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## Minutes of the 1972 General Conference

C. Jesse Pestle, Secretary

**D**ELEGATES of the Church of God General Conference gathered in the tabernacle of Riverview Park in Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Tuesday, August 15, 1972, for the first session of the 52nd annual meeting. Chairman Harold Doan called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked Bro. C. E. Randall to give the opening prayer. Sr. Ruth Overholser, head of the Credentials Committee, seated the delegates and gave necessary instructions. Delegate folders and pool expense forms (4¢ per mile for one car from each church) were distributed.

Approximately 30 delegates serving for the first time introduced themselves to the assembly. The Champion Community Church of God in Michigan was represented for the first time, and it was announced that the North Hills Church of God in Springfield, Ohio, would be organized next month. Past President, Leland Hanson was given special recognition by the Chairman.

After considering the Special Reports printed in *Progress Journal*, Charles Jones and J. Don Swartz moved that we receive the reports as printed. The motion carried.

Charles Knapp reported on activities of the Board of Directors during the past year relating the frequency of meetings and the fellowship enjoyed by those on this Board. He also stated that the Board meets with the various department heads regularly and with all others who request meetings.

Executive Secretary S. O. Ross reviewed the printed financial reports which included the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (totaling \$529,662.72 and \$65,656.07 respectively) and the State-

ment of Income and Expenses (totaling \$187,013.43 and \$173,917.57 respectively). These reports showed a gain of \$13,095.86 over the past 9 months. Delbert Jones and Russell Reye moved that we accept the financial reports as presented. The motion carried.

E. Milon Hall, speaking on behalf of the Sunday School Department, related the good response from recent seminars and stated that the Sunday school is a barometer of enthusiasm for the Church of God. Chairman Doan read recommendation number 1 regarding one full-time worker to be employed as Director of the Youth Department and the Sunday School Department, by September of 1973, but added that action would be delayed until the following day.

Scott Ross, Curtis Simpson, Robert Petry, and Iva Mae Holt were nominated for positions on the Sunday School Board. Scott Ross and Robert Petry were elected for 2-year terms. (Joyce Knapp and George Scott are the other elected members.)

S. O. Ross announced that 429 persons had registered as of 9 a.m., that the Oregon Bible College Alumni Banquet would be held Wednesday evening, that the Ministers' Voluntary Retirement Association meeting would be at 9 p.m., that it is very important for everyone to check out when leaving, and that a demonstration would be given at 3:30 today on how to use the newly printed booklet, *The Christian Family*.

The Chairman read a proposal submitted by Byron Jay and sponsored by the Glad Tidings Chapel at Dayton, Ohio, regarding the production of audiovisual aids especially tailored for Church of God

groups. This proposal would provide assistance to teachers in the various churches and Sunday schools, and would include a taped sermon ministry. After some discussion it was decided to refer this proposal to the Sunday School Board, the Board of Directors, and the Ministerial Association for further study.

There were 7 officers, 49 ministers, and 83 delegates present, making a total of 139, as compared to 137 last year. The meeting was recessed at 11:40 a.m. with prayer by Scott Ross.

### Wednesday, August 16

The second session of the 1972 Church of God General Conference was called to order by Chairman Doan on Wednesday morning. After the opening prayer by Delbert Jones, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Francis Burnett then reported on the Youth Department work. He related that this year's International Berean Youth Conference was one of the best, with 285 campers and 42 staff members present. Giving for the week totaled \$1,584. The Midwinter Post-High Retreat was very successful, but the Young Adult Retreat had to be canceled because only 9 registered. Bro. Burnett announced three future activities for the department: 1) an international Communion Sunday in November; 2) an international Prayer Day in March; and 3) an international Pen Pal Week. The Youth Director spoke at length about various publicity aids to announce and celebrate the 75th year of the Berean Youth work. The department plans to publish a History Book which will emphasize the youth work and cardinal doctrines of the Church of God

through the years, and a Berean Bible Study Book containing 52 lessons from past study books. It was suggested that a bulletin insert be available to the churches in addition to the bulletin covers. The Chairman commended Bro. Burnett for his work and the youth of today's church, approximately 40 of whom were present for the business session.

After the reading of recommendation number 1, J. Don Swartz and Joe James moved that this recommendation be adopted which reads: we recommend that one full-time worker be employed as the Director of the Youth Department and the Sunday School Department by September, 1973. S. O. Ross explained that at the present time Milon Hall is working 15 hours per week on Sunday school work in addition to his pastoral duties, and that Francis Burnett is working half time for the Youth Department and half time as College instructor.

Questions raised and discussed included the following: Would there be a job description for this person? What would be accomplished by combining the two positions? Are the two jobs compatible? Must we wait until 1973? Does the Board of Directors need delegate approval for such action? Would this be a temporary arrangement? and, Does the Board have anyone in mind for the position? The Executive Secretary spoke of the advantages of having one person handle the two jobs. George Scott and Jay Ramsey moved to amend the motion to read that *two* full-time workers be employed. The motion to amend carried and the motion as amended also carried. (This action was reconsidered on Thursday, and on Friday recommendation number 1 passed as originally proposed.)

Publishing Department information was given by Editor C. E. Randall. We are currently sending out 2400 *Restitution Heralds*, 4000 *Progress Journals*, and 1500 *Challenge* magazines each issue. It takes approximately 40 man-hours for mailing each issue of *The Herald* and about the same for the *Journal*. The Editor stated that total quarterly printing costs for the summer quarter of this year were \$3,915.27, and mentioned the several requests of other denominations for our literature. Bro. Randall said, "We have a message which God wants us to give to the world. We will become a wit-

nessing people through the greatest evangelistic arm we have—our literature." Brothers C. E. Randall and Paul Johnson were commended for their services in the Publishing Department.

After the reading of recommendation number 4, Joe James and Francis Burnett moved to accept this recommendation which reads: We recommend a "Literature Free in '73" Campaign. 1973 pounds of Church of God literature to be provided free of charge and that a planned distribution program be set up by the General Conference staff. The motion carried.

Cecil Smead and Joseph Fletcher moved the adoption of recommendation number 3 which reads: We recommend that all subscriptions to *The Restitution Herald* be extended for one year and that all members of the Church of God General Conference and all present *Herald* subscribers receive *The Restitution Herald* free for one year. Several spoke in favor of this recommendation. It was suggested that more information should accompany the printed recommendations. Several felt that local churches should begin planning now to support this program. Bro. Randall spoke of a planned financial program and expressed his confidence in the success of this recommendation. The question was called for and the motion passed.

The Credentials Committee reported 7 officers, 50 ministers, 85 delegates present with a total of 142, as compared with 135 last year. The closing prayer was given by Kent Ross.

### Thursday, August 17

The third delegate session of the 52nd annual meeting was called to order by its Chairman, Harold Doan, on Thursday morning, August 17, at 10:05. After the opening prayer by James Graham, a brief note of greeting was read from Sr. Evelyn Austin. Minutes of the Wednesday session were read and approved.

It was announced that the delegate expense pool this year amounted to \$53.99.

The Chairman informed the delegates that due to the recent resignation of Board Member Paul Shaw it was necessary to nominate and elect a third director. Results of the nominations were: John Hearp, Vernis Wolfe, and David Johnson for Director number 1; Dallas

Demmitt and Alton Shaw for Director number 2; and Robert Smith and Rex Cain for Director number 3. Positions number 1 and number 2 will be 3-year terms, whereas position number 3 will be for one year to complete Bro. Shaw's term. The election will take place Friday.

Rachel Krogh Carr, Superintendent of Missions, was called upon to report on the Foreign Mission work. She announced November 5 as Missionary Day and gave several ways to emphasize this day in the local churches. Mention was made also of prospective missionary worker forms and missionary interest survey sheets. Sr. Carr introduced the Raymond Brown family of Nova Scotia and they in turn spoke of the mission work there. Current information was also given on mission stations in Mexico, Israel, Nigeria, the Middle East, India, and the Philippines. Sr. Carr expressed thanks to the Mission Board and all present for the financial and prayer support of the General Conference mission program, and announced that S. O. Ross was to succeed her as Superintendent of Foreign Missions this month. Alva Huffer and Edward Goit moved that a rising vote of thanks be given to Rachel Krogh Carr in appreciation of her untiring work as Superintendent of Foreign Missions. Those present promptly stood and applauded in favor of the motion. The progress of the Nigerian work since Ephraim Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John J. Obot have returned was discussed briefly.

S. O. Ross, reporting on Home Missions, expressed his thanks to Warren Sorenson for assistance in this work. We hope to reach the goal of 1500 Mission Builder members by 1975. The Home Bible Study Course books have been a real blessing to many people. The visitation training seminars have been well received, and the team conducting such seminars is still available to churches. Bro. Ross expressed appreciation for passing the literature distribution recommendation and stated that C. E. Randall is being asked to head up this work. He also mentioned the shifting of responsibilities at the Conference offices resulting from the resignations of Rachel Carr and Mary Jo Brewer and the hiring of David Krogh as office manager and Sandy New as secretary. Six other Home Bible Study Courses in mimeographed form have not been printed be-

cause the demand has not been great enough.

Nominations were opened for the election of one Mission Board member, and Mardy Lawrence was nominated. There being no others, Joseph Fletcher and Willard Naylor moved that nominations be closed and that a ballot be cast for the election of Mardy Lawrence to the Mission Board for a four-year term. The motion carried. (Other members are: Lee McQuinn, Robert Hall, and Merle Patrick.)

Charles Pryor spoke on behalf of the Family Life Committee, relating its beginnings and purpose. The Committee, now composed of Charles and Lois Pryor, Dallas and Nancy Demmitt, and Bill and Mardy Lawrence, is offering Family Life Enrichment Seminars to the churches and has produced a study guide for small groups called, *The Christian Family*. Churches often think more of family duties toward the church than of church duties toward the family. The Chairman expressed his appreciation for this committee's continuing work and for the many volunteer workers of the Conference who devote many hours to the Lord's work.

Delbert Jones and Paul Moore moved that we reconsider the motion passed yesterday regarding recommendation number 1. After Bro. Jones stated that he now felt there were more pressing needs than hiring two full-time workers (one for Youth Department and one for the Sunday School Department), the motion to reconsider carried.

Delbert Jones and Joe James then moved to adopt recommendation number 1 as printed in *Progress Journal*—that one full-time worker be employed as the Director of the Youth Department and the Sunday School Department by September, 1973. Some spoke in favor of the original recommendation, while others expressed their disappointment. Figures of a recent Sunday school survey were used to show the present need for a full-time Sunday School Director. A proposed job description from the Sunday School Department was read.

Edward Goit and Cecil Smead moved to amend the recommendation to read—that two full-time workers be employed: one as a full-time Director of the Youth Department and one as full-time Director of the Sunday School Department by September, 1973. After considerable discussion James Graham and Lee McQuinn moved to table the motion and amendment until tomorrow. Motion carried.

The Credentials Committee reported 8 officers, 51 ministers, and 86 delegates present with a total of 145 as compared to 144 last year. The closing prayer was given by Michael Mattison.

### Friday, August 18

Chairman Harold Doan called to order the fourth session of the 1972 General Conference at 10 a.m. on Friday, August 18. Hollis Partlowe offered the opening prayer. Minutes of the Thursday business session were read and approved. Sr. Ruth Overholser gave special instructions to the delegates in preparation for the elections.

Those duly elected to the Board of Directors were: John Hearp and Dallas Demmitt for three-year terms and Robert Smith for one year to complete the unexpired term of Paul Shaw. During the noon hour the new Board of Directors (Dallas Demmitt, Harold Doan, John Hearp, John Huston, Joe James, Charles Knapp, and Robert Smith) met to elect officers. Those elected at that time were: Chairman Harold Doan, Vice-Chairman Charles Knapp, Secretary Joe James, and Treasurer Robert Smith. Immediately preceding the final business session the new Board was installed.

C. E. Randall spoke about copies of *The Restitution Herald* being available, and Dallas Demmitt spoke about the distribution and use of the group discussion booklet, *The Christian Family*, nearly 500 of which have been distributed at this Conference.

A show of hands revealed that 56 delegates would favor July 9-14 for next year's annual Conference and that 69 would favor August 13-18. This expression of preference will be considered when the Board of Directors makes the final arrangements.

Dr. Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, spoke at length on the beginnings, purpose, philosophy, and goals of the College. He related the progress being made in receiving state approval to operate as an institution of higher learning and to grant degrees to graduates. The President introduced members of the Board of Education, the College Staff, and those assisting in the internship program in Arizona. Vice-President John Lewis spoke regarding the operation of the College during the past year and stated that 41 are enrolled for the Fall Semester—20 of whom are freshmen. Sr. Mary Krogh will become women's dormitory director in September. Accomplishments of the music department under the

direction of Dale Ramsey were also related.

Dr. Huffer continued by explaining the College curriculum, by relating the six recommendations of the state visitation team, and by distributing a paper on the General Education requirements at Oregon Bible College. Thirty-two hours in General Education are to be required for graduation. Required courses not taught at the College must be acquired by the student from other accredited colleges or universities and transferred to Oregon Bible College. The student may either take the courses before coming, take them during the summer while attending, or take a part-time load from another school while attending Oregon Bible College.

In response to a question about the new women's dormitory, it was stated that we need to develop a program first and know how many girls will be attending. Various Bible courses were named which are currently being offered to freshmen. A question was raised about whether the emphasis is on General Education or on Bible Education, and whether or not we want for the College what the state requires. It was expressed that some areas are being neglected. The College President emphasized that the recommendations of the state visitation committee to improve Oregon Bible College were substantially the same goals established by the College years ago.

The Chairman announced that the new Board of Directors would meet on the platform after this session and that the final delegate session would begin at 2:15 p.m. There were 138 present (8 officers, 44 ministers, and 86 delegates) at the session and the same number at the corresponding session one year ago. John Lewis closed the session with prayer.

### Friday Afternoon, August 18

The final delegate business session of the 52nd annual General Conference was called to order by its Chairman at 1:50 p.m. on Friday. Stephen Bolhous gave the opening prayer.

Dr. Alva Huffer concluded his morning presentation on the College. Questions were raised about how much money has come in for the new women's dormitory and the capacity of the present dormitory. Money received for the new building is approximately \$8,000 and the present dorm capacity is 14 for the women. Chairman Doan thanked Dr. Huffer and his staff for all their work on behalf of Oregon Bible College.

The motion and amendment concerning recommendation number 1 were lifted from the table. The Chairman related the Board's thinking on this recommendation and told how most recommendations come to the Board of Directors. He spoke of Milon Hall's resignation as head of the Sunday School Department effective October 1 and of the fact that no personalities were directly involved in this issue. The Board believes that the part-time positions of Youth Director and Sunday School Director are compatible and that one person could handle the two jobs. The additional annual expense for two full-time employees would be between \$15,000 and \$20,000. S. O. Ross related there are currently twelve full-time and three part-time Conference employees.

Don Overmyer and Willard Naylor moved to amend the amendment to read that the Board of Directors be authorized to employ two full-time workers, as qualified personnel are available and as the faith of the Conference is evidenced in adequate giving. After some discussion the Chairman called this amendment to the amendment a substitute motion in actuality and later ruled it out of order. The amendment to recommendation number 1 which called for two full-time workers by September 1973 failed with 83 no and 34 yes ballots cast. The delegates were then instructed to cast ballots on the original recommendation number 1, which reads—that one full-time worker be employed as the Director of the Youth

Department and the Sunday School Department by September, 1973. The vote was 103 for the recommendation and 15 against (one extra vote cast). Edward Goit and Edward Bender moved to let the vote stand. The motion carried.

Announcement was made concerning pictures taken by Byron Jay during the Conference. It was reported that there were 100 children enrolled in the Conference Bible School under the direction of Doris Brown and Lois Pryor with an average attendance of 88 and a missionary offering totaling \$27.06.

Joseph Fletcher and Dallas Demmitt moved the adoption of recommendation number 2 which reads—that a person, committee, or group be selected to provide education concerning tithing throughout the churches of the Church of God General Conference. The motion carried.

Lee McQuinn and J. Don Swartz moved the adoption of recommendation number 5 which reads—We recommend a continuation of the efforts to fulfill the "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" goals before September 1975. The motion carried.

John Hearp and Edward Goit moved that a rising vote of thanks be given to the retiring members of the Board of Directors. The motion carried. Dale Swartz and Charles Knapp moved that we thank the Waterloo Church for the use of their organ during this Conference. The motion carried. Charles Jones and Joseph Fletch-

er moved that we give a rising vote of thanks to Milon Hall for his service on the Sunday School Board. The motion carried.

S. O. Ross gave an explanation of the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1972, and answered several questions. Charles Pryor and Bill Andrew moved that the proposed budget of \$134,000 for the General Conference be adopted as printed. The motion carried. In connection with Conference finances it appears that the Faith-Promise method of giving has helped. Several spoke of the benefits of this type of giving to local and state conferences. A comment was made regarding the low salaries of Conference workers and the need to improve them.

The Chairman complimented the delegates for their alertness, in spite of the high temperatures during the week. The final Credentials Committee report showed 117 delegates in attendance as compared to 107 last year. (Average attendance this year was 135.) Minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved. John Huston and George Sheely moved that the minutes of this 1972 General Conference be approved. The motion carried. Edward Goit and Edgar Harvey moved that the Conference be adjourned and that we sing one verse of "God be With You." All stood in favor of the motion, and the Secretary gave the closing prayer.

## CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET

October 1, 1972, to September 30, 1973

### ANTICIPATED INCOME:

Tuition, Room & Board (OBC)	\$30,000.00
Gross Profit from Sales (Sales less printing & purchases)	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Anticipated Income	\$35,000.00

### ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Salaries	\$84,000.00
Utilities & Telephone	8,000.00
Insurance	2,500.00
Social Security	4,000.00
Postage	3,000.00
Depreciation & Repairs	2,500.00
Departmental Printing	8,000.00
Supplies & Expense	4,500.00
Food	7,000.00
Auto & Travel	7,000.00
Youth Caravan	500.00
Library	500.00
Legal & Audit	800.00
Golden Rule Contract	1,500.00

Advance Education, OBC Prof	800.00
Emergency Reserve Fund	600.00
Literature Campaign (Incl. Heralds)	8,000.00

### MISSIONS:

Nova Scotia	\$4,800.00
India	1,800.00
Mexico	1,000.00
Philippine Islands	5,000.00
Lebanon & Egypt	5,700.00
Nigeria	1,800.00
Pastoral Aid	3,500.00
Literature	600.00
Board Expense	1,200.00
Mission Opportunities	400.00
	<u>\$25,800.00</u>

Total Anticipated Expenses \$169,000.00

### CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED

(Goals for Giving) \$134,000.00

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## General Conference Minutes

The minutes of the 1972 General Conference business sessions are in this issue. We urge each member to read them carefully. The decisions and recommendations made are directives to the Board of Directors and the General Conference staff for the next year. May the Lord richly bless the total programs of the Church of God General Conference in this new fiscal year.

## Herald—Journal Mailing

With this issue *Progress Journal* and *The Restitution Herald* will be mailed together to the membership. Since *The Herald* is being sent without charge for one year, this will save some handling and printing costs. All *Herald* subscriptions are being extended for one year.

## Literature Distribution

Each church will soon be receiving a direct mailing regarding the Free Literature Program. We trust that each individual will accept the responsibility of taking part in this worthwhile campaign.

## Board of Education

At the General Conference in August, Bro. Dallas Demmitt, a member of the Board of Education, was elected to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors appointed Dr. William Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz., to fill the one-year unexpired term of Bro. Demmitt on the Board of Education.

## Sunday School Director

Bro. Milon Hall resigned his part-time position as Director of the Sunday School Department, effective September 30, 1972. A recommendation passed at the recent General Conference directs that one full-time person be employed as Director of the Youth Department and Sunday School Department by September, 1973.

In view of the above facts, Bro. Scott H. Ross, pastor of the Troyview Church of God, Troy, Ohio, has been appointed to temporarily fill the position of Sunday School Director until the full-time appointment is made. Bro. Ross is presently an elected member of the Sunday School Board. He will fulfill these duties in addition to his pastorate of Troyview Church.

## Pastoral Changes

The new General Conference directory will be printed in the November issue of *Progress Journal*.

There were a number of pastoral changes September first, and these will be reflected in that issue.

## 1973 Conference Dates

The 1973 General Conference will be held August 13-18 at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Make plans now to set this week aside to attend these important sessions.

## Annual Budget

The budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1972, requires contributions in the amount of \$134,000. This budget approved by the Conference delegates can be found on page 4 of this issue.

Eight thousand dollars of this amount will be needed to help carry out the Free Literature Crusade, including *The Restitution Herald* free to each member and each subscriber for one year. Funds are needed to carry on the work of the Sunday School Department, Berean Youth activities, Mission work (both home and foreign), and the general services of the Conference. The education of our young men and women at Oregon Bible College and the cost of publications of the General Conference need to be subsidized by contributions.

We trust that each member will make this a matter of prayer and concern and help to meet these needs each month of the fiscal year. Eleven thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars (\$11,166) will be needed in contributions each month to fully carry out this great work.

## Conference Finances

Due to the combination mailing, it is necessary to cut off the list of contributors early in the month. Those who contribute the latter half of the month will appear in the next issue. We do express our thanks to all who have helped to meet the financial needs of the 1971-72 fiscal year. As this is written, \$10,351.00 has been received, so the September Goal has been met. Praise God!

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Needs for October

**\$11,166.00**

**Goal for October \$11,166.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*

## Superintendent of Missions

I am pleased to be writing this page again as Superintendent of Missions. I assumed this position on September 1, along with my duties as Executive Secretary and Home Missions Director. Most will recall that I was Superintendent of Missions from September, 1961, to September, 1969, when Sr. Rachel Krogh (now Carr) was appointed to that position.

We want to take this means to express our gratitude and appreciation to Sr. Rachel Krogh Carr for her excellent work in this department for the past three years. She resigned to move to Macomb, Ill., where her husband, John Carr, has assumed the pastorate of the Macomb Church of God.

## November, Missions Month

November has been designated Missions Month in the Church of God General Conference for the past twelve years. The first Sunday of November has traditionally been Missions Sunday. We trust that each church is making plans to observe this special event on a Sunday of November. The Missions Page of the September issue of Progress Journal cited many ideas and suggestions that can be profitably used.

Bulletin inserts will be provided on Missions for use during the month of November.

## Lebanon

A recent report from Bro. Jamal Sunna'a in Lebanon tells of the camp that was held in August. More than one hundred adults attended and two have asked for baptism.

Bro. Shaker Iskander and his family have returned to Cairo, Egypt. He has had some difficulty in finding suitable housing for his family and for the services. Please pray for this need that acceptable quarters will be found.

## Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez and his family have now moved to the village of Labor Vieja and he has assumed the pastorate there. A new church building has been recently completed and a full schedule of services is carried on each week. Fifty attend the Sunday night services and there were thirty-five at a recent midweek Bible Class.

In August, Sr. Alice Aldrich returned to Mexico for a week to assist with a vacation Bible school. More

than fifty children attended the school. Evening services were held several nights and the church was full at each service.

## Philippine Islands

The radio broadcasts continue from the station at the village of Tuguegarao in spite of the persecutions suffered by our missionaries there a few months ago. Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero is reluctant to go to the station in person yet, feeling that "some danger may still await" him there. Some of the other pastors have been delivering the messages and a congregation has been organized in the village for the converts as a result of the radio broadcasts.

The court matter over the radio incident has not come up for hearing as yet. An attorney has been retained to defend Bro. Ortiguero and the others when the matter comes to trial.

## Nigeria

Reports from Nigeria reveal that the work is going forward under the leadership of Ephriam Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John J. Obot. Several have been baptized, and many in the area are beginning to ask about the Church of God. The three leaders are having meetings and Bible studies with church leaders and interested individuals in the area.

## Literature Distribution

Plans are under way for the Free Literature Distribution Program for the new church Year. Each church will soon be receiving information and guidelines on how to help carry out this fine outreach program that was approved by the delegates to the recent General Conference.

Each member is encouraged to become a part of this program. This is an opportunity for each one to help reach someone with the gospel message.

## Home Missions

Four churches will be on the Pastoral Aid Program for the next year.

The Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill., has been approved for Mission Builders Appeal Number Twenty-Nine which will go in the mail about November 15. This is a new building which will be built in a new residential area in southeast Rockford.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

Due to the length of the Conference reports, some of the regular columns in this JOURNAL are omitted in this issue.

## FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA

The Royal Village Church of God held its first services in its new building on August 20, 1972. Tears came to the eyes of many when we realized that it was just a year ago that the project began. Certainly the Lord does move mountains if we have faith. The formal dedication is planned for October 29, 1972, with Bros. S. O. Ross, Cecil Smead, and others participating. Joe Martin, pastor.

## PHOENIX CHURCH EDUCATIONAL WING

Excavation began September 1, 1972, for the educational wing of the Phoenix Church. The addition will feature a two story (½ Basement) 70 by 30 feet building, with masonry construction. It includes classrooms, kitchen and dining area, with an estimated cost of \$50,000.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

## FAITH CHAPEL, East Peoria, Illinois

Bro. Francis Burnett has filled in as pastor this summer. The brethren of Faith Chapel are anxiously awaiting our new pastor, Bro. Dale Swartz. We take this opportunity to thank Bro. and Sr. Burnett for their kind assistance and also their generous donation toward the ceiling of the church basement. Thanks so much, dear Christians.

Bible school was held June 12-16, 1972, with an average attendance of 56.

With cleaning, repairs, and paint, the parsonage takes on a beautiful new look.

Plans are being made for Rally Day and a church picnic on September 10, at Camp Wildwood.

Bereans are busy making plans for Youth Week in September.

God bless us all in his work.

Sue Salzman, secretary.

## FAIR BOOTH

The Litchfield and Eden Valley, Minn., Bereans sponsored a booth at the Meeker County Fair. Many tracts were distributed and there were several opportunities to witness and explain our beliefs. Thirty-eight people signed up for the Systematic Bible Study Course, and approximately eighty people asked for more information about the Church of God. Fifteen hundred people signed up for the Bible that was given away.

## LITCHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Vacation Bible School was held at the Litchfield Church of God July 31-August 5, 1972. High attendance was on Friday, with 82 pupils and 15 staff members, making this the biggest VBS we ever had. We feel God surely blessed us with this opportunity to work with so many young people. On Saturday, we all went to the Lowell Wegner farm for a picnic.

John Railton, pastor.

## BAPTISMS

**Fonthill, Ont.:** Our hearts were made glad when Wendy Camp, accepted Christ and was baptized in his name. May God richly bless her in years to come. John Hearp, pastor.

**Burr Oak, Ind.:** Mills Overmyer, 303 White St., Culver, Ind. was adopted into the family of God by accepting Christ as his Saviour, and being baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

E. O. Routson, pastor.

**Front Royal, Va.:** The Royal Village Church of God is pleased to announce the baptism of two sisters, Malinda and Peggy Ubben. Also, Jeannie Wool was baptized after stating her faith in Jesus. Joe Martin, pastor.

**Holbrook, Neb.:** On the closing day of the Central High Plains Conference, Miss Betty Hanson, Box 94, Hayes Center, Neb. 69032, came forward and requested baptism. She was baptized that afternoon.

James Rencontre, pastor.

**Dayton, Ohio:** Miss. Cindy Harris accepted Christ as Lord, and professed faith in baptism on August 27, 1972. Rex Cain, pastor.

**Grand Rapids, Mich.:** Garden Park Church is happy to welcome Virginia Combs, Sandra Phipps, and Terry Alters into the body of Christ and fellowship of our church following their baptism. David Krogh, pastor.

**Troy, Ohio:** John Landers confessed Christ as his personal Saviour and was immersed for the forgiveness of sins, August 20, 1972. We pray God's richest blessing upon him.

Scott Ross, pastor.

**Lenoir, N.C.:** In the past two months we have baptized the following: Miss Tammy Miller, 306-B Hemlock Circle; Thomas Price, 306 Hemlock Circle; Mrs. Coleen Robinson, 111 Merimn Rd.; Mrs. Viola Triplett, 143 Ed Smith Rd.; Mrs. Margaret Barrett, 135 Clay Walker Rd. All of the foregoing are from Lenoir, N.C. These, with Mrs. John Dillard, whom I previously baptized, were received into the church.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

**Waterloo, Iowa:** Upon her confession of Christ and desire for the more abundant life in Christ, with the assistance of Pastor Stanley Lawrence, we baptized Lianne Bruno in the name of Christ, August 17, 1972.

James Mattison.

**Litchfield, Minn.:** Colleen Roepke, Lester Prairie, Minn., was baptized July 15, 1972, at the conclusion of the Minnesota Senior Youth Camp. We rejoice with Colleen as she begins her new walk with Christ. John Railton, pastor.

**Browntown, Va.:** Sunday, June 18, 1972, Ronnie Frame, Rt. 1, Browntown, 22610, was obedient to our Lord in baptism. We at Cool Spring Church of God rejoice in his decision to follow the Lord. James D. Rich, pastor.

**BYF Conference:** The following were baptized at the 1972 Berean Youth Conference: Kim Ashley, Dawn Visser, Doug Supinger, Bruce Heiser, Pamela Gaskill, Cecelia Moore, Jeannie Wool, Debbie Hines, Jeannette Owen, Tammy Brooks, Tim Landry, Terry Landry, Karen Keckley, Karen Herwig, and Janet Laver. The following ministers assisted these young

people in the baptismal service: Austin Railton, Ernest Graham, Joe Martin, Paul Moore, Theodore Armes, Don Needham, and Kent Ross.

**Fredericktown, Mo.:** On August 10, 1972, Bro. J. R. LeCrone, Cleveland, Ohio, came to Fredericktown to baptize his grandson, Ricky Cooper. On August 20, 1972, three young people, Tammy Smith, Karen Waggoner, and David Johns were baptized for the remission of sins, followed by the observance of the Lord's Supper. Arnold Johns, pastor.

## CENTRAL HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE

The eighty-sixth annual meeting of the Central High Plains Conference convened at Holbrook, Neb., on August 9-13, 1972.

The theme of the conference was "Living for Jesus in a Troubled World." Speakers followed this thought in all lessons and sermons. Our guest speaker, Pastor Emory Macy from Omaha, Neb., spoke every evening and twice on Sunday. Other ministers helping with Bible classes and morning sermons, were Bros. Wayne Ewald and James Rencontre.

Sr. Gladys Stedman, with her helpers, Mrs. Roy Fisher and her daughter, Carol Fisher, conducted Bible school for children. A nice program was given by the children on Saturday afternoon. They also had a nice display of handwork.

On Saturday afternoon our annual business meeting was held. Gladys Stedman was re-elected vice-president. Mary Lou Hornaday was elected secretary, replacing Ruth Wilson whose term expired.

It was decided that we give a scholarship to Kenneth Taylor. He is from our conference and is attending Oregon Bible College.

Ruth Wilson, secretary.

## MEMORIAL PRESENTED TO CHURCH Holbrook, Nebraska

Bro. Allen Johnson and daughters, Mrs. Ardy McKeown and Mrs. Donna Miller, presented the Holbrook Church of God with an air conditioner, in memory of Sr. Lulu Johnson, their wife and mother. She was a faithful worker in the Holbrook Church.

## BIBLE STUDY COURSE COMPLETED

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course: Larry Shaw, Mrs. Hep Kohler, Mrs. Joy Sutfin, Mrs. Neva Anderson, Mrs. Bea Paulsen, Mrs. Vicky Paulson, Betty Cogan, Paul and Juliette Newell, Marilyn Gyorgyi, Sherry Wiltsey. Congratulations!

## ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

The Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference of the Church of God, met June 8-11, 1972, at the New Hope Church in Little Rock, Ark. Guest speaker was Bro. Gordon Landry of Baton Rouge, La.

Officers for the coming year are: president, John Humphreys; vice-president, J. D. Moreland; treasurer, Blanche Hays; secretary, Mrs. J. D. Moreland.

We ask your prayers that our church will grow both in strength and number. May we be ready for the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is our prayer.

Mrs. J. D. Moreland, secretary.

### MARRIAGES

Miss Virginia Murray and Mr. Dale Elzinga were united in marriage on June 29, 1972, in the Garden Park Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich. May God bless them in their life together. David Krogh, pastor.

Miss Kathy Ward and Mr. Daniel Palmer were married by the writer, assisted by Pastor Austin Railton, on August 25, 1972, at the Southlawn Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich. We pray God's blessing on this young couple. David Krogh.

### OBITUARIES

Alfred Anthon was born January 15, 1888, and died August 8, 1972. Memorial services were held from the Blood River Church, Hammond, La., on August 10. Bro. Anthon was the founder of the Blood River Church and at the time of his death was an elder in the church. He was an active worker in the Louisiana churches, and was teaching an adult class in the Happy Woods Church. He was present and took an active part in the organization of the General Conference at Waterloo, Iowa, in 1921.

For many years he served as a pastor and was a member of our National Ministerial Association. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Ravis Brown, one son, Orion Anthon, two brothers, Lauris and L. C. Anthon. He rests in the sleep of death in Carter Cemetery near Springfield, La., awaiting the trumpet call in resurrection day. Vernis Wolfe, pastor.

William G. Hicks died August 25, 1972. The people of the Royal Village Church sorrow over his death. His wife, Nina and daughter, Mrs. Elliott Marshall, Jr., continue to carry on with the Lord's work, which Bill loved so well. We sorrow not as others who have no hope. Joe Martin, pastor.

Martha (Mattie) Shute fell asleep in death, July 3, 1972, after a lingering illness. She loved to praise her Lord in song, and was one of the original choir members of Glad Tidings Church of God. She was laid to rest in the Fonthill Cemetery to await the resurrection call. John Hearp, pastor.

Oscar F. Brossard, a lifelong member of the Eden Valley, Minn., Church of God, was baptized in early youth by James A. Patrick. He died suddenly at his home in Paynesville, at the age of 83 years. He is survived by four sons and five daughters. Funeral services were conducted July 15, 1972, at the church by Pastor Billie Kennedy. Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Nellie Blakely was born August 8, 1871, and died April 28, 1972. She is survived by her daughter Lois.

Sr. Blakely was a faithful member of the Southlawn Church. She remembered well the truths of the Bible up to the time of her death.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Pastor Austin Railton, after which she was laid to rest to await the first resurrection. David Krogh.

### TRUST

"I cannot see so very far,  
I do not know the way;  
I leave it all to God in faith  
To guide aright my day.  
I know not what I may confront,  
Of joy or stress or strain;  
But in his love I do rely  
I dare not to complain.  
He tells me to believe and trust,  
For he knows the way to take;  
That my soul shall live abundant  
And spare me deep heartache."

—Dr. Arnold O. Guy, Sr., McCook, Neb.

### PLEASE HELP!

A new addressing machine is being installed and, with the changeover, we are trying to avoid and correct errors. If the September Herald or Journal has not been received, notify this office. Please send changes of address well in advance. Thank you!

