak, South Eastern State, Nigeria; Anthony Abraham Udo Idiong, Utu Abak, South Eastern State, Nigeria; Solomon S. Udo Idiong, Ata Ediene, South Eastern State, Nigeria; Ephraim Akpan Udo, Ediene No. 1, South Eastern State, Nigeria.

Rachel Krogh Gospel Team Director

Rachel Krogh is now the gospel team director for Oregon Bible College. She directs the choir and works with the other musical groups in preparing them for gospel team activities.

Any church or group desiring a gospel team from the college should write to Sister Krogh at the Bible College.

She would like for churches to write and make plans for gospel teams at least four weeks in advance. We appreciate the opportunity of sharing the message of Christ with the churches through our gospel teams.

Library Progress

During the past summer we added several hundred books to the shelves, and made preparations for even greater expansion. In the past year we have grown from 5,300 volumes to 6,174 volumes. Our goal is to reach 10,000 volumes by 1975.

In the past month we have been receiving many books in response to the Oregon Bible College book drive. At the General Conference this summer a book drive was presented at the Oregon Bible College booth. Bro. Huffer talked with many people and distributed book lists of the library needs. We wish to thank those who have already responded with donations of funds and books.

If you would like to share in the Oregon Bible College book drive write to Bro. Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, or to Eugene Stilson, Library Administrator. Book lists are available on request.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Successful Youth Caravan

The 1970 Berean Youth Caravan assembled at the Brush Creek Church of God in Ohio on Monday night, August 10. That night and the next day were spent in planning and practicing for the many days and services ahead. Services were given as planned at Brush Creek on Tuesday night, August 11; Cool Springs, Va., Wednesday, August 12; and the Eternal Hope Church near Washington, D.C., on Thursday, August 13. The Caravan arrived in Digby late Saturday afternoon, August 15. The next eight days were busy ones. Vacation Bible school began on Monday, August 17, and continued through Friday. The Maritime Conference services began on Sunday morning, August 16. The Caravan left Digby on Sunday, August 23, after giving an afternoon service. The next stop for a service was at Fonthill, Ont. From there, we went to Blanchard, Mich., for a service on Thursday, August 27, and then to L'Anse, Mich. for a service on Friday night. A total of 4,400 miles was traveled, filled with the blessings of joy.

Youth Week—October, 1970

I am sure that many of you are wondering why there is another Youth Week within six months of the last. The setting of Youth Week for the fall, and preferably in October, came about through a suggestion of a youth leader. We thought it sounded reasonable and workable. The idea for having it in the fall is that after summer and vacation, the whole church program is stepped up to try to bring new people to Sunday school, worship services, and to enter into the total church program. The young people have been doing some of this in their Youth Week program. So why not have their week at the time when the church is accelerating its program? This was presented to the youth at the 1970 delegate sessions and they felt it was what they should do. Therefore, in order to not go too long without a Youth Week, it was necessary to have one this fall.

Youth Week has been a part of the Berean Youth Fellowship program for several years. Through it's help many young people have grown into leaders.

We want to thank every church and its membership for helping their youth in this way. Many of our adults have expressed to us that they have witnessed a definite growth in the leadership of the young people through this program. Support them and help them to do their part in knowing the working program of the church. ●

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

The Use of Visual Aids

A visual aid is any method that through a "seeing experience" presents an opportunity of a "learning experience." The visual aid should not be the center of the "teaching experience" since the truth, conviction, or "living experience" must be the center of the "growing experience." The visual aid is a supplementary device.

The use of visual aids is definitely Biblical. Consider: Jeremiah 18:1-6; 1 Kings 3:16-28. Jesus used visual aids on many occasions: a child, fig tree, catching fish, money, miracles, healings, and praying.

The use of visual aids make for effective teaching. Our psychologists tell us that we remember:

1% of what we taste	3½% of what we smell
1½% of what we touch	7% of what we hear
87% of what we SEE!	

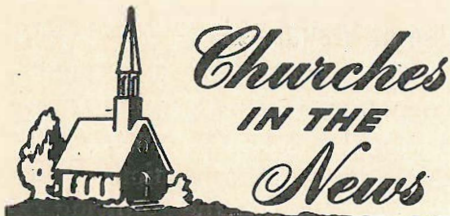
Never use them as: a) an entertainment feature, b) a "crowd getter," c) a substitute for preparation. Use them to make learning faster, more permanent, enjoyable, to enrich other methods, and to change effects in teaching. They can be used as background material, to introduce an idea, develop a subject, explain and clarify points, or to review a previous lesson.

Many times the question of what to use for a visual aid can best be answered by another question—What do you have in your hand to use? Samson had a jawbone, Dorcas had a needle, David had a sling. Easy objects to obtain are often the best. The common things bring the lesson back to mind each time they are seen. Unusual visual aids tend to lead the pupil to remember the object and forget the lesson.

Following are filmstrips available at the General Conference office in Oregon (no charge, except postage):

Classification	Number of filmstrips
Old Testament Geography & Stories	34
The Life of Jesus	58
The Life of Paul	21
Words of Hymns (single & multiple)	15
S.S. Aids: Building a Better S.S.	4
Know Your Child	8
Teacher Training—3 Series:	
Royal Commission & Record	6
Successful Teaching	8
Leadership Education & Records	10
Miscellaneous	14

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct. 9, 10—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.
 Oct. 10, 11—Illinois Fall Conference at Eldorado.
 Oct. 14-18—Revival at Pennellwood, Grand Rapids, Mich., E. Richard Smith, speaker.
 Oct. 17—Indiana Quarterly Conference at Hope Chapel Church, South Bend.
 Oct. 21, 22—Evangelistic services, Pomona, Cal., E. Milon Hall, guest speaker.
 Oct. 23-25—Southwest Conference, Pomona, Cal., E. Milon Hall, guest speaker.
 Oct. 25—Church of God Youth Sunday.
 Oct. 30, 31—Men's Retreat at Epworth Forest, North Webster, Ind.
 Nov. 2-8—Special services at Lawrenceville, O., Z. B. Duncan, guest speaker.
 Nov. 8-13—Prophetic conference, Ripley, Ill., C. E. Lapp, guest speaker.
 Nov. 9-13—Special meetings at Blanchard, Mich., James Mattison, guest speaker.
 Feb. 5, 6—Missions Conference at Tempe, Ariz., with Phoenix Church co-sponsor.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Ernest W. Rice, and Steve Komarsky (British Columbia).

IOWA CONFERENCE REPORT

The 83rd annual conference of the Church of God in Iowa is now history. About 202 people registered between the worship service on Thursday, July 16, and the Communion service on Sunday afternoon, July 19. Eleven states and Canada were represented, including many people who stopped and visited on their way to General Conference in Cedar Falls.

E. Richard Smith of Hillisburg, Ind., was the guest speaker and teacher. The theme, based on Ephesians 5:16, was "Redeeming the Time." The Raymond Brown family was also present; contributing in the music field, as well as teaching.

Especially enjoyed this year were the special features after the evening services. On Friday evening a quiz competition was held with a team of ministers quizzing against the Iowa Berean Quiz Team. The young people won, although we must admit that the ministers had only a few days to prepare, compared to several months spent by the young people. In addition, on Saturday evening, some exceptionally good slides of Palestine were shown by Mr. & Mrs. Myers of Dallas Center, Iowa.

Michael Hale, cor. sec.

DIRECTORY ISSUE DEADLINE

The annual directory issue of Progress Journal will be published in November. The deadline for additions or changes for the directory is October 15. We know much of the information in the directory is erroneous and outdated, but we are helpless to improve it. We are depending on you secretaries and pastors to respond!

TROY VIEW CHURCH NEWS

The annual business meeting of the Troy View Church of God, Troy, Ohio, was held on September 9, 1970. The meeting was attended by about 75% of the active membership.

All seven of the pastor's recommendations were voted on individually and approved. They included the establishment of various committees, and cooperation with the Church of God General Conference in attaining its goals for 1972-1975.

Officers reelected for two years were: Dwaine Demmitt, elder; Harold (Bill) Newnam, deacon; and Willa Adams, deaconess. New officers elected were: Chester Lucas, deacon for two years; Richard Scott, trustee for three years; and Ruth Magaw, treasurer for two years.

During the consideration of new business it was decided to make this year a year of involvement. A closing remark of one of the elders was that each member be involved in serving the Lord. Vivian Magaw.

BAPTISM AT POMONA, CAL.

Paul Bradley, son of Wallace and Jayne Bradley was baptized in the saving name of Jesus Christ on August 2, 1970, at the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona. May God direct and bless him throughout his life.
 Delbert Jones, pastor.

BAPTISM AT COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

Norma Bringman made her decision at the National Youth Conference, and was immersed in the name of Jesus at the Columbia Church of God on August 23, 1970. May God bless this young woman as she endeavors to follow the example of God's Son.
 C. Jesse Pestle, pastor.

BAPTISM AT BEAR, ARKANSAS

On September 6, 1970, Miss Ola Bump, long-time supporter of the Bear church and Sunday school, came forward for baptism. She was baptized in Bear Creek, near the church. May God help her in her new life and walk with Jesus her Saviour.
 Jesse L. Humphreys, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT SAN JOSE, CAL.

On July 5, 1970, the congregation at San Jose witnessed the baptisms of Anita Bachtell and Sandy Kinsey. The following day we traveled to the home of Lois Fales, and baptized her in the Feather River. These girls made their decisions at Southwest Youth Camp.
 Don Hightower, pastor.

BAPTISM AT EDEN VALLEY, MINN.

Dean Sogge, age 14, of Eden Valley was baptized at the Long Lake Campground on August 9, 1970. May God help him remain faithful till Jesus comes. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Vanessa Holtkamp and Randy Ralston were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ by the writer on August 2, 1970. We pray God's richest blessing on them.
 John Hearp, pastor.

HATCHER - GEORGEWICH

On May 23, 1970, Miss Sharon Hatcher and Mr. Dan Georgewich were united in marriage at the St. Louis Church of God, Faith of Abraham, in Overland, Mo. Bro. Richard Lee performed the ceremony. May God bless and watch over them in their new life together.

PRICE - JONES

Cynthia Price and David Jones were united in marriage at the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Cal., on July 18, 1970, by the bridegroom's father, the writer. They reside at 256 W. College, Apt. 5, Covina, Cal. 91722. May the Lord richly bless their marriage.
 Delbert Jones, pastor.

PEARSON - HALLMAN

Miss Alice J. Pearson, daughter of Roger Pearson and Mrs. Howard Hayes, was united in marriage to Mr. John Philip Hallman in a double ring ceremony in the Brush Creek Church of God on June 13, 1970. May the loving Father be near this young couple.
 Leon Driskill, pastor.

BOWERS - PATTON

Miss Barbara Bowers and Mr. James Thomas Patton were united in marriage in a beautiful double ring ceremony on June 14, 1970, at the Restitution Church of God, Eldorado, Ill. They will reside in Eldorado and attend the church here. May God bless them richly.
 Dennis J. Baldwin, pastor.

TURNPOUGH - HAMILTON

On June 7, 1970, Miss Myra Turnpough became the bride of Mr. James Hamilton in a double ring ceremony in the Church of God, Hedrick, Ind. Myra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Turnpough of Hedrick. May God bless them as they begin their life together.
 James Graham, pastor.

CLARA CRAWFORD SMITH

Mrs. Clara Crawford Smith was born January 1, 1880. She died May 28, 1970, in Danville, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in West Lebanon, Ind. She was laid to rest in the West Lebanon Cemetery to await the resurrection day.
 James Graham, pastor.

MYRTLE HUGHBANKS

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Warren Sorenson for Myrtle Hughbanks on August 20, 1970.

Bette Potts, reporter.

EARL H. BEEBE

Funeral services were held for Earl Harold Beebe on August 7, 1970, in McCook, Neb., by the writer. He was born September 25, 1908, in Cedar County, Mo., and died at his home in McCook, August 4. He was baptized into the Church of God August 25, 1946.

He is survived by his wife, Cecil (Larington) Beebe; three daughters; two sons; and twenty-six grandchildren.

Burial was at McCook, where he awaits the call of his Master.

James Rencontre, pastor.

GLADYS MELTON

Gladys Melton, 62, of Pelzer, S.C., died June 13, 1970. She was a daughter of M. O. Williamson, and a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith.

She is survived by her husband Wilbur; four daughters: Mrs. Viola Lombardi of Columbia, Mrs. Willett Binder and Mrs. Vicki Phillips of Pelzer, and Mrs. Sara Ann Cooper of Greenville; a son, George, of Greenville; four sisters; and fourteen grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on June 15 at the Guthrie Grove Church, with burial in the church cemetery. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

LOVA HODGES

Lova Hodges, 64, of Mt. Sterling, Ill., fell asleep in death August 14, 1970. Her patience, consideration, and faith in God were a testimony to all who knew her. After services conducted by the writer, she was laid to rest to await her Master's call to life.

John Hearp, pastor.

JOHN LONG

John Long, 84, fell asleep in death July 31, 1970, in Silvis, Ill. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to his wife, Anna; sister, Tessa Laning; brother, Joe; grandchildren Carol Jean of Moline, Ill., and Whitney of London, England; and other relatives. Services were conducted at Mt. Sterling, Ill., by the writer.

John Hearp, pastor.

MRS. NINA V. PULLIAM

Nina Virginia Ritenour was born August 30, 1892, in Fort Valley, Va., the daughter of Marcus A. and Jennie Clem Ritenour.

April 17, 1935, she was married to William Pulliam. There were no children, and he died in 1951.

Nina died in a nursing home in Winchester on July 23, 1970.

She was member of the Maurertown Church of God. She leaves one brother, Roy, of Manassas, Va., three nieces and six nephews.

We grew to love Nina for her strong faith and fine character. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer at Woodstock on July 25, and burial was in Massanutten Cemetery, where she awaits the call of the Master.

James Mattison, pastor.

FUNERALS AT BLANCHARD, MICH.

While we have been serving two years in the pastorate at the Blanchard Church of God, our congregation has mourned the deaths of four members.

Mrs. Mildred (Briggs) Snyder died May 5, 1969. She was born July 29, 1905, and had been nearly a lifelong member of our church. Following memorial services she was buried in Pine River Cemetery near Blanchard.

Mrs. Flossie Egbert was born October 24, 1887, baptized in 1899, married to Charles Egbert on her birthday in 1906, and died after a long life of faith on June 27, 1969. Among her family left in this church are her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Hep Kohler, and three granddaughters. After funeral services, she was buried in Decker Cemetery near Blanchard.

Mrs. Charlotte Baldwin had been in this church for several years and had recently expanded her faith by completing the Systematic Bible Study Course. She died unexpectedly September 26, 1969. She was born July 23, 1905. Among her descendants these are serving the Lord in this church: a son, Charles; two daughters, Christene Eldred and Lois Smith, and several grand-

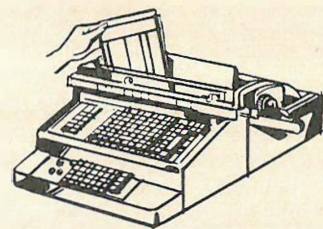
children. After religious services she was buried in Vinewood Cemetery, Edmore.

Mr. Angus Lint had recently completed reading the New Testament, deepening his faith in God, when he died in the faith on January 29, 1970. He was born August 25, 1906, and was baptized on his birthday in 1957. He is survived by his wife Maudie and a son Louis, both members of our church. Burial was in Decker Cemetery.

Each of these is sorely missed by our church family. But it has been noted in our community that each of these Christians died without fear, and that their immediate families did not "sorrow as others which have no hope." We have taken comfort in their faith in Jesus and the resurrection.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

"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.

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CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

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MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Church of God Ministerial Association held its summer business meeting at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, July 22, 23, 1970. Several matters of business were discussed, one of which was the ministers' insurance program. The ministers voted to increase their coverage under a new policy with Ministers Life and Casualty Insurance Company, as soon as the proper number of ministers enroll.

Approximately 64 ministers were in attendance at the 1970 Jubilee General Conference. David Krogh, sec.

SUMNER - MEIZI

On August 12, 1970, Mary Ann Sumner of Hendersonville, N.C., and William Joseph Meizi of Knoxville, Tenn., were united in marriage by the writer in a simple ceremony at the Guthrie Grove Church.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

FRANCIS - SCHROEDER

Marilyn Francis and Stephen Schroeder were united in marriage by the writer in the Phoenix church, July 11, 1970. May God continue to bless them.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BURRIS - ASHLEY

On August 10, 1970, Tommie Jean Burris of Williamston, S.C., and John Robert Ashley of Belton, S.C., were united in marriage by the pastor in a simple ceremony at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near Pelzer, S.C.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

SAYLORS - DAY

On September 4, 1970, Karen Marlane Saylor and Alvin Leroy Day were united in marriage in the Guthrie Grove Church of God by the writer. May Christ be the Head of their home. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

ADAMS - TURNER

Cheryl Adams and Milton Turner were united in marriage in the Phoenix church by the writer, July 10, 1970. May God bless them as they establish their home.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

POWERS - HUGHES

Edna Cooper Powers and Harvey Hughes were united in marriage September 5, 1970, at the Ripley Church of God parsonage by the writer. They are now at home in Rushville, Ill. We ask God's blessing on this union.

John Hearp, pastor.

McGINTY - WILKINS

On June 29, 1970, at the McGintytown Church of God, Greenbrier, Ark., Maudie Frances McGinty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McGinty of Conway, Ark., and Charles Wilkins were united in marriage. She is a faithful member of the McGinty town church, and he is in the U.S. Navy.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.

Secretaries and pastors, the deadline for Directory Issue corrections is October 15!

WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?

(Continued from page 1)

We are prone to forget what God has done for us. How much needless worry we could avoid if only we would remember what God can do!

Faith is the Answer!

In our personal lives, and in the church, faith is the answer to anxiety, fear, doubt, and forgetfulness — and "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17). "Lord, increase our faith"! ●

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will hold its first meeting since General Conference on November 13 and 14. Many important matters of business will be discussed and the annual financial statements for the past fiscal year will be reviewed.

Bro. Allan Ramsey and his firm, of Warsaw, Ind., make the annual audit and present a full report to the Board at its November meeting. Portions of the report will be published in a later PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Departmental Boards Meet

The Mission Board and the Sunday School Board both held meetings in September. The Board of Trustees of the Ministers Voluntary Retirement Fund met on October 16. A committee to study the further use of Annuities in General Conference financing also met on October 16. The Board of Education of Oregon Bible College is planning a meeting. Many people give freely of their time and effort to serve on these various boards and committees and should be commended for their dedicated service.

Directory Issue

You will find in this issue the Church of God Directory for the year. You will want to keep this issue handy at all times for reference and addresses. We encourage you to take the Directory with you when traveling and attend one of the affiliated Churches of God whenever possible.

Staff Travels

Members of the staff of the Church of God General Conference travel a great deal to fill pulpits and conduct services among the churches. In recent weeks Bro. John Lewis spoke at Koszta, Iowa, and Eldorado, Ill., during the Illinois State Conference. Bro. T. M. Ferrell filled the pulpit at Guthrie Grove, S.C., early in October. Sr. Rachel Krogh spoke at Lombard, Ill., and at the Dayton, Ohio, Missionary Conference. Bro. S. O. Ross also spoke at the Dayton Missionary Conference and has held services at Flagg Center, Casey, and Eldorado, Ill.; Monroe Center, Wis.; and Fredericktown, Mo. Bro. Eugene Stilson spoke at the Oregon, Ill., Church in September, and Bro. Francis Burnett in October.

Bro. Ross has been privileged to appear on two television programs recently. On October 10 he and the four

Oregon Bible College students from Nigeria appeared on Channel 23, Rockford, in an interview program, and the Nigerian men sang a few songs. On October 9, on a live color telecast on station WSIL, Harrisburg, Ill., he and Bro. Dennis Baldwin, pastor of the Eldorado Church of God, were interviewed for twenty-five minutes regarding the work of the Church of God General Conference throughout the world. This program was arranged by the Eldorado brethren in connection with a series of meetings being held at the Restitution Church in Eldorado, and to advertise the State Conference that began at the Eldorado Church the following day. We praise God for this privilege to make the Church of God known.

Conference Finances

When the contributors list for the last PROGRESS JOURNAL was prepared the contributions were about \$3,100.00 short of the goals for the fiscal year. We praise God that in the last week of September \$2,997.00 was received, so we fell only one hundred twenty dollars short of the \$99,000.00 goal for the fiscal year. A special thanks to all who made this possible.

The budget for the 1970-71 year will require contributions in the amount of \$105,000.00. It appears that the October giving will be about \$2,600.00 short of the \$8,750.00 goal.

The monthly contributions provide support for twenty-three missionaries and their families, assist in the education of the students at Oregon Bible College, subsidize the cost of the publication of Church of God materials, provide literature for missions and evangelism, support the work of the youth and Sunday school programs, and provide the many general services of the Church of God General Conference. Pray for all the work of the church.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for October	\$ 8,750.00
Given in October	\$ 6,155.00
To be given by September 30, 1971	\$98,845.00

Goal for November \$8,985.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Nova Scotia

The Nova Scotia brethren enjoyed having Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett and the BYF Caravan as workers in their third annual Maritime Conference and Bible school held in August. The average attendance for the Bible school was 118, and there were 162 present for the program.

We are happy that Mrs. James MacAlpine and Mrs. Douglas Harris have accepted Christ and were baptized into him recently.

The parsonage has been completed, with dedication and open house on October 14, 1970, after which the Brown family moved in.

October 4 to November 8 the Lighthouse Mission had a special evangelism emphasis called "New Life in Christ." Classes on witnessing were held and then the area around the church was canvassed. At the same time a special emphasis was placed on the Sunday school and bringing others in.

Philippine Islands

Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero sent a newspaper article from the *Manila Times* telling of the typhoon that hit Quezon in the northern Philippines in September. Heavy destruction and death were left by the storm. We are thankful that our people were not affected by it.

Pastor and Mrs. Eleodoro Javar of the Cordon Church are the parents of their fifth child, a baby boy. Our congratulations to them.

Mexico

Sr. Alice Aldrich and Sr. Aurelia Alvarez continue to work with the children in their neighborhood on Saturday mornings. Attendance has been in the 30's, and preparations are being made for Christmas.

The Saltillo brethren are making trips from time to time to Labor Vieja to help strengthen the work being done there by Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo. The last time they were there to hold services, about thirty adults were present.

The Superintendent of Missions hopes to visit the work in Mexico during December.

Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a in Beirut, Lebanon, has many students enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course. Some months ago he heard from the pastor of a church in Cairo,

Egypt, who wished to study the course. As the man studied, he had questions which Bro. Sunna'a answered for him. Other literature in Arabic was sent, and correspondence continued for three months. This man has come to a knowledge of the truth and now he has been dismissed from fellowship in his denomination. Bro. Sunna'a needs to make a trip to Egypt to baptize this man and to study with him further. This pastor's son is an officer in the Egyptian navy and is leading a small group in the city of Alexandria. Please pray for these men and Bro. Sunna'a as he continues to work with them.

India

In September the Thomas Town Church choir had the opportunity to sing and witness of the truth at a cultural association meeting, a large public gathering of nearly 600 persons. The Thomas Town choir was announced as the best of all the choirs that participated.

Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah and the Sunday school staff have been visiting in the homes of the Sunday school children and advising the parents on how they can help their children. They have been very well received.

There are groups of people meeting in three different places besides the Thomas Town and Wilson Gardens areas. One meets near St. John's Medical College, another in an area called Austin Town, and a new Sunday class has been started in a nearby village. Bro. Manoah has recently combined the Wilson Gardens and Austin Town groups to enable him to meet with all of them together each Sunday.

Bro. Manoah writes that there are a number of members who are suffering from various illnesses. Please remember them in prayer.

Miscellaneous

We have received correspondence from a young man in West Pakistan who has read some of our tracts and is interested in learning more.

Two young men in Kenya, East Africa, have written after seeing a copy of *The Restitution Herald* which was sent to them by Charles French of the Gospel Publicity League in Australia.

People have also written to us from Indonesia, Portugal, and South Africa.

Please pray for these interested ones that through their study they may come to a saving knowledge of the truth.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Christian Emphasis Week

Brother Clarence Lapp of Eden Valley, Minn. was the guest speaker at Oregon Bible College October 12-16 for the annual Christian Emphasis Week.

Brother Lapp centered his messages around the admonition given in Hebrews chapter 12, verse 3, "Consider him." He presented devotional messages in the early morning hour before classes to the faculty and student body, in addition to daily chapel services. He also presented a message at the Oregon Church of God on Thursday evening. Students were also glad to spend free hours in conversation and counsel with Brother Lapp.

We feel that his presence on campus made a definite contribution to our spiritual growth and understanding.

AABC Meeting

President Alva Huffer, along with faculty members John Lewis, Eugene Stilson, and Rachel Krogh, attended the annual Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges convention in Chicago October 28-30.

We feel that two areas of emphasis at the convention were especially helpful to the OBC staff. One of the features of the AABC meeting was group sessions for Christian Service personnel from various Bible colleges. These groups participated in discussions and workshops dealing with such topics as developing student motivation for Christian Service, preparing the student for Christian Service activities, the search for excellence, conducting Christian Service departments, and creative ideas for Christian Service directors.

Another convention feature that was very helpful was the cooperative sessions on Missionary Education. In these sessions such questions as how to best prepare students for educational ministries, what are the significant trends in missionary education, what kind of preparation should we provide for administrators of overseas schools, and what other needs are there in missionary preparation, were fully discussed and presented to those who attended.

Social Activities

Chairman Mark Ryan and the Social Committee planned and directed the activities of the Fall Breakfast held at Stronghold Castle September 25. Brother Anthony Idiong led in devotional thoughts and various students took part in such activities as volley ball and football to complete the morning.

Stronghold was also the setting for a costume Hallow-

een party sponsored by the Social Committee. After games and activities, the evening was made complete with the enjoyment of doughnuts, hot chocolate, and cider.

The Social Committee is also planning biweekly gymnasium activities for fall and winter.

Gospel Team Activities

On October 3, 1970, a gospel team from Oregon Bible College attended the Third Annual Missionary Conference at Glad Tidings Chapel in Dayton, Ohio. Two of the Nigerian men, Ephraim Udo and Anthony Idiong, sang and spoke about their country and the work there. Other special music, testimonies, and talks were provided by other members of the team: Ellen Canfield, Larry Gaskill, Tim New, and Rachel Krogh, sponsor. The team also participated in the morning worship service the following day by offering musical selections.

On that same weekend a gospel team consisting of Joe Duncan, Dale Swartz, Bruce Burnside, Telva Lippert, Diane Cupp, and sponsor John Lewis participated in the Iowa Youth Retreat at Koszta.

Team members taught lessons, presented sermons, and provided special music as a part of the weekend activities.

Classroom Activities

President Alva Huffer has been on campus since October 21 teaching Systematic Theology to upper classmen. He will be here through November 16.

He and the staff completed plans for future class schedules and curriculum.

The current Fall Semester will conclude December 18. The Winter Semester will begin January 4 and will conclude April 23. The Spring Session, lasting four weeks, will be held April 26 - May 21.

Faculty Organ Recital

In the continuing goal to upgrade the quality and standard of music at Oregon Bible College, student-instructor Dale Ramsey of Fort Valley, Va., will present an organ recital December 13 at the Methodist Church in Oregon, Ill.

The recital will begin at 3:00 p.m. Presented will be some of the great organ music of the church, which will include some familiar Christmas carols.

This is a College function and support of it is encouraged. Come and hear some good organ music; you won't regret it!—*Dale Ramsey.*

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Midwinter Retreat

The second annual midwinter retreat will be held December 30, 1970, through January 2, 1971, at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.

At the 1970 Berean Youth Conference, the delegates voted to extend the enrollment to 12th graders, but preference is to be given to those in the post-high age. As of this writing, several have enrolled. The time is from Wednesday evening, beginning with supper, through the Saturday noon meal. The cost is \$14.00 per camper.

The purpose of the retreat is twofold. One is to give those of the post-high age a time of good Christian fellowship, and the other is to provide some leadership training.

The program will include Bible study, discussion on the importance of believing the truth under the title of: "Does it Make a Difference?" and a discussion class on: "Christians in the Teen-Scene." On the night of December 31 there will be a New Year's watch service. Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett will help with the teaching and serve as counselors. There will also be a guest teacher who will have a class, give an evening service, and serve as a counselor.

Youth Advisory Council Members

Elected at the 1970 Youth Conference were: Scott Strickland, San Jose, Cal.; Terry Kirkpatrick, Eden Valley, Minn.; Michael Brown, West Milton, Ohio, and William Chamberlain, Delta, Ohio. Hold-over members are: Waldon Winner, Ripley, Ill., who also was elected Berean Youth president for the year; Dan Graham, Dixon, Ill.; Joe Duncan, South Bend, Ind.; Cynthia McLeod, Tempe, Ariz., and Shelly Gaspar, Eden Valley, Minn.

The Advisory Council will meet during the Midwinter Retreat, and also meets during the Berean Youth Conference. The work of the Council is to examine the program of the Berean department and make recommendations to the delegates.

Youth Conference Slide-Sound Set

There will be a slide-sound set of the 1970 Berean Youth Conference. Order blanks for the set will be put in the mail in a few weeks. It is the plan also to have a slide-sound set of the 1970 Caravan trip.

Mission Dollar Club

During the first part of September, a Mission Dollar enrollment sheet was sent out. This is a good way to help meet the budget. Let us hear from you.

A USEFUL TOOL

Systematic Bible Study Course can be a very useful tool to every Bible student and Christian witness.

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Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five (Phil. 3:13, 14)

Department	By September, 1972	By September, 1975
FOREIGN MISSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 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. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Two new Mission Fields 2) Five more Missionaries in the field
HOME MISSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Thorough follow-up of the witnessing programs 2) Each One Teach One in Seventy One 3) Two new churches in the General Conference 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Pastoral Aid increased to \$150 per month 2) Ten new churches in the General Conference
SUNDAY SCHOOL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 10% increase in membership--approximately 150. 2) Definite plans for the publishing of a Diamond Jubilee Anniversary Album; 1898 - 1973 3) District Post-High Youth Retreats 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 20% increase in membership 2) Monthly publication of <u>Challenge</u>, including a page for Youth leaders, pastors 3) Full Time Youth Director
PUBLISHING	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Revise and improve Vacation Bible School materials so that every Church of God school will use it. 2) Every Church of God family receive <u>The Restitution Herald</u>. 3) Develop a new line of tracts that includes evangelistic and study-type tracts. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Develop the outreach of <u>The Restitution Herald</u>, sending to friends, prospects, and all who request it, with a goal of 10,000 per issue.
OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Total new graduates- 15 2) Student Body Size - 60 3) Volumes in Library - 7,500 4) Recognition by State of Illinois achieved 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Total New Graduates-45 2) Student Body Size - 75 3) Volumes in Library - 10,000

CHURCH OF GOD DIRECTORY

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Following is a directory of the Church of God, listing General Conference officers and staff, state and district conferences and officers, and local churches and officers. The names and locations of churches are given briefly and identified with the city where the church is located. It is recommended that persons using the directory when traveling, contact an officer of the church to find the exact location of the church and the time of meetings.

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 4-8—Special meetings at Dayton, Ohio, John Hearp, guest speaker.
- Nov. 8-13—Prophetic conference, Ripley, Ill., C. E. Lapp, guest speaker.
- Nov. 9-13—Special meetings at Blanchard, Mich., James Mattison, guest speaker.
- Nov. 20-22—Texas fall conference and family retreat at Buchanan Dam.
- Nov. 21—Missionary conference at Columbia Station, Ohio, church.
- Nov. 30-Dec. 9—Fall meetings at Brush Creek Church, Ohio, C. Jesse Pestle, speaker.
- Dec. 13—OBC faculty organ recital by Dale Ramsey, Oregon Methodist church.
- Dec. 30-Jan. 2—Post-High Winter Retreat at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Feb. 5, 6—Missions Conference at Tempe, Ariz., with Phoenix Church co-sponsor.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mildred Workman, Betty Hart, John Hollis, Miss Ellen Sandoe, and Carol Fordahl.

SONGS AVAILABLE

Bro. Elmer McChesney, 715 E. Woodside, South Bend, IN 46614, has had printed, and is making available, copies of his Jubilee song (with a new second verse), and his song, "Happiness Is." We do not have these at the office, so write directly to him.

BAPTISM AT RAYMORE, MO.

Darrell Hickman made his commitment to serve Jesus and was baptized into him on September 20, 1970. May God bless him. Donald Ward, pastor.

BAPTISM AT WHITNEL, N.C.

On September 30, 1970, we had the privilege of baptizing Elmo West into Jesus Christ our Lord. Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TROY, OHIO

On August 2, 1970, Alan Demmitt and Paul Burnside were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ. May God bless them as they walk in newness of life. Scott Ross, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Having confessed Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, Thomas and Sheryl Graham and Debra Barnes were baptized in his name for remission of sins. The Graham twins were baptized by their grandfather, Pastor Roy Graham of Denver, Colo.

Jerilyn, Chris, and Greg Tidey, and Mark Little were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, October 18, 1970.

We welcome these seven young people into our local church.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA

On September 13, 1970, Mrs. James MacAlpine and Mrs. Douglas Harris were baptized into Christ and received into the fellowship of the church. Pray for God's blessing and leading in these two lives.

Raymond L. Brown, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT OREGON, ILL.

Steven Rager, Rural Rt., Chana, accepted Christ and was baptized at Berean Youth Conference in August; and Edwin E. Smith, Jr., Rt. 3, Oregon, requested baptism and was immersed at Camp Emmaus September 20, 1970. The Oregon church rejoices in accepting these two young men into its fellowship.

Genniel Anderson, Sec.

BAPTISM AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

On October 11, 1970, Mona Owen came forward at Hope Chapel Church, Columbus, Ohio, to request baptism. She was baptized on October 15 at the Lawrenceville church by Pastor C. F. Pryor. We pray her walk with Christ will be blessed.

Jeanne Tawney, Sec.

BAPTISMS AT RIPLEY, ILL.

Teresa Kay Robins accepted Christ as her Saviour and was baptized September 20, 1970. We rejoice with her in her decision.

On October 4, 1970, Curtis and Mary Prather and their daughters Diane and Pat confessed Christ and were baptized. We rejoice that this family is united in the Lord.

John Hearp, pastor.

JAMES MATTISON HOSPITALIZED

Bro. James Mattison, pastor of the Fort Valley and Maurertown Churches of God in Virginia, was hospitalized two different times in the past month, due to acute bronchitis and asthma. He is currently at home and under the care of a specialist. He must use a respirator morning and night, and rest a great deal. His address is: Rt. 1, Maurertown, Va. 22644. Remember him with your cards and prayers.

BAPTISMS AT CAMP MACK, IND.

Upon confession of their faith we baptized into Christ on July 29, 1970, at Camp Mack, Ind.: Jonette Anthon and Sharon Edwards of Louisiana, and Becky Scott of Maryland. May they grow in faith, and be ready when Jesus comes. James Mattison.



NEWLY PURCHASED BUILDING

Hope Chapel, Columbus, Ohio

Pictured is the newly purchased church home for the Hope Chapel congregation, Columbus, Ohio, located at 1007 Midland Ave.

The men of the Brush Creek, Troy View, and Lawrenceville congregations have been helping with the refurbishing of the building.

Bro. and Sr. C. F. Pryor are now working with this congregation.

MACOMB CHURCH NEWS

Marilyn Hightower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hightower, became the bride of Bruce Phelps on October 3, 1970. The service was performed by Bro. Warren Sorenson.

Maude VanAntwerp, sister of Mae Mercer, Ruth Miller, Emma Carruthers, and Grace Fisk, died in Springfield, Mo. Services were conducted there October 1, 1970, and in Macomb on October 2.

Services were conducted October 2, 1970, for Max Vawter, brother of Gerry Vawter.

Services were conducted October 3, 1970, in Kansas City for Sanford Derry's sister-in-law. Bette Potts, church reporter.

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BRO. ARTHUR BARNETT HONORED

Bro. Arthur Barnett, a member of the Holbrook, Neb., Church of God, was honored at an open house held in the church basement, on September 20, in honor of his 93rd birthday, which was September 21, 1970.

He was born in Bloomfield, Iowa, September 21, 1877, came to Gosper Co. Neb. in September of 1884, and lived northwest of Holbrook from 1884 to 1963, when he moved into town. He lives alone.

He and his wife Ethel were baptized by Bro. Almus Adams in 1915; Ethel died July 13, 1959.

A group of 86 friends and relatives gathered during the afternoon to extend birthday greetings to him. His son Lloyd and wife Vera were present; three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren were also there. A daughter, Charlotte, died in August, 1969, and a son, Paul, of Hastings, who is deaf and blind, was unable to be there.

We extend our congratulations to Bro. Barnett and pray that the Lord will bless him.
James Rencontre, pastor.

HILLISBURG CHURCH NEWS

The Hillisburg, Ind., Church of God is enjoying a period of rapid growth, with Sunday school and worship attendance averaging sixty and seventy, respectively, which is double that of two years ago. Plans have been drawn for the building of needed classrooms.

On July 12, 1970, Christine Anderson was baptized. This young mother joins her husband John in serving the Lord in his church.

On September 20, 1970, after a week of revival sermons by Pastor Scott Ross, Sam and Mabel Lewis, a couple in their seventies, were baptized.

The revival of the Hillisburg Church is proof that the rural church need not die, and that God will bless the church when the people are carrying out the Bible command—"Go ye."

Calls are being made in the homes, bulletins are mailed to two hundred homes weekly, and group visitation—that is, young people on young people—is done from time to time.

As pastor, we are presenting a program of Bible-centered studies and sermons, so each will learn and develop a Bible-based faith that will help him live properly, and serve his God sincerely until Jesus returns.
E. Richard Smith, pastor.

MARTIN - DOAN

Pat Martin and Chris Doan were united in marriage by the writer at the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Cal., on September 19, 1970. Chris is the son of Pastor and Mrs. Harold Doan. May God richly bless this marriage.
D. A. Jones, pastor.

MARITIME CONFERENCE REPORT

The third Maritime Conference and Vacation Bible School were held August 16-23, 1970 at the Church of God in Digby, Nova Scotia. Special workers were Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett and the eight members of the Youth Caravan.

The enrollment for the Bible school was 150, with a high attendance of 121 and an average of 118. There were 162 people present the night of the program, the largest number that has ever been in this church at any one time.

The conference services were also well attended, with an average of 74. The conference followed a prophetic theme of "His Coming Draweth Nigh." Inspiring messages were presented by Bro. Burnett each evening and on Sunday. The final service was broadcast over our local radio station.

The Caravan and Bro. Burnett recorded five short devotionals which were played the following week over the local radio station.

Another attractive feature of each service was a chalk drawing by Sr. Burnett, which was given to the one inviting and bringing the most visitors for the service.

The ministry of the Burnetts and the Caravan was a great blessing to the church and community. May God continue to bless each one of them as they serve him.
Raymond L. Brown, pastor.

HASS - CANTRELL

Nola Hass of Rockford, Ill., and Gary Cantrell of Denver, Colo., were united in marriage by the writer on October 23, 1970, at the Church of God at Oregon, Ill. They will make their home in Denver, Colo. May God bless them as they live for him.
T. M. Ferrell.

BURNETT - GREGORY

Miss Sharon Burnett and Mr. Ernest Gregory were united in marriage October 2, 1970, in a candlelight service at the Ripley Church of God. They now reside at 405 W. Union, Meredosia, Ill. May God's love and grace be with them as they go through life together.
John Hearp, pastor.

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MOORE - DEVRIES

On October 8, 1970, Rachel Moore and Louis DeVries were united in marriage at the Southlawn Church of God. Rachel is one of the charter members of the Southlawn Church.
David Krogh, pastor.

CRONBAUGH - ROHLF

Miss Sheryl Cronbaugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cronbaugh, was united in marriage to Mr. John Rohlf in a double ring ceremony on August 1, 1970. May the Lord richly bless their marriage.
Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

FRED LEE WILLIAMS

Bro. Fred Lee Williams, 63, died August 17, 1970. Funeral services were held on August 26 at Salisaw, Okla.

A longtime member of the Church of God, he leaves behind two sons, seven grandchildren, four brothers, one sister, and several nieces and nephews.

Words of comfort and hope of the soon return of our Saviour were spoken by the writer.
Jesse L. Humphreys.

WILLIAM R. SIMMONS

Funeral services were held for Bro. William Robert Simmons, 82, on August 15, 1970, at Hartshorn, Okla. He was a minister of the Church of God for forty years.

He leaves his wife Dora, three daughters, 13 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

Words of comfort and hope of the resurrection of the dead were spoken by the writer.
Jesse L. Humphreys.

"Except," by Percy Bilton, is a 23-page booklet on Scriptural baptism. Also in the booklet, "The Baptist Confession of Faith in 1660," and "The History of Baptism." They are 25¢ each, \$20.00 per hundred, when payment accompanies the order.

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VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

The Virginia Conference followed a somewhat different format this year. But it was interesting, well-attended, and the program worthwhile. The conference was conducted at the Maurertown Church of God, July 10-12. Bro. J. Arlen Marsh was the guest speaker and he did an excellent job from the pulpit and also as leader of the workshops that were conducted on Saturday.

The conference opened Friday night with Bro. Marsh as speaker at worship service. Saturday morning a workshop was conducted with emphasis on Sunday schools and audio visual materials that are available to make our teaching practical and educational. The afternoon workshop centered around missions and evangelism.

There was a worship service Saturday night, and the conference concluded Sunday afternoon.

During the week preceding the conference the Tri-State Youth Fellowship conducted its annual camp at the Maurertown church. Bro. and Sr. Kent Ross were the guest youth workers, assisted by Bro. and Sr. James Mattison and Bro. Cecil Smead. The camping facilities were much improved with a new shower house provided by the State Conference and the youth themselves.

Both young people and adults who attended the conferences felt that they had been successful and look forward to 1971 for other assemblies when the Word can be studied and fellowship enjoyed. The conference also feels blessed by the establishment of the Front Royal Church of God

in Front Royal, Va. The church was started in August of this year, and the conference is giving as much spiritual and material help as possible. Please pray for this work.
Ellen Ramsey, sec.

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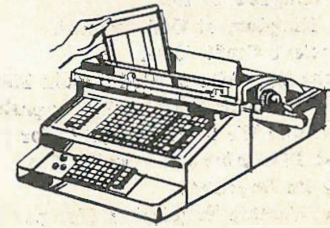
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"So Much the More"

By Mrs. James Rencontre

NOT forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Heb. 10:25).

This verse means much to me, and it should mean much to every Christian. The "assembling of ourselves together" is, quite logically, attending church in some form or other, as Christians, to worship. When a person attends church, Bible study, or other activities of the church, he gains in Christian maturity. He is able, in discussing things with other Christians, to gain values he may never have thought of, and he will have Christian fellowship. To start with, these are very important things: to always keep in touch with your fellow Christians, to keep Christian ideas, so that you will not waver when worldly problems come to your door.