### RADIO LOG

WCEN 1150 AM; 945 FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WEBQ 1240 Harrisburg, Ill.  
9:45 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WSIG 790, Mt. Jackson, Va.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays, "Voice of Tomorrow"  
WKAI 1510 Macomb, Ill.  
8:15 a.m. "Words of Life"  
WPEG 97.9 FM Concord, N.C.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays  
WZKY 1580 AM Albermarle, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays  
WSVM 1490 AM Valdese, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays  
WJRI 1340 AM Lenoir, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WCGC 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WJJJ 1260 AM Christiansburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WVVV 104.9 FM Blacksburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WHHV 1400 AM Hillsville, Va.  
12:15 p.m. Sundays  
WEGO 1410 AM Concord, N.C.  
12:45 p.m. Sundays  
KLFD 1410 AM, 95.3 FM, 8:35 a.m. Sunday,  
"Springs of Living Water" Litchfield, Minn.  
WMIX 940 AM, 94 FM Mt. Vernon, Ill.  
7:15 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"

## Contributors to the General Conference: August 25—September 13, 1972

Margaret L Duval	50.00	G Anonymous	21.89	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	80.00	Mr & Mrs P M Landry	56.00
Mr & Mrs Leonard Appleby	10.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Hope Chapel South Bend	43.24	Holbrook Church	19.05
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	46.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	92.78	Pennellwood Church	167.90	Pomona Open Bible Church	57.36
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	92.25	Rockford Miss	65.00	Mr & Mrs James Mattison	7.40	Felida Church	2.70
La Contributor	170.00	Glad Tidings Chapel	73.00	Mr & Mrs Cecil Patrick	250.00	Digby Lighthouse Church	20.00
Mr & Mrs Marvin Cooper	25.00	Fremont Church	20.00	Litchfield Church	35.71	Cheerful Giver	5.00
Mrs J O Pack	15.00	Esther Peterson	1.00	Lombard Church	42.69	Tempe Bible Church	437.20
Grace Marsh	5.00	Anita Zirkelbach	4.50	Southwest Conf	82.32	Happy Woods Church	92.00
Leon Driskill	18.00	Mr & Mrs Virgil Dowty	20.00	Anonymous	2.00	Lee Sullivan	1.00
Ollie M Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	20.00	Mrs C C Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	10.00
Mr & Mrs John Carr	65.75	Anonymous	100.00	Oregon Church	328.84	Anonymous	30.00
M A Patrick	103.50	Monroe Elton	50.00	Phoenix Bible Church	305.00	Macomb SS	14.65
Carolyn Tackett	1.92	Josephine Kennedy	25.00	Mary Krogh	10.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00
Mr & Mrs William Andrew	81.75	Mr & Mrs William Lawrence	25.00	Michele Gaspar	25.00	St Louis Church	28.21
Mr & Mrs L T Hanson	50.00	Mr & Mrs Arnold Noon	125.00	San Jose Church	20.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00
Wayne Laning	48.00	Sheila Sheeley	35.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	125.00	Alta Thrush	10.00
Harold Doan	74.00	Susan Bagwell	1.00	Wilma Sherrell	3.00	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00
C Jesse Pestle	44.00	Indiana State Conf	30.00	Telva Lippert	25.00	Salem Church	11.42
Charles Knapp	20.00	Mr & Mrs John Drang	5.00	Gary Smith	8.00	Janice Weaver	20.00
Mary Jo Brewer	2.00	Mr & Mrs Dwight Pestle	100.00	Ben Carpenter	50.00	S B Hope Chl Miss Soc	65.00
Cecil Railton	2.25	Nora Anderson	30.00	Faith Chapel Lafayette	24.00	Happy Woods Dorcas Soc	5.00
Gen Conf Bible School	27.06	Oregon SS	7.10	Clyde Randall	25.00	Minn State Miss Soc	100.00
Mr & Mrs Steve Moore	100.00	Mr & Mrs Russ Kaffenbarger	30.00	Southlawn Church	1,014.64	Brush Creek Miss	60.00
Golden Rule Ladies Guild	11.94	Mr & Mrs Raymond Werneke	5.00	E Dorothy Magaw	28.00	Terri Huddleston	13.00
Mrs Mabel Bell	10.00	Mrs Zelma Weaver	52.00	Alice Bassett	10.00	Jay Ramsey	40.00
Leta Louks	5.00	Anonymous	2.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00	Stephen Adams	15.67
La State Conf	154.57	Lawrenceville Church	174.57	A Canadian Friend	5.00	Fonthill Bereans	3.77
Vicki Johnson	7.00	Garden Park Church	178.65	Mr & Mrs Albert Dochstader	30.00	Elaine Shute	20.00
Sharon Guiles	25.00	Litchfield SS	9.50	Leota B Hanson	5.00	Ark City Hope Ch SS	10.00
Beaumont Church	10.76	Mr & Mrs Johnny Salassi	30.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	30.00	Howard Shute	83.02
Eternal Hope Church	111.81	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal	23.00	Cora Siple	10.00	Raymore Church	25.00
Howard Mowrer	50.00	Modesto Church	9.50	David Krogh	40.00	Southeastern Conf	171.36
Mrs B F Peck	10.00	Morning Star Church	13.73	Mrs Carrie Vishino	2.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Anonymous	88.00	Maurertown Church	21.70	Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	15.00
Mrs R D Stanton	3.00	Oregon Mary & Martha Soc	12.50	Cool Spring SS	10.10	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00
Frank Perkins	5.00	Mary C Brown	1.00	Jean Hale	20.00	Mr & Mrs Edgar Harvey	50.00
Macomb Church	217.35	Dianne Russell	6.00	Waldon Winner Jr	12.00	Mary Hale	10.00
Anonymous	30.00	Mr & Mrs Scott Ross	12.00	Flag Center Church	46.00	Hope Ch Columbus Church	5.00
New Hope Church	25.00	Ill State Conf	50.00	Virda Sittler	5.00	Mr & Mrs J Swartz	
Brush Creek SS	46.70	Dorene Rogers	12.00	Northeast Conference	235.00	(Memorial)	100.00
Central High Plains Conf	42.00	Rick Williams	6.00	Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Colean Robinson	6.00
Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	659.91	Deirdre Daley	12.00	Brush Creek Church	192.56	Eden Valley Church	490.14
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00	Anonymous	28.90	Ch of Open Bible Bedford	33.29	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00
Guthrie Grove Church	76.00	Mike Berry	200.00	Blanchard Church	145.36	Beckie Otto	12.00



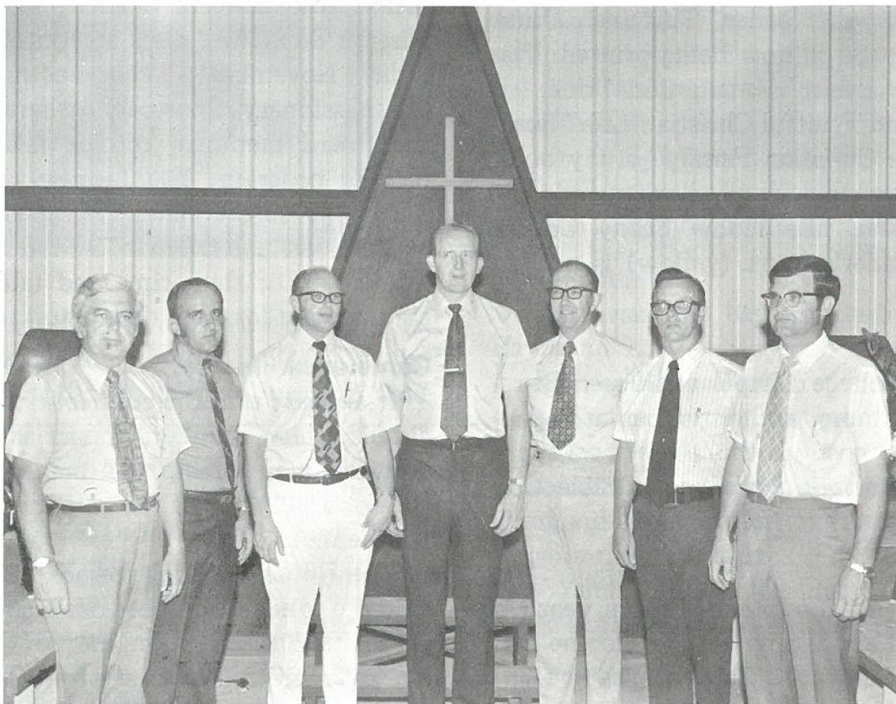
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The above is a picture of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. Headquarters, Oregon, Illinois. From left to right: Harold Doan, Chairman; Dallas Demmitt, Director; Joe James, Secretary; John Hearp, Director; Charles Knapp, Vice-Chairman; Robert Smith, Treasurer; John Huston, Director.

## CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

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# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Directory Issue

This issue carries the Church of God General Conference Annual Directory. Each one is urged to file this copy for future use. Effort is made to have correct address for each one listed. If there is error, please notify at once and a correction item will appear in the next issue.

## Home Bible Study Instruction Book

The Home Bible Study Book, "How to Enjoy an Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life" had an instruction (yellow) book for the leader. This instruction book has been revised and is now being printed. The new book will be the leader's instruction book for both the "Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life" book and also the new "The Christian Family" study book (blue book). Please keep this in mind when ordering either or both of these fine Home Study Course booklets. Only one leader's book (yellow) is needed for both study books.

## OBC Alumni Gift

The Oregon Bible College Chapel was recently re-decorated, new drapes hung, and the front area paneled. Nearly half of the cost for this project was paid for by the Alumni Association of Oregon Bible College. We express our thanks to them for this fine help.

## Deferred Giving

As we approach the end of another calendar year we are reminded that it is soon time to file income tax returns. All contributions to the Church of God General Conference are, of course, deductible. There are many ways to give to this institution. Some can be by what is known as Deferred Giving. This is giving through life insurance, wills, annuities, etc. We encourage the membership to give thought and consideration to this kind of giving.

Check with your insurance agent regarding life insurance giving, or for further information write to Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

## Conference Boards Meet

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will meet in Oregon, Ill., November 16-18, 1972. This will be the first meeting since the

election of three new Board members at General Conference. (See photo of Board on front page of *Journal*.) Many items of business will be discussed and considered at this meeting as well as a study of long-range plans for the Conference work. If a member or church has some matter of business to present to the Board it may be brought to the attention of the Executive Secretary or one of the Board members.

The Sunday School Board met in Grand Rapids, Mich., Saturday, October 28, 1972. The Board of Education will meet in Oregon, Ill., November 11. The Mission Board will meet at Fonthill, Ont., Canada, Saturday, November 4. This meeting will be held during the Missionary Conference there November 3-5, and the Board members will be taking part in the Conference program. The License and Ordination Committee met in Cleveland, Ohio, in October.

The men and women serving on these boards give generously of their time and talents. They are to be commended for their dedication to this service.

## Conference Finances

It appears that the contributions for October will be about fifteen hundred dollars short of the goal. I am sure the membership will make this a matter of concern and prayer that the amount needed for November will be met.

These contributions toward the goals for giving provide the funds to support our eighteen missionaries and their families, carry on the youth and Sunday school work, subsidize the cost of education of the students at Oregon Bible College, and carry on the Literature Campaign. May the Lord bless the membership of the Church of God General Conference as they go forth together to carry out this task.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

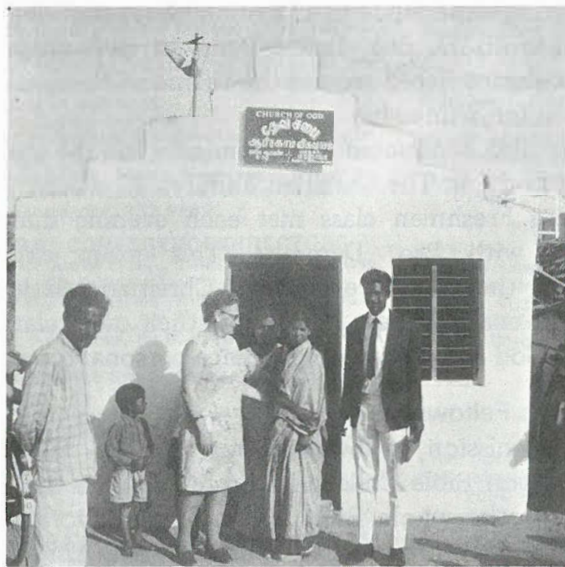
Goal for October	\$11,166.00
Given in October	\$ 9,608.00
Deficit in October	\$ 1,558.00
November Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for November \$12,724.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



## Missions Month

Special effort is made this month to emphasize missions and to pray for all the missionaries and for the many mission projects. Missions of the Church of God is big business, as approximately sixty thousand dollars were expended the last fiscal year in mission efforts.

Pray for our missionaries in India, Mexico, Philippine Islands, Nigeria, Lebanon, Egypt, and Nova Scotia. Pray for the Home Mission efforts; and for the Literature Distribution Campaign. God has wonderfully blessed the Church of God. May we work together in a united effort to spread God's great message of salvation. God will give the increase.

## India

The church-medical building in India is now under construction. This building will be the place of worship of the former Austin Town and St. John College congregations. It will be a medical station for the members and people of the local area. A full-time doctor will be on duty. The doctor will be supported by contributions from a non-member individual who has a real concern for the sick and needy of India. We had the privilege to assist in the cornerstone laying ceremony on the lot while in India last February. The current Mission Builders Appeal is for the India building. It appears that this appeal will net the highest amount of any of the twenty-eight appeals to date.

Bro. P. M. Paulson continues his mission efforts in the Hyderabad area. There are five congregations hav-

ing regular weekly services. Arrangements are being made for Bro. Paulson to spend two weeks with Bro. Manohar for further study and understanding of Christian work. Bro. Paulson and his main helper, Philip, have been given bicycles for their mission work in several villages.

The Chinnaya Palya (see photo) congregation celebrated the first anniversary of their church in August. Special services were held and many attended from the other churches. During those services, special prayer sessions were held asking God's blessings upon the General Conference sessions which were held about the same time.

Bro. S. S. Manohar and his co-workers are carrying on a full ministry in six places in Bangalore and there are nine Sunday schools each week.

## Nova Scotia

There was one baptism during September and Bro. Raymond Brown has conducted devotions from time to time on the local radio station.

Sr. Eunice Pearson has been ill. Please remember her in prayer.

Dennis Brown and Deidre Daley of the Lighthouse Church of God are attending Oregon Bible College. I am sure they are missed, especially in the youth work. The Youth Fellowship did average twelve in attendance at the meetings during September.

## Philippines

Heavy rains and typhoons are causing much havoc in northern Luzon where our churches are located. Many members have lost their homes by flood. At last report the San Nicolas Church was in danger of being destroyed. Much of the rice crop (the main food of the Philippines) has been lost by flooding. Pray for these Christian brethren.

## Ghana

Bro. Oliver Amani left his home December 27, 1971, to go to Israel for some exchange program study. Before leaving Ghana he was involved in an accident in a taxi in which three persons died. He was hospitalized for several months, in a coma for eleven days, and just now able to return to his home in Jasikan. We praise God that his life was spared and that he has returned to pick up his church work again. He says, "In spite of all, my faith in God is not shaken."



# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## Fall Enrollment

Forty-one students enrolled at Oregon Bible College for the Fall Semester. Twenty-four of these students are boys and seventeen are girls. The twenty-one students of the freshmen class are Richard Alcumbrack, Kentwood, Mich.; Dawn Allen, Litchfield, Minn.; Dennis Brown, Digby, N.S.; Kathy Cooper, Wyoming, Mich.; Deirdre Daley, Digby, N.S.; Sarah DeForest, Blanchard, Mich.; Cheryl Fletcher, Burke, Va.; Kathy Foretich, Baker, La.; Gail Hall, Rockford, Ill.; Linda Hollenback, Deltona, Fla.; Ruth Kennedy, Hammond, La.; Pam Miesse, Springfield, Ohio; Scott Millard, Omaha, Neb.; Douglas Moore, Oregon, Ill.; Denise Pearson, Vandalia, Ohio; Dan Ryan, Circle Pines, Minn.; Gary Smith, Blanchard, Mich.; Lynda Smith, Troy, Ohio; Kenneth Taylor, Moorefield, Neb.; Linda Whaley, Chagrin Falls, Ohio; Richard Williams, Grand Rapids, Mich.

## Board of Education

The Board of Education will meet in Oregon on November 10 and 11 to make policy plans concerning Oregon Bible College. Members of the Board are Vernis D. Wolfe of Hammond, La.; Dr. William Lawrence of Phoenix, Ariz.; Robert Johnson, Hector, Minn.; Joseph Fletcher, Burke, Va.; Alva Huffer, and John Lewis.

## Class Officers

Mike Berry was elected president of the Sophomore Class and Bob Bernheisel will serve as vice-president; Deborah Barry will serve as secretary-treasurer and Student Council representative.

Sydney Kirkpatrick was elected president, of the Junior Class; Bruce Burnside, vice-president; Benny Mattison, Student Council representative; and Danny Stone, secretary-treasurer.

The Senior Class elected Mark Ryan, president; Dale Harshman, vice-president; Tim New, secretary; Robert Jones, treasurer; and Dan Landry, Student Council representative.

Kenneth Taylor will serve as president of the Freshman Class during the school year. Pam Miesse was elected vice-president and Kathy Cooper will serve as secretary-treasurer. Gary Smith will represent the Freshman Class at Student Council meetings.

## Christian Emphasis Week

Both faculty and students enjoyed the spiritually

uplifting experience of Christian Emphasis Week, September 25-29. Bro. Dallas Demmitt gave chapel talks each day centered around the theme of Personal Preparation for Witnessing.

He also conducted daily seminars for the entire student body on The Christian Family.

The Freshman class met each evening during the week with Bro. Demmitt. This group experience helped them explore personal Christian relationships. It also enabled them to examine their own relationship with God and thereby experience personal growth.

## Mission Fellowship Activity

The mission of the church is missions. The mission of Oregon Bible College is to prepare men and women to take the whole Bible, to the whole world. It was fitting, therefore, that the Mission Fellowship Activity Club, under the direction of Michael Brown, be in charge of the first chapel service of the year on Friday, September 1.

During the service the students were invited to become a part of and participate in the home and foreign mission activities of the club during this coming year.

On Wednesday, September 13, the Mission Fellowship Activity Club led the students in two prayer circles that prayed specifically for the different workers and missionary activities of the church.

Saturday, September 16, these young people sponsored a car wash in Dixon to raise money for missionary projects. On this same day they distributed literature in Oregon.

We want to congratulate and encourage the Mission Fellowship activity for the work they are doing.

## Gospel Teams

Plans are already being made to send out many gospel teams from the Bible College during this school year. The young people of the College look forward to the opportunity to witness for Christ in our churches through testimony, the spoken word, and song. They also enjoy the experience of meeting new people in the churches around the nation.

If you would like for a gospel team to come to your church, we urge you to write early. All correspondence requesting gospel teams should be addressed to Dale Ramsey, Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

# CHURCH OF GOD DIRECTORY

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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 MAGAZINE (Clark Chapel), Magazine 72943  
 E Mathews, Pastor, Magazine 72943  
 Ernest Cox, Supt, RR, Magazine 72943  
 ROYAL (Bear Church), Royal 71968  
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 ROYAL (Forest Hills), Royal 71968  
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 Jim Mickey, Supt, 1410 N 10th St, Rochelle 61068  
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 C E Lapp, Pastor, 211 N 3rd St, Oregon, IL 61061  
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Orion Sealine, Supt, Stanhope 50246  
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DONIPHAN Church, R 2, Doniphan  
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Clyde Sullivan, Supt, R 2, Doniphan 63935  
FREDERICKTOWN Church, 403 S Maple, Fredericktown 63645  
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Marie Johns, Supt, 403 S Maple, Fredericktown, 63645  
JORDAN Church  
Leonard Brown, Pastor, Cross Timbers 65634  
Mrs Orville Driskill, Sec, Cross Timbers 65634  
David Brown, Supt, Cross Timbers 65634  
KANSAS City Church, Raymore  
Donald Ward, Pastor, Bx 87, Raymore 64083  
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MORSE Mill Church, Hwy B, Morse Mill  
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 63020  
 Dr Wm N Tierney, Supt, 701 Mansion St, Sul-  
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 63114  
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 63074  
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FREMONT Church (True Gospel), 3rd And H  
 Sts, Fremont 68025  
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 mont 68025  
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 Cleveland 44110  
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 bia Station, OH 44028  
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 bia Station 44028  
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 DAYTON Church (Glad Tidings), 4105 An-  
 napolis Av, Dayton, OH 45416  
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 45326  
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 43078  
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 43708  
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 29673  
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 28739  
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 28739  
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 SC 29669  
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 erty, SC 29657  
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 lingen 78550  
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 lingen 78550  
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# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## The Bible Quizzing Program

We know that a large percentage of our churches are involved in one way or another in the Quizzing Program of the Bereans. This is one phase of the Berean work where enthusiasm and excitement run high. Often, inquiries are made in the fall soon after the Youth Conference is over concerning the material for the following year.

For the benefit of new members in the church and as a reminder to all, we will give a few details as to how the quizzing is conducted. On or about January 1 of each year information about the material for quizzing is sent out. Other quiz material is sent to state youth leaders, and known quiz coaches.

Quiz teams are then formed in the local Berean groups. Each team member begins to study the material. Practice sessions are held with team members. Often a team will ask the adults to quiz against them and local teams play each other in practice. It has been the practice for the past several years to have a state or district team which represents all the young people in that state. This team is chosen by having all the teams in a district or state conference quiz together to determine the champions. Generally, the members chosen to attend International Berean Youth Conference is done by selecting the persons who have the highest scores. By doing this, members from throughout the state are chosen and not all are from one church or Berean group. Most state conferences pay the camp cost for quiz team members.

In 1972, eight teams competed at Camp Mack. There is a possibility of having eleven teams if all conferences participate. The double elimination process is used. Each team plays two games. And, of course through winning, some teams play four games and, possibly, as it was this year, five games.

## The Diamond Jubilee

The bulletin cover has been printed, and bulletin inserts will be available for use in the months of January, June, and September, or as the pastor desires. The Berean Bible Study Book is being made up and the contract has been signed to print a historical book. Anyone having very old Berean items, please send them. This would include an item about an organizational meeting, a picture of the first officers, the first quiz team, first Caravan, etc. All pictures must be black and white.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Scott Ross, Director

## Thank You, Brother Hall

The Sunday School Board would like to publicly thank Bro. E. Milton Hall for the fine work he did while directing the Sunday School Department. Under his leadership many advancements have been made.

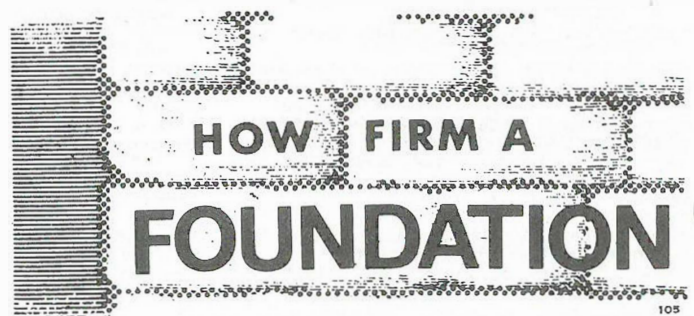
## Sunday School of the Month

Our Sunday school of the month for November is the L'Anse, Michigan, Church of God. Although L'Anse is one of the smaller Sunday schools in our General Conference, with an average attendance of 16 last year, it certainly thought big in regards to its vacation Bible school this past August. With help from a gospel team of ten young people from its sister churches in Michigan and Pastors Kent Ross and Michael Mattison, this Sunday school conducted a VBS with an average attendance of 80 and a high attendance of 102! Successful vacation Bible schools don't just happen. They are the result of much prayer, planning, and hard work. Congratulations to the L'Anse Sunday school, its superintendent, George Curtis, its pastor, Cecil Smead, and to all who helped with their Bible school this year.

Each month in this column we hope to feature one of our conference Sunday schools. If your Sunday school has had an interesting and successful day, program, idea, or promotion, please write it up and send it to Scott Ross, 1879 Staunton Rd., Troy, Ohio 45373. One of these will be selected to be used each month.

The General Conference Sunday School Board, consisting of Scott Ross of Troy, Ohio, Joyce Knapp of Grand Rapids, Michigan, George Scott of Rockford, Illinois, and Robert Petry of Springfield, Ohio, met October 28 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. More details of this meeting will be included in next month's column.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL



# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## Churches IN THE News

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 10, 11—Board of Education Meeting in Oregon.  
Nov. 10, 11—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind.  
Nov. 26—International Berean Communion Sunday.

### MINISTER WANTED

New Hope Church at Little Rock, Ark., is seeking a minister. If interested, please contact Joe White, 1002 Loretta Ln., Little Rock, Ark. 72207, or call collect 501-225-4226.

### OBITUARIES

Ethel Mae DePue was born August 4, 1888, to Delbert and Christy Walrath in Butler County, Iowa. She taught school for thirty years in the county where she was born. In 1934 she married Ben DePue. They made their home in Clarksville, Iowa. She was a member of Conger Street Church of God in Waterloo. She died September 8, 1972, and words of comfort were spoken by the writer at the Schwartz Funeral Home in Clarksville, with interment in the local cemetery. She leaves her husband and two sisters, Mrs. Christy Edwards and Mrs. Katie Roberts. Stanley Lawrence, pastor.

Eulan Oscar Stewart died September 25, 1972, in the Holiday Retirement Center, Sweetwater, Tex., at the age of 87. Burial was in the Sweetwater cemetery. He had lived in Sweetwater since 1925. He was born in Mulberry, Ark., and married Ethel Whittington, June 19, 1912. She preceded him in death, January 14, 1958.

He attended college in Chillicothe, Mo., and later taught school in Arkansas. The call to the ministry took him into the Church of God where, in pastoral and evangelistic work, he served in Iowa, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, until his retirement in 1955. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Clifford Dunlap, Abilene, Tex., and Mrs. Percy Witt, Sweetwater; one sister, Mrs. Dewey Wilbanks, Van Buren, Ark.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Reported by Mrs. Clifford (Carmen) Dunlap.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Charles Wilcox, who died following heart surgery, August 2, 1972. He was son-in-law to Francis and Mary VeNard.

Edward Vaughn, father-in-law to Bonnie Vaughn, died in September, 1972. The church extends its sympathy. Bette Potts, reporter.

Sr. Leota Hanson reports that her Aunt Jennie Townsend, 94, died at Lebanon, Ill., October 13, 1972. She had been a staunch member of the Church of God for 65 years. Sr. Townsend and Sr. Hanson were baptized at the same time by Bro. S. J. Lindsay at Oregon, Ill.

### BAPTISMS

**Digby, Nova Scotia:** On Sunday, September 10, 1972, Pastor Raymond Brown baptized Miss Linda Bent into the saving name of Jesus Christ. May God continue to bless her in her new walk of faith. Elaine Handspiker, reporter.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Youth Day was an appropriate time for the baptism of two of our fine youth. Cheryl Gyorgyi, 1426 E. Downing, Mesa, Ariz. 85203, and Danny Ellenberger, 908 W. Monterosa, Phoenix, 85013, were buried with Christ in baptism and raised to walk with him in newness of life. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Dayton, Ohio:** Miss Shirley Harris and Harold Woodrum were baptized into the saving name of Christ October 1, 1972. Rex Cain, pastor.

**Paynesville, Minn.:** On August 27, 1972, Lisa Bennett received Christ as her Saviour and was baptized at Long Lake Bible Camp by Pastor Billie Kennedy. She is a faithful member of our Berean group. Blanche Brossard, reporter.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Paul and Steve Culver, sons of Bro. and Sr. Larry Culver, 2940 E. Corrine Dr., Phoenix, Ariz. 85032, and Laurie Davis, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. Eugene Davis, 4202 E. Catalina, Phoenix, 85018 were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, October 15, 1972. We welcome these three

young people into our fellowship and God's redeemed family throughout the world.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

### BEREAN BIBLE STUDY BOOK

A new Bible study book is being prepared which will contain 52 lessons. It will be ready for distribution by January, 1973. This series of lessons will give any class a variety of subjects for study. Many lessons are on fundamental teachings, with others on the practical.

The price of the book will be 75¢ postpaid if payment accompanies order. Mail all orders to The Restitution Herald or Berean Youth Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

### THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Many of our pastors are encouraging their members to read certain books of the Bible each month. This is good! Bible reading will be a blessing to anyone who does it. After discussing the matter with many of our pastors, it has been thought best to have a uniform course of reading that will cover the entire Bible in a year. To implement this, daily readings alternating between the Old and New Testaments, as arranged by the *American Bible Society*, will be printed in *Truth Seeker's Quarterlies*. This is done with a prayer that God will make it a blessing wherever the quarterlies are used.

### GUIDELINES FOR FREE LITERATURE

- 1) When there is an organized church or Sunday school, free literature must be ordered by the Missionary Chairman, Pastor, or Sunday School Superintendent.
- 2) Members isolated may order direct from Free Literature Crusade, Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Helpful suggestions for distribution will be provided.
- 3) All tracts ordered must be considered a trust and distributed with prayer and in accordance with a well-thought-out plan made by the local church or state conference.
- 4) When lots of 100 or more tracts are ordered, a report on how used or distributed must be made to the Free Literature Crusade, Church of God General Conference.
- 5) Tracts distributed may bear a stamp of the local church or conference. When this is done, a specific address for reply must be included.
- 6) The Church of God has a distinctive Bible message, which contains truths not commonly taught or believed. Tracts teaching these truths should be the ones most widely circulated. These tracts should not be mixed for distribution with tracts coming from other sources than our Headquarters.

### YOUTH WEEK AT MACOMB

The week of September 18-24, 1972, was a full one for the Macomb Bereans. There are fifteen members in the group. The week began by assisting with the ice cream social and shower for Pastor and Mrs. John Carr. The following evening they joined in taping a service at the local radio station. Wednesday night, they served dinner to the senior members of the church. Thursday evening they visited several nursing homes, presenting musical numbers and handing out copies of *The Restitution Herald*. Friday evening the group took in the high school football game, followed by a singspiration and lunch at one of the Berean homes.

Saturday the group went cycling. Sunday the opening exercises of both morning and evening services were conducted by the young people.

Bette Potts, reporter.

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course: Sharon Hall, Phoenix; Mrs. Janet Burkhart, Dayton; Ken Punter, Sask.; J. Akpan, J. D. Obot, Nigeria. Congratulations!

### CHURCH GROWS

During the past year, the Flagg Center (Ill.) Community Church of God, has been very active. A lot of repairs, painting, and cleaning has been done. New carpeting has been installed, and recently a new furnace, given by the Priscillas, was installed.

The church has bought the land north of the building and is in process of finalizing the ownership of the land the church stands on.

Barbara New, reporter.

### NEW STUDY BOOKLET

*The Christian Family*, follow-up study guide to *How to Enjoy an Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life*, is available at Headquarters. This booklet has thirteen lessons, all of which will lead to stimulating and thoughtful group discussion. The price of this challenging booklet is only seventy-five cents, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

*The Christian Family* will be found to be much more helpful if the Leader's Guide is used with it. It is strongly recommended that the two be used together. The Leader's Guide is fifty cents, postpaid when payment is made with the order.

### MIMEOGRAPHED HOME STUDY LESSONS

The Sunday School Department has some good lessons for home study. There are five different subjects available:

- 1) Lessons For Youth
- 2) Bible Prophecy
- 3) Science and the Bible
- 4) What is the Holy Spirit
- 5) Bible Panorama

These lessons are available at below cost prices. Fifty cents each, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

The Free Literature Crusade includes *The Restitution Herald*. Churches and isolated individuals who are or will be putting out *The Restitution Herald* in display racks or distributing them, should place their orders well in advance that sufficient copies can be printed to supply the demand. *The Restitution Herald* is our best evangelistic outreach—let's give it an ever-widening circulation!

## Contributors to the General Conference:

### SEPTEMBER, 1972

Mr & Mrs John Lewis	20.00
Anonymous	40.00
Troy View Church	55.05
Mrs Joe D Shelly	10.00
Dan Dovenbarger	30.00
Anonymous	120.00
Blanchard Miss Soc	50.00
Evelyn H Austin	5.00
Mich State Conf	81.67
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	50.00
Brush Creek SS	34.70
Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Glenn Birkey	25.00
Greenville Church	50.00
Dayton Outreach Dept	116.00
Mr & Mrs Wayne Yows	15.00
Tempe Dorcas	5.00
Ruth Robinson	10.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Anonymous	1.00
Fonthill SS	21.55
Mr & Mrs Clarence Jones	300.00
Cecil Smead	30.00
Arkansas City Church	80.00
Will and Rhoda Hanson	100.00
Anonymous	25.00
Nancy Rice	9.00
Fonthill Miss Soc	96.61
Fremont Willing Workers Aid	20.00
David Butterbaugh	130.00
Fremont SS	10.50
Troy BYF	10.00
Elaine Handspiker	25.00
Dennis Brown	50.00
Beaumont Church	7.11
Mr & Mrs Otto Helweg	5.00
Mr & Mrs George DeForest	20.00
Anderson Chapel	3.00
Oregon BYF	25.00
Telva Lippert	20.00
Debbie Fletcher	12.00
Lynne Knapp	12.00
Brush Creek BYF	32.87
Dayton BYF	5.00
Esther Peterson	4.00
Maurertown Dorcas	10.00
Ripley BYF	5.00
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00
New Hope Church	25.00
Elaine Magaw	35.00
Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	15.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	50.00
Mrs Kate Ewbank	1.00
Mr & Mrs Herman Lewis	10.00
Mr & Mrs John Carr	84.00
Koszta Church	136.00
Mr & Mrs Walter Larsen	23.62
Robert Halliday	3.00
Oregon SS	8.41
Burr Oak Church	85.00
Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00
Luella Mielke	25.00

Josephine Kennedy	20.00
Diane Shute	3.00
South Bend Hope Chapel SS	28.43
South Bend Hope Chapel Church	53.47
Mr & Mrs Michael Mattison	15.00
Mr & Mrs Dale Ramsey	52.00
Anonymous	52.85
Mr & Mrs Clyde Long	35.22
Brush Creek Church	204.47
Oregon Church	445.47
St. Louis Church	18.34
Hedrick Church	54.74
North Hills Church	82.13
L K Punter	5.00
Gayla Walkington	30.00
Mr & Mrs Lyle Walkington	25.00
Modesto Bible Church	7.70
Forest Hills Church	33.60
Hillisburg Miss Soc	100.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	15.00
Paul Moore	2.25
Rockford Miss	50.00
Mrs Maurice Stephenson	5.00
Truth Seekers SS (Pa)	10.34
Don Anderson	12.00
Dixie Huffer	15.00
Mary & Martha Miss Soc	14.66
Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00

### OCTOBER, 1972

Mrs Walter Anderson	5.00
Mabel Andrew	20.00
Marjorie Bolhous	20.00
Leonard Gibson	15.00
Danny Stone	15.00
Southwest Conf	90.27
Esta Starbuck	40.00
Mr & Mrs Tim New	36.00
Cora Siple	10.00
Anonymous	50.00
Mr & Mrs S W Carroll	16.00
Eternal Hope Church	37.15
Everett Rogers	25.00
Ruth Nichols	45.00
Charles Knapp	68.00
Garden Park Church	168.71
Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger Sr	20.00
Rockford Miss Dept	80.00
Glad Tidings Outreach Dept	105.00
San Jose Church	21.00
Bedford Open Bible Church	55.68
Litchfield Church	21.16
Helen Jones	50.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	60.00
Pennellwood Church	91.15
Ripley Church	96.00
Valley Church	77.05
La State Conf	181.30
Mr & Mrs Dale Ward	25.00
S P Dismukes	50.00
Jaynes St Community Ch	300.00
Southlawn Church	231.83

David Butterbaugh	130.00
Mich State Conf	225.54
Mrs Lila D Guiles	10.00
Tempe Bible Church	186.93
Digby Church	40.75
Faith Chapel Lydias	5.00
Mr & Mrs Joe Astolfi	10.00
Pomona Ch of Open Bible	70.76
Anonymous	10.00
Felida Church	3.49
Lawrenceville Church	187.23
Raymore Church	25.00
Faith Chapel Church	59.99
Mr & Mrs J Plantner	20.00
Alice Plantner	20.00
Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00
Mrs Opal Nelson	120.00
Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00
Northeast Conf	215.00
Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00
Hope Chapel Columbus	5.00
Morris Zeller	10.00
Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	145.00
Josephine Kennedy	5.00
Mr & Mrs Dale Ramsey	15.00
Mrs Ida Jeffrey	25.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00
Dixon Church	16.66
Phoenix Bible Church	263.50
Tempe Bible Church	250.00
Fremont Church	25.00
Blanchard Church	102.03
Wallace Stone	30.00
Dorothy Siple	175.00
Alice Bassett	10.00
Everett Rogers	25.00
La Contributors	109.00
Mrs Mabel Bell	9.00
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	25.00
Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00
Milo Magaw	105.00
Ill State Conf	50.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Ollie M Cooper	5.00
Mr & Mrs Keith Doolen	5.00
Columbia Station Church	10.00
Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	20.00
S Bend Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00
Annette Davenport	1.25
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00
Mr & Mrs P M Landry	56.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Thoms	10.00
Brush Creek SS	38.60
Vernal Rossner	2.00

Fonthill Church	97.68
Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Mrs C C Fuson	5.00
North Salem Church	12.19
Frances Wood	27.50
Koszta Church	36.00
Macomb SS	75.00
Larry Gaspar	13.00
Jeff Werneke	1.00
Janice Weaver	20.00
Mr & Mrs Raymond Werneke	10.00
Danny Stone	40.00
Mark Gallagher	4.00
Sharonlee Gallagher	2.00
Troy View Church	56.60
Glad Tidings Chapel	200.00
Cecil Smead	30.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	20.00
Mr & Mrs Clyde Lewis	5.00
Leta Louks	4.00
Mrs May White	8.00
Mr & Mrs Edward Schroth	3.00
A Canadian Friend	5.00
Laurel Macy	100.00
Mrs Blanche Brossard	10.00
Jaynes St SS	33.99
Happy Woods Church	60.00
Mr & Mrs Lloyd Wiltsey	25.00
Mrs J A Kitts	5.00
Pomona BYF	12.00
Mr & Mrs Robt Laning (in memory of Vanessa Holtkamp)	15.00
Maurertown Church	33.66
Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00
Ben Carpenter	30.00
Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	25.00
Colorado Springs Church	2,563.41
Margaret Duval	125.00
Mr & Mrs Glen Canfield	137.50
Litchfield SS	11.93
Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	15.00
Wilda Hammer	10.00
Mr & Mrs Earl Bowen	10.00
Anonymous	20.00
David Krogh	62.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Fonthill Church	96.57
La State BYF	31.87
Joy Robinson	1.00
Mrs Gladys Volentine	10.00
Blood River Miss Soc	12.50
Blood River Willing Workers	31.12
Renaee Sogge	2.00
Minn State Miss Soc	100.00
Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00

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## Report on the Free Literature Crusade

By the Editor

**A**T THE 1972 Church of God General Conference, the delegates voted to approve a Free Literature Crusade for the coming year. The Conference Board of Directors asked the editor to direct this evangelistic outreach which was started October 1, 1972.

The Crusade is well underway. *The Restitution Herald*, which comes under the Free Literature classification, was more than double in circulation in November over the same month last year. The December printing will be almost triple that of a year ago. One of my daily prayers since taking over the editorship of *The Restitution Herald* has been that its circulation might be doubled. *The Restitution Herald* is our most effective evangelistic outreach.

Since the Free Literature Crusade was started, over 100,000 tracts have been printed or are on order. I believe it is a conservative estimate to say that during this Crusade year a million tracts will be printed and distributed.

### *Total Mobilization*

To bring all our resources to bear in the

Free Literature Crusade, there must be a total mobilization of the combined strength of the General Conference, the local churches, and individuals.

### *General Conference*

The General Conference has acted and set in operation the necessary machinery to implement the Free Literature Crusade. We are thinking only in terms of success! The General Conference will provide the literature. The distribution is a work that can only be done by the local churches and isolated members.

### *The Local Church*

Evangelism and outreach must come through the local church. The success or failure of the Free Literature Crusade will depend wholly on the local churches. **YOU ARE IMPORTANT!**

Statistically speaking the average congregation uses about one-fourth or less of its potential strength—depending on the faithful few to carry on the work of the church. The Free Literature Crusade provides a unique opportunity to enlist and mobilize the full strength of the church.

Members who are not trained to do personal visitation work can become involved in literature distribution. Anyone can enclose a tract in a letter which has been written to a friend or relative.

### *Individuals*

When Nehemiah pointed out the desolate condition of the wall around Jerusalem on the return from Babylon, the people replied, "Let us rise up and build." Our people are no less dedicated! When leadership is given and opportunity afforded, they will respond by saying: "Let us rise up and work." The Free Literature Crusade can be a great spiritual uplift to every church that will become fully mobilized and involved!

In this Crusade of Free Literature, we are dealing with people. People are opportunities! Widespread saturation of our literature is not as effective and productive as person-to-person—eye-ball-to-eye-ball. To succeed in personal contacts, we should determine what the other person needs. Here we should stop, look, and listen. Meeting people's needs with suitable tracts can be door openers. ●



A picture of the delegation from Ohio in attendance at the 1972 Church of God General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. It was a great Conference! Were you there? Now is the time to begin making plans to attend the 1973 Conference, which will be held at the same place, August 13-18.

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Board and Staff Greetings

The Board of Directors and the staff and workers of the Church of God General Conference extend to each member of the Church of God our warm wishes for a joyous and Christ-filled Christmas Season. May the New Year of 1973 bring continued blessings from God to every member.

I feel the General Conference is blessed with a fine staff of workers. We commend them for their dedicated service and tireless efforts to carry out all the programs of the Church of God General Conference.

The Board of Directors met on November 16-18 and a report of the actions taken will appear in the January issue of Progress Journal. The Annual Financial Report will also be published in January.

## Home Bible Study Books Price

The "Christian Family" study book, the "Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life" book, and the "Instruction Book" for both are now all available at fifty cents each. A price of seventy-five cents was earlier quoted on one of these books. Reprinting at a lower cost has made it possible to sell them all for the fifty-cent figure.

These books are especially adapted for home Bible study and can be used in almost any class situation.

## Men's Retreat

Forty-nine men gathered at Epworth Forest Camp, North Webster, Ind., for the fourth annual Men's Retreat on November 10, 11. The program was geared to Literature Use and Distribution, with sessions conducted by Bros. Clyde Randall, David Krogh, and the writer. It was so much enjoyed that, to be sure another one would be held, the date for next year was set by the group for the same weekend, Nov. 9, 10, 1973. Put this on your calendar for a weekend of fellowship, relaxation, and edification in the Lord.

## Staff Travels

Members of the General Conference staff have been busy filling pulpits in recent weeks. All of the men are taking turns filling the pulpit at the Lombard, Ill., church during the illness of their pastor, Bro. Ellsworth

Routson. Bro. Francis Burnett has been at Arkansas City and Flagg Center; Bro. David Krogh at Rockford, Flagg Center, and the Michigan Missionary Institute; Bro. Clyde Randall at Southlawn, Grand Rapids, Mich., and I have been at the Royal Village, Va., dedication, the Fonthill, Ont., Canada, Missionary Conference, the Casey and Flagg Center, Ill., churches and have shown the slides of the Mission Survey trip at the East Oregon, Ill., church.

## Improvement in Facilities

An outside basketball and volleyball court has been constructed at the rear of the men's dormitory of Oregon Bible College. Construction will soon be started on a fireproof vault for the storage of archive records of the General Conference, for Oregon Bible College records, and any other items that need to be permanently preserved.

## Conference Finances

It appears that the giving for the month of November will be about twenty-eight hundred dollars short of the goal. We trust that the membership will make this a matter of prayer and concern during the month of December so that the needs will be met. The budget approved at the General Conference in August provides for the essential needs of operation of each department, plus the cost of printing and distributing the free literature and the free *Restitution Heralds*. If the goal is not met, a loan must be made to cover the deficit or some area of the work curtailed. I believe the needs will be met. We are thankful for each person and for each church and state conference that has so faithfully "held up the hands" of the work of the Church of God General Conference in the months past.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for November	\$12,724.00
Given in November	9,872.00
Deficit in November	2,852.00
December Needs	11,166.00

**Goal for December \$14,018.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24: 14).*



## Nigeria

The picture above is the youth group at the church where Bro. John Obot is pastor. This picture was taken during Youth Week activities there. Bro. Obot can be seen on the right. Bro. Solomon Idiong is Youth Director for the Churches of God in Nigeria.

Bro. Ephriam Udo is the pastor at the Edienne Church. The three men named attended Oregon Bible College the school year of 1970-71 and are giving dedicated leadership to the work of the Church of God in Nigeria. Both churches show average attendance of about one hundred each service, and many in the area are interested in discussing the plan of salvation with these men. May God continue to bless them.

## Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez and his family are now located in Labor Vieja, a small village in the State of San Luis Potosi. The brethren have carried on a work there for several years under the leadership of Roberto Badillo, a dedicated lay worker. A new church building has been erected there recently and the services averaged thirty-seven in October. Bro. Francisco writes, "Brother, the people continue to come to the service, but I have noticed they resist coming to the altar. We ask your prayers to the Lord to soften their hearts. Greetings to all the brothers."

## Lebanon

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a continues his fine work among the people of the Arab countries. He has now purchased a 1962 model car with funds contributed by Church of God members for that purpose. This enables him to travel more easily to the neighboring countries, many of which are within a day's journey.

A family from Iraq attended the Summer Camp in August and they have been baptized and are now having concentrated studies with Bro. Sunna'a. They are interested in going back to Iraq to begin holding services in hopes of having a congregation there.

## India

Eighty-five youth and leaders of the Bangalore churches visited a blind school in the area and held services. Bro. S. S. Manoah says, "Many Christian songs were sung, prayers were made, and messages given to these needy people." Construction has been started on the Church-Medical building in Austin Town.

## Home Missions

We are thrilled to hear of the new churches being organized within the Conference. The North Hills congregation near Springfield, Ohio, held its first service on September 17, 1972, with fifty-nine present. Bro. Russell Dickerson is filling the pulpit.

A group of members from several southern Ohio churches purchased a church building in Pleasant Hill, Ohio, and plans to begin services there soon.

A group at Gastonia, North Carolina, is holding services each week. This group was begun by members living in the area of Gastonia and by contacts through the Church of God radio work there.

There are a number of Church of God members located in the Freeport, Ill., area. These members and interested friends have begun having services each Sunday afternoon. Attendance has been about twenty.

Remember these new groups in prayer.

The Literature Distribution Campaign is in progress and many churches have made definite organized plans to carry out this worthwhile evangelistic project in their communities. We must sow the seed. God will give the increase.

## Mission Board Greetings

The Mission Board met recently and discussed the progress of missions at home and abroad. Much time was given to the future plans in each of the mission fields.

On behalf of the Mission Board we extend to the membership of the Church of God General Conference our best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and may God continue his rich blessings on each one throughout the New Year of 1973.



# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges Meeting

Alva Huffer, Eugene Stilson, Dale Ramsey, and John Lewis attended the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges meeting held at the Sheraton Blackstone Hotel in Chicago, October 26-28.

The National Church Music Fellowship organization held its annual meeting jointly with the AABC, and Dale Ramsey was able to attend all of these sessions.

Various Bible scholars from around the country presented papers on Bible study methods, better techniques for teaching Bible subjects in the classroom, and other topics of interest to Bible College teachers and administrators.

We are thankful to the General Conference for allowing us the opportunity to take part in further professional preparation.

## Prayer Day by Dan Stone

The morning of November 8, students and faculty of OBC assembled in the dining hall for Prayer Day. The day's activities were started with a prayer of adoration to God by Bro. Alva Huffer, and Bro. David Krogh then presented thoughts on the importance of prayer. After devotions, Bro. John Lewis offered a prayer of thanks and breakfast was served.

Meeting later in the chapel, the students were welcomed to Prayer Day by Dan Stone, followed with prayer by Mike Berry. The congregational song, "With Thy Spirit Fill Me," was sung and it seemed to express the desire of each one to be led by the power of God. Mike Brown gave a talk on the *Power of Prayer*, and his message was centered around Matthew 18:19, 20. He cited God as a source of power for our life as Christians, and it was plainly stated that the only way to that power is through prayer.

After the beautiful song, "Sweet, Sweet Spirit," was sung by Pam Miesse, the speaker for the morning was introduced. He was presented as a friend to every student, and as "a man of great faith." That man was Bro. Billie Kennedy, pastor of the Church of God in Eden Valley, Minnesota. His sermon was entitled "Necessity of Prayer," through which he tried to impress upon the students how prayer is a *must* for the Christian life. He related to us some of his own experiences as a pastor and how prayer had come to be such an important part of his life. The whole message was excellent and the

students were really blessed by it. After another song and a closing prayer by Bro. Kennedy, the group divided into six smaller groups for prayer. The groups were led by the six seniors, with prayers on topics such as foreign missions, the General Conference, Oregon Bible College, the choir and chorale, new churches, and prayers for individuals.

After a break, the group as a whole again met in the chapel. Testimonies were given about how God had been working in the lives of the students and faculty. It was really fantastic to hear how God takes care of his children. Conversational-type prayer from anyone in the group was then given, with a closing prayer by Dan Stone. Following the prayer session, the film "His Land" was shown. It was a story of the return of the Jews to Israel and how they are rebuilding the land. Different prophecies were quoted from the Scriptures and then their fulfillment was seen.

The day was closed by a Communion service led by Bros. Huffer and Stilson. The day was an inspiration and spiritual uplift to all who attended. Many praises were given to God for such a spiritually rewarding day.

## New Facilities

The General Conference and student body through the sponsorship of the student council cooperated in providing new recreational facilities for the students.

The General Conference paid for most of the cost of building an outside basketball and volleyball court near the men's dormitory. The Student Council paid for and the students erected the goals for the new court.

Students will be able to make better use of recreational time provided by these new facilities.

## The College Staff



Alva G. Huffer, Eugene Stilson, John R. Lewis  
Dale Ramsey, S. O. Ross, Francis E. Burnett





# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Midwinter Post-High Retreat

The fourth annual Post-High Retreat will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana, beginning on December 30 and continuing to January 2, 1973.

The housing and meetings are in the staff house at Camp Mack. There is a limit to the number who can attend, which is approximately 45, plus three staff members. A guest teacher and a counselor are always present.

It is a time when Christian fellowship and relaxation are at their best. The program is arranged for an easy, yet refreshing, three days and nights that have proved to all attending the past three retreats to be of invaluable worth. There are two classes on each of the two mornings of the first two days, and one in the afternoon. On the last morning, there will be a worship service at 9:00 a.m., which will include a Communion service, with breakfast to follow.

The Post-High Retreat was planned for those out of high school, many of whom are attending college. The program includes study of the Bible, discussion about the youth work, and plenty of time for relaxation and visiting. Reports from those who have attended reveal that there were great spiritual benefits.

Anyone entering the twelfth grade is allowed to enroll. The enrollment is dated and if the quota is not filled by the post-high age, the twelfth grade age can attend. See the enrollment form below.

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### POST-HIGH RETREAT ENROLLMENT

Dec. 30 - Jan. 2, 1973

Cost: \$18.00 with deposit of \$5.00 at enrollment

Place: Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana

Theme: Fellowship Divine

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:  
Berean Youth Department  
Box 100  
Oregon, Illinois 61061



# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday School of the Month for December, is the Pennellwood Church of God in Grand Rapids, Michigan. For their recent Rally Day this Sunday school, which last year averaged 131, set a goal of nearly double their average, a goal of 250! What is really wonderful is not just that they had the vision to set a high goal, but, praise God, they reached it!

Careful plans were laid to help reach this high goal. Rally Day was known as "Round-Up Sunday" and was the first Sunday of an entire fall program. Everyone who brought a guest to Rally Day got a free pony ride. Each class had a goal. Ten of the twelve classes made their individual goals. One class had 50 in attendance and there were 32 in the preschool class alone. That Sunday evening the pastor recognized the teachers that had made their goals with small gifts. Congratulations to the Pennellwood Sunday School, its superintendent Jim Babcock, its pastor Kent Ross, and to all who helped to make their Rally Day such a success.

## Plans of Your Sunday School Board

At a recent meeting of the Sunday School Board, several new programs were inaugurated for this coming year. The Sunday School Board will seek to produce in this coming year two teacher training slide-sound sets to be made available to our Sunday schools for their use. Also the Sunday School Department will provide a monthly teacher training guide to any Sunday school that requests it. (Write to: Sunday School Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, asking to be put on this mailing list.) The Board also plans to produce a teacher's manual to accompany the regular quarterly, with suggested teaching methods and visual aids for each lesson in the quarterly. This will begin on an experimental basis with one of the future quarterlies.

In addition, there are plans for a Sunday school tape ministry and for a Sunday school manual to be given to each General Conference Sunday school.

## Essential Preparation

Prayer is an essential preparation of the heart to fit us for teaching. Prayer life is bound to show in our faces and in our attitudes. The lack of it is likewise bound to show. If we would be teachers of the Word of God, we need to learn to pray, and let no day go by without praying. When we have done our praying, our next task, as teachers, is to teach our pupils to pray.



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

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The fourth annual Post-High Retreat will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana, beginning on December 30 and continuing to January 2, 1973.

The housing and meetings are in the staff house at Camp Mack. There is a limit to the number who can attend, which is approximately 45, plus three staff members. A guest teacher and a counselor are always present.

It is a time when Christian fellowship and relaxation are at their best. The program is arranged for an easy, yet refreshing, three days and nights that have proved to all attending the past three retreats to be of invaluable worth. There are two classes on each of the two mornings of the first two days, and one in the afternoon. On the last morning, there will be a worship service at 9:00 a.m., which will include a Communion service, with breakfast to follow.

The Post-High Retreat was planned for those out of high school, many of whom are attending college. The program includes study of the Bible, discussion about the youth work, and plenty of time for relaxation and visiting. Reports from those who have attended reveal that there were great spiritual benefits.

Anyone entering the twelfth grade is allowed to enroll. The enrollment is dated and if the quota is not filled by the post-high age, the twelfth grade age can attend. See the enrollment form below.

**POST-HIGH RETREAT ENROLLMENT**

Dec. 30 - Jan. 2, 1973

Cost: \$18.00 with deposit of \$5.00 at enrollment

Place: Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana

Theme: Fellowship Divine

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:  
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Box 100  
Oregon, Illinois 61061



Scott Ross, Director

**Sunday School of the Month**

The Sunday School of the Month for December, is the Pennellwood Church of God in Grand Rapids, Michigan. For their recent Rally Day this Sunday school, which last year averaged 131, set a goal of nearly double their average, a goal of 250! What is really wonderful is not just that they had the vision to set a high goal, but, praise God, they reached it!

Careful plans were laid to help reach this high goal. Rally Day was known as "Round-Up Sunday" and was the first Sunday of an entire fall program. Everyone who brought a guest to Rally Day got a free pony ride. Each class had a goal. Ten of the twelve classes made their individual goals. One class had 50 in attendance and there were 32 in the preschool class alone. That Sunday evening the pastor recognized the teachers that had made their goals with small gifts. Congratulations to the Pennellwood Sunday School, its superintendent Jim Babcock, its pastor Kent Ross, and to all who helped to make their Rally Day such a success.

**Plans of Your Sunday School Board**

At a recent meeting of the Sunday School Board, several new programs were inaugurated for this coming year. The Sunday School Board will seek to produce in this coming year two teacher training slide-sound sets to be made available to our Sunday schools for their use. Also the Sunday School Department will provide a monthly teacher training guide to any Sunday school that requests it. (Write to: Sunday School Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, asking to be put on this mailing list.) The Board also plans to produce a teacher's manual to accompany the regular quarterly, with suggested teaching methods and visual aids for each lesson in the quarterly. This will begin on an experimental basis with one of the future quarterlies.

In addition, there are plans for a Sunday school tape ministry and for a Sunday school manual to be given to each General Conference Sunday school.

**Essential Preparation**

Prayer is an essential preparation of the heart to fit us for teaching. Prayer life is bound to show in our faces and in our attitudes. The lack of it is likewise bound to show. If we would be teachers of the Word of God, we need to learn to pray, and let no day go by without praying. When we have done our praying, our next task, as teachers, is to teach our pupils to pray.



## CALENDAR

Dec. 30-Jan. 2—BYF Post-High Retreat at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.  
 Mar. 25—International Prayer and Communion Day.  
 Apr. 23-27—Ministerial Conference, Oregon, Ill.  
 July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.  
 Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.  
 Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

## BAPTISMS

**Grand Rapids, Mich.:** Leonard Noorman and Tony Coonrod were baptized into the body of Christ in September. We pray God's blessings on them in their new walk of faith.

—Robert Schrienk, pastor.

**Macomb, Ill.:** Terri Fugate was baptized November 12, 1972, by Pastor John Carr. We pray God's blessing on Terri. —Betty Potts, reporter.

**Columbus, Ohio:** Patricia Morczek and Cathy Robbins responded to the invitation to accept Jesus as their Lord and Master during the recent evangelistic services, and were baptized for the remission of sins, Sunday, October 22, 1972.

—C. F. Pryor, pastor.

**Litchfield, Minn.:** Dana Allen, 123 N. Davis, Litchfield, 55355, was baptized into Christ, October 14, 1972, at Long Lake Bible Camp. This unites the Allen family in Christ.

—John Railton, pastor.

## FREEPORT REPORT

On October 22, 1972, at 12:30 p.m., a group of people met at the home of Dean and Shirley Urish on Bolton Rd., about four miles west of Freeport, Ill., for the purpose of organizing some kind of church work in the Freeport area. Nineteen people were in attendance.

Dinner was served at 12:30, with everyone bringing a dish or two to pass. At 1:45, Sr. Joan Hall had a class for the children. Bro. Milton Hall, Illinois Missionary Director, led the adults and teen-agers in a Bible class. The theme of his lesson was "Workers together with God."

After the lesson, discussion centered around what kind of worship service to have and at what time. The time that seemed to suit everyone present was Sunday, 1:00 p.m.

The first meeting was Sunday, November 5. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and dinner, and it was decided to have a potluck dinner once a month. There were 20 present. At the second meeting, November 12, there were 22 present. Four classes are being held.

As the work progresses, more organization will be made and changes made where needed. We have the names of 20 members of the Church of God in the Freeport area and, counting their families, we could have approximately forty people.

We want all to feel welcome to meet with us. There is no greater joy than serving God together in Christian fellowship, with the desire to win others for Christ.

Shirley Urish, Sec., pro tem.



## NORTH HILLS CONGREGATION

A group of members of the Lawrenceville, Ohio, Church of God met on September 6, 1972, organized and adopted a constitution, and elected officers of the North Hills Church of God. The first service was held on September 17, with fifty-nine in attendance. Services are held in Northridge near Springfield, Ohio. Bro. Russell Dickerson has accepted the pastorate of the new church.

The Lawrenceville Church and the Northeast Conference are assisting and encouraging the new group. Services are held in the lower level of an office building at present. They are looking for a lot for a future building of their own.

Junior and senior youth groups have been formed. Six Sunday school classes meet each week. Calls are being made weekly by the pastor and lay workers, and much literature is being distributed.

Praise God for these new avenues of outreach in the Church of God.

## OBITUARIES

**Alton R. Scott** was born May 29, 1923, at Roe, Ark., and died October 27, 1972. Bro. Scott and family recently moved to Little Rock from California. He attended the New Hope Church of God. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Gilbert Wayne Gibson, N. Little Rock, and Dewey Gibson with U.S. Army, Ft. Lewis, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Olin Bruce, Virginia Beach, Va.; one brother, William Scott, Santa Ana, Cal.

Services were conducted October 10, 1972, with interment in the National Cemetery in Little Rock, where he awaits the return of Jesus. —Louis Kump.

**Paul Meyers Carroll** died October 16, 1972. He was born July 6, 1954, and was baptized into the body of Christ September 30, 1967. He was a member of the Eternal Hope Church of God, Herndon, Va. The church shares in the sorrows of the family.

Services were held on October 20. The pastor was assisted by the former pastor, Joseph Fletcher. —Ronald Macy, pastor.

**Cyrus J. Shaw** of 8024 Sylvan Hills Highway, North Little Rock, Ark., was born January 5, 1897, in Hamlet, Ark. He died September 20, 1972. He had been in the Veterans Hospital several months and had developed pneumonia prior to his death. Bro. Shaw was known and loved by many. He had served as pastor of the New Hope Church of God for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel; three sons, David and Paul of Houston, Tex., and John of Ruidosa Downs, N.M.; one daughter, Mrs. Frank Cheek of Little Rock; two brothers, Cliff Shaw of Little Rock, and Jack Shaw of Whittier, Cal.; two sisters, Mrs. Frank Bailey of Orange, Cal., and Mrs. Albert Eberhardt of Cucamonga, Cal.; three step sisters, Mrs. Roy House and Mrs. Lewis Scrimshire of Malvern, Ark., and Mrs. Julian House of Bakersfield, Cal.; and eight grandchildren.

Services were conducted on September 22, 1972, after which Bro. Shaw was laid to rest in the Roselawn Cemetery to await his Saviour's call. —Louis Kump.

## FONTHILL, ONTARIO

Glad Tidings Church of God held its first Annual Missionary Conference on November 3-5, 1972, using the theme, "The World Needs Jesus." The International Mission Board members, and Bro. Paul Overholser, Northeast Conference Missions Director, were present to share news of our foreign mission fields. Pastors Stanley O. Ross and Lee McQuinn presented inspiring messages from God's Word. Special music was provided by the King's Choraliars (young adult group). Berean Youth Choir, Sanctuary Choir, Sunday School Choir, Pastor Lee McQuinn, and Bro. Merle Patrick. Interesting displays of foreign and home mission work were arranged by the Sunday school classes. Sharing sessions were conducted on Home Bible Study Groups, Calling Evangelism, and Literature Distribution. Sr. Mardy Lawrence conducted the Faith Promise Service on Sunday afternoon when \$4026 was promised for missions, surpassing our goal of \$3000. All who attended were richly blessed and challenged to respond to the urgent need to go into all the world with the gospel. Viola Goit, Missionary sec.



The Fonthill, Ont., church group at the 1972 Church of God General Conference.

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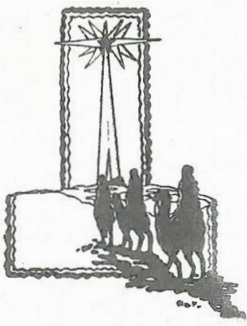


### ROCKFORD ILLINOIS, CHURCH OF GOD

Above is an architect's drawing of the proposed house of worship which the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill., plans to build in the near future. The building will be 78 X 44, with a seating capacity of 200. This is the twenty-ninth Mission Builders Appeal. Brochures have been mailed to all (almost 1,000) members of the Mission Builders League. These members contribute five or ten dollars, or more, toward the construction of new churches. Two appeals are made each year. Anyone can share in this outreach by mailing a check to Mission Builders League, Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill.

## Contributors to the General Conference:

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New Hope Church	25.00	Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger Sr	40.00	Modesto Bible Church	12.50	H L Reid	5.00
Beaumont Church	21.65	Oregon Mary & Martha	12.50	Mrs Mabel Bell	15.00	Mr & Mrs George McMurtrie	30.00
Mrs Lucille Wulff	10.00	Northeast BYF	14.91	Mr & Mrs D L Holt	50.00	Mrs Dorrene Rogers	12.00
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Mrs Wm S White	5.00	Mrs R D Stanton	6.00	Columbus Miss Soc	30.30	Wilma Brunner	10.00
Mrs Doris Reye	10.00	Mr & Mrs Milo Jones	25.00	Sarah Anderson	5.00	Macomb Miss Soc	20.00
Mrs M Stephenson	5.00	David Krogh	50.00	Mr & Mrs Samuel Lewis	10.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00
Columbia Station Church	264.70	Mrs Sophie Hammer	10.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00	Oak Grove Church	10.00
J Anon	40.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Pryor	225.00	Troy View Church	153.90	Anonymous	12.00
Anonymous	50.00	Flagg Center Church	81.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Alspaw	5.00
Mrs Burton Smith	15.00	Oregon SS	11.15	Mr & Mrs Ivan Seman	10.00	Margaret Duval	125.00
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Mr & Mrs Herbert Huenerkopf	5.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	15.00	Rockford Miss Fund	65.00	Mr & Mrs Carroll Bennett	10.00
Mr & Mrs William Cramer	5.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	45.00	Columbus Hope Chapel BYF	10.00	Mr O H Berry	10.00
Mr & Mrs Arne Lunderby	5.00	Eden Valley Bereans	100.00	Fredericktown Church	91.37	Burr Oak Church	340.00
Dennis Cheatwood	.25	Linda Jones	3.00	Hedrick BYF	5.00	Bernice Roberson	100.00
Fonthill BYF	8.00	Brush Creek Church	249.75	Raker Union Church	24.10	Kosza Church	36.00
Inez Gordon	20.00	Garden Park Church	167.39	Pennellwood Miss Dept	155.00	Mrs W W Zimmerman	5.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	10.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Mattison	15.00	Mr & Mrs Raymond Werneke	5.00	Bedford Open Bible Church	36.38
Icel Stedman	10.00	Pennellwood Church	120.40	Jay St Church of God SS	39.32	Anonymous	25.00
Marjorie Bolhaus	25.00	North Hills Church	78.69	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	St Louis Church	34.33
Clyde Long	12.00	Edna Claypool	10.00	Leitha Bowman	50.00	Annie Welsh	15.00
Anonymous	100.00	Raymore Church	25.00	Dorothy Magaw	72.00	Luther Bengé	10.00
Hector Dorcas	5.02	Mr & Mrs P M Landry	56.00	Cora Siple	10.00	Happy Woods Church	131.00
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Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	50.00	Illinois State Conference	50.00			Minn State Miss Soc	100.00



# The Last Christmas

By  
G. E. Marsh

The stars grew dim in the midnight sky,  
A long, long time ago;  
And earth was bathed in a mystic light,  
And heaven was all aglow.  
An angel came from the throne of God,  
As the shepherds shrank in fear,  
And thrilled their hearts with a strange new joy,  
As he spoke those words of cheer:

"Fear not, O trembling ones," he said,  
"Good news to earth I bring;  
For unto you is born this day  
In Bethlehem a King!  
Long promised by your ancient seers,  
He comes to bring release  
To Israel's bound and scattered sons,  
And to the whole world peace!"

Then suddenly angelic hosts  
Appeared in heavenly light,  
Their voices with hosannas rang  
And echoed through the night:  
"Glory be to God on High"—  
The vibrant tones increase—  
"Good will to men who please the Lord,  
And on the earth be peace!"

Two thousand years have come and gone,  
Since the echoes died away,  
And glory faded from the sky,  
On that first Christmas Day.  
And ceaseless Time still marches on,  
War's ravages increase;  
Fear fills the hearts of all mankind,  
Vain seems the hope of peace.

But faith still burns, a deathless flame,  
In the souls of those who know  
That God is true, and soon anew  
The heavens again will glow  
With shekinah light that filled the night  
With glory so long ago!

Soon he shall come, who once did come,  
The dead in him shall rise—  
The living changed—together called  
To meet him in the skies;  
With him forever more to be;  
With him forever reign,  
Till every knee to him shall bow,  
And sin and death and pain  
Be banished from his worldwide realm,  
To never come again.

But sin and death and pain still rule  
O'er all the tribes of earth;  
No more we hear a voice to cheer  
The hearts of men to mirth.  
The children's dancing feet are stayed,  
Their lilting voices stilled;  
Drawn from their mother's straining arms,  
Whose hearts with dread are filled.

"How long, O Lord! how long?" we plead,  
"Wilt thou not hear our cry,  
And send our great Deliverer back  
From thy right hand on High?"  
Perhaps he'll hear—I KNOW he'll hear!  
While we his children pray;  
And this may be, O blissful thought!—  
Earth's last sad Christmas Day!

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## Missions News

By S. O. Ross

### Mid-East

The accompanying picture is a women's class in Cairo, Egypt. The work there is progressing under the leadership of Bro. Shaker Iskander.

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a of Lebanon continues to make great use of literature, especially the Systematic Bible Study Course, which he has translated into Arabic. A man in Algeria, North Africa, has taken the course and is now asking for baptism. Many Arab countries are receiving the gospel through the written word.

There are several baptized members in Jordan who were holding regular services in their homes. Due to the political problems there, no group meetings are allowed in homes at present so they had to discontinue their services.

### Philippine Islands

A recent report from Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero states that six men and four women were baptized at the relatively new church in the village of Lupao. Bro. Calixto Marini is the pastor there.

We call attention to all the recent problems in the radio work in the Philippines. Bro. Ortiguero writes, "The troublesome church is no longer doing its program on the Tuguegarao station. The station manager removed that program in spite of the many appeals by them to continue. We do not know of the reason of its removal, as they do have plenty of funds to pay for the programs. We have hopes that the removal of the program of that troublesome church at that station will give peace of mind to our speakers."

Because of all the political problems in the Philippines, the President has ordered martial law imposed. Fortunately, freedom of religion and freedom of worship



were not affected, except that no meetings either inside or outside can be held after dark. Bro. Ortiguero and his people are glad for the order, since no serious crime has been committed since the proclamation. Before that time, violence was in evidence on every hand.

### Nova Scotia

Bro. Raymond Brown recently conducted five devotional services at the local radio station in Digby. Recent reports show that seventy-five calls were made in September and seventy-four in October. Attendance continues to average about sixty for both Sunday school and church.

### India

Bro. S. S. Manoah has traveled to Andhra Pradesh, near Hyderabad to spend ten days with Bro. P. M. Paulson and the workers there. They will study together regarding the true doctrines and beliefs of the Church of God, Abrahamic Faith, make arrangements for printing of tracts in the Telagu dialect, and lay plans for the future work within the five congregations there.

Special Mothers Day services were held on October 29, 1972, at Thomas Town, Bangalore, honoring all the mothers of the several churches. Each of the churches in India held special Commu-

nion services in conjunction with the Berean Fellowship Communion Sunday on November 26.

It is the hope that the Church-Medical building in the John Nagar section of Bangalore will be completed within six months. Mission Builders Appeal No. 28 for this building has brought in over six thousand five hundred dollars, the largest Mission Builders Appeal ever.

### Nigeria

Bro. Solomon Idiong and his wife have been quite ill with malaria. Both are some better but they are asking for prayers for their complete recovery.

The youth of the Nigerian churches held special Communion services on BYF Communion Sunday, November 26.

A Missionary Conference was held at the Ediene Church on November 18. Plans were made for outreach in the surrounding villages. Special meetings are being held with a group at the village of Asarama. A number there plan to be baptized into Jesus Christ at special services early in January.

### Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez reports that attendance has been lower due to rain and cold weather. He made nineteen visits in November. One lady came forward and will be immersed in the waters of baptism shortly.

Bro. Martinez says, "We trust in the Lord that very soon others will give their lives to Christ. Thank you for your letter, which gives me great strength and blessing. We wish a happy Christmas and blessed New Year to all the brethren of the Church of God."

Remember all of our missionaries in your prayers.

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Annual Financial Statement

On pages six and seven of this issue you will find the Financial Report for the past fiscal year. The full report of forty pages was presented to the Board of Directors at its regular meeting on November 16-18, 1972, and was approved at that time.

## Board Meeting Actions

The Board of Directors appointed Bro. Francis Burnett to the position of full-time Youth-Sunday School Director for one year beginning September 1, 1973. At the end of that year it is the plan that a full-time Director be appointed for the Youth Department and also for the Sunday School Department. This appointment was made in accordance with the action taken by the delegates at the 1972 General Conference.

The Conference delegates directed that a person, committee, or group be appointed to provide education concerning tithing throughout the churches of the Church of God General Conference. The Board did appoint Bros. Z. B. Duncan, Chairman, Joe James, and James Mattison to that committee.

A proposal was presented at General Conference that a tape and cassette library of sermons and messages be started. The Conference Board of Directors appointed Bro. Byron Jay, Chairman, and Rex Cain to a committee to begin setting up such a library.

The recently organized Pleasant Hill Church of God, at Pleasant Hill, Ohio, has asked for and been accepted as a member church of the Church of God General Conference. The first service was held on December 3, with seventy-two in attendance.

The Board of Education of Oregon Bible College recommended that an increase be made in tuition and room and board. By action of the Board of Directors, effective with the 1973-74 school year, the tuition will be increased to \$250.00 per semester, and room and board to \$350.00 per semester. This reflects an increase of \$25.00 in each.

About four hundred fifty dollars was received from the auction sale of antique items held at the 1972 General Conference. The Board of Directors has approved these funds to be used to build the fireproof vault in the General Conference building.

Bros. Joe James, John Huston, and S. O. Ross, with John Hearp as alternate, have been appointed to a committee to plan the 1973 General Conference. This Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13-18. The Committee will be meeting in early January. If you have any suggestions or ideas for the Conference program please contact one of the Committee.

The Board spent four hours on Saturday morning in long-range planning for the overall work of the Church of God General Conference. Many thoughts, ideas, and possibilities were discussed.

## Ministers Fund

The Ministers Fund of the Church of God General Conference is a special fund used for loans or gifts to ministers or ministers' widows in emergency situations. One disabled minister and one minister's widow are receiving a small amount from this fund each month. The funds are being depleted. We encourage churches and individuals to remember this fund with an offering or a gift that a balance may be maintained for an unexpected emergency. The fund is administered by the pastors of the Rockford, Dixon, and Oregon churches, the Dean of Oregon Bible College, and the Executive Secretary of the General Conference.

## Conference Finances

Contributions for the month of December are twenty-five hundred dollars short of the needs. Extensive printing costs due to the enlarged *Restitution Herald* mailings and the extra tract printings, added to the general work of all the departments, require that the goals be met each month or a bank loan will be required. Please pray for and send your contribution to help meet these monthly needs.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for December	\$14,018.00
Given in December	11,537.00
Deficit in December	2,481.00
January Needs	11,166.00

**Goal for January \$13,647.00**

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# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## **Mission Fellowship Activity** *by Mike Brown*

One of the important student organizations of Oregon Bible College is the Mission Fellowship Activity. The goals, activities, and projects of this group make a significant contribution to the spiritual growth of the student body. The purpose of the mission activity of the school is threefold: first, mission activity is to glorify God; second, it is to take a significant part in spreading the gospel to every creature, and, finally, to edify brothers and sisters in the faith.

With a membership of twenty students, the club has been active in both home and foreign missions. In the early part of the semester interest has been concentrated in the home missions area. Following the example of the early apostles, students this year conducted literature distribution and visitation campaigns in the city of Oregon. During a special sale day sponsored by the merchants of Oregon, students distributed Bibles and tracts on the street. On that same day the club sponsored a car wash to raise funds for the various activities. We are also conducting services in a rest home for elderly people on a regular basis.

One project we feel is important to the College is the OPERATION OUTREACH program. The goal of this project is to reach every house in Oregon, giving information about the College and witnessing for Christ. The program is not complete, but already some Oregon people have responded to our visitation. Many people have shown an interest in the Church of God. The Mission Fellowship Activity also conducts one chapel service each month. Through these activities we pray that the Mission Fellowship Activity will bring glory to God and be of help to people in need. We welcome any encouragement from the brethren.

## **Contributions for Library Needed**

Special contributions are needed to purchase additional books for the library at Oregon Bible College. The Board of Education is urging friends of the College to mail special contributions to the OBC Library so that these needed books can be acquired. The College library can buy these needed books directly from publishers at discount prices. While actual books are always welcomed when sent to the College by friends, a larger number of books can be acquired when friends send their contributions to the College. This enables us to purchase the precise books needed.

## *The Library is the Heart of the College*

The heart of any institution of higher education is its library. A quality college library is one of the marks of scholarship and academic excellence. Every course in the College curriculum must be reinforced with adequate books concerning that subject in the library. Oregon Bible College needs basic reference works, up-to-date current books relating to courses being taught, as well as visual education materials.

## *A General Conference Goal*

General Conference delegates have acknowledged the need for growth in our College library. According to the General Conference "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five Program," adopted by Conference delegates, the goal for the number of volumes in Oregon Bible College library by September, 1975, is 10,000 books. During the past five years, we have experienced wonderful growth in our library. We have doubled its size, so that we now have about 7,500 books.

## *Gifts That Keep on Giving*

Special gifts for books for the College library benefit all students equally. Grants and scholarships are much needed for individual students and are vital for continued progress. Books for the library are needed as well. Books on library shelves, moreover, are available to all students and benefit all members of the College family equally.

Quality books placed on our library shelves through special contributions from the Lord's people will continue to be on those shelves for many years to come or until the Lord returns. These books will benefit not only our current students, but also those students who will be attending Oregon Bible College in the future.

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# BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## New Berean Bible Study Book

A new Study Book has been prepared and printed in response to requests from several who wanted prepared lessons for use in midweek or special studies. This new Scripture Studies Book has 52 lessons. It was prepared to present the great teachings of the Bible. There is a good variety of material, and it is the thought that all who study from it will benefit. It is now ready and can be purchased for one dollar per copy. Mail your order today to: *The Restitution Herald* or Berean Youth Department, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061. All orders are sent postpaid when the books are paid for in advance.

## International Communion Sunday

Sunday, November 26, was set by the Berean Youth Director as a special day for the youth of the Church of God throughout the world. The Berean youth delegates voted during their business sessions in July, 1972, to have a day set aside. The importance of this action is seen in the desire of the young people to have a common bond by which each one could be brought more closely together. The manner in which the service was to be conducted was to be according to the Bible and the standards practiced by all of our churches in regard to the Communion service. We know that it is wise and scriptural that the elders of the church teach the younger ones. Certainly this is one way for the teaching to be done.

Information that has come to our desk through letters and bulletins indicate that this special day was well received and observed. We had word that it was to be kept in India in four churches, in the Philippines, and in Nigeria. We are sure that it was observed in other foreign countries. It is a real joy to know that each of us, regardless of the country in which we live, can have a common, yet very blessed fellowship in Jesus Christ. This was the real purpose for the Berean Communion Sunday. Word from Bro. Solomon Idiong states that 50 young people attended the service in his church.

## International Prayer Day

This was observed by a few last year in the month of March. The date for this special day this year is March 25. Begin to encourage the young people in your church to have a special service on that day. Make plans to be a part of the service. This is a good way to create fine fellowship with the young people. •

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

Our Sunday School of the Month for January is one of the newest Sunday schools in the General Conference, the North Hills Church of God in Springfield, Ohio. This group held its first Sunday school service on September 17, 1972. November 19, just nine weeks later, was their Rally Day. This new Sunday school, barely two months old, set a goal of 70 for their Rally Day. And, praise God, on Rally Day there were 76 for Sunday school and 87 at the morning worship service.

Sunday school superintendent Bob Petry said the secret of their success was that "everybody was out working for the Lord." Sunday school members went out and invited people. When they received a firm commitment from these people, they would write their names on a huge thermometer constructed at the church. As names were added, the "mercury" moved up. By Rally Day more than 70 names had been added and more than 70 attended. Congratulations to the North Hills Sunday School, its superintendent, Bob Petry, its pastor, Russell Dickerson, and to all who helped this new Sunday school have such a successful Rally Day.

If your Sunday school has had an interesting and successful day, program, idea, or promotion please write it up and send it to Sunday School of the Month, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. One of these will be selected to be used each month.

## Teacher Training

Continuous teacher training ought to be an important and vital part in the program of every Sunday school. Teacher training is necessary if we are going to develop new teachers. It is important in aiding growth and improvement in our present teachers. Teacher training offers encouragement to all our Sunday school workers.

The General Conference Sunday School Department has teacher training material to lend to our churches—filmstrips, records, and teacher training guide sheets. These are available at no charge. Write your General Conference Sunday School Department asking for the latest catalog of teacher training helps. Your Sunday School Department wants to be of help.