Your Minister

Have you ever thought of church attendance in regard to your minister? How do you think he feels if one Sunday he gets up to preach and sees only about half as many people as there really should be? It is a really demoralizing thing for him, especially if he has worked hard to prepare his sermon and really wants to tell it to everyone. It is especially hard for him if this happens quite often. And more likely than not, those staying away aren't really doing so because they really cannot come. How many times have you stayed home from church because you had company, had to go on a picnic, or some similar "reason"? Staying away from church gets to be

a bad habit. You learn to grow *away* from the brethren instead of growing *toward* them in love and faith. In staying away from church you soon begin to tolerate little things that are unchristian which, in turn, grow into big things that are unchristian. You, as a church, have hired a minister to come and live in your town, to preach for you, to guide you as Christians. So, therefore, it is YOUR responsibility to support him not only in money, but in your attendance; listening to what he has to tell you. He isn't up there just talking for the fun of it. What he is saying really matters; it is what this world is really all about. And when the attendance is like it should be, and everyone is listening and working in the church like Christians should be, then your minister has a far greater peace of mind and it helps him to be a better minister.

Being a Christian

What is this world all about anyway? Is it just running around, working to make more money so we can run around some more? This working is, of course, an essential part of daily living. But, if you profess to be a Christian—that is what living is all about, being a Christian—you have to live it 24 hours a day. It includes quite a list of requirements and it does take a lot of nose-to-the-grindstone type of effort to really be one. It is not always easy. But one thing that makes it easier is your regular attendance at church. The regular assembling of Christians together to hear God's words, to talk and discuss together the ways and problems of our lives, is

one of the biggest helps in the world toward becoming AND remaining a good Christian.

The Day Approaching

At the end of our opening verse it states "and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." What day? The day that all of us are praying and waiting for, the second coming of Christ. That is our aim as Christians. We have studied and read our Bibles, and we believe that certain things are happening in Israel that the Bible predicts, and it does not seem far off when that great day of Christ's return will be an actual thing. But it says "so much the more." So much the more should we "assemble ourselves" and exhort one another as we see this day coming. Certainly we feel that the ever-increasing calamities of the world which come before this glorious day should drive us to seek the sanctity of the church and the help it can give us. We are truly fortunate that we can still turn to our churches and ministers. It is not in every country that it can be done today. And we may yet face a time when persecution is coming to us. So, while our churches and services are yet available, let us not take them for granted. If we want to be in the number to be saved when the Lord does come we must remember that we must always, unwaveringly, stand fast for him. God is not going to remember us unless we constantly remember him in our everyday lives.

Things That Hinder

In going to church regularly we sometimes run into little things that
(Please turn to page 7)

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors Meet

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference held its first regular meeting since the 1970 General Conference on November 13 and 14. The full Board was present.

Bro. Allan Ramsey of Warsaw, Indiana, who conducts the annual audit, reviewed the financial report with the Board. He pointed out that the operation for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1970, shows a net loss of \$471.73. By comparison the net loss of the previous year was nearly \$9,000, and the year before that over \$11,000. From these statistics, it is encouraging to see that our general operating picture has steadily improved over the past few years. We want to commend the membership of the Church of God General Conference for making this progress possible. The main portions of the financial report will appear in the January issue.

The committee to study annuities made its report, and the Board of Directors set up certain guidelines for annuity contracts. The annuity plan is an excellent way to make gifts to the General Conference and still retain income benefits for life. This is especially beneficial to older people. Contact the Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for more details.

The department heads met with the Board and presented their respective reports. It was noted that Oregon Bible College began the year with a total enrollment of fifty-five, the highest ever. One Nigerian student, Anthony Idiong, decided to leave the college, however three others remain to continue their education. Sales for the past fiscal year were up \$6,200 over last year. One new tract, "Do You Ever Think About God?" has been made available and many other tracts have recently been reprinted.

A great need in the Publishing Department is more subscriptions to *The Restitution Herald*. Many Church of God families do not now subscribe to this fine paper. Several churches subscribe for each member family. The General Conference Board would encourage this practice for all churches, so each member would receive the paper.

The Council on Christian Education reported, and much progress is being made there. A further report will be made in a few weeks. Report was received from the

committee to study the need for a Board of Family Life; further study is in process in this area.

A parsonage has been erected on the Digby, Nova Scotia church site adjacent to the Lighthouse Mission Church. The brethren there should be commended for this forward step to provide housing for their pastor.

A committee to study the shortage of pastors made its report. A survey was taken of those men who have left the ministry. Further study is being made to determine how to best stop this trend.

The Board of Directors and all the Staff at General Conference headquarters extends Christmas greetings to all the members and friends of the Church of God General Conference. May the New Year of 1971 bring you abundant blessings.

Mission Builders League

The present active members of Mission Builders League have been renumbered and the total is now 724. Each of these members agrees to pay five dollars or more to each appeal approved by the General Conference Board of Directors, with a limit of two each year. If you would like to join this group, send your name and address to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Garden Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan, is receiving appeal number 25 now in the mail.

Conference Finances

We are sorry to report that for the second straight month of the new fiscal year the contributions have fallen far short of the goal. It appears that the November giving will be \$2,000.00 short of the needs. With a higher budget, the giving needs are greater. We trust that the membership of the Church of God General Conference will meet the needs.

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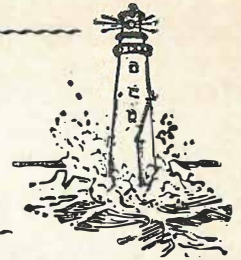
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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Some of the members of the Beirut, Lebanon, Church.

Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a recently made a trip to Jordan where he spent five days visiting the work. We are thankful that all are well and able to carry on their meetings, even with the trouble that is going on in that area. While there, Bro. Sunna'a baptized a young man named Rafik Hawa who was involved with the work of the Palestinian commandos.

Last month the Beirut members gathered for an evening of fellowship, and some of those attending are pictured above.

India

Last month Bro. S. S. Manoah and others visited three villages near their church in Thomas Town, where they distributed nearly fifteen hundred tracts and witnessed to the people. In one of the villages the response was good, and here a Bible class is held each Wednesday afternoon. Nearly sixty children and youth are attending the class which is conducted by Bro. and Sr. Raja Singh. Bro. Manoah feels that through the children, the adults can be brought to the knowledge of Christ.

Bro. Theoplus is in charge of the combined Sunday school of the Austin Town and Wilson Gardens areas,

and Sr. Daniel takes care of the children in the Sunday school conducted near St. John's Medical College. The boys and girls at the Thomas Town church completed their Sunday school examinations and enjoyed a social gathering, at which time prizes were awarded and refreshments enjoyed.

Nigeria

The district committee and the trustees of the Nigerian churches met for their regular district meeting the last part of September. Bro. A. A. Obot reported on his trip to the United States, and other business was discussed and acted upon.

Three of the Nigerian students are continuing their studies at Oregon Bible College. Bro. Anthony Idiong felt it necessary to discontinue his studies, and he left Oregon the last of October.

Missionary Personnel Needed

We are thankful for the many prayers and the fine financial support of our people for the cause of missions. There is one more thing, however, that we do need, and that is people who are willing to go to the mission field to help teach others of Christ.

There are three areas where missionary workers are needed. We feel that a married couple would be beneficial to the work in Mexico. Sr. Alice Aldrich has been doing a good work with the children, but it would be helpful to have someone to work with the young people and the adults, along with Bro. Francisco Martinez.

To help at the Lighthouse Mission Church in Nova Scotia, we are interested in finding a retired couple that would be willing to live in Digby and assist in the church work as good lay workers.

When Bro. Obot was here from Nigeria, he asked that we consider sending someone from here with a teaching degree to be the head of their commercial high school. Up until this time they have had to depend on people who are outside of the church, and they would rather not do this.

We would ask each of you to prayerfully and carefully consider the question that the Apostle Paul once asked, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

All who feel that God is leading them into his service in one of these areas, please write to the Superintendent of Missions, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061. ●

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

Holy Land Tour Planned

Oregon Bible College, next summer, will have another Holy Land Study Tour. Alva G. Huffer, President of the College, will be making his fifth trip to Europe and the Mediterranean area. Persons are invited to join him on this 21-day escorted tour of important countries associated with the Bible and ancient history. The tour will begin around the middle of June and will cost approximately \$1,135.00, from New York. A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required to secure reservations.

Persons interested in this 1971 Holy Land Tour or who may be interested in a Western European Tour may receive complete details by writing to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 East Alameda Drive, Tempe, Arizona 85281.

Academic Calendar

Our academic calendar is divided into three parts: fall semester, winter semester, and spring session. The two semesters consist of fifteen weeks of classes each. The spring session will be four weeks, April 26-May 21. Each semester is divided into two sections. A two-semester-hour course consists of 1500 minutes of class time; a three-semester-hour course consists of 2250 minutes of class time. Classes which meet during the morning are held for two fifty-minute class periods, five days a week, for 23 or 24 days for a three-semester-hour course. When courses are completed at the end of a five-week block, exams are taken; the students then go on to other courses during the next block. This plan enables students to concentrate on a few subjects at a time and the possibility of learning is increased.

Winter Semester

The calendar is set for the winter semester which will start January 4. President Alva Huffer will teach Systematic Theology, John Lewis will teach New Testament IV, Bible Survey II, Christian Ethics, Introduction to Doctrine, and Preaching IV. Eugene Stilson will teach English II, Between the Testaments, Evangelism II, Principles and Practice of Teaching, and Church History I and II. Francis Burnett will teach Misused Texts, Old Testament II, and Old Testament IV. Rachel Krogh will teach Choir and Spanish II. Stanley Ross will teach Church of God History. Dale Ramsey will teach History and Appreciation of Music. Robert Jones will teach Introduction to Physical Science, and Iris Burnett will teach Today's Woman and the Church.

Tuition charges for the semester are:

Tuition, 12-18 hours	\$200.00
Students, non-member churches	250.00
Student Activity Fee	10.00
Board and room, dormitory students	325.00
Dormitory deposit (refundable)	15.00
Books	25.00
Fewer than 12 hours, per hour	16.00

Students planning to attend Oregon Bible College the winter semester should send in their applications to the registrar immediately.

The address is: Registrar, Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Prayer Day

Steven Knapp planned the program for the observance of Prayer Day, Friday, November 13. The morning activities started with Steven Knapp and Tim Cook leading devotions at the all-student breakfast.

Six speakers—David Cheatwood, Dale Swartz, Russell Conley, Joe Duncan, Robert Schrienk, and Wally Winner—spoke on prayers of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, the needs of others, for the Holy Spirit, and the prayer of surrender.

Further time was used in large group, small group, individual, public, and private prayer throughout the morning.

Fall Banquet

Paul Shaw gave the message for the annual Fall Banquet at the Ramada Inn, Dixon, Illinois. The emphasis of his message was on the modern-day church and its needs. He stated that the Lord intended that the church be a supernatural institution but it is far from this ideal when it is void of spiritual life.

Paul Shaw further stated that the spark of the Spirit of God was intended to give his people a zest for living and make the church and all its activities exciting. The young minister must not become the custodian of ecclesiastical machinery.

The church must not provide answers to questions that are not being asked, but instead must provide solutions to the problems that confront God's people.

Joe Myers served as master of ceremonies for the banquet, and entertainment was provided by a singing group from the Dixon High School.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

1971 Berean Youth Conference

The date is July 25 through July 31, 1971. This is a six-day conference like we have had for several years, excluding 1970. It will be at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind. The theme for the conference is to be: "Pass It On." Letters are being sent out to enlist the help of many adults to serve on the staff.

New Contest Director

During the past several years, Pastor Jim Mickey of Litchfield, Minn., has held this position. He has developed the Bible Quizzing and Speech Contests to where they are an important part of our Youth Conference. Jim asked to be relieved of this work. Bro. Paul Moore, a junior in Oregon Bible College, has been selected to take charge of this program. Paul is well known to the young people of our churches, as he has attended several youth conferences. He has taken much interest in quizzing, having been a coach for the East Oregon, Ill., Church of God for the last two years. We welcome Paul into this part of the Berean youth program, and we thank Jim for the work he has done so well.

Guest Counselors and Teachers

Jim and Mary Mickey will be guest counselors and teachers at the Midwinter Retreat. Both are well known to the young people of the Church of God, as they have served on the Youth Conference staff for several years. Mary will be teaching a class on: The Meaning of Peace, as the Bible teaches in relation to today. Jim will be leading a discussion class on: Christians in the Teen-Scene. A class will be taught by the writer entitled: Does it Make any Difference What One Believes?

Youth Giving

A goal of \$10,500.00 was voted by the delegates for the 1969-1970 budget. The total contributed was \$7,606.53. This was \$2,893.47 short of the goal. The same goal of \$10,500.00 was voted by the delegates for the 1970-1971 budget. We believe the goal is not unrealistic, but it will take regular and liberal giving by our young people to meet it. If many more would become members of the Mission Dollar Club, it would make much difference.

Announcing

The Bible books for the 1971 quizzing contests will be First and Second Timothy. The Speech contest theme will be announced later. •

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

Evangelism and Your Sunday School

The Great Commission is basic in detailing the burden that should rest on everyone who would maintain a daily hope in the coming of Jesus Christ. To the Sunday school worker, student and teacher alike, he is saying: "Go ye therefore, and teach" to lead them to accept me as their Saviour; and then continue "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19, 20). We must all keep talking of the things that are precious concerning our Lord and his coming Kingdom.

Close Personal Work

It is recognized that the pastor works in close fellowship with his flock, but seldom if ever does he have opportunity to maintain close teacher-student relationship with a particular age or grade group as does the Sunday school teacher. This relationship brings with it a personal caring, that for the teacher can only be expressed in personal loving, reaching, and teaching. This closeness of relationship brings a blessedness in opportunity that says (through personal conviction and consecration of the teacher), "I love you and I want to show you and tell you about my Saviour who died for both of us."

Membership Roll

The teacher has a weekly, automatic, powerful incitement to action in the Sunday school attendance book. Even though others should mark the book each week for attendance, the teacher should go over that book to know definitely who is absent. The efficient superintendent will be sure that each teacher has either the attendance book or a list of the absentees every Sunday.

Sunday School Teaching Includes Calling

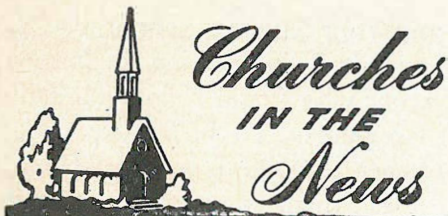
No one in Sunday school work should separate personal calling from teaching. "To reach them best in the classroom, you must reach them in their home at least quarterly."

The teacher must call on ALL of his students.

On the regulars: to encourage their faithfulness in attendance and participation in class activities and in calling on other members and prospects of the class.

On the absentees: to give Sunday school papers, bulletin, etc.; to give a brief summary of lesson(s) missed; to tell of future plans of class activities, such as projects, lessons, and socials; to offer to pick them up next Sunday if needed; and to let them know that they were sincerely missed. Personal calling can produce more fruit for God's glory than classroom teaching. We need both. •

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec. 30-Jan. 2—Post-High Winter Retreat at Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Jan. 16—Indiana Conference at Kokomo.
- Feb. 5, 6—Missions Conference at Tempe, Ariz., with Phoenix Church co-sponsor.
- March 20, 21—Quarterly Conference, St. Louis, Mo., Nigerian students, guest speakers.
- April 17—Indiana Conference at Lafayette.
- June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.

RESIGNS PASTORATE

Michael Hale, pastor of the Conger Street Church of God, Waterloo, Iowa has resigned his pastorate, effective May 31, 1971.

COMPLETES BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to Mrs. L. D. Brakefield, who successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course.

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS

- Front Royal Church** (Royal Village), 630 W 11th St, Front Royal, VA 22630
Cecil Smead, Pastor, Browntown 22621
Belus E Holt, Supt, R 3, Bx 329A, John Marshall Hwy, Front Royal 22630
- Champion Church** (Community), Champion, MI 49814
Mary L Vadnais, Pastor-Sec, Champion 49814
Raymond J Vadnais, Supt, Champion 49814
- Waterloo Church**, Iowa
Michael Hale, Pastor, 232 Palmer Dr, Apt D, Waterloo 50702
Mrs Walter Tempel, Sec, 737 Home Park Blvd, Waterloo 50701
Linford Moore, Supt, 1921 Ashland Av, Cedar Falls 50613
- Rockford Church**, Ill.
Mrs George Scott, Sec, 1021 Anna Av, NE, Rockford 61111
- Minnesota Conference**
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BYF Dir: Lowell Wegner, Darwin 55324
Litchfield Church, Minn.
Mrs Lowell Wegner, Sec, Darwin 55324
Lowell Wegner, Supt, Darwin 55324
- Church of God Ministers**
Hale, Michael P, 232 Palmer Dr, Apt D, Waterloo, IA 50702 Ph 319-233-7573
Sheets, Harry, 207 Walter SE, Wyoming, MI 49508 Ph 616-534-9111

BAPTISM AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Miss Candy Schaeffer confessed her faith in Jesus and the things concerning the Kingdom of God, and was baptized in his name for the remission of her sins on October 4, 1970. She was immediately received into fellowship by the members of the Golden Rule congregation, and received her first Communion.

Candy, who is seventeen, seems very earnest about her faith, and expresses a desire to become a missionary. She is being encouraged to complete her high school education and attend Oregon Bible College to receive training for this career.

J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

BAPTISM AT CASEY, ILL.

On November 8, 1970, Lowell Bruner of Willow Hill, Ill., came forward and accepted Christ as his Saviour at the Restitution Church, south of Casey, Ill. He was immersed in the waters of baptism that afternoon by the writer. May God go with him in his new walk of life.

S. O. Ross.

BAPTISM AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

The Brush Creek congregation rejoices in the baptism of Paul Banks on November 23, 1970, assisted by the writer. May the Lord bless him.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISMS IN ARKANSAS

On August 23, 1970, at the McGintytown Church of God, Gerald Wheeler from Pleasant Plains confessed Jesus Christ as his Saviour and was baptized.

On October 3, 1970, at Russellville, Tommy Martin and Bruce George confessed Jesus Christ as their Saviour and were baptized. Tommy and his wife Jo Ann live in Rockdale, Tex., and Bruce and his wife live in Houston, Tex. They drove nearly one thousand miles to have the writer assist them in putting on Christ.

On September 20, 1970, at McGintytown, Larry Eperon and his wife Pat confessed Jesus Christ as their Saviour. These, along with Pat's mother, Cathern Joslin, were baptized October 4, 1970.

We thank God for all of them, and pray he will keep them very close in his care.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT ALBERT CITY, IOWA

On October 11, 1970, four of our number were buried in baptism in obedience to their Lord's command: Mrs. Harold Klindt, Pamela Klindt, and Patricia Klindt, Sioux Rapids, Iowa, and Mrs. Paula Klindt Cornish of Amboy, Minn. We pray that God may bless them and keep them ever in his grace.

J. Arthur Johnson.

BAPTISMS AT LOMBARD, ILL.

The Lombard Community Church of God rejoices in the baptism of the following young people: Brian Thoms on November 22, 1970, and Suzanne Bruce and Jeffery Werneke on November 29, 1970. May God add his great power to their lives that they may serve him well.

David Cheatwood, pastor.

BAPTISM AT WATERLOO, IOWA

On September 20, 1970, Mickey McMurray was baptized into the body of Jesus Christ. The Waterloo brethren rejoiced in her decision to dedicate her life to Christ.

Michael Hale, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford, 3436 W. Port Au Prince Ln., Phoenix, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson 207 E. Harmont Dr., Phoenix, were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, November 15, 1970. Mrs. Ruth Grant, 2211 W. Berridge Ln., Phoenix, and her son, Stephen, were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, November 22, 1970. We welcome them into our local church and into God's redeemed family throughout the world.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

GOLDEN WEDDING RECEPTION

Mr. and Mrs. Lelin McDaniel of Bowen, Ill., plan to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary at the Church of God, Ripley, Ill., from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. on December 13, 1970. Their two daughters, Mrs. Lyle (Laura) Ashelford of Lincoln, Neb., and Mrs. William Wells of Rushville, Ill., are planning the celebration. Friends and relatives are invited. It is requested that there be no gifts.

ARKANSAS RALLY DAY ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Arkansas Rally Day Association was held at the Forest Hills Church of God, Royal, on October 11, 1970.

The churches presented their programs, and there was a panel discussion on the prophetic events of the Mideast in the news. A business meeting was also held.

We were so glad to meet our friends and Christian brethren again. Such a spiritual uplift it gives one! It seems as though everyone is renewed in zeal.

The time and place for the spring meeting have not been set.

Anita Humphreys Howell, Sec.

MACOMB, ILLINOIS NEWS

Kevin Dean responded to the Lord's invitation, and was baptized October 18, 1970.

Funeral services were conducted for Frank Worley on October 25, 1970. Burial was in the Ripley cemetery. Other funeral services recently: Mr. Whaley, Loretta Whaley's father-in-law; Melvin Burnett of Ripley, related to Ruth Allen; and Ralph Creasey, brother-in-law of Vada Weaver and Marjorie Lindsey.

Bette Potts, reporter.

Junior Daily Bible Readings is a small booklet of daily Bible readings especially designed for use by children and young people. It is attractively printed and encourages daily reading of the Word. It may be ordered from The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, at 10 cents each, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

HALL - MOSHER

Sr. Eurie Hall, Tempe, Ariz., and Bro. Rollo Mosher, Wayland, Mich., were married in the Rockford, Ill., Church of God on November 12, 1970. The writer, son of the bride, officiated, and Iris and Francis Burnett, daughter and son-in-law of the bride, were attendants.

Due to a variance in laws of the three states involved, they were legally married on November 13, 1970, at the Southlawn Church of God, Wyoming, Mich., by Bro. Harry Sheets. They left for Florida the following morning.

We pray they will find the happiness and companionship they seek. E. Milon Hall.

CLARA MAY STINETTE

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Moorefield Church of God for Clara May Stinnette, on November 10, 1970.

She was a faithful member of the Church of God from girlhood.

She was born March 23, 1879, near Fayetteville, Ark., and was married to Tandy J. Stinnette on May 23, 1897. He preceded her in death, as also did a daughter, Elsie.

Surviving are two sons, Otto of Herndon, Kan., and Clinton of Corvallis, Ore.; a daughter, Ethel, of Orange, Cal.; thirteen grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Burial was in the Moorefield Cemetery, where she awaits the call of the Master.

James Rencontre, pastor.

HAROLD STARBUCK

Bro. Harold Starbuck was born January 16, 1901, and died November 15, 1970, after a prolonged illness. He was a lifelong member of the Church of God, having been baptized as a young man at Waterloo, Iowa. He is survived by his wife, Esta, two brothers, and three sisters.

He lived in constant hope and anticipation of the coming of Christ, and now rests in Greenwood Cemetery, awaiting the call of his Lord. E. Milon Hall.

DAVID E. RENNER

Bro. David Elgin Renner, Arkdale, Wis., died on October 26, 1970, at the age of 86. Born in Jo Davies County, Ill., he moved to Wisconsin about 1900.

He is survived by his wife, the former Hazel Barton; a son, David; a daughter, Veda Rickel; and many other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted at the Monroe Center Community Church by the writer, and he was buried in the Monroe Center Cemetery to await the resurrection. S. O. Ross.

SONGS AVAILABLE

Bro. Elmer McChesney, 715 E. Woodside, South Bend, IN 46614, has had printed, and is making available, copies of his Jubilee song (with a new second verse), and his song, "Happiness Is." We do not have these at the office, so write directly to him.

NEW TRACT AVAILABLE

"Do you ever think about God?" is the title of a new evangelistic-type tract published by the General Conference. It is a beautifully printed twelve-page tract containing God's plan of salvation written in an interesting and provocative manner. These are available from The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061, at 50¢ per dozen or \$3.00 per hundred, postage paid when payment accompanies the order.

MARGARET SCHLUPP

Mrs. Joseph (Margaret) Schlupp, 38, of Rt. 1, Metamora, Ill., died in Concordia Parish Hospital, Ferriday, La., after a car-truck accident. Her husband received only slight injuries. Margaret was a faithful member of the Faith Chapel Church of God in Peoria. The Schlupps were en route to pick up their son-in-law, Don Woods, who was scheduled for a military leave.

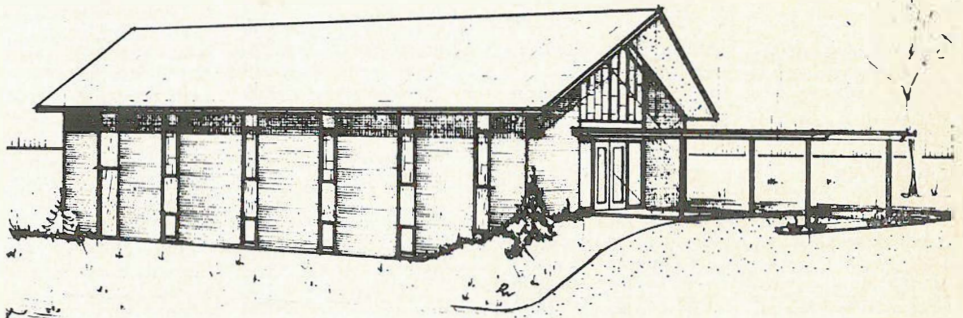
Thelma Miller, Sec.

"SO MUCH THE MORE"

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hinder, such as personality conflicts. If you take your Bible you will find scriptures and teachings that will help you. Pray about things like this, but NEVER stay away from church and from working in your church because of them. With Christ's help you can develop love and patience for those who might seem to "get under your skin." Everyone can do something in his or her church, even if it is a little thing. Be a GOER and a DOER.

Let these points be a reminder to you and, please, by all means, go to church regularly; support your minister, help others in your church, and attend church activities. You will benefit, your church will benefit, and you'll be a happier person for it.



MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL Number 25 Garden Park Church of God Grand Rapids, Michigan

The Garden Park Church of God was organized in 1964 by evangelistic-minded members from the Pennellwood and Southlawn churches. Sunday school was held in a house purchased for the purpose. Church services were later held by local pastors. A modern parsonage was purchased, and Francis Burnett became first full-time pastor in 1966.

A church building will be erected next spring on a 2½ acre site beside the parsonage. The building will be 36 by 72 feet, with an auditorium seating 168. There will be seven classrooms.

David Krogh is the present pastor, and there are 29 baptized members.

Mission Builders Appeal Number 25 is in the mail to all members of the League.

If you are not a Mission Builder, and agree to send at least \$5.00 for each church designated for assistance (two per year), we urge you to enroll now.

NEW MISSION BUILDERS

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- 717. Mr. & Mrs. Richard Grant
- 718. Beaumont Church of God
- 719. Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Bigelow
- 720. Paul & Ruth Spence
- 721. Mr. & Mrs. George Bera
- 722. Mrs. Jean Berry
- 723. Champion Community Church
- 724. Alice Aldrich

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LIGHTHOUSE MISSION, DIGBY, N.S.

On September 20, 1970, a Sunday school and church picnic was held at the church.

The month of October was very busy. The emphasis during the month was "New Life in Christ." Evangelism classes were held Thursday evenings for five weeks in the various homes. The average attendance was twenty.

On October 14 a special open house and dedication service was held at the church. After the service Mr. Charles Cook presented Pastor Raymond Brown the key to the new parsonage, and the house was opened to those who wished to see it. There were 123 present for the service. The Browns are now in the process of getting settled.

On October 22 the young people showed an educational film entitled "The Youth Drug Scene." Of the 131 present the majority were young people.

On October 28 a fellowship supper was held at the church with fifty present. The guest speakers were Mr. Vincent Snow and Pastor Charles Milbury.

Presently the church members are engaged in various projects to raise money for the parsonage fund.

Elaine Handspiker, Acting Sec.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE REPORT

The twentieth anniversary meeting of the Southwest Conference was held at the Pomona, Cal., Church, October 23-26, 1970. During a short memorial service held on Saturday night it was observed that less than a dozen of those present twenty years ago at Pomona were present at the anniversary.

Guest speaker at the conference was Bro. E. Milton Hall, Director of the Church of God Sunday School Department. Bro. Hall also was in charge of lessons, demonstrations, panel discussions, and seminars.

The "Progress With a Purpose" program initiated in June has already started, and was further developed with the appointment of Sr. Marion Stilson of the Pomona Church as Sunday School Director.

Special commendation was given to Scott Strickland. San Jose, for the work he has done for the Southwest Conference BYF. Scott retired as president of this group.

Officers elected were: Hugh Harman, president; Douglas Todd, treasurer; and board members, Allan Blanchard and John Bass. Officers held over are: Lester Strickland, vice-president; Bernedene Jones, secretary; and Gerald Graham, board member.

Ministers present were: E. Milton Hall,

Harold Doan, Delbert Jones, Robert Sec, Dallas Demmitt, Ray Hall, Hollis Partlowe, Lee McQuinn, and the writer.

We pray for our Lord's soon return but, should he tarry, we pray we may continue to be strong and productive in the preaching of the gospel of the Kingdom.

Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

MISSOURI CONFERENCE

The sixty-third annual Missouri State Conference was held in August in Kansas City, with Bro. E. Richard Smith as guest speaker. Bro. Don Ward is the pastor, and Bro. George Sheeley was superintendent of their first Bible school.

The fifth annual youth retreat was held in September at Jordan. It was their largest attendance, and was very inspiring.

The Morse Mill Church followed with a fall retreat and quarterly conference. Bro. Dennis Baldwin was guest speaker. Bro. Joe Astolfi is pastor there.

Services were held November 22 at Springfield, Mo., with Bro. Richard Lee as speaker. The services were held at the David Winga home, with sixteen persons present. The work is growing in that area.

It was a "jubilee" year in Missouri! State Conference Board.

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 Conference.

Beaumont Church	\$ 36.05
Mr & Mrs Lloyd Wiltsey	100.00
Duane Helweg	3.50
Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	50.00
Happy Woods SS	32.06
Melvin Rogers	20.00
Oregon SS	5.30
Mr & Mrs Clifford Eyster	5.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Morrison	50.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	25.00
Southwest Conference	96.23
Pennellwood Church	131.91
Mrs Harlan S Bell	10.00
Hope Haupt	5.00
Kathy New	15.00
Bedford Church	24.34
Troy View BYF	1.00
Oregon Church	49.73
Effie K Jones	10.00
Dixon BYF	2.00
Jesse Sherrell	1.00
Gary Hatcher	1.00
Nina Hatcher	3.00
Jay Ramsey	10.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	115.00
Lawrenceville Church	120.78
Joe Kennedy	5.00
Fremont Church	22.00
Pomona Church	62.16
Modesto Church	11.50
Garden Park Church	89.53
Alfred Anthon	50.00
Mr & Mrs Conrad Wetzel	80.00
Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00
Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Macomb Bereans	32.62
Litchfield Church	45.36
North Salem Church	10.54
Mr & Mrs Meredith New	10.00
E Dorothy Magaw	36.00

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Grand Rapids, Tri-Churches	70.62
Mr & Mrs Joe D Shelly	100.00
Glad Tidings Rebekah Soc	54.54
Troy View Church	41.40
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Virda Sittler	5.00
Raymore Church	15.00
Happy Woods Church	60.04
Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00
Felida Church	3.40
Salem Church	10.09
Mary & Martha's, Oregon	37.50
Koszta Church	41.25
Cora Siple	10.00
Cecil Smead	30.00
Canadian Friend	5.00
Erma Van Blaricom	2.00
Mrs Frank Hodnett	25.00
Blanchard Miss Soc	15.00
Dale Swartz	15.00
Edith Eades	15.00
Mrs C C Fuson	5.00
Macomb Church	126.37
Lafayette BYF	3.00
Alice Bassett	9.00
Shilah Richmond	13.50
Elizabeth Ordnung	10.00
Nora Anderson	30.00
Rachel Krogh	39.30
Faith Community SS	46.47
Gethsemane Gardens	29.00
Holbrook Church	44.35
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Everett S Rogers	28.00
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Norma Davis	28.00
Anonymous	45.00

Brush Creek Church	167.92
Bible Church, Phoenix	351.00
Maurertown Church	24.35
Mr & Mrs Leslie Niles	10.00
John Carr	5.00
Mr & Mrs Glenn Birkey	25.00
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Bible Church, Tempe	135.59
Geraldine Stewart	20.00
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Ripley Missionary Soc	37.50
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Mr & Mrs Wayne Laning	24.00
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Fonthill Miss Soc	61.46
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Tempe Dorcas	5.00
Golden Rule SS	50.00
Leota Hanson	5.00
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Mr & Mrs H Waggoner	53.50
Mid-Week Bible Class	2.83
Ivan Hale	14.00
Minn State Miss Soc	50.00
Troy View Church	52.30
Hope Chapel, So Bend	34.55
Regina Boyer in memory of W H Boyer	25.00
Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	30.00
Charles Knapp	36.00
Harold Gallagher Family	8.73
Hope Chapel, Columbus	55.00
Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	10.00

Blood River Ladies Miss	23.01
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Tempe BYF	73.85
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Brush Creek SS	15.84
Leta McLeod	25.00
Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	38.26
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	50.00
Evelyn Pennington	10.00
Mrs C R Appleby	47.00
Macomb SS	91.19
W E Byers	100.00
Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	75.00
Ruth Nichols	30.00
Maurertown Dorcas	45.00
Macomb Miss Soc	70.00
Anonymous	200.00
Mrs Alfred Reighard	10.00
Doris Reye	10.00
Mr & Mrs R F Dunbar	52.00
Mr & Mrs Ralph Lutton	10.00
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Grace Blomquist	5.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	120.00
Joe Duncan	4.51

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Known Only to God

By a Concerned Pastor

ANOTHER pastor is leaving the ministry! How can this man who took a vow to faithfully serve his God by ministering to God's people in the church so callously ignore and forget the "high calling"? Has this man been wooed by the glitter and pleasures of this world? Before drawing some quick conclusion and condemning this man consider the following.

His Call and Training

With a heart full of a desire to serve, this man sacrificed a possible lucrative position to study—long and hard—for the ministry. At last graduation day came. After being duly questioned, he found he had a license to "perform all services incumbent on a minister of the gospel."

This pastor never expected to get rich in the ministry, and he knew that some people have little respect for God, Jesus Christ, and the church, so he did not expect anyone to bow at his feet.

Now every good Christian knows that God understands all about our troubles. Certainly, if any man lacks anything he should talk to the Lord about it; all good pastors have this ingrained in them. A pastor should never complain about working conditions (he chose the ministry); the condition of the parsonage (Jesus did not have a place to lay his head); the cantankerous board members (Jesus had his Judas); and certainly should never mention money (the love of money is the root of all evil).

So, when the minister has had all he can stand—the tires are worn thin, the shoes run over, the bills unpaid,

and his ulcers are about to put him in his grave—he throws in the sponge and says, "I've had it!" Who really is to blame?

Known Only to God

The agonies through which the pastor passes as he tries to walk the tightrope over the Niagara of some persons' whims; the hours he spends trying to figure how he can make his \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 a year gross salary meet the bills in this economy are "known only to God"! It is time they become known in the midst of the Church of God!

A man will work his heart out if he is praised rather than criticized. When his work is picked to pieces, after a time he will say, "What's the use?" The seven last words of the church could well be, "We've never done it this way before"! Back your pastor and his program for the good of the Lord's work!

That Time of Year

This is the time of year when pastors and churches are considering their positions for the 1971-72 church year. Church board members should look realistically at their pastoral programs. Whether we like it or not, an underpaid pastor cannot do a good job. Instead of saying, "How little can we pay and still keep our pastor?" you should ask, "What would happen to the Lord's work if we did not have a pastor?" Looking realistically at the last question, you should then ask, "How MUCH then can we pay? What unproductive things can be cut from our church budget? What costly frills can be removed from the

Sunday school and church programs so we can meet the rising cost of living for our pastor?"

Be realistic! The average pastor spends \$1500.00 per year for automobile expenses; \$1500.00 plus per year for food; tithes \$500.00 on a salary of \$5,000.00; and income taxes and Social Security for a husband and wife would be about \$500.00 per year. (Incidentally, your pastor pays 7% Social Security tax on the rental value of the parsonage.) Utilities cost about \$525.00 per year, and his insurance program about \$240.00. He attends conferences, pays dues, buys books, etc., for a total annual ministerial expense of approximately \$200.00. After all of this come state income tax, personal property tax, and state automobile excise tax; also the doctor, dentist, and barber; then clothing, furniture, a vacation (?), and savings (What's that?).

High Hopes

Your pastor goes to a board or congregational meeting feeling that surely this will be the time his need will be acknowledged, and a raise—at least equal to the rise in the cost of living—will be granted. Instead, it is decided to carpet the sanctuary and install air conditioning, have a "super-duper" Sunday school picnic, buy new church pews, and put in different color stained glass windows that will "be more appealing to the eye."

So, back to the parsonage, back to the bills, back to a review of the church's apathetic attitude toward community outreach, goes the pastor!

(Please turn to page 8)

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Financial Report

The Financial Report for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 1970, appears on page six in this issue. The report shows that the net cash received in excess of expenditures for the total operation was over two thousand dollars. This covers all income and expenditures including earmarked funds.

We find that the Church of God General Conference has become a rather sizeable institution when monies received including sales, bequests, and all contributions total well over two hundred thousand dollars for the year. The Net Worth of the Conference at the end of the year is over three hundred thousand dollars.

Church Emblem Road Signs

We still have a number of Church Emblem road signs available. These are metallic signs, blue and gold in color, and can be mounted on a single post. The name of the local church can be added and it is a very nice road sign to advertise your local church and to identify the affiliation with the Church of God General Conference. These signs are \$6.50 each, postpaid when payment accompanies the order. Write Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Staff Travels

Members of the General Conference staff travel many miles and put in many hours of time to fill pulpits, assist in services, and promote the work of the several departments of the Conference. In recent weeks Sr. Rachel Krogh took part in the missionary conference at Columbia Station, Ohio, and visited the Mexico mission fields, and had services at five churches en route.

Bro. Francis Burnett accompanied the three Nigerian students to Minnesota for services at the Faith Community Church of God in Minneapolis, and attended the Minnesota Missionary Conference there. He also spoke at Rockford, Ill. Bro. John Lewis was speaker at the Oregon Church in November, and Bro. T. M. Ferrell in December. Bro. S. O. Ross has been at Rockford and Casey, Ill.; Hope Chapel, Columbus, Ohio, and was guest speaker at the dedication of their recently acquired church building; Columbia Station and Troy View, Ohio; and Eden Valley, Minn. The staff members are thankful for these opportunities to serve.

Reaching Forth in Seventy-One

The delegates at the 1970 General Conference adopted five-year goals called "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five." These included two-year and five-year goals. Each church and each individual should be challenged to begin striving for these goals. Some of the more immediate goals were that every member family be a subscriber to *The Restitution Herald*; that Oregon Bible College attain an enrollment of sixty, and that each member of the Church of God General Conference teach at least one person. Are you doing your part to fulfill these goals? Each member is challenged to subscribe to *The Restitution Herald*; to encourage someone to attend Oregon Bible College, or come yourself when at all possible; and to witness to someone (teach) about Jesus Christ.

Conference Finances

The delegates to the 1970 General Conference, who represent the entire membership of the Church of God, voted a budget which requires \$105,000.00 in contributions to meet the goals. During the first three months of the fiscal year the giving has fallen behind. Commitments are made that must be met regularly such as: support to foreign missionaries; pastoral aid to churches; staff and employee salaries; monthly accounts payable; and heat, light, postage, general upkeep, and the many miscellaneous bills that need to be paid.

We are thankful to each person, each church, and each state conference which has so generously assisted in the years past. As we begin this new year of 1971 we challenge each one to a further dedication to the meeting of these needs, and we solicit the prayers, concern, and support of the entire Church of God family. Best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1971 in the Lord's service.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for December	\$ 9,200.00
Given in December	\$ 8,953.00
To be given by September 30, 1971	\$83,050.00

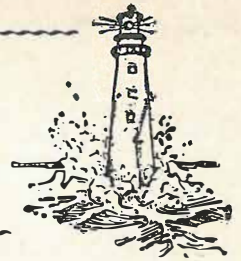
Goal for January \$9,228.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Nigerians making blocks for an additional building for their school.

India

November was a busy month for the brethren in Bangalore. The second Sunday was Youth Sunday, the third Sunday School Day, the fourth Mothers' Day, and the last Fathers' Day. Special programs were presented on these Sundays and were a blessing to all.

The month of December was spent in preparation for Christmas and plans were to conduct at the Thomas Town Church a combined service of all the groups in the city.

Mexico

Bro. Dean Moore, Little Rock, Ark., recently visited the work in Mexico. While he was there, a trip was made to the village of Labor Vieja and services were held with good attendance.

Sr. Aurelia Alvarez is working with a group of about twelve teen-aged young people who live nearby. They are planning to present a Bible play for a future program. The Saturday class for the younger children continues to go well and plans are to divide it into two classes again.

Middle East

Bro. and Sr. Jamal Sunna'a continue to work with the peoples of the Middle East. At the present time there are thirty-eight members in all—twenty-two in Beirut; eight in Madaba, Jordan; three in Damascus, Syria; three in Baghdad, Iraq; and two in Tripoli, Lebanon. Bro. Sunna'a hopes to travel to Egypt, visiting the cities of Cairo, Alex-

andria, and Asyout, where people have shown an interest in knowing more of the truths of God's Word.

Your Call?

"But I don't feel that the Lord has called me to be a missionary," said the young man to the missionary worker who was home on furlough. Perhaps his words express the feeling of others in regard to missionary service. When we speak of a missionary "call" some people may think of a special vision or some other kind of unusual experience which they would know to be a definite call to service in the mission field. But such experiences are not commonplace.

Actually there are two aspects of the missionary call, the first of which is general. This is synonymous with the Great Commission that Jesus gave, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." It is the call that Christ gave to all those who follow him. Just as the invitation to accept salvation is general and given to all sinners, so is the call to service given to all Christians.

But, the call to salvation is incomplete until the sinner responds by coming to Christ; and the call to witness is also incomplete until the Christian freely offers himself for service.

Then there is the particular aspect of the missionary call. It is here that we run into the question of where and in what capacity a person will serve. This aspect of the call is more a matter of guidance—letting God lead us into that place where he needs us.

As we can see, the first call is fundamental to the second. If we have not responded to the Great Commission, then certainly there is no need to discuss any further aspects of missionary service.

The need is great! It has been estimated that people are being born into the world thirty times faster than the church is making converts. More missionaries need to be sent out to reach these people with the message of life in Christ.

Consider again very carefully the command of Christ, then let God have complete control and be sensitive to his wishes. It may be that he is calling YOU into his service.

Sayings of Missionaries

Carey: "Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God."