Teachers will be better prepared to lead the pupils in discovering truth, if they are provided with regular teacher training and good lesson helps. The result will be more effective teaching. •

# ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

October 1, 1971 - September 30, 1972

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES General Funds

<b>Current Assets</b>	
Cash in Bank—Checking—Regular	\$ 6,205.78
Cash in Bank—Checking—Escrow	903.44
Cash in Bank—Savings	7,063.77
Petty Cash Fund	200.00
Accounts Receivable	1,464.65
Notes Receivable	2,303.94
Inventory	8,135.26
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 26,276.84</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
Land	\$ 24,241.91
Improvements to Grounds	875.31
Buildings	226,299.75
Furniture & Equipment	34,868.08
Auto	1,726.72
Construction in Progress— Women's Residence Hall	1,410.00
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$289,421.77</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$315,698.61</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	\$ 5,331.57
Notes Payable	2,128.94
Withheld Payroll Taxes	811.69
Accrued Hospitalization Premiums	4,111.96
Deposits—Room & Key	420.00
Deposits—Car Registration	42.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 12,846.16</b>
<b>Net Worth</b>	
Surplus	302,852.45
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Net Worth</b>	<b>\$315,698.61</b>

## RESTRICTED FUNDS

<b>Current Assets</b>	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 10,585.47
Cash in Bank—Savings	36,756.58
Stocks & Bonds—At Cost	9,046.98
Notes Receivable	3,328.96
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 59,717.99</b>
<b>Long-Term Investments</b>	
Notes Receivable— Putnam & Graham	\$ 3,745.01
Contract Receivable— Putnam & Graham	98,957.88
<b>Total Long-Term Investments</b>	<b>102,702.89</b>
<b>Total Assets—Restricted Funds</b>	<b>\$162,420.88</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Annuities	\$ 10,000.00
<b>Net Worth</b>	
Fund Balance	152,420.88
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Worth</b> <b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>\$162,420.88</b>

## TRUST FUNDS

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash in Bank—Savings	1,484.25
Notes Receivable	12,023.09
<b>Total Assets—Trust Funds</b>	<b>\$ 13,507.34</b>
<b>Net Worth</b>	
Fund Balance	13,507.34
<b>Total Net Worth—Trust Funds</b>	<b>\$ 13,507.34</b>

## STATEMENT OF OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE

<b>Operating Income</b>	
Contributions—General	\$124,927.83
Contributions—Designated for Special Projects	38,567.37
Tuition, Room & Board	33,246.77
Services	87.75
Interest	6,724.31
Camps	17,421.83
Miscellaneous	1,945.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$222,921.05</b>

## Statement of Gross Profit (Loss) on Sales

<b>Cost of Sales</b>	
Inventory—October 1, 1971	\$ 9,874.16
Purchases	5,322.10
Salaries & Wages	15,491.62
Contract Printing	25,728.59
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$56,416.47</b>
Inventory - September 30, 1972	8,135.26
<b>Cost of Sales</b>	<b>\$48,281.21</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>37,058.87</b>
<b>Gross Profit (loss) on Sales</b>	<b>\$(11,222.34)</b>
<b>Total Operating Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$211,698.71</b>

<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Salaries	\$ 68,142.63
Telephone, Light & Fuel	7,739.37
Insurance	2,029.77
Postage & Freight	3,449.04
Supplies & Expense	6,616.84
Depreciation	5,676.13
Advertising	100.11
Repairs & Maintenance	2,869.71
Travel	10,493.55
Towel & Laundry Service	283.50
Camp & Retreat	17,201.74
Printing (Departmental)	7,402.92
Editorial	1,590.00
Speakers	280.00
Assistance To Mission Points	18,498.00
Assistance to Churches	12,342.76
Literature	849.94
Food	8,941.02
Social Security Tax	4,420.06
Rent & Interest	558.84
Professional Service	1,057.43
Auto Expense	1,155.44
Miscellaneous	2,196.22
Staff Training	849.37
Foreign Exchange	13.41
Special Mission Projects	9,312.23
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$194,070.03</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,628.68</b>

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# ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT (Continued)

STATEMENT—OTHER RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES			
<b>Net Operating Income (Forwarded)</b>	\$ 17,628.68	<b>Net Income From all Sources</b>	\$ 4,360.54
<b>Add: Other Receipts</b>		<b>Add: Non-Cash Expenses Deducted Above</b>	
Contributions—Building Fund	434.00	Depreciation	5,676.13
Contributions—Intern Scholarships	684.00		
Contributions—Ministers Fund	513.36	<b>Net Cash Income</b>	<b>\$ 10,036.67</b>
Interest	1,349.51		
Gain of (loss) from Sale of Equipment	(10,723.48)	<b>Capital Expenditures</b>	
<b>Total Other Receipts</b>	<b>\$ (7,742.61)</b>	Additions to Ground Improvements	250.00
<b>Total Net Operating Income and Other Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 9,886.07</b>	Additions to Buildings	6,730.41
<b>Deduct: Other Expenses</b>		Additions to Furniture & Equipment	7,834.34
Scholarships Granted	601.57	<b>Total Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>14,814.75</b>
Annuity Benefits	4,498.96		
Assistance to Ministers	425.00		
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 5,525.53</b>		

The Annual Financial Statement above is a portion of the report of the firm of Ramsey and King, Warsaw, Ind., accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, November 17, 1972.

## CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



### CALENDAR

- Jan. 13—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Kokomo. S. O. Ross, speaker.
- Jan. 18-21—Guthrie Grove Church, SC, special meetings. S. O. Ross, speaker.
- Feb. 19-25—Evangelistic meetings, Troy View church, Troy, Ohio. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- Apr. 14, 15—Louisiana State Literature Crusade meeting. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- Apr. 23-27—Ministerial Conference, Oregon, Ill.
- May 31-June 2—Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

### DIGBY MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

On November 18, 1972, the second annual Missionary Conference was held at the Light-house Church of God. Sr. Eunice Pearson was in charge of the Conference. The theme of the Conference was "The Gospel Must be Published in all the World."

The events of the day consisted of singing, devotions, demonstrations of the use of tracts, prayer groups, and slides of Egypt and Lebanon. The goal for Faith Pledge for this coming year was set at \$750.00. Praise and thanks be to God that we met last year's goal. The faith pledges for this year are to be used in the Free Literature Campaign. May God continue to work through his people so that this gospel may be spread to all the world.

—Reported by Elaine Handspiker.

### BAPTISMS

**Blanchard, Mich.:** Our church was thrilled to see these immersed in the name of Christ. Four were baptized on April 2, 1972; one on September 17; and nineteen on October 22, following our fall revival with Bro. Don Needham.



Front row: Sandra Scheese, Laurie Paulsen, Darla Jones, David Fish, Karen Smith, Sheila Miller, Diane Brisboy.

2nd row: Karen Mitchell, Debbie Paulsen, Eleanor Mitchell, Eleanor Miller.

3rd row: Bea Paulsen, Dennis Mitchell, Kevin Mitchell, Preston Miller, Wayne Miller, Al Rogers.

4th row: Priscilla Anderson, Leanne Scheese, Rob Smith, Randy Scheese, Kevin Eldred, Keith Eldred, Randy Baldwin.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Christopher Gallagher, 906 W. Roma Ave., Phoenix, Ariz. 85013, was baptized into Christ, November 26, 1972. We continue to thank God for the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Browtown, Va.:** Vernon Tharpe, Brown-town, Va. 22610, accepted Christ as Lord and professed faith in baptism on November 16, 1972.

James Rich, pastor.

**Front Royal, Va.:** The Royal Village Church of God is pleased to announce the baptism of Mrs. Jean Wines, Monroe Ave., Front Royal, Va. 22630, and Mrs. Rachel Mills, Chester Gap, Front Royal, Va. 22630. May God lead them in the newness of life in Christ. Joe Martin, pastor.

**South Bend, Ind.:** Mrs. Blanche Phelps was immersed in the waters of baptism on Sunday, November 19, 1972. We welcome her into our fellowship and God's family throughout the world.

James Graham, pastor.

**Oregon, Ill.:** We are happy to announce that the following confessed faith in Christ and were baptized in the name of Jesus November 19, 1972: James Louis Behrens, Rt. 3, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and Linda Ann Sandifer, Rfd., Ashton, Ill. 61006. On November 26, Kurt Laurent, Rockford, Ill., was obedient to the Lord in baptism. We welcome these into the household of faith.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

**Dayton, Ohio:** Miss Sheila Clark, 4151 Annapolis Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45416, accepted Christ as her Saviour on November 12, 1972, and was baptized November 15.

Rex Cain, pastor.

**Koszta, Iowa:** Daniel Foster, Sycamore, Ill., was immersed in the saving name of the Son of God November 25, 1972, the writer assisting. May God be with him as he has gained the fellowship of believers at the Flagg Center, Ill., Church of God.

Delbert Rankin, pastor.

### WORDS OF TRUTH CONCORDANCE

A concise Bible Concordance that covers such subjects as: God, His Coming Kingdom; The Lord Jesus Christ, Man's Saviour; Man; Immortality; The Destruction of the Wicked, Etc.

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### EVERY WEEK

Every week the local Post Office puts a number of Postage Due notices in Box 100. Each due notice is at least for ten cents. Many issues of The Restitution Herald, Progress Journal and Challenge go undelivered each mailing because people have moved without leaving a forwarding address. If you change your address, please send advance notice of six weeks to The Restitution Herald, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

**OBITUARIES**

**Gertrude Munn** was born February 7, 1892, and died November 1, 1972. She was baptized in 1907 and became a member of the Blanchard Church of God. She will be sorely missed by many older people of our community who enjoyed her regular visits and thoughtful help.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Pastor Leslie Smith, with burial in Decker Cemetery near Blanchard.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

**Bro. J. Leonard Harland**, Cedar Falls, Iowa, died of a heart attack at home, October 7, 1972. He had lived for 81 years. He was a faithful member of the Conger Street Church of God in Waterloo, and spent his last day working there. Services were conducted on October 10, at the church by Bro. Linford Moore, assisted by the writer. Bro. Moore compared Leonard's life to a garden, and pointed out how he had truly shown the fruits of the spirit listed in Galatians 5. He was laid to rest to await the coming of his Saviour in Badger Cemetery, Gladbrook, Iowa. We will all miss Leonard, but we are all better for having known him.

Stanley Lawrence, pastor.

**A GREAT SUBJECT**

The Kingdom of God is an extremely extensive subject. There are many phases to be considered. Jesus spent much of his short ministry in teaching and demonstrating many aspects of the kingdom, and how entry into that kingdom may be attained. The "how to enter the kingdom" phase of his teaching is the most difficult for men to receive. It involves *change*, which men seem instinctively to resist. To qualify to enter the kingdom requires change in character, a reversal of life styles, the abandonment of previously established standards and a concentration upon the "things pertaining to the kingdom."

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John Jacob Obott, Bx 14, Abak SES, Nigeria, W Africa

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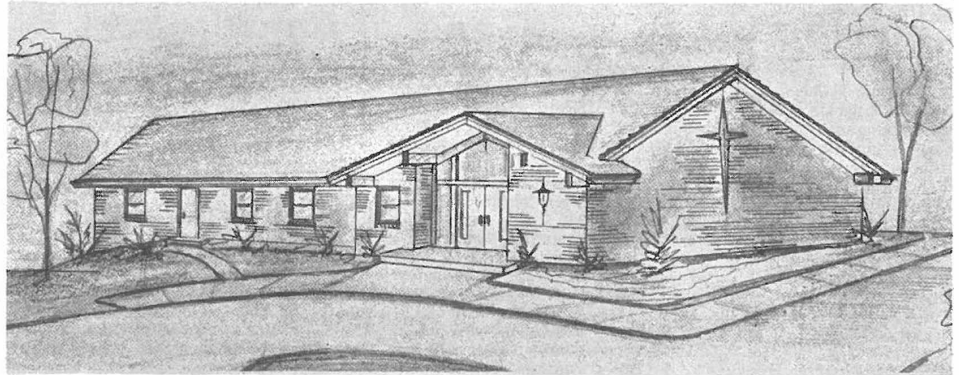
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*The Christian Family* will be found to be much more helpful if the Leader's Guide is used with it. It is strongly recommended that the two be used together. The Leader's Guide is fifty cents, postpaid when payment is made with the order.



**ROCKFORD ILLINOIS, CHURCH OF GOD**

Above is an architect's drawing of the proposed house of worship which the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill., plans to build in the near future. The building will be 78 X 44, with a seating capacity of 200. This is the twenty-ninth Mission Builders Appeal. Brochures have been mailed to all (almost 1,000) members of the Mission Builders League. These members contribute five or ten dollars, or more, toward the construction of new churches. Two appeals are made each year. Anyone can share in this outreach by mailing a check to Mission Builders League, Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill.

**NEW MISSION BUILDERS**

- 813. Barbara Niday
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- 815. Mr & Mrs Russell Dickerson
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- 820. Mr & Mrs Lyle Cain
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- 835. Mrs Craig English
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### YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Your Sunday School Board has begun work on the production of a Church of God Sunday School Manual, but your help is needed. This manual is to consist of papers written by various Church of God people that relate to the work of the Sunday school. Many valuable papers have been and are being written for presentation at various district conferences, ministers' meetings, and local church functions. It is hoped that many of these papers can be gathered, reproduced, and distributed to all our Sunday schools in the form of this manual. Thus we are asking YOU to help us by sending to the Sunday School Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, any Sunday school related papers that you have collected over the years. Please, don't just think about doing this, but rather do it! This manual can only be produced if we receive your help.

### BEREAN BIBLE STUDY BOOK THE PRICE

The new Berean Bible Study Book of 52 lessons is ready for mailing. The price is \$1.00 per copy. Some earlier mailings listed the book at seventy-five cents. This was incorrect. Send your order to The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for this fine study book.

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Systematic Bible Study Course: Norma Knapp, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Florence Schultz, Ivan and Sue Bryant, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Gerald Reeder, Lombard, Ill.; Jones Hensen, Guthrie Grove, SC; Margaret Barrett, Lenoir, NC; Gary Roepke, Lester Prairie, Minn.; N. U. Etuk, Nigeria; Bobbie Weaver, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Richard Williams, Hurst, Tex.; Mrs. Hollie Hefner, Connelly Springs, NC; Peter Akpan, Nigeria; Joyce Burris and Bobby Partain, Guthrie Grove, SC.

Mrs. Don Weagle, Peggy Anderson Winner, Earl Austin, Mrs. Rose Mary Austin, Mrs. Ruby Holden, Mrs. Pearl Brown, Paul Benfield. Congratulations!

### MIMEOGRAPHED HOME STUDY LESSONS

The Sunday School Department has some good lessons for home study. There are five different subjects available:

- 1) Lessons for Youth
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- 3) Science and the Bible
- 4) What is the Holy Spirit
- 5) Bible Panorama

These lessons are available at below cost prices. Fifty cents each, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

### PASTORS AVAILABLE

David W. Cheatwood, 5854 Terre Haute Rd., Urbana, Ohio 43078, is available for a full-time pastorate.

Vivian Kirkpatrick, Sr., 704 Jefferson, Oregon, Ill. 61061, is free for weekend appointments.

Births are not usually reported. Twins, that might be an exception! Brenda Joy and Carolyn Dawn. Parents: David and Karen Swartz. Great-grandparents: Frederick and Myrle Clausen. Grandparents: George and Barbara Scott; Don and Ethel Swartz.

### MARRIAGES

Miss Peggy Anderson and Mr. Waldon Winner were united in marriage on October 21, 1972, in the Blanchard Church of God, the bride's home church. They are serving in the pastorate at the Hedrick, Ind., Church of God. We pray God's blessing on their life of love and service together.

Miss Kathy Kohler and Mr. Larry Walkington were united in marriage on November 25, 1972, by exchanging their vows in the Blanchard Church of God. They will make their home near Blanchard, and continue to worship and serve in this church. May God make their marriage a shining example of love.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

## Contributors to the General Conference: December, 1972

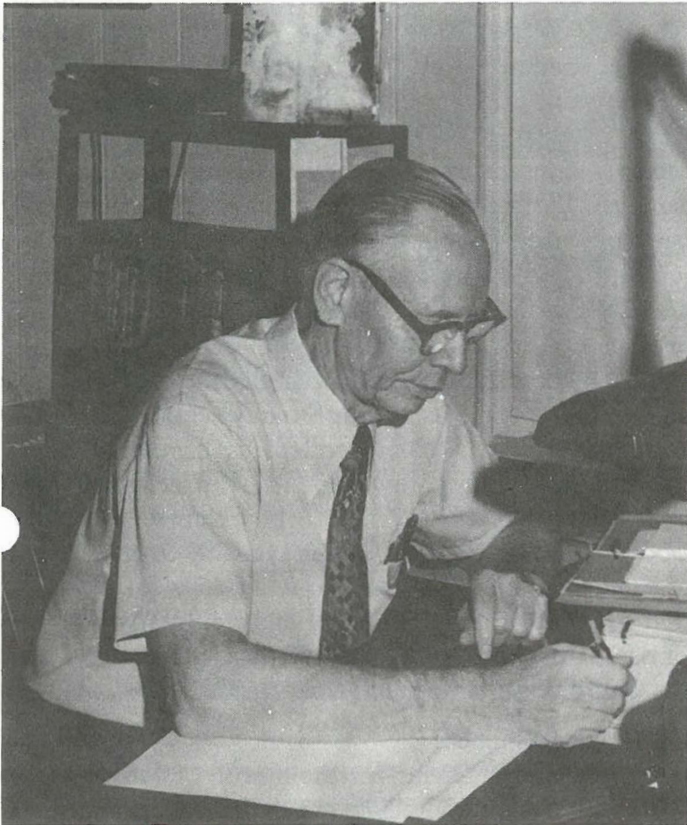
S T Messick	8.75	Mr & Mrs Ray Kluck	5.00	Frances Wood	17.55	Ollie Cooper	5.00
Ruth Nichols Reid	45.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Trimble	15.00	Mr & Mrs Harvey Fisher	40.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	10.00
Glad Tidings Chapel	137.35	Nellie Nettles	10.00	Anonymous	1.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Partain	25.00
Men's Retreat	245.21	Ohio Friends	100.00	Sharonlee Gallagher	1.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00
Ben Carpenter	140.00	Mrs Esther Jenkins	10.00	Joy Robinson	2.00	Mr & Mrs Elmo Gaspar	100.00
Macomb SS	105.31	Mr & Mrs Chas Jones	70.00	North Hills Church	74.05	Blanchard Church	135.74
Hope Chapel Ch		Anonymous	10.00	Mr & Mrs C E Mills	50.00	Luella Mielke	25.00
South Bend	52.55	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Illinois Conf	50.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00
Ripley Church	178.42	Mr & Mrs Douglas Todd	10.00	Mrs C C Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Z B Duncan	15.00
Mr & Mrs LaVerne Rice	7.00	Forrest Long	10.00	Garnett Caudle	10.00	Mr & Mrs R Johns	10.00
Fremont Willing		Faye Larington	5.00	Garden Park Church	176.92	Peoria Faith Chapel	48.00
Workers Aid	10.00	Mr & Mrs R Harmon	100.00	Ripley Miss Soc	37.45	Fonthill BYF	10.00
Macomb Church	268.56	Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	100.00	Mr & Mrs Wm Hanson	100.00	Michigan Conf	183.65
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	50.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	155.00	Happy Woods Church	61.00
Leota B Hanson	10.00	Macomb Co-Workers	25.00	Freeport Church	30.00	Troy Deborah Circle	25.00
Mr & Mrs Gerald Niles	110.00	North Salem Church	6.54	Northeast Conference	215.00	Eunice Orr	50.00
Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	15.00	Clement Richey	4.00	Lawrenceville Esther Soc	11.26	Lorene Orr	50.00
Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	35.00	Shilah Richmond	22.00	Mr & Mrs P Overholser	60.00	Cool Spring SS	8.83
Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	40.00	Lois Blakely	25.00	Emma Johnson	20.00	Rockford Miss Fund	130.00
Eternal Hope Church	74.36	Jacob Maehren	30.00	Helen Thompson	50.00	Mr & Mrs Raymond Werneke	5.00
Mr & Mrs Ed Schroth	1.40	Glenn Birkey	25.00	Donald Thoms	40.00	Koszta Church	36.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	35.00	Salem Church	16.15	Blanche Dorsey	5.00	Macomb Miss Soc	20.00
Fonthill Miss Soc	106.71	Anonymous	50.00	Raymore Church	132.00	San Jose Church	20.00
Ark City Hope Chapel	10.00	Mr & Mrs David Bothum	5.00	E. Dorothy Magaw	14.00	Litchfield Church	29.62
Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Mr & Mrs Orval Shepherd	5.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	30.00	Mr & Mrs Donald McCombs	10.00
Minneapolis Faith Com	12.75	Mr & Mrs Jas Mattison	6.10	Bedford Church	32.43	Pomona Church	55.34
Lorraine Gaspar	10.00	Mr & Mrs Geo DeForest	20.00	Fairy Lyon	25.00	Trella Venneberg	5.00
Esther Peterson	5.00	La State Conf	144.48	Lombard Church	41.25	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	10.00
Verne Berry	40.00	Mrs Frank Fogle	5.00	William Loy	10.00	Mr & Mrs C F Pryor	5.00
Maurertown Church	35.34	Mr & Mrs Kaffenbarger Sr	30.00	Modesto Bible Church	10.00	Rockford Church	156.19
Oregon Mary & Martha	37.50	Guthrie Grove Church	117.00	Phoenix Mission Fund	150.00	Mrs Mary McDaniel	10.00
Mrs. Joe Shelly	20.00	Mrs Frank Hodnett	50.00	Tempe Bible Church	438.82	Mr & Mrs Robert Wissman	10.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Moore	20.00	New Hope Church	25.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Yows	20.00	Mrs Effie Jones	10.00
Philadelphian Chapel,		Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	25.00	California Member	250.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00
Columbus	25.00	Mr & Mrs Allen Smith	35.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs L Ashelford	50.00
Women's Retreat	57.00	Brush Creek Gospel		La Contributors	90.00	Elaine Magaw	16.00
Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	5.00	Gleaners	10.00	Brush Creek Church	211.00	Russel Thoms	20.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Maurertown Dorcas	20.00	St. Louis Church	28.95	Mr & Mrs Monroe Elton	50.00
Sharon Guiles	30.00	Lawrenceville Church	434.17	David Krogh	80.00	Wayne Thompson	25.00
Cheryl Fletcher	1.00	Mr & Mrs F A Ramsey	50.00	Mr & Mrs R Lutton	25.00	Fonthill SS	12.37
Brush Creek BYF	28.90	Blanchard Miss Soc	35.00	C E Randall	20.00	Josephine Kennedy	20.00
Charles Knapp	51.84	Faye Luper	14.00	Mr & Mrs J Huston Sr	10.00	Fort Valley Church	124.34
Mary Weyrauch	4.00	Mr & Mrs Andy Allen	10.00	Southlawn Church	440.19	Greenville Church	43.55
Anonymous	10.00	Anonymous	21.00	Holbrook Church	33.60	Macomb SS	13.14
Ava Kelley	5.00	Mr & Mrs Arne Lunderby	5.00	Alice Bassett	13.00	Lawrenceville Church	197.60
Mr & Mrs Wm Shotwell	40.00	Oak Grove Church	10.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Mrs Anna Johnson	50.00
John Gizen	5.00	Fremont Church	30.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	84.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Cecil Smead	75.00	Oregon Church	504.34	Hope Chapel Miss Soc		Cora Siple	10.00
Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	100.00	Mr & Mrs R Fridley	100.00	South Bend	65.00	Cecil Smead	30.00
Mr & Mrs Kent Ross	12.00	Eunice Pearson	15.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Norby	6.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00
Fonthill Church	224.24	Inez Gordon	15.00	Mr & Mrs Tim New	6.00	Jaynes St. Ch Omaha	148.20
Dorothy Napper	20.00	Nora Anderson	25.00	Eta Starbuck	35.00	Marjorie Bolhous	25.00
Phoenix Bible Church	409.00	Oregon SS	8.16	May White	8.00	Digby Church	28.00
Fremont SS	13.50	Leonard Brown	15.00	Mr & Mrs R L Jones	35.00	Telva Lippert	10.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	130.00	Dorothy Siple	25.00	Forest Hills Church	60.00	Everett Rogers	25.00
East Oregon Church	30.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	100.00	Alta Thrush	20.00		

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## A TRIBUTE TO A DEDICATED SERVANT

In this issue we pay special tribute to Bro. Paul Johnson, a dedicated servant in the Church of God General Conference work for more than fifty years.

Bro. Johnson operated the print shop of the Conference during the many years of its operation. Since the shop was sold, he has been in charge of the preparation of materials for camera-ready copy to go to the printers. He is a craftsman of the highest caliber in the printing business. More than that, he is a dedicated Christian servant, full of Bible knowledge and wisdom. He is always cooperative in the Conference work and ready to give assistance to any staff member who calls upon him.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, each staff worker, and myself, we extend to Bro. Paul and his good wife Ethel our sincere thanks and appreciation for many years of faithful service. We pray God's rich blessing upon them both and trust that their dedicated service may continue for many, many years more, should the Lord tarry.

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary.

## A MAN FULL OF FAITH AND GOOD WORKS

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"HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR"

*"Let elders that rule well-be counted worthy  
of double honour" (1 Tim. 5:17).*

Fifty-two years ago a young man by the name of Paul Johnson came to Oregon, Illinois, from the prairie land of Iowa. The day following his arrival, he began work in the print shop of *The Restitution Herald*. He has continued to serve faithfully ever since. The fine craftsmanship in the makeup of *The Restitution Herald*, *Progress Journal*, *Challenge*, *Truth Seekers Quarterlies*, *Vacation Bible School Lessons*, *Tracts*, *Berean Bible Studies* and various special items from time to time are his handiwork. He has been a dedicated servant of the Lord and his church.

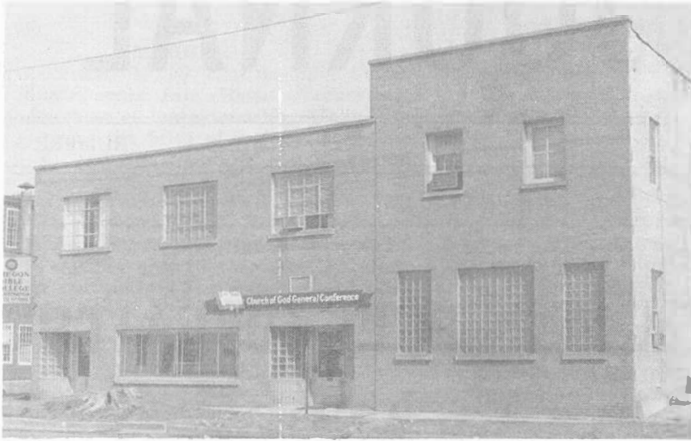
The Publishing Department has often been understaffed and, when extra work hours were needed, these were selflessly given. Behind his untiring labor stood his faithful wife Ethel, who never complained when extra hours of work were required or sheafs of work brought home. Ethel has also given much time working in the Publishing Department.

Not until the Judge of all the earth rewards men for their faithful service will the fruitage of Paul Johnson's lifelong service to his Lord and church be realized or known. The Church of God throughout the world with Headquarters at Oregon, Illinois, owes a great debt of gratitude to this man who, having put his hand to the printing plow, has never looked or turned back. Paul Johnson, we thank you for your faithful and humble service, and Ethel for your share and sacrifice in it! These words are flowers while you live!

Clyde E. Randall, editor.

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## General Conference Headquarters

The above picture is of the general offices building of the Church of God General Conference located at 131 N. Third St., Oregon, Illinois. The right-hand portion of the building has the publishing department, the mailing room, and the General Conference staff offices. The left-hand portion houses Oregon Bible College staff offices, classrooms, student lounge, and chapel. In addition to this building there is the women's dormitory (the former Golden Rule Home) and the men's residence building which includes the library, music room, kitchen and dining facilities, and twelve dormitory rooms each housing two students. There is also a large lot in the dormitory area used for parking which may be used for future expansion.

The higher portion of the Conference building is well over one hundred years old and has been used for publishing and Conference use since March of 1922. The addition was built in 1950. The present facilities are in good repair and a credit to the community and to the General Conference membership.

## General Conference Outreach

The Word of God is going out in a wonderful way through the various efforts of the Church of God General Conference. Thousands are being reached in at least seven foreign countries through the direct preaching and teaching ministry of the Mission Department. At least fourteen Mideast countries are receiving the gospel through the written Word (Systematic Bible Study Course in Arabic) being distributed by Bro.

Sunna'a in Lebanon. The radio ministry in the Philippine Islands is reaching many with the Word.

The Free Literature Crusade of this church year is a tremendous tool for reaching the multitudes in our home areas as well as reaching into many foreign countries. We envision a million pieces of literature being used this year. The number of *Restitution Heralds* of the 1973 March issue will be nearly four times the number used in March 1972.

We recently received an order from the West Indies for thirty *Songs of Truth* hymnals. We have just received a Systematic Bible Study Course request from Jamaica. Letters arrive almost daily from foreign countries and from people in the United States and Canada requesting to know more about the biblical teachings held by the Church of God General Conference. Some people in Australia are reaching out to the Church of God for direction and leadership. Churches of other denominations are using our Sunday school quarterlies and hymnals. One Bible college is using the book, *Systematic Theology*, by Bro. Alva Huffer, as the textbook in its Systematic Bible Study Course. We praise God for all these opportunities available to the Church of God. We ask that you earnestly pray for guidance that each challenge will be met and that many will find Christ in this next year through the united efforts of the Church of God General Conference.

## Conference Finances

The Goals for Giving for the month of January have been met. We do appreciate the dedicated giving of the churches, state conferences, individual members and friends of the General Conference. We ask your prayers and continued concern that the total programs of the Conference may be carried to completion.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for January	\$13,647.00
Given in January	\$14,556.00
February Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for February \$11,166.00**

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# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24: 14).*



## Ghana

The picture shows Bro. Oliver Amani (on the left) of Ghana, West Africa, and E. K. Dzoko and E. K. Afenyo, two schoolteachers who were recently baptized by him. Bro. Amani is leading a group in services at Wora Wora village, where he has secular employment. He also returns to his former home of Jasikan for services on occasion. Several of the Jasikan members are government employees and have been moved to other locations, which has curtailed attendance.

At the village of Wora Wora a lady is providing a meeting hall rent free for his services. He asks that the membership pray for this work that the Lord might continue to bless. He continues to thank God for saving his life in the taxi accident a year ago.

## Philippine Islands

Bro. Insturo Magno, a faithful and dedicated pastor, has resigned and retired from the active ministry. He was one of the first to join Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero in the Church of God mission effort in the Philippines. Due to age and ill health he felt led to this decision. He is a well-educated man and speaks excellent English. His leadership will be missed by the members of the Roxas congregation.

Bro. Rudencio Luzano, a very talented and consecrated young man, has taken over the pastorate at Roxas. He was the leader of the youth work of the Philippine Conference during my visit there in 1966, and I am sure he is well qualified to take up this work. He has worked very closely with Bro. Magno the past few years and has often represented Bro. Magno in Conference meetings when it was too difficult for him to travel.

## Nova Scotia

In a recent letter from Bro. Raymond Brown, he

notes that several new families have started to attend services. He feels that prospects for the future are good. Reports show that attendance has increased over October and November. Eighty-one calls were made in December.

Sr. Eunice Pearson, a lay worker from Ohio, has been a great help to Bro. and Sr. Brown and the work of the Digby Church of God. Bro. Brown says, "We just wish we had several more like Eunice."

## India

A letter received from P. M. Paulson near Hyderabad, India, reports the work there progressing well. He says, "We are having three services daily in this Christmas season and our church work here is increasing day by day. I am receiving *The Restitution Herald* magazine and it is most helpful to me."

Bro. S. S. Manoah reports that special Christmas and New Year services were held in the churches in the Bangalore area. Special social gatherings were held where the poor were given eatables and small gifts.

## Lebanon

Sunday school at the Holy Land Church of God in Beirut had an average attendance of 123 in November. The worship service average was 48. Many children of the church neighborhood come to Sunday school, but mainly adults attend the worship service.

The Cairo, Egypt, church under Bro. Shaker Iskander, had a Sunday school average of 100. A recent convert there has come to Beirut for concentrated study under Bro. Jamal Sunna'a. This man plans to go to Alexandria, Egypt, to expand the Church of God work to that area. A son of Bro. Iskander and a few other interested people are already having some Bible study services in Alexandria.

## Home Missions

A new group has become very active in the Arlington, Texas, area (between Dallas and Fort Worth). Bro. and Sr. Albert Harper, dedicated layworkers from the Omaha, Nebraska, church, have gone to Arlington to give them pastoral leadership for several months this winter. Pray for the Harpers and this new group.

We are thrilled with each new work that is begun within the Church of God. We ask your prayers for the Lord's blessing upon the work at Gastonia, N.C.; Freeport, Ill., North Hills, Ohio, and Pleasant Hill, Ohio.





# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## Contributions for Library Books

Oregon Bible College needs 2,500 additional books for its library to reach the General Conference "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" Goal by September, 1975.

The Board of Education is urging friends of the College to mail special contributions to the OBC Library so that these needed books can be acquired. The College library can buy these needed books directly from publishers at discount prices. Contributions enable the College to purchase the precise books needed.

A special envelope is being included with this issue of *Progress Journal* for the convenience of friends of the College in mailing their special gifts.

## Dean's List

We honored several students for achieving high academic standing during the fall semester. To achieve high honor, a student must maintain a grade point average above 3.50. The following students achieved high honor: Robert Jones, 4.00; Gary Smith, 3.64; Benny Mattison, 3.62; Mark Ryan, 3.62; Dennis Brown, 3.54.

Those achieving honor were: Joseph Myers, 3.42; Kenneth Taylor, 3.33; Tim New, 3.30; Scott Millard, 3.20; Sam Voorhies, 3.18; Dan Landry, 3.06; Michael Brown, 3.00.

## Scholarships

Through conferences, organizations, and individuals in the Church of God, scholarships are provided each year for several students. Most of the scholarships are for the total amount of tuition for one semester. A few cover only part of the tuition.

The following students were awarded these scholarships on the basis of academic achievement and Christian character. Kenneth Taylor, S. E. Magaw Scholarship; Robert Jones, James A. Patrick Scholarship; Joseph Myers, Lea Doeden Scholarship; Daniel Landry, Glen and Violet Booth Scholarship; Michael Brown, Northeast Bereans Scholarship; Samuel Voorhies, Norman McLeod Scholarship; Mark Ryan, S. J. Lindsay Scholarship; Benjamin Mattison, Lucian Murphy Scholarship; Denise Pearson, Edna Brewer Scholarship; Dale Harshman, Helen L. Overholser Scholarship; Michael Berry and Gary Smith, Michigan State Conference Scholarships; Tim New and Tim Cook, Otto E. Dick Scholarship; Dawn Allen and Dan Ryan, Min-

nesota Scholarship; Dennis Brown, Berean Youth Fellowship Scholarship.

Grants-in-aid were given to Bruce Burnside and Robert Storts.

## New Students

Three new students have enrolled at Oregon Bible College for the 1972-1973 Winter Semester. Susan Foster of Sycamore, Ill., has enrolled in five hours of study.

Carl Jennings of St. Louis, Mo., and Larry Mayberry of Royal, Ark., are full-time students. We welcome them to the Oregon campus.

## Gospel Teams

The College music department, under direction of Dale Ramsey, has a full agenda for the winter months.

On December 9, 10, 15, and 17 the Choir and Chorale gave concerts in Blanchard and Grand Rapids, Mich., South Bend, Ind., and Oregon and Dixon, Ill.

On February 17, 18, and 19 the Chorale will give concerts at Eden Valley, Litchfield, Minneapolis, and Augsburg College in Minnesota.

On March 4 the choir will give a concert at Dixon, Ill., and the Chorale will present a concert at Kokomo, Ind., March 16.

The Chorale's spring tour will be March 18-22. They will be appearing at Guthrie Grove, S.C.; Whitnell, N.C.; Front Royal and Strasburg, Va.; Pennsylvania; Fonthill, Ont.; and Blanchard, Mich.

We invite you to attend an Oregon Bible College musical concert when one is given in your area.

## Junior-Senior Weekend

We look forward to next spring when the junior and senior high school students of the Church of God will visit the Oregon Bible College campus.

The dates set for this event are April 12 and 13.

Visiting students will be able to attend classes and join in other regular College activities.

## President Huffer

Dr. Alva Huffer spent several weeks at the Oregon campus during the first part of the Winter Semester. He taught a one-hour course on Bible Archaeology and also team-taught Systematic Theology with John Lewis. He prepared copy for the new College catalog and made plans for further development of the College curriculum and program.

# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Berean Youth Week

The 1972 Berean Youth Week is history and, from all indications through letters and reports, was perhaps one of the most successful ever held. The date for this last year was September 18-24.

The first place winner was the youth of Garden Park Church of God, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Second place award was given to the Bereans of the Blanchard Church of God, Blanchard, Michigan. Others that we would give ratings to but no awards are: Southlawn Church of God Bereans, Wyoming, Michigan, third place; Faith Chapel Church of God Bereans, East Peoria, Illinois, fourth place; East Oregon Church of God Bereans, Oregon, Illinois, and Hedrick Church of God Bereans, Hedrick, Indiana, fifth place. Fifteen other groups sent in reports that showed much activity among their groups and in their churches during the Youth Week.

Many may ask about the procedure used in judging the winners. The basis used has been one which has been gradually added to during the years. Much consideration has been given to the matter as to what should be considered important. What should a youth group be expected to do that would truly show it deserved to be a winner. Christian service should be the object of the group and performed by the group. One of the first items, and a very important one, is preplanning. Some groups have planning meetings three to four months in advance. The kinds of Christian service used for judging are: witnessing to individuals personally; handing out of tracts; canvassing the local church neighborhood; giving out invitations to attend church; visiting homes for the aged or other institutions where the less fortunate live; teaching of the youth by the adults in Sunday school teacher training; attendance at a board meeting; work at the church; and other things that fit into this classification. It is our thinking that banquets and parties are nice, but are not really emphasizing the evangelical spirit of the church.

## Youth Week, 1973

The date was set by the Advisory Council at its meeting December 29, 1972, at Camp Mack, Milford, Indiana. The date is the last full week of October—October 22-28—with Youth Sunday being October 28. Idea materials, report forms, and other suggestions will be sent about June 1. Preplanning can begin by putting the date in the church calendar.

FEBRUARY, 1973

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday School of the Month for February is the Church of the Open Bible in Bedford, Ohio. This Sunday school recently had a contest entitled, "Go, Grow, and Show," where points were given for attendance, promptness, bringing Bibles, daily Bible readings, inviting friends, and bringing friends. Awards were given to the individuals gaining the most points. A Sunday school tree, with seven branches representing the seven classes, was posted on the wall. Each Sunday leaves were attached to the class branches, one for each pupil present. In that way everyone in the school could actually watch the Sunday school "Go, Grow, and Show."