Neesima: "Let us advance on our knees."—*Selected.* •

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Foreign Mission Fellowship

Currently the Foreign Mission Fellowship is engaged in several projects. It is a joy to support the radio work in the Philippines that is beginning to show results from the diligent work put into the project. The Newsletter now has a mailing list of more than 200 names. We are glad for this kind of interest in the mission work. Later this winter Bro. Alva Huffer will take our group on a guided tour of the Oriental Institute in Chicago.

We hope to become better acquainted personally with the missionaries and the work they are doing. By writing the workers in the field we can encourage them and demonstrate the common bond we have in Christ, though we are many miles apart.

Pray for the missionary workers and our mission group, for with God's help the Fellowship will become even more successful.—*Dave Cheatwood.*

Home Mission Fellowship

The Home Mission Fellowship is in the midst of developing a project that will provide a traveling workshop available to the churches during the winter and spring months of this year.

The workshop will have two phases. Sunday school, and evangelistic visitation. People interested in these two areas of church work are invited to contact the Fellowship so these workshops can be made available to people in their area.

We have sponsored "Mountain Top" prayer sessions biweekly for college students, faculty, and guests. These mountain top experiences have provided great spiritual uplift for all who have attended.—*Ron Macy.*

Visitors

The College administration enjoys the opportunity to welcome visiting high school students and other guests from time to time. Anyone interested in attending College or in any phase of the College work is invited to come to OBC at anytime.

Those planning to visit the College can write to the registrar so he can help with plans and arrangements.

Music

Oregon Bible College musical groups have recently presented programs at several local churches. The Chorale is a group led by Bro. Dale Ramsey. Members of the chorale are Joe Duncan, Tim New, Larry Gaskill, Joe Myers, Lois Anthon, Ellen Canfield, Diane Cupp, and Linda Mad-

dock. They have recently appeared at the Rockford, Dixon, Oregon, and, along with the College choir, Flagg Center Churches of God.

Through music the young people of the College present an excellent witness for Christ and the College.

Learning

One of the tragic themes we find running in the Old Testament is the dealing of God with the sins of ignorance of the people of Israel. Many laws had to be written dealing specifically with those sins committed through lack of knowledge and understanding.

As God revealed himself to the people of Israel it became obvious to them that God was also requiring more of them with this revelation. This pattern holds true throughout the Scriptures. In the parable in Luke 13 it is stated, "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more."

Much has been committed to the Church of God. He has entrusted us with his Word, the message of salvation found in Christ. The responsibility is obviously great.

Oregon Bible College feels the weight of this responsibility. As we come nearer to the time in which Christ will return to the earth we must ever expand our program in every way to provide better training and preparation for Christian workers. By being adequately prepared for the problems that confront them in full-time Christian service our young people can resist the discouragements that come with difficult problems. In increased confidence in his professional development for the Lord Jesus Christ the young person makes himself and others around him able to stand.

For increased ability in Christian service we must not be fearful of the unknown or the untried. It must not be said that we sinned through ignorance, that we could not present excellence in Christian service because we did not know and were too fearful to try new methods and ideas in training.

Student Enrollment

Forty-five full- and part-time students have enrolled in classes for the Winter Semester. In the first five-week block, students will be studying in the New Testament, the Old Testament, English, Church of God History, Mis-used Texts, Between the Testaments, and three night courses: Introduction to Physical Science, Introduction to Music, and Today's Woman and the Church. ●

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Youth Week Winner

For the fourth time in as many years, the Bereans of Faith Chapel Church of God, East Peoria, Ill., were the winners. This group has twelve active Bereans. They had eight days of activity. They began on Youth Sunday, October 25, and continued through Sunday, November 1.

During the week, there was 94% participation by the individual members. Every night, every service—for they numbered ten—they had something to which visitors were invited. One of the outstanding points in Peoria's favor, both last year and again this year, was the bringing of other young people into their services. In the ten services, there was a total of 99 visitors; all young people. The adults were attending many of the same services but were not counted. This was an average of 9.9 visitors at each service.

Another outstanding point in the favor of Faith Chapel Bereans is that on each committee is an adult sponsor. This certainly is one way to coordinate the relationship between the young people and the adults. The adult member of the committee is there for the purpose of counseling. I am sure an adult member can suggest many good ideas which can be accepted by young people.

Congratulations to the Bereans of Faith Chapel Church of God, East Peoria, Ill., for an outstanding week which must have had a threefold benefit: 1) for the Bereans themselves, 2) for the church, and 3) for the visitors who had fellowship with them.

Second Place Winner

The award plate for second place goes to the Bereans of Digby, Nova Scotia. During the week, the film: "The Youth Drug Scene" was shown. There were 115 young people who attended that service. During the week, eight young people went forward to accept Christ and on Sunday night thirty young people went forward for rededication and to accept Christ. They called this Decision Night.

The themes of the many Berean groups were varied, but all carried a very good message. The winning theme was: The Searching Generation, and the second place theme was: New Life in Christ. Some of the other themes were: Tell It Like It Is; Walk Uprightly; Blanchard's Youth for God's Truth; Serving the Lord; Pass It On; I'll Tell the World; Sunday Go to Meetin'; Awake, Arise; I'm on the Battlefield for My Lord.

Reports came from seventeen Berean groups. We are certain several others participated but did not report. •

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

Big Business

The BIGGEST business in the world is that of the church. The BIGGEST feeder of people into the church is the Sunday school. Thus, the Sunday school is really the BIGGEST business on earth and produces the world's finest product—Christians.

Just because it is big is no reason to think it will coast along and continue to be big and successful. It is big because over the years many people have dedicated their lives to God in this work and he has blessed. He has opened doors and then given the strength and necessary talents to go through and "do business" for his glory.

The "bigness" and "blessing" demand our BEST. Never should any Sunday school worker be guilty of giving less than his best in this work of all works. This is especially true of those who lead. The following are some considerations for the Sunday school superintendent. If you are not the superintendent, read the following that you might help yours be a better one. The order of this list in no way indicates importance—all are.

1. Arrive at least 20 minutes before S.S. starts.
2. Be at your best when you arrive. (You wouldn't handicap your wages by lack of sleep; respect God's work more.)
3. Pray daily for your staff and teachers.
4. Set and publish goals: for your entire S.S.—growth; for each class—attendance, projects, evangelism; for each teacher—faithfulness, calls made, class growth, study lesson daily, attend teacher training.
5. Provide continuous teacher training.
6. Schedule and program special days. (Appoint a different committee for each special day.)
7. Attend other services of the church. You can't teach and not do.
8. Provide a monthly report for the church board; attendance, offering, evaluation of past and future program.
9. Confer with your pastor personally; seek his advice.
10. Know what is being taught in each class.
11. Be sure that supplies are ordered ahead of need.
12. Begin and close ON TIME. If you don't, why announce a time? People who care are punctual.
13. Deputize responsibility. The chief cause for failure among S.S. superintendents is refusal to let others take responsibility, and failure to supervise those who are given responsibility. •

Annual Financial Statement

October 1, 1969 — September 30, 1970

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES GENERAL FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 303.08
Petty Cash Fund	200.00
Student Deposits—Room, Key & Car	570.00
Accounts Receivable	724.01
Notes Receivable (Within one year)	2,095.41
Inventory	11,040.70
Total Current Assets	\$ 14,933.20
Other Assets	
Note Receivable	\$ 18,239.23
Less: Amount Classified as Current	2,095.41
Total Other Assets	\$ 16,143.82
Fixed Assets	
Construction in Progress— Women's Residence Hall	\$ 1,410.00
Land	22,941.91
Improvement to Grounds	806.65
Buildings	221,355.29
Furniture & Equipment	30,299.06
Auto	3,206.72
Total Fixed Assets	\$280,019.63
Total Assets	\$311,096.65
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,620.79
Notes Payable	4,500.00
Withheld Payroll Taxes	714.60
Withheld Hospitalization	366.13
Deposits—Room, Key & Car	570.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 7,771.52
Deferred Income	
Gain on Sale of Printing Equipment	2,667.96
Net Worth	
Surplus	300,657.17
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$311,096.65

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 5,723.96
Cash in Bank—Savings	22,445.25
Stocks & Bonds—At Cost	17,452.98
Loans Receivable	300.00
Total Assets Restricted Funds	\$ 45,922.19
Liabilities	
Annuities	\$ 10,000.00
Net Worth	
Fund Balance	35,922.19
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$ 45,922.19

TRUST FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Savings	\$ 2,294.12
Notes Receivable	1,782.96
Total Current Assets	\$ 4,077.08
Other Assets	
Notes Receivable (Long Term Investments)	8,124.69
Fixed Assets	
Land	39,075.00
Total Assets Trust Funds	\$ 51,276.77
Net Worth	
Fund Balance	\$ 51,276.77

STATEMENT OF OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSE

Operating Income	
Contributions—General	\$100,815.60
Contributions—Other	15,150.81
Contributions—Special Purposes	6,078.87
Tuition, Room & Board	30,855.79
Services	96.75
Interest & Dividends	85.14

Camp	16,346.22
Miscellaneous	2,943.63
Total	\$172,372.81

Statement of Gross Profit (Loss) on Sales	
Cost of Sales	
Inventory—October 1, 1969	\$12,204.33
Purchases	4,743.71
Salaries & Wages	12,204.80
Contract Printing	27,483.43
Totals	\$56,636.27
Inventory—September, 1970	11,040.70
Cost of Sales	\$45,595.57
Sales	\$34,127.08

Gross Profit (Loss) on Sales	(11,468.49)
Total Operating Gross Profit	\$160,904.32

Operating Expenses	
Salaries	\$ 57,165.20
Telephone, Light & Fuel	6,653.93
Insurance	1,954.28
Postage	2,741.55
Supplies & Expense	6,183.78
Depreciation	4,985.61
Advertising	885.60
Repairs & Maintenance	1,825.22
Travel	8,848.46
Towel & Laundry	256.40
Camp	15,465.26
Printing	8,147.39
Editorial	1,530.00
Speakers	150.00
Assistance to Mission Points	16,225.50
Assistance to Churches	7,300.55
Literature & Visual Education	483.10
Food	5,765.07
Social Security Tax	3,510.66
Interest	510.31
Legal & Audit	795.00
Auto Expense	405.23
Miscellaneous	2,673.10
Bad Debts	7.70
Foreign Exchange	178.05
Youth Caravan	767.12
Staff Training	525.73
Special Assistance to Mission Points	4,362.52
Foreign Student Expense	1,073.73
Total Operating Expense	\$161,376.05
Net Operating Loss	\$ (471.73)

STATEMENT—OTHER RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Net Operating Loss (Forwarded)	\$ (471.73)
Add: Other Receipts	
Contributions—Devises & Bequests	1,000.00
Contributions—Scholarship Funds	3,525.00
Contributions—Building Fund	2,378.80
Contributions—Ministerial Fund	146.95
Interest	2,963.95
Net Gain on Sale of Equipment	157.86
Total Other Receipts	\$ 10,172.56
Total Net Operating Income and Other Receipts	\$ 9,700.83
Deduct: Other Expenses	
Assistance to Ministers	300.00
Scholarships Granted	596.00
Annuity Benefits	3,446.76
Total Other Expenses	\$ 4,342.76
Net Income From All Sources	\$ 5,358.07
Add: Non-Cash Expenses Deducted Above	
Depreciation	\$ 4,985.61
Net Cash Income	\$ 10,343.68
Deduct: Capital Expenditures	
Additions to Furniture & Equipment	3,576.78
Additions to Building	1,030.25
Additions to Auto & Truck	3,700.00
Total Capital Expenditures	\$ 8,307.03
Net Cash Received in Excess of Expenditures	\$ 2,036.65

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 5, 6—Missions Conference at Tempe, Ariz., with Phoenix Church co-sponsor.
- Feb. 14—General Conference Sunday, Pomona, Cal. Church, S. O. Ross, guest speaker.
- Feb. 22-28—Special Meetings, Troy, Ohio, Church, Don Needham, guest speaker.
- March 13, 14—Illinois Spring Conference at Dixon.
- March 20, 21—Quarterly Conference, St. Louis, Mo., Nigerian students, guest speakers.
- April 17—Indiana Conference at Lafayette.
- June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
- June 20-26—Michigan Family Camp at Camp Chief Noonday.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ACCEPTANCE

The Annual Financial Statement on page 6 is a portion of the report of the firm of Ramsey, King, McBride, and Horn, Warsaw, Ind., accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, November 13, 1970.

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COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: A. G. Ufford (Nigeria), and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Taylor.

QUARTERLY CHANGES

The publishing department is in the process of changing the quarters, effective September 1, 1971. Thereafter the new quarters will be:

First quarter: December, January, and February.

Second quarter: March, April, and May.

Third quarter: June, July, and August.

Fourth quarter: September, October, and November.

There are several reasons for the change: 1) At present Easter can fall in the first or second quarters (causing a problem for the editors and the curriculum), but under the new it will always fall in the second quarter. 2) We will avoid the Christmas rush by mailing in November. 3) The fourth quarter will begin at beginning of the public school year. 4) All major publishers in the United States are changing to the new arrangement in 1971, and we would be at a disadvantage to be "out of step."

In the transition the third quarter of 1971 will contain lessons for July and August only.

Hereafter our quarterly order forms will show the new arrangement of the quarters, so all may understand order deadlines, etc.

Naturally, the change may seem bothersome at first, but we believe the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages, and our Sunday schools will appreciate the new arrangement.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Pastor Austin Railton will be available for a pastorate beginning September 1, 1971. Contact him at 1717 S. Leer St., South Bend, Ind. 46613, phone 219-287-1166.

Pastor Richard Worley is available for call, and should be contacted at 3719 Eastmont Dr., South Bend, Ind. 46628, phone 219-234-7997.

RESIGNS PASTORATE

On October 4, 1970, Pastor Roger Cupp resigned his position at the Kokomo Church of God, effective June 1, 1971.

PASTOR NEEDED

The Moorefield, Neb., Church of God is seeking a pastor. Any pastor interested may write Mrs. Keith Norby, Rt. 1, Moorefield, Neb. 69039, or call collect 308-569-2495.

BAPTISM AT CASHMERE, WASH.

Russell Johns, son of Robert and Elma Johns of Everett, Wash., was baptized at Cashmere on November 8, 1970.

BAPTISM AT OAK GROVE Little Rock, Arkansas

On December 6, 1970, Bro. J. Roy Humphreys baptized Ruby Hearne into the name of Jesus Christ. We ask the prayers of the church in her behalf.

Mrs. R. D. Stanton, Sec.

BAPTISMS AT MCGINTYTOWN, ARK.

During Thanksgiving week revival meetings at the McGintytown Church of God, it was our privilege to baptize John Cain and his wife Dean on November 29, 1970. We pray God's blessing on them.

J. Roy Humphreys.

BAPTISMS AT WHITNEL, N.C.

We had the joy of baptizing on November 25, 1970, the following persons: Joey Holden, Thomas Austin, and Miss Irene Austin.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT LOMBARD, ILL.

We rejoice in the baptism of the following young men on December 6, 1970: Keith Bruce, Jerry Neikirk, and Mark Thoms. May the Lord bless them as they try to serve him.

David Cheatwood, pastor.

BAPTISM AT ARKANSAS CAMP

At the close of the Arkansas Youth Camp, June 28, 1970, it was our special privilege to baptize our daughter Ruth Ellen Humphreys. We pray God's blessing on her and our family.

J. Roy Humphreys, pastor.

BAPTISM AT HEDRICK, IND.

On November 22, 1970, Betty Hart of West Lebanon, Ind., was baptized into Christ. The Hedrick brethren rejoice in her decision.

James Graham, pastor.

BAPTISM AT MACOMB, ILLINOIS

Loretta Whaley answered the invitation and was baptized by Bro. Warren Sorenson on November 8, 1970. Bette Potts, Reporter.

BAPTISMS AT HOPE CHAPEL South Bend, Ind.

Upon confession of faith, young Steven Dale Van Orman was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ.

On November 15, 1970, Brian O'Neil and David Kizer were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ. David joins his family, all of whom have been immersed.

May they all seek the guidance of our heavenly Father. Austin Railton, pastor.

BAPTISM AT NEW HOPE Little Rock, Ark.

On November 15, 1970, James L. Moor, Sr., accepted Christ and was baptized into his name by Bro. Louis Kump. We pray God's continual blessings on him.

Lucille Turner, Sec.

BOLHOUS - KIRKPATRICK

The Oregon Church of God was the setting for the wedding on July 18, 1970, of Paula Jean Bolhaus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bolhaus, and Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Kirkpatrick.

Paula attended Oregon Bible College for a year, while Vivian was a graduate of OBC with the class of 1970.

They are making their home at Connorsville (Boyceville, Rt. 2), Wis., while they pastor the Graytown Church of God.

V. E. Kirkpatrick.

OTHER NEWS

For lack of space, the following items could not be printed in this issue: the Jones - Johnson, Kizer - Nunemaker, and Kunkel - Laning weddings; and death notices for Ivena B. Myers, Arthur Kenneth Hornaday, Clara Taylor, and Clayton J. Carey.

DIGBY, N.S., NEWS

On November 12, 1970, a surprise house warming and pound party was held for the Raymond Browns at the parsonage. It was an enjoyable evening of hymn singing, testimony, and fellowship.

Several fund-raising events were held during the month of November to help with the parsonage expense.

Elaine Handspiker, Sec.

HOPE CHAPEL NEWS

Columbus, Ohio

On November 20, 1970, the ladies of the Hope Chapel Church organized a missionary society. Officers elected were: Anne Cooper, president; Eileen Albert, vice-president; and Helen Pryor, treasurer.

A Berean Youth Fellowship has also been organized, with the officers as follows: Edward Marioth, president; Ronnie Storts, vice-president; Cheryl Albert, secretary-treasurer; and Patricia Morczek, reporter.

DAYTON MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

The Christian Outreach Department of Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton, Ohio, held its third annual missionary conference in October. The spirit of God was felt from the opening devotions by Bro. Leon Driskill until the closing prayer.

Music was furnished by Oregon Bible College students.

Two students from Nigeria told of their country and the churches there and answered many questions. All of the students gave testimonies of what God has done for them.

Sr. Rachel Krogh and Bro. S. O. Ross gave reports on foreign and home mission work.

Appropriate sharing sessions were conducted by Sr. Hope Errett, Sr. Rachel Krogh, and Bro. Kent Ross.

A Faith Promise Service was conducted by Bro. David Krogh, at which time \$5,000.00 was promised for missions during 1971. Eunice Pearson.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Bro. and Sr. Waldo Wood, Wesley Manor, Frankfort, Ind. 46041, celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on December 24, 1970. We add our congratulations and best wishes!

KNOWN ONLY TO GOD

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Finally, in desperation, he writes, "I submit my resignation as pastor." On hearing the news the congregation wrings its collective hands, shakes its head, and says, "I guess he just wasn't really called to the ministry after all!"

Consider! YOUR church could be without a pastor! You know why! God does, too!

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, publishing, Berean Youth Fellowship, and other essential services of the Conference.

Forest Hills Church	\$ 20.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Litchfield Church	43.83	Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Marian Haupt	5.00	Beaumont Church	27.00	Mrs Russell Heiser	200.00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Rice	10.00
Mr & Mrs Ray Kluck	55.00	Blanchard Church	82.66	Raymore Church	15.00	Agape Soc, Bedford	20.00
Mr & Mrs H Mowrer	25.00	Frances Wood	44.00	Mr & Mrs C Bennett	200.00	Digby Church	300.00
Rebekah Society, Dayton	2.25	Holbrook Church	81.20	Anonymous	5.00	Yirda Sittler	5.00
Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	20.00	Hope Chapel Miss, S Bend	65.00	Mr & Mrs Geo DeForest	5.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Pearson	11.00
Burr Oak Church	170.00	Bedford Church	33.16	Lombard Dorcas	15.00	Mr & Mrs Conrad Wetzel	80.00
Harry B. Franklin	40.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	15.00	Olive Deck	10.00	Litchfield SS	10.02
Golden Rule Sr. BYF	3.00	Macomb Church	84.83	Joseph Plantner	25.00	Mrs Lloyd Wiltsey	160.00
Mr & Mrs H Stadden	10.00	Macomb Miss Soc	20.00	Fonthill Church	91.72	Mr & Mrs O H Berry	25.00
Thelma Moore	35.00	Mr & Mrs E A Frederick	50.00	Becky Barnhill	25.00	Edith Eades	33.13
Russell Harman	55.00	Elizabeth Ordnung	5.00	Jodi Lawrence	40.00	Rachel Krogh	125.00
Clyde R Barlow	13.55	Helen Calahan	10.06	Cecil Smead	30.00	Nora Anderson	30.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00	Mrs D H Richmond	10.00	Mr F L Austin	5.00	David Krogh	40.00
Oregon SS	6.50	Alice Bassett	9.00	M A Patrick	16.00	Mary Krogh	10.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	35.00	Oregon BYF	18.16	Hope Chapel, S Bend	50.80	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	55.00
Fremont Church	25.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Lottie Shearer	6.00	Linda Hollenback	3.00
Macomb SS	19.30	Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	50.00	Alfred Anthon	25.00	Mr & Mrs J Arthur Johnson	37.00
Eldorado Church	30.00	Southwest Conference	219.07	Mr & Mrs Charles Knapp	24.00	Whitnel Church	100.00
Raymore Church	90.00	Mr & Mrs Stephen Bolhaus	28.90	Mr & Mrs George Kugler	10.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	50.00
Oregon Church	55.08	Fonthill SS	13.70	Lucille Wulff	20.45	Robert Zeller	25.00
Audrey Densmore	8.00	Donald Thoms	100.00	Canadian Friend	5.00	Mr & Mrs Willard Naylor	200.00
Southlawn Church	152.39	Ellen Sandoe	1.00	Ernie Mosher	10.00	Zenas Murphy	10.00
North Salem Church	8.52	Columbus, Hope Chapel	5.00	Lois Blakely	20.00	Esther Jenkins	10.00
Golden Rule Midweek	2.76	Mr & Mrs A T Palmer	17.00	Golden Rule SS	50.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	111.97
Garden Park Church	84.79	Southlawn BYF	26.03	San Jose Church	38.00	Fonthill Dorcas Soc	5.00
Garden Park Miss Dept	18.00	Fremont SS	17.20	Mr & Mrs Glenn Birkey	10.00	Ruth Sealey Congdon	75.00
Mr & Mrs J R Jewell	30.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	35.00	Ripley Miss Soc	57.50	Jesephine Kennedy	10.00
Lula Tremaine	10.00	Mr & Mrs Leslie Niles	10.00	L'Anse Miss Soc	1.00	Fort Valley SS	54.45
Mary & Martha's, Oregon	12.50	Mr & Mrs E Lussenden	30.00	Dorothy L Siple	50.00	Mr & Mrs John S Taylor	100.00
Mrs Harold Starbuck	15.00	Pennellwood Church	184.58	Morris Zeller	10.00	Pomona BYF	12.00
Ephraim Udo	1.00	Mr & Mrs Russel Thoms	10.00	Robert W Klindt	20.00	Maria F Berry	2.00
Lombard Church	119.16	Ladies Guild, Golden Rule	8.39	Faith Community, Mpls	90.00	Mr & Mrs Mike Mattison	15.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	115.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Young	25.00	Maurertown Dorcas	10.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	50.00
Omaha SS	27.61	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Jean Hale	10.00	Dan Dovenbarger	25.00
Lawrenceville Church	163.31	Mr & Mrs W Andrew	100.00	Mr & Mrs Ed Bender	45.00	New Hope Church	20.00
Northeast Conference	215.00	Felida Church	8.70	Modesto Church	11.00	Troy View BYF	2.00
Anonymous	60.00	Mr & Mrs C Ballentine	60.00	Ruth Blankenbaker	20.00	P G Coverston	100.00
Raker Sunday School	32.55	Fairy Lyon	75.00	Alta Thrush	5.00	La State Conference	111.77
Valley BYF	6.00	Mr & Mrs C J Pestle	15.00	Tempe Dorcas	5.00	Oregon SS	52.00
Southeast Conference	71.36	John J Obot	1.00	Jennie Townsend	10.00	Genniell Anderson	4.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Faith Chapel Bereans	3.00	Leota Hanson	5.00	Shilah Richmond	32.00
E Alan Boyer	5.00	Brush Cr Young People	10.06	Bible Church, Phoenix	243.00	Mr & Mrs Rex Cain	5.00
Happy Woods Church	74.00	Cleveland Contributor	3.00	Salem Church	5.50	Paul Coulter	9.00
La Contributor	45.00	Illinois State Conf.	50.00	Burr Oak Miss Soc	30.00	Walter Coulter	9.00
Pomona Church	66.78	Mr & Mrs John Kugler	30.00	Indiana State Conf	42.00	Mr & Mrs Martin Miller	25.00
Cora Siple	10.00	Everett Rogers	30.00	Mr & Mrs H Cramer	10.00	Rachel Morris	5.00
		Toy Sutfin	4.00	Gospel Gleaners, Brush Cr	5.00	Mr & Mrs R K Smith	30.00
		Morse Mill Bereans	20.00	Maurertown Church	25.50	Clyde Long	10.00
		Arkansas City Church	30.00	John Carr	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ben Carpenter	50.00
		Trov View Church	152.28	Flagg Center SS	20.25	Dale Ward	50.00
		Michigan State Conf	108.30	Bible Church, Tempe	179.71	Joe Hightower	50.00
		Mr & Mrs H K Elton	100.00	Mrs Charles Pearson	10.00	Mrs B F Peck	5.00
		Ruth Nichols	30.00				
		Anonymous	45.00				
		Mr & Mrs C E Randall	20.00				
		Brush Creek Church	142.76				
		Cool Spring SS	6.15				
		Minn State Miss Soc	50.00				

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Child Training and the Faith

By the Editor

THE BIBLE has much to say about the faith and the important relationship child training has in the continued existence of the faith on the earth. We are sure that if the Lord should tarry, the faith as we know it would become extinct because Christian parents are failing to teach their children.

Three Great Forces

There are three great forces operating in the building of a life—heredity, environment, and the will. “The child is born in part, he is made in part, and in part he makes himself.”—*Horne*.

Heredity. We all inherit qualities and potentialities from our parents and other ancestors. We also inherit weaknesses and tendencies. We believe this is how God visits “the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation” (Ex. 20:5). We may not be able to affect the color of hair and eyes of our future unborn offspring, but we can insure by clean and healthful living that they will receive a good start, physically.

Environment. It is not a case of heredity OR environment, as both are important in the development of one’s personality. Mother and father—home conditions—are important in the formation of character. It is said that the age of two marks the half-way point in the amount of influence a parent can exert in his child’s life. It is important that we begin training our children from infancy to have proper attitudes toward God, the church, and the Bible!

The will. Until one has reached the age of accountability—has learned that he is responsible for controlling his own personality, heredity and environment dominate. The will—the decision-making power, volition, self-control—is the third powerful force in forming a life. Environment can overcome heredity, but the will can override both.

Our Duty

As Christian parents, we realize our “children are an heritage of the LORD” (Psa. 127:3), that they are “loaned” to us for a few short years. It is our duty to bring them up to know the God who gave them to us. It is our duty to give them godly instruction, firm correction, and a strong example.

Instruction. “Train up a child in the way he should go: and [even] when he is old, he will not depart from it” (Prov. 22:6). The word “train” here means to “dedicate, give instruction” (Y.C.). We must begin our instruction early, as the first twelve years of life are the age of instruction; after that comes the age of reason. Correct instruction is important, because youngsters will believe what they are told, right or wrong.

Of our father Abraham God said, “I know him, that he will command [charge] his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD” (Gen. 18:19). Rabbi J. H. Hertz says of this text: “An important doctrine is here taught in connection with the word ‘command.’ . . . It is the sacred duty of the Israelite to transmit the Jewish heritage

to his children after him. The last injunction of the true Jewish father to his children is that they walk in ‘the way of the LORD.’”—*Pentateuch & Haftorahs*.

It is because of Israel’s faithfulness in teaching her children that the nation exists today. God commanded through Moses that his words should be taught “diligently” by the parents to their children in the home situation. (See Deut. 6:4-9.) God commanded us in the church to do the same thing when he said: “Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture [correction] and admonition [instruction] of the Lord” (Eph. 6:4). The Sunday school is man’s attempt to make up for the failure of the parents in their duty to teach.

Correction. One of the saddest records of parental failure to correct is the story of Eli and his sons. God said he would judge the house of Eli “because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not” (1 Sam. 3:13). “Either he did not rebuke them severely enough (2:23, 24); or . . . he rebuked them too late.”—*Wycliffe Commentary*.

The Proverbs are full of advice about correction. “He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes” (13:24). “The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame” (29:15). It is not love to leave a child uncorrected.

Example. The old saw, “Do as I say, not as I do,” is not valid. “Like
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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



Above is the current Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. They are left to right: Pastor C. Jesse Pestle, Secy., Columbia Station, Ohio; Joe James, Greenville, S.C.; Dr. William D. Lawrence, Chairman, Phoenix, Ariz.; Wayne Laning, Treas., Ripley, Ill.; Charles Knapp, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Dean Urish, Vice Chairman, Oregon, Ill.; Paul Shaw, Houston, Tex. These men were elected by the delegates at the annual General Conference sessions to administer and carry out the policies and recommendations of the membership at large. We commend these Board Members, as much time and effort are expended by them as they carry out their several duties.

Your Evangelistic Potential

In accordance with a recommendation made at the 1970 General Conference, forms are available for the local churches to survey their evangelistic potential. Write to General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for the number of forms needed for your church. You should need one for each Sunday school class, midweek class, ladies' or men's group, and any other organization within the church. When completed the survey evaluation should give a good picture of the strong and weak points of your church regarding evangelism.

1971 General Conference

The Fifty-First Annual Church of God General Conference sessions will convene at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Monday, August 9, and close at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 14. Registration will begin at 2:00

p.m. on the 9th and the first service will be at 7:30 that evening.

We will begin accepting cabin reservations on April first. After that date write to Conference Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and list the number in your family or in your group. If two or more families plan to reserve one cabin, please give the names of the families and the number of people.

The cost of the conference this year will be \$4.25 per person per day (meals \$3.00, lodging \$1.00, and 25¢ for insurance and misc.), with a total of \$20.00 for the entire conference. Conference costs will be paid at the desk upon arrival, and, as last year, the evening offerings will be designated for a special project.

Pastoral Shortage

It appears there will be a shortage of pastors again this year. Pray that God will send forth laborers!

Conference Finances

We are pleased to announce that the Goals for Giving for the month of January have been met. We praise God and express our thanks to the membership, the churches, and state conferences that have united to help meet this need.

The giving for the first four months of the fiscal year, however, has fallen short of the budget needs. Since giving fell behind the goals for October, November, and December we are now twenty-eight hundred dollars short of the amount required to meet the budget for the first third of the fiscal year.

We are thankful to each contributor and we solicit your continued prayer, concern, and support so that the giving in future months may continue to supply the needs.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for January	\$ 9,228.00
Given in January	\$10,241.00
To be given by September 30, 1971	\$72,809.00

Goal for February \$9,101.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Nigeria

Bro. A. A. Obot, director of the Nigerian work, reports that recently "one hundred people were baptized, and we praise the Lord for his love and care towards us in his work." The classes of the Ross Commercial School are in progress and a new building is nearing completion.

In the December issue of *PROGRESS JOURNAL* we reported that Bro. Anthony Idiong felt it necessary to leave his studies at Oregon Bible College. It was our understanding when he left here that he would return to Nigeria. However, since that time, we have learned that Bro. Idiong did not return home and is still in the United States.

Philippines

We were happy to hear from Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero that through the radio work many of the scattered brethren have been strengthened. You may remember that early last year members of the Mangandingay Church (who are farmers) had to settle in other places because of the lack of rainfall. Now these people, who settled in the forested area of the Quirino Sub-Province, have formed a congregation and have been conducting Sunday services since September. They are now requesting a pastor to come to be with them.

Other scattered members have also reassembled and are desirous of having a minister for their group. In addition, Bro. Ortiguero has received requests for tracts, visits in homes, and evangelistic meetings. Continue to pray for the radio work in the Philippines.

December 28-31, 1970, the ninth annual Philippine Church of God Conference was held at the Uddiawan Church. Many of the brethren gathered to make decisions concerning the Lord's work in the year ahead.

A group of armed terrorists called the Huks have been causing trouble in Villaros where Bro. Insturo Magno is pastor. They have convinced some of the people of the village to join them and have threatened death to those who may be found against them. Pray earnestly for the brethren in this area that the Lord will protect them. Pray also that through the witness of the Christians, the Huks may come to know Christ. With God all things are possible.

Mexico

On December 21, 1970, the Superintendent of Foreign Missions left for Mexico to visit the mission work there. Accompanying her were Jane Cupp from Oregon Bible

College; Sharon Guiles of Rockford, Ill.; Lynne Knapp and David Krogh from Grand Rapids, Mich.

The group arrived in Saltillo, Mexico on Christmas Day and participated in the program held that evening in the home of Sr. Alice Aldrich. About one hundred fifty people attended the program, which included recitations and special music by the children and young people.

The following day we traveled to the village of Labor Vieja (300 miles south of Saltillo) where Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo and family live. They, too, had saved their program until our arrival and it was held on Sunday evening outdoors under the stars. Again about one hundred fifty people gathered to hear the recitations and songs of the children and to see the play presented by the young people. We were impressed with the fine job done by all who participated and by Sr. Badillo who worked with them and directed the program.

Monday evening a service was held in the church building with the Saltillo and United States visitors offering musical selections and Bros. David Krogh and Francisco Martinez presenting messages.

On the return trip to Saltillo the next day a stop was made at the village of Potosi for a service and time of fellowship with the people there.

During the holidays people from the mountain villages come out and stand by the highway with boxes outstretched so the travelers will give them money or food. We took advantage of this and distributed many pieces of literature to these people and others we saw as we traveled.

In Saltillo on New Year's Eve the brethren gathered in Alice's home for a time of fellowship. Everyone enjoyed singing favorite gospel songs with the guitars and accordion followed by the celebration of the birthdays of Lynne Knapp and Abel Alvarez. We began the new year with a season of prayer in which all participated.

While traveling in the United States stops were made at the Gatesville, Harlingen, and Beaumont, Tex., churches, the Happy Woods Church in Hammond, La., and the New Hope Church, Little Rock, Ark., for a special missionary service.

It was a blessing to return to Mexico and to see all of our friends again, and we are thankful for this opportunity. Again we see the great need of the people there and pray the Lord will provide more laborers for this field. •

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Dean's List

To make the Dean's List at Oregon Bible College a student must have an average of 3.50 to receive High Honor and a 3.00 to receive Honor. We want to congratulate the following students: Seniors, High Honor: John Carr, John Railton, and Delbert Rankin; Honor: David Cheatwood, Joe Duncan, and Dale Swartz. Juniors, High Honor: Paul Moore and Dale Ramsey; Honor: Ron Macy. Sophomores, High Honor: Bob Jones; Honor: Joe Myers. Freshmen, High Honor: Jane Cupp, David Landry, and Benny Mattison; Honor: Ellen Canfield, Tim Cook, Vicki Smith, and Sydney Kirkpatrick.

OBC Chorale

At times this year beautiful music, and at other times not so beautiful music, can be heard vibrating the air at OBC. A new singing ensemble, the OBC Chorale under the direction of Dale Ramsey, is diligently preparing a repertoire of music for a series of concerts in March and April. The repertoire will include some of the more noted church anthems by noted composers plus some compositions by contemporary religious music writers. There will be both accompanied and unaccompanied anthems. The Chorale presently has ten members, who are: Faye Richardson and Lois Anthon from Louisiana; Larry Gaskill, Joe Duncan, and Tim New from Indiana; Ellen Canfield, Diane Cupp, and Joe Myers from Illinois; Steve Knapp from Michigan; and the director who is from Virginia. The Chorale appeared in concert five times during the first semester. There are still some open dates during March and April, and if your church would like to host this fine singing group please contact Sr. Rachel Krogh who is in charge of gospel teams.

OBC Choir

This semester the College Choir, consisting of fifteen members, is preparing a missionary cantata, "Let the Earth Hear His Voice," by Eugene Clark. This missionary message in song emphasizes the voice of God in redemption, his voice in commission, and finally our own response to his voice in spreading the message of salvation throughout the whole earth. The choir plans to present the cantata in several of the churches in Illinois later in the year.

Library Progress 1970

The library is making wonderful progress in the growth of Oregon Bible College. We increased our volume count

by over 1,000 volumes during 1970; going from 5,500 to 6,535 volumes. In addition to this we have purchased ten new bookcases, and a second stage to double the capacity of our card catalog.

Contributions to the Library

Last summer at General Conference we launched a book drive. A number of book lists were released to obtain donations to the library. In addition to this, the library is aided by the Oregon Bible College Booster Fund, and the General Fund. We thank all of you who are helping to build our library.

Present Needs

Our greatest need is to continue building our collection of general reference books. These are large purchases and are usually best handled through general funds. Another great need with popular appeal to individuals and groups is to keep the library up to date in all of the religious areas. Important new books are published each year. These may be translations, Bible reference, and theological books; Christian education, evangelism, pastoral work, and missions books; marriage and family books, history books, etc. We can give lists of recent publications to interested persons. We are able to buy at discount so it is better to send money.

Gospel Team to Peoria

On Friday, January 8, 1971, Ephraim Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obot, accompanied by sponsor John Lewis, took part in an evening of Christian fellowship, singing, and testimony with the young people of Macomb and Peoria, Ill., at Peoria.

The gospel team enjoyed the opportunity of sharing its Christian experience with these young people.

Student Preaching

In the past month homiletic students have had the opportunity to travel to Eden Valley, Minn., to assist in the worship services of that church. The students who assisted in the services were: John Carr, John Railton, and Joe Duncan. The students appreciate the assistance of the churches in helping them to further their practical Christian experience.

Social Events

The OBC faculty and staff sponsored, on January 30, an evening of activities and interaction for the student body. The various staff members led and participated in such activities as games, fellowship, and refreshments. •

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Berean Youth Conference

The tuition cost for the 1971 Berean Youth Conference will be \$33.00, compared to \$30.00 in the past. This is necessary due to a rising cost per day at Camp Mack. This price was in effect in 1970, but due to the fact that we had only a 5-day conference we did not raise the tuition. It may be necessary to raise it to \$35.00 in 1972.

The 1971 BYF Conference will be held six days. Many of the staff workers have already accepted the call to help. We are anticipating it to be a week of tremendous impact upon everyone who attends. There will be some new features, plus the tried and true and loved features—quizzing being one of the highlights of the past few years.

We will be limited to an enrollment of 300 young people. We have heard of several who are planning to attend for the first time. Enrollment blanks will be in the March-April issue of *Challenge*, and extra blanks will be sent to youth leaders.

Berean Youth Caravans

The delegates to the 1970 Berean Youth Conference voted to have two one-car caravans in 1971. The Junior Caravan will be for those in the ninth through the eleventh grades. The Senior Caravan for those twelfth grade and post-high. The Junior Caravan is scheduled to work in the Northeast Youth Camp, Troy, Ohio, in July. The Senior is to do "inner-city" work. The tentative arrangement is for this to be done in Minneapolis with Bro. Don Needham as sponsor.

Each caravan is to have five members and a sponsor. We feel this is a wonderful opportunity for the Bereans to reach out and use their talents to help others. Details for the Senior Caravan will be in the mail soon. An enrollment blank for the Junior Caravan will be in the March-April issue of *Challenge*.

A Special Kind of Crusade

The Advisory Council which met during the Post-High Winter Retreat decided to have a "walk-a-thon" crusade in April. This crusade will have a twofold purpose: 1) to be a witness for the faith, and 2) to raise funds for the BYF budget. The week set for the crusade is April 18-24, 1971. Material will be sent to youth leaders very soon. This is to be international in scope, and it is something in which every Berean group can participate. The success of the crusade will depend much upon the support given to the Bereans by the adults. ●

FEBRUARY, 1971

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milon Hall, Editor

SUNDAY SCHOOL SEMINARS

Through the united work of your National Sunday School Board, each Sunday school was evaluated through a questionnaire. (Some were covered personally by the board members and others were asked to fill out the questionnaire themselves.) Twenty-four questions were to be filled out.

One startling revelation from these questionnaires was the evident lack of a teacher training program, and only one church conducts a continuous program. For this reason, and numerous others, the Sunday School Board decided to conduct one-day Sunday school seminars in every district or state possible.

Schedule of Seminars:

District	Location	Date
Michigan	Blanchard	Mar. 6
Northeast	Golden Rule Church	Mar. 20
So. Ill. & Mo.	Ripley	Apr. 3
No. Ill. & Iowa	Oregon	Apr. 17
Indiana	Burr Oak	May 15

The Program for Each:

- 9:00- 9:30 Opening Session
- 9:30-10:30 First Half of First Class Period
- 10:30-11:00 Break
- 11:00-11:45 Second Half of First Class Period
- 12:00- 1:00 Dinner
- 1:00- 2:00 First Half of Second Class Period
- 2:00- 2:15 Break
- 2:15- 3:00 Second Half of second class period
- 3:00- 3:30 Closing Session

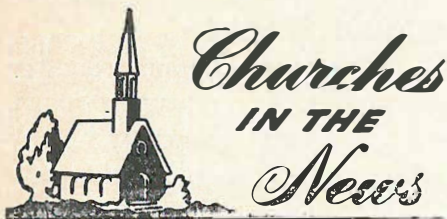
During the first and second class periods three elective classes will be held:

1. For Superintendents and Pastors—The 5 T's
"Together—Teaching Teachers to Teach"
2. For Teachers—The 4 T's
"Teaching Toddlers—Teens—Threescore Plus"
3. For Record Keepers—The 3 T's
"Totals, Timing, and Financing"

Registration Information:

Registration forms will be mailed to each pastor to be used as bulletin inserts or handed out. One dollar and fifty cents should be sent with each pre-registration form, or pay two dollars on arrival. Each one who is pre-registered at least one week before their seminar with his seminar director will receive a gift upon arrival. ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 22-28—Special Meetings, Troy, Ohio, Church, Don Needham, guest speaker.
- March 13, 14—Illinois Spring Conference at Dixon.
- March 20, 21—Quarterly Conference, St. Louis, Mo., Nigerian students, guest speakers.
- April 17—Indiana Conference at Lafayette.
- June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
- June 20-26—Michigan Family Camp at Camp Chief Noonday.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Emory Macy has resigned as pastor at the Fonthill, Ontario, Church of God and will be available for a pastorate September 1, 1971. Contact him at 8 Church St., Fonthill, Ontario, Canada, or phone 416-892-3802.

Roger Denchfield has resigned as pastor of the Koszta, Iowa, Church, effective September 1, 1971, and is available for call. Address him at Rt. 2, Belle Plaine, Ia. 52208, or phone 319-642-5460.