During the six weeks of the contest their attendance averaged nearly 25% over the previous quarter. New prospects from the community were gained. And most importantly, they have been able to maintain this gain in attendance even after the finish of the contest. Congratulations to this Church of God in Bedford, Ohio; to their superintendent, Mary Ellen Jones; to their pastor, Stephen Bolhous; and to all members of the Sunday school who helped to make their "Go, Grow, and Show" contest such a success.

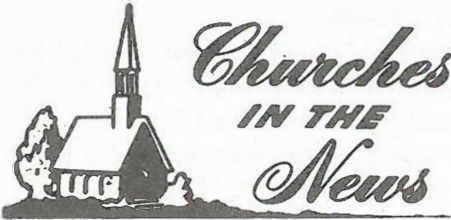
## The Sunday School Superintendent

Sometime during the coming year nearly every Sunday school in our General Conference will be electing their Sunday school superintendents. Careful thought and consideration should be given to whom we elect to this important position.

It is important to elect qualified people as Sunday school superintendents. The most important qualification is that he be a dedicated Christian, leading a consecrated life. Such a person would be faithful to all church services, would witness, would tithe, and would lead a life separated from worldly practices. No matter how many other qualifications he might have, if he is not such a Christian, your Sunday school will be handicapped.

There are other qualifications that are important. He ought to have a vision of what the Sunday school can accomplish and of its work, be a good organizer, be enthusiastic, be a person that makes a good impression, and be able to work closely with the pastor. It would be helpful if he had a teaching background. Let's elect qualified Sunday school superintendents to lead our Sunday schools.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## CALENDAR

- Feb. 19-25—Evangelistic meetings, Troy View church, Troy, Ohio. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- Mar. 17, 18—Missouri Spring Conference at Doniphan.
- Apr. 14, 15—Louisiana State Literature Crusade meeting. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- Apr. 19-22—Special meetings St. Louis Church by C. E. Randall.
- May 12, 13—Youth Retreat, Raymore, Mo.
- May 25-28—Young Adult Retreat, Oregon, Ill.
- May 31-June 2—Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- June 16, 17—Missouri Summer Conference at Fredericktown.
- June 17-23—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Oct. 22-28—Youth Week.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

## NEW STUDY BOOKLET

*The Christian Family*, follow-up study guide to *How to Enjoy an Abundant and Fruitful Christian Life*, is available at Headquarters. This booklet has thirteen lessons, all of which will lead to stimulating and thoughtful group discussion. The price of this challenging booklet is only fifty cents, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

*The Christian Family* will be found to be much more helpful if the Leader's Guide is used with it. It is strongly recommended that the two be used together. The Leader's Guide is fifty cents, postpaid when payment is made with the order.

## DIRECTORY CHANGES

### MICHIGAN

**Pennellwood Church**  
Sec.: Mrs. Howard McClain, 4910 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508

### TEXAS CONFERENCE

**Beaumont Church**  
Sec.-Treas.: Mrs. Merlin B. Stephenson, R 1, Bx 180, Vidor, TX 77662

### VIRGINIA

**Browntown Church**, (Cool Spring) Browntown, VA 22610

Changes in Ministers List  
Joe Astolffi, Bx 175, Wheeler, WI 54772  
Dean Moore, R 1, Bx 140A, Westlaco, TX 78596

## BAPTISMS

**Pomona, Cal.:** Mrs. Betty Jean Arnold accepted Christ and was buried with him in baptism on October 1, 1972. We rejoice that Mrs. Arnold joined her daughter Kathryn and son David in the household of faith. The Arnolds reside at 750 W. Arrow Hy., Pomona, 91767.  
Delbert A. Jones, pastor.

**Front Royal, Va.:** The Royal Village Church of God is pleased to announce the baptism of Mr. Ervy Johnson into the saving name of Jesus Christ. We pray that he, with us, may be counted worthy to be in the likeness of Christ's resurrection.  
Joe Martin, pastor.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Jeff Gray, son of Bro. and Sr. Darrell Gray, 4114 W. Bethany Home Rd., Phoenix, 85019, was baptized into Christ December 17, 1972. May God bless him in his newfound faith.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

## BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

The Brush Creek Church of God held its special meetings November 24 through December 3, with Bro. Z. B. Duncan as guest speaker. Bro. Duncan gave much spiritual food and challenge from the Word of God. I am thrilled with his ability and dedication to the Lord. We all enjoyed him and his wife Verily, and feel the Lord blessed us through their ministry. During the meetings three people came forward requesting baptism. Miss Sherry Moore, Mr. David Moore, and Mrs. Michael (Marcia) Burke. Sherry and David were baptized December 3, 1972. On December 10 we broke the ice and baptized Marcia Burke. We thank the Lord for those who have confessed their faith in the gospel and have been obedient through baptism.

Timothy Perry and Daniel Yahle were baptized August 27, 1972.

Our involvement in the Free Literature Campaign is underway, and we are challenging the membership by asking every active member in the church to distribute tracts during this year. This is a great year of opportunity, and we are praying for God's Word to have free course and be glorified among all (2 Thess. 3:1).

Leon Driskill, pastor.

## YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

May 25-28, 1973

### Memorial Day Weekend

Plans are being made for a Young Adult Retreat to be held in the vicinity of Oregon, Ill. It will be at a camp located approximately seven miles southwest of Oregon. The Retreat is for the purpose of bringing together the persons of this particular age for Christian fellowship, Bible study, instruction in many of the phases of the General Conference work, and to give those attending opportunity to see the Headquarters' offices, Oregon Bible College facilities, and to meet General Conference staff workers. Those eligible to attend will be anyone who is single from age 23 through 32 and any married couple under the age of 33. Many of the persons in this age group are not able to be away from home or family long enough to attend General Conference but could be away for a weekend. We believe that many grandparents or good Christian friends would be more than willing to baby-sit that those eligible could attend. The cost per person will be \$17.00. An enrollment form will appear in the March *Progress Journal*.

## OBITUARIES

**Faye E. Luper** was born May 27, 1905, in Winfield, Kan., and died January 2, 1973, at Medford, Ore. Her husband Hobart preceded her in death in 1966. She was a longtime member of the Church of God and resided in the Los Angeles area for many years until moving to Oregon. She is survived by two daughters, Betty Casey and Wanda Luper; two sisters, Rachel Pumphrey and Pearl Coat; and two brothers, Harry and Thomas Hindman. Services were conducted January 5, 1973, and burial was at Inglewood Cemetery, Inglewood, Cal.

Harold Doan, pastor.

**Mrs. Emma Rubrecht Billings** was born January 8, 1897, and fell asleep in death December 12, 1972. Her husband and son, Lloyd Robbins, preceded her in death. Two daughters, Eunice Howard and Zola Fay Garner; one brother, John F. Rubrecht; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren survive. She was baptized during the 1920s. Services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Bro. Harry Goekler.

John Hayse.

**Mary Jane Lansbery** died on December 22, 1972, at the age of 91 years. Sr. Lansbery spent most of her life in Illinois, moving to California in 1950. She was a member of the Church of the Open Bible of Pomona. She leaves Mrs. Kathryn Bodin of Pomona, Mrs. Esta Starbuck of Rockford, Ill., George Lansbery of Beloit, Wis., and John Lansbery of Desert Hot Springs, Cal.

May the Lord soon return and grant immortality to his faithful servants.

Delbert Jones, pastor.

**Mrs. Minnie Fletcher** fell asleep in death on October 1, 1972, at the age of 87. Sr. Fletcher lived in Brea, Cal., and was a member of the Los Angeles Church of God for many years, later transferring her membership to the Church of the Open Bible of Pomona. Survivors include Sr. Alberta Lee of Brea, Mrs. Mary Hawkins of Clearwater, Fla., Mrs. Mildred Malone of Sacramento, Cal., and Earl Patton of Riverbank, Cal.

Delbert Jones, pastor.

**William E. Byers** died on November 6, 1972, at the age of 88. Bill was a resident of Indiana for many years before moving to California. He was a member of the Church of the Open Bible of Pomona. Survivors include Madeline Stilson of South Bend, Ind., Frances Boyle of Los Angeles, Cal., and Evelyn Scott of Logansport, Ind.

Delbert Jones, pastor.

**Earl Richard Richter**, for forty years a member of the Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, died December 20, 1972, at the age of 73 years. Though his physical condition had prevented him from attending church services for a number of years, he maintained a lively interest in the work of the church, and was always happy to perform any service within the limits of his health and strength.

His wife Marcella, son Richard, and daughter Earlene Polzer are active in Golden Rule Church. Another son, Raymond, is a member at Golden Rule but makes his home in California. A granddaughter, Jeri Polzer, is also an active member at Golden Rule.

His faith in Christ took away any fear of the enemy death. On December 23, his pastor conducted his funeral service. He now awaits the return of Jesus and the joyous resurrection.

J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

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**HISTORICAL RESEARCH EFFORT**

Several years ago Bro. Paul Hatch of Oregon, Ill., was asked to act as Historian for the Church of God General Conference and to compile a written history of the Church of God. He did make trips to various cities in the east and visited libraries and information centers to gather such historic material as was available. Due to ill health, this work has been curtailed for sometime.

A Historical Research Fund has been established by Bro. Hatch and contributions to this fund will be received through the Church of God General Conference. Bro. Hatch is making plans to resume this effort of gathering information of historical value. He would welcome any material or information of historic nature. Other trips may be necessary to eastern and midwest cities. He will endeavor to get this material in written history form shortly.

**EVERY WEEK**

Every week the local Post Office puts a number of Postage Due notices in Box 100. Each due notice is at least for ten cents. Many issues of *The Restitution Herald*, *Progress Journal*, and *Challenge* go undelivered each mailing because people have moved without leaving a forwarding address. If you change your address, please send advance notice of six weeks to *The Restitution Herald*, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

**CHURCH DEDICATED**

The Royal Village Church, Front Royal, Va., was dedicated October 29, 1972. An overflow attendance marked the occasion. Words of dedication were read by Pastor Joe Martin. Pastors James Rich, Cecil Smead (a former pastor), and James Mattison participated in the dedication. Greetings were brought from the Church of God General Conference by Stanley Ross, Executive Secretary.

**STUDY COURSE**

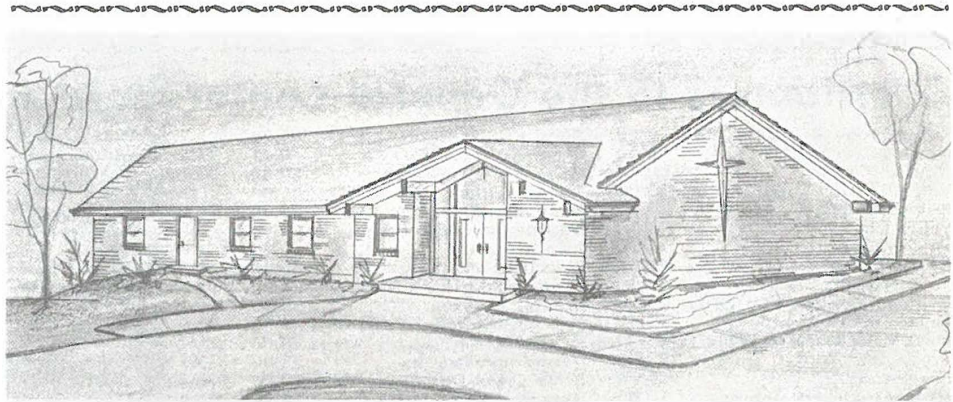
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**ROCKFORD ILLINOIS, CHURCH OF GOD**

Above is an architect's drawing of the proposed house of worship which the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill., plans to build in the near future. The building will be 78 X 44, with a seating capacity of 200. This is the twentieth Mission Builders Appeal. Brochures have been mailed to all (almost 1,000) members of the Mission Builders League. These members contribute five or ten dollars, or more, toward the construction of new churches. Two appeals are made each year. Anyone can share in this outreach by mailing a check to Mission Builders League, Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, Ill.

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### MISSOURI FALL CONFERENCE

A great fall Conference was held at Morse Mill, Mo., in November, 1972. About ninety persons attended the Saturday night service when the youth presented a very inspiring program. We were well blessed with two fine sermons on Sunday, presented by Bros. J. R. LeCrone and C. F. Pryor. One hundred thirty attended the Sunday services.

### MARRIAGE

On December 30, 1972, at the Bible Church of God in Phoenix, Ariz., Rachel Auburn Partlowe, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Hollis Partlowe, became the bride of Paul Aaron Newell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Newell of Phoenix.

The couple are both members of the local church. They will be at home at 1103 W. Mackenzie Dr., Phoenix, 85013. That God will continue to bless their lives together as they live for him and establish their home on the Lord Jesus Christ is our prayer. The father of the bride officiated. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

### BEREAN BIBLE STUDY BOOK THE PRICE

The new Berean Bible Study Book of 52 lessons is ready for mailing. The price is \$1.00 per copy. Some earlier mailings listed the book at seventy-five cents. This was incorrect. Send your order to The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for this fine study book.

### TROY VIEW BEARS WITNESS

The Troy View Church of God, Troy, Ohio, is availing itself of the "Literature Free in '73 Campaign" to saturate the 1,500 homes located near the church with the good news of the truth of Scripture. A series of seven packets of tracts have been made up that will be distributed to each of these 1,500 homes. One packet will be distributed each Saturday to each home for seven Saturdays. These packets have been inserted into small cellophane bags which will be hung on the doorknobs.

The first packet contains a letter explaining this program and a folder introducing them to the local church. The packet to be hung the second Saturday will contain the tract "Your Introduction to the Church of God." The third packet will contain the tract "One God"; the fourth, the tracts "Jesus Will Come" and "Signs of the Times"; the fifth, the tracts "The Kingdom of God" and "What Happens After Death?"; and the sixth, the tract "Do You Ever Think About God?" The seventh packet to be distributed will contain a *Restitution Herald* and an invitation to Troy View's special meetings beginning the next week with the editor of *The Restitution Herald*, C. E. Randall, as guest speaker. Nearly 17,000 pieces of literature will be distributed. It is hoped that through this series of seven packets every person living in these 1,500 homes will have had the opportunity to discover the truths of the Bible and Jesus Christ as personal Saviour.

### RADIO LOG

WCEN 1150 AM; 945 FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich.  
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9:45 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WSIG 790, Mt. Jackson, Va.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays, "Voice of Tomorrow"  
WKAI 1510 Macomb, Ill.  
8:15 a.m. "Words of Life"  
WPEG 97.9 FM Concord, N.C.  
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WZKY 1580 AM Albermarle, N.C.  
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WSVM 1490 AM Valdese, N.C.  
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WJRI 1340 AM Lenoir, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WCGC 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WJJI 1260 AM Christiansburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WVVV 104.9 FM Blacksburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WHHV 1400 AM Hillsville, Va.  
12:15 p.m. Sundays  
WEGO 1410 AM Concord, N.C.  
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KLF 1410 AM, 95.3 FM, 8:35 a.m. Sunday,  
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## THE CHURCH AFLAME

**S**OMETHING is happening in the Church of God! It's on fire! It's aflame with a new spirit. It is taking on the character and zeal of the New Testament church when its members "went every where preaching the word." In the early days of our organizational existence in this country, the members were staunch witnesses for the truth which they had searched and found and loved. Ministers served as evangelists, going into new fields with the message which they ardently believed was essential to salvation. They were aflame with zeal, and their earnestness and the biblical logic of their message found a response in many hearts and lives, with the result being, congregations of believers sprang up all over the country. Their conviction that the second coming of Christ was at hand gave urgency to their work and message. The passing of time seemed to quench the spirit in the children and children's children. However, history is repeating itself. A new wave of evangelistic fervor has taken hold of us.

Pastors and churches are being stirred anew. The *Free Literature Crusade* has provided both a means and a challenge,

and is capturing the hearts and hands of many and turning them into witnesses for the saving message of salvation. Some of the evidences of this new awakening can be seen in the programs and practices of the churches. Troy View Church, Troy, Ohio, is carrying on a seven-week tract distribution to 1500 homes in the church community, with a climax of taking *The Restitution Herald* to all these homes and a week of meetings by the editor.

The Columbia Station Church, Ohio, is having a Literature Distribution Campaign, and in March and April will distribute 500 copies of *The Herald*. Implementing this effort will be pre-Easter services, April 3-8, with James Mattison as speaker. Hope Chapel, South Bend, Indiana, has organized for a systematic distribution of *The Restitution Herald* in March to 1,500 homes. Dixon, Illinois, will be using 1,000 *Heralds* for the months of March and April in their Literature Outreach. Hillisburg Church, Indiana, has ordered 1250 *Heralds* for April. The Phoenix Church is carrying on a well-planned Literature Crusade and will be using 800 *Heralds* in April.

Every month we continue to receive

new subscriptions and the number of copies in bundles is increasing.

Add to this outreach the thousands of tracts being distributed, new Bible study groups being organized, Faith Promise plans being adopted by churches, missionary seminars held, Sunday school seminars being conducted, revival meetings—all these ongoings reveal an increased awakening among the churches.

The Literature Crusade is surpassing our fondest expectations. We are thrilled! God be praised! There is no limit to what can be done with "the Lord working with [us]" (Mark 16:20). This was the secret of the power, perseverance, and performance of the early church. Surely the Lord is in our camp! So far the Free Literature Crusade has been well supported financially. It is worthy of the support of each and every one.

### KEEP THE FLAME GLOWING

With ready response to the mercies of God—yielding ourselves as living sacrifices to the Lord, and being able to say, "O God, our eyes are upon thee" and our ears open to his voice, the church will continue to be aflame.



The above is a picture of the ministers and wives of ministers at the 1972 Church of God General Conference, held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. The number of ministers in the Church of God increases each year. They are a dedicated group, as are the wives.

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Editorial Change

Bro. C. E. Randall, Editor of the Church of God publications since September, 1971, has asked to be relieved of this responsibility on September 1, 1973. We regret to accept this request, as we feel Bro. Randall has done an outstanding job in this position. Bro. Randall had accepted the editorship appointment on an interim basis after being in retirement from more than fifty years in the active pastoral ministry.

We know that his dedicated enthusiasm for the Lord's work will never lessen. We know that he will remain active in the Lord's work in some capacity. We trust that he will find joy in a lighter load of work and that he will be blessed in whatever future work he feels led to do.

We are happy to announce the appointment of Bro. J. Richard LeCrone (see photo above) to the position of Editor beginning September 1, 1973. Bro. LeCrone is a dedicated servant of the Lord who has had many years in the ministry. He has been editor of the Adult Sunday School Quarterly, Chairman of the License and Ordination Committee, officer of the Church of God Ministerial Association, and has served a term on the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors. He brings to the position maturity and sound doctrinal standards and we trust will be a blessing to all as he serves in this capacity.

## Conference Staff Prayer Service

For the past two years the General Conference Staff has been meeting each Monday at 1:00 p.m. in Oregon Bible College Chapel for a joint prayer service. We feel

this has been a blessing to each staff member and to the general work of the Conference. In times past we have received prayer requests from the membership or from churches and we continue to encourage this. If there is an emergency or a special prayer request that you would like to bring before the staff please write to S. O. Ross, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, or telephone us at 815/732-2761 and let your request be made known.

We encourage you to join with us in prayer wherever you are at 1:00 p.m. each Monday. Remember the General Conference needs, the staff, and all the programs and departments of the Conference work.

## Oregon Bible College Graduates

Six young men will graduate from Oregon Bible College on May 25. They are Dale Harshman, Robert Jones, Daniel Landry, Joe Meyers, Timothy New, and Mark Ryan. These men will be meeting with the License and Ordination Committee early in March. Pray for them as they reach this milestone and as they make plans for their future work in the Lord's service.

## Conference Finances

The Goals for Giving have been met for February. We praise God that the needs are being met. We express our thanks to each contributor who has given to reach the Goals that the total programs of the General Conference may go forward.

The Literature Crusade response is most gratifying. The amount of literature that will be used this year will be far beyond our highest expectations. It is being given freely, however the costs of printing these materials must be met. You, the membership, are meeting this challenge. Praise the Lord!

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for February	\$11,166.00
Given in February	\$14,243.00
March Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for March \$11,166.00**

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# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24: 14).*



## Nigeria

The picture shows Bro. and Sr. Ephriam Udo and their family (one adopted son missing). Bro. Udo's brother was killed in the Biafran conflict and Ephriam now supports and cares for his brother's family, plus his own three children.

There were six baptisms last month, two from the Utu Abak Church (Bro. John Obot, pastor) and four from the new group at Asarama. The Nigerian brethren have need of one hundred *Songs of Truth* hymnals. These will be supplied shortly, even though it is not in the Mission budget. Bro. Udo and his co-workers, John Obot and Solomon Idiong, are doing a great work in leading the Church of God General Conference mission field of Nigeria.

## Mexico

We are happy to report that Eulogia Padron was baptized into Christ by Pastor Francisco Martinez in the Labor Vieja Church of God. We hope that her example and testimony may encourage others to take the stand for Christ.

Sr. Dora Martinez, wife of Pastor Martinez, is suffering from a relapse of tuberculosis. It is necessary that she be removed from their home for a time as she recovers from this dread disease. Remember the Martinez family in your prayers.

## Philippine Islands

The mission work in the Philippine Islands is showing much progress. Two new churches, Liwan Church

of God and Pallagao Church of God have been recently organized. The nucleus for these congregations are converts of the radio programs. At Liwan the average attendance last month was sixty. Gaspar Balitan, Cesar Bunagan, and Eduardo Galinggana were baptized into Christ.

There were five baptisms at the Minagbag Church where Bro. Santiago Somera is pastor, and seven were baptized at San Nicolas, where Placido Ortiguero is pastor. Pray for these new converts.

The members at the San Nicolas Church that were ravaged by floods and typhoons have received the Mission Kits and financial help that were sent through the Church of God General Conference. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero and his workers extend their thanks and appreciation to all who helped in this effort.

## India

Five young people accepted Christ and early in February were immersed in the waters of baptism by Pastor S. S. Manoah. Bro. Manoah had been having special Bible study classes with these people, often lasting far into the night.

Bro. Manoah says, "In this year we have decided to try to win many for Christ. We have started having open air preaching. The ladies are visiting house to house and telling about Christ. We really need a loud speaker for our outdoor services."

Many special services were held over the holiday season in the several churches in and around Bangalore.

## Mideast

Special revival services were held at the Beirut, Lebanon, Church recently and the attendance averaged one hundred each night. Several people came to the church for the first time and promised to come again.

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a in Beirut has been ill. He was going for a complete checkup as the last report was written. Pray for Bro. Sunna'a and his family and for the great work they are doing in the Mideast.

## Literature Campaign

Join the Campaign. Use literature. Put a tract in letters; leave in restaurants and stores; hand to friends or to anyone you meet. Be a witness for Christ. About nine thousand *Restitution Heralds* will be distributed in March. Praise God!





# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## **Prayer Day by Mark Ryan**

The Winter Prayer Day began early as the students and faculty gathered in the Women's Dormitory for an inspirational Communion service at dawn. We enjoyed an early morning breakfast prepared by the cooks.

The prayer and worship activities of the day were centered around the two themes of "The Lord's Prayer" and "Pray Without Ceasing." The early part of the day was used by student speakers to present thoughts on the implications and the importance of the example of the Lord's Prayer in the Christian life today. Energetic and inspirational singing was an important part of this worship service.

After intermission, Bro. John Lewis presented thoughts on the theme "Pray Without Ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17). Often Christians cease doing other activities of the Christian life, but one essential that must never be neglected is prayer. Many other Christian activities may come to a halt, but vitality is lost when prayer relationship with Jesus Christ stops.

The day ended with group prayer, using the Lord's Prayer as inspiration for individual prayers. The Lord's Prayer took on new meaning for many of us. We now understand what a perfect and beautiful prayer it is.

## **Oregon Bible College Promotion**

Students and staff of the College look forward to Junior-Senior Weekend, April 12 and 13, when many high school students, along with their sponsors, will visit the campus at Oregon, Illinois.

In addition to the regular College events and classes, faculty members and committees are planning programs designed to give visiting students insight into the spiritual and academic life. Visiting students will be able to visit classes and talk to instructors and students individually. Through this brief but important experience our high school students will have with the College, we hope to stimulate their interest in coming here to prepare for full-time Christian service.

We ask all church leaders, youth leaders, and pastors to assist the Bible College in this program by encouraging the young people to come and by providing the means whereby they can come.

Each church will soon be receiving application blanks and programs for Junior-Senior Weekend. We ask that church leaders distribute this information to our young people and return the information to us.

## **Gospel Teams**

We are sorry that we are unable to answer many gospel team requests for this spring. Dale Ramsey, who is in charge of the program, plans most of the gospel teams many months in advance. Those churches that want a team to visit them during the school year should send their request in the early fall. We attempt to honor each request but, because the schedule becomes too heavy, we often are unable to do so. We ask for your understanding and encourage you to ask for another date if we are not able to send a gospel team to your church at the time you originally planned.

## **Faith Promise**

The Mission Fellowship Activity organization of the Bible College conducted a Faith Promise Plan in the February 2, chapel program. A total of five thousand two hundred seventy-eight dollars was promised for the missionary efforts of the Church of God. We congratulate the students on this demonstration of faith.

## **Bible Study Methods**

Bible Study Methods is a new course being taught to the freshmen class at College. The course is designed to train the student in various approaches to the study of the Scriptures. This semester a total of sixteen different methods will be examined and tried. Through this study the student will become more skillful in using the English Bible as a Christian tool.

## **Special Library Campaign**

Thanks to the generous response of the people of the Church of God, the special library fund now has several hundred dollars. The response to the February *Progress Journal* was immediate and generous. Through your continued support to this special library appeal we will be able to reach the goal of ten thousand volumes by nineteen seventy-five. If you have not already contributed to this fund, we ask that you send your contribution in the specially marked yellow envelope to the General Conference.

## **Spring Session**

Spring Session will begin April 30, and go until May 25. There will be a seminar for all students the first week of the spring session. During the last three weeks of the session, Pastoral Procedures, English Composition II, and an Isaiah class will be taught.

# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## International Prayer Day

Sunday, March 25, 1973, has been designated as Prayer Day for Church of God youth throughout the world. Material will be sent to all youth leaders, pastors, and youth presidents, with suggestions that can be helpful for that special day.

We would like to encourage the brethren of our churches to support the youth in this service.

It was suggested during a youth conference business session that a "marathon" type of service would be good. A period of time spent in this way would yield many benefits. It could be for one whole day, a part of a day, or just an hour or two. The program could be varied, but contain the theme of prayer.

The curriculum of Oregon Bible College has been set up for several years with a Prayer Day in each semester. It is thoroughly enjoyed by all the students and faculty. It is a most inspiring time of fellowship—both with the Lord and with each other. If any youth leader or program chairman for Prayer Day, March 25, would like some information on type of program that has been enjoyed at the College, please feel free to write and ask for details.

As Berean Youth Director, I urge you to make this an important day in your church program. It should be observed in every Church of God in all the world.

## Truly International!

For over fifty years the Berean work was known as National Berean Society. Then in the 1950's a change was made in the operating name of the General Conference. It became necessary for the Berean Department to make a change also. Even at that time, we were more than national because of the work in Canada. In the last 17 years, the message of the gospel as taught by the Church of God has been received in many countries.

On the weekend of International Communion Sunday, the youth of the Philippine churches were organized into two groups. They plan to have an annual Youth Conference on the fourth Sunday of November each year. Bro. and Sr. Ortiguero are the leaders. Bro. Solomon Idiong is the youth leader for Nigeria. The lessons from the Berean Lesson Manuals are used by them. Sr. S. S. Manoah is the youth leader for the four groups in India. Bro. John Obot has an active youth group in his area. We are sure that others are being developed. Thank God, we are reaching out to others!

MARCH, 1973

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday School of the Month for March is the Faith Community Church of God in Minneapolis, Minnesota. This Sunday school recently had a "Break-the-Record" promotion. They set a progressive rate of attendance goals for five consecutive Sundays—55, 57, 60, 63, and 65. These goals represented an increase of 10 to 30 percent over their average attendance. Each Sunday the goal was reached, a real 12 inch record was broken with a hammer at the front of the church. They were able to break a record each of the last four Sundays. On the last Sunday, a new record attendance of 73 was set for the church.

To get this increase in attendance each Sunday, postcards were sent to all who attended church services, asking them to come to Sunday school too. Also the neighborhood Sunday school children did a great deal of calling. In addition, this promotion was talked up during the opening exercises. The end result was that records were broken. Congratulations to Superintendent Becky Needham, Pastor Don Needham, and to all at Faith Community Church of God who helped to "Break-the-Record."

## Tape Ministry

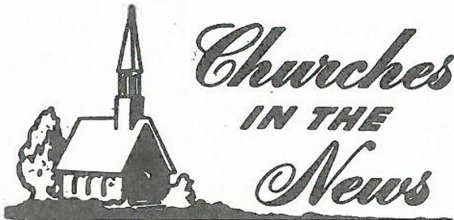
The General Conference Sunday School Department's tape ministry is in full swing. We have been thrilled with the large number of orders received. We want to publicly thank Byron Jay of the Dayton, Ohio, Church of God for donating his time and equipment to help with this effort. At the present time there are six titles available. These tapes which are advertised elsewhere in this *Progress Journal* can be purchased from the Sunday School Department for \$3.00 for any two titles.

## Vacation Bible School

It is not too early to begin thinking about your Summer Vacation Bible School. Good vacation Bible schools don't just happen. They are the result of prayer, careful planning, and much hard work. If your Sunday school has not already begun to consider this year's vacation Bible school, begin to do so soon. An early start and a good beginning are half the battle.

Sunday school material is never intended to do the teaching. The teacher assimilates truth and presents it in a variety of ways that the pupil may gain and live that truth.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar. 17, 18—Missouri Spring Conference at Doniphan.
- Mar. 24, 25—Illinois Spring Conference at Eldorado.
- Apr. 3-8—Meetings Columbia Station Church, James Mattison, speaker.
- Apr. 7—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Lafayette.
- Apr. 14, 15—Louisiana State Literature Crusade meeting. C. E. Randall, Speaker.
- Apr. 14, 15—Neb-Co Berean Retreat, Wellfleet, Neb.
- Apr. 19-22—Special meetings St. Louis Church by C. E. Randall.
- Apr. 27-29—Minnesota Junior Berean Retreat, Long Lake camp.
- Apr. 27-29—NE Spring Conference, Troy View Church.
- Apr. 30-May 4—Ministers Conference, Oregon, Ill.
- May 12, 13—Youth Retreat, Raymore, Mo.
- May 23-27—Annual May Meeting, Fonthill, Ont.
- May 25-28—Young Adult Retreat, Oregon, Ill.
- May 31-June 2—Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- June 1-3—NE Berean Youth Fellowship, Fonthill, Ont.
- June 8-10—Minnesota Spring Conference.
- June 16, 17—Missouri Summer Conference at Fredericktown.
- June 17-23—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia.
- June 24-29—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- July 2-7—NE Junior Camp, Camp Chaffee, Tipp City, Ohio.
- July 8-14—Minnesota Senior Berean Camp.
- July 15-21—Minnesota Junior Berean Camp.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Oct. 22-28—Youth Week.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS

This is a list of handwork needs for the 1973 Vacation Bible School lessons: cardboard tubes as found in paper toweling, etc., cardboard food boxes measuring 6½ x 2 inches, lids from cottage cheese type cartons, 6 to 8 ounce transparent jars with screw-on lids (unusual shape best). Empty cans size of tuna cans.

## BAPTISMS

**Tempe, Ariz.:** Tom Wilkins was baptized Sunday evening, January 7, 1973, after having accepted Jesus as Savior at the morning service.

John Wersching was immersed into the saving name of Jesus Christ during the evening service, February 4, 1973. We pray God's blessings on these two as they seek to serve their Lord and Master.  
Gerald Cooper, reporter.

**Burr Oak, Ind.:** Our hearts were made joyful when, on January 21, 1973, Judy Kemple came forward and gave her life to the Lord Jesus. She was immersed the following Sunday at Hope Chapel. May the Master be her constant companion.  
Darrell Maddock, pastor.

**Eden Valley, Minn.:** On January 14, 1973, Shelle Flesland was baptized by Pastor Billie Kennedy. Shelle has been studying faithfully for many months to become a child of God.  
Blanch Brossard, reporter.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Mrs. Mary Houdek, 4124 W. Royal Palm Rd., 85021, was buried with Christ in baptism, January 21, 1973. We rejoice at her commitment to our Lord and Master.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Minneapolis, Minn.:** Clarence Stewart and Kim Rose accepted Christ and were baptized into his body and membership in the Minneapolis Church of God on February 4, 1973. These two decisions were made following the revival meetings by Pastor Billie Kennedy. May God bless these new members.  
Don Needham, pastor.

**Lenoir, N.C.:** Mrs. Diane Reed, 14 Oak St., Granite Falls, N.C. 28630, was baptized December 27, 1972. She became a tither and worker in our church as she came to Christ in a wonderful way.

Mrs. Estelle Whisant, 133 Clay Walker Cir., Lenoir, N.C. 28645, was received into church membership by letter from another church pastored by the writer. Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

**Digby, N.S.:** Pastor Raymond Brown baptized Mrs. Norma Videto and Micheal Ross on Sunday, February 4, 1973. May God bless these two in their new walk of life.

Faustina Harris, reporter.

The Free Literature Crusade includes The Restitution Herald. Churches and isolated individuals who are or will be putting out The Restitution Herald in display racks or distributing them, should place their orders well in advance that sufficient copies can be printed to supply the demand. The Restitution Herald is our best evangelistic outreach—let's give it an ever-widening circulation!

## MIMEOGRAPHED HOME STUDY LESSONS

The Sunday School Department has some good lessons for home study. There are five different subjects available:

- 1) Lessons for Youth
- 2) Bible Prophecy
- 3) Science and the Bible
- 4) What is the Holy Spirit
- 5) Bible Panorama

These lessons are available at below cost prices. Fifty cents each, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TAPES

The following titles can be ordered on cassette tape from the General Conference Sunday School Department. The cost is \$3.00 for any two titles. Orders should be sent to Sunday School Department, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

1. **What Are You Trying to do to These People** by Delbert Jones. In this tape Sunday school workers are challenged to consider what they are trying to accomplish in their Sunday school.

2. **How to Teach Sunday School** by Cheryl Ross. Here is one successful teacher's ideas on teaching the junior high class. This tape includes an actual demonstration lesson and the discussion that followed.

3. **Education for Sunday School Workers** by Dr. Alva Huffer. Dr. Huffer compares early education to present and future, and emphasizes the importance of preparation for service. The role of Oregon Bible College in preparing one for service is discussed.

4. **Consider the Purpose of Sunday School Openings** by Robert Petry and Scott Ross. Eight purposes of Sunday school openings are discussed. This tape would prove helpful to every superintendent.

5. **Ten Things That Will Make Your Sunday School Grow** by Scott Ross. Here are ten practical steps any church can take to assure growth in attendance.

6. **Building a Church on Faith** by Joyce Knapp. The story of how the Garden Park Church of God was built on faith, and prayer. This tape will be an encouragement to any group thinking of building or starting a new church.

## FIRST SERVICE

The Tempe, Ariz., Church marked an historic occasion on December 17, 1972, when the congregation held its first service on the site of the planned new church. Scriptures were read, prayers offered, several comments made, and many pictures taken. Many of the pioneer members of the church live within close radius of the building site. The land was once owned by one of the pioneer families. The Planning and Building Committees are working diligently and we ask the prayers of the Church of God General Conference members everywhere.

Gerald Cooper, reporter.

## THE POTTER'S CLAY AT NORTH HILLS

A musical group called the Potter's Clay has been formed by about fourteen young people from the Garden Park Church and two from the Pennellwood Church in Grand Rapids, Mich. This group, which takes its name from Jeremiah 18:2-6, has had opportunity to present programs in several states, most recently having traveled to the new North Hills Church near Springfield, Ohio.

One hundred people, from North Hills and other nearby Churches of God in southern Ohio, gathered for a program Saturday evening, January 13, 1973. After the group presented a challenging musical program, Sr. Joyce Knapp spoke about the work of the Garden Park Church and the things which have been achieved by faith. Sunday morning, the Potter's Clay again presented a program to the local congregation. —Submitted by David Krogh.

**OBITUARIES**

**Harry F. Wood** was born in Ripley Ill., April 18, 1890, and died on January 18, 1973, at Mesa General Hospital, Mesa, Ariz., Before moving to Tempe, Ariz., in 1958, he lived in the Detroit, Mich., area.

He is survived by his wife Fern, two sons, Harry F. Jr. and Richard F.; two daughters, Hazel Christensen and Barbara Litzenberger; and one sister, Phyllis Mumford. Harry was an active member of the Tempe Church and will be greatly missed.

Funeral services were conducted by Warren Sorenson, assisted by Gerald Cooper and Lee McQuinn, on January 22, 1973. He was laid to rest in the Rest Haven Park Cemetery, where he awaits the call of his Master.

Gerald Cooper, reporter.

**Bernice Ballard** was born July 12, 1913, at Laird, Colo. She lived in Caldwell, Idaho, from 1959 until her death. She died December 26, 1972. She is survived by her husband Kenneth; one daughter Mrs. Barbara Buckridge; five step-sons; four brothers, Almus Dimmick, Clarence Dimmick, of Tempe, Ariz., Carl and Ted of Colorado; five sisters, Mrs. Maude Rife, Mrs. Mazine Wagner, Mrs. Velma Leonard, Mrs. Clara Lamb, and Mrs. Meredith Eicher.

Bernice was baptized in her early teens by Almus Adams. Funeral services were conducted for her at Caldwell, by her eldest brother, Almus Dimmick of the Tempe Church. She now awaits the call of Jesus.

Gerald Cooper, reporter.

**Elsie Moore** fell asleep in death January 29, 1973, at the age of 84. She was active in both the Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Fonthill, Ont., Churches of God, in the Sunday schools, Dorcas, and choirs while in good health. The funeral meditation based on her hope of the resurrection and God's kingdom was spoken by the writer.

John Hearp, pastor.

**Virda Sittler** died February 1, 1973, at the Franklin Grove, Ill. Nursing Center after a long illness. She was born October 22, 1891, in Hagerstown, Md., and has lived in or near Oregon, Ill., for the past fifty years. She first married James East who preceded her in death. Later she was married to George Sittler of Oregon, Ill., who also preceded her in death.

She was a faithful member of the Church of God at Oregon, and loved to be in the house of God. Her faithfulness in attendance was a good example to all.

We laid her to rest in Riverview Cemetery to await the call of her master. May he come soon.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

**Vernon David Tharpe** died November 21, 1972. He was born December 4, 1912, and was a member of the Cool Spring Church of God, Brownstown, Va.

He is survived by his wife Edith; four sons, Floyd D., Eddie W., Thomas G., and Roger V.; seven grandchildren; one brother Henry; and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Fristoe, Mrs. Sadie Manuel, and Mrs. Hazel Sealock.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, after which he was laid to rest in Prospect Hill Cemetery to await the resurrection call.

James D. Ritch, pastor.

**Kenneth Lamar Williams** died December 25, 1972, at St. Joseph's Hospital in South Bend, Ind., at the age of 67. He is survived by his wife Treva, and son Keith of Grand Haven, Mich. He was baptized by Bro. Alva Huffer. He was buried with the comforting words of the resurrection and the day when death will lose it's sting.

James Graham, pastor.

**Deo. G. Harvey**, former pastor of the Jay Street Church of God, Kokomo, Ind., died October 11, 1972.

An ordained minister, he had served the Jay Street Church during the 1930's. He was a con-

tributor to *The Restitution Herald* for a number of years.

He was born in New London, June 15, 1888, the son of William and Marietta (Taylor) Harvey, a pioneer Quaker family of that area.

In 1908, he was married to Vada Pearl Maroney, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are a son, Edgar Harvey of Kokomo; two daughters, Naomi L. Harvey of Princess Lake, Ind., and Mrs. Helen Snyder of Kokomo, 10 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by the writer. Burial was in the Crown Point Cemetery in Kokomo.

Dale Ward, pastor.

**Silas Nord Kugler**, Eustis, Neb., was born May 24, 1879, at Minburn, Iowa, and died December 29, 1972, at Gothenburg, Neb. He was baptized August 10, 1947, by Elder E. Giesler and was a member of the Moorefield, Neb., Church of God.

Words of comfort concerning the resurrection to eternal life for the believer were spoken by the writer, with burial in the Moorefield Cemetery, where Bro. Kugler will await the return of our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus.

Wayne Ewald, pastor.

**BEREAN BIBLE STUDY BOOK  
THE PRICE**

The new Berean Bible Study Book of 52 lessons is ready for mailing. The price is \$1.00 per copy. Some earlier mailings listed the book at seventy-five cents. This was incorrect. Send your order to The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for this fine study book.

**RADIO LOG**

- WCEN 1150 AM; 945 FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich.
- 9:30 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WEBQ 1240 Harrisburg, Ill.
- 9:45 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WSIG 790, Mt. Jackson, Va.
- 7:45 a.m. Sundays, "Voice of Tomorrow"
- WKAI 1510 Macomb, Ill.
- 8:15 a.m. "Words of Life"
- WPEG 97.9 FM Concord, N.C.
- 7:45 a.m. Sundays
- WZKY 1580 AM Albermarle, N.C.
- 8:00 a.m. Sundays
- WSVM 1490 AM Valdese, N.C.
- 8:00 a.m. Sundays
- WJRI 1340 AM Lenoir, N.C.
- 9:00 a.m. Sundays
- WCGC 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.
- 9:00 a.m. Sundays
- WJJI 1260 AM Christiansburg, Va.
- 9:30 a.m. Sundays
- WVVV 104.9 FM Blacksburg, Va.
- 9:30 a.m. Sundays
- WHHV 1400 AM Hillsville, Va.
- 12:15 p.m. Sundays
- WEGO 1410 AM Concord, N.C.
- 12:45 p.m. Sundays
- KLFD 1410 AM, 95.3 FM, 8:35 a.m. Sunday, "Springs of Living Water" Litchfield, Minn.
- WMIX 940 AM, 94 FM Mt. Vernon, Ill.
- 7:15 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WMDE 98.7 FM Greensboro, N.C. 2:00 p.m. Sundays
- WHME 103.1mc FM South Bend, Ind.
- 7 a.m. Sunday, "Chapel Time"
- WRHL 1060 Rochelle, Ill.
- 11:45 a.m. Sundays

**YOUNG ADULT RETREAT**

Sponsored by Berean Youth Fellowship

Blackhawk Baptist Camp

Oregon, Illinois

May 25-28, 1973

Tuition: \$17.00

For ages: 23-32, single or married

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Married \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Member of a Church of God \_\_\_\_\_

Will arrive on Friday, May 25, about \_\_\_\_\_ p.m., Satur-

day, May 26, about \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

Deposit of \$5.00 enclosed, balance of \$12.00 due on arrival at camp.

\$17.00 is enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE for enrollment: April 25.

### DENCHFIELD AVAILABLE

While having retired from full-time pastoral service, Bro. John Denchfield wishes to announce that he is available for *special services*. He writes: "One great need of most church groups is the development of Active Christian Expression (I have specialized in this field), but there are also many other needs in varying situations." He may be reached at the following address: John Denchfield, Evangelist, Christian Witness Crusade, 421 Rainbow Lake Dr., Trufant, Mich. 49347.

### MARRIAGES

Mrs. Susan Johnson and Mr. Roger Mickey were united in marriage at the Bible Church of God in Phoenix, Ariz., January 20, 1973. May God bless their lives together.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

John Andrew and Louise Hoffman were united in marriage January 6, 1973, at the Tempe Bible Church of God by Lee McQuinn assisted by Gerald Cooper. John and Louise are both active members of the church. They have established their home in Tempe.

Gerald Cooper, reporter.

Miss Kathy Dillard, Lenoir, N.C., and Mr. Edward Harris, Granite Falls, N.C., were united in marriage at the Church of Resurrection Hope on December 23, 1972. They will make their home at 107 Rainbow Hts., Lenoir, N.C.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

Miss Brenda Haulk and Mr. Clark E. Jones were united in marriage at the bride's home, Macomb, Ill., on December 29, 1972, by Pastor John Carr. We pray that God's richest blessing may be a constant blessing to them in their new life together.

Bette Potts, reporter.

Brenda Jinks and Grant Anger were united in marriage January 27, 1973, in a double ring service at the Winger Church of Christ. Officiating were Pastors Robert Leland and John Hearp. They are now at home in Welland, Ont. May God bless them in their new life together.

John Hearp, pastor.

Miss Nancy Barnhill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnhill, Wenatchee, Wash., and Albert Vadnais, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vadnais, Champion, Mich., were united in marriage by Pastor Gary France, Wenatchee, Wash., on September 16, 1972.

Reported by Mrs. Mary Vadnais.

### DIRECTORY CHANGES

#### NORTHEAST

##### Digby, Nova Scotia

Mrs. Douglas Harris, Sec. R3, Digby  
Mrs. Raymond Brown, Supt, Bx 803, Digby

#### INDIANA

##### Kokomo Church

Barbara Harvey, Sec, 735 S Locke St, Kokomo, 46901

Rex Shaw, Supt, 806 Buckahim Court, Kokomo, 46901

##### Changes in Ministers List

These names should be added to the roll published in November 1972:

Richard S. Dick, Apt 2, 1326 N 50th St, Phoenix, AZ 85002

Leonard Brown, Cross Timbers, MO 65634  
John Hayse, 2605 N 7th St, McAllen, TX 78501

Paul M. Moore, 1011 W 17th St, Tempe, AZ 85281

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Julie Shaw, Blanchard, Mich., Church; Mrs. Albert Hale, Mrs. Leola Beamer, Mrs. Bonnie Groendyke, Jay Groendyke, Southlawn Church Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Vivian Zavits, Fonthill Church, Ont. Congratulations!

## Contributors to the General Conference: JANUARY, 1973

Mr & Mrs Harry Lee	10.00	Dan Dovenbarger	60.00	Cleveland Matchett	5.00	Beaumont Church	6.40
Mr & Mrs E C Harvey	50.00	Burr Oak Church	422.55	Mr & Mrs William White	20.00	Cecil Smead	30.00
Mrs C C Fuson	5.00	Mrs Richard Williams	8.50	Mr & Mrs Norman Chandler	25.00	Anonymous	21.00
Oregon Jr BYF	10.00	Mrs Grace Blomquist	10.00	Resurrection Hope Church	125.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00
E Dorothy Magaw	12.00	Beckie Ott	4.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Partain	25.00	Mr & Mrs Ivan Beach	52.00
Mr & Mrs Hugh Harmon	12.00	Jean Berry	16.00	Guthrie Grove Church	200.00	Litchfield Church	36.31
Pam Davis	12.00	Mr & Mrs Allen Smith	12.00	M A Patrick	100.00	Raymore Church	25.00
Lynda Smith	5.00	Ted Hughes	3.00	Mrs Pearl Brown	5.00	La Contributors	100.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	57.00	Mrs Joe Shelly	10.00	Mrs Etta Hurley	5.00	Phoenix Bible Church	302.00
Brush Creek Church	453.28	Mrs Verna Freeman	25.00	Anonymous	100.00	Northeast Conf	215.00
Mr & Mrs Delbert Jones	25.00	Brush Creek Miss So	60.00	Mary Krogh	100.00	Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00
Lombard Church	118.77	Brush Creek Sewing Circle	50.00	Mr & Mrs Ralph Smith	200.00	Michigan Conf	125.34
Mrs S Kuehne	2.00	Hope Chapel—South Bend	154.64	Macomb SS	127.38	North Hills Church	64.60
A M West	3.00	Anonymous	50.00	Mr & Mrs George DeForest	40.00	Kokomo SS	61.75
Ripley Church	196.45	Southlawn Church	452.64	Mr & Mrs Dean Vance	50.00	Lynne Knapp	10.00
Elaine Magaw	16.00	Mr & Mrs Earl Smith	15.00	Anonymous	15.27	Hope Ch Mis So—South Bend	65.00
Brush Creek SS	131.42	Fonthill SS	16.74	C McLeod	3.00	Omaha BYF	12.00
May White	40.00	Mr & Mrs Kent Ross	15.00	Lois Blakely	30.00	Patty Harper	6.00
Bert Decker	10.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Hale	6.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	30.00	Mark Gallagher	1.00
Felida Church	3.20	Mr & Mrs Gary Bormes	12.00	San Jose Dorcas	30.00	San Jose Church	19.00
Columbia Station SS	97.03	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	85.00	Morse Mill BYF	25.80	Josephine Kennedy	20.00
Dixon Dorcas	5.00	Pomona Dorcas	30.00	Mr & Mrs James Lippert	10.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Reye	65.00
Macomb Church	104.95	Blanchard Miss So	25.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Harmon	25.00	Leota Hanson	5.00
Pennellwood Mr & Mrs Class	5.00	Raker Union SS	38.25	Faith Community Church	480.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00
Flagg Center Church	67.00	Johnny Mattison	5.00	Mr & Mrs J D Moreland	6.65	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00
Dorrene Rogers	12.00	Maurertown Church	27.58	Dorothy Siple	50.00	Milo Magaw	15.00
Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	15.00	Karen Armes	12.00	Mary Jo Brewer	35.00	Alice Bassett	14.00
Mr & Mrs Clyde Barlow	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Ramsey	12.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00
Bedford Church	70.90	Happy Woods Church	96.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde Long	15.00	Pauline Tidwell	25.00
Douglas Sperry	4.00	Joseph Duncan	10.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	5.00	Blanchard Church	170.37
Earlyne Warmolts	12.00	Mr & Mrs Kaffenbarger, Sr.	35.00	L K Punter	5.00	Felida Church	3.20
Ripley Miss So	100.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Mr & Mrs David Johnson	10.00	Mr & Mrs Rollo Mosher	30.00
Macomb Miss So	95.00	New Hope Church—		Mr & Mrs Gerald Niles	13.75	Joy Sutfin	4.00
Karla Macy	12.00	Little Rock	50.00	Lillian King	15.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde Shaw	20.00
Hope Schwier	20.00	Holbrook Church	78.71	Rockford Miss Fund	65.00	Glad Tidings Chapel	30.00
Jennifer Sheeley	6.00	Mr & Mrs James Ring	10.00	Diane McClain	7.00	Gladys Perkins	16.72
Jaynes St Church	340.50	Lawrenceville Church	401.84	David McClain	3.00	Mr & Mrs R L Jones in	
Columbia Station Church	373.80	Sharon Guiles	15.00	La State Conference	237.86	Memory of Othello Jones	100.00
Mr & Mrs Glen Elton	50.00	Freepoint Church	60.00	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00	Southwest Conf	92.42
Mrs George Franklin	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ron Macy.	12.00	Minn State Conf	141.58	Pleasant Hill Church	35.00
Mr & Mrs Ron Riley	15.00	Linda Jones	4.00	Ill State Conf	50.00	Mr & Mrs Z B Duncan	12.00
Mr & Mrs Clarence Jones	700.00	Mr & Mrs Alvin Bennett	20.00	Oregon SS	7.67	Glad Tidings Youth Dept	5.00
Marjorie Bolhaus	10.00	Emory Macy Jr.	10.00	Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	65.00	Oregon Mary & Martha	12.50
Shilah Richmond	36.00	Joni Stetzer	3.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Harper	10.00
Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	25.00	Fonthill BYF	12.00	Faith Chapel—Peoria	45.00	Mr & Mrs Ellsworth Routson	10.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Mr & Mrs David Davis	5.00	David Krogh	30.00	St Louis Church	28.16
Fonthill Church	571.79	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	12.00	Al Wagener	1.00	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00
Mrs Otto Graf	25.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	35.00	Fremont Miss Ladies Aid	10.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Dochstader	30.00
Ollie M Cooper	10.00	Lois Hunt	10.00	Joyce Knapp	54.00	Mr & Mrs O H Berry	20.00
Dixon Church	16.41	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Oregon Church	533.45	Anonymous	55.00
Mr & Mrs John Carr	42.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Alice Aldrich	120.95	Everett Rogers	25.00
Mr & Mrs David Bormes	12.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	30.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Pomona Church	113.80
Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	100.00	Lawrenceville Miss So	160.00	Hazel Cripe	15.00	Mrs Mabel Bell	15.00
Kosztá Church	36.00	Mr & Mrs Given Cleek	10.00	J A Anon	140.00	Mrs Ida Jeffrey	25.00
Debbie Thomas	3.00	Mr & Mrs James Mattison	30.00	Mr & Mrs Conrad Wetzel	30.00	Valley Church BYF	6.00
Eternal Hope Church	73.26	North Salem Church	11.95	Michael Berry	100.00	Guthrie Grove BYF	6.00
Tempe Bible Church	630.33	Ind State Conf	50.00	Cora Siple	10.00	Minn State Miss So	100.00
Hope Chapel—Columbus	20.00	Anonymous	100.00	Diane Shute	3.00	Sheila Sheeley	5.00
Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	15.00	Terri Current	4.00	Troy View BYF	12.00	St Cloud Church	250.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	12.50	Darlene Current	4.00	Peggy Brinkman	5.00		

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**P**OWER is available to the Church of God! This power is twofold: 1) The Word of God which we have been called and commissioned to preach is powerful and it is sharper than a two-edged sword. It is God's power to salvation. Said Paul: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16).

This was the power which the early church used when they "went every where preaching the word" (Acts 8:4). As result of this combined effort on the part of the membership it is recorded that "the word of God grew and multiplied." So fruitful was this evangelism of the Word, the church was accused of turning "the world upside down" (Acts 17:6).

#### *Mobilization*

The early church was enthusiastic about the importance of the commission which Jesus had given that the "gospel of the kingdom" must be preached in all the world as a witness. They had the assurance that the Word that went forth would "not return . . . void." With confidence of victory and awareness of the power present and divineness of their mission, the man power was mobilized and both men and women "went every where preaching the word."

We have the Word—the power today. Our immediate task is to **TURN ON THE POWER!** The Word is just as potent today as it was when spoken. We must real-

ize the divineness of our mission. The General Conference is ready and willing to help states and local churches mobilize their man power and provide ideas and materials in carrying out the Great Commission.

The Easter season, when special emphasis is placed on the resurrection of Christ, is a good time to emphasize the **POWER** of the risen Christ. As Paul put it: "That [we] may know him, and the power of his resurrection" (Phil. 3:10). With this power at its command, the church can give light to a dark world; it can win souls to Christ; it can increase attendance; it can witness to others willingly; it can build and maintain enthusiasm; it can help saints to grow up in Christ who is the Head; it can glow and grow! It must, however, **TURN ON THE POWER.**

#### *The Holy Spirit*

The first disciples were charged to stay in Jerusalem until they were "endued with power from on high" (Luke 24:49). This enduement was the bestowal of the Holy Spirit upon them.

2) The Holy Spirit was **POWER**. In the beginning of time this spirit moved upon the face of the deep and brought order out of chaos. It was and is creative. It was creative in the lives of the early Christians. It created dynamic witnesses out of fishermen, tax collectors, and untrained individuals. So evident was the power and spirit of this conglomerate group of witnesses that the Sadducees, scribes, priests,

and rulers marveled at them, and of Peter and John said that "they were unlearned and ignorant," yet they perceived "that they had been with Jesus" and took knowledge of them (Acts 4:13). Individuals lacking in the wisdom of this world, when possessed of that wisdom which is from above, become bold, dynamic, living epistles "known and read of all men."

Every person baptized into the death and burial of Jesus and raised to walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:3-6) is promised the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38, 39). With this power, plus the power of the Word of God, we can do all things necessary, through Christ who strengthens, to witness and win people to obedience of the gospel.

**Any church can be evangelistic if it believes its message important!**

The days of evangelism are not over. Neither will they be over until the Lord descends "with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God." The Word must be preached while the door of salvation is still open. It will be proclaimed. God has purposed that his Word should be preached in all the world for a witness. We as a church can be faithful in this ministry. If we are not, God's purpose will not be defeated. He will raise up a witness—even if the stones must cry out.

Excuses for not preaching, teaching, publishing, and sharing the gospel by person and purse will have no bearing on the proclamation of the message, other than

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# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Annual Ministerial Conference

The Annual Conference of the Church of God Ministers will be held in the Oregon, Ill., Church of God, April 30 to May 4, 1973. This is a time of study, fellowship, and business. It is a time of spiritual uplift to those attending and consequently a great benefit to the local churches as their pastors return inspired and refreshed. We trust that each church of the Conference will encourage and assist its pastor to attend.

## Conference Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will meet in Oregon, Ill., May 3-5. At this meeting the Reports and Recommendations to the delegates at the Annual General Conference are finalized. If any member or church has an item of business that should come before the Board, please advise the Executive Secretary or one of the Board members well in advance of the meeting.

## Annual General Conference

The Annual Church of God General Conference will meet at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13-18, 1973. Cabin reservations will be accepted after May 10. The cost will be the same as last year, \$4.50 per day, \$21.50 for the Conference. This is a family-type camp and families are encouraged to stay together. Begin making your plans now to attend these important meetings. The theme of the Conference this year is, "The Truth Shall Make You Free."

## Literature Campaign Financing

The Literature Distribution Campaign is well under way and most churches have organized plans to spread God's Word in their communities. Fourteen thousand copies of *The Restitution Herald* will be sent out this month. We praise God for the response of the membership to this challenge of taking the gospel into "all the world" through the written Word.

Eight thousand dollars was placed in the current budget to finance this program. We find that this amount will fall far short of the total cost for the year. During the first six months of this current year the Literature cost was \$9,609 (tracts, \$2,971 and *Heralds*,

\$6,638). This cost includes *Restitution Herald* covers, and the typesetting and printing of *The Herald* and tracts. Additional costs not reflected in these figures would be mailing costs and staff time. We know that the membership will meet these needs. We pray that many might find Christ through the literature effort. God has said in Isaiah 55:11, "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." We must sow the seed (God's Word); God will give the increase!

## Tape Ministry Library

Bros. Byron Jay and Rex Cain of Dayton, Ohio, were appointed by the Board of Directors to set up a Tape Ministry Library. Such a library is already in operation. They are collecting and cataloging tapes and all the details for using the Library will appear in the next issue of *Progress Journal*. Pastors are encouraged to send a tape of their sermons to Bro. Byron Jay, 9118 N. Dixie Dr., Dayton, Ohio 45414, for permanent record in the library.

## Conference Finances

We are happy to announce that the Goals for Giving for the month of March have been met. We express our thanks and appreciation to each one who has helped to make this possible.

We encourage your continued concern for this matter since, as stated earlier in this page, the literature needs, plus increased costs of many items of operation, will require contributions beyond the established goals. We know these needs will be met by a dedicated membership. Praise God!

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for March	\$11,166.00
Given in March	\$11,571.00
April Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for April — \$11,166.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



## Philippine Islands

The picture shows Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero and some of his co-workers and youth in front of the studio in Tuguegarao where the radio broadcasts originate. The letters FBN which may be seen in the upper center stand for Filipino Broadcasting Network.

The brethren of the Liwan congregation are buying an old home and are converting it into a chapel. This congregation, as well as the group at Pallengao, were organized by members who were converted through the radio ministry.

Bro. Calixto Marini of the Lupao Church and Bro. Santiago Somera of the Minagbag Church are both holding outdoor preaching services one night each week and much interest is being shown by people of these communities. Pastor Eleodoro Javar of the Cordon Church is holding services in other villages on occasion for families who have had to move away from Cordon and other church communities.

## India

The construction of the Church-Medical building is now under way. Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence will make a trip to India in April to assist in setting up the medical facility, purchasing of equipment, and selection of personnel for the clinic. The funds to support the doctors in the clinic are being provided by a family outside the Church of God.

Seven new families in the John Nagar area have been attending special evening services. They are showing

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much interest and are having special study classes with Bro. S. S. Manoah. Praise God for these opportunities and trust that they will soon come to accept Christ as their personal Savior and be baptized into him.

## Nigeria

A large group of people in the area of the village of Asarama have been seeking the truth. Over the past several months Bros. Ephriam Udo, John Obot, and Solomon Idiong have been holding special meetings and Bible studies with them. On January 6 and 7 special services were again held. Over seven hundred were in attendance. On Sunday, January 7, two hundred thirty-nine came forward and accepted Christ and were immersed in the waters of baptism. A church was organized and the names of the newly baptized have been filed with the Superintendent of Missions. We praise God for these new members and ask the prayers of the membership for this new congregation.

Bro. Udo writes, "We trust the Lord will add his blessings to our efforts to have the Church of God firmly established in the town of Asarama. We hope to be there again in April for Easter Communion services." Many tracts are being used to spread the Word of God in Nigeria.

## Nova Scotia

Average attendance at the Lighthouse Church of God in Digby was Sunday school sixty-two and worship service fifty-five. There were two baptisms and Bro. Raymond Brown made fifty-one calls.

## Ghana

Services in the village of Wora Wora are going well. Funds have been provided to purchase a loudspeaker system and lights for the building which is being used rent free due to the generosity of a lady there. Outdoor services are conducted also on occasion. Bro. Oliver Amani has made application for a ministerial license, since the civil government demands such for one to carry on regular services.

## Prayer Requests

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a, Lebanon, who has been in the hospital for tests; for Sr. Dora Martinez, wife of the national missionary in Mexico, as she is recovering from tuberculosis; for the continued success of the radio work in the Philippine Islands.





# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## Student Plans for Next Year

Many young people across the United States and Canada are making plans to attend Oregon Bible College next year. Our new catalog for 1973-1974 has been prepared. It gives details concerning programs and procedures. Be sure to get copies of the new catalog for yourself and for interested friends. For an application form, write to: John R. Lewis, Registrar, Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

## Academic Calendar for 1973-1974

Fall Semester will begin with registration and orientation, Tuesday, August 28, and Wednesday, August 29. Classes will begin August 30. Fall Semester will conclude, Friday, December 21.

Winter Semester will begin Monday, January 7, and will conclude Friday, April 26. Spring Session will be held April 20 - May 24, 1974.

## Tuition and Fees for 1973-1974

*Fall and Winter Semesters.* Tuition per semester (12-18 hours) will be \$250.00 Student Activity Fee per semester will be \$15.00. Board and room, for dormitory students, will be \$350.00 per semester.

*Spring Session.* Full-time students who attend fall and winter semesters may attend the four weeks Spring Session without paying additional tuition fees. Board and room for dormitory students during the four weeks Spring Session will be \$20.00 per week.

## This Year's Spring Session

Each year, Oregon Bible College has a four weeks Spring Session. The first week occurs during Ministers Conference with a seminar course for all students held the last half of each morning, beginning Monday, April 30, 10:00 a.m. The course will be taught by a guest instructor, Bro. Joe James, Greenville, South Carolina, who has a Master of Social Work degree.

During the last three weeks of the Spring Session, Pastoral Procedures will be taught by John Lewis and English Composition II will be taught by Eugene Stilson during the first half of each morning. The Book of Isaiah, open to all students, will be taught by Francis Burnett during the last half of each morning during the three weeks. Friday, May 25, will be the end of the Spring Session and the annual OBC Commencement.

## Holy Land, Europe, and Greek Islands Tour

Alva G. Huffer, president of Oregon Bible College,

will be conducting a 22-Day Tour to Europe, Holy Land, and the Mediterranean area, Monday, July 9, through Monday, July 30, 1973.

This year's tour will include a four-day cruise of the Greek Islands in the Aegean Sea: Crete, Delos, Myconos, Patmos, Rhodes, and Santorini.

The tour group will visit six countries on three continents. Rome (Italy); Cairo (Egypt); Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Megiddo, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea, Tel Aviv, and all important Bible places (Israel); Athens and Corinth (Greece); the Greek Islands Cruise; Ephesus (Turkey); and Amsterdam (Netherlands) will be visited.

Tour price with departure from New York is \$1,672.00. Tour price includes: airline transportation from New York, deluxe hotels (room with private bath; to be occupied by two persons), two meals per day (all meals during cruise), deluxe motorcoach sight-seeing including services of local English-speaking guides, entrance fees, and all necessary tips.

Reservations may be made by sending deposits of \$100.00 per person to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282. Make checks payable to: Western World Tour and Travel. Final payment in full is due June 9, thirty days before departure. The Pan Am Fly Now Pay Later Plan (with payments over 24 months) is available upon request.

Oregon Bible College will give three semester hours credit to persons, if they so desire, who go on the tour.

## Holy Land and Greek Islands Tour

July 9 - July 30, 1973

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Reservation deposits of \$100.00 per person are enclosed.

( ) Please send me a color brochure of the tour.

( ) I would be interested in a Holy Land Tour in September or October, 1973.

Mail to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282



# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Coins For Christ Campaign

By the time this issue is received, materials for the Coins For Christ Campaign should be in the hands of your youth leader, pastor, and youth president. The campaign will begin April 1 and continue through May 31.

The budget for the Youth Department is a very real and necessary part of the youth work. The total cost of operating the Department, excluding the Youth Conference and Midwinter Retreat, is approximately \$9,000.00 each year. If the plans of the General Conference delegates are implemented within the next one or two years, the operating cost will be more than \$12,500.00.

It is our personal observation that through proper training and leadership the youth will meet the cost of operating their own Department. There are more than 600 young people among the Bereans that are in high school and college. These alone by giving \$20.00 each per year could meet the proposed budget when the expansion of the Department is put into operation.

We urge you to support the young people of your church in their projects. Especially do we urge you to lead and instruct them in the proper way to give. Through true giving to our God, the benefits received from him will be unmeasurable.

## 1973 Youth Conference Speech Theme

Bro. Paul Moore, Contest Director, has announced the theme for the contest for 1973. Since the theme for the Youth Conference is *The Truth Shall Make You Free*, the speech theme will be based on the question asked of Jesus by Pilate as recorded in John 18:38: "What is truth?" We know that several young people are interested in entering this contest. Encourage these young people by having them develop their speech and first give it before your congregation.

## Young Adult Retreat

The March issue of the *Journal* carried an enrollment form for any who would want to attend the Adult Retreat. One was planned for 1972, but only 9 persons enrolled and it was necessary to cancel it. The Retreat will be held at a camp site, approximately 7 miles southwest of Oregon, Ill. It will begin on Friday evening after 6:00 p.m. There will be Bible classes, discussion sessions, and recreation on Saturday and Sunday. There will also be time given for a tour of the General Conference building and Oregon Bible College.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday School of the Month for April is the Troy View Church of God in Troy, Ohio. This Sunday school recently had a P.E.P. Sunday—Pack Every Pew Sunday. Pew captains, consisting of the teachers, church board, and volunteers, were chosen, one for each pew in the sanctuary. Each pew captain was encouraged to pack his pew with as many people as he could. It was figured out how many each pew captain would have to have in his pew to break the church's attendance record.

On P.E.P. Sunday the church was packed. The two pew captains who tied with the most people in their pews were given a New English Bible and a concordance. Everyone in the pews packed the fullest was given a New Testament. And, on that Sunday a new attendance record of 169 for a morning worship was set. Congratulations to superintendent Larry Domigan, to pastor Scott Ross, and to all at the Troy View Church of God who helped to Pack Every Pew.

## A Tribute to the Sunday School Teacher

We would like to take space in this column to thank some of the most taken-for-granted workers in our churches—our Sunday school teachers. The Sunday school teachers have freely given (and for free) of themselves, their time, and their efforts. During the week they give of time that could be spent in front of the TV, or at the ball game, or visiting with friends, or catching up on the ironing, so that they might prepare their lesson, visit a pupil whose attendance has slipped, plan a social for their class, and pray for their students. They faithfully serve Sunday after Sunday, even on those warm summer days when they, too, would like to go to the beach, and on those cold winter mornings when half the Sunday school felt they couldn't get out. They are still cheerful and loving even when mischief seems uppermost in their pupils' minds or when "spring fever" has transported their thoughts far from the classroom. Why does the Sunday school teacher do this? Because they have put God and a concern for their pupils before even their own self-interest. Teachers, we appreciate you and thank God for your faithfulness. May God bless you, each one.

Through Sunday school teacher and officer's qualifications, standards, and code, let it be known that Christ is the center of each life and that all three sources for Christian growth must be personally used.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Apr. 3-8—Meetings Columbia Station Church, James Mattison, speaker.
- Apr. 4-8—Evangelistic meetings Waterloo, Iowa. Scott Ross, guest speaker.
- Apr. 7—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Lafayette.
- Apr. 14, 15—Louisiana State Literature Crusade meeting. C. E. Randall, Speaker.
- Apr. 14, 15—Neb-Co Berean Retreat, Wellfleet, Neb.
- Apr. 19-22—Special meetings St. Louis Church by C. E. Randall.
- Apr. 27-29—Minnesota Junior Berean Retreat, Long Lake camp.
- Apr. 27-29—NE Spring Conference, Troy View Church.
- Apr. 30-May 4—Ministers Conference, Oregon, Ill.
- May 4-6—Family Retreat, Camp Victory, Beaumont, Tex.
- May 12, 13—Youth Retreat, Raymore, Mo.
- May 18-20—N.E. Berean Youth Fellowship, Fonthill, Ont. (rescheduled date).
- May 23-27—May Meeting Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont. Prophetic Conference. Stephen Bolhous, speaker.
- May 25-28—Young Adult Retreat, Oregon, Ill.
- May 31-June 2—Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- June 8-10—Minnesota Spring Conference.
- June 16, 17—Missouri Summer Conference at Fredericktown.
- June 17-23—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia.
- June 24-29—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- June 24-30—Iowa State Youth Camp, Raccoon River Bible Camp, Scranton.
- July 2-7—NE Junior Camp, Camp Chaffee, Tipp City, Ohio.
- July 8-14—Minnesota Senior Berean Camp.
- July 15-21—Minnesota Junior Berean Camp.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 8-12—Iowa State Conference, James Mattison, speaker.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Oct. 22-28—Youth Week.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

The Troy View Church, Troy, Ohio, distributed 115,000 pieces of gospel literature during seven weeks of special effort.

## BAPTISMS

**Front Royal, Va.:** The Royal Village Church of God is pleased to announce the baptism of Hunter Kenney, W. First St., Front Royal, Va. 22630. With the angels we rejoice at his taking hold of salvation. Joe Martin, pastor.

**Troy, Ohio:** Phyllis Albaugh responded to the invitation to accept Christ as her personal Savior during special meetings conducted recently by C. E. Randall at the Troy View Church of God. She was immersed by the writer on February 25, 1973. May God richly bless Phyllis as she begins her Christian walk. Scott Ross, pastor.

**Royal, Ark.:** It was the writer's privilege to assist the following in putting on Christ by baptism: Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Freeman, 116 Fairview, Hot Springs, Ark. 71901; Mr. James N. Howell, Rt. 1, Box 366, Royal, Ark. 71968; Mrs. JoAnn Hill, Rt. 1, Box 6, Royal, Ark. 71968; Mr. and Mrs. David Rainwaters, Rt. 2, Royal, Ark. 71968. John R. Humphreys, pastor.

## CHURCH NEEDS PASTOR

Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, seeks a pastor. The present one, Pastor J. R. LeCrone, has resigned, effective September 1, 1973, to become editorial director of the Church of God General Conference.

Golden Rule has an excellent building with a good parsonage next door. It offers a salary and fringe benefits above average; but it needs someone who can get along well with all ages, stimulate interest and attendance among young people, and work with a widely scattered urban congregation. A new bus soon should be available to bring in children from distances too great to walk.

Prospective pastors should get in touch with the writer by collect phone (216-251-6611) or by letter (16609 Chaffield Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44111) immediately.

J. Arlen Marsh, Chairman, Board of Elders.

## BEAUMONT RETREAT PLANNED

The fourth annual Family Retreat will be held in Beaumont, Tex., May 4-6, 1973.

Although members in Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas are especially invited, those from other parts of the country are welcome. The location is Camp Victory near Beaumont. Parking space for travel trailers is available. There is no registration fee. About 125 have been in attendance for the last three years. Those interested in attending should write: Paul Shaw, 132 Oyster Creek, Apt. 60, Lake Jackson, Tex. 77566

## CHURCH DIRECTORY CHANGES

### Northeast Conference

Pleasant Hill Church of God, N Main St, Pleasant Hill, Ohio 45359  
Mrs. Peggy Stine, Sec, 3183 S Elleman Rd, Ludlow Falls, Ohio 45339  
Lee Stine, Supt, 26 N Main St, Laura, Ohio 45337

### Central High Plains Conference

**Denver Church**  
Linda Wolfe, Sec, 2828 Eaton, Denver, Col, 80214  
Glenda W. Dwyer, Treas, 952 S Garland Way, Lakewood, Col, 80226

### Ministers

Dean Moore, Rt. 1, Bx 140-A, Weslaco, TX 78596  
Michael Hale, 8616 Belhaven, St John, MO 63114

## MARRIAGES

The Hedrick Church of God was the scene for a simple wedding service on December 17, 1972. Margret Kay Flint and Lee Shoat were united in marriage by their pastor. The couple now reside at rural Veedersburg, Ind.

Waldon Winner, pastor.

In a service attended by many of the family and friends at Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., Marilyn Goit became the bride of John W. Keigley III. The double ring ceremony was performed by the writer, Saturday, February, 17, 1973. Our best wishes to Marilyn and John as they begin life together.

John Hearp, pastor.

Fourteen thousand copies of this issue of *The Restitution Herald* will be printed. What is being done by the churches and individuals in distributing *The Herald* should be a regular work. The number printed could be easily doubled each month if all the churches would get on with the work of evangelism.

The Free Literature Crusade includes *The Restitution Herald*. Churches and isolated individuals who are or will be putting out *The Restitution Herald* in display racks or distributing them, should place their orders well in advance that sufficient copies can be printed to supply the demand. *The Restitution Herald* is our best evangelistic outreach—let's give it an ever-widening circulation!

## RADIO LOG

- WCEN 1150 AM; 945 FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WEBQ 1240 Harrisburg, Ill.  
9:45 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WSIG 790, Mt. Jackson, Va.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays, "Voice of Tomorrow"
- WKAI 1510 Macomb, Ill.  
8:15 a.m. "Words of Life"
- WPEG 97.9 FM Concord, N.C.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays  
WZKY 1580 AM Albermarle, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays
- WSVM 1490 AM Valdese, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays
- WJRI 1340 AM Lenoir, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays
- WCGC 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays
- WJJI 1260 AM Christiansburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays
- WVVV 104.9 FM Blacksburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays
- WHHV 1400 AM Hillsville, Va.  
12:15 p.m. Sundays
- WEGO 1410 AM Concord, N.C.  
12:45 p.m. Sundays
- KLFD 1410 AM, 95.3 FM, 8:35 a.m. Sunday, "Springs of Living Water" Litchfield, Minn.
- WMIX 940 AM, 94 FM Mt. Vernon, Ill.  
7:15 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"
- WMDE 98.7 FM Greensboro, N.C. 2:00 p.m. Sundays
- WHME 103.1mc FM South Bend, Ind.  
7 a.m. Sunday, "Chapel Time"
- WRHL 1060 Rochelle, Ill.  
11:45 a.m. Sundays

### MISSIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

The third annual Missions Conference, sponsored by the Bible Churches of God in Tempe and Phoenix, Ariz., was held at the Tempe Church, February 23-25, 1973. It began with a banquet Friday evening, and ended with a fellowship dinner Sunday noon. In-between times the feasting was on *spiritual things*.

Music was an important part of the Conference, Friday evening the choirs from both churches, plus a singing group from Tempe, set the mood for all the meetings. Bros. Stan Ross and Merle Patrick spoke during this service.

As the theme was "The Living Christian," seminars were conducted on Saturday by Lee McQuinn, Mardy Lawrence, and Richard Dick. In the afternoon following a talk on Literature Distribution as promoted by the General Conference, about forty people went into the residential area of Tempe and put what was learned to practical use.

Saturday evening a Faith Promise Service was held. Only those who have participated in one of these can really know their significance. Suffice it to say, the combined total promised was approximately \$20,000.00. An inspiring Communion service brought the Conference to its official close.

We in this area would like to recommend to any church or conference which has not had a Missions Conference or a Faith Promise Service, that you consider such. A real blessing awaits you! Gerald Cooper, reporter.

### OBITUARIES

Carl E. Hoganson, 90, died at Spanaway, Wash., January 7, 1973. He had been a member of the Church of God for almost fifteen years. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Garden Chapel at Mountain View Memorial Park near Tacoma, January 11. Survivors include one son, Bro. Charles F. Hoganson, Tacoma; a daughter, Mrs. Wilhelm Becklund, Tacoma; and a second daughter, Sr. J. Arlen Marsh, Cleveland, Ohio. J. Arlen Marsh.

Mrs. Mabel Furn Clark, 68, died December 26, 1972. She is survived by three sons, Robert, Marlyn, and Gary; one daughter, Mrs. Donna Baker, and one sister, Leone Maxfield, all of Waterloo, Iowa, and immediate area. Services were held December 29, with the writer in charge. She was laid to rest awaiting the coming of Christ in a Waterloo Cemetery. Stanley Lawrence.

Mrs. Bettie Ann Lay, 90, of Clinton, Ark., died February 2, 1973, in Oak Park, Ill., after a long illness. Funeral service was held February 5, at Clinton, Ark.