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS

Dixon, Ill., Church
Joseph L Myers, Supt, Bx 100, Oregon 61061

McGintytown, Ark., Church
Tommy D McGinty, Supt, Star Rt, Conway 72032

Valley Church, Van Nuys, Cal.
Mrs Harold Doan, Supt, 12421 Rose Av, Los Angeles 90066

Church of God Ministers
Berry, Verne E, 4104 Jefferson Av, SE, Wyoming, MI 49508
Martinez (Ibarra), Francisco, Lafragua No. 810 N, Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico
Obot, A A, Bx 53, Abak, South Eastern State, Nigeria, West Africa

MEXICO

Labor Vieja Church
Roberto Badillo, Mercado Colon No 124, Rio Verde, SLP, Mexico

Saltillo Church
Francisco Martinez (Ibarra), Lafragua No 810 N, Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico
Alice Aldrich, Quinta Alicia No 4, Calz A Narro, Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico

GARDEN PARK BOND PROGRAM

The Garden Park Church of God in Grand Rapids, Mich. will begin construction on its new building March 1. In order to finance the building, 7% Income Revenue Bonds are being sold. These are coupon-type bonds with a maximum maturity of 13½ years and a minimum maturity of 1½ years. The sale of the bonds will begin April 1, and interest will be paid every six months on October 1 and April 1.

Those who are interested in investing in the Lord's work in this manner, should write to: Garden Park Church of God, 5631 Madison Ave. S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508. A copy of the offering circular containing more information will be mailed to those who write. Garden Park Board.

BAPTISM AT LOMBARD, ILL.

The Lombard Community Church of God is happy to announce the baptism of Andreas Hearne into the body of Christ. May we all pray for his safe keeping in the hands of the Lord.

David Cheatwood, pastor.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE SENIORS

There are seven students in the 1971 senior class of Oregon Bible College. Only one of these, Bro. John Railton, is available for call to a pastorate. He may be contacted by writing to him at Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, or phone 815-732-7292.

Bro. David Cheatwood is presently pastor of the Lombard Community Church of God, Lombard, Ill., and plans to continue in the pastorate there.

The plans of Bro. Delbert Rankin are uncertain at this time. Bros. John Carr, Joseph Duncan, David Graham, and Dale Swartz plan to continue their education in the Oregon Bible College Internship Program at Tempe, Ariz., next fall.

FONTHILL, ONTARIO

The Glad Tidings Church of God, Hillcrest Rd., Fonthill, Ont., held its annual Watch Night Service in the church fellowship hall.

They met at 8:00 p.m. for a church-Sunday school social and at 11:00 p.m. they moved upstairs to the sanctuary for a worship and baptismal service.

Miss Cathy Buliung, Welland, and Miss Karla Macy, Fonthill, were baptized into Christ, and given the right hand of fellowship.

A songfest followed, and a candlelight Communion service beckoned in the New Year. Pastor Emory Macy.

HART - WATKINS

On November 29 1970, Betty Hart and Dan Watkins were united in marriage at the Hedrick Church of God. Pastor E. Richard Smith performed the ceremony, assisted by the writer. Dan is the son of Mrs. Mildred Watkins and the late Bro. James Watkins. May the Lord bless their life together. James Graham, pastor.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: F. P. Iroabuchi (Nigeria), Byron Jay, and Mrs. Harold Pearson. Our congratulations!

McCORKLE - LUTES

On December 6, 1970, Shirley McCorkle and Darryl Lutes were united in marriage by the writer at the Hedrick Church of God. Shirley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland McCorkle. May the Lord bless them and keep them as they begin their life together. James Graham, pastor.

PAULINE E. PRIME

Death came to Sr. Pauline Eychaner Prime on December 23, 1970. She had been in the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. (Ann Patrice) Flesher, 341 Beckett Ct., Winter Park, Fla. Services were held at Winter Park on December 26, and a graveside service at Omaha, Neb., on December 29. A memorial fund has been established by the family for the Conger Street Church of God, Waterloo, Ia., where Sr. Prime still maintained her membership. She is survived by her daughter, two grandchildren, and a brother, Karl Eychaner. Her husband, Dr. James Prime, preceded her in death.

Sr. Prime was one of the original officers of the Iowa State Berean Society when it was established in 1898. As a young girl she accompanied her father, Bro. A. J. Eychaner, when he held tent meetings around the state, and helped him with the music. Many of us also remember Ann Patrice and her mother singing "Rose of Sharon" and "Beautiful Days" at Iowa Conference.

—From The Searchlight.

MYRTLE EFFIE MITCHENER

Myrtle Effie Mitchener was born August 5, 1881, to Alfred H. and Keturah L. Rogers in Jasper County, Ill. In August, 1903, the Rogers family moved by covered wagon to Ripley County, Mo., where Myrtle married Thad W. Mitchener. Two children were born at Fairdealing, Mo. In 1916 the family moved to Cape Girardeau. In 1923 Mrs. Mitchener with her two children moved to Springfield, where she lived until her passing at the age of 89 years. Burial was at Fairdealing with Pastor Lyle Rankin officiating. She is survived by one son, John Myron; one daughter, Irene Keturah Poe; three brothers; three sisters; one grandchild; and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Arthur E. Poe.

CLARA TAYLOR

Miss Clara Taylor died October 28, 1970, in Mesa, Ariz. She was born December 21, 1892, in Philadelphia, Pa. She came to Arizona in 1945, after retiring. She was a member of the Tempe Bible Church of God. Interment was in Mesa City Cemetery, where she awaits the resurrection call of the Lord. Lee McQuinn, pastor.

ACCEPTS PASTORATE

Austin Railton, pastor of Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind., has accepted the call of the Southlawn Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich., to become pastor there on September 1.

CHILD TRAINING

(Continued from front page)

father, like son" is nearer the truth. In bringing up our children in the faith, strong example is most effective.

"Evangelism begins at home," and one of the most effective methods of propagating the faith is to train our children in the way they should go.

IVENA B. MYERS

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at Hemingford, Neb., for Ivena B. Myers, who died at Cheyenne, Wyo., December 11, 1970, at the age of 87.

She married Thomas O. Myers on February 22, 1905, and to this union were born five daughters and three sons. Her husband, one daughter, one son, and a grandson preceded her in death.

Surviving are four daughters: Mrs. Edna Reindl, Hemingford, Neb.; Mrs. Lela Holms, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Fay Carroll, Vienna, Va.; and Mrs. Evelyn Allen, Laramie, Wyo.; two sons: Phillip E. of Laramie and Mark A. of Hemingford; twelve grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; and a sister, Miss Lillian King of Laramie.

She sleeps in the Hemingford Cemetery, awaiting the coming of her Lord.

Pastor James Rencontre.

ARTHUR KENNETH HORNADAY

Arthur Kenneth Hornaday, son of Charles and Ola Hornaday, was born September 24, 1916, and fell asleep December 2, 1970 at Oxford, Neb.

In 1930 he was immersed into Christ, and was a member of the Holbrook Church of God.

On July 23, 1938, he was united in marriage to Margie Stover, and to this union one daughter and one son were born.

His father, mother, and a brother preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife; his daughter, Mrs. Norman (Sharon) Dietz; his son Larry; one grandchild; and his sister Mary Lou Hornaday.

After services conducted at Oxford by the writer, he was laid to rest beside his parents in the Arapahoe Cemetery to await his Master's call. V. E. Kirkpatrick.

CLAYTON J. CAREY

Clayton J. Carey was born September 4, 1896, and died December 16, 1970.

On July 9, 1919, he was married to Val- lie Luce. One son was born to this union.

Bro. Carey was immersed March 22, 1953, by Pastor John Denchfield.

He is survived by his wife; his son Veri- an of Rosemead, Cal.; and three grandchil- dren.

After services at Wyoming, Mich., he was laid to rest at Palo, Mich., where he awaits his Master's call to a new life on resurrection morning. Harry Sheets, pastor.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS

Deadline for news for Progress Journal is the 15th of the month preceding publica- tion.

Superintendents' and Workers' SUNDAY SCHOOL MANUAL

This seventy-page booklet is a thorough guide for Sunday school leaders. Unlike many booklets of this type, this manual has many practical suggestions for organization and development of the Sunday school which is small in size and has a limited number of workers. Every pastor and Sun- day school worker and every Sunday school library should have this Manual.

It may be ordered for \$1.00, postage paid when payment accompanies order, from:

THE RESTITUTION HERALD
BOX 100
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NEW TRACT AVAILABLE
"Do you ever think about God?" is the title of a new evangelistic-type tract published by the General Con- ference. It is a beautifully printed twelve-page tract containing God's plan of salvation written in an inter- esting and provocative manner. These are available from The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061, at 50¢ per dozen or \$3.00 per hundred, postage paid when payment accom- panies the order.

GOD

Made All Things



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-1971

"God Made All Things" is the title of this year's Vac- ation Bible School lessons. The emphasis is on the exis- tence, authority, and creative work of God. The five les- sons are: "The Guiding Light," "The Beauty of Heaven and Earth," "The Star the Wise Men Followed," "Birds That Fed Elijah," and "A Very Special Person." Orders are now being accepted for these Bible-centered materials. Order early!

Please send the following Bible School materials:

- Order Form and sample (free)
- Teacher's Manuals at 45¢ each
- Book One (pre-school through grade one) @ 45¢
- Book Two (grades 2-4) at 45¢ each
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
TEACHER'S MANUAL

McGINTYTOWN, ARKANSAS

A Christmas program under the direction of Olive McGinty was enjoyed by all. A fellowship followed, with cake and coffee being served by the ladies of the church. We were happy to have Bro. Perry McGinty home for the holidays.

New Sunday school officers for the coming year are: Tommy D. McGinty, superintendent; J. D. Moreland, assistant; Johnny Cardin, treasurer; and Mrs. John Cain, secretary.

Wednesday nights are reserved for Junior and Senior Berean, and we also have a Bible study for the adults.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vansant of Danville were recent visitors in our services. We invite anyone who might be visiting or traveling through our state to stop by and worship with us.

We feel that 1970 has been our most suc-

cessful year in winning souls for Christ. Since May 24, 1970, twelve have been baptized, and many others outside of Christ have shown an interest in learning more about the teachings of our church and the Bible. We ask your prayers for us that in some way we may be able to lead others to Christ. Mrs. J. D. Moreland, reporter.

JONES - JOHNSON

Sr. Kathy Jones, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Charles Jones of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and Bro. Wayne Johnson, son of Bro. and Sr. Frank Johnson of Hector, Minn., were united in marriage by the writer in the Church of God at Oregon, Ill., on December 12, 1970. They will reside on a farm near Hector. We wish them much happiness. T. M. Ferrell.

KUNKEL - LANING

Wedding bells rang December 6, 1970, for Karen Kunkel and Robert Laning in an impressive double ring ceremony at the Ripley Church. After a trip to New Orleans, they are at home at Rt. 2, Mt. Sterling, Ill. 62353. May God richly bless them with his love and abiding presence. John Hearp, pastor.

KIZER - NUNEMAKER

Sherry Ann Kizer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Kizer, and Donald Gene Nunemaker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Nunemaker, Sr., were united in marriage by the writer on June 6, 1970, at the Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind. Both are members of Hope Chapel. They have made their home at 5543 E. Helen St., Tucson, Ariz. 85716. May God bless them. Austin Railton, pastor.

CONTRIBUTORS IN JANUARY

The following persons through their contributions in January 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 Conference.

Anonymous	\$ 7.00
Mr & Mrs Richard K Smith	45.00
Maurertown Church	30.00
Elsye G Boyer	10.00
Mr & Mrs C E Randall	25.00
Mr & Mrs Chris Myers	10.00
Mr & Mrs Frank O Johnson	10.00
John Carr	12.00
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Blanchard Miss Society	15.00
Mr & Mrs Michael Mattison	10.00
Blanchard Church	79.60
Mary Powell in Memory of	
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Pomona Dorcas Society	100.00
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Troy View Church	70.85
Co-Workers, Ripley	100.00
Troy View BYF	1.00
Glad Tidings, Dayton	185.00
Glad Tidings Youth Dept	5.00
Valley Bereans	4.78
Happy Woods SS	33.25
Mr & Mrs Russell Conley	20.50
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Fremont Teen-age Class	11.00
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Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00
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Mrs R D Stanton	2.00
Mrs D L Holt	45.00
Columbia SS	74.00
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Fremont Church	22.00
Grace Holden Circle	10.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	25.00
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Southlawn Church	171.84
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Bedford Church	24.43
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Lorene Orr	50.00
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Fremont SS	10.55
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In Memory of	
Helen Laity Hearp	20.00
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Norma Davis	10.00
Mr & Mrs T M Ferrell	50.00
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Tempe BYF	10.20
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Lawrenceville Church	106.39
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Mr & Mrs Dwight Pestle	45.00
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Mr & Mrs Meredith New	10.00
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Forest Hills Church	21.30	Mr & Mrs	
Clair Rice	30.00	Joseph Plantner & Alice	40.00
Truth Seeker SS	9.33	Mr & Mrs Rex Cain	10.00
Beaumont Church	15.00	Macomb Miss Soc	20.00
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Pomona Church	62.12	Michigan State Conf	128.46
Joe Duncan	6.32	Laymen's Retreat	88.58
Fonthill Church	82.40	Anonymous	329.00
Mr & Mrs R Loie Jones	25.00	Happy Woods Church	36.37
Happy Woods Church	54.91	Beaumont Church	50.00
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Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00	Alfred Anthon	25.00
Bible Church, Phoenix	223.50	Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	5.00
Gethsemane Gardens	31.00	Candy Schaeen	5.00
Modesto Church	10.30	Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00
Northeast Conference	215.00	A G Townsend	5.00
Anonymous	50.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	100.00
Paul Overholser	50.00	Scott Millard	55.00
John Hearp	10.00	Debbie Millard	30.00
Felida Church	3.50	Paul Moore	6.90
Brush Creek Church	142.83	Dixen Dorcas	10.00
Mr & Mrs Conrad Wetzel	10.00	Shilah Richmond	11.92
Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	70.00
John Kugler	25.00	Rachel Krogh	60.00
Raymore Church	15.00	Brush Creek SS	29.54
L'Anse Miss Soc	1.00	Hope Chapel, So Bend	32.56
A Canadian Friend	5.00	Hope Chapel SS	19.13
Fonthill Miss Soc	58.29	Minnesota State Miss	50.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Anonymous	30.00
Bible Church, Tempe	200.58	Flagg Center Church	36.26
Chris Miller	16.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Illinois State Conf	50.00	Southwest Conference	69.50
Edith Eades	20.00	Mr & Mrs	
Ripley Church	45.00	Clarence M Jones	500.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	115.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Macomb Church	73.30	Claude E Mills	50.00
George Savage	25.00	David Krogh	30.00
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Handicapped

By the Editor

WE ARE all aware of the life and ministry of Jesus; how he went about doing good and proclaiming God's message wherever he went. He grasped opportunities to talk to people where he found them, like the woman at the well in Sychar, Samaria. His purpose was to preach and show the good news of the Kingdom of God. (Luke 8:1.)

We are all aware, also, that Jesus commanded his followers—in all ages—to do as he had done; to “preach the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15, 16). The disciples of the first century were zealous in carrying out his will, but we are not so good at this, because we're HANDICAPPED.

But, when we think of how we let our handicaps deter us from doing what we should, we should stop and realize that almost every servant of God mentioned in the Bible had something to hold him back from serving the heavenly Father.

Abraham Handicapped

When God called Abraham to follow him, he asked him to leave his country, relatives, and his father's house, to go into a land he would show him. God realized Abraham's family was a handicap to him. According to Joshua 24:2, Abraham's father, Terah, was an idolater, and this held Abraham back from serving the one, true God. In spite of his handicap, Abraham proved himself a man of faith.

When God called Moses at the burning bush in Sinai, Moses began to enumerate his handicaps. (Ex. 3:1 to 4:17.) First, he said, “Who am I? What can I, just one person, do about

delivering my people from bondage?” God said, “Certainly I will be with thee.” Moses' fourth difficulty was a true handicap, “I am not eloquent.” God may have tired of this and chosen Aaron to be spokesman, but we know from the record that Moses was adequate in speaking for God in spite of his handicap.

Amos and Hosea were also handicapped, but they served God in spite of them. Amos said he was not a prophet, nor the son of a prophet, but a herdsman and gatherer of fruit, but God used him. (Amos 7:14, 15.) The Prophet Hosea had the handicap of an adulterous wife, yet God used him, and caused his life story to be a type of God's relationship with his adulterous wife, Israel.

Apostles Handicapped

The apostles who served the Lord so faithfully were also handicapped. It was noted of them that they were “unlearned and ignorant men,” that is, unschooled laymen. (Acts 4:13.) Yet, the Jewish leaders could not deny the words and works of these men, and the church grew by the thousands.

The Apostle Paul is noted for his great missionary labors. Yet, according to his own words, he performed in the face of a handicap—“thorn in the flesh” (2 Cor. 12:7-11). Paul said he asked the Lord three times to remove this handicap, but was reminded that his grace was sufficient, and his strength made perfect in weakness. One has only to read of Paul's labors and his trials to realize what a handicapped man can do, with God's help.

The early church as an organization

or movement was also handicapped. It was opposed by the Jews at every turn. Its leader and Lord, Jesus, was put to death. Stephen was stoned to death, and James was killed with the sword. The Romans also saw this movement as a threat, so they did their best to stamp out Christianity. But it thrived under these handicaps.

Our Handicaps

As a church, and as individuals, we have handicaps. Our organization is small, with our General Conference budget being smaller than many individual churches of other faiths. Many of our congregations are so small they cannot support a full-time minister, and their budgets barely large enough to keep the doors open. Many of our buildings are inadequate for growth, or are unattractive. Our doctrine is a “handicap,” in that it cannot be learned in a day, and its demands discourage some.

Besides the organizational handicaps, we all are handicapped in some way. Some say, “I'm too young to teach.” But, the Bible is full of examples of the young serving God. Some say, “I'm ashamed of our church and doctrine.” For this we must give account. “I'm just one person,” others say. Multiply what you can do by the number in your church, and you will see it is considerable.

Dr. John W. Gardner once said, “We are all faced with a series of great opportunities—brilliantly disguised as insoluble problems” (RD, March, 1966). With God's help we can overcome our handicaps and be effective workers for him. ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Annuities and Special Gifts

Some members of the Church of God General Conference are aware of deferred giving to the General Conference and to their local churches. Many are not yet aware of these programs. There are several ways one can make a contribution to the church or conference that can be beneficial to the donor also by tax savings and income assurance for life.

Some avenues for this type of giving are through life insurance, revocable gifts, short-term trusts, transfer of properties, bargain sale gifts of property or stocks and bonds, and annuities. The annuity program is one that is especially inviting to older people. It assures income for life, avoids gift taxes for the recipient, and has some tax credit benefit to the donor at the time of establishment of the program.

Each annuity is a separate contract and established on its own merits, however the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference has set up certain guidelines. The minimum age for a man is 60 years and for a woman 59 years. The donor deposits a sum of money with the General Conference, and the Conference pays to the donor a payment (usually semi-annually) at the rate established in the contract. The tentative rate schedule used is: at age 60—5.5%; age 65—6%; age 70—6.5%; age 75—7%.

Anyone interested in further information on any of these programs may contact S. O. Ross, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Gift to General Conference

Late in 1970 Dr. and Mrs. William D. Lawrence and family of Phoenix, Ariz., donated to the Church of God General Conference an office building located at 1801-1815 W. Indian School Rd., in Phoenix. This building is occupied by seven individual firms. Rentals cover all payments and expenses and the building is growing in equity and bringing in a small profit.

Such gifts of appreciated property are advantageous for the donor and, of course, are a valuable asset to the Church of God General Conference. The tax credit for the donation is figured on the appraised value at the time of donation and in this age of inflation this often represents a considerable amount.

The Church of God General Conference is prepared to guide and advise those who are interested in donations of appreciated property as well as the handling of wills, bequests, annuities, and so forth. These often provide the donor with real tax savings as well as being a blessing to the Lord's work.

On behalf of the membership of the Church of God General Conference, we take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to the William Lawrence family for the donation of this office building. The General Conference will invest the proceeds in the Lord's work.

Figuring Goals for Giving

The delegates to General Conference adopt a budget and set the goals needed for the fiscal year. One twelfth of this total amount is needed each month to keep up the operation of the General Conference work. For the past several years when the giving for a month is below the needed goal, the balance needed before the end of the fiscal year was divided by the number of months remaining so the goal for the remaining months would be increased. This means that the deficit for that month would not be entirely reached until the end of the fiscal year, when the actual need is current or already past, and probably had to be met by loan. We believe the following system will be more advisable.

The total budget needs for this fiscal year are \$105,000. This divided by twelve months means that \$8,750.00 is needed each month to meet the goal. Henceforth, we will cite the goal for the month at \$8,750 plus any deficit up to that point. That is the realistic figure needed that particular month to carry out the work and cover the shortage for the past month.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for February	\$9,101.00
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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Message from Sr. Emily Manoah

Sr. Emily Manoah, sister-in-law of Pastor S. S. Manoah, Bangalore, India, has been in the United States for nearly a year studying in Phoenix, Ariz. Following is the message she presented at the missionary conference held at the Bible Church of God, Tempe, February 6, 1971.

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Bible Church of God. I bring greetings from the fellow members of Bible Church of God, Bangalore, India. I received a letter from Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah saying that they are remembering us in their prayers and send their heartfelt thanks for each one of you. I praise God for his mercies and the wonderful ways he is guiding us. I am thankful for the good friends, and I am glad for this opportunity to stand before you and talk about my country and especially about the home church at Bangalore.

I would like to tell briefly about India. It is about one-third the size of the United States. There is a big contrast geographically, in climatic conditions, people, style, dress, and food habits. There is beauty, dust, dirt, and disease. The population is about 500 million.

The people are mild, friendly, hospitable, tolerant, and religious. India is not a Christian country. There are

three main religions — Hindu, sixty-five percent, Moslem, thirty percent, and Christian, about three percent.

There is a food problem. It is mainly because of population, which is also the reason for illiteracy and malnutrition. Since independence, the government has been trying to control population and to encourage education.

There are about twenty different dialects spoken throughout the states of India. There is a major difference between the northern and southern parts of India.

Bangalore is in South India. It is about the size of Phoenix, but the population is about a million. The Bible Church of God work in India was started by the Minnesota State Conference. It was carried out by Pastor Paul Vedantachari who was ordained in 1912. One of his converts, John Manoah, father of Bro. S. S. Manoah, continued the work in Bangalore. After his death, S. S. Manoah began preaching, and the Minnesota churches supported him. Later the General Conference assumed support of Bro. Manoah. Because of what has since been proven to be a misunderstanding, the support was stopped for some time. Bro. Manoah continued his ministry with some support from the Minnesota churches even though there were many hardships. The members of the church prayed earnestly and waited patiently. There was no church building and Sunday services were conducted in a small garage. In the year 1964 the General Conference resumed support of the mission work in India. In 1967 a beautiful church building was built. We are thankful for all those who made it possible for us to have a place of worship. The church stands as a witness of your generosity and love towards your fellow Christians and non-Christians.

This church building was built at Thomas Town. There are seventy-five families in this area. Regular morning and evening Sunday services are held here. There are nearly two hundred people who gather for worship. Sunday school and youth meetings are conducted on Sunday. Bible study on

Tuesday, prayer groups on Thursday. The evening service on Friday, mothers' meeting on Saturday are also conducted here. We are thankful for Pastor Manoah who works very hard. I am sorry to say that we as church members do not do much for the church. I would like to stress the responsibility of each member towards the church. Regular cottage prayer meetings in members' houses, hospital visitation, preachers' training classes, and baptism classes are also conducted.

I am glad to say there is much progress made. It is mainly because of your financial support and prayers. There are three different places, namely John Nagar, Austin Town, and Wilson Gardens, where church groups are started. They are eager to learn the faith. These places are about ten to twelve miles from Thomas Town and conveyance is a problem. It is difficult for them to attend the church at Thomas Town. These three new groups are in three different places and we need a church in the center so that all these families can worship together. We are praying and request you to pray and contribute for the house of the Lord to bring more people to his fold.

Our poor children are receiving the education support. They are grateful to you and to God for the education they are able to get which their parents cannot afford. May God bless you abundantly and grant you joy for being responsible for educating the poor children.

There are many illiterate people in Bangalore and surrounding places who are in poverty and ignorant of the love of God. Recently Bro. Manoah and the church members have been able to carry the message of love to people in a small village where they went for open-air preaching. Regular Sunday classes are held, and one day we hope and trust that the whole village will accept the Lord.

There is poverty and sickness. Thanks for the medical aid sent from here. There is a full-time nurse and

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Alumni Association Promotion Program

The Alumni Association feels that an important part of its work is promotion of Oregon Bible College. We want to inform all Church of God young people of what the College has to offer and we want to encourage them to consider attending. In order to do this, several mass letter mailings have been planned. One letter has already been sent to all high school juniors and seniors, and other mailings are planned for the coming weeks. The letters will be followed by personal contacts made by Alumni Association members. It is our desire to see many more young people answer the call to Christian service, and we believe that our efforts will help accomplish this goal.

Staff Travels

On Sunday, February 7, John Lewis traveled to the St. Louis Church, where he presented the morning message and conducted Communion service for the brethren.

We are glad for the opportunity to travel to the churches in the area and present a report on the Oregon Bible College program directly to our Conference members.

Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education fulfills a vital function in the higher education program of the Church of God. This board acts in an advisory and promotional capacity for Oregon Bible College and makes specific recommendations regarding its operation to the Board of Directors of the General Conference. The Board of Directors is the governing board for the college.

Alva G. Huffer, president, is chairman of the Board of Education. The four other members of this board are appointed, each for a term of two years, by the Board of Directors. Current appointed members of the board are: Dallas Demmitt, Phoenix, Ariz.; Robert Johnson, Hector, Minn.; Ruth Halls Overholser, Springfield, Ohio; and Vernis Wolfe, Hammond, La. John R. Lewis, administrative vice-president of Oregon Bible College, attends meetings also. The board met in Oregon, Ill., February 19 and 20.

President on Campus

President Alva G. Huffer has been at the College for extended periods of time during the academic year. He was in Oregon, February 8-27. He is teaching the second semester of Systematic Theology for juniors and seniors. The course will also be taught April 13-23. While in Ore-

gon, he conducted meetings of the faculty, the Board of Education, met with students, prepared material for the new issue of the College catalog, and performed many other administrative activities.

Gospel Teams

The College Chorale traveled to Hector, Minn., to participate in a Teen Tithing Service on February 13 and 14. Directed by Dale Ramsey, they presented music for both the Saturday night and Sunday morning services.

Student Joe Duncan presented the morning message. The gospel team was sponsored by Charles Pryor.

Accompanied by instructor Francis Burnett, the Nigerian students, Ephriam Udo, John Obot, and Solomon Idiong visited Blanchard, Mich., on the weekend of February 15. They conducted the Sunday afternoon service for the Blanchard brethren.

Discussion Groups

Under the direction of counselor Charles Pryor several student discussion groups have been organized this semester.

These groups give the student an opportunity to discuss his feelings and attitudes toward his interactional experiences of faith with others.

Junior-Senior Weekend

The students and staff are planning for a Junior-Senior Weekend to be held in the spring. The dates for the event are March 25 and 26.

The purpose of the Junior-Senior Weekend is to encourage high school juniors and seniors of the Church of God to visit the campus of Oregon Bible College.

In this way the students have the opportunity to visit classes and to participate in the activities of the College.

The need for full-time Christian workers in the Church of God continues to be great. As young people see the need to answer the challenge, Oregon Bible College strives to provide excellence in Christian training.

Spring Session

Oregon Bible College is offering a variety of courses during its Spring Session. Dallas Demmitt will be teaching a one week seminar on The Christian and Mental Health. This seminar will run April 26 through April 30. John Lewis will be teaching a course on Modern Social Problems. Eugene Stilson will be teaching Cultural Geography of Africa, and Francis Burnett will be teaching Daniel and Revelation. ●

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Speech Theme for 1971

The title for the 1971 BYF Speech Contest, as chosen by contest director Paul Moore, is: Why Pass It On? This is in keeping with the general theme of the Youth Conference.

For the past two years, the contest has been divided into a contest for the men and one for the women. We would like to encourage more interest in the women's division. We have had especially good interest in the men's division for the last three years. Anyone entering the ninth grade through age 22 may enter the contest, with one exception. Anyone who may have had a semester in a preaching class at Oregon Bible College or elsewhere is not eligible.

The contest is based on the person's own ability to prepare and give a good speech. The length of the speech can be from 4½ to 7½ minutes, with approximately 6 minutes being considered a good length. The contestant is judged on platform behavior and topic, organization and development, delivery and language, and general effectiveness. The person giving the speech is to prepare his own. It is permissible to have help in the form of evaluation and criticism. But another should not prepare the speech to be given.

We ask you adults and parents to encourage those young people, especially the girls, who have the ability, to enter the 1971 Speech Contest at Camp Mack.

The "Walk-A-Thon" Crusade

Youth leaders, youth presidents, and pastors either have received material, or will soon, on this Crusade. The title adopted by the Advisory Council is: Blisters for Christ. As the title suggests, it is to be a walk in testimony of one's faith in Jesus Christ. One purpose of the Crusade is to raise money for the 1971 International Youth Department budget. Each young person who takes part will be paid a set amount per mile walked. The amount will be paid by the sponsor.

Who is the sponsor? The success of the Crusade will depend upon you, the adults, and your friends who will be the main sponsors. What does a sponsor do? You will agree to pay so much per mile that is walked—50¢, 25¢, 10¢. You pay after the walking is done, but you agree to pay before the walk. This is an incentive to the one doing the walking. Support your young people and also encourage your friends to support them. The week is April 18-24. Saturday, April 24, is the day for walking. •

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milton Hall, Editor

The Pastor and His Sunday School

The pastor is spiritual leader of the church—the entire church, which includes the Sunday school. This is his work. Peter said, in speaking of the work of the pastor, "Be shepherds of God's flock which is among you. Exercise the oversight not reluctantly but eagerly, in accordance with the will of God; not for base gain but with cheerful minds; not lording it over your churches but proving yourselves patterns for the flock to imitate" (1 Pet. 5:2, 3, Wey.).

To "exercise the oversight" means to beware, look diligently, even critically if necessary. Remember, as the church and pastor prayed for direction in his call, the pastor is God-appointed. Accept his leading, his pastoring.

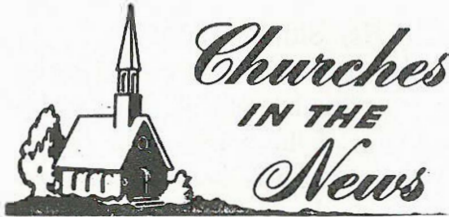
The pastor oversees the overseers. This includes elders, superintendent, and teachers; overseeing not just their work, but their personal spirituality. We don't want any "talk only" leaders. The pastor is to *lead* them into a deeper spiritual experience with their Lord through prayer and Scripture. He is to *feed* them with spiritual food. He is to *edify, help, assist, and aid* them to serve in the best way in their respective fields. He is to *support, lift, sustain, uphold, and maintain* the closest spiritual bond possible in their relationships. As Jesus said to Peter, "Feed my sheep."

The shepherd will look for and recognize ill, faltering sheep in the flock and DO something about them. Let's not endure any Achans in our church. (See Josh. 7:1-11.) Paul said, "Whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it" (1 Cor. 12:26). He also told the young minister, Timothy, "Reprove, rebuke, exhort" (2 Tim. 4:2). With tender love, the pastor must reach out to the spiritually sick, and especially as they may be found among officers and teachers. If he doesn't, who will?

The pastor's first work is to care for the flock, to see to their spiritual health and growth, and then to reach out beyond the flock to those outside the fold.

Now, what does all this mean to the members of the church? We have been talking directly to pastors, the shepherds of the flock. We hope every member of the flock has been listening, for now we would speak one word to the flock. Everything we have said that the pastor should mean to the flock, the flock should EXPECT! Encourage your pastor to be the shepherd of the flock. Invite him into your home, your life, that he may be your spiritual leader. •

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 17**—Indiana Conference at Lafayette.
April 18-21—Special meetings at Litchfield, Minn., E. Richard Smith, guest speaker.
April 26-30—Annual Ministerial Conference at Oregon, Ill.
May 7-9—Missionary conference, Ripley, Ill., S. O. Ross and the Nigerian students, guest speakers.
June 18-20—Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.
June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
June 20-26—Michigan Family Camp at Camp Chief Noonday.
June 20-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal., Dallas Demmitt, director.
July 8-11—Virginia Conference at Maurertown, Kent Ross, guest speaker.
July 11-16—Tristate Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va., Kent and Cheryl Ross, guest workers.
July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
Aug. 18-22—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb., T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: James O. Scott, Jr., and Mrs. Emily Manoah.

BAPTISMS AT DENVER, COLORADO

On November 15, 1970, after a message brought to us by Dr. Bill Lawrence of Phoenix, Ariz., Lloyd Decker and my own two daughters, Laurie and Shawna, were baptized into Christ. On December 20, 1970, Rickey Van Duyn was baptized.

Wayne Willard.

BAPTISM AT DAYTON, OHIO

Curt Miller was baptized February 14, 1971. He is twelve years old, and has many years of Christian service before him. We pray God's blessing on his Christian walk.

Rex Cain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT MODESTO, CAL.

Upon confession of their faith, Mr. and Mrs. Roland DeLay and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jenkins were baptized into Christ on January 9, 1971, at the San Jose Church of God.

Ray Hall, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

On January 3, 1971, Steven Ballentine, age fifteen, came forward at the Cincinnati Church of God. He was baptized that evening at Lawrenceville by Bro. Curtis Simpson.

Sydney Magaw was baptized this past summer in the Little Miami River by Bro. Simpson. Don Ballentine.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

James Fyfe has resigned as pastor at Gatesville, Tex., effective September 1, and is available. Contact him at Rt. 4, Gatesville, Tex. 76528, phone 817-865-6296.

Richard Worley is available for call, and should be contacted at 3719 Eastmont Dr., South Bend, Ind. 46628, phone 219-234-7997.

Roger Denchfield has resigned as pastor of the Koszta, Ia., church, effective September 1, 1971. Address him at Rt. 2, Belle Plaine, Ia. 52208, phone 319-642-5460.

PASTORS NEEDED

The Oaklawn Church of God, Koszta, Ia., is in need of a pastor as of September 1, 1971. Anyone interested may contact the secretary, Kenneth Hinkle, Rt. 2, Belle Plaine, Ia. 52208.

Pastor Roger Cupp has resigned effective April 1, 1971, so the Kokomo, Ind., church is seeking a pastor. Any interested party should contact the secretary, Mrs. Helen Snyder, 1018 S. Purdum St., Kokomo, Ind. 46901.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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Ripley, Ill., Church

Mrs William Wells, Sec, R 1, Rushville 62681

Church of God Minister

Payne,* Harry S, 4834 Denver St, Montclair, CA 91763 Ph 714-624-1323

ARIZONA MISSION CONFERENCE

The Churches of God located at Tempe and Phoenix, Ariz., joined efforts on February 5 and 6 to host and sponsor the first mission conference to be held in the area.

The conference program was enhanced by the presence of the Board of Missions of the Church of God General Conference, as a regular board meeting was scheduled for February 8 and 9. Bro. Merle Patrick, Sr. Rachel Krogh, and Pastor and Mrs. Warren Sorenson, along with local members of the board, Pastor Lee McQuinn, and Sr. Mardy Lawrence, were all present. Bro. and Sr. Stanley Ross were also present, with Bro. Ross taking an active part in the conference.

On Friday evening, February 5, Dr. William D. Lawrence opened the meeting by introducing the board members, and other visitors from California, Minnesota, and Washington. Then the combined choirs of the two churches, under the direction of Mrs. Jon Wilkins, presented the missionary cantata, "So Send I You," by John Peterson. Mrs. Lee McQuinn was the accom-

panist. This was one of the most stirring musical experiences most of those in attendance had ever heard.

Saturday was given over to the presentation of mission problems, and their solution, by the board members and Bro. Ross. Two buzz sessions proved very interesting. Near the close of the day Srs. Krogh and Lawrence told of the "Faith-Promise" plan of giving to missions; a plan which has been proposed in several other places. A goal of \$3,000 was thought attainable, but before the twenty-minute session was finished, over \$6,000 had been "Faith-Promised." (Only the promiser and God are parties to this agreement.) The conference closed with a short resume of the cantata—a fitting conclusion. One hundred twenty-six people were registered.

The spiritual benefits from this meeting cannot be measured in this age, but we feel we were greatly strengthened, and that eternity will tell the full benefits.

Gerald L. Cooper.

CHARLES ARTHUR PEARSON

Charles (Bob) Pearson was born February 4, 1903, and died January 13, 1971.

He was a lifelong member of the Brush Creek Church of God. Along with his wife Eunice, he served Oregon Bible College from 1946 through '50.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Douglas of Byron, Ill., and Timothy of South Bend, Ind.; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Marquis of Brookville, Ohio, and Mrs. Gale Harlman of Seymour, Ind.; ten grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and five sisters and three brothers.

Services were held on January 16, and burial was in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, where he awaits the resurrection.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

MRS. HOKE SMITH

Evie Smith, 80, of Pelzer, S.C., died December 23, 1970. A daughter of the late John and Mollie Browning Pack, she was the widow of Hoke Smith. She was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God.

Surviving are her son James Randolph Smith; two daughters, Evelyn Fleming and Pauline Robertson; two sisters, Emmie Stone and Othello Jones; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Guthrie Grove with Loie Jones and E. Richard Smith officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

MRS. DORA LARSEN

Mrs. Dora Larsen was born February 6, 1905, and died January 17, 1971. She was baptized August 27, 1967, by Bro. Billie Kennedy.

Survivors include one son, Duane of Blanchard, Mich.; one daughter, Esther Bevan of Ithaca, Mich.; and two sisters. She was a great-aunt of Sr. Alice Aldrich.

Memorial words of her gentle personality and constant service were spoken by the writer on January 19. She was buried in Vinewood Cemetery, Edmore, Mich., to await the resurrection call of Christ.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

MRS. EMIL FREDLUND

Carolina Mathilda Fredlund, born February 21, 1873, near St. James, Minn., died February 13, 1971.

She married Emil Fredlund in 1913, who preceded her in death in 1949. She spent much of her life on a farm near Brunswick, Minn., before moving to Mora, Minn., in 1943, after which she moved to Mesa, Ariz., in 1949, and to Tempe in 1958.

She was a member of the Church of God for more than half a century and faithful in attendance until the end.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Don (Roselin) Huffer, a foster son, and many other relatives.

Services were conducted at the Bible Church of God in Tempe, February 16, 1971, by Pastor C. E. Randall and this writer. Interment was in Mesa City Cemetery to await the resurrection call of the Lord.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

MRS. GEORGE STONE

Courtney Dodd Stone, wife of George W. Stone, Greenville, S.C., died December 9, 1970, at the age of 66. She is survived by her husband, and by two stepsons, Rudolph and Wallace Stone of Williamston, S.C. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

LILLIE C. LARINGTON

Funeral services were conducted by the writer for Lillie C. Larington February 11, 1971, at McCook, Neb. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Minton, and was born June 29, 1880, at Osceola, Ia. On

February 17, 1901, she was united in marriage to Robert Larington. He preceded her in death. Lillie was a member of the Church of God.

She leaves to mourn her death three sons, Devere of McCook, Dean of Denver, and Leon of Springview, Neb.; three daughters, Cecile Beebe and Miss Faye Larington of McCook, and Dorothy Newell of Oshkosh, Neb.; 26 grandchildren; 73 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Burial was in McCook where she awaits the call of the Master.

James Rencontre, pastor.

MRS. MARY E. BELL

Mrs. Mary E. Bell, of Middleton, Wis., died November 30, 1970, at the age of 92. She was the former Mary Elma Hollaway. Her husband, Dr. H. R. Bell, died in 1965.

She was a member of the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill.

Surviving are a daughter, Miss Fern Bell, at home; two sons, Glen of Madison, Wis., and Earl of Louisville, Ky.; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by a local minister, and burial was at Madison, Wis.

Kenneth Milne.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

After reading the article, "Known Only to God," in the January issue of Progress Journal, I sincerely hope the picture the writer gives is not applicable to all our churches.

I know from over sixty years of church activity that all pastors have problems. And so do all members of their congregations;

in fact, in many cases more so. Most members have to provide their own living quarters and furnish same; pay taxes and upkeep on same. Some have jobs miles from home and travel in all kinds of weather; many times on shift work, also their families. Added to that, they give of their time and money to support the many activities of church and Sunday school. These they do without pay, and many times instead of thanks get abuse.

Another thing, we are told we should attend all conferences, and this may be a wonderful idea. I have over the years attended many conferences, and enjoyed all of them. This was my vacation. I only got paid when I worked, and there may be others in this position.

I have had the privilege of working with all the pastors of our church, so know many of their problems and, like the members of the congregation, many of the problems were of their own making.

So the situation is not one-sided and it is only when the pastor and his congregation work together as a team that the work of the church can go forward and reap a harvest in the Lord's vineyard. So my prayer for 1971 is that all the pastors and congregations will work as teams, then God will pour out his blessings upon them without measure. (Mal. 3:10.) Your Brother in Christ, Elder J.F.

Guess that article by "Concerned Pastor" [January issue] has brought forth many queries. I don't see eye to eye with this fellow, but I can sympathize to a certain extent.

A closeness between God and this pastor seems to be missing. As ever, J.M.

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Sowing and Reaping

By the Editor

BE NOT deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Gal. 6:7-9).

An Unfailing Rule

It is an unfailing rule of nature that sowing and reaping are directly related; what we sow we will reap.

Paul applied this rule to the matter of church finance when he said, "He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of [God's] necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:6, 7). The Preacher said, "Cast thy bread [seed] upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days" (Eccl. 11:1).

As Paul also indicated in his Galatian letter, this rule may also be applied to the moral life: "He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption" (6:8). There is an indication here that a person who "sows his wild oats" will reap a harvest out of proportion to his sowing. Hosea 8:7 says Israel had wickedly "sown the wind," that is, to vain idols. God promised, "They shall reap the whirlwind." Israel received double for all her sins. (Isa. 40:2.) In pleading with the brethren to live pure moral lives, Paul said, "Flee fornication. Every [other] sin that a man doeth is with-

out the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body" (1 Cor. 6:18).

The Spiritual Realm

The Scriptures are plain in showing the rule of sowing and reaping is applicable to the spiritual realm; the realm of truth.

Two of Jesus' well-known parables occur in Matthew 13; the Parable of the Sower and the Parable of the Tares. Sowing and reaping are involved in both. The former emphasizes the different soils and their reception of the seed, but the seed is all-important. Jesus said, "The seed is the word of God" (Luke 8:11). To receive the right kind of harvest — people truly dedicated to God—the good seed must be sown. We are held accountable for the purity of the seed we sow. (Gal. 1:6-9; 1 Cor. 9:16.)

The other parable in Matthew 13 has to do with tares. The wheat and tares are look-alikes at certain stages; but the darnel spoken of by Jesus is poisonous, and sown by the enemy. The end of the tares is to be by burning and destruction. In this parable the good seed represents the children of the kingdom—those who listen to God's Word and are on their way to the Kingdom. "The tares are the children of the wicked" (v. 38), "the children of disobedience," "the children of wrath" (Eph. 2:2, 3); those who do not listen to God's Word, and oppose God—men with fleshly minds.

We Are Sowing

Whether we realize it or not, we are in the process of sowing today. We are

sowing by word and deed; they are equally important.

There is a dangerous trend we see in this process of sowing and reaping. Some of the sowers among us are not very careful about the purity of the seed. They are distributing religious literature that is unbiblical, short on truth, and unable to bring a person to a saving knowledge of God and his Word.

More than this, many of our pastors are sowing seeds of liberalism and indifference. In a given week, they will be inviting their parishioners to participate in a community crusade led by a trinitarian, going-to-heaven, hell-fire evangelist; join in a World Day of Prayer dedicated to social action, and led by a militant nun; join in a dialogue on the war in Southeast Asia; attend a seminar on methods of spreading the gospel given by persons who don't even know the gospel; attend a union "Good Friday" service; write to their congressman; accept a "member" into the church on a former immersion; vote for a novice for church office; or vote to discontinue services for the summer.

Remember the rule, we reap what we sow. Too, remember that in moral and spiritual deviations the reaping is often out of proportion to the sowing. We must be careful to sow only the best, for in this world even the best is choked out by the cares of this life. As a result of our sowing, will the harvest at the end of this age be a time of gathering righteous wheat into God's storehouse? or a time to burn chaff? Can God bless our sowing? ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will meet at Oregon, Ill., on April 30 and May 1. At this meeting the reports and recommendations for the 1971 General Conference sessions will be finalized and other current business matters handled. Any business to come before this meeting should be in the hands of the Executive Secretary, or one of the Board members, well in advance of the meeting.

Conference Reservations

Reservations are now being accepted for the 1971 General Conference to be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 9 to 14. Camp costs this year are \$4.25 per day (\$20.00 for the conference), and should be paid at the desk upon arrival. Offerings taken during the conference will go to a special project to be designated by the Conference Board.

Riverview Park is a family camp, and families are expected to stay together in cottage-type facilities. Make your reservation by using the coupon below, or write Conference Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Conference Promotion Travels

During the past two months your Executive Secretary has visited fourteen churches and met with many church and state conference boards across the country. After taking part in the Tempe-Phoenix Missionary Conference and meeting with the Mission Board at Tempe, Ariz., he spoke at the Tempe and Phoenix, Ariz., churches and at San Jose and Pomona, Cal.

Together with Sr. Rachel Krogh and the Nigerian students of Oregon Bible College he took part in services at

Please reserve one cabin at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for General Conference August 9-14. We will need sleeping accommodations for _____ people.

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City, State, & Zip

Mail to: General Conference Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Golden Rule Church, Cleveland, O., Hope Chapel, South Bend, Ind., and at the Lawrenceville Church of God at Springfield, Ohio, and also spoke at Casey, Ill.

Eight days were spent in the Virginia Conference, with a service at Maurertown, Fort Valley, Eternal Hope, and Cool Spring Churches. The rest of the week was used in helping to promote the new church work at Royal Village Church of God in Front Royal, Va. Five services, with an average attendance of nearly seventy, and much calling, convinced us of the great potential there. After the closing service on Sunday evening, sixteen were immersed in the waters of baptism. Bro. Joe Martin is the pastor of the Royal Village Church.

On April 4 the new educational building of the Guthrie Grove, S.C., Church of God was dedicated. Bro. Ross was the morning speaker, and also took part in the afternoon service. Other members of the General Conference staff often fill pulpits and assist in special services. We are thankful for these opportunities to serve. We praise God for the fine work that is being carried on throughout the churches of North America, and the whole world, and trust that many will be brought to Christ before he returns to this earth to set up his Kingdom.

Conference Finances

We are sorry to report that the giving for the month of March has fallen far short of the goals. It was necessary to borrow funds from the local bank to carry on the work of missions, youth activities, publishing of materials, the operation of Oregon Bible College, and the general services of the Conference. We trust that the membership of the Church of God General Conference will make this a matter of prayer and real concern, and that the goals for April will be met so the work can go on unrestricted.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970—September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for March	\$11,220.00
Given in March	7,196.00
Deficit, Oct. 1 - Mar. 31	4,024.00
April Needs	8,750.00

Goal for April \$12,774.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Brother Ortiguero Sick

Word has been received from the Philippine Islands that Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero, supervisor of the work there, suffered a heart stroke the last of February. Pray that the Lord will heal him, if it is his will.

The Gattaran Church, recently reorganized after being closed for several years, is doing well. Bro. Monico Guzman, a faithful member of the church, has been chosen to lead the brethren. A licensed minister comes once each month to assist him. The people there have remodeled their chapel, and are now more zealous and devoted than before.

Bro. Ortiguero has expressed the need for a tape recorder to help him in preparing radio broadcasts. If you would care to help with this, your contributions would be welcome.

Reopening of a Door in Mexico

About two years ago the Saltillo workers were making trips each Sunday evening to a nearby mountain village called Biznaga. But the interest declined and transportation became a problem so the meetings were discontinued.

Now, however, there seems to be renewed interest among the people of this village and the Saltillo brethren are again making trips there. A meeting is held on Saturday evening with Sunday school the next morning. The average attendance has been around thirty in the several weeks they have been going there. Remember this work in your prayers.

In February a trip was made to the village of Labor Vieja, about three hundred miles from Saltillo. There were new ones attending the services at that time. The Systematic Bible Study Course is being offered to the people, and a Bible will be given to those who complete the course.

John Obot Returns Home

Because of difficulties his family was having at home, Bro. John Obot, who has been studying at Oregon Bible College, felt it necessary to return to Nigeria. We have enjoyed having John here with us, and we trust that he will be a big help to the church work in his country.

Jordan Brethren Doing Well

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a was able to travel to Jordan to visit the work there recently, and he reported that although the people there have faced many problems and difficul-

ties lately, the Lord has watched over them, and they are still trusting him in all things.

He also asks that we remember the work in Tripoli, Lebanon.

A Lot for India

In addition to the regular services at the Thomas Town church, Bro. S. S. Manoah has for some time been conducting services in different areas in the city of Bangalore. The brethren in the Wilson Gardens, Austin Town, and John Town areas have been meeting in homes, and feel the need for their own church building. They would like to join in building a church centrally located for these three areas. A lot is available to them now, and they would like to purchase it and later construct the building. In the meantime they may use a tent for their meetings. The cost of the lot is \$1,000.00, and they need our help in purchasing it. We are confident that you will respond to this appeal for help. Contributions may be sent to the Mission Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Any money received over and above the \$1,000.00 that is needed will be used for other mission endeavors.

In the new village where a work has recently been started, a small hall has been rented for the meetings with the children. Nearly sixty-five of them come each Wednesday afternoon from three to four o'clock to learn more about the Bible.

At the end of April Bro. Manoah plans to have a vacation Bible study for Sunday school children and a Systematic Theology study for the young people and adults.

As we have mentioned before, the India brethren have been active in tract distribution. In the John Town area two families have accepted the truth after reading the tracts. Bro. Manoah is visiting them often and teaching them, and he asks our prayers for them.

Attendance High at Lighthouse Mission

On March 7, 1971, one hundred three persons attended Sunday school at the Lighthouse Mission Church of God in Digby, Nova Scotia. There were nineteen juniors in one teacher's class, and several other classes were also overflowing. Bro. Brown says, "Praise God for this kind of a problem!"

Plans are being made for the fourth annual Maritime Conference to be held in July this year. Bro. and Sr. S. O. Ross and Sr. Rachel Krogh have been invited to be the guest workers.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Booster Campaign

We are glad for this opportunity to thank you, the people of the Church of God, for the support of the Bible College program. Each spring the Booster Campaign provides an opportunity for additional thanks and support. These funds allow the administration to expand the College program in areas and ways which otherwise would not be possible.

We know that quality and excellence in education can come only through the sacrifice and efforts of many people. As the goals and efforts of the College administration continue to expand, the people of the church continue to rise to the demands that are placed upon them. We count it a privilege to be a part of the Church of God, and especially a part of Oregon Bible College.

This year the funds will be used primarily for the continuing expansion of the library. We are grateful for the excellent work of Eugene Stilson and Miss Olive Stoffregen in providing the library with excellence in administration and leadership.

We trust that, as in past years, many people will show an interest in quality education for the young people of the Church of God by becoming boosters in this year's Booster Campaign.

Alumni Association News

As a part of the Oregon Bible College promotion program, the Alumni Association has appointed representatives in different parts of the country.

These representatives have the responsibility of keeping the laymen of the church in touch with the plans and progress of the College. The area representatives are as follows: Edward Bender, Hector, Minn.; Marion Stilson, Pomona, Cal.; Ellen Ramsey, Waterlick, Va.; Paul Shaw, Houston, Tex.; Scott Ross, Troy, Ohio.

Prayer Day

The activities of Prayer Day, March 17, were centered around the missionary efforts of the Church of God. David Landry planned and led in the various Prayer Day activities. Various students gave talks on the missionary fields of the Church of God. After each of these talks, the prayer groups centered their thoughts on that particular missionary field.

The early morning cafeteria devotions were led by Waldon Winner. The talks throughout the morning were given by Solomon Idiong, Dale Swartz, David Landry, Joe Myers, John Carr, Bob Jones, and Paul Moore.

Foreign Mission Fellowship Activity

The Foreign Mission Fellowship is sponsoring a field trip to the Oriental Institute in Chicago, April 24.

President Alva Huffer is serving as tour guide. After visiting the Institute, the day will be completed with a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry. The emphasis of our visit to the Institute will be centered on those displays representing the Middle East.—*David Cheatwood.*

Junior Senior Weekend

Young people from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, and Louisiana were present at Oregon Bible College, Junior Senior Weekend, March 25 and 26. We were glad for the opportunity to share the daily life of OBC with future Christian workers. We appreciate the cooperation of the churches in this effort.

Spring Session

Registration for Spring Session has been completed. Thirty students will be taking classes in The Christian and Mental Health, Modern Social Problems, Cultural Geography in Africa, and Daniel and Revelation.

Anyone is welcome to enroll in classes that are offered during the Spring Session. Those wishing to attend should write immediately to the Registrar, Oregon Bible College, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Potential for Church Growth

Great benefit is conferred upon the young people of the Church of God by the churches they attend. The religious education they receive in the home is supported and advanced in their Sunday school and church experience.

The Bible College fulfills the purpose of refining this religious education that has started in the home and church. Through the influence one receives from the association of fellow Christian young people and classroom training, he is able to view his life in the framework of a life style and Christian vocation. This Christian training gives him the power to influence others throughout the remainder of his life.

In these years of study, the student receives the expertise that provides him with the potential to fulfill the idealistic goals of the Church of God. Future goals can become reality only through the combined effort and cooperation of all. It remains the responsibility of the church leadership to provide the means and setting in which the zeal and the ability of the Bible College student is encouraged to grow and develop to its greatest potential. ●



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Illinois Conference and Youth

The Spring Conference of the Illinois churches was held at Dixon, Ill., March 12-14. The theme of this conference was "Blitz." The word was given meaning by a word for each letter—Build Love In Truth Zealously. It was not a conference for just young people. The emphasis, however, was in creating better ways of understanding each other, and of working together. The real purpose was to *bridge* the generation gap—if there is such a thing.

The session on Friday night, March 12, was especially for the youth. Many adults attended, but the entire program was for the youth and put on by the youth. On Saturday morning, the young people organized into prayer groups, after having had breakfast together in the Dixon church. Then in a meeting following, the Illinois Conference president, Bro. Rolla Hightower, introduced the newly elected state officers of the youth. The afternoon sessions included short sermons (two of them), after which there was discussion on each. During these periods also, there was special music by the different church groups, and special prayer by the different prayer groups. On Saturday night, a message entitled "Identity," was given by the writer.

There was much to gain. There was much gained. It was a program where the youth and the adults worked together and thought together. There was communication between them.

Enrollment and Application Forms

The March-April issue of *Challenge* will contain an enrollment form for the 1971 Berean Youth Conference. It will also have an application form for the Junior Youth Caravan. You, the adults and parents, are interested in these activities. Many of your own sons and daughters take part, or have in the past. We want to thank you for the encouragement you have given your young people in taking part in these activities. This year will be no exception. We know you will encourage your own and others to take advantage of the fine Christian fellowship that can be received by associating with others with the same goal and faith. The Junior Caravan is limited to five members—9th through 11th grades. The 1971 BYF Conference will be limited to an enrollment of 300. It is not too early to send in your enrollment. Young people and staff members alike testify that the Berean Youth Conference is one of the richest experiences of their lives. ●

APRIL, 1971

E. Milton Hall, Editor

Pollution

"Findings indicate that from the age of two to three, children raised under conditions of high pollution begin to show evidence of permanent malfunction."—*Rene Dubos, Psychology Today.*

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6).

What our Sunday school students are going to be they are now becoming.

We might, and then again we might not, be startled to learn how little Christian education, inspiration, and encouragement our Sunday school pupils are receiving in their homes. Even in the homes of our own church families!

Largely speaking, our pupils get little or no personal attention for their Christian growth outside of what we as Sunday school teachers and officers give them. The moral "pollution" of the world "shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived." Just as it takes time to correct polluted water and air, so TODAY it takes time to teach, encourage, and introduce people—young and old—to the Great Purifier. (Mal. 3:3.)

Take Time

Decide right now—"I am going to *make* time to fulfill my Sunday school opportunities as I should." We MAKE time for the things we feel are important.

Teachers, budget your time and schedule personal calls on each of your students before summer vacations start.

Superintendents and pastors, arrange time when you can sit down with each of your teachers to discuss their teaching; giving them a chance to express their personal feelings about their teaching, their class, and possible problems.

Sunday School News

Future scheduled activities of the S.S. Dep't:

April 17—N. Ill. S.S. Seminar at Oregon, Ill.

April 26-30—Annual Min. Conf. Two-hour presentation, plus reporting on activities with questions and answers.

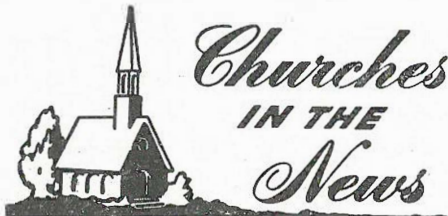
May 5—S.S. Seminar for Northeast Conf. at Cleveland, Ohio. (Previously scheduled for March 20.)

May 15—S.S. Seminar for Ind. Conf. at Burr Oak.

June 5—S.S. Seminar at Holbrook, Neb.

June 10-13—Christian Education Conf. with S.S. Seminar on the 12th at Minn. State Conf. ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 17—Indiana Conference at Lafayette.
 April 18-21—Special meetings at Litchfield, Minn., E. Richard Smith, guest speaker.
 April 23-25—Northeast Spring Conference, Lawrenceville, Ohio.
 April 26-30—Annual Ministerial Conference at Oregon, Ill.
 May 7-9—Missionary conference, Ripley, Ill., S. O. Ross and the Nigerian students, guest speakers.
 May 15, 16—Minnesota Junior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
 May 28-30—May Meetings, Fonthill, Ontario, Austin Railton, guest speaker.
 May 30—Southeast Conference at Whitnel, N.C.
 June 6-12—Southeast Youth Camp, Camp Tellico, Tenn.
 June 10-13—Minnesota Conference, E. Milton Hall, guest speaker, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
 June 18-20—Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.
 June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
 June 20-26—Michigan Family Camp at Camp Chief Noonday.
 June 20-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal., Dallas Demmitt, director.
 July 5-10—Minnesota Senior Camp, C. E. Lapp, director, Long Lake Camp.
 July 8-11—Virginia Conference at Maurertown, Kent Ross, guest speaker.
 July 11-16—Tristate Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va., Kent and Cheryl Ross, guest workers.
 July 11-17—Minnesota Junior Camp, Edward Bender, director, Long Lake Camp.
 July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
 Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
 Aug. 18-22—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb., T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.
 Sept. 10-12—Minnesota Senior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
 Sept. 24-26—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
 Oct. 15, 16—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

BAPTISM AT BEAUMONT, TEXAS

Bobby Walls was baptized by Bro. Paul Shaw on February 28, 1971. We rejoice with him in his new walk. Olive Stephenson.

COMPLETES BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Our congratulations to Mrs. Dolly A. Oettel, who has successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Fonthill, Ontario, church
 Miss Elaine Shute, Sec, 6722 Margaret St,
 Niagara Falls, Ontario
 Church of God Minister
 Cupp, Roger L, 622 W Adams St, Plymouth,
 IN 46563

PASTORS AVAILABLE

James Fyfe has resigned as pastor at Gatesville, Tex., effective September 1, and is available. Contact him at Rt. 4, Gatesville, Tex. 76528, phone 817-865-6296.

Delbert Rankin will be graduated from Oregon Bible College this spring, and is available for call. Address him at 301 S. 2nd St, Oregon, Ill. 61061, phone 815-732-7522.

ACCEPT PASTORATES

The Emory L. Macys, who have been serving the Fonthill, Ont., Church, have accepted the pastorate at Omaha, Neb., beginning September 1.

Pastor John Hearp, who has been serving the Church of God at Ripley, Ill., has accepted the pastorate at Fonthill, Ont., effective September 1.

PASTORS NEEDED

The Oaklawn Church of God, Koszta, Ia., is in need of a pastor as of September 1, 1971. Anyone interested may contact the secretary, Kenneth Hinkle, Rt. 2, Belle Plaine, Ia. 52208.

Pastor Roger Cupp has resigned effective April 1, 1971, so the Kokomo, Ind., church is seeking a pastor. Any interested party should contact the secretary, Mrs. Helen Snyder, 1018 S. Purdum St., Kokomo, Ind. 46901.

BAPTISM AT TEMPE, ARIZ.

On the evening of March 21, 1971, the Tempe Bible Church of God witnessed the immersion of Philip Evans. Phil is a student at Arizona State University, and responded to the gospel invitation a few weeks before. May God be with him in his new life in Christ, is our prayer.
 Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISM AT BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

On March 7, 1971, Bruce Reye, twelve-year-old son of Bro. and Sr. George Reye, was baptized in the icy waters of the Brush Creek by the writer. May Bruce be nurtured in the Christian walk of life.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bryant came forward at Hope Chapel Church of God, Columbus, Ohio, and were baptized at the Lawrenceville Church on February 26, 1971.

C. F. Pryor, pastor.

HOPE CHAPEL NEWS

Columbus, Ohio

Hope Chapel of Columbus has formed a Sunday school teacher's group that will meet once each month. We are at present conducting a Sunday school contest with two teams, to encourage new membership and better attendance at both Sunday school and church.

We will be conducting our first Vacation Bible School this summer. We also voted to award a Bible, or another book of equivalent price, to anyone who attends Sunday school for four consecutive Sundays. We have already awarded six.

Jeanne Tawney, Sec.

ADAMS - FOUGHT

The Phoenix Church was the setting of a lovely wedding when Miss Cynthia Adams became the bride of Mr. Victor Fought in a double ring ceremony, March 5, 1971. That God will richly bless them as they go down life's pathway together is our prayer.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

STARNES - DURHAM

In a double ring ceremony on March 20, 1971, Audrey Dianne Starnes and Truman Durham were united in marriage by the writer at the home of the bride in Pelzer, S.C. The couple will reside at Pelzer.

We ask God's blessing upon these two as they make a home, and build upon the sure foundation of Jesus Christ.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

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MEETINGS AT TROY, OHIO

Special meetings were held at the Troy View Church of God February 22-28, with Pastor Don Needham as guest speaker. The average attendance at the services was 124. Truly it was a week of great spiritual blessings.

During the week Sharonlee Gallagher, Cheryl Lucas, Bill Brewer, and Bernie Lawrence accepted Jesus Christ and were immersed Sunday afternoon. May God bless them as they begin their Christian walk.

Scott Ross, pastor.

BAPTISM AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

On March 14, 1971, Susan Pierce came forward for baptism. She was baptized on March 21 at Moore's Mill, near the Guthrie Grove Church of God, Pelzer, S.C.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

CHOIR ROBES AVAILABLE

The Phoenix, Ariz., Church has eighteen purple full-length adult choir robes, and twenty white half-length adult choir robes that it would like to give to one of our churches. Contact Mrs. Gerald L. Graham, 3746 E. Laurel Ln., Phoenix, Ariz. 85028.

WILLIAM SCHNEIDER

William Schneider was born November 13, 1894, and died March 5, 1971. He was preceded in death by his first wife Laura

and two children, William and Genevieve. His second wife, Rose, also preceded him in death.

Bill accepted Christ in September, 1923, in Texas.

He is survived by three sisters: Caroline Cundy, Chicago; and Marie Bailly and Genevieve Woods, both of California. He was laid to rest March 9 to await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

David Cheatwood, pastor.

THOMAS SPRADLING

Thomas Spradling was born April 6, 1882, and fell asleep in Christ February 21, 1971. He was buried at South Charleston, W. Va., where he awaits the resurrection.

Rex F. Cain, pastor.

EDNA VAN VLEET

Mrs. Edna Van Vleet of Oregon, Ill., died March 15, 1971, at the age of 65.

She was married to Sherman Van Vleet September 8, 1927. Sr. Van Vleet was a member of the East Oregon Chapel Church of God.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters: Mrs. Joseph (Shirley) Fletcher, Burke, Va.; Mrs. Milfred (Carol) Korf, Shannon, Ill.; and Mrs. Willard (Karen) Little, Byron, Ill.; nine grandchildren; two brothers; and six sisters. She was preceded in death by a son and a sister.

After services conducted by the writer, she was laid to rest in Daysville Cemetery to await the coming of Christ.

Robert Schrienk, pastor.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS

The deadline for news for Progress Journal is the fifteenth of the month preceding publication.

Superintendents' and Workers' SUNDAY SCHOOL MANUAL

This seventy-page booklet is a thorough guide for Sunday school leaders. Unlike many booklets of this type, this manual has many practical suggestions for organization and development of the Sunday school which is small in size and has a limited number of workers. Every pastor and Sunday school worker and every Sunday school library should have this Manual.

It may be ordered for \$1.00, postage paid when payment accompanies order, from:

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Mr & Mrs Conrad Wetzel	30.00
Benjamin Mattison	12.00
Faith Chapel, Lafayette	89.30
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Mr & Mrs Chris Fedde	50.00
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Mr & Mrs Waldo Wood	100.00
Becky Barnhill	25.00
Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00
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Mr & Mrs Meredith New	20.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Blanchard Church	74.24
Brush Creek Miss Soc	73.30
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Mr & Mrs Rex Cain	15.00
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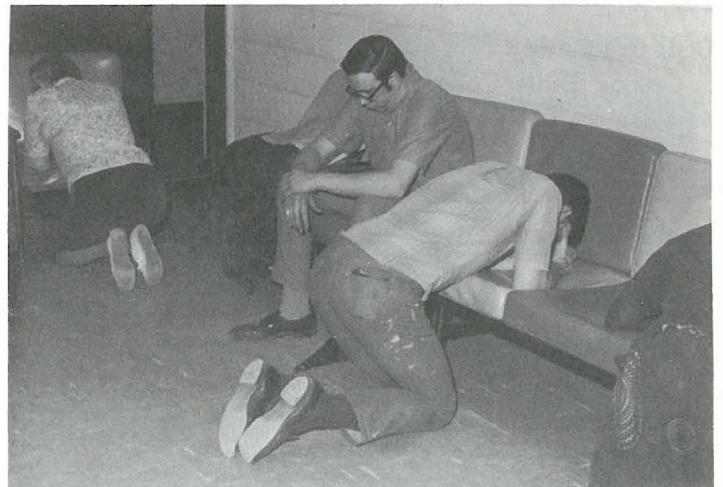
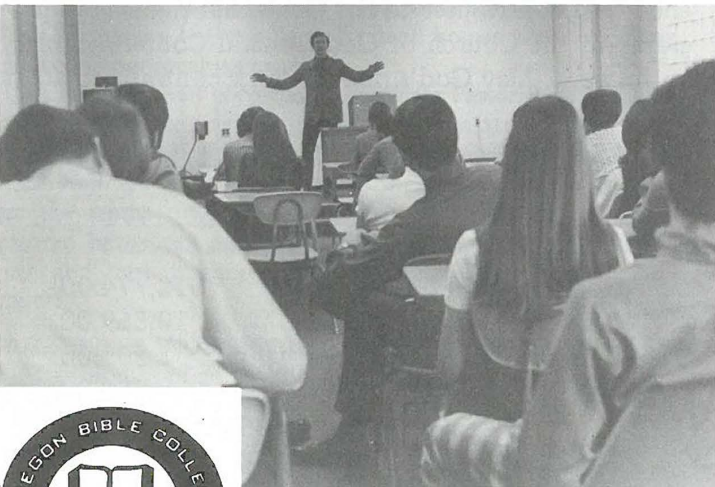
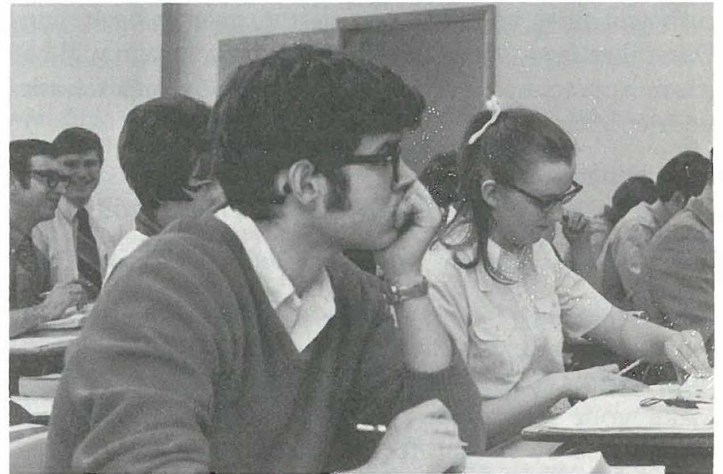
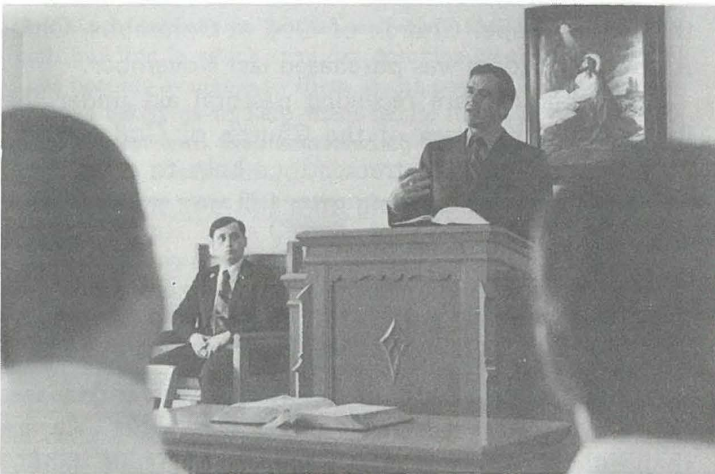
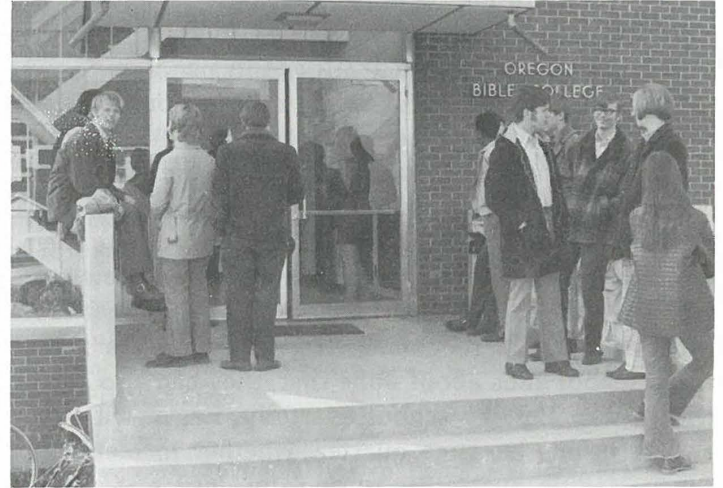
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MARANATHA ISSUE

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

S. S. Quarterly Change

The next issue of Sunday school quarterlies will be for a two-month period only. They will be shipped in June and will be for the months of July and August. This issue will be invoiced at fifty cents per copy.

Subsequently, they will be for a three-month period and will be for September-October-November; December-January-February, etc. Nearly all of the publishing companies are using this quarter system for several reasons. Some Sunday schools prefer to promote their students when schools begin in the fall. The new system will make a new quarter begin on September first when schools are reopening. If promotions are made when school ends about June first, they can also begin with a new Sunday school quarterly. Easter will now always be in the same quarter, whether in March or April. Mailing quarterlies during the Christmas season rush will now be avoided with the quarter beginning December first. We believe that the new system will be much appreciated once it is in operation and we ask your cooperation in the changeover period.

June Issue

The June issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL will carry the program for the 1971 General Conference, which will be held on August 9 to 14 at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. It will also contain the departmental reports, proposed recommendations, and much other information pertinent to the General Conference. Make your reservations now for housing at General Conference by writing to Reservations, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

OBC Graduation

Oregon Bible College commencement exercises will be held at the Oregon Church of God on May 21, 1971, at 7:45 p.m., with Bro. Richard Worley as speaker. John Carr, David Cheatwood, Joseph Duncan, David Graham, John Railton, Delbert Rankin, and Dale Swartz make up the graduating class. Some of the graduates will be continuing their education by entering the OBC Internship Program at Tempe, Ariz. David Cheatwood will continue in the pastorate at Lombard Church of God, Lombard, Ill., where he has served during his senior year in college. John Railton has ac-

cepted the pastorate at Litchfield, Minn., beginning in June, and Delbert Rankin is still open for a call to a pastorate. Remember these graduates in prayer as they continue their studies, or as they begin their life's work in the Lord's service.

Home Missions

A Layworkers Conference was held at the Louisiana State Campgrounds on April 16 and 17. The writer was the speaker at both evening services. He and Bro. M. A. Patrick, a member of the General Conference Missions Board, conducted seminars during the day. The theme of the activities was layman participation.

On Sunday, April 18, a Louisiana State Missionary Conference was held at the campgrounds with the writer as guest speaker.

Mission Builders appeal number twenty-six will be in the mail shortly. The funds from this appeal will go to the Hope Chapel Church of God at Columbus, Ohio. A church building was purchased last November.

Five churches are receiving pastoral aid under the Pastoral Aid program of the Church of God General Conference. This is a tremendous help to a small beginning church in carrying on a full pastoral program.

Conference Finances

We find that the contributions to the Goals for Giving for April have fallen about two thousand dollars short of the need. We do commend the membership for their fine response, however, as at the end of last month we were four thousand dollars short. We are thankful for each individual, church, and state conference that contributes to the Goals that the overall programs of the Church of God General Conference may go forward. May God's rich blessings continue to abide with each one.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for April	\$12,774.00
Given in April	10,569.00
Deficit, Oct. 1-Apr. 30	2,205.00
May Needs	8,750.00

Goal for May \$10,955.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Pictured is the new parsonage at Digby, Nova Scotia, with the front on the right, and immediately behind the Lighthouse Mission Church.

Money Needed for India Lot

For some time the brethren in the Wilson Gardens, Austin Town, and John Town areas of Bangalore have been holding their church services in homes, and they feel the need for a church building in which they can combine all three groups. A lot has become available to them at the cost of \$1,000.00, and they have asked us to help them secure it. We have agreed to provide the lot with the understanding that they will construct the building at a later time.

We remember your fine response to the appeal for funds to construct Thomas Town Church, and know you will want to help in providing the land for the second Church of God in India. The names of all those who contribute to this project will be published later.

Not long ago a person representing twenty families who live near the Wilson Gardens area came to Bro. S. S. Manoah requesting him to come and conduct services for them. Bro. Manoah was glad to go, and held the first service on April 4, 1971. He writes, "These people are Christians having Christian faith, but I must tell them and teach them our truth and faith. These people are laborers living in small houses and huts. They sing well in our local languages."

We have received correspondence from Pastor P. M. Paulson in Hyderabad who has seen some of our literature and is interested in translating it into the Telugu language for printing and distribution. Bro. Manoah hopes to visit this man to discuss with him the truths of God's Word. He writes that the Bangalore brethren have been especially praying for ways to spread their truth and faith in more places in India. God surely answers prayer!

Bro. Sunna'a Visits Egypt

After months of correspondence with contacts in Egypt, Bro. Jamal Sunna'a was able to go there to meet them personally and to assist them in putting on Christ.

When he arrived at the Cairo International Airport on March 16, Pastor Shaker Iskander was there to meet him. This man had studied the Systematic Bible Study Course and had corresponded with Bro. Sunna'a regarding some of the things he had

studied. As a result of the truths he learned he felt he must leave the church with which he was associated.

During Bro. Sunna'a's visit he studied further with Pastor Iskander and immersed him into Christ along with other members of his family, including a married son and his wife in Alexandria.

Eighty visits were made, and seventeen meetings held during the ten days Bro. Sunna'a spent in Egypt. He writes, "There are about ten families who are now continuing in the Word of God and many want to be baptized; so I told Bro. Iskander to continue teaching them and then to baptize them."

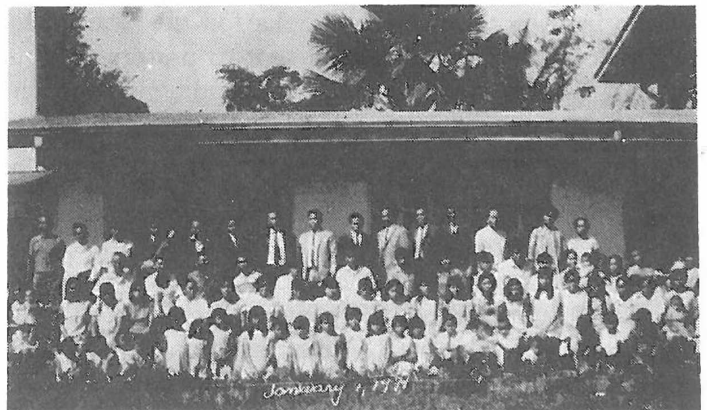
There are four million people in Cairo and two million in Alexandria, so the opportunities to spread the gospel of Christ there are manifold. We are thankful for the two men in these cities who know the truth and who are willing to share it with others. Pray for them.

News Briefs

Mexico. Our congratulations to Pastor and Mrs. Francisco Martinez on the birth of a daughter March 25. Mother and daughter are both doing well. Pre-Easter meetings were held in the village of Bisnaga where teens and adults are showing good interest. In Labor Vieja a series of three meetings was conducted with fifty in attendance. Plans are being made for a Bible school to be held there the first two weeks in July.

Nova Scotia. In March a series of teacher training classes was held with an average attendance of twenty-eight. The brethren ask that we pray for more teachers and workers for the Lighthouse Mission. They also want us to remember the fourth annual Maritime Conference to be held in July.

Philippines. We were sorry that Anecito Ortiguero, son of Pastor Eleodoro Ortiguero, was injured in an automobile accident the last of February. Bro. Ortiguero asks that we continue to remember him as he recuperates after suffering a heart attack at about the same time. Plans are being made to transfer the radio work to Dagupan City. In the newly reorganized Gattaran Church where Bro. Monico Guzman is serving as pastor, ten persons accepted Christ and were baptized during the month of March. ●



Part of the conferees at the ninth annual Philippine Conference, Uddiawan, December 28-31, 1970.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

Church of God Higher Education

Oregon Bible College is completing its thirty-second 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.

Oregon Bible College Booster Month

May, 1971, is Booster month for Oregon Bible College. This is the season of the year when many young persons are being graduated from high schools and colleges and are making plans for continued education. Oregon Bible College encourages these graduates to give serious consideration to the possibility of attending this College in preparation for Christian service.

The new catalog, number sixteen, for the academic year 1971-1972, has been printed and is now being distributed to interested persons. Complete details concerning the College are included. If you would like a copy of the new catalog, write to the Registrar, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

The OBC Alumni Association, with Kent Ross as president, continues its excellent program of student recruitment under the chairmanship of David Krogh. Through this program prospective students are provided with information and encouraged to attend the College.

The Booster campaign is sponsored annually during the month of May by the Board of Education. Persons in all of our churches become members by contributing at least one dollar to the Booster fund, which is used primarily to purchase books for the College library. Booster cards have been sent to pastors. If you did not receive a card, you may send your Booster membership contribution directly to: Booster Fund, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Tuition and Fees for 1971-1972

Fall and Winter Semesters. The following table sets forth the charges payable by students each semester for the fall semester and the winter semester:

Tuition per semester for 12-18 hours	\$225.00
Tuition, students from non-member churches	250.00
Student Activity Fee	15.00
Board and room for dormitory students	325.00

Spring Session Fees. Full-time students who attend fall and winter semesters may attend the spring session without paying additional tuition fees. Visiting and part-time students will pay \$20.00 per semester hour for spring session courses.

Board and room for dormitory students during the spring session will be \$20.00 per week.

Payment of Fees. All bills for a semester are due and payable in full at the time of registration. A student is not registered and cannot attend classes until satisfactory financial arrangements have been made with the business office.

Should deferred payments be necessary for dormitory students, an installment agreement may be negotiated at an additional charge of \$10.00. Such arrangements will require the consent of parents for students under twenty-one and must be made well in advance of registration. Students who fail to meet the payment schedule will not be allowed to attend classes or remain in residence in the dormitory.

Programs of Studies

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 55 semester hours required in the major field. Each program requires courses in General Education and a minimum of 20 semester hours in the professional minor. A minimum of 126 semester hours is required for graduation.

The College continues to offer four correspondence courses (\$20 each), an annual Holy Land Tour Study Course, and four extension courses taught by Dallas Demmitt and Alva Huffer. Graduate programs in Pastoral Internship, Pastoral Studies, and Missionary Preparation are offered by the College in its graduate division at Tempe, Ariz.

President Huffer in Oregon

President Alva Huffer was at the Bible College campus in Oregon again from April 13 to May 1. While here he completed teaching his course "Systematic Theology," planned the curriculum for the next academic year, served as chairman of the Board of Education meeting on April 26, carried on other administrative duties, and attended Ministerial Conference. ●

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE

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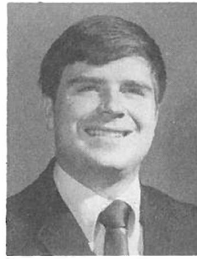
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Delbert Rankin,
Peshastin, Washington



Joseph Duncan,
South Bend, Indiana



Dale Swartz,
North Olmsted, Ohio



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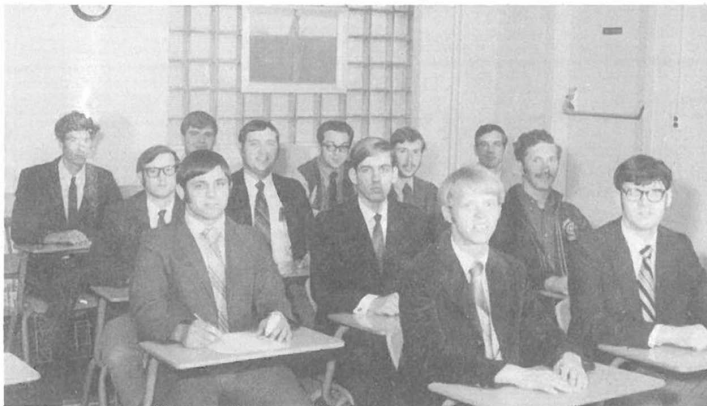


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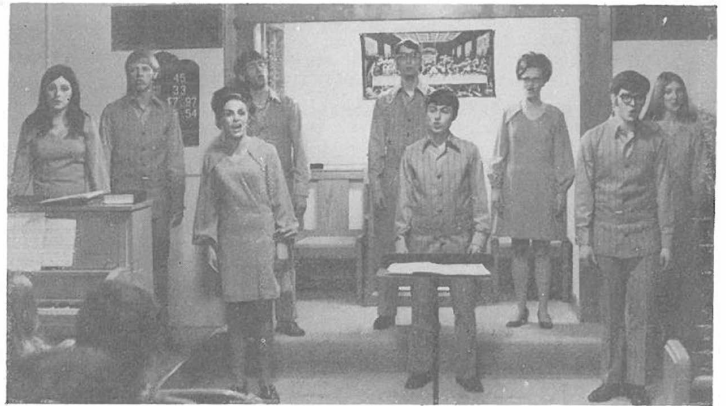
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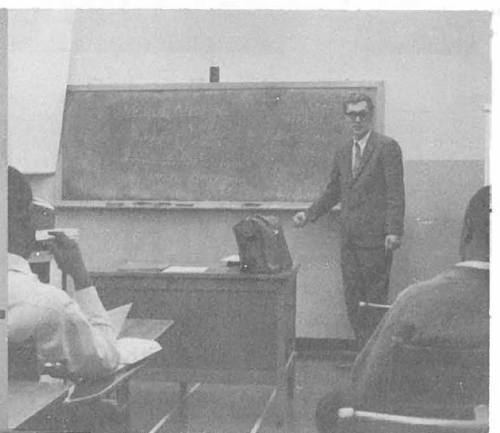
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Senior Caravan Members Chosen

The following have been chosen to be members of the Senior Youth Caravan that will be doing inner-city work in Minneapolis this summer. They are: Sammy Voorhees of the Blood River Church, Hammond, La.; Dennis Brown of the Lighthouse Church, Digby, Nova Scotia; Michael Brown of the Brush Creek Church, Tipp City, Ohio; Linda Hollenback of the Macomb Church, Macomb, Ill.; Diane Cupp of the Dixon Church, Dixon, Ill.; and Shelly Gaspar of the Eden Valley Church, Eden Valley, Minn.

Bro. Don Needham, pastor of Faith Community Church of God, Minneapolis, Minn., is the sponsor. In addition to the personal work that is to be done on the streets, etc., there will be a rally on a Saturday evening and work with the children in the area of Faith Community Church.

This is a new venture in the Berean work, and we are anticipating that it will be a thrilling experience for all who will be taking part. It means more than just doing personal work among those who live in the inner-city. There will be follow-up work to be done in such things as calling and keeping up the interest of any who desire further help. Members and pastor of Faith Community Church have accepted this responsibility.

We are very thankful to the young people who are interested in doing this kind of evangelism and to Bro. Needham for giving of his time to be sponsor. We also thank the members of Faith Community Church for their interest.

Junior Caravan Itinerary Changed

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the routing of the Junior Caravan has been changed from that previously advertised. We have tentative plans for the Caravan to travel through Missouri and Arkansas into Louisiana. The enrollment forms for it appear on page 4 of the March-April *Challenge*. Your youth leader has extras.