She was the widow of Hardin P. Lay. She was born near Scotland, Ark., and spent most of her life in Clinton. The last few years were spent with her daughter in Chicago. She was a faithful member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith.

Survivors include three sons, Willard, Walter, and Vaughn, all of Chicago; a daughter, Mrs.

Vivian Lewis of Chicago, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She was laid to rest in Bradley Cemetery with the hope of the resurrection. Ellsworth Routson, pastor.

William Theodore McGinty was born November 26, 1883, at Greenbrier, Ark., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGinty. He died February 14, 1973, at Porterville, Calif. He was a member of the McGintytown Church of God. He was a firm believer in the coming kingdom. John R. Humphreys.

Locha Ann Doty was born December 12, 1898 near Hedrick, Ind., and died February 6, 1973, at the Edgewood View Nursing Home, Oxford, Ind. Mrs. Doty was a retired school-teacher. She was preceded in death by her husband. She had been a faithful member of the Hedrick Church of God for over sixty years. Her pastor conducted the funeral service on February 9. She now rests in her Lord and waits for his return. Waldon Winner, pastor.

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

Miss Evelyn Smith, Ralph Austin, Lenoir Church; Linda Fletcher, Lyvonne Niday, Va; Okon M. Akpan, Nigeria; Michael Ross, Digby, N.S.; Mrs. Janet Sorah, Dayton Church; Ken Walters, Dan J. Silverberg, Litchfield Church; Mrs. Betty Morris, Brush Creek Church; Dale Lewis, Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Cooke, Columbus Church. Congratulations!

## Contributors to the General Conference: MARCH 1973

Anonymous	400.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	10.00	Pomona Ch of Open Bible	61.65	Mrs Mabell Bell	15.00
Modesto Bible Church	20.10	Mary Jo Brewer	15.00	Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger, Sr	25.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00
Mrs Harry Halley	10.00	New Hope Church	50.00	B Creek Gospel Gleaners	20.00	Eden Valley Church	471.97
Anna Cullen	5.25	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	8.00	Beaumont Church	15.80	Litchfield SS	9.68
Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	40.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	15.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Larsen	28.00	Audrey Densmore	10.00
Morning Star Church	14.16	Mr & Mrs Albert Rogers	20.00	Mrs Effie Jones	10.00	Felida Church	3.20
Anonymous	2.00	Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	100.00	Brush Creek Church	189.87	Everett Rogers	25.00
S T Messick	10.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Johnson	2.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	30.00	Fonthill Church	289.88
Brush Creek BYF	12.34	Guthrie Grove Church	61.00	Lawrenceville Esther Soc	3.48	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	40.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	81.60	Bedford Bereans	12.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Lawrenceville Church	187.62
Mrs Ollie Cooper	15.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Northeast Conf	215.00	Donna Olson	5.00
Ark City Hope Chapel SS	60.00	Tempe Dorcas	5.00	St Louis Church	62.10	Anonymous	50.00
Karen Petry	5.00	Fonthill Dorcas Soc	5.00	Columbia Station Church	150.00	Raymore Church	25.00
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Mr & Mrs Arthur Poe	12.00	Mrs Frances Wood	40.00	San Jose SS	16.15	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00	Jill Anger	4.00	Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00	Mrs Lila Guiles	20.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Black	20.00	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal, Jr	34.80	Joy Robinson	5.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	10.00
Troy View Church	102.50	Diane McClain in memory of Janet Lavery	9.00	Telva Lippert	10.00	Minn State Miss Soc	150.00
Edith Underwood in memory of Virda Sitler	100.00	Anonymous	15.00	Oregon M & M Miss Soc	12.50	Salem Church	18.10
Mrs Esther Jenkins	10.00	Mrs Ruth Reid	45.00	Milo Magaw	20.00	Mr & Mrs Gordon Williams	10.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Whelpton	15.00	Burr Oak Church	150.00	Garden Park Church	322.10	Mark Ryan	51.00
Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	10.00	Oregon Church	338.33	Litchfield Church	26.00	Dixon Church	46.40
Harlingen Church	29.72	Anonymous	30.00	Mr & Mrs C C Fuson	10.00	Flag Center Church	62.00
Maurertown Church	32.30	Peoria-Faith Chapel	86.00	Southlawn Church	155.27	Mrs R S Courts	5.00
J A Anon	30.00	Oregon SS	8.06	Mr & Mrs E Routson	10.00	Mr & Mrs Earle Mogle	10.00
Anonymous	50.00	Mrs Clarence Randall	3.00	Troy View Church	438.40	Mrs R D Stanton	9.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Phoenix Bible Church	275.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Vance	10.00	Mr & Mrs Gary Myers	10.00
Macomb Church	63.12	Mrs Alta Thrush	10.00	E Dorothy Magaw	28.00	Anonymous	1.00
Rockford Church	75.00	Lois Cline	1.50	Mr & Mrs Harvey Fisher	40.00	Eternal Hope Church	101.95
Sharonlee Gallagher	1.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00	Mich State Conf	110.26	Richard Hess	10.00
Fremont SS	8.50	La State Conf	71.03	Southwest Conf	83.70	Pennellwood Church	189.70
Digby Church	92.92	Waterloo BYF	5.00	Dennis Brown	65.00	Anonymous	5.00
Dale Swartz	15.00	Richard Alcumbrack	12.00	Sheila Sheeley	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Rice	10.00
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Eunice Pearson	25.00	Bruce Burnside	10.00	Tempe Bible Church	250.00	Vinnie Tyler	10.00
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Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	15.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Lawson	6.00	North Hills Church	64.57	Ben Carpenter	70.00
Lawrenceville Youth Group	175.00	Anonymous	40.00	Alice Bassett	14.00	Josephine Kennedy	17.00
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Marjorie Bolhous	10.00	Mary Krogh	60.00	Willard Chamberlin	5.00	Mr & Mrs Glenn Birkey	25.00
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Anonymous	95.00	E L Macy Jr	20.00	Southlawn Dorcas Soc	100.00	Waterloo Church	25.00
Oak Grove Church	10.00	San Jose Church	18.00	Fremont Church	38.85	Mr & Mrs George DeForest	60.00
Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Denise Pearson	4.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Stephen Bolhous	25.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Perkins	1.00	Eden Valley Bereans	70.00	Macomb Miss Soc	40.00	May White	18.52
Peoria Jr. BYF	5.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	290.00	Nina Hatcher	3.00	Kay Robbins	15.00
Fonthill SS	13.91	Anonymous	118.00	Gary Hatcher	3.00	Luella Mielke	35.00
Cool Spring Church	21.24	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Milne	25.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Ramsey	63.00	Mabel Andrew	20.00
Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	La Contributors	105.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	75.00	Alice Aldrich	17.50

## POWER IS AVAILABLE

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eliminate the excuser from work in the harvest field. BUT, responsibility and accountability will be upon every soul that knows to do good and does it not (Jas. 4:17).

There is no community where the Word does not need to be scattered. It is our job to sow the good seed and the Lord has said that he will give the increase (1 Cor. 3:7). Sometimes we become "weary in well doing" because the increase is slow in showing. In looking on the whitened fields, there are churches that seem to find little to garner, while others are burdened down bringing in the sheaves. Perhaps Paul's admonition to "examine yourselves" is a timely exhortation for each one of us! ●

Several churches will be circulating this number of *The Restitution Herald* in the communities which they serve. Pictures of three of these churches are shown in this issue. An awakened and enlarged evangelism is in evidence among our churches. They are on the battle line with shouts of victory! Churches not shown, but sharing the gospel message by distributing *The Herald* are: Dixon, Ill.; Hillisburg, Ind.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Champion, Mich.; Lafayette, Ind.; Flagg Center, Ill.

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### ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS

This is a list of handwork needs for the 1973 Vacation Bible School lessons: cardboard tubes as found in paper toweling, etc., cardboard food boxes measuring 6½ x 2 inches, lids from cottage cheese type cartons, 6 to 8 ounce transparent jars with screw-on lids (unusual-shape best). Empty cans size of tuna cans.

## YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Sponsored by Berean Youth Fellowship

Blackhawk Baptist Camp

Oregon, Illinois

May 25-28, 1973

Tuition: \$17.00

For ages: 23-32, single or married

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Married \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Member of a Church of God \_\_\_\_\_

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May 26, about \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

Deposit of \$5.00 enclosed, balance of \$12.00 due on arrival at camp.

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE for enrollment: April 25.

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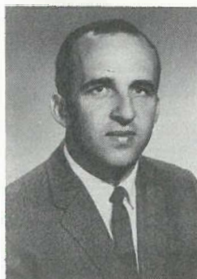
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## THE CALL TO PREPARATION

By Dr. Alva G. Huffer

The call to Christian service includes the call to preparation. The evangelistic call for believers to tell all mankind about the love of God revealed in his Son Jesus Christ includes the requirement that they prepare themselves for this important work.

Oregon Bible College is completing its thirty-fourth year as an institution of higher education for the Church of God General Conference. It is dedicated to the task of preparing men and women to present the whole Bible to the whole world. Its major purpose is to prepare Christian workers to preach, to teach, and to reach all persons in all places for Christ.

A primary objective of the College is the preparation of persons for the ministry in the Church of God. The vast majority of graduates have become licensed ministers.

Another important objective of the College, however, is the providing of Christian educational background for men and women who plan to enter other occupations and professions. Many alumni of Oregon Bible College have completed undergraduate and graduate programs of study in other colleges and universities in preparation for various professions.

Oregon Bible College is the College of the Bible. It has the Bible in the middle of its name, at the heart of its curriculum, and in its center of emphasis. With Christ as its foundation, the College holds forth the ideals of the Scriptures, spirituality, and scholarship.

All programs of study at Oregon Bible College include a major in the Bible and Theology. In addition, each program includes a minor selected by the student: Pastoral Studies, Christian Education, Music, or a Music-Christian Education minor.

Oregon Bible College seeks to provide an educational environment in which the student can acquire a thorough knowledge

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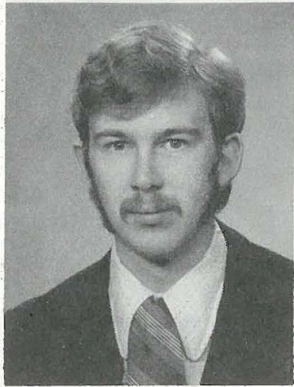


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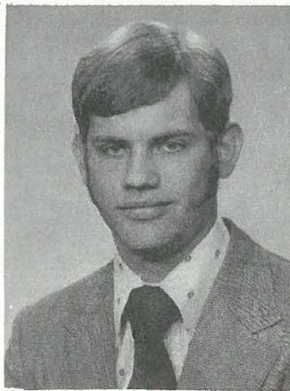


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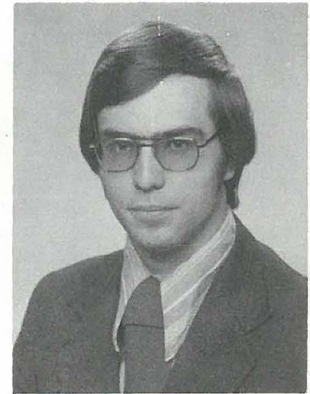
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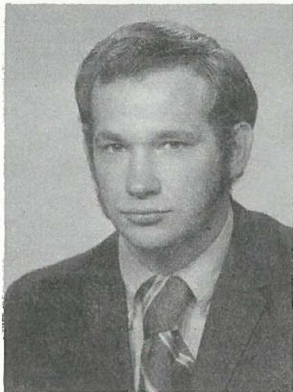
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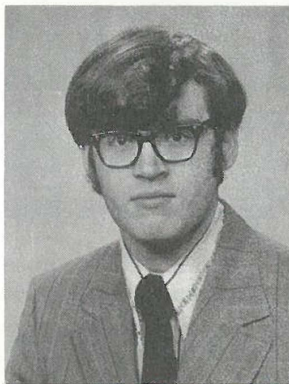
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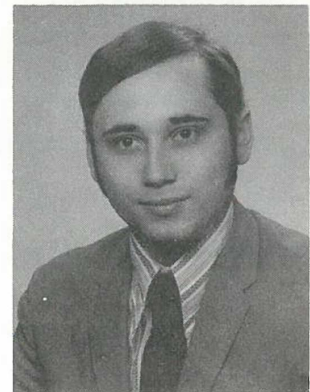
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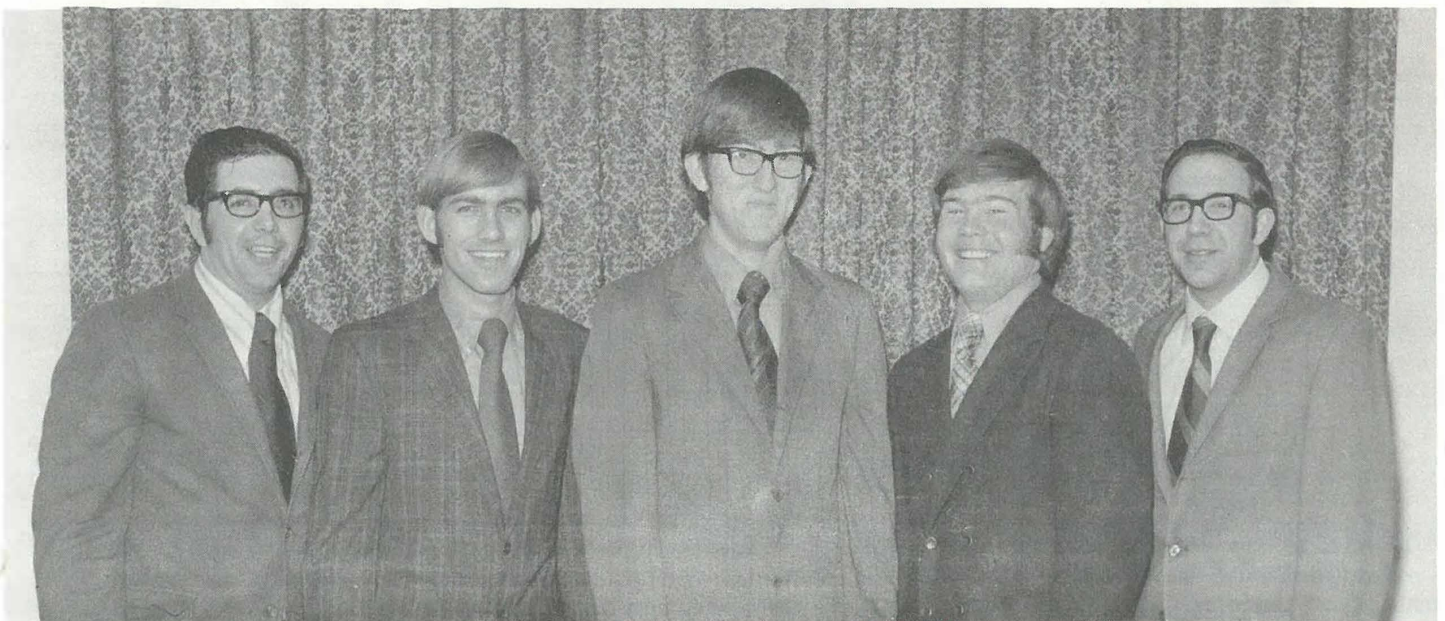


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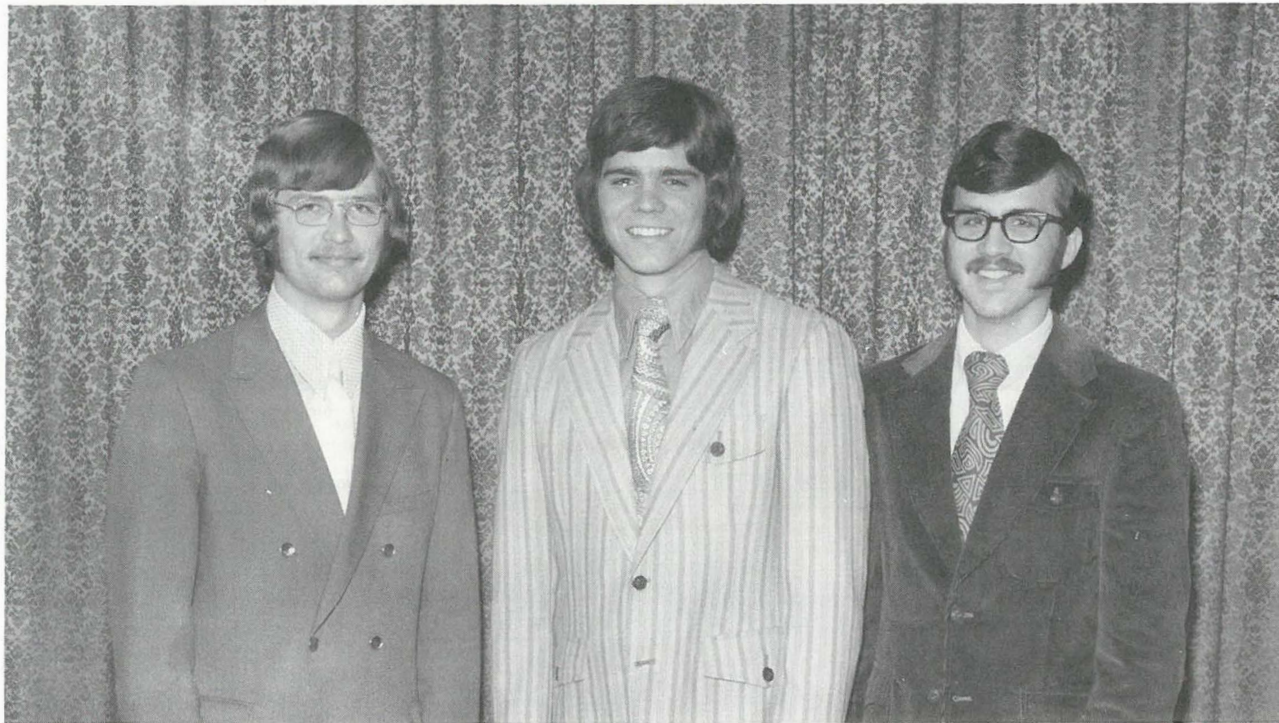
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Left to right: Bob Storts, Benny Mattison, Bruce Burnside, Syd Kirkpatrick, Tim Cook



## Sophomores



Left to right: Mike Brown, Sam Voorhies, Mike Berry

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Deb Cook



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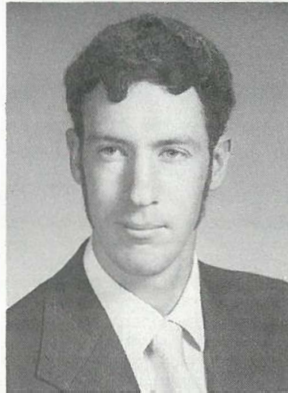
Earlyne Warmolts

## Graduate Intern Student

### GOSPEL TEAMS

By Sam Voorhies

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! At the start of the year we spoke many prayers before God asking that he would use us to be a witness for Jesus Christ and that God would be glorified in our actions. We asked God to open doors that we would not only be able to talk to individuals but to present the gospel message to the masses of people around us. Dale Ramsey put up a sheet for all those interested in being on gospel teams to sign. In a short time the sheet was filled, and almost every student had signed. Before we knew it, the Lord was opening doors as fast as we could fill them. In a short time, we had two gospel teams organized and began bringing the gospel message to those in other denominations as well as our own. Praise God, we have been able to be a witness for him in the Catholic Church, the Methodist Church, Presbyterian Church, Four Square Gospel Church, Church of God, and other places, such as retreats. The beautiful thing about presenting these services is that we have been blessed just as much as the people they were presented to. The moral of this story is, if you ask God to use you as an individual or as a group be prepared to be used like you've never been used before. Hallelujah, God has been glorified through Jesus Christ!

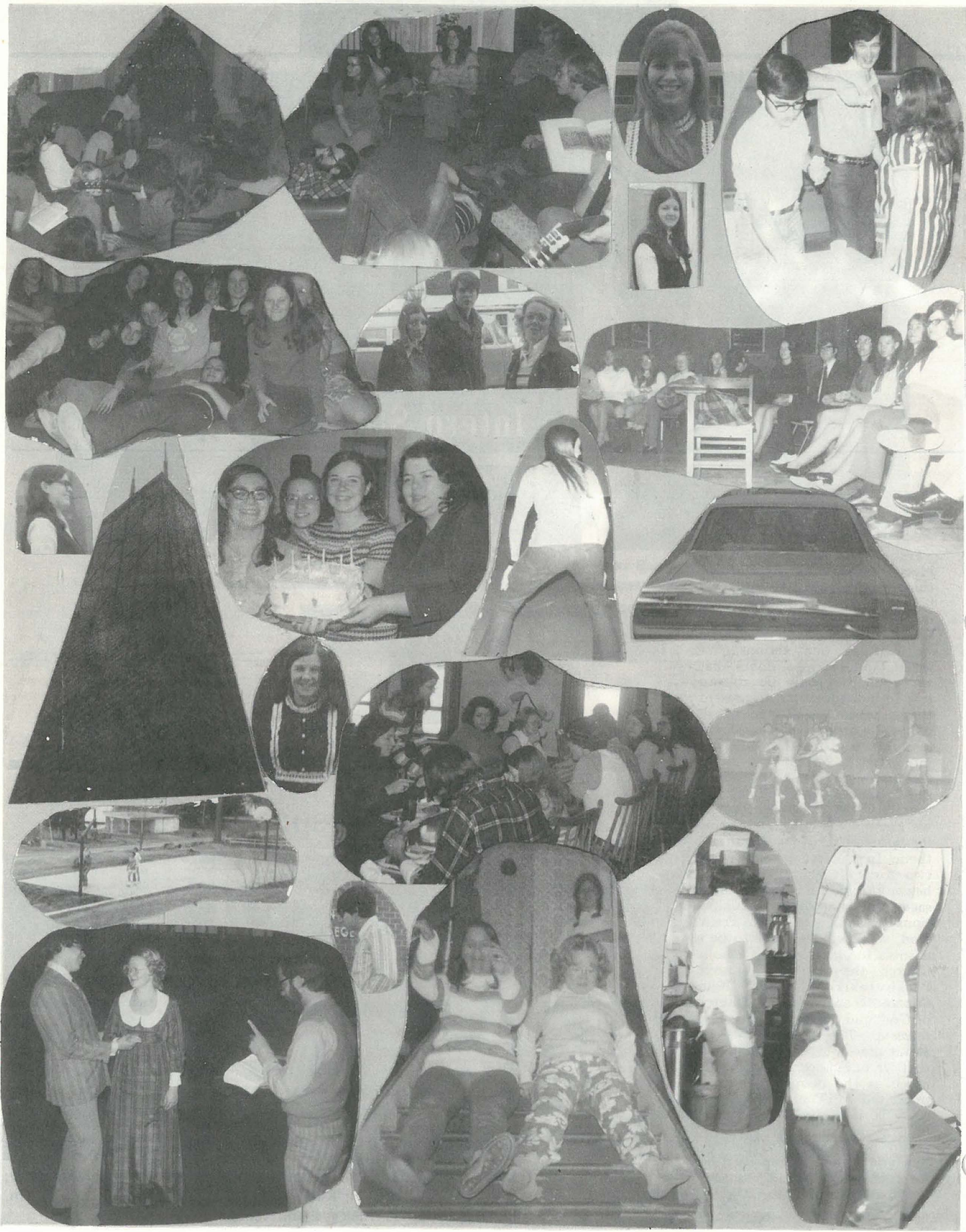


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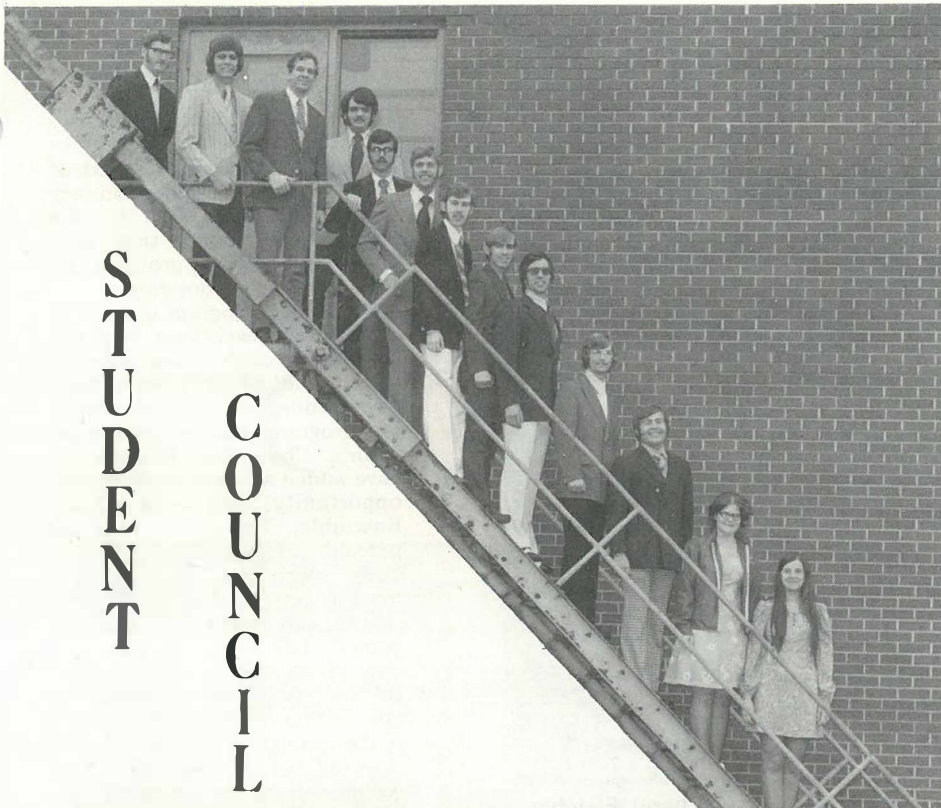
## Gospel Team



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# STUDENT COUNCIL



Top to Bottom: Ken Taylor, Sam Voorhies, John Lewis, Advisor, Gary Smith, Mike Berry, Dan Landry, Mark Ryan, Benny Mattison, Treasurer, Joe Myers, President, Mike Brown, Syd Kirkpatrick, Deb Cook, Secretary, Linda Hollenback

## STUDENT COUNCIL

By Mark Ryan

The Student Council is probably the most dynamic of all the organizations in the College. Through the Council, many important decisions are made governing the student's life and activities.

There have been many new things instituted this year by the Student Council. One of the innovations is a new public relations committee, that will help promote the College to the surrounding communities, as well as to the church.

Along with that, are the many things that pertain to the student's social life, and problems that arise. We praise God that he has helped us deal with these problems in the best way possible.

We would also like to express our thanks to our advisor, Bro. John Lewis, who has helped the Council in many ways.

There are many things to do and there are many directions for us to grow. We would ask for your prayers as we realize that God alone can give us the right spirit and frame of mind to go forward.

## Mission Fellowship



Left to right—Row 1: Mike Brown, President, Deirdre Daley, Secretary, Dennis Brown, Vice-President, Rick Williams, Treasurer, Row 2: Linda Whaley, Sarah DeForest, Pam Miesse, Lynda Smith, Mike Berry, Sam Voorhies; Row 3: Carl Jennings, Scott Millard, Linda Hollenback, Dan Ryan, Kathy Foretich, Dick Alcumbrack, Ken Taylor

## MISSION FELLOWSHIP

By Mike Brown

The Mission Fellowship Activity (MFA), which is active in both home and foreign missions, felt the blessings this year that the Lord has given through his power. Much work has been accomplished in home missions, especially in and around the Oregon area. Monthly, we have visited the Franklin Grove Nursing Center, sharing with them the love and hope our Lord has given us. We also visited the Lee County Jail, where we witnessed to four prisoners. At an Old-Fashioned Sidewalk Sale, conducted by the Oregon merchants, we had a stand and distributed hundreds of tracts and *Restitution Heralds*.

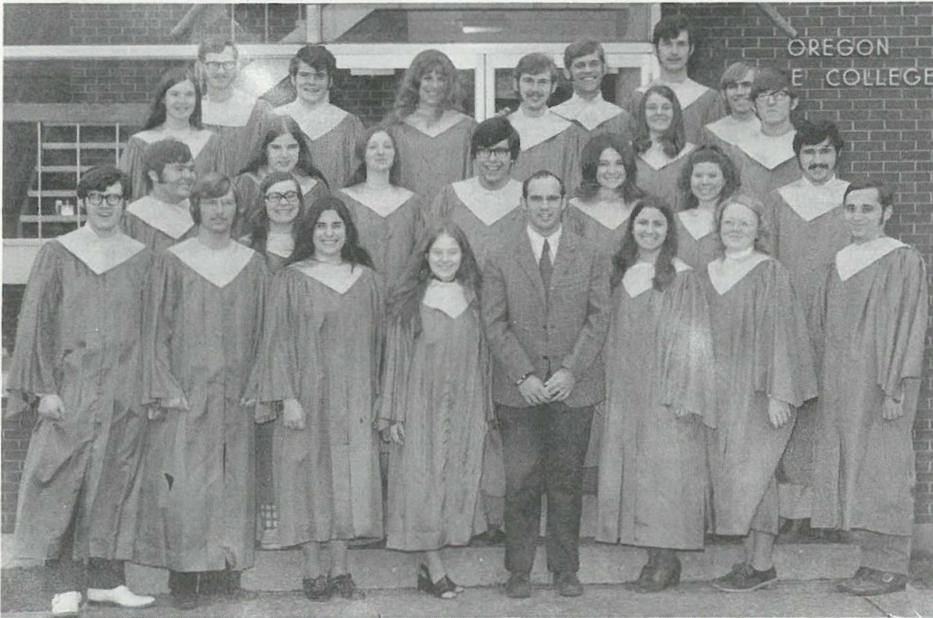
Another highlight for the activity was the sponsoring of a Religious Folk Concert.

In foreign missions we conducted a faith promise service at which the Lord inspired students and faculty to faithfully promise over \$5,000 in the next year.

All that can be said is, Praise the Lord!

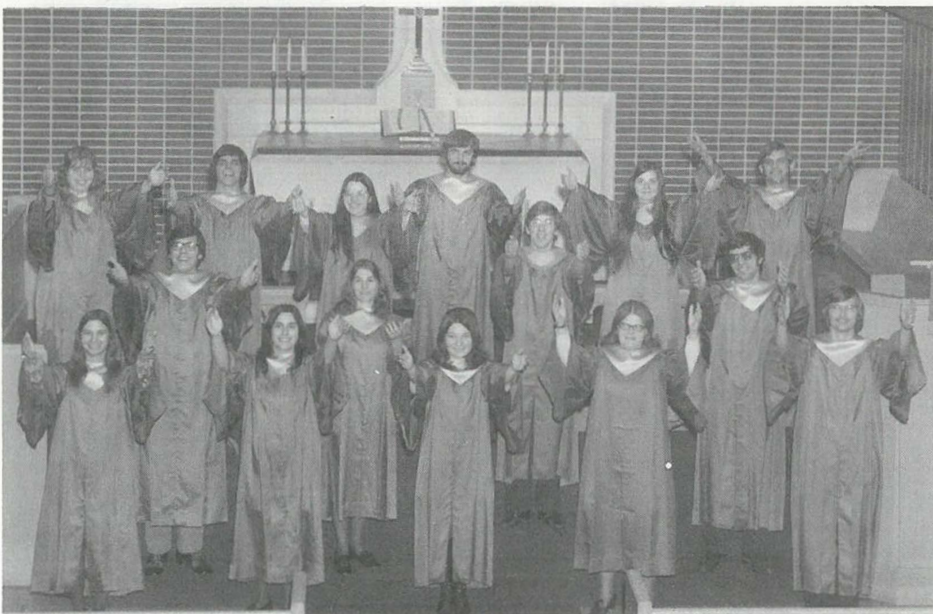
# Music . . . music . . . music

## Choir



Left to right—Row 1: Tim New, Mike Brown, Linda Whaley, Cheryl Fletcher, Deirdre Daley, Dale Ramsey, Director, Gail Hall, Lynda Smith, Bob Jones; Row 2: Syd Kirkpatrick, Kathy Cooper, Sarah DeForest, Dennis Brown, Pam Miesse, Earlyne Warmolts, Carl Jennings; Row 3: Linda Hollenback, Ken Taylor, Scott Millard, Kathy Foretich, Mark Ryan, Dan Landry, Sharon Guiles, Larry Mayberry, Benny Mattison, Bruce Burnside

## Chorale



Left to right—Row 1: Gail Hall, Dennis Brown, Cheryl Fletcher, Sharon Guiles, Pam Miesse, Deb Cook, Joe Myers, Mike Brown; Row 2: Kathy Foretich, Sam Voorhies, Susan Foster, Bob Bernheisel, Rick Williams, Linda Hollenback, Dan Landry

## THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

By Dale Ramsey

It is quite evident that God is supporting our effort to go into all the world (at least a part of it) and spread the news to every person. We praise God for the many, many doors that have opened for musical groups from OBC this past school year.

The music program is growing substantially each year. With the completion of the music room in the summer of 1972 came many new avenues to grow and expand our program. Besides the Gospel Teams, Choir, and Chorale we have added another performance opportunity, that being a Brass Ensemble. This year, over 80 percent of the OBC student body were involved in some musical activity. I doubt if many schools can boast of such a great percentage.

As music director, I am thankful for the good musicians we are getting at OBC. With their music ability, the students are showing a determination and willingness to use it to the utmost in the Lord's work. Dennis Brown, a freshman at OBC, has also been a tremendous asset to our music program this year.

Now we look forward to the 1973-1974 academic year when we will have many opportunities to proclaim God's work through music. There seems to be only one hindrance to our mission at the present and that is transportation. We trust God to provide the solution within the coming months. We look forward to another great year in 1973 and 1974.

## THE CALL TO PREPARATION

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and understanding of the Bible as the Word of God and discover its teaching as basic to life. Through study and research the College assists the student in becoming mature in character and personality. It provides for the development of personal skills that will enable him to be successful in Christian service.

Someone, somewhere, is waiting for you to tell him about the Bible message of salvation through Christ. We invite you to prepare for Christian service at Oregon Bible College.

# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE



**Bible Study**

**Evangelism**

**Fellowship**

**Prayer**

**Praise**

**Worship**

**THE BIBLE AT THE HEART  
OF THE COLLEGE, SEARCHING  
THE HEART OF MAN**

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## General Conference Cabin Reservations

After May 10, 1973, cabin reservations will be accepted for the Annual Church of God General Conference. Write to Cabin Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061, and state the number in your family or party. Families are encouraged to stay together. If two or more families want to stay together state the number in the entire party and we will try to accommodate. The available cabins will hold from three to fourteen people. The cost for General Conference is \$4.50 per day per person or \$21.50 for the Conference.

Riverview Park can accommodate about twelve camper trailers. There are commercial trailer parks available nearby. Several good motels are also located near the camp. Make your plans now to attend the Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13-18, 1973.

## June Issue

The June issue of *Progress Journal* will carry the full program for the General Conference. It will also contain departmental reports, committee reports, proposed recommendations, list of board members to be elected, and much other pertinent Conference information.

## Tape Ministry Library

A library of sermons on tape is being compiled by the Tape Ministry Committee. Anyone wanting to use a taped sermon may write to Mr. Byron Jay, 9118 N. Dixie Dr., Dayton, Ohio 45414, and enclose check for same. The cost will be \$3.00 to buy the tape, or \$1.00 for rental. The sermons on tape will be cataloged by topic and speaker. Later on, these listings will be made available. I am sure this ministry can be most helpful for shut-ins, for pulpit replacement when a pastor is sick or on vacation, and for various uses. We thank Bro. Jay and Bro. Rex Cain for their efforts on this Tape Ministry Committee.

## Ministers Fund

The Ministers Fund of the Church of God General Conference is used for loans and gifts to ministers and ministers' widows in times of emergency. This fund is maintained entirely by special contributions. The fund balance has been going down over the past few years. We would encourage your prayer and concern for this matter that the fund may remain solvent. The Minis-

ters Fund is separate and distinct from the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association.

## OBC Graduation

Six young men will graduate from Oregon Bible College at commencement services to be held in the Oregon Church of God, Oregon, Illinois, May 25, 1973. Graduates are Dale Harshman, Robert Jones, Daniel Landry, Joseph Myers, Timothy New, and Mark Ryan.

Robert Jones has accepted the pastorate of the Flagg Center Community Church of God beginning June 1. Timothy New, who is now co-pastor at the East Oregon, Illinois, Church of God, will begin a full-time pastorate there September 1. Pray for the other graduates that they will be led of the Lord as they make plans for their life's work in his service. Bro. James Mattison of Maurertown, Va., will be the speaker at the commencement services.

## Minister Shortage

We would ask your prayers and encouragement that many high school graduates will give consideration to and enroll in Oregon Bible College for the next school year. There is great need for more ministers in the Church of God. May many hear the "Call" and give their life to full-time service in the Lord's vineyard.

## Conference Finances

We praise God that the Goals for Giving for the month of April have been met. On behalf of the Board of Directors, the staff, and myself, we express our sincere thanks to each member, each church, and each state conference who has helped to make this possible. May each be richly blessed of the Lord as you continue to faithfully serve him.

We covet your continued prayer and concern for all the programs of the Church of God General Conference. Join with the Conference staff in prayer wherever you are each Monday at 1:00 p.m.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

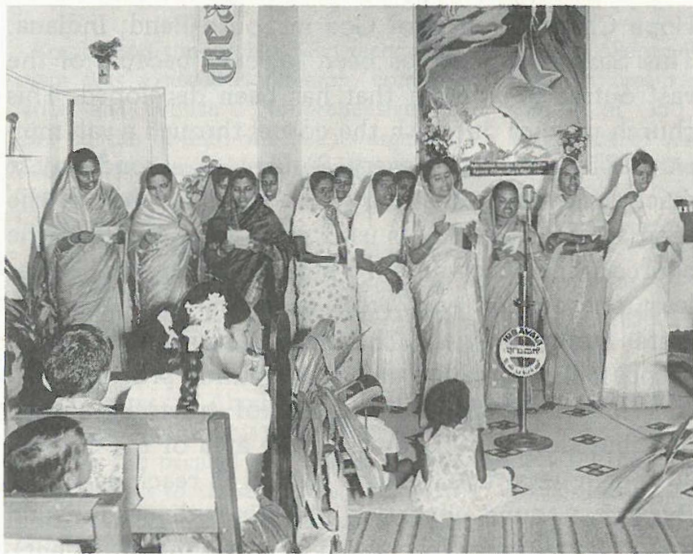
Goal for April	\$11,166.00
Given in April	\$12,641.00
May Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for May—\$11,166.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



The picture shows the Mothers Choir of the Thomas Town Church in Bangalore, India. The sari, native dress of the India woman, covers the head during prayer, Scripture reading, or taking part in a service. On other occasions the headpiece can drop down on the shoulder.