Berean Youth Conference—1971

Plans for Youth Conference are in the final stages at the time of this writing. There is still a need for a few counselors. The program for 1971 will be quite different than in past years. We believe that all who attend will be richly blessed. Enrollment forms for it appear on page 3 of the March-April *Challenge*. Your youth leader has extra forms for it, and has enrollment forms for Junior Counselors. ●

Focal Point of the Sunday School

All Sunday school projects, programming, and activities are aimed at the teacher—outpouring Jesus to the student. Every work of the school is important, but none is an end in itself as is the relationship between the teacher and the student. The formulation and maintenance of that relationship is up to the teacher.

The study of the Old Testament is important in that the examples and warnings are aimed at leading us to see Jesus. (1 Cor. 10:11.) The law was a schoolmaster leading up to Jesus. (Gal. 3:24.) The person who does the personal teaching and leading to Jesus is the teacher.

The Pastor's Role

Pastoring the Sunday school is important, as the pastor is to provide spiritual leadership as shepherd. He improves the environment and creates a one-to-one relationship between himself and the teacher. Yet his ultimate goal is to improve the pupil-teacher relationship.

It is difficult to overemphasize the importance of the superintendent. He helps create and maintain the working rules of the school, that it may progress decently and in order. (1 Cor. 14:40.) He initiates the plans; he makes appointments; he supervises the entire program; he aids and counsels the teachers and the entire staff; he directs in every capacity needed; he sets goals and helps detail a program to reach them; and he works in a close side-by-side cooperation with the pastor in the leadership. Yet all his visualizing, his organizing, his deputizing, his supervising, and his analyzing lead to but one objective—to promote a situation wherein a teacher may lead students to Jesus.

Record Keeping

Record keeping is of no different value. It is important to know where you've been and to be able to profit from it. It is good to know where you are in order to realize it and to know where you want to "get from." Then it is vital to know where you are going and to clearly visualize it. But no record is worth its paper and ink unless it bolsters the class itself.

The purpose of every part of the program is for blessing, aiding, and assisting in a classroom situation where God's Word may be presented with love; that students may learn of God and his Son, accept Christ's Lordship, and grow in personally living for him. ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 28-30—May Meetings, Fonthill, Ontario, Austin Railton, guest speaker.
- May 30—Southeast Conference at Whitnel, N.C.
- June 6-12—Southeast Youth Camp, Camp Tellico, Tenn.
- June 10-13—Minnesota Conference, E. Milton Hall, guest speaker, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- June 10-13—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference, Forest Hills Church, Royal, Ark.
- June 13-18—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack, Milford.
- June 18-20—Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.
- June 19, 20—Missouri Quarterly Conference at Morse Mill.
- June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
- June 20-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal., Dallas Demmitt, director.
- June 20-26—Michigan Family Camp at Camp Chief Noonday.
- June 25-27—Annual Illinois Conference at Macomb.
- June 26—Indiana Annual Conference Business Meeting at North Salem.
- July 5-10—Minnesota Senior Camp, C. E. Lapp, director, Long Lake Camp.
- July 8-11—Virginia Conference at Maurertown, Kent Ross, guest speaker.
- July 11-16—Tristate Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va., Kent and Cheryl Ross, guest workers.
- July 11-17—Minnesota Junior Camp, Edward Bender, director, Long Lake Camp.
- July 12-18—Annual Missouri Conference at Fredericktown, Dean Moore, guest speaker.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Aug. 18-22—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb., T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.
- Sept. 10-12—Minnesota Senior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Sept. 24-26—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Oct. 15, 16—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. Carl Speights (Nova Scotia), Mrs. Robert H. Payne, Elizabeth Hegy, Pearl M. Meyer, Mrs. G. W. Manka, and Mrs. Howard Moore.

BAPTISMS AT FONTHILL, ONTARIO

Three young people were baptized at the Easter sunrise services, April 11, 1971. They are Wendy Payne, Fonthill; Jill Anger, Rt. 1, Fonthill; and Tammy Camden, 38 Rose Ave., Welland.

May the Lord bless them as they begin a new life in Christ. Emory Macy, Sr., pastor.

BAPTISM AT LOMBARD, ILL.

Judy Mosher was baptized into the body of Jesus Christ on March 24, 1971. May God help her to grow in the faith.

David W. Cheatwood, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT FRONT ROYAL, VA.

The Royal Village Church of God, Front Royal, Va., is pleased to announce the baptism of sixteen people into the name of Christ. The writer and Bro. S. O. Ross baptized the following into the body of Jesus: Mrs. Della Crawford; Bonnie, Jim, Jay, and Jamie Crawford; Mrs. Della Day and her son Dwayne Day; Mrs. Pat Whited, Mrs. Lillian Swiger, Mrs. Betty Mills, Mrs. Dorothy Smith, Mrs. Virgie Ubben, Darryl and Darlene Merchant, Tracy Rudacille, and Lance Cary. May the Lord lead and bless them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Cain were baptized into Christ March 28, 1971. We pray God's richest blessing upon their Christian walk.

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On April 4, 1971, three young men were baptized by Pastor Milton Hall: James and Richard Mann, 825 Miriam, Rockford; and Rick Edge of 819 Alliance, Rockford. They are regular attenders of Sunday school and church. May God bless them.

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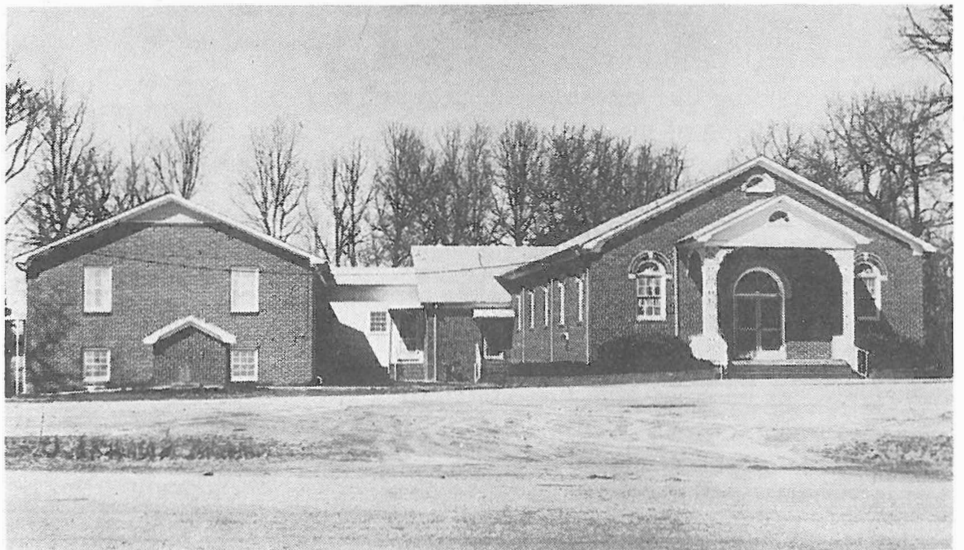
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GUTHRIE GROVE DEDICATION

Pelzer, S.C.

On April 4, 1971, the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near Pelzer, S.C., dedicated its new educational and social building.

The addition, shown on the left in the picture, includes six Sunday school classrooms and a pastor's study on the main floor, and a full basement with social room and kitchen. The building is air-conditioned.

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Theme: A Converted People

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 Priscillas' Meetings: Jane LeCrone
 Business Office: Mary Jo Brewer
 Camp Nurse: Mary Ellen Jones

DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 9

2:00 Registration begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Service by Conference Board of Directors: Dr. Wm. D. Lawrence, Chairman's Message (Keynote address)
 8:45 Chairman's reception
 10:30 Lights out

Tuesday, August 10, Sunday School Day

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Ellouise Wells; Ministers: Arnold Johns; Youth: Dennis Brown; Priscillas: Joyce Bolhous)
 9:00 Combined Class of Adults, Ministers, and Priscillas: Joyce Knapp, "Home Bible Study Courses"
 Youth Class: Scott Ross, "Why Stand Ye Here Idle?"
 Children's Classes
 10:00 Youth Class: David Krogh, "The Ability to Say No"
 10:00 First Business Session
 Welcome by the Chairman
 Seating of the delegates
 Introduction of new delegates and delegations
 Communications
 Question period on written reports of committees and boards
 Report on activities of the Board of Directors
 Financial report
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday school directors
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: E. Milon Hall, "Conversion Equals Love in Action"
 2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions:
 1) Conversion Equals Love in Action in the Classroom, Edward Goit
 2) Conversion Equals Love in Action Be-

yond the Classroom, Dallas Demmitt
 3) Conversion Equals Love in Action in Administration and Supervision, Harold Doan
 4) Council of Christian Education, Eugene Stilson
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, E. Milon Hall, song leader; Warren Sorenson, speaker, "Strengthening the Brethren"
 10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, August 11

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Rolla Hightower; Ministers: Leon Driskill; Youth: Debbie Burnett; Priscillas: Jane LeCrone)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: John Lewis, "Honesty in the Church"
 Youth Class: Michael Mattison, "How Christian are We?"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Edward Bender "Such a Time As This"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Tuesday minutes
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business
 Publishing Department business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Edward Goit, "Expounding the Way of God More Perfectly"
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions:
 1) Israel and the Nations, James Mattison
 2) Use of Visual Aids, Ruth Lewis
 3) Home Bible Study and Prayer Discussion Group, Mardy Lawrence, Dallas & Nancy Demmitt
 4) Church-Pastor Relationship, Dwaine Demmitt & Rex Cain
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Stephen Bolhous, song leader; Raymond Brown, speaker, "Much Given, Much Required"
 10:30 Lights out

Thursday, August 12

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Charles Jones; Ministers: Don Hightower; Youth: Mary Beth Miller; Priscillas, Joyce Magaw)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Kenneth Milne, "A Burning Fire Within"
 Youth Class: Don Needham, "A Look at the World Today"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting

Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Michael Hale, "A Look at God's Church"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Wednesday minutes
 Nomination for two Directors
 Mission Department business
 Election of a Mission Board director
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Cecil Patrick, "What Doest Thou Here?"
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions:
 1) Church Music at its Best, Richard Dick
 2) Rewarding Bible Study, T. M. Ferrell
 3) Home Bible Study and Prayer Discussion Group, Mardy Lawrence, Dallas & Nancy Demmitt
 4) Church-Pastor Relationship, Dwaine Demmitt & Rex Cain
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Rex Cain, song leader; John Hearp, speaker, "Committing the Gospel to Faithful Men"
 10:30 Lights out

Friday, August 13

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Linford Moore; Ministers: Joe Fletcher; Youth: Shelly Gaspar; Priscillas: Sally Pestle)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Vernis Wolfe, "Fruit-Bearing Christians"
 Youth Class: Dennis Baldwin, "The Still Small Voice"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: James Graham, "What God Asks of You"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Thursday minutes
 Election of two Directors
 Oregon Bible College business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Russell Magaw, "That Ye Love One Another"
 2:15 Continuation of Business Session
 General business
 Adoption of a budget
 3:30 Adjournment
 5:30 Supper
 7:00 Evening Service, Installation of Officers
 Communion Service: Paul Johnson and C. E. Randall
 Lee McQuinn, song leader, Harold Doan, speaker, "Discerning the Signs of the Times"
 10:30 Lights out

Saturday, August 14

7:00 United Prayer Service, Dean Urish
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

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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 on May 1, 1971. The report is presented here so that delegates to the 1971 General Conference business sessions (August 9-14, 1971, 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 much progress has been made in most areas of the Conference work. At the 1970 General Conference two-year and five-year goals were set for each department. Many of the two-year goals have already been met. We trust that much more will be accomplished in the remaining months of this fiscal year. We are thankful to God and praise him for his blessings and guidance in all the activities of the various departments of the General Conference.

Sunday School Department

We praise the Lord for the cooperative spirit among the Sunday School Board members, and their continued expressed desire to be led by God. Each Board session was opened with consideration of a portion of Scripture and a season of prayer in which each took part. The Board consists of Willis Turner, Joyce Knapp, Russell Reye, Robert Huddleston, and the Sunday School Superintendent, E. Milton Hall.

Two main problems have become apparent in endeavoring effectively to propagate and promote Sunday school growth:

- 1) Presenting new ideas, methods, and procedures in such a way that they will be accepted and used.
- 2) Endeavoring to eradicate old traditions that keep our Sunday schools from growing.

Our Sunday schools are only as strong as our pupil-teacher relationship, and that relationship is the responsibility of a direct line of administration; first, the teacher, then the superintendent, and then the pastor. The pastor, as spiritual leader, feeds the superintendent and teacher. The superintendent helps the teacher put

this feeding into practical teaching in the classroom, arranging the mechanical and environmental conditions conducive to good teaching. Thus the work of the General Conference Sunday School Board is to improve and promote the feeding, and to encourage the utilization thereof to its furthest extent. Yes, there can be successful teaching without the superintendent and pastor, but the probability is far less.

Our Sunday schools must be well-organized operative organisms, as was the early church, not a hit-or-miss approach with the hope of making a lucky hit.

During the past year the Sunday School Board activities have been numerous and varied, including the following:

Occasional meetings with members of the Council of Christian Education for confirmation of progress and ideas.

A survey was made whereby all of our Sunday schools were invited to participate, although only about half responded. The results of this survey served as a guide for planning our Sunday school seminars.

We have held Sunday school seminars in the following places: Michigan, Northeast Conference, Southern Illinois and Missouri, Northern Illinois and Iowa, and Indiana.

Each Sunday School Board member was assigned a special field for research and reporting. These were: Joyce Knapp, Home Study Courses; Russell Reye, New Ideas in Teaching Methods; Robert Huddleston, Improving Teacher Training; Willis Turner, Organizing New Sunday Schools; Milton Hall, Standards for Teachers.

The results of the Sunday school survey revealed four outstanding observations: 1) our Sunday schools are tradition-bound; 2) they lack objectives; 3) they have little or no evangelism; and 4) little or no teacher training.

The Truth Seeker's Quarterlies printing dates were changed for four reasons: 1) To coincide with the school year; 2) Easter lessons will always be in the same quarter; 3) mailing of quarterlies will never be during the Christmas mailing rush; 4) to synchronize our publication with other publishers.

Promotion of the Home Study Courses was developed to consist of eight major courses. They are: General Bible Course, Bible Panorama, Prayer, Catechism, Prophecy, Youth, Science and the Bible, and What is the Holy Spirit?



General Conference Board of Directors: (left to right) C. Jesse Pestle, secretary; Joe James; Wm. D. Lawrence, chairman; Wayne Laning, treasurer; Charles Knapp; Dean Urish, vice-chairman; and Paul Shaw.

In the consideration of the Sunday school seminars, it was decided that four elements are necessary for a successful conference. These are: a voice of authority, printed material, opportunity for individual participation, and a challenge for each to take home.

It was decided to compile and prepare a Sunday school folder to place in the hands of each one attending General Conference. This folder is to contain: 1) a welcome letter; 2) a copy of notes or papers presented in classes and sharing sessions on Sunday School Day; 3) a full set of the Home Study Courses; 4) a goals form, with a letter of challenge.

A Sunday school bulletin was published twice for the months of January and February, and a copy mailed to each Sunday school superintendent and pastor. This was published on a trial basis, and if found acceptable, and as time permits, is to be continued.

The General Conference Sunday School Board met at South Bend, Indiana, on four occasions.

Your Sunday School Superintendent conducted special Sunday school emphasis programming at the Southwest Conference October 21-25, and at Tempe, Ariz., October 27-29. He has also continued writing and editing for Sunday School Scope in PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Berean Youth Department

Youth Director Bro. Francis Burnett was privileged to attend the Southwest Conference in June, 1970, and to represent the BYF. The youth had asked for a special part in the 1970 General Conference program. This was granted, and a good program was given for which there were many commendations from the adults. A special feature during the program was to present a plaque to Sr. Evelyn Austin for her many years of faithfulness in the Berean work.

The 1970 Berean Youth Conference was among the

largest and, as usual, a fine time of fellowship and study. The attendance was 278 campers and a staff of 43. The theme was: They Came Rejoicing. A highlight of any Youth Conference is when young people will confess Jesus as personal Saviour. Twenty-seven did just this before the program ended. Several of them were from isolated communities and were baptized in Lake Waubee.

The Youth Caravan, which is sponsored by both the Bereans and the General Conference, was a huge success. Eight young people were chosen from among those who applied. This last caravan was made up of five young women and three young men, and Bro. & Sr. Burnett were the sponsors. The caravan left Oregon, Ill., on Monday, August 10. Its destination was Digby, Nova Scotia, to help in the Maritime Conference. The caravan spent eight days in Digby helping in the daytime with the Vacation Bible School and in the evening with the evangelistic services. The caravan ended its journey on Saturday, August 29, happy and weary after traveling 4,400 miles by car and 150 by boat.

The department work continues with all of the efforts of the past and a few new ones. *Challenge* is published bi-monthly. Bro. Kent Ross continues to be the editor and is doing a very good work. We, too, would like to thank all of those who take the time to contribute to *Challenge* in response to Bro. Kent Ross's request for this help. The Junior-Senior Lesson Manuals are published each six months. In a recent survey we found that approximately 55% of our Berean groups and leaders were using the lesson material. The Junior Manual editors are Bro. & Sr. Scott Ross, and the Senior editors are Bros. David Krogh and Michael Mattison. We would encourage you who are leaders of the church to look over these manuals. If your Bereans do not use them, it might be well to give thought to it. They are fine lessons and well prepared. At this time, we would like to thank all those who contribute lesson material to the editors. There are regular mailings of the Youth Leaders Memo, the Mission Dollar Club notices, the scheduling of the slide-sound sets, and many personal letters.

The Post-High Retreat of 1970-1971 was a tremendous success. It did just what it was purposed to do. This retreat was planned to give our post-high young people a chance to be together, and especially to give those in college a chance to relax. It was a most wonderful time, with 39 campers and 3 staff members in attendance. It was a real thrill for two or three to be on the ice on the lake for the first time in their lives. The retreat was held for three days and nights at Camp Alexander Mack, Indiana.

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in addition to meetings during General Conference, and has carried on correspondence concerning the mission work around the world.

Several local missionary conferences have been held during the past year, and the Superintendents of Home and Foreign Missions, as well as the Mission Board members, have had the opportunity to participate in some of them.

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a is working with the Arab people in various Middle East countries. Regular services are held in Beirut, Lebanon, where there are twenty-two members. Other places where members are located are: Madaba, Jordan, eight members; Damascus, Syria, three; Baghdad, Iraq, three; and Tripoli, Lebanon, two.

In March 1971, Bro. Sunna'a spent ten days in Egypt visiting and studying with contacts there. He baptized several people, including Pastor Shaker Iskander who left his church for the truth.

There are several thousand students in fifteen different countries who are enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course, which has been translated into Arabic.

The brethren in Bangalore, India, under the leadership of S. S. Manoah, have been active in open-air preaching, tract distribution, and hospital visitation. A work with children has been started in a new village, with about sixty attending each week.

We have decided to provide a piece of property for the Wilson Gardens and John Town members, on which they will later construct a church building. Contributions are still needed for this project.

Sr. Emily Manoah, sister-in-law of Bro. Manoah, spent a year in this country taking medical training. She returned to India in May with many helps and ideas which she hopes to use among her people.

In Mexico during the past year regular trips have been made by Bro. and Sr. Francisco Martinez and Srs. Alice Aldrich and Aurelia Alvarez to the village of Labor Vieja. Here Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo and family conduct a work with the village children.

The interest in the Saturday school and the Sunday afternoon meetings which were held in Saltillo has declined. Now the weekends are usually spent in the village of Biznaga, where a Saturday evening service is conducted and Sunday school is held the next day.

The Mexican workers have been giving thought to concentrating their efforts in the Labor Vieja area where interest seems to be greatest.

In December, 1970, the Superintendent of Foreign Missions and several other young people visited the work in Mexico, attending and participating in several Christmas programs and other services. Missionary services were presented at several U.S. churches en route.

Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero continues to give leadership to the Philippine Church of God General Conference. The ninth annual meeting of the Conference was in December, 1970, with two hundred in attendance.

Each week Bro. Ortiguero presents a Bible message over the radio, and the response to this program has been good. Through this work some of the scattered brethren have been strengthened, and two former congregations have reorganized and are again holding services.

In February, 1971, Bro. Ortiguero suffered a heart attack, but he is coming along well at this writing.

The Third Maritime Conference was held in Digby, Nova Scotia, in August, 1970, with Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett and the BYF youth caravan as guest workers. Plans are being made for this summer's conference with Bro. and Sr. S. O. Ross and Sr. Rachel Krogh as guests.

In the past year a missionary society was organized in the Lighthouse Mission, a special evangelism emphasis with classes on witnessing was held, the Digby Bereans were second-place winners in the Youth Week program, and a parsonage was provided for the Browns.

Four young men from Nigeria came here last fall to attend Oregon Bible College. During the school year two left the College, one to return to his family in Nigeria and the other to go elsewhere in the U.S. Ephraim Udo and Solomon Idiong completed their year of studies before returning to Nigeria the last part of May. They intend to work with John Obot in leading and strengthening their people in the faith.

Oliver Amani in Jasikan, Ghana, is working with seven Bible study groups with a total membership of fifty-seven, forty of which have been immersed into Christ. These people are active in tract distribution and house-to-house visitation. This is our newest mission work, having been received into fellowship and membership last July at General Conference.

Considerable correspondence is received from various parts of the world asking for information and literature, which we are happy to provide.

We praise God for the opportunities he has provided and we are grateful for the interest and the support of the mission work by the membership. May we continue to spread the good news both here and throughout the world.

Home Missions Department

The Home Missions work of the Church of God General Conference is administered by S. O. Ross and the Mission Board. In the "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" program adopted by the delegates to the 1970

conference, each one was encouraged to teach one in seventy-one. We believe that many have been working at this project and there is still time for all to accomplish this goal during this calendar year.

Two new churches in the General Conference was a two-year goal. This has already been accomplished with a new church at Champion, Mich., and one at Royal Village, Front Royal, Va. Many churches have programs of follow-up of the personal witnessing campaign.

Five smaller congregations are receiving assistance through the Pastoral Aid program that enables them to maintain full-time pastors. Two churches have had the assistance of the Mission Builders League in helping to provide a place of worship. These churches are: Garden Park, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Hope Chapel, Columbus, Ohio.

Much literature is being distributed, many inquiries received regarding our faith and teaching, and scores of people are enrolled in the free Systematic Bible Study Course. We praise God for each new contact and trust that many will be brought to Christ by coming to know and understand God's Word. May God continue to bless each outreach effort of the Church of God General Conference.

Oregon Bible College

Oregon Bible College is completing its thirty-second year as an institution of higher education for the Church of God General Conference. The 1970-1971 academic year began with 55 students; our largest enrollment. Forty-one students were enrolled for the second semester.

Seven seniors were graduated on May 21, 1971: John Carr, David Cheatwood, Joseph Duncan, David Graham, Delbert Rankin, John Railton, and Dale Swartz. This brings the total number of OBC graduates to 119: an average of 3.97 graduates per year since the first graduation in 1942, or an average of 3.72 graduates per year for the thirty-two years. Alumni members number between 250 and 300. A still larger number of persons have enrolled in the College for courses at one time or another.

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; Charles Pryor, Counseling Consultant; Francis E. Burnett, Dean of Students and part-time instructor. Other part-time instructors in-

cluded: Rachel Krogh, Dallas Demmitt, Ruth Lewis, Dale Ramsey, Robert L. Jones, and Iris Burnett.

The staff included also: Edith Eades, men's house-mother; Elna Ross, women's housemother; Nora Anderson, Margene Rager, Myrle Claussen, Jane Cupp, Laverne Conley, and others who serve in the cafeteria.

Professional development of faculty members continues. Alva Huffer has completed work on his Doctor of Philosophy degree in the Administration of Higher Education at Arizona State University. Eugene Stilson will complete his Master of Science in Education degree at Northern Illinois University this summer. John R. Lewis is a candidate for the Master of Arts degree at Northern Illinois University and will complete work for the degree during the next academic year. Charles Pryor will complete his Doctor of Education degree next year. Other faculty members continue professional development through courses at universities, conferences, and seminars in various places.

Eugene Stilson, Library Director, reports that 7,100 books have now been catalogued in our library. Our goal is to attain 10,000 volumes by 1975. 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. We need reference works as well as individual books to reinforce our curriculum. Additional visual education materials would strengthen our library.

Gospel teams this year were under the direction of Rachel Krogh. A select singing group, the Chorale, was organized by Dale Ramsey and presented concerts in various churches.

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 programs includes a major in the Bible and theology, with a minimum of 55 semester hours required in the major field. Each program requires courses in General Education and a minimum of 20 semester hours in the professional minor. A minimum of 126 semester hours is required for the degree.

The College continues to offer four correspondence courses, an annual Holy Land Tour Study Course, and four extension courses taught by Dallas Demmitt and Alva Huffer.

Graduate Programs in Pastoral Internship and Pastoral Studies are offered by the College in its Graduate Division at Tempe, Ariz. Graduate Programs, under the direction of Alva Huffer, utilize the facilities of the Bible Churches of God at Phoenix and Tempe, as well as Arizona State University, and the services of Church

of God professional persons in the area, who serve as part-time instructors.

Joseph Martin was the first student in the Graduate Internship Program during this past year. His program included: Conference and Workshop in Pastoral Procedures, directed by Hollis Partlowe; Pastoral Practicum in Preaching and Teaching, directed by Hollis Partlowe and Lee McQuinn; Reading and Conference courses with Alva Huffer; Counseling Sessions Seminar with Dallas Demmitt; Workshop in Pastoral Counseling, Dr. Ralph Earle, Instructor; two Sociology courses at Arizona State University; attendance at many professional meetings, lectures, and conferences, as well as other activities. Brother Martin is now pastor of the new church congregation at Front Royal, Va. At least three students will enter the program this fall.

A graduate program for persons preparing to serve as foreign missionaries has been planned by Oregon Bible College in cooperation with the Foreign Missions Department of the Church of God General Conference to be offered at Tempe, Ariz. Missionary medicine, foreign languages, world geography, social work procedures, cultural anthropology, and missionary practicum are among the factors included in the program. Precise elements of the program will be determined by the geographical area where the missionary plans to serve and by the particular type of ministry in which he will engage.

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 R. Demmitt, Robert D. Johnson, Ruth Halls Overholser, and Vernis D. Wolfe. John Lewis, Administrative Vice President, also attends meetings. This Board acts in an advisory and promotional capacity and makes recommendations regarding the College to the Board of Directors. One of the questions being considered by the Board of Education concerns whether the College should seek to provide the total education needed by persons preparing for the ministry or whether students should be encouraged to take certain courses at other institutions either prior to entering OBC or while they are students at the College.

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 absent and are available for special meetings, dedications, state conferences, etc.

Your Executive Secretary is responsible for the

administration of the Ministers Insurance and the Ministers Retirement Programs; gives assistance in finding replacement for a vacant pulpit; answers questionnaires; and gives required information to governmental, civic, and religious agencies. He is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of all properties, for the management of the day-to-day business, and generally supervises all the work of the Church of God General Conference.

The entire staff covets your prayers, encouragement, criticism, and concern as it endeavors to carry out the many aspects of the business of the Church of God General Conference.

General Conference Finances

The contributions to the Goals for Giving for the first half of the fiscal year have fallen about \$2,500.00 short of the goal. The year was begun with a deficit of \$3,500.00. On March 30 it was necessary to make a bank loan for the amount of \$6,000 to account for the above needs.

The General Conference Board of Directors and the staff members appreciate the sacrificial giving of many. We express our thanks and appreciation to all who do support and who are concerned about the Conference work. We do praise God, for surely we, as a people, have been greatly blessed. May God's continued blessings and guidance abide that the work of the Church of God General Conference may continue to progress and bear fruit while we await the return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Recommendations for 1971

1) We recommend that a Youth Caravan be held in the summer of 1972, provided the delegates to the 1971 International Berean Youth Conference deem it advisable; and provided sufficient funds are appropriated in the 1971-72 youth budget.

2) We recommend that a married couple be sent to the Mexico mission field as soon as they can be properly trained in the language.

3) We recommend that Mission Builders League members contribute at least \$10.00 or more to each Mission Builders Appeal approved by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, not to exceed two each year.

4) We recommend that each church in the Conference be encouraged to organize a Home Missions Department, and that a director be appointed or elected to head the department.

5) We recommend that each local church continue to emphasize the goals and aims of the "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" (Phil. 3:13, 14) project adopted at the 1970 General Conference. ●

SPECIAL REPORTS

Ministers Fund

During the past year one minister has received assistance by way of a loan from this fund and one retired minister receives \$25.00 per month.

At the time of the last annual report the balance in the fund was \$693.47. The present balance is \$538.27. Contributions for the year have been about \$160.00. 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. The committee held one meeting during the past year.

S. O. Ross, Secretary.

Military Personnel Committee

During the past year the committee has received only seven new names of service personnel, and five of those were gleaned from bulletins. Our present method of churches notifying of changes has not proven successful.

Personal letters have been written to men in the service, but the committee depends on the families and friends of these men to keep in regular contact with them, as it is the home news of their church and community that is of greatest importance to them when they are away from home.

The General Conference sends any or all of its publications, free of charge, as soon as these service personnel indicate a desire for them.

Therefore, this committee solicits your help for better communications in the future.

Cecil Patrick, Joe Duncan, Sr., Charles Jones, Chairman.

Ministers Retirement Association

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association has been expanded beyond anticipation as far as its solvency is concerned. Currently three ministers are receiving retirement benefits. There have been several contributions made to the Retirement Fund by concerned individuals this past year. The Retirement Board solicits the members of the Church of God to help build the financial resources of the Association. By building up the reserves of the Association, it will be possible to increase the benefits to the ministers of our church when their laboring days come to a close and they go into retirement. The Board of Trustees of the Retirement Association are Willard Naylor, S. O. Ross, and the Chairman.

Clyde E. Randall, Chairman.

License and Ordination Committee

At the present time, one hundred twelve ministers have ministerial recognition from the Church of God General Conference. This number includes three graduates of Oregon Bible College in 1970: Henry Joseph Martin, Carl Joseph Astolfi, Jr. and Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II. All three are now serving in pastorates.

Of the licensed ministers, eighteen report they preached less than twenty sermons during the year, and are listed as inactive. It is only fair to report, however, that some of them fill positions of leadership in their home churches.

Seven graduating students of Oregon Bible College were interviewed by this committee in April. The names of those licensed will be published later.

All ministers are reminded that their licenses must be renewed yearly. Those whose names appear on the recognized list

will receive application forms previous to the General Conference session. As many as possible of the recognition cards will be handed out during conference, and the balance will be mailed.

No applications for ordination have been received by the Committee since 1967. Those ministers with three years or more of experience in the field and who have definitely decided they wish to remain in the ministry for life are eligible for ordination. Applications for ordination may be obtained from the chairman of this committee.

It is a matter of great concern to this committee that several of our ministers (some of them ordained) have seen fit to leave the full-time ministry. Some humble soul searching on the part of both the ministers, and the churches that employ them, seems necessary in order to pinpoint and correct the reasons for this loss of full-time service for the Lord.

J. R. LeCrone, Chairman, C. E. Lapp, C. F. Pryor.

Arbitration Committee

The Arbitration Committee is a standing committee ready to assist pastors or churches in difficult circumstances when called upon to do so. The committee does not intervene in any given situation except on request. This past year there have been no requests for its services.

Clyde E. Randall, Chairman.

Council of Christian Education

The Council of Christian Education consists of Charles Pryor, Warren Sorenson, and Eugene Stilson, Chairman. During the past year our purpose has been to identify the present educational practices of the Church of God, to analyze their effectiveness, and to formulate means of improvement. We see the effectiveness of the teacher, and the quality of our Sunday school publications as our immediate questions.

Teacher Effectiveness. In our curriculum study we have identified several areas in which our teachers need workshop experience. These ideas can be given to the National Sunday School Board for use in workshops. The teacher cannot really master these skills by reading a report. The teacher needs contact with a resource person, and the understanding that comes from group discussion, and group practice. Some of the needed areas are:

1. Gain awareness of the experiences that shape the lives of students.
2. Cultivate helpful relationships with students both in and out of class.
3. Gain awareness of the growth of students as a result of two or more years of experience in a Sunday school class.
4. Develop skill in teacher use of media to present lessons.
5. Develop skill in involving students in group and teacher-pupil interaction.
6. Develop understanding and skill in lesson planning with Church of God publications.

Revision of Sunday School Publications. The Council of Christian Education is presently revising the Sunday school publications. A study is made of the mental, social, physical, and spiritual characteristics of students in the pre-school, primary, junior, teen, and adult departments. Methods include observations, interviews with teachers in Sunday school and public schools, educational research, and consultation with specialists. Based on this we state mental, social, and spiritual objectives to be accomplished. Next we list instructional methods suitable for

the age level. We give sample lesson plans, and descriptions of the classroom equipment needed. Next we analyze the contents on the present publications in terms of these specifications. We revise the contents to meet the specifications. We also adjust the methods to meet the specifications. The curriculum is then stated both in terms of the specifications, and according to principles of design to make the curriculum orderly in structure. These reports are given to the Sunday School Board for critique. They are also open to critique by the Board of Directors, and by

the Ministerial Association. By General Conference time we will have the curriculum revised for the pre-school, primary, junior, and teen quarterlies, plus recommendations for revision of the adult quarterly format. At that time we hope to have a combined session with all of the editors, and the Council to work through the problems of implementation. Some changes can at that time be made. Other changes that require major changes in writer organization may take as much as a year to get into operation.
Eugene Stilson, Chairman.

Additional Conference Information

SITE: The 1971 Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 9 through 14. This camp is owned by the United Methodist Church and is located on the west edge of Cedar Falls on U.S. Highway 20. Waterloo, a sister city of Cedar Falls, has an airport where some jet airline service is available.

CAMP COSTS: The costs at Riverview Park in 1971 will be \$4.25 per person per day (\$20.00 for the conference). The daily costs are: breakfast \$.75, lunch \$1.00, supper, \$1.25, lodging \$1.00, insurance and miscellaneous \$.25. (Meals are one-half price for children under age eight.) In addition to the actual charges made by the camp, there are many other conference costs for promotion, travel, folders, printing, displays, supplies, etc.

Your General Conference Board of Directors is asking that camp costs be paid at the desk upon registration or during the conference. The evening offerings taken during conference will go to some special General Conference project which will be designated by the Board of Directors.

LODGING: Lodging is provided in cabins and two dormitories. Cabins will house five to fourteen people each, and families are urged to stay together. Two or more families will need to share the larger units. Reservations should be made ahead of time, if possible, to insure the accommodation you desire.

Riverview Park can accommodate some camping trailers, and water and electrical hookup is available, but no sewer. Two public camping facilities are located in the area. Tents will not be allowed on the grounds.

NOTE TO TEACHERS AND LEADERS: Teachers of General Conference adult and youth classes, and leaders of 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.

ELECTIONS DURING GENERAL CONFERENCE:

Board of Directors: Two members will be elected to the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors. The terms of William D. Lawrence and Dean Urish will expire at General Conference. (These cannot be reelected.)

Sunday School Board: Two members to be elected. The terms of Willis Turner and Joyce Knapp expire this year. (These may be reelected.)

Mission Board: One member to be elected. The term of Warren Sorenson expires this year. (May be reelected.)

YOUNG PEOPLE: The youth are urged to stay with their families in cabins and thus be under direct supervision of their parents. For those who may be there without their parents, there is one dormitory for male and one for female. Any youth who stay in these dormitories will be under the direct supervision of a youth counselor and will be expected to abide by the rules set by the youth director for General Conference.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES: Iva Mae Holt will be in charge of classes for children of all ages Tuesday through Friday 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 periods and those who wish to help are requested to please bring cookies.

DELEGATE EXPENSE POOL: 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 urged to enter the pool. This is a fair means of assuring general delegate representation. ●

Ministers Leaving the Pastorate

A Resume by Wm. D. Lawrence

The Church of God is now facing the problem of too many empty pulpits. Fifteen percent of our pulpits are empty and thirty-eight percent are filled with part-time Pastors who work at other occupations.

This problem can probably be attributed to the high dropout rate of our pastors. A significant number of trained, full-time pastors either leave the field after some time or do not enter pastorates after graduating from OBC.

The General Conference Board appointed a committee of three to prepare a questionnaire: Dwaine Demmitt, chairman, Rex Cain, and S. O. Ross. This was mailed to all the ministers who have been active in pastoral work, or have been graduated from OBC, and have not continued in the pastorate. Eleven out of the eighteen men contacted returned the questionnaire.

A group of twenty-one persons tabulated and studied the apparent reasons and trends behind this problem. Two meetings were held; at the first, fourteen persons were present, and at the second all twenty-one attended.

The study group found various reasons behind the high drop-out rate of ministers. Many answered on the questionnaire that somehow they did not feel genuinely "called." A prevalent feeling in all religions today is, "No one should enter the ministry who can avoid it."

The feeling of lack of security in their wives was a cause answered by several. Not owning one's own home or even the furniture can be disquieting; and then to have to move every five to seven years or less upset wives. It can be disturbing to have no security that you'll be "retained" by the board after their next annual meeting! Nearly universal was the comment that the pay was too low for the family to live comfortably.

Many pastors left because of the dislike for making pastoral calls. This is probably because of personal inadequacy, lack of self-discipline, and lack of confidence.

It is interesting to note that *none* of the responses were leaving because of lack of Bible education. This seems to indicate

that our College is training well in the Bible subjects. However, there is cause to wonder whether or not the graduates are prepared to face the world and the people in it. They reported failure to establish proper relationships with their church as a leader and fellow worker. They felt they were not receiving the support of the lay leaders in the church's activities. Often it is a case of the weak leading the weak, for the churches with the least number of strong leaders seem only to attract the "weaker" pastors.

The committee felt that many of the men who had quit did so because of lack of maturity in themselves or in their wives.

We need to impress our students and trained ministers with the idea that the call to the ministry is the call to the highest profession. They need to know that they are in a high priority profession and train for it as much as others train for other top professions. Ephesians 4 says ministers are God's gift to the churches.

Students and their wives need to be taught principles of a positive approach to Christianity and to the problems they will face in life. They need to be taught management, how to lift up Jesus Christ, and how to witness well. They needn't feel they must do the converting themselves. Successful witnessing is introducing others to Christ and leaving the results to God.

Ministers should be taught self-confidence and should be instructed in what to ask for from the congregation they are serving or are anticipating serving. Wives should be trained for the things they will encounter in the ministry; for instance, counseling is a frequent task of the ministers' wives. Students should see some of the examples of the "dirty wash" they may have to face sometime in their pastorates.

For those men who feel they want two jobs, we might suggest that they choose a profession related to their religious ministry. A nurse, teacher, or counselor can incorporate the ambitions of the ministry into his profession much better than a manual laborer.

A congregation can help its pastor by

showing him and his family the utmost respect. This should lead them to paying an adequate salary; one that is at least an average of the members' salaries. They can support him psychologically by not having the attitude that he is their hired servant but that he is a fellow worker. With some pastors and their wives the congregation must be careful in offering them their cast aside clothing and furniture. Some of the articles that have reportedly been offered to pastors would make the Salvation Army ashamed. Congregation and church board should not rehash with the new pastor all the old problems hanging over from previous years.

The General Conference can do nothing to legislate to the churches, nor do they want to. However, they might, in certain instances, help churches to merge and consolidate their efforts until they are strong enough to stand separately, each with a full-time minister.

The Conference, through OBC, can educate the future ministers in areas where it is felt ministers can be strengthened. The College program could be arranged so the men would have some general education before entering OBC for their theological studies.

The internship program is one positive step that has been taken to help alleviate some of the problems that were expressed by the men polled with the questionnaire. The only student that has been in the program so far has now gone into his first pastorate and has stated that he thinks the internship program has been very helpful in his preparation for full-time pastoral work. Most of the study members thought the internship should be the minimum required before men enter the ministry after graduating from OBC. They felt this one program would be of great help to us in our efforts to retain our pastors.

More work and study will be put into this problem by the General Conference. Your suggestions would be highly appreciated. It is our aim, and yours too, we hope, to help the churches and pastors of the Church of God to better serve our risen Lord. ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

General Conference Issue

This issue carries the program of the 1971 Church of God General Conference that will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 9 to 14. This issue also has the reports of the several departments and committees, the proposed recommendations, and other pertinent conference information. Each church and 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.

This will be the fifty-first annual Church of God General Conference and the theme will be, "A Converted People."

Delegate forms, statistical 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.

General Conference Board Meets

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., April 29, 30, and May 1. Final approval was given to the conference program and departmental reports and recommendations which will be presented to the delegates in August.

Bro. T. M. Ferrell, editor of publications of the Church of God General Conference, submitted his resignation effective September 1, 1971. The Board accepted the resignation. Bro. C. E. Randall was appointed as interim editor for one year beginning September 1.

Bro. Alva G. Huffer has been granted his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Higher Education Administration from Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz. Bro. Huffer has been appointed to continue to serve as President of Oregon Bible College.

Formal approval was given to expend one thousand dollars to purchase a plot of ground in Bangalore, India, for the use of the Wilson Gardens and Austin Town groups. They hope to construct a church building on the lot soon.

Mission Builders Appeal number 27, which will go in the mail about November 15, was granted to the Royal Village Church of God at Front Royal, Va. At least

five churches will be receiving Pastoral Aid assistance during the next church year.

A resolution was adopted which directs that funds received in the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association be deposited through the Church of God General Conference records. This assures that funds contributed to the Retirement Association are tax deductible.

Members of the Board of Directors desire to visit member churches to speak on the work of the General Conference. We would encourage the local church to extend an invitation to one of the directors. The present Board is William D. Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz.; Dean Urish, Oregon, Ill.; C. Jesse Pestle, Columbia Station, O.; Wayne Laning, Mt. Sterling, Ill.; Paul Shaw, Houston, Tex.; Joe James, Greenville, S.C.; and Charles Knapp, Grand Rapids, Mich.

A committee has given study, and did report, regarding the need for a Family Life Program within the Church of God. Charles Pryor of Sycamore, Ill., has been appointed coordinator of a Family Life Program.

Bro. Warren Sorenson, Macomb, Ill. was appointed to give assistance to the Superintendent of Home Missions, S. O. Ross, in planning and programming Home Mission emphasis. Bro. Sorenson's experience in many years of successful pastorates and his several terms on the Mission Board will be a real asset in this area. He will continue his full-time pastorate of the Macomb Church of God.