Two men and five women of the Thomas Town Church accepted Christ as their personal Savior and were baptized into him during the month of February. One young man, age eighteen, of the Chinnaya Palya congregation was also immersed in the waters of baptism. Pray for each of these new converts as they begin their new walk of life in Christ.

Bro. S. S. Manoah planned to visit and study with Pastor P. M. Paulson and his five congregations in the Andhra Pradesh area during April. There had been much trouble and strikes in that area that prevented Bro. Manoah from visiting there earlier. Bro. Manoah says, "Greetings to you and all the brothers and sisters in the name of our Savior. By his grace and through your prayers the Lord's work and other church activities are all progressing smoothly."

## Philippine Islands

The Annual Philippine Conference, originally scheduled for May, was moved to April 18-20, 1973, to try to avoid the rainy season that begins in mid-May. Schools begin vacation April 15, so the earlier date was possible. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero says, "Several boxes of various mission kits were received and have

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already been distributed to the churches in the Isabela and Cagayan Provinces. Many thanks for these kits."

Florentino Calicdan, 38 yrs.; Benita Marini, 27; Estrella Casita, 22; and Virginia Marini, 12; accepted Christ at the Lupao Church and were immersed in the waters of baptism by Pastor Calixto Marini. Mariano Gallardo, 35, was immersed by Bro. Marcos Robles at the Uddiawan Church.

The radio work continues and people are responding to the messages in a wonderful way. The hearing regarding the radio station trouble has been postponed several times. We ask your prayers that the charges will eventually be dropped.

## Mideast

The members in Jordan have rented a hall and are holding regular services in the village of Madaba, about twenty miles from Amman. Mr. Geris Halasa and Mrs. Kathrine Twal were recently baptized there. Mr. and Mrs. Jamil Kawar put on Christ in baptism at the Beirut, Lebanon, Church.

## Nigeria

Services were held at the newly organized church at Asarama on March 25. A Communion service was held there for those who were baptized in February.

The Community Church of God at Abak Urban, built about one year ago, is still not quite finished. Pastor John Obot has been advised by civil authorities that it must be completed shortly or be closed. Bro. Obot has requested a loan against his support payments to complete the building.

## Ghana

Bro. Oliver Amani reports four baptisms in March: a nurse, a social welfare officer, a schoolteacher and his wife. They have begun a new work in a nearby village of Nkwanta. Bro. Amani is using much literature and holding outdoor evangelistic services.

## Special Projects

Often mission societies or individuals ask for a special project which they can help. Present needs outside of the mission budget are:

\$300.00 to complete the building in Nigeria.

\$60.00 Bibles in the Efik dialect for Nigeria.

\$10.00 per month to support a student in India.

\$150.00 loudspeaker system for India.





# BYF NEWS



Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Berean Scripture Studies Book

Due to requests that had been coming to headquarters offices for a new lesson study book, a committee was formed in the summer of 1972 to investigate the need. It was decided that such a book was needed and that the lessons prepared for it would be based on those from previous books that had been printed.

The new Berean Scripture Studies book was prepared and ready for distribution January 1, 1973. Many of you have ordered one or two copies that you might examine them. A few churches have ordered enough for a Bible study class. As of this writing, one youth group has ordered enough for its group study.

There will be no Senior Berean Lesson manual after July 1, 1973.

"The Berean Scripture Studies book is a very easy book to use, with more than enough material for a lesson. The lessons are interesting and well written. I appreciate the doctrinal emphasis which is too often overlooked in today's world. We have been using the book in the adult Bible class and it is being used in the high school Sunday school class. We like it very much." This was signed by Pastor Delbert Jones, Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, California.

"I have just been examining the Berean Scripture Studies book, and I am very much impressed with it. During the past year we have been using one of the old Berean books and have found it to be a real blessing. Obviously, though, there was some up-dating needed. I am very happy to see that this has been done. I anticipate using this for midweek service next year, and I know it will be helpful and inspiring for all of us. My personal thanks go to the people who had a hand in this book." This was written by Pastor Kent Ross, Pennellwood Church of God, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

## Diamond Jubilee Historical Book

Material for this history of the Berean work since 1898 has been sent to the printer. The book will have a hard cover and will be the same size as most high school annuals. It will have 64 pages. It will be ready for distribution after July 1. The cost will be \$2.50 postpaid. Order forms will be coming to your youth leaders, pastors, and youth presidents about June 1. Many thanks to all of you who contributed to the Patron pages. Because of these contributions, the cost of the book is lower.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday School of the Month for May is the Hope Chapel Church of God in South Bend, Indiana. This Sunday school has been selected because of the vast outreach program that has been developed. This church reaches out with the gospel through a van ministry. The van is full every Sunday. A second way it reaches out is through its radio ministry. Part of the program each Sunday is used promoting events at the church. Since beginning the program, there has been at least one contact each week as a result of the broadcasts. A third way this church is reaching out with the gospel is through a literature distribution program. *The Restitution Herald* and a group of tracts have been distributed to 1,500 homes in the area of the church. A fourth way this Sunday school is reaching out is through a sound education plan, including adult and junior departments (each with its own superintendent), elective adult classes, and ample use of visual aids. And a fifth way this church is reaching out is through regular promotional programs. For example, during the month of March there was a "Marching Through March" campaign, with Induction Sunday, Ammunition Sunday, where everyone was given a supply of ammunition (tracts), Attack Sunday where the neighborhood was "attacked" with 1,500 packets of literature, and Victory Sunday. There even was a theme song written by Bro. Elmer McChesney especially for this promotion.

This Sunday school with its programs of outreach has seen rapid growth in recent years, both numerically and spiritually. Congratulations to the Hope Chapel Church of God, to its pastor James Graham, and to its general superintendent Lottie Picklerl.

## A Family Affair

Parents, take your children to Sunday school with you. Don't just send them. Sunday school ought to be a family affair. In Sunday schools there are classes for each age level, adult through infant. Each has a teacher skilled in teaching that age level, teaching material geared to that age level. Don't cheat your family. Be in Sunday school every Sunday.

## Faith

"Faith is required of thee, and a sincere life, not loftiness of intellect, nor deepness in the mysteries of God."—*Thomas A. Kempis.*

# Church of God Historical Research

By Paul M. Hatch

For a long time it has been recognized there was a need to research, compile, write, and publish a comprehensive history of the Church of God, its organization and progress in the United States and Canada, and its later endeavors in the foreign mission field.

At first the church was indicated merely as the "Church of God," without any definition or separation from the bodies of similar name or designation. In this year of A.D. 1973, such designation is now recognized as "of Abrahamic Faith." This gives separation in this respect, for it now adds to the original name used by the Apostle Paul to those people and fellow workers of his time, a special biblical indication of faith founded in the patriarch Abraham, a special promise to a special people, and later a special body of faith.

This need of a history relative to this body of faith under a designated denominational name was long recognized at various times by those parties and conferences in which it was stated as a desirable endeavor and should be instituted as a policy and work of a General Conference. This desire was crystalized in a motion or resolution put forth in the winter of 1944 by the assembled ministers in their annual winter meeting held in Oregon, Illinois. This resolution to organize such an endeavor was presented in the Conference of the National Bible Institution and General Assembly that met in Oregon, Illinois, in August, 1944.

Excerpts from the General Conference minutes give the presentation of the proposition of the ministers: "Wanted a Church History." "M. W. Lyon mentioned that the Ministerial Association passed a motion introduced by Vivian Kirkpatrick to recommend to the General Conference that it employ a historian to prepare a Church of God history. M. W. Lyon and Sydney Magaw moved that the General Conference take steps in keeping with the recommendation to publish a Church History, and, if necessary, to employ a qualified minister for this work. Arlen Marsh and the Secretary spoke of the importance of such a book, showing need of same as a textbook for Oregon

Bible College. G. E. Marsh mentioned that our brethren do not appreciate that Church of God work in America antedates that of some of the larger denominations (the Methodist Church, for instance), even antedating the period of the American Revolution, and, there are people of our Faith abroad." Motion carried. (*Restitution Herald*, Vol. 33, No. 45, Aug. 15, 1944.)

In the General Conference of the "Church of God of Abrahamic Faith" that convened in Oregon, Illinois, on August 14, 1945, an extensive report was given by the History Committee which is here quoted in its entirety.

"Upon the call of the Chair, the Secretary read the motion passed at last year's General Conference in reference to publishing a history of our church work. G. E. Marsh, as head of the Church History Committee, reported that he and C. E. Randall had accepted the responsibility of preparing this church history. He spoke at some length, explaining the assignment is a stupendous task, that included in the work should be some consideration of the history of doctrine, that consideration of work in foreign countries by organizations similar to our own should be included, that there would be necessitated a large amount of correspondence, and possibly considerable travel. Brother Marsh spoke emphatically of being satisfied only with material that is authentic, planning to present a book eventually that will be absolutely dependable and true in regard to historical data.

"C. E. Randall, co-worker with Brother Marsh on this committee, likewise spoke of the amount of work involved and a necessity of writing with an unbiased mind. Both he and Brother Marsh are gathering material to be of service in the preparation of the history, and Brother Randall pleaded that great care be followed in saving historical data. He mentioned, for instance, how that upon one occasion valuable historical data were sold for ten cents at private auction, invaluable material thus being lost to our General Conference. Like Brother Marsh, Brother Randall also mentioned there

would be considerable expense involved in this work—travel being necessary to Aurora, Illinois, at least, to study Adventist records already assembled.

"Several delegates entered into discussion of the contemplated history. Arlen Marsh commented that this work would be strictly a history of the denomination, not a general church history book. Sister Railsback raised the question of the name of our church body, believing official action should be taken on that matter before publication of the book. The Chair replied that this question should be left until a little later for new business.

"F. E. Siple and A. J. Hoke moved to receive Brother Marsh's report on the Church History Committee and to encourage the Committee to continue its work. The motion carried." (*Restitution Herald*, Vol. 34, No. 35, Aug. 14, 1945).  
(To be continued)

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## NOTICE OF Proposed Change in the Constitution and By-laws Church of God General Conference

### ARTICLE II Duties of the Officers

**Section 6.** The Board of Directors is empowered: (F) To employ a competent Executive (Secretary) *Director* who shall be responsible to the Board of Directors for administering the business of General Conference, for personnel, for planning, for production, and for such specific matters of business as shall be assigned him.

**Explanation:** The Board of Directors proposes the above constitutional change by deleting the word "Secretary" and adding the word "Director." It is the sentiment of the Board that the word "Secretary" does not properly describe the administrative duties and responsibilities of this office. Many similar organizations are using the name "Executive Director." It is the feeling of the Board of Directors that this title would more clearly designate the duties of this position in the Church of God General Conference.

This proposal will be brought before the delegates for action at the 1973 General Conference Business Session.

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## NOTICE

### Applications for Sunday School Director

The Church of God General Conference plans to employ a full-time Sunday School Director beginning September 1, 1974. This position will be filled by application.

Anyone interested in the position is asked to write to S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. A job description and an application blank will be mailed to each one who applies. Applications will be received until General Conference, August 13, 1973, with right reserved to reject any or all applications. Names of applicants will be held in confidence, if desired, until appointment is formally made.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## Churches IN THE News

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 4-6—Family Retreat, Camp Victory, Beaumont, Tex.
- May 12, 13—Youth Retreat, Raymore, Mo.
- May 18-20—N.E. Berean Youth Fellowship, Fonthill, Ont. (rescheduled date).
- May 23-27—May Meeting Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont. Prophetic Conference. Stephen Bolhous, speaker.
- May 25-28—Young Adult Retreat, Oregon, Ill.
- May 31-June 2—Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids. C. E. Randall, speaker.
- June 7-10—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at McGintytown Church of God. Near Greenbrier, Ark. Gordon Landry, speaker.
- June 8-10—Minnesota Spring Conference.
- June 16, 17—Missouri Summer Conference at Fredericktown.
- June 17-23—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia.
- June 22-24—Illinois Summer Conference at Oregon
- June 24-29—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- June 24-30—Iowa State Youth Camp, Raccoon River Bible Camp, Scranton.
- July 2-7—NE Junior Camp, Camp Chaffee, Tipp City, Ohio.
- July 8-14—Minnesota Senior Berean Camp.
- July 15-21—Minnesota Junior Berean Camp.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Aug. 8-12—Iowa State Conference, James Mattison, speaker.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Oct. 22-28—Youth Week.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

### BAPTISMS

**Browntown, Va.:** William Gowen, Riverton, Va. 22651, was baptized into Christ on March 25, 1973. We at the Cool Spring Church of God pray God's blessings for Billy as he seeks to serve the Lord and Master.

James D. Rich, pastor.

**Grand Rapids, Mich.:** On April 1, 1973, the Church of God came two persons closer to the completion of the body of Christ and to his glorious coming. Mrs. Velma Coonrod and Miss Karen Kirt went to the waters of baptism and accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior. We at Garden Park pray that God will bless them and

keep them to the coming of his Son in glory.

Robert Schrienk, pastor.

**Front Royal, Va.:** The Royal Village Church of God is pleased to announce the baptisms of Mrs. Doris Cook and Mrs. Mae Scrader into the saving name of Jesus. May they be rich in the blessings of God and his Son, now and in the resurrection.

Joe Martin, pastor.

**Oregon, Ill.:** Ken Madden of DeKalb, Ill., made his confession of faith and was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ on the afternoon of April 1, 1973. He is a graduate student at NIU. May God bless and direct him.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Darlene Churchill, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Melvin Churchill, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins March 18, 1973. How thrilled we are to see young people (and older ones, too) take up a cross and follow Jesus Christ.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

### RADIO LOG

WTCA 1050 AM Plymouth, Ind. 9 a.m. Sundays

### GOD'S TRUTH

**A scientist shows why it makes sense to believe the Bible**

**Alan Hayward, author, Glasgow, Scotland**

*This book has been publicized in previous issues as "Yes, You Can Believe the Bible."*

This is a library in one volume dealing with such topics as—

- \* Fulfilled prophecy
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- \* First steps in Bible study

The book contains 27 chapters, 300 pages

The author is a scientist with the British government and is a Christadelphian in faith. We are able to sell this great book at the prepublication price of \$4.95, delivery to be made the latter part of June. Quantity at this price is limited. Mail your order by return mail. When supply is sold out, the cost will be at least 25 percent higher. Send order to:

### THE RESTITUTION HERALD

Box 100

Oregon, Illinois 61061

### MARRIAGES

Terri Fugate and Michael Hightower were united in marriage February 16, 1973, at the Macomb Church of God by Pastor John Carr. We pray God's blessings upon this young couple as they begin their married life together.

Bette Potts, reporter.

Bro. Clyde E. Randall claimed Sr. Nora Anderson as his bride, March 30, 1973. The daughter of the bride, Sr. Nancy Craig stood up with her mother, and her husband Glyn stood up with the groom. Pastor C. E. Lapp assisted the couple in exchanging vows. Sr. Inez Gordon served the brunch and Sr. Louise Lapp and Julie Craig were in attendance. We all join with the many others in our congratulations and best wishes. Their address is 404 S. 9th St., Oregon, Ill. 61061. May God's best go with them.

### Holy Land, Europe, and Greek Islands Tour

Alva G. Huffer, president of Oregon Bible College, will be conducting a 22-Day Tour to Europe, Holy Land, and the Mediterranean area, Monday, July 9, through Monday, July 30, 1973.

This year's tour will include a four-day cruise of the Greek Islands in the Aegean Sea: Crete, Delos, Myconos, Patmos, Rhodes, and Santorini.

The tour group will visit six countries on three continents. Rome (Italy); Cairo (Egypt); Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Megiddo, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea, Tel Aviv, and all important Bible places (Israel); Athens and Corinth (Greece); the Greek Islands Cruise; Ephesus (Turkey); and Amsterdam (Netherlands) will be visited.

Tour price with departure from New York is \$1,612.00. Tour price includes: airline transportation from New York, deluxe hotels (room with private bath; to be occupied by two persons), two meals per day (all meals during cruise), deluxe motorcoach sightseeing including services of local English-speaking guides, entrance fees, and all necessary tips.

Reservations may be made by sending deposits of \$100.00 per person to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282. Make checks payable to: Western World Tour and Travel. Final payment in full is due June 9, thirty days before departure. The Pan Am Fly Now Pay Later Plan (with payments over 24 months) is available upon request.

Oregon Bible College will give three semester hours credit to persons, if they so desire, who go on the tour.

### Holy Land and Greek Islands Tour July 9 - July 30, 1973

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation deposits of \$100.00 per person are enclosed.

Please send me a color brochure of the tour.

I would be interested in a Holy Land Tour in September or October, 1973.

Mail to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282

**PASTOR AVAILABLE**

Leon Driskill is available for a call to a pastorate beginning September 1, 1973. He has been pastor of the Brush Creek, Ohio, Church of God for five years. Address: 6375 S. Kessler-Frederick Rd., Tipp City, Ohio 45371. Phone: 513-698-6327.

Height, Digby, N.S.; Ester Beatty, Mrs. Caryl Aarud, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. Meriam Sigler, Pamela Bormes, Minneapolis, Minn.; Ken Madden, Marsha Behrens, Oregon, Ill. Congratulations!

**OBITUARY**

Del A. Coxs, brother of Art Coxs, fell asleep in death March 5, 1973. We extend the sympathy of the church to the family.  
Bette Potts, reporter.

**DIRECTORY CHANGES**

**Fonthill Church, Fonthill, Ont.**  
Mrs. Barbara McArthur, Sec., 8 Laughlin Pl., Welland, Ont., L3C 4E2

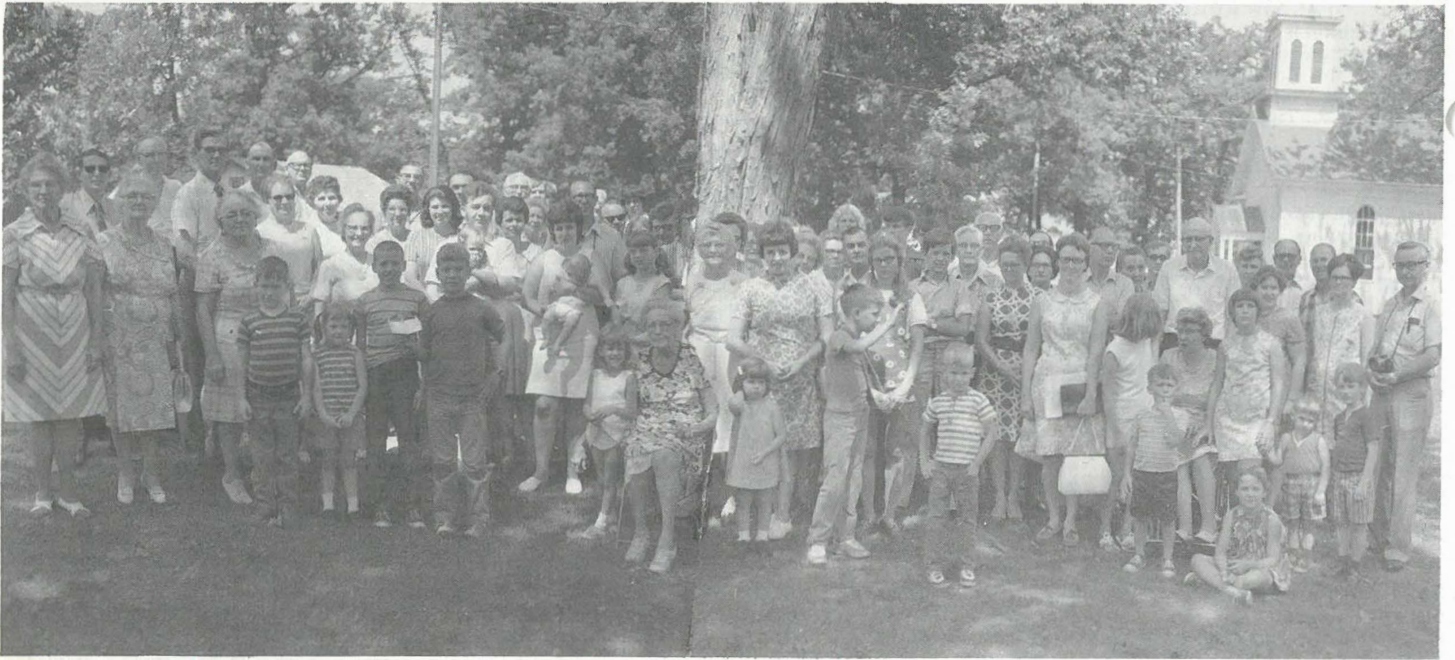
**San Jose Church**  
Mrs. Ralph LeWarne, Sec., 14554 Joanne Ave., San Jose, 95127

**Minister Change**  
Dennis J. Baldwin, Rt 2, Douglas Ave., Eldorado, Ill. 62930

**COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE**  
Ubah Jibuike, Nigeria; Laura Brown, Dora

**Contributors to the General Conference: APRIL, 1973**

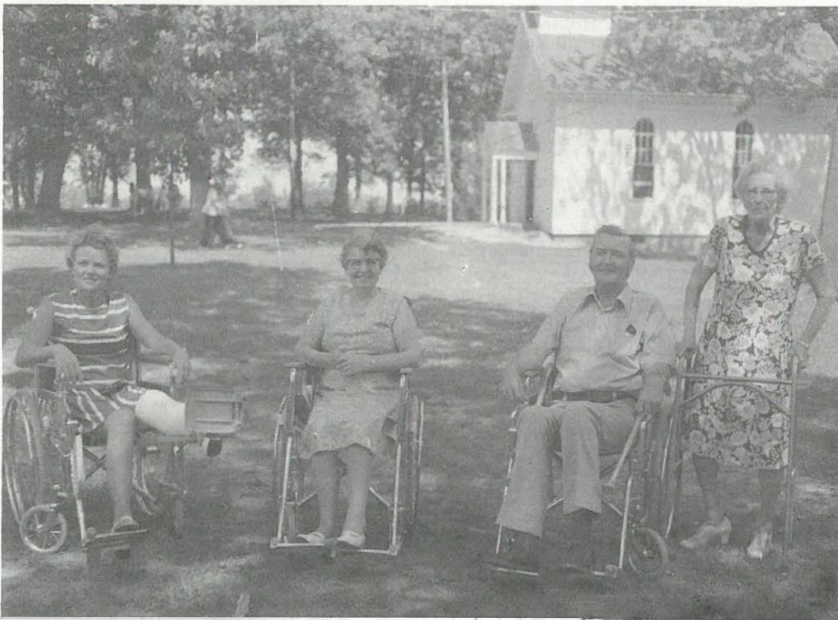
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Mr & Mrs H Huenerkopf	5.00	Brush Creek SS	36.62	Mr & Mrs James Brooks	10.00	Terrie Baldwin	38.00
South Bend Hope Chapel	72.54	Mr & Mrs Michael Burke	10.00	Kate Ewbank	10.00	Mr & Mrs R Kelly Jr	30.00
Koszta Church	36.00	Tressie Snyder	5.00	Anonymous	20.00	Felida Church	27.70
Edna Weaver	15.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Morrison	10.00	Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00	Fern Bell	10.00
Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	100.00	Mrs Esta McInturff	10.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Pomona Ch of Open Bible	59.00
Edna Claypool	10.00	Zenas Murphy	10.00	Jay St SS	50.00	W F Bradley	20.00
Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	15.00	Mr & Mrs B Hightower	100.00	Opal Nelson	50.00	Valley Church	51.50
Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	David Onderdonk	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ivan Magaw	50.00	Phyllis Scott	20.00
Dorthea Lee	10.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Zechiel	25.00	Hillisburg Church	100.00	Mrs Earl Burton	2.50
Walter Fisk	10.00	Blood River W W	28.53	Michael Brown	45.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00
Mr & Mrs C F Pryor	10.00	Maurertown Dorcas	10.00	Margaret Duval	50.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00
Anonymous	15.00	Lafayette Lydias	10.00	Doris Reye	15.00	Howard Kugler	10.00
Maxine Herr	5.00	Fort Valley SS	89.47	Mich State Conf	78.00	Mr & Mrs Leslie Gillem	10.00
Roy Black	20.00	Mr & Mrs S T Messick	15.00	B Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Mr & Mrs Gale Schaal	10.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Farrell	10.00	Mr Robert Sigler	10.00	Pleasant Hill Church	111.57	Mr & Mrs A Dochstader	30.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Doris Elton	5.00	Hazel Compton	5.00	Mr & Mrs John Drang	10.00
Mr & Mrs Gary Agren	5.00	Fairy Lyon	5.00	Jeanette Reeves	5.00	Faith Community Church	247.00
Donna Kennedy	12.00	Mr & Mrs D A Shelton	5.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00	Mr & Mrs Craig English	3.00
Macomb Miss Soc	75.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	10.00	Gary Burnham	1.00	Mr & Mrs William Poland	10.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	1,000.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Baldwin	10.00	Scott Burnham	1.00	Milo Magaw	25.00
Mr & Mrs Wilber Coulter	10.00	New Hope Church	50.00	Karen Burnham	1.00	Sharonlee Gallagher	1.00
Paul Coulter	5.00	Mr & Mrs David Swartz	10.00	Mr & Mrs Donald McCombs	10.00	Fonthill SS	23.19
Walter Coulter	5.00	Mr & Mrs Henry Woodgate	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Bush	10.00	Alice Marshall	10.00
L H Anderson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Wilson	10.00	Mr & Mrs A Hollinshead	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	25.00
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Mrs M E Bray	5.00	Dora Morgan	5.00	Vinnie Tyler	5.00	Bedford Ch of Open Bible	22.40
Mr & Mrs Gary Bormes	10.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	5.00	Macomb SS	13.57	Blanchard Church	132.79
Frances Stadden	10.00	Teenza Flint	10.00	Rockford Church	65.00	George Kugler	31.50
Anonymous	10.00	Shilah Richmond	5.00	Oregon SS	7.72	Columbus—Hope Chapel	10.00
Lombard SS	10.00	Mr & Mrs Cloyce Friend	5.00	Ark City—Hope Chapel	10.00	Jaynes St Church	425.00
Mrs Burton Smith	15.00	Mr & Mrs Herb Kasper	5.00	Troy View SS	12.28	Mr & Mrs Le Roy Thomas	5.00
Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	140.00	Mr & Mrs Lynn Slocum	25.00	Jean Berry	4.00	Eta Starbuck	15.00
Sophie Hammer	5.00	Mr & Mrs Fred Ekholm	5.00	Vicki Johnson	23.00	Mrs Mabel Bell	10.00
Mr & Mrs Alden Jacobs	5.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Miller	5.00	Mr & Mrs John Hollis	5.00	Mr & Mrs A G Townsend	20.00
Happy Woods Church	55.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	15.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	3.00	Ripley Church	187.35
Mrs J F Paustian	5.00	Mr & Mrs William Driver	10.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	10.00	Litchfield Church	21.74
Mr & Mrs Willard Little	15.00	Mr & Mrs John Peters	5.00	Danny Stone	70.00	Mr & Mrs Robert L Jones	40.00
Inez Gordon	20.00	Mrs Dorothy Siple	100.00	Elaine Handspiker	12.00	Southlawn Church	97.39
Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	30.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Nelson	5.00	La State Conf	95.77	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00
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Mr & Mrs Earl Bowen	5.00	Mr & Mrs Oral Miller	60.00	Orpha Sabatino	10.00	Oregon Mary & Martha	12.50
Mr & Mrs Clyde Long	15.00	Verne Learned	10.00	Zelma Powell	5.00	Marjorie Bolhaus	35.00
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Mr & Mrs Edgar Harvey	50.00	Joyce Knapp	11.20	Orin Hoskins	30.00	Karen Petry	1.00
T E Martin	45.00	Robert Petry	46.40	Leitha Bowman	25.00	Oregon Kind & 1st grade	5.15
Mrs C R Appleby	47.40	Mr & Mrs John Carr	44.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	52.00	J Anon	30.00
Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	25.00	Mr & Mrs William Hanson	75.00	Mr & Mrs Dennis Baldwin	10.00	North Salem Church	28.60
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	90.00	Mr & Mrs Roland DeLay	10.00	Modesto Bible Church	5.15	Lombard Church	55.23
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Mr & Mrs Wayne Johnson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Wm Schmidlapp	10.00	Anonymous	10.00	Alice Bassett	14.00
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Mr Frank Perkins	8.00	Mr & Mrs Jimmie Teske	10.00	Mr & Mrs J O Pack	20.00	Fonthill Church	255.42
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Mr & Mrs E Richardson	50.00	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	80.00	Mr & Mrs Joseph Plantner	30.00	Southwest Conf	81.00
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Cool Spring SS	13.60	Beatrice Schuller	15.00	Kenneth Dodson	10.00	La Contributors	102.00
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Stephen Adams	5.00	Paul Salstrom	2.00	Mr & Mrs William White	100.00	Lawrenceville Church	141.33
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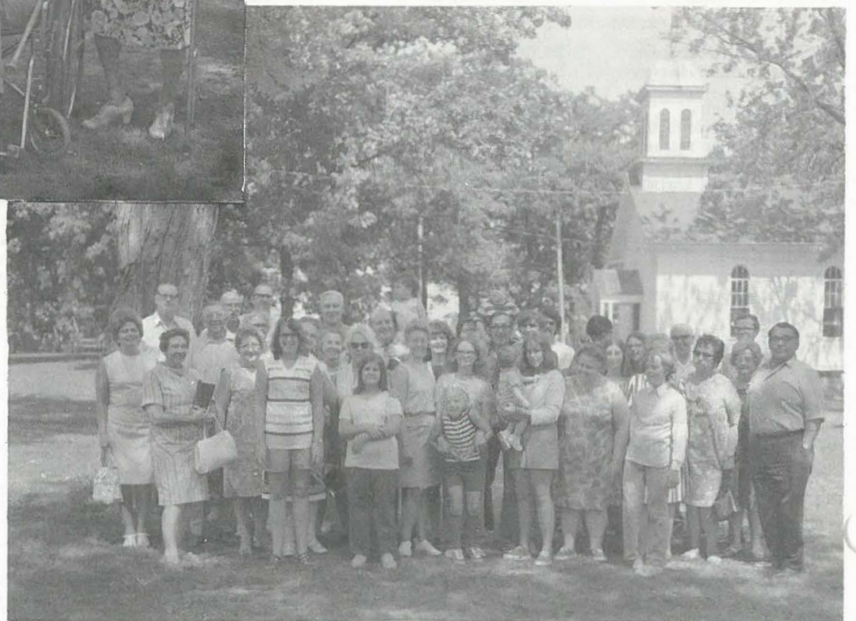
## 1972 Church of God General Conference Pictures

Above is a picture of the Illinois delegation at the 1972 Church of God General Conference, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Some folks (left) are willing to make a great sacrifice to attend General Conference. Pictured are: (left to right) Mrs. Mardie Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. Myrle Claussen, Oregon, Ill.; Ralph Childs, Trotwood, Ohio; Leota Hanson, Trenton, Ill.



The folks in the great State of Michigan (right) are always active in the Lord's work. They had an enthusiastic representation at the 1972 General Conference.



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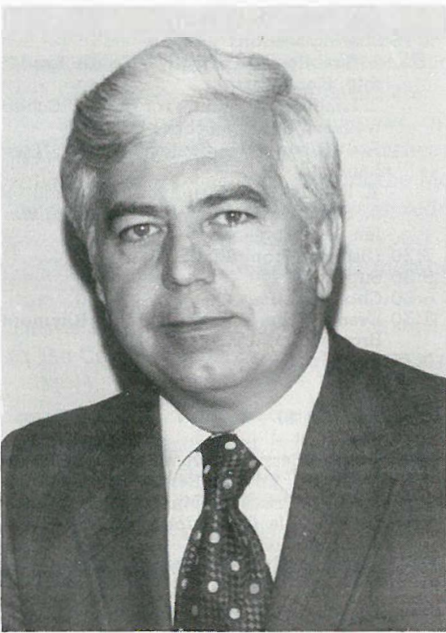
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## A CALL TO CONFERENCE



Harold Doan  
Chairman Board of Directors

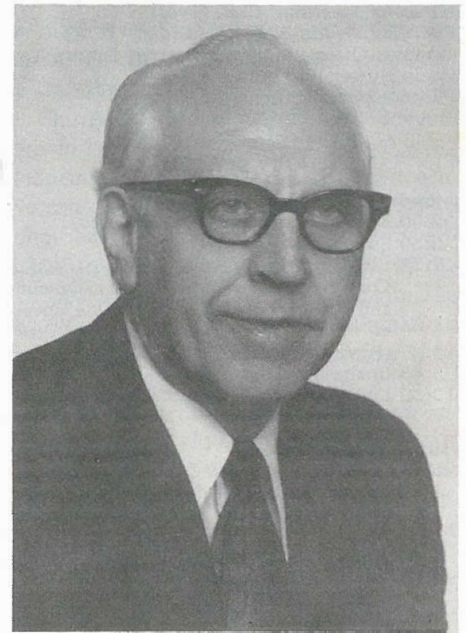
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Call

All Members

to



Stanley Ross  
Executive Secretary

Fifty-Third Annual Conference of the  
**CHURCH OF GOD**

Riverview Park

Cedar Falls, Iowa

August 13 - 18, 1973

"Come thou with us, and we will do thee good" (Num. 10:29).

**Conference Theme: "The Truth Shall Make You Free"**

# THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: "The Truth Shall Make You Free"

## Conference Workers:

General Program Chairman: S. O. Ross  
 Camp Director: David Krogh  
 Worship Program Directors: J. James, J. Huston, J. Hearp, S. O. Ross  
 Youth Director: Dale Swartz  
 Recreation Director: Timothy New  
 Children's Class Director: Lois Pryor  
 Head Usher: Frederick Claussen  
 Music Director: Raymond Brown  
 Credentials Committee: Ruth Overholser  
 Chairman's Reception: Don and Marj Overmyer  
 Room Assignments: Mildred O'Neil and Barbara Harvey  
 Desk Clerks: Diane Huston, Cheryl Fletcher, Lynne Knapp, Mary Krogh, June Rouston.  
 Ministers' Meetings: C. F. Pryor  
 Priscillas' Meetings: Jane LeCrone  
 Business Office: Mary Jo Brewer, Sandra New  
 Camp Nurse: June Andrew  
 Photographer: J. Richard LeCrone

## DAILY SCHEDULE

### Monday, August 13

2:00 Registration begins  
 5:30 Supper  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service  
 Conference Board of Directors, Opening and Song service: Kenneth Milne, speaker, "The Truth Shall Make You Free" (Keynote Address)  
 8:45 Chairman's Reception  
 10:30 Lights out

### Tuesday, August 14

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Austin Railton; Youth: Jay Ramsey; Priscillas: Rachel Carr)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Linford Moore, "Truth and Freedom"  
 Youth Class: John Railton, "Prayer"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth attend business session (Youth Day)  
 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, Charles Knapp  
 Financial Report  
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business  
 11:45 Recess for lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: James Graham, "A People for Our Time"  
 2:15 Sharing sessions  
 1. Mission Department, S. O. Ross  
 2. Publishing Department, C. E. Randall  
 3. Oregon Bible College, Alva G. Huffer

4. Youth Department, Francis Burnett  
 5. Sunday School Department, Scott Ross  
 3:00 Same sessions as above led by a member of the Board of Directors.  
 1. John Hearp  
 2. Joe James  
 3. Dallas Demmitt  
 4. John Huston  
 5. Charles Knapp  
 3:45 Dismissal from sharing sessions.  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Observance of seventy-five years Berean Youth Fellowship, Francis Burnett  
 10:30 Lights out

### Wednesday, August 15

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: John Huston; Ministers: Cecil Smead; Youth: Syd Kirkpatrick; Priscillas: Paula Kirkpatrick)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Z. B. Duncan, "Tithing"  
 Youth Class: Prophecy Panel, Hollis Partlowe, James Mattison, Richard Worley  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class, Eugene Stilson  
 Business Session, reading of Tuesday's minutes  
 Consideration of Oregon Bible College Business  
 11:45 Recess for lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Dennis Baldwin, "Prisoners of Ignorance"  
 2:15 Sharing Sessions  
 1. Leadership Training for Church Officers, E. Milon Hall and Willis Turner  
 2. Local Missionary Leadership, Karen Elliott  
 3. Using Literature effectively, C. E. Randall  
 4. Effective Calling and Visitation, Warren Sorenson  
 5. Effective Midweek Prayer and Bible Study, Vivian Kirkpatrick II  
 3:30 Dismissal from session  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service: Dale Swartz, song leader. Vernis Wolfe, speaker, "The Church in Mission"  
 Communion Service, Emory Macy and Ed Graham  
 10:30 Lights out

### Thursday, August 16

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Edith Eades; Ministers: Ted Armes; Youth: Greg Demmitt; Priscillas: Mary Milne)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Prophecy Panel, Hollis

Partlowe, James Mattison, Richard Worley.  
 Youth: Z. B. Duncan, "Tithing"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class: Alva G. Huffer  
 10:00 Business Session, Reading of Wednesday's minutes  
 Nomination for three directors  
 Sunday School Business  
 Election of one Sunday School Director  
 Publishing Department Business  
 11:45 Recess for Lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Mike Mattison, "Why Truth Hurts"  
 2:15 Sharing Sessions  
 1. Training for effective Youth Leadership, Kent Ross  
 2. Leadership training for Sunday School Workers, Sunday School Board.  
 3. Involving the Senior Member, Tessa Laning  
 4. Family Life, Family Life Committee  
 5. Effective Calling and Visitation, Warren Sorenson  
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Evening Service, Musicale, Raymond Brown  
 10:30 Lights out

### Friday, August 17

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Loie Jones; Ministers: Edward Bender; Youth: Susan Andrew; Priscillas: Mary Helen Mattison)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Joe James, "Psychology of Jesus"  
 Youth: E. Richard Smith, "Calling and Visitation"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class: John Lewis  
 10:00 Business Session  
 Reading of Thursday's Minutes  
 Election of Three Directors  
 Missions Department Business  
 11:45 Recess for Lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Installation of new Board of Directors, C. F. Pryor  
 2:15 Continuation of Business Session general business  
 Adoption of a budget  
 3:30 Adjournment of Business Session  
 5:30 Supper  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service: Russell Magaw, Song Leader, Delbert A. Jones, Speaker, "Telling