Conference Finances

Contributions fell three thousand dollars short of the goal for the month of May. The giving needs are even greater in the summer months when earnings from college tuitions, etc., are down. We trust that all will make this a matter of prayer and concern that the goals may be met.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

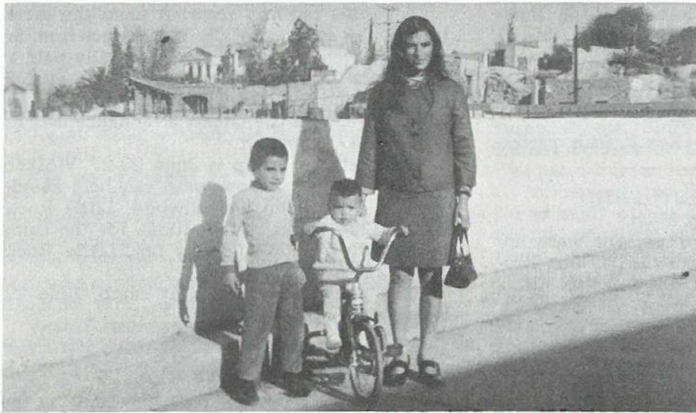
Goal for May	\$10,955.00
Given in May	7,870.00
Deficit, Oct. 1-May 31	3,085.00
June needs	8,750.00

Goal for June \$11,835.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Pictured are Sr. Aurelia Alvarez and her two sons, Abel (on the left) and Javier. They live with Sr. Alice Aldrich, and Sr. Alvarez assists in the work.

Additional Workers for Nova Scotia

In the December issue of Progress Journal we told of the need for workers to go to Nova Scotia to serve as lay workers in the Lighthouse Mission. We are happy that Sr. Eunice Pearson, Dayton, Ohio, and Sr. Nina Hatcher and son Gary, St. Louis, Mo., have expressed a desire to assist in this work and are planning to move to Nova Scotia. Remember them in prayer.

Average attendance at the Lighthouse Mission in April for all services was the highest in three-and-a-half years. On April 4, a new attendance record for Sunday school was set when one hundred four persons were present.

Pray for the fourth annual Maritime Conference and Bible School to be held in Digby July 11-18, 1971.

Nigerian Students Return Home

Although it was felt that it would be good to keep Ephraim Udo and Solomon Idiong here until they completed their education, they felt it would be best to return to Nigeria. We have learned that Pastor A. A. Obot has misrepresented himself to us on several occasions, and Bros. Udo and Idiong, being very concerned at these reports, felt that their place was at home—leading and strengthening their people in the faith. The men left the U.S. at the end of the spring session at Oregon Bible College.

We are thankful for the opportunity of knowing Ephraim and Solomon and trust that what they have gained from being here will be of great value to them and the Church of God work in Nigeria. Pray for them and their families.

Baptisms in the Philippines

During the month of March Bros. Eleodoro Javar and Mauro Abon and Sr. Rizalina Aguinaldo spent some time with the newly reorganized church at Gattaran. While there they met with the brethren to discuss problems of the church, and evangelistic meetings were held in the evening. We are happy that ten persons responded to the gospel invitation and were immersed into Christ. They ranged in age from ten to eighty. Pray for them.

While Bro. Ortiguero has been recovering from his heart ailment Bros. Eleodoro Javar and Crispin Calawagan have been delivering the radio messages. The first Sunday in April the broadcast was transferred to Dagupan City, and more people are able to hear it.

Some thought is being given to the Origuero family moving to Baguio City, where the cool climate would be helpful in improving Bro. Ortiguero's health.

Praise God for Interest in Mexico

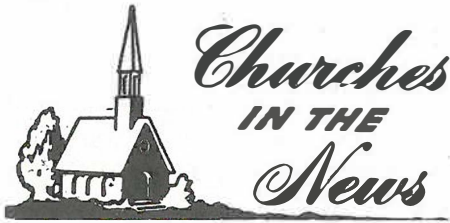
In Sr. Alice Aldrich's report for April she writes, "In regards to this month's activities we continue to praise the Lord that we are finding in both villages interest that we have not seen before." The two villages she refers to are Bisnaga, located near Saltillo, and Labor Vieja which is about three hundred miles south. There are about fifty-six children on the Sunday school roll in Labor Vieja now and new ones are coming. New teen-agers have been coming to the services in Bisnaga. Pray that these new ones will continue to come to hear the Word of God and that they may be led to know Christ as their Saviour.

Manoahs Visit Churches

In April Bro. Robert Manoah (brother of Pastor S. S. Manoah) came to the U.S. to join his wife Emily, who has been studying in Phoenix, Ariz., the past year, and to accompany her back to India. Sr. Marjorie Overmyer arranged for the Manoahs to visit some of our churches and traveled with them to Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. Bro. Don Overmyer and Sr. Rachel Krogh accompanied them on part of the trip.

The Manoahs left the U.S. for India May 19. We were happy for the opportunity to meet and visit with these friends from India and pray that God will bless their efforts as they return to work with their people.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 13-18—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack, Milford.
- June 18-20—Southwest Conference, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal.
- June 19, 20—Missouri Quarterly Conference at Morse Mills.
- June 20-25—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia, Mo.
- June 20-26—Southwest Youth Camp, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild, Cal., Dallas Demmitt, director.
- June 25-27—Annual Illinois Conference at Macomb.
- June 26—Indiana Annual Conference Business Meeting at North Salem.
- July 5-10—Minnesota Senior Camp, C. E. Lapp, director, Long Lake Camp.
- July 8-11—Virginia Conference at Maurertown, Kent Ross, guest speaker.
- July 11-16—Tristate Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va., Kent and Cheryl Ross, guest workers.
- July 11-17—Minnesota Junior Camp, V. E. Kirkpatrick II, director, Long Lake.
- July 11-18—Maritime Conference & Bible School, Digby, Rachel Krogh, and Stan & Elna Ross, guest workers.
- July 12-18—Annual Missouri Conference at Fredericktown, Dean Moore, guest speaker.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 5-8—Iowa Conference, Waterloo.
- Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Aug. 18-22—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb., T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.
- Sept. 10-12—Minnesota Senior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Sept. 24-26—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Oct. 15, 16—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

- Dayton Church, Ohio
- Jeff Runyan, Supt, 4065 Annapolis Av, Dayton 45416
- Morning Star Church, South Bend, Ind.
- Carson Langel, Supt, 54047 Maple Ln, South Bend 46635
- East Oregon Chapel, Oregon, Ill.
- Benny Mattison, Supt, Bx 100, Oregon 61061
- Indiana Conference
- Sec: Mrs James Hamilton, 105 Suzie Ln, Attica 47918

BAPTISMS AT DAYTON, OHIO

The following professed their faith in Christ before men by baptism May 9, 1971: Mr. & Mrs. Alvis Stafford, and Mr. & Mrs. Edward Carter.

We pray God's rich blessings upon them as they begin their Christian life.

Rex F. Cain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT SOUTHLAWN

Grand Rapids, Mich.

On May 9, 1971, four persons were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ: Mrs. Russell Roszell, her son David, her daughter Christine, and Mrs. M. Van De Wege. We pray they may be ever faithful to the vows they have now made.

Harry Sheets, 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.

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MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

April 26-30, 1971, the Ministerial Association of the Church of God met in Oregon, Ill. Approximately 52 ministers attended during the week. Helpful papers and sessions were presented on many topics. In the business session, the present secretary-treasurer was reelected for a three-year term.

David Krogh, secretary.

ATTENTION MINISTERS

If you have made a good record for three or more years in the field, and plan to make the ministry your life's work, you are eligible for ordination. For applications write to J. R. Le-Crone, 13817 Diana Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44110. If there are applications from eligible ministers, a service of ordination will be planned for the coming session of the Church of God General Conference.

COMPLETES BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to Randy Rohrig, who successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course.

BEREAN DEPARTMENT NEWS

Those who will be attending Berean Youth Conference please take special note; Indiana is on Eastern Standard Time.

Much interest was shown in the recent Walk-a-thon, judging from the grapevine reports that have been coming to the office. Contributions thus far (May 25) have been \$698.00. We know there is much more to come.

Due to several circumstances, we felt it necessary to cancel the Junior Caravan. We know it was a disappointment to those who had applied to go, but we feel it was according to God's will that it not be held this year.

Francis E. Burnett, director.

ARKANSAS RALLY DAY

A report recently received from the secretary of the Arkansas Rally Day Association, Sr. Anita Howell, tells of a three-day rally held at New Hope Church, Little Rock, February 5-7.

A second one-day meeting was held at Greenbrier, with the largest attendance ever recorded; 147 registered.

The date for camp is June 20-27. Workers are needed, and anyone who can help should contact Don Timm, 9 Mellwood, Little Rock, Ark. 72204. Send contributions for the camp to Joe White, 1002 Loretta Ln., Little Rock, Ark. 72207.

The next rally will be at camp, June 27, with election of officers.

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MRS. MARY BOYER COMPTON

Sr. Mary B. Compton, Manassas, Va., fell asleep in death March 18, 1971, at the age of 86. Pastors James Mattison and Carl Smith gave words of comfort and hope at the Manassas Church of the Brethren and burial was made in Cannon Cemetery.

Sr. Compton was full of faith and good works. She was intensely interested in the Bible's teachings and tried her best to live by them and encourage others to do the same. Her hope was in the return of her Lord, and immortality at that time. She was a long-time member of the Maurertown Church of God.

Surviving are two sons, Lacey of Manassas, and Francis of Florida; a brother, Frank Boyer of Seven Fountains, Va.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

James Mattison, pastor.

HELEN M. DOLL

Helen M. Curtis Doll of Dayton, Ohio, died May 2, 1971, at the age of 82.

She was a member of the Brush Creek Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith, having been baptized December 14, 1898. She was faithful and active in the church.

On June 5, 1912, she was united in marriage to Bro. Clarence V. Doll, who preceded her in death in 1953.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Louis (Vera) McBarron of Dayton; two grandchildren; and two brothers, Arthur Curtis of Dayton and Philip Curtis of Spiceland, Ind.

Words of hope and comfort were spoken by the writer, and she was laid to rest in the Curtis Cemetery to await the call of her Saviour.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

IRA THORNTON RITENOUR

Bro. Ira Ritenour, Pendroy, Mont., fell asleep in death March 29, 1971, at the age of 86. He was buried in Hillside Cemetery at Conrad, Mont.

Bro. Ira was full of faith and good works.

He loved God with all his heart, and supported generously the Maurertown Church, of which he was a long-time member. He fell asleep in the hope of the Lord's coming to raise him to eternal life.

Surviving are his wife Jesse; two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Sylvester, Elko, Nev., and Mrs. Rosemary Snodgrass, Pendroy; a brother, Emory of Conrad; and a sister, Mrs. Edna Hanka of San Diego, Cal.

James Mattison, pastor.

ERWIN C. LUSSENDEN

Erwin C. Lussenden was born July 30, 1903, at Moline, Mich. He died of a heart attack April 19, 1971.

He was baptized by F. E. Siple on November 29, 1934, and served his Master faithfully. An excellent carpenter, his handiwork is evident in the Southlawn Church.

On May 16, 1928, he married Agnes Dutton, who survives him. He is also survived by his daughter, Mrs. Jay (Bonnie) Groendike.

Bro. Lussenden sleeps in Woodlawn Cemetery while awaiting our Saviour's return.

Harry Sheets, pastor.

MARY B. ROOSE

Sr. Mary Roose, age 98, long-time resident of Nappanee, Ind., and member of Hope Chapel, South Bend, died on May 13, 1971. She loved her family and the church, and was loved by all. Her confidence in her Saviour was complete and staunch.

Sr. Roose is survived by one son, two daughters, five grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

After services conducted by the writer on May 16 she was interred in Bremen cemetery, where she awaits the resurrection.

Austin Railton, pastor.

IMMERSIONS AT HOPE CHAPEL

South Bend, Indiana

Mrs. Marjorie R. Lovelett, Miss Linda L. Hawkins, and James A. Cook were immersed into Christ on May 9, 1971. May they walk always with Jesus. Austin Railton, pastor.

MANOAHS VISIT THE MIDWEST

As she neared the end of her year's training in a hospital in Phoenix, Ariz., it was the hope and prayer of Emily Manoah that her husband Robert (brother of S. S. Manoah, Bangalore, India) would be able to come to America to share in some of her experiences before she returned home. Since he is affiliated with the Indian Airlines at Bangalore, he was granted free passage from Bombay to Chicago.

Some time ago Emily expressed a desire to see as many of the churches and meet as many of the members as possible before returning home. We promised her a "tour" if she could come to Chicago. After a stay in Phoenix, Emily and Robert arrived in Elmhurst in time for Family Day at the Lombard Church. On Wednesday, May 5, the writer drove them to Oregon where they visited the General Conference offices, Oregon Bible College classrooms, dormitories, and East Oregon Chapel.

Members of the area churches were invited to join with the Oregon church in an evening meeting and fellowship period. Bro. C. E. Randall presided at the informal service, and Rachel Krogh introduced the Manoahs. Robert extended greetings from S. S. Manoah and the brethren in Bangalore, and Emily spoke concerning the work in India, thanking everyone for their help and asking for continued prayers for the work there.

Thursday morning Edith Eades took them to Dixon to see the church there, and they stopped at the hospital to see patient Dave Graham. Rachel Krogh joined the group when they left Oregon that day for Grand Rapids

where the Pennellwood church was host for the evening. Pastor David Krogh showed them the present Garden Park church and the new building under construction. They also stopped by the Southlawn church where Pastor Harry Sheets showed them around. Pastor Kent Ross provided added "entertainment" by showing some slides taken when Bro. S. S. Manoah was visiting America.

On Friday a stop was made in LaPorte, Ind., long enough to pick up another driver, Don Overmyer, and the car headed for Macomb, Ill. Saturday provided time for a visit to the Kenny Vancil farm, where the Manoahs learned all they could about modern farming methods, machinery, the feeding of livestock, etc. They had dinner that evening at the Wayne Laning farm, where they had an opportunity to talk with the two Nigerian students, Ephraim Udo and Solomon Idiong, who were there with Stan and Peg Ross for the missionary conference. On Saturday evening they spoke to the people at the Ripley church. Some members from the St. Louis church were in attendance here.

Emily spoke during the service at Macomb on Sunday morning and was pleased to have won the Mother's Day gift given to the mother who traveled the greatest distance to service that Sunday. Rachel returned to Oregon, and

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MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL Number 26

Hope Chapel Church of God Columbus, Ohio

A small group of Church of God members in the city of Columbus, Ohio, organized the Hope Chapel Church of God in 1968. Services were conducted in an upstairs hall on Broad Street by Bro. Fred Pensyl and area Church of God pastors.

In November, 1970, the congregation purchased this building at 1007 Midland Ave. It is 38 feet by 90 feet, and seats 120 people. There are five classrooms and a pastor's study. There

are thirty-two members. C. F. Pryor is pastor.

Mission Builders Appeal Number 26 is in the mail to all members of the League.

If you are not now a Mission Builder, and agree to send at least \$5.00 for each appeal (two per year), we urge you to enroll now.

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the Overmyers and Manoahs drove to LaPorte. On Monday morning they drove to Columbia Station, Ohio. Members from Cleveland and Bedford were present that evening to welcome the Indian guests to Ohio and to visit with them at the fellowship afterwards.

Tuesday we drove to Troy via Ashland, so Mission Board member Merle Patrick could take the Manoahs to lunch. We arrived in Troy, and Pastor Scott Ross drove us to see the Lawrenceville church and meet Pastor Billie Kennedy. On the way back he stopped at a new cattle feeder lot where Dwaine Demmitt explained the operations.

Area churches had been invited to Troy View for a carry-in supper and meeting. It was here that we had the largest attendance—99!

On Wednesday morning Pastor Ross escorted us to the Brush Creek Church where Pastor Leon Driskill welcomed us. We stopped at a hospital to see Terri Driskill, an accident victim, and at Dayton Pastor Rex Cain was awaiting our arrival.

At Kokomo, Ind., on Wednesday evening members from the Lafayette and Hillisburg churches met with the local people to hear of India and again to share in a fellowship time afterwards. On Thursday morning we stopped at a Kokomo grade school where Barbara Harvey teaches so they could see a bit of the educational methods in the Midwest. Emily and Robert graciously talked with the children.

Needless to say, the Manoahs were quite ex-

hausted after their journey. We are sorry that time did not permit our visiting each of the churches. After a brief rest in LaPorte, where they visited an industrial factory and attended Sunday services at Burr Oak, we drove back to Elmhurst.

Once when Robert was asked his opinion of Americans he said, "It is difficult to say. Most of the people I met are church members, and they are all so wonderful." They appreciated so very much being invited into the homes of our church members, seeing the churches, and becoming acquainted with the people. It is hoped that this trip provided all of us with a better understanding of each other and a renewed interest in God's work, wherever it might be!

Marjorie Overmyer.

NEW TRACT AVAILABLE

"Do you ever think about God?" is the title of a new evangelistic-type tract published by the General Conference. It is a beautifully printed twelve-page tract containing God's plan of salvation written in an interesting and provocative manner. These are available from The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, at 50¢ per dozen or \$3.00 per hundred, postage paid when payment accompanies the order.

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Using Our Opportunities

By Mrs. Lyle Drew, Dixon, Illinois

GOD, our heavenly Father, is always giving us opportunities to tell others of Christ our Saviour. Let us but ask in prayer how to use these opportunities in grace and guidance to glorify him in our service. For, if we are children of God, we are to serve him to the best of our knowledge, with wisdom and love.

Most Effective Witnessing

Our most effective witnessing for Christ is by daily living a true Christian life before all those we come to see and know. Witnessing, or giving a personal testimony, is one of the most difficult services we are asked to do for our God. This should not be. When we have new worldly pleasures, we are more than eager to tell someone. Why, then, when we have the Good News about our Saviour who died for us, to save us and give us life eternal, are we not just as eager—even bubbling over—with the joy of this hope of salvation? This witnessing and providing a Christian example is what the world is crying out for today. It is religion at its best. A radiant Christian life can never be discounted; there it stands, and no one can deny it.

Take Someone With You

One way that is simple and easy is to take someone with us to Sunday school and church; a friend, a co-worker, even one of our own family. We should talk to these people about Jesus and God, our heavenly Father. One could never run out

of words of praise to say about these two who loved *us* so much.

We should not feel that we have done our Christian duty by asking or taking someone to church. The next step is to invite this person to take Christ into his life. When one accepts our Saviour, Jesus, then there is a desire to go into the house of our Lord to worship.

Speak God's Words

In John 12:49, 50, it tells us that Jesus spoke the words God commanded him to speak: "Yes, because I have not spoken on my own, but the Father who sent me has commanded me what I must say and speak. And I know that his command brings eternal life. What I say, then, is what the Father has told me to say" (*Good News for Modern Man*).

God also commanded us: "Go ye into all the world" (Mark 16:15a), telling others about the way to eternal life. Those who are faithful servants and a living testimony need to speak out for Christ a loving message for the world to hear. TELL IT OUT!

A Neglected Calling

No calling in a Christian's life is more neglected than that of witnessing for Christ. Too many of us put our candle under a bushel or let it go out. A candle may seem like a very small light to let shine, but Matthew 5:15 tells us that it can give light to the whole household: "Neither do men light a candle, and put it

under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house."

Therefore, a Christian may think that his *little* light—deeds of kindness; loving, uplifting words—can't be of much effect in this big, dark, sinful world. How URGENT is the need to give, as never before, of ourselves, our time, our money, and our earnest prayers for those who find life difficult; for those who are hungry for the story of Jesus our Saviour.

"The gospel must first be published among all nations" (Mark 13:10); not only nationwide, but in our own town, community, at work, or anywhere we have the opportunity.

Paul, in Acts 26:22, tells us he went on serving and witnessing to the small and great, having obtained the help of God.

What is the Matter?

What is the matter with us so-called Christians? We have God to lead us and the Word of God to study to gain wisdom. We have so many blessings we can't even count them; as numberless as the sands on the seashore. Yet, we do not go to others and tell them of the wonderful Saviour we have; of life eternal God has planned for man because he loved him so. (John 3:16.) It is the Christian's duty to comfort others with the redeeming gospel of Jesus Christ.

Christians, let us get busy about our Father's work and bring others to know the Saviour. ●

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 9

2:00 Registration begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Service by Conference Board of
 Directors: Dr. Wm. D. Lawrence, Chair-
 man's Message (Keynote address)
 8:45 Chairman's reception
 10:30 Lights out

Tuesday, August 10, Sunday School Day

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Ellouise Wells;
 Ministers: Arnold Johns; Youth: Dennis
 Brown; Priscillas: Joyce Bolhaus)
 9:00 Combined Class of Adults, Ministers, and
 Priscillas: Joyce Knapp, "Home Bible
 Study Courses"
 Youth Class: Scott Ross, "Why Stand Ye
 Here Idle?"
 Children's Classes
 10:00 Youth Class: David Krogh, "The Ability
 to Say No"
 10:00 First Business Session
 Welcome by the Chairman
 Seating of the delegates
 Introduction of new delegates and dele-
 gates
 Communications
 Question period on written reports of
 committees and boards
 Report on activities of the Board of Di-
 rectors
 Financial report
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday school directors
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: E. Milon
 Hall, "Conversion Equals Love in Action"
 2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions:
 1) Conversion Equals Love in Action in
 the Classroom, Edward Goit
 2) Conversion Equals Love in Action Be-

yond the Classroom, Dallas Demmitt
 3) Conversion Equals Love in Action in
 Administration and Supervision,
 Harold Doan
 4) Council of Christian Education,
 Eugene Stilson
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, E. Milon Hall,
 song leader; Warren Sorenson, speaker,
 "Strengthening the Brethren"
 10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, August 11

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Rolla High-
 tower; Ministers: Leon Driskill; Youth:
 Debbie Burnett; Priscillas: Jane Le-
 Crone)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: John Lewis, "Honesty
 in the Church"
 Youth Class: Michael Mattison, "How
 Christian are We?"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Edward Bender "Such a
 Time As This"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Tuesday minutes
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellow-
 ship business
 Publishing Department business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Edward
 Goit, "Expounding the Way of God
 More Perfectly"
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions:
 1) Israel and the Nations, James Mat-
 tison
 2) Use of Visual Aids, Ruth Lewis
 3) Home Bible Study and Prayer Dis-
 cussion Group, Mardy Lawrence, Dal-
 las & Nancy Demmitt
 4) Church-Pastor Relationship, Dwaine
 Demmitt & Rex Cain
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Stephen Bol-
 hous, song leader; Raymond Brown,
 speaker, "Much Given, Much Required"
 10:30 Lights out

Thursday, August 12

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Charles Jones;
 Ministers: Don Hightower; Youth: Mary
 Beth Miller; Priscillas: Joyce Magaw)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Kenneth Milne, "A
 Burning Fire Within"
 Youth Class: Don Needham, "A Look at
 the World Today"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting

Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Michael Hale, "A Look at
 God's Church"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Wednesday minutes
 Nomination for two Directors
 Mission Department business
 Election of a Mission Board director
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Cecil Pat-
 rick, "What Doest Thou Here?"
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions:
 1) Church Music at its Best,
 Richard Dick
 2) Rewarding Bible Study, T. M. Ferrell
 3) Home Bible Study and Prayer Dis-
 cussion Group, Mardy Lawrence, Dal-
 las & Nancy Demmitt
 4) Church-Pastor Relationship, Dwaine
 Demmitt & Rex Cain
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Rex Cain, song
 leader; John Hearp, speaker, "Commit-
 ting the Gospel to Faithful Men"
 10:30 Lights out

Friday, August 13

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Linford Moore;
 Ministers: Joe Fletcher; Youth: Shelly
 Gaspar; Priscillas: Sally Pestle)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Vernis Wolfe, "Fruit-
 Bearing Christians"
 Youth Class: Dennis Baldwin, "The Still
 Small Voice"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: James Graham, "What God
 Asks of You"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Thursday minutes
 Election of two Directors
 Oregon Bible College business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, Russell Ma-
 gaw, "That Ye Love One Another"
 2:15 Continuation of Business Session
 General business
 Adoption of a budget
 3:30 Adjournment
 5:30 Supper
 7:00 Evening Service, Installation of Officers
 Communion Service: Paul Johnson and
 C. E. Randall
 Lee McQuinn, song leader, Harold Doan,
 speaker, "Discerning the Signs of the
 Times"
 10:30 Lights out

Saturday, August 14

7:00 United Prayer Service, Dean Urish
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

General Conference 1971

The Fifty-First Annual Church of God General Conference will convene at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Monday, August 9, 1971. Registration begins at 2:00 p.m., and the first service is at 7:30 p.m.

Cost of the conference is \$4.25 per day per person (\$20.00 for the conference) and should be paid at the desk upon registration. For cabin reservations write Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Church and state conference secretaries are asked to send in their delegate forms promptly along with their statistical sheet and application to enter the delegate pool. This will assist the credentials committee.

"A Converted People"

The theme of the 1971 conference is "A Converted People." Christ told Peter, "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren" (Luke 22:32b). Are we, the membership of the Church of God General Conference, truly a converted people? Are we really ready to strengthen the brethren? Are we ready to reach new people for Christ? Are we fruit-bearing Christians? The messages and classes of the conference are geared to this challenge. When Peter met the risen Lord on the seashore and confessed him three times, as he had denied him three times, he was really a converted individual. He then became the great fisher of men that he had been destined to be. He was then able to really "strengthen [his] brethren." I believe the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith is really becoming that "converted people" for the glory of God and his Son Jesus Christ. Praise God!

Riverview Park

Riverview Park, site of the 1971 General Conference, is located on U.S. Highway 20 on the west edge of Cedar Falls, Iowa. The Park is only a few miles from the airport and bus station, and taxi service is available.

Beds are supplied with pillow and a blanket, however each one should bring his own linen. A very limited supply of linen is available for rental.

The conference site can accommodate several camper trailers, and there are two commercial trailer parks nearby. Tents will not be allowed on the grounds. Several motel units are also available in the area.

S.S. Quarterly Change

The present Sunday school quarterly is for only two months, July and August. Beginning September first

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we will be using the fall, winter, spring, and summer system. Orders for the fall quarter (Sept.-Oct.-Nov.) must be in by July 15, since these materials will be in the mail early in August. Beginning with the fall quarter, the price will be sixty-five cents each for the quarterly and teacher's book.

Jubilee Year

The 1970 conference was the fiftieth annual conference, therefore we are now actually in our fiftieth year of operation of the Church of God General Conference. "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" goals were set. Many of the two-year goals are already completed; two new churches in the conference, 7,500 volumes in the college library, and two additional workers to a mission field have already been attained.

One goal was to be reached this year, Each One Teach One in Seventy-One. If you have not done your part in this effort, you still have six months to reach this goal. With God's blessing each of these goals can be reached on schedule. May each one truly "reach forth" the rest of this year, and even on to 1975.

Conference Finances

Contributions to the Goals for Giving are \$3,097.00 short of the needs for the month of June. The budget is figured so closely that any shortage in contributions puts the business operation of the Conference into deficit spending.

The year began October 1, 1970, with a deficit of \$3,500. About \$2,000 has been expended for necessary equipment. The expense of training and returning the Nigerian students was about \$2,000 more than the special contributions for that purpose. These three items, plus the shortage in giving, have made a total deficit of more than \$10,000. A bank loan has been made to provide operating funds. May each member make this a matter of prayer and concern for the successful operation of the General Conference work.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal for June	\$11,835.00
Given in June	8,738.00
Deficit, Oct. 1-June 30	3,097.00
July Needs	8,750.00

Goal for July \$11,847.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Middle East Baptisms

We are grateful to God that seven persons have accepted Christ as Saviour and were baptized by Pastor Shaker Iskander in Cairo, Egypt. This brings to a total of fifteen the number of Church of God members in Egypt.

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a also assisted two persons in putting on Christ in Beirut, Lebanon, and plans to baptize two others in Tripoli. Pray for all these new Christians.

Bro. Iskander Attacked

On the evening of May 4, 1971, as he was returning home from a meeting in one of the homes, Bro. Shaker Iskander was attacked by some Coptic monks. (The Coptic Church is one of the major churches in Egypt.) They beat him and threw on him a bottle of flaming benzine which burned parts of his body. Bro. Iskander spent thirty-seven days in the hospital, but is now at the home of some friends. Bro. Sunna'a was able to make two trips to Egypt during this time to be with Bro. Iskander, and to help take care of the meetings in Cairo. If there are any who would like to help with Bro. Iskander's hospital expenses, please send your contributions to the Superintendent of Missions, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and they will be sent on to him.

Work in Ghana Progresses

Despite the efforts of another religious group to discourage them, the Lord is helping the brethren in Ghana, and they are growing strong in the faith. Membership has increased to fifty-seven, and funds are being raised for the erection of a chapel, which the members plan to begin soon.

Many people in Ghana have lost their lives because of an outbreak of cholera. Bro. Oliver Amani asks us to pray that it will not come near any of the members.

A Helper Goes to Nova Scotia

On June 7, 1971, Sr. Eunice Pearson, Dayton, Ohio, left this country to go to Nova Scotia to assist in the work of the Lighthouse Mission Church of God in Digby. She will be an active lay member in the church, assisting with teaching, training of workers, and calling, as well as other things.

July 11-18 the Fourth Annual Maritime Conference and Bible School will be held with Bro. and Sr. S. O. Ross and Sr. Rachel Krogh as guest workers. Connie

Ross and Merle Patrick will also be there to assist. A baptismal service is being planned on the closing Sunday afternoon as there are several who have requested baptism. Pray that others, too, may realize their need and accept Christ as Saviour.

Young People Visit Mexico

On June 6, 1971, a group of six young people and two adults left Little Rock, Ark., to go to Mexico to spend a week visiting the brethren there. While there, they had the opportunity to visit the villages of Bisnaga and Labor Vieja, as well as help Sr. Alice Aldrich with some of the Bible school preparation.

In May the Saltillo workers went to the village of Bisnaga for special Mother's Day services. Very early in the morning a group of six got up and went to the homes of the children who have been coming to the classes and serenaded their mothers—not an unusual way of honoring mothers in Mexico on their day.

Four persons in Bisnaga have expressed their interest in accepting Christ and living for him. Pray for them and those who counsel them.

The first weekend in June a visit was made to Labor Vieja for meetings. However, the church there had been damaged by hail- and rainstorms and more rain came that weekend which prevented their worshipping together as they would have liked.

Baptisms in India

All the groups meeting in Bangalore were invited to the Thomas Town Church on May 9, 1971, for the baptism of fifteen persons. After the service, a dinner—arranged by the families of those baptized—was served to all present, who numbered nearly five hundred. Also attending the service were some non-Christian friends who wanted to know more about baptism and its meaning. Bro. S. S. Manoah clearly explained it to them in his sermon.

Emily and Robert Manoah arrived home safely, and have been busy explaining in detail all about their visit in the United States, and the activities of our churches here.

Daily vacation Bible school was held in Bangalore May 12-22, 1971, with nearly one hundred children attending. The children were divided into four groups: one English section, one senior children Tamil section,

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

The "Un" Life

Unexperienced Goals

Almost everyone as a child chooses and decides that there is something special he wants to do or be. Often these early desires change, even as Paul relates; "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things" (1 Cor. 13:11).

Even so, unrealized goals often haunt an adult individual. "Maybe I could have been" that great writer, statesman, minister, or whatever it was he felt he really wanted to be.

After finishing high school it is easy to try to find a "safe" job which will guarantee unlimited advancement, wealth, and at the same time not demand too much of our personal life. As time goes on and we begin to work at our chosen job, we learn that every occupation has its shortcomings, as well as its advantages. No job is safe or guaranteed in all respects. What young people were told to train to be ten years ago have in some cases declined in job openings and they now have an oversupply of trained personnel.

The world is constantly changing in its demands upon people. One must be flexible enough to face new experiences and conquer the unknown.

Analyze the goals you originally set for yourself. Are they still your goals? If you have changed them, what valid reasons can you give for changing them?

Unchallenged Life Styles

The news media constantly bombard Christians with the information that everyone has changed his life style attitudes. It is easy then to accept our peers' values and make them our own. After all, everyone else can't be too wrong.

Much of what is proclaimed to be changing living is merely the bringing out into the open of what God has declared to be simple unrighteousness. Solomon was right, there is nothing new, at all, about it.

God hasn't changed, either. He still watches men and is often disgusted with what he sees. Peter admonished the early Christians, "As he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation [living]; because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy" (1 Pet. 1:15, 16).

Has your life style changed? Has it changed so that you bring more glory to God? The individual who is unable to challenge the life styles of other individuals

and evaluate them in the light of God's Word will indeed have a difficult life.

Unanswered Convictions

Faced with the reality that he is called of God, many people seek to answer God as simply as they can. "I just can't do any more for you, Lord," they say. "I'm doing more than my neighbor, can't you see?"

What has God asked you to do? How is your ability different from that of others? Have you ever asked him what he wants you to do? Have you just told him what you do? Is "enough" by your standard still enough for God?

"Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations . . . receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls" (1 Pet. 1:6, 9).

Let nothing stand in the way of your service to God, and God will let nothing interfere with your salvation.

Come "Un" to Me

In Christ your life can bring both pleasure and the hope of future salvation. He alone can provide release from the tension and problems of these trouble-filled days.

Oregon Bible College is proud of the young people who are willing to spend their time studying God's Word. As well as improving their own Christian lives, they learn how to be leaders of men for Christ.

Here they are able to experience Christian goals, are willing to challenge the life styles of the world about them, and are able to answer their deepest convictions of service to God.

We invite you, too, to be like the "Un" Cola—to be different, and this difference is with the purpose of living a completely fulfilled Christian life.

Fall Enrollment

Those planning to enter Oregon Bible College this fall as new students should mail in their applications soon. It takes several weeks to completely process a new application. We appreciate the interest and attention of those young people who are going to dedicate their lives to full-time service to the Lord.

President Huffer on Tour

President Alva Huffer is currently on his annual Holy Land tour. He will return to the United States in mid-July, and will begin working on the Oregon Bible College program.

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Berean Youth Conference Staff

Those who will be helping in the Berean Youth Conference this year are: Kent Ross, Scott Ross, Mr. & Mrs. E. Milton Hall, David Krogh, Mr. & Mrs. Don Hightower, Raymond Brown, Mr. & Mrs. William Andrew, Wood Talcott, Louis Kump, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Graham, Michael Mattison, Mr. & Mrs. Oral Miller, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Baldwin, John Carr, Mr. & Mrs. E. Richard Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Martin, Ted Armes, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Swanson, Billie Kennedy, Danford Richmond, Paul Moore, Marion Stilson, Marj Overmyer, Virginia Cook, Pat Warner, Kay Trimble, Jean Kump, Janet McClain, Alice Aldrich, Betty Rudacille, Sharon Guiles, Karen Wegner, Mary Milne, Pam Drew, and Mr. & Mrs. Francis Burnett.

New Features at BYF Conference

For the first time in any Berean Youth Conference program, all classes will be elective. Each camper will be able to choose two classes out of seven subjects. Once the class is chosen, the camper will take it during all of the week. There is also included in this a choice of teachers. But we hope the campers will be more mindful of the subject that interests them than of a personality. Good reading material and religious records will be sold in a book room.

Senior Caravan Program

I am sure many of you are interested in the activities in which the Senior Caravan participated during their work in Minneapolis. We quote from a letter to the Caravan members from their sponsor, Bro. Don Needham, telling of the schedule. "Assemble in the mornings at the church to acquire power for the day's activities (prayer, Bible study, and practice); work in the early afternoon for 45-60 minutes presenting a program to the children of the neighborhood; go to the inner city in the afternoon and distribute a specially printed newspaper, other materials, and witness of your faith; after 6 p.m. each evening, assemble in a downtown park where the youth congregate and hold rap sessions (a rap session is a talking session, Ed.), beginning with singing, then sharing Christ with those who talk, have prayer, etc., until just before dark. On Saturday, June 26, a rally will be held, with special music and speaking. This rally will be from a platform in the park and will have the support of similar movements in the city, so it should be well attended." ●

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milton Hall, Editor

Sunday School Influence

"The business world looks at the teen-ager as big business. They feel that habits that are being formed now, by teen-agers, will influence tomorrow's market in the amount of 60 to 100 billion dollars. . . .

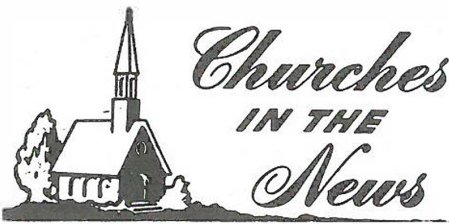
"After a 12-year study, Penn State concluded that teen-agers retain early-formed brand preference long after they marry and start housekeeping. Armour Meats feels that while youth are in their teens it is time to start building brand identification, confidence, and loyalty. More positive is the statement from *Television Age* indicating that brand preferences established in teen-age years will become 'unswitchable choices' for later years. Further, the *Journal of Applied Psychology* indicates that there is a high degree of youth loyalty toward brand names and 'it would appear that one's mind is made up early in life.'"—Dr. W. J. Hemphill, Ex. Dir. Nat. S.S. Assoc.

Modern advertising and production are aimed at influencing and supplying our young people with their desires. How wise were the words of Jesus when he said, "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light" (Luke 16:8). We need a jarring awakening to the fact that unless we reach and keep the younger generation NOW the proverbial "generation gap" will become their grave.

We are familiar with God's words, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." "It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth." "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." "From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." If we really hear these words and see the youth on the outside of our Sunday school we will do something NOW to show interest in them, to let them know we love them and to influence them with our hope and joy in the anticipation in the coming of Jesus Christ.

Provide a Sunday school class for each age group, even if there is only one pupil to start the class. Apply the Truth Seeker's lessons to meet their needs in facing everyday challenges of life. Let's let Jesus live in us that they may grow in their desire to let him live in them! Be a person of Jesus! ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 11-16—Tristate Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va., Kent and Cheryl Ross, guest workers.
- July 11-17—Minnesota Junior Camp, V. E. Kirkpatrick II, director, Long Lake.
- July 11-18—Maritime Conference & Bible School, Digby, Rachel Krogh, and Stan & Elna Ross, guest workers.
- July 12-18—Annual Missouri Conference at Fredericktown, Dean Moore, guest speaker.
- July 25-31—International Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 5-8—Iowa Conference, Waterloo.
- Aug. 9-14—General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Aug. 18-22—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb., T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.
- Aug. 27-29—Northeast Conference at Brush Creek (Ohio)
- Sept. 10-12—Minnesota Senior Berean Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Sept. 24-26—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Oct. 8-10—Northeast Youth Retreat at Dayton, Ohio
- Oct. 15, 16—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.

BAPTISM AT DAYTON, OHIO

On May 30, 1971, Joyce Lynn was baptized into the family of Christ as a public profession of her faith. We pray his name will be honored through her yielded life.

Rex Cain, pastor.

BAPTISM AT LOMBARD, ILL.

Mrs. Eula Friend joined the body of Christ on June 16, 1971, at the Lombard Community Church of God. We welcome her to the fold, and ask God's eternal blessing on her.

David Cheatwood, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mrs. Bonnie Walstrom, Mrs. Gloria Ellenberger, and her daughter, Jadean, were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins June 13, 1971. We rejoice with the angels of God over their decision, and welcome them into God's redeemed family.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PEORIA, ILL.

Faith Chapel Church of God at East Peoria, Ill., recently witnessed the baptisms of Susan Salzman, Randy Gibbs, and Elizabeth Beach. Each one of them is growing in the Lord.

Don Hightower, pastor.

QUARTERLY CHANGES

Users of Truth Seeker's Quarterlies are reminded of the changes in the quarters. The quarterlies now in use are for July and August only, and the new fall quarter starts September first. Those on the "continuous order plan" will receive their quarterlies as usual. Those who order their materials each quarter are reminded that orders must be in by July 15, to insure prompt delivery for the fall quarter.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Tempe Church, Ariz.
Joe Gyorgyi, Supt, 1426 E Downing St, Mesa 85203

Phoenix Church, Ariz.
James Thurston, Supt, 4210 W Vogel Ln, Phoenix 85021

Macomb Church, Ill.
Mrs Kevin Dean, Sec, 2-213 Lamoine Village, Macomb 61455

Church of God Minister
Hall, M Ray, 632 Duncan Av, Modesto, CA 95354 Ph 209-522-2179

ACCEPT PASTORATES

Bro. Roger Denchfield, who has been pastor at Koszta, Ia., has accepted the pastorate of the Hillisburg, Ind., church, beginning September 1.

Bro. Delbert Rankin, who graduated from Oregon Bible College this spring, has accepted the pastorate at Koszta, Ia., effective September 1.

RESIGNS PASTORATE

Bro. Dale Ward has resigned the pastorate at L'Anse, Mich., effective the last of August. He will be available for another pastorate September first. Contact him at 430 Broad St., L'Anse, Mich. 49946, or phone 906-524-6534.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the 29-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. W. T. Grissom, and Susan Boylen.

BAPTISMS AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

Cindy Hughes and David Stephenson went forward at Southeast Youth Camp, and were baptized June 20, 1971, at their home church. We welcome them into the local church, and into the Church of God at large.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

RING-SANDIFER

On June 19, 1971, at the Church of God, Oregon, Ill., Miss Linda Ring and Mr. Monte Sandifer were united in marriage by the writer. Linda is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ring of Oregon. Monte is a son of Clara Sandifer of West Milton, Ohio, and has just completed his alternate service. The couple will reside at Ashton, Ill. May God bless their home.

T. M. Ferrell.



MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL Number 26

Hope Chapel Church of God Columbus, Ohio

A small group of Church of God members in the city of Columbus, Ohio, organized the Hope Chapel Church of God in 1968. Services were conducted in an upstairs hall on Broad Street by Bro. Fred Pensyl and area Church of God pastors.

In November, 1970, the congregation purchased this building at 1007 Midland Ave. It is 38 feet by 90 feet, and seats 120 people. There are five classrooms and a pastor's study. There

are thirty-two members. C. F. Pryor is pastor.

Mission Builders Appeal Number 26 is in the mail to all members of the League.

If you are not now a Mission Builder, and agree to send at least \$5.00 for each appeal (two per year), we urge you to enroll now.

NEW MISSION BUILDERS

- 725. Modesto Church
- 726. Dessa M. Copeland
- 727. Norma Davis
- 728. Mr. & Mrs. Roland Dahms
- 729. Mr. & Mrs. Jack Allspaw
- 730. Anna Mae Bollin
- 731. Glad Tidings Youth, Dayton
- 732. Mr. & Mrs. Dennis J. Baldwin
- 733. Mr. & Mrs. Joe James
- 734. Mrs. J. F. Paustian
- 735. Mr. & Mrs. Lester O. Cooper
- 736. Mr. & Mrs. Ivan Bryant
- 737. Mr. & Mrs. A. Morczek
- 738. Mr. & Mrs. Leo Tawney
- 739. Clair Rice

Please enroll me in the Mission Builders League.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, & Zip _____

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EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

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one for Junior Tamil children, and one class especially for non-Christian children. The last day of the school there was a special social gathering for the children and the staff. On Sunday the 23rd, after morning worship prizes and certificates were distributed for regular attendance and other things, and small gifts were presented to the non-Christian children for encouragement.

On May 10, one of the preachers who has been taking the special training classes given by Bro. Manohar was married to one of the church members.

Trouble in the Philippine Islands

We quote from Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero's most recent report, received June 16, 1971. "The churches at Minagbag, Quezon, Villaros, and Cordon are in trouble with the Huks. The Huks are a group of armed men, Communist sympathizers, who wanted a bloody revolution to overthrow the democratic government of the Philippines. They are very active in Isabela where our churches are located. People against the Huks are being robbed and killed. Bro. Dominador Lopez of the former Abut church

was shot to death and beheaded. Two people of Quezon were kidnapped and killed. Bro. Ancheta of the Minagbag church was robbed of his three work animals, carabaos. Bro. Insturo Magno and Bro. Rudencio Luzano of the Villaros church are wondering and fearing why some of their neighbors who are against the Huks are one by one disappearing. There are reports that they are being liquidated by the Huks. Bro. Eleodoro Javar came to the office of Bro. Ortiguero relating his short experience with the Huks during the Huks' meeting with the people in Cordon. Bro. Javar had a heated discussion with the Huks concerning the 'no God' doctrine of the Huks. Bro. Javar is fearing he might be marked by the Huks for liquidation." Pray earnestly for these brethren that God will protect them and keep them during this time of persecution.

HOLT - BURCHETT

In a double-ring ceremony held June 5, 1971, at the Guthrie Grove Church of God near Pelzer, S.C., Brenda Holt and Robert Taylor Burchett were united in marriage by the writer. Brenda is a member at Guthrie Grove, and the new couple will be at home in Greenville, S.C. Kenneth Milne, 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.

NO AUGUST ISSUE

Our readers are reminded that there will be no Progress Journal published in the month of August.

NEW TRACT AVAILABLE

"Do you ever think about God?" is the title of a new evangelistic-type tract published by the General Conference. It is a beautifully printed twelve-page tract containing God's plan of salvation written in an interesting and provocative manner. These are available from The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, at 50¢ per dozen or \$3.00 per hundred, postage paid when payment accompanies the order.

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.

Doris Reye	10.00
Hope Chapel BYF, S Bend	135.00
Dennis Brown	12.00
Deirdre Daley	3.00
Pam Heintz	12.00
Ann Onymous	100.00
Rochelle Church	26.00
Troy View Bereans	3.00
Tempe Faith Promise	500.00
East Oregon BYF	28.45
Litchfield Bereans	10.00
Mr & Mrs Kenneth Vancil	500.00
Fort Valley BYF	55.00
Brush Cr Gospel Gleaners	5.00
David Onderdonk	8.00
Maurertown Church	23.00
Mr & Mrs Ellsworth Zizert	10.00
Iris Kirkley	10.00
Mr & Mrs Russel Thoms	10.00
Eunice Pearson	10.00
Oregon SS	5.60
Glad Tidings Youth	10.00
New Hope Church	20.00
Mr & Mrs Rex Cain	5.00
Garden Park Church	124.98
Hope Chapel, Ark City	150.00
Mr & Mrs Vernon Chaplin	50.00
Terri Huddlestun	4.00
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	15.00
Mr & Mrs W T Tierney	55.00
Mr & Mrs Waldon Winner	25.00
Mary Krogh	8.00
Mr & Mrs David Johnson	10.00
Denise Pearson	3.00
OBC Walkers	140.64
Jean Hale	10.00
Pennellwood Church	170.69
Lombard Dorcas	50.00
Anonymous	10.00
Oregon Junior Bereans	23.35
Oregon Church	77.16
Garden Park Youth	130.15
Pennellwood Miss Soc	115.00
Southlawn Church	206.01

Pomona Church	65.11
Anonymous	50.00
E Alan Boyer	5.00
Ruth Nichols	15.00
Michigan State Conf	57.14
Illinois State Conf	50.00
Joyce Knapp	30.00
Litchfield Church	34.93
Mr & Mrs Martin Miller	20.00
Brush Creek Church	186.18
Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00
Clair Rice	35.00
Paul Overholser	25.00
Northeast Conference	430.00
Virda Sitler	5.00
Edith Eades	33.00
Mr & Mrs Doyle Ward	5.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00
Everett S Rogers	35.00
Fonhill SS	16.61
Macomb Miss Soc	20.00
Doris Richmond	20.00
Ripley Miss Soc	45.00
Modesto Bible Church	18.06
Macomb Church	78.39
Digby Church	64.00
Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	55.00
Lila Guiles	10.00
Alice Bassett	10.00
Brush Cr Sewing Circle	35.00
Mr & Mrs R K Smith	30.00
Hope Chapel Miss, S Bend	65.00
Hope Chapel, So Bend	38.74
Faye Richardson	12.00
Lombard Comm Church	69.93
Jack & Joy Sutfin	4.00
Lawrenceville Miss Soc	3.15
Lawrenceville Church	221.46
Beaumont Church	150.00
Litchfield SS	15.58
A Canadian Friend	5.00
Mr & Mrs Alden Palmer	20.00
Blanchard Church	67.68
Robert Klindt	20.00
Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	55.00
Mabell Bell	5.00
Mr & Mrs Robert L Jones	10.00
Kokomo SS	31.32
Linda Burns	5.00
Faith Chapel, Peoria	58.00
Louisiana Contributor	66.00
Bedford Church	22.80
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00
Troy View BYF	41.91
Happy Woods Church	65.32

Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	60.00
Shilah Richmond	78.00
Mr & Mrs C Ballentine	30.00
Glad Tidings, Fonhill	99.54
Fremont SS	14.70
Anne Weyrauch	25.00
Mr & Mrs Herbert Stadden	20.00
Cora Siple	10.00
Mr & Mrs L F Slocum	100.00
Mr & Mrs D Cheatwood	20.00
Minnesota Miss Soc	50.00
Mr & Mrs C E Randall	25.00
Shelly Gaspar	12.00
Don Anderson	12.00
Michael Brown	3.00
Fonhill Miss Soc	92.61
Fonhill Dorcas	5.00
Bible Church, Tempe	248.38
Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	200.00
Paul McCaw	12.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	40.00
Linda Jones	5.00
John Carr	45.00
Troy View Church	48.10
Rachel Krogh	60.00
Felida Church	2.70
Mrs C C Fuson	5.00
Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00
Olive Deck	10.00
Cecil Smead	30.00
Elaine Magaw	28.00
Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	50.00
Mr & Mrs J Arthur Johnson	20.00
Mike Berry	5.00
Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00
Fremont Church	41.00
Mr & Mrs Geo DeForest	20.00
Mr & Mrs Jerry Seebach	6.00
Maurertown Church	62.98
Anonymous	100.00
Southwest Conference	73.85
Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Indiana State Conference	45.00
Blanchard Miss Soc	15.00
Dorothy Siple	25.00
Mr & Mrs J R Jewell	25.00
Anonymous	7.00
Frank Perkins	3.00

Maurertown Dorcas Soc	10.00
Salem Church	7.25
Howard & Shala Hamilton	25.00
Eternal Hope Church	46.44
Becky Barnhill	30.00
Mr & Mrs James Ashley	10.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	25.00
Mark Ryan	100.00
Mary Jo Brewer	19.25
Tempe Dorcas Society	5.00
Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	55.00
Vicki Johnson	7.00
Mr & Mrs Mike Mattison	10.00
G Anonymous	150.00
Josephine Kennedy	12.00
Mr & Mrs Dwight Pestle	50.00
Alfred Anthon	50.00
Mrs F L Austin	12.00
Pomona Dorcas Society	30.00
Hector Bible School	26.13
David Zizert	2.00
Macomb SS	20.71
Raymore Church	15.00
La State Conference	130.25
Leva Missman	25.00
Connie Ross	15.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	25.00
Oregon Contributor	1.00
Marjorie Bolhous	30.00
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Ripley SS	7.00
Cool Spring SS	17.68
Annie Mills	5.00
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Nothing But Leaves

By the Editor

A BEAUTIFUL and meaningful song is the well-known duet, "Nothing but Leaves." It is based on an incident during the last week of Jesus' earthly ministry.

As you recall, Jesus entered in triumph into Jerusalem on what is called "Palm Sunday." According to Mark's account, he went out to Bethany that night with the twelve. "On the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: and seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found *nothing but leaves*" (11:12, 13). As a result Jesus cursed the fig tree, and the disciples later observed that it had dried up, or withered.

Israel, a Fruitless Fig

That the leafy, but fruitless, fig tree referred to Israel is quite plain. First of all, the fig tree represented Israel in other portions of Scripture. Most notable is Matthew 24:32-34 where the Parable of the Fig Tree was uttered by Jesus. He said the budding of the fig tree indicated the coming of summer; meaning that the stirring and restoration of national Israel would be a sign that Jesus' second coming and Kingdom were near. God referred to Israel as "my fig tree" in Joel 1:7.

It is immediately following the incident regarding the cursing of the fig tree that Jesus told the parable of the man who let out his vineyard to husbandmen and went into a far country. When harvest time came he sent his servants to receive the fruit that was his. But, as you remember, the husbandmen beat, stoned, and killed the servants that were sent, and

finally killed the owner's son. Plainly, this is referring to Israel. As Jesus could find no fruit on the fig tree—Israel, so God received no fruit from his vineyard—Israel. (Matt. 21:33-45.)

The result in both instances was the temporary setting aside of Israel while God chose to work with the called out ones of the Gentiles—"a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof" (v. 43). So, the Church of God is the new vineyard of God, the new fig tree for this age. We were not a people, but now we are. (1 Pet. 2:9, 10.)

Not Ornamentals

A horticulturist plants trees for fruit or beauty; the latter being called "ornamentals." It is a happy combination when a tree looks pretty *and* bears fruit! But, God is interested in our bearing fruit to his glory.

How can we bear fruit for God? Jesus said the branches cannot bear fruit by themselves, that is, cut off from the main stem. So he said, "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, . . . no more can ye, except ye abide in me" (John 15:4). It is by our abiding in Christ, allowing his words and love to abide in us, that we can glorify God by bringing forth fruit. "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear *much* fruit; so shall ye be my disciples [followers]" (v. 8). Our fruit unto holiness begins when we are made free from sin at baptism, and become servants of God. (Rom. 6:22.) It is by personal conformity to God's will that we can bear fruit—prove that we are not mere ornamentals, or all show.

We are not only to bring forth the fruits of the spirit in our lives, but we are to gain others for God through his Word. The one-talent man in the parable was not condemned because he had but one talent, but because he used his efforts in burying it, instead of gaining others through it. God has promised that his Word will not return unto him void. (Isa. 55:11.) We must teach and preach it faithfully, so it can do the work of multiplying.

We Can Become Unfruitful

As the Parable of the Sower indicates, the true seed—Word of God—can be sown in our lives, we can receive it with an honest heart, and it can begin to grow, but we still might not bear fruit. Jesus said, "He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and *he becometh unfruitful*" (Matt. 13:22). We dare not allow this to happen! We must constantly allow ourselves to be fed and nourished through God's Word, and pruned and trained by its precepts.

Jesus is Coming!

Jesus is coming again to inspect and receive fruit from the branches of his planting. What will he find when he comes to us? Nothing but leaves? It will not be those who say "Lord, Lord," that will enter the Kingdom, but those who have his Word, and are bearing fruit. Let's add to our faith, that we "shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 1:5-8)! ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary

Fifty-First Annual General Conference

The Fifty-First Annual Church of God General Conference was held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 9 to 14, 1971. Approximately five hundred were in attendance. The evening messages were inspiring, the classes and seminars enlightening, and overall the conference was one of unity and fellowship throughout the week.

The new members of the Board of Directors elected by the delegates are Harold Doan, Los Angeles, Calif.; and John Huston, West Milton, Ohio. The Board of Directors organized with the following officers: Harold Doan, chairman; Charles Knapp, vice chairman; C. Jesse Pestle, secretary; Wayne Laning, treasurer; and Paul Shaw, Joe James, and John Huston, directors.

The terms of office of William D. Lawrence and Dean Urish expired. These two men are to be commended for their dedicated service during their three years of office.

A special thanks should go to each speaker, teacher, song leader, and to every person who took any part, as the cooperation of many people is needed to make a successful General Conference.

The minutes of the business sessions will appear in the October issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Board of Education

Bro. Joseph Fletcher of Burke, Va., was appointed by the Board of Directors to a two-year term, and Bro. Dallas Demmitt was reappointed to a like term on the Oregon Bible College Board of Education. Vernis Wolfe and Robert Johnson are holdover members, and Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, is automatically chairman and a member of the board. We express our thanks to Sr. Ruth Overholser for her many years of faithful service on this board.

Home Missions Study Books

Presented to the delegates were eight sets of lessons, in lesson or outline form, which have been written especially for home Bible study courses. They may be used in midweek or special classes, also, but are well adapted to group study in the home.

One set of ten lessons entitled "How to Enjoy an

Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life," dealing with a deeper prayer life, is already in printed form and available through the Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061 at fifty cents per set. The others are in mimeograph form and are available at twenty cents each. They, too, will be in printed form after January 1, 1972. The titles of these are: "Living Lessons," "Bible Panorama," "Prophecy," "Science and the Bible," "What is the Holy Spirit?" "Especially for Youth," and "Catechism."

Phoenix Property Sold

The office building in Phoenix, Ariz., donated by the William Lawrence family several months ago, has been sold. The payments that will be made to the General Conference over the next twenty years will be directed into a fund for special mission purposes.

Again we are reminded that the donation of property which has increased in value since purchase is profitable to the donor as well as to the recipient, the Church of God General Conference. The General Conference is prepared to counsel individuals who may desire to investigate this type of donation.

Conference Finances

We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the members for their splendid response to the needs. More than \$5,000 was received in reply to the membership letter sent out in late June; \$6,000.00 has been paid off on the bank loan.

The Goals for Giving to August 15 have been amply met. Praise God! May his blessings continue with each one. We do continue to covet your prayers and concern for all the work of the Church of God General Conference.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

\$105,000.00

Goal July 1-August 15	\$16,222.00
Given July 1-August 15	\$23,858.00
Needs August 15-September 31	\$13,125.00

Goals by September 30, \$13,125.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

Rachel Krogh



Maritime Conference

July 11-18, 1971, the fourth annual Maritime Conference and Bible School was held at Lighthouse Church of God, Digby, Nova Scotia. During the week Bible school for all ages was held from 9:45 to 1:30, with each one bringing a sack lunch. Average attendance for the week was 112. Every morning Bro. Raymond Brown made two trips with the van to different areas to pick up children and adults, and one morning thirty-seven people came in one load!

Each evening before the service, members gathered for prayer. Bro. S. O. Ross delivered messages from God's Word in keeping with the theme of the conference, which was "Faith and Prayer." One evening slides of our mission work around the world were shown, and another evening Bro. Merle Patrick spoke on giving. The last night of the week many gathered for the Bible school program.

The young people had special activities each evening after the service. They had worked hard for months preceding Youth Conference to earn money so eleven of them could attend the Conference.

The first Sunday of the Maritime Conference the record attendance of 104 for Sunday school (set in April) was broken with 106 present. On the last Sunday we were thankful that fourteen persons were immersed into Christ. May the Lord bless them.

Sr. Eunice Pearson has been in Digby since June, and likes it very much. She will be a big help to the Browns as she works with the Lighthouse brethren.

We enjoyed the time spent in Nova Scotia becoming acquainted and working with the people. We commend the Browns for their work, and pray the Lord's continued blessing upon them and the brethren.

News From the Middle East

June 11-18 a series of studies from God's Word was held in Beirut, Lebanon, with an average of 68 persons attending the evening meetings. The first Church of God vacation Bible school in Beirut was held the following two weeks with 160 children.

Bro. Shaker Iskander is getting along well and spent some time in Lebanon with the Sunna'a family at the time of their summer camp in July and August.

In July Bro. Sunna'a wrote, "Our meetings here in the church of Beirut, and the meetings in the mission station in Tripoli, Lebanon, are going so fine even

though we are in the summertime and most of the people are on the mountains at this time of the year."

Two men were recently baptized into Christ. They are brothers, Philip and Hani Bakaron. Pray for them.

The Lebanese government has ordered that all recognized churches must have their own buildings before April, 1972, or they will be closed and their permits cancelled. Bro. Sunna'a asks that we remember them in prayer as they seek to solve this problem.

Changes in Mexico

For several years Sr. Alice Aldrich has been our only American missionary working in Mexico, and the Mission Board has been concerned about her being there by herself. Since the fall of 1969, Sr. Aurelia Alvarez, a young widow, has been living with Alice, but she was married this past summer and is living in another city.

The need for male leadership in the Mexican work has been felt for some time because of the culture of the country and for an effective work with the men and the young people.

For these reasons the Mission Board has decided that it is best for Sr. Aldrich to come back to the U.S. by the end of this year. The work in Mexico will continue with the national worker, Bro. Francisco Martinez, in charge.

We have appreciated very much the fine work Sr. Aldrich has done in the past years and commend her for her faithfulness in serving in this field.

We are interested in hearing from married couples who would like to work in Mexico.

Nigeria News

Our work in Nigeria is no longer under the direction of A. A. Obot, but is being headed by the three men who were here, Ephraim Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obot. We are sending each \$50 per month.

The men have been working with some people in the capital city of Lagos, and with others who have been corresponding with us and are interested in becoming members of the Church of God.

We are thankful that seven persons at the Ediene No. 1 Church have accepted Christ and were baptized in July. Pray for these new Christians.

We were sorry that the wife of Bro. Ephraim has suffered an attack of malaria and that their six-year-old son has epilepsy. Pray for them.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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

New Year

On September 1 the fall semester started at Oregon Bible College. The following instructors will be teaching subjects in the Bible, theology, pastoral studies, missions, communications, and music.

John Lewis will be teaching New Testament I, Bible Survey, Preaching I, and Pastoral Work. Eugene Stilson will be teaching Biblical Hermeneutics, Bible Geography, English I, Christian Education of Youth, Greek, and Christian Education Field Work. Francis Burnett will be teaching Old Testament I, Isaiah, and Old Testament Wisdom Literature. Dale Ramsey will teach Introduction to Music, Choir, and Chorale. Stanley Ross will teach History and Survey of Missions, and Rachel Krogh will teach a three-hour Spanish course.

On this page you will find a rationale for some of these courses. The Oregon Bible College curriculum is planned to be directly applicable to the needs and plans of the Church of God General Conference.

New Students

At the summer Youth Conference more than forty young people indicated that they plan to attend Oregon Bible College. We are thankful to the Lord for the interest and dedication of the Church of God young people.

Spanish

The Spanish class taught at Oregon Bible College acquaints the student with the basic fundamentals of Spanish grammar and conversation. He learns to read and write simple compositions and to understand and speak easy conversational Spanish.

Spanish is a beautiful language and one that is relatively easy for English-speaking people to learn. It is of special interest to Church of God people because of our mission work in Mexico.

Because Oregon Bible College seeks to help in the training of missionaries for the Lord's service, Spanish is a valuable course in the curriculum. There are many countries where this language is spoken in which we have no missionary work. All of Central America and South America (with the exception of Brazil) use the Spanish language, and the need is great for missionary workers in these places. More workers are needed, too, in Mexico. Even if a person were to go to a country where he had to learn another language, his study of Spanish would be a help to him.

We are glad we are able to offer Spanish to the student as a part of his Bible college education.

—Rachel Krogh.

Old Testament I

Old Testament I is a study of the first five books of the Bible. These are called by two names: 1) the Books of the Law, 2) the Pentateuch. The beginning of this course is given to a detailed study of the creation and the covenant made with Abraham. Special emphasis is made of the first twelve chapters of Genesis.

From Genesis twelve on through the rest of the Books of the Law, generally, equal time is given to all events that are recorded. Such incidents as the Passover, the giving of the law at Sinai, the wilderness journey, the numbering, and several other items are noted with care to make sure the student has an understanding of what is recorded.

There is much history in these books, but the doctrinal teaching is not to be overlooked. The covenants with Noah, Abraham, and others (Isaac, Jacob, and Israel) are very important.

What is most important, in our opinion, is to show the greatness of God. His mighty power is revealed over and over again. He is the same God that we serve today.—*Francis Burnett.*

Bible Geography

Bible Geography is one of the basic tool courses for the Bible student. The purpose of the course is to gain knowledge of the people, and places connected with Bible events. This would include topics such as family life, occupations, economy, education, and religion. We will start with an overall view of the physical features of the Mediterranean Sea and the shores of Europe, Asia, and Africa. Then we will see the interaction between the great civilizations of Egypt, Babylon, Greece, and Rome. Against this general setting we will view the land of Palestine, and trace the journeys of persons such as Moses and Paul. Special emphasis this year will be given to New Testament backgrounds. Our textbook will be *New Testament Times* by Merrill C. Tenney. This will be supplemented with atlases, history sources, and slides from the library. In the course skills will be developed in reading maps, and using history source materials. In later Bible courses the skills acquired are applied in studying the background of events.—*Eugene Stilson.*

BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

Largest Youth Conference Ever Held

When all had arrived and were enrolled for the 1971 Berean Youth Conference, the total number of campers was 308. The 1967 enrollment was 302, which included the eighth grade. They came from all corners of North America—15 from the Southwest and 11 from Digby, Nova Scotia. A staff of 45 enthusiastic, energetic men and women were on hand to teach classes, lead workshops, and direct other activities.

Conference Giving Exceeded Goal

At the beginning of the week, the Advisory Council set a goal of \$1,200.00 for the week. Offerings were received each night and at the Communion service on Saturday morning. A total of \$1,412.17 was given in the six offerings—an average of \$4.00 from each one in attendance. It is a thrill to see the interest of the young people and their desire to serve. They still need approximately \$4,000.00 to meet the budget for this year. They will be trying to accomplish this by September 25.

Thirty-One Confessed Jesus as Saviour

On Friday night at the close of the worship service, the gospel invitation was given. A total of thirty-one stepped out and gave witness before the entire Youth Conference of their desire to accept Jesus as their personal Saviour. Fourteen were baptized in Lake Waubee Friday night and one on Saturday morning. The others returned to their respective homes and churches to have their pastors assist them in this wonderful decision.

Quiz Team Champions

Nine teams entered the play-offs; they were: Northeast, Southeast, Southwest, Digby, Michigan, Louisiana, Tri-state, Illinois, and Iowa. Each team plays in a double elimination process which gives all a fair chance. Michigan and Louisiana were finalists for the championship game. Louisiana had one loss and Michigan none. Michigan won the championship game. Congratulations to all who took part in winning in Bible knowledge.

Youth Week—October 18-24

We know that with most of you Youth Week has become a definite part of your church program. For this we thank you. This is only one part of the program entered into by the young people. ●

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOPE

E. Milton Hall, Editor

OPPORTUNITIES

It is said that opportunity "knocks." Today it is "POUNDING."

The youth of today are pounding the streets in rebellion and yet in search of something real. The Sunday school knows the Real Person of whom they are in need. Today's generation is pounding and bombarding the establishment to either abdicate or produce a worthy cause—your Sunday school knows the real cause. Youth are pounding to know why we are here; again, your Sunday school has the answer.

Lawrence Young, president of Cloister Press, said, "The Sunday school is the one institution, now existing which can best help solve the crime and violence problem in America." Talk about opportunity pounding! If we do not respond, our opportunities will pound us into nonexistence.

The Sunday school has:

THE GREATEST MESSAGE—THE GOSPEL;
THE GREATEST AUDIENCE—SEARCHING SOULS;
THE GREATEST ORGANIZATION—GRADED MATERIAL, CLASSES, PLUS FULL-WEEK OUT-REACH;
THE GREATEST TEXTBOOK—THE BIBLE;
THE GREATEST PERSON—JESUS CHRIST;
THE GREATEST HOPE—THE ETERNAL KINGDOM.

Every pound of the youth of this generation, of resentment or rebellion, has an answer in your Sunday school. Our challenge is to recognize our opportunities and take God's answers to those who are pounding.

Our opportunity is to teach, to reach, and to win. "The things that thou has heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2).

The Great Commission Jesus gave says, "While you are going, teach, baptize, and then keep on teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." We must bring these pounding opportunities to accept Jesus as the Son of God and their Saviour, to see him as the answer to all their problems.

Following the acceptance of Jesus as Saviour, we must continue to teach the observing of all his teachings as the way of life. This is the opportunity of your Sunday school. Pray for the vision to see the fields white unto harvest and to hear the pounding of opportunities in your community. ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



Churches IN THE News

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 10-12—Arkansas Family Retreat at Camp Bradford, Cleveland.
- Sept. 24-26—Minnesota Fall Conference, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley.
- Oct. 8-10—Northeast Youth Retreat at Dayton, Ohio.
- Oct. 15, 16—Illinois Fall Conference at Lombard Church.
- Oct. 15, 16—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Eden Valley, Minn.
- Oct. 16—Indiana quarterly conference, Hillisburg Church.
- Oct. 22, 23 — Adult Women's Retreat, Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind. Mrs. Koch, guest speaker.
- Oct. 22-24—Southwest Fall Conference at Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Ariz.
- Oct. 29, 30 — Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind. Dallas Demmitt, guest speaker.
- Nov. 14—Garden Park Church dedication, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- Nov. 26-Dec. 5—Fall Meeting, Brush Creek, Ohio, T. M. Ferrell, guest speaker.
- Jan 15, 1972—Indiana quarterly conference at Burr Oak Church.
- Aug. 14-19—1972 General Conference.

ADULT WOMEN'S RETREAT

There will be a Mrs. Koch to speak on the topic "Fascinating Womanhood" on Friday evening. She is a minister's wife and has led a series of discussions on this topic with other ministers' wives. Send enrollments, with \$10.00, to Mrs. Carol Schmidlapp, Rt. 2, Argos, Ind. 46501.

MEN'S RETREAT

The third annual Men's Retreat will be held at Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind., October 29, 30, 1971. Dallas Demmitt of Phoenix, Ariz., will be the guest speaker. The total fee will be \$10.00. Write to Don Overmyer, 1405 Walton, LaPorte, Ind. 46350, for reservation.

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD Minneapolis, Minnesota

Converted to Christ during the National Youth Caravan, and baptized into the body of Christ on July 8, 1971, was Tony Salvo. He rejoices in the new life he has found.

Allen Hartman was killed in an automobile accident on June 29, 1971. An alumni of OBC, having attended for two years, he was returning from witnessing about the claims of Christ to a young man he had met the week before. Allen rests, awaiting his Master's second coming.

Don Needham, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT BURR OAK, INDIANA

Two young people, Alane Schmidlapp and Walter Bradley, were immersed by the writer at Lake Maxinkuckee near Culver on June 20, 1971. May they be blessed in following the Master's example. Ellsworth Routson, pastor.

IMMERSION AT HOPE CHAPEL South Bend, Indiana

On May 23, 1971, Connie Lynn DeBoe was immersed in Jesus Christ for remission of sins, and a new life. She joins her mother and grandmother in this new kinship with Jesus. May it last forever. Austin Railton, pastor.

BAPTISM AT FORT VALLEY, VA.

July 18, 1971, Johnny Coverstone, son of Garnett and Alva Coverstone, Waterlick, Va., was baptized into Christ for the remission of sins. Johnny had come forward the Sunday before, upon an invitation of Bro. Kent Ross, guest speaker for the Virginia Conference. This brings the whole family into Christ.

James Mattison, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TROY VIEW CHURCH Troy, Ohio

The Troy View Church of God rejoices at the decision of the following to accept Christ as their personal Saviour and be immersed in the waters of baptism: Marie Brewer, July 18; Nancy Mick and Melvin Hackett, July 25; Becky Haddix and Henry Schwier, July 30.

Scott Ross, pastor.

CHURCH OF GOD Fredericktown, Missouri

Eleven young people made a decision to accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour, at the Missouri State Youth Camp. They are: Mary Thomas, Kim Thomas, and Keyonne Welch, Watson, Ill.; Micah Wingo and Robin Wingo, Springfield, Mo.; Jeanette Fields, St. Louis, Mo.; Tony Conrad and Eileen Johns, Fredericktown, Mo.; Bruce Cooper and Kimberly Cooper, Potosi, Mo.; and David McKinney, Lawrence, Kan.

We feel that our camp this year was especially fortunate to have Bro. Michael Hale as guest speaker, teacher, and counselor. He gave an inspiring message to the young people on decision night.

Three young people (the first three on the list) were baptized at the camp by Bro. Joe Astolfi, pastor of the Morse Mill Church of God. The two from Springfield, Mo., decided to wait till their parents could be present. The others were baptized into the body of Christ for the remission of their sins on Sunday afternoon, June 27, 1971, by the writer. We then returned to the Fredericktown Church of God for a Communion service and to give these young people the right hand of fellowship into the body of Christ.

We are filled with gratitude and feel that we were really blessed by the Lord and felt his holy spirit working among us, as many shed tears of joy and happiness because of God's mercy and grace. It is our prayer that they may continue in the Faith. A. T. Johns, Pastor.

BAPTISM AT WHITNEL, N.C.

We are happy to announce the baptism of Arthur Jones on July 7, 1971, at the Whitnel Church. Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Louise Delap was baptized in the name of Jesus June 13, 1971. We rejoice with her in this meaningful decision based on her study of God's Word. May God's blessing rest upon her. John Hearp, pastor.

EDEN VALLEY, MINN., BAPTISMS

We are thankful to God for the following who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour and have been baptized as an indication of their new life in him. They were all baptized in Long Lake at the campground and have been received into the fellowship of the church.

Mrs. Luella Schmidt, Debra Lou Schmidt, Mary Kay Schmidt, Judith Noon, and Renae Sogge, Eden Valley 55329; Lori L. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Katherine Vanderbeek, Paynesville, Minn. 56362; Thomas Hamilton, Jeffrey Dean Hamilton, and Cheryl Lynn Hamilton, Box 28, Merro, Conn. 06253.

We at Eden Valley praise our Lord for these, and pray that God will keep each one faithful to himself until Jesus comes. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

Joy was shared by all in attendance at the baptism of four young people on June 30, 1971. They were: John Andrew, Peggy Dougherty, Cheri Herrell, and Kelly McCaw. On July 4, 1971, Matthew DeJesus was baptized. May God strengthen these babes in Christ.

Lee McQuinn, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT CLEVELAND, OHIO Golden Rule Church of God

During the past few months there have been a number of baptisms at the Golden Rule Church.

Miss Jeri Polzer was baptized on the afternoon of Friday, April 9, 1971. Jeri is a high school student, and very sincere and conscientious about her Christian faith.

On Tuesday, May 18, Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Davis were baptized into the name of Jesus. Their son Timothy (graduated from high school this spring) who was baptized approximately three years ago had done much to teach them his faith.

David Nagle and Richard Adelman were baptized on the evening of Sunday, June 20. Richard has returned to his post with the Air Force. David will remain in Cleveland and finish his college education. Both young men are in their early twenties.

Sylvia Daniel (Mrs. T. L. Daniel) was baptized following the worship service on Sunday morning, June 27. Sylvia is a middle-aged housewife.

These brethren have been received into full fellowship and active membership in Golden Rule Church of God. Their active interest in the work of the church, together with their manifest desire to learn more of the precious truths of the Scriptures, are an inspiration to all.

J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

HARLINGEN, TEXAS, BAPTISM

Several months ago the Harlingen Church of God built a new baptistry, and Sunday, August 15, 1971, we were happy to use it for the first time when Gale Williams was baptized into the saving name of Jesus. Gale is a sophomore in high school, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buryl Williams. We pray God's blessing upon her as a new child of God by faith in Christ Jesus. Harry Goekler, pastor.

CROSS TIMBERS, MISSOURI

The Jordan Church of God Bereans of Cross Timbers, Mo., entertained approximately fifty persons in our Independence Day celebration. We had homemade ice cream, with a fine display of fireworks afterwards.

Dale L. Brown, Berean president.

MACOMB CHURCH NEWS

Baptisms

Bob Mercer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mercer of Falls Church, Va., was immersed into the body of Christ June 27, 1971. Bob has been visiting with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mercer, during the summer.

Births

Krista Kay was born June 15, 1971, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Coghill. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hollenback.

Marriages

Lynn Pestle and Jacqueline Ross were united in marriage the evening of June 18, 1971.

Bible School News

Bible School was June 7-11. The theme was: "God Made All Things." Average attendance for the week was 100. The featured guest for the opening session was Lee Bryant, a blind piano tuner. He spoke to the children about reading by Braille. Each child received a card with the Braille alphabet. This coincided with the lesson for the day, God Created Light. Francis VeNard took films on Monday morning during Bible school. These were shown at the Bible school program. 160 attended the program.

Youth News

Slides were shown on June 9 of last year's Youth Camp at Camp Mack. This was followed by a prayer and devotion service. The evening was concluded with refreshments. June 11-13 was the Youth Retreat at a camp near Rushville, Ill. Workers from Macomb were Kenny and Beth Vancil and Larry and Janice Weaver. We had a good representation of 30 in attendance.

The Macomb Bereans write and publish a newspaper, the "Berean Beat."

The latter part of June Linda Hollenback joined the Youth Caravan. The members of this caravan witnessed for the Lord to people in downtown Minneapolis.

Youth attending summer conference had a campfire at Argle Lake following the Saturday evening service.

Illinois Conference

The Illinois Conference was held in Macomb June 25-27. Conference convened Friday evening with the Dixon Church in charge of the song service. The speaker was David Cheatwood. Milton Hall and Rolla Hightower had the opening session Saturday morning. Oral Miller was in charge of the youth hour. John Denchfield was in charge of mission hour. Don Hightower had devotions. Bernard Hightower led the Sunday school hour. Saturday evening speaker was Jack Hearp. The adult Sunday school class was taught by Bro. C. E. Randall, and speaker for the worship service was Dennis Baldwin.

We feel the summer conference was a good one regardless of the heat and fewer than usual in attendance. Bette Potts, reporter.

MARITIME CONFERENCE

The fourth Maritime Conference and Bible School were held July 16-18, 1971, at the Church of God in Digby, Nova Scotia. Special workers were Bro. and Sr. S. O. Ross, Sr. Connie Ross, Sr. Rachel Krogh and Bro. Merle Patrick.

The vacation Bible school directed by Sr. Krogh had an enrollment of 147, with an average attendance of 112.

The evening services conducted by Bro. Ross had an average attendance of 77. The conference services followed the theme of Faith and Prayer. Special events of the week included solos, chalk drawings, quartet, and special songs by a Negro group from Weymouth. Following each evening service the young people met for recreation.

The ministry of the special workers brought a great blessing to the church and community and we would like to extend them a heartfelt thank you.

Sunday, July 18, was the closing day of the Conference. At 2:30 p.m. at Johnston Christian Park, Porter's Lake, 14 were immersed in the water of baptism by Pastor Raymond Brown. May God continue to bless each one of them as they serve him. Those baptized were: Daphne Abbott, Deidre Daley, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrey Forrest, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Forrest, Mrs. Glen Forrest, Nance Lea Rice, Jeanette King, Mrs. Irene Sarty, Jack Sarty, Deborah Sarty, Betty Sarty, and Carl Thomas.

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Our congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine-lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Johanna Stockman, Mrs. Martha Sonstrom, Mrs. Wayne Johnson, Janet Crawford, Mrs. Kay Little, Mrs. Larry Gaskill, Mrs. Arnet Gutshall, and J. A. Ibuot Ekpo (Nigeria).



MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL Number 26

Hope Chapel Church of God Columbus, Ohio

A small group of Church of God members in the city of Columbus, Ohio, organized the Hope Chapel Church of God in 1968. Services were conducted in an upstairs hall on Broad Street by Bro. Fred Pensyl and area Church of God pastors.

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The Southwest Conference met at Camp Maranatha, in the village of Idyllwild, Cal. July 18-20, 1971, with over 100 present at the various sessions. It was decided to meet at this camp again in 1972, the Lord willing.

Ministers present and taking part were: Delbert Jones, Harold Doan, Ray Hall, Bob See, Lee McQuinn, Hollis Partlowe, Dallas Demmitt, and Gerald Cooper. President Hugh Harmon presided at the business sessions, and Gerald Graham was program chairman. The seminars, classes, sermons, and campfires were all interesting and inspirational. We believe God was glorified!

The Conference was followed by the Southwest Youth Camp, directed by Dallas Demmitt. Over 100 young people, and approximately 25 staff members were at this meeting.

The Fall Conference dates are set for October 22-24, at the Bible Church of God in Tempe, Ariz. This congregation joins with the Conference in urging all who can to attend this meeting. Gerald Cooper, reporter.

Sr. R. D. Stanton of Little Rock, Ark., informs that she is now a great-grandmother with the birth of Michal Abner to Mr. and Mrs. Abner Garner, July 28, 1971. Congratulations!

RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

Sr. Mildred Laning thanks the brethren for their prayers, cards, and letters during her recent surgery. She is home now, and feeling better.

Word was received of the death of Lawrence Robins of Fremont, Neb., on June 3, 1971. He was a member of the Ripley Church of God. Our prayers and sympathy are extended to his wife Mary, family, and friends.

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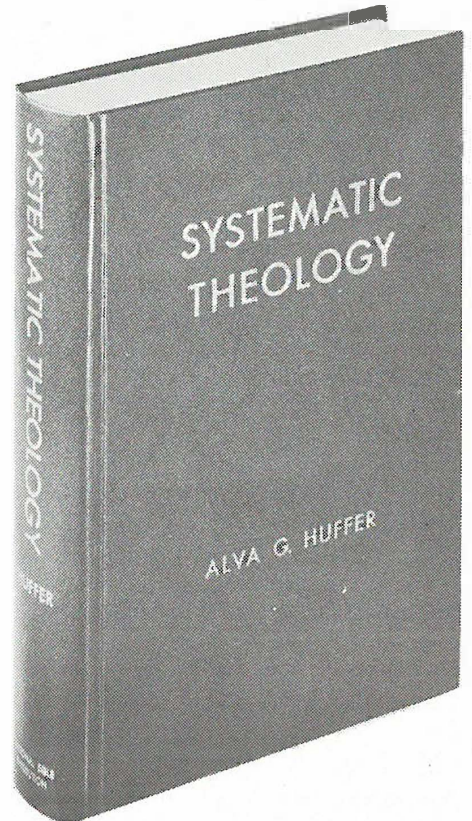
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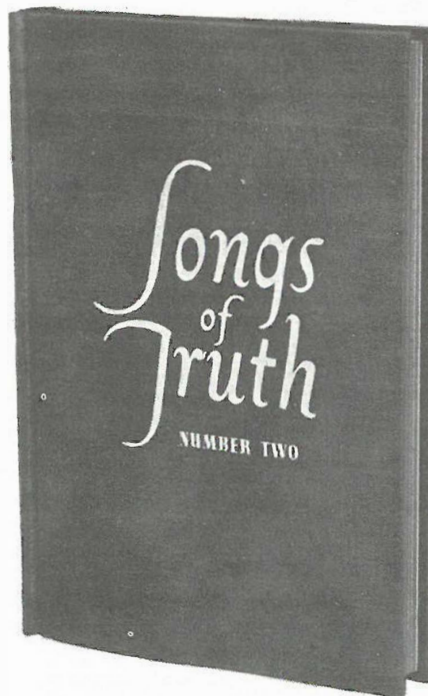
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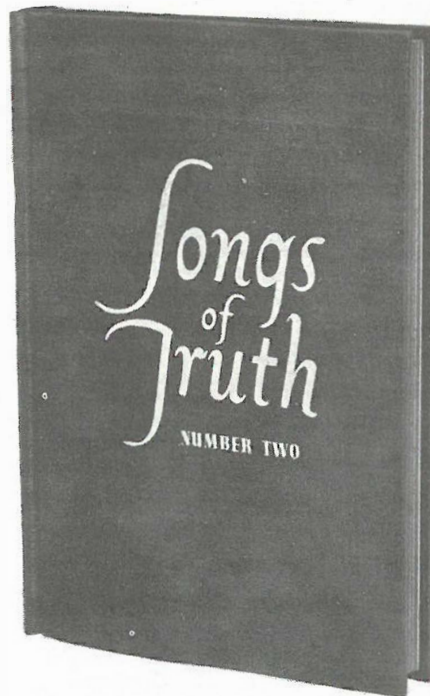


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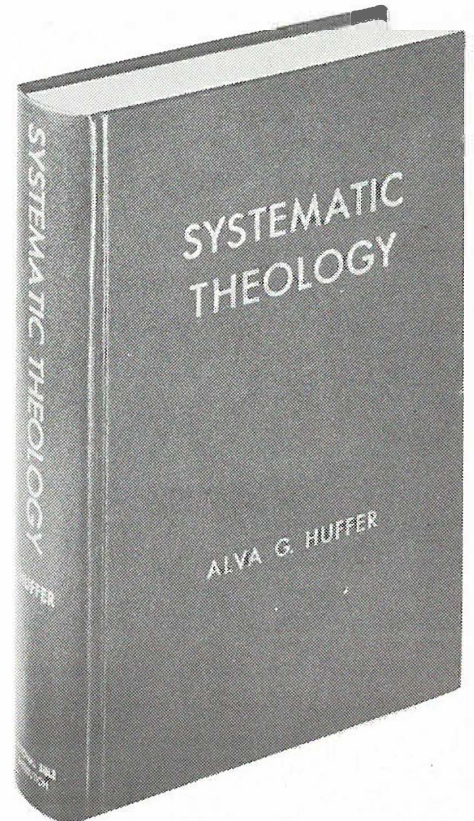
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LOLA W. McMINN

Lola W. McMinn of Asheville, N.C., died Thursday, July 8, 1971. He was born in Henderson County and was a member of Anderson Chapel Church of God, Hendersonville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Kate Neal McMinn; a daughter, Mrs. Awa Belle Huffer of Arizona; two sons, L. Kirkwood McMinn of Greenville, S.C., and Jack McMinn of Asheville; a stepson Col. Bruce Fisher, of Fayette, N.C.; two sisters, ten grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Anderson Chapel. Loie Jones officiated and the writer assisted. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery, Hendersonville. He sleeps to await the resurrection of the faithful. Kenneth Milne.

EDNA La FERN RAINEY

Edna La Fern Rainey of Norwalk, Cal., was born at Omaha, Neb., February 12, 1920, and died May 15, 1971. Left to mourn her death are her husband, John W. Rainey; a son Wesley W.; three grandchildren; a brother, and three sisters.

She was baptized at Omaha by Bro. Almus Adams. Graveside services were conducted by Bro. Robert See on May 20, with interment in Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, Cal., where she awaits the resurrection call. Sara See

ELTON L. RUHN

Elton L. Ruhn died of a heart attack on May 17, 1971, at the age of 59 years.

He is survived by his wife Jean, his son Steve, and his two little girls, Rebecca and Gina. He is also survived by four sisters: Vernice (Mrs. Leslie) Hamilton of Maple Lake, Minn.; Peg (Mrs. Stan) Ross of Oregon, Ill.; Marjorie (Mrs. Willard) Wood of Litchfield, Minn.; and Lois (Mrs. Andy) Allen of Litchfield.

Elton was head elder and long-time spiritual leader of the Litchfield Church of God. Truly we have lost a man of God.

He was laid to rest in the Ripley Cemetery. James Mickey.

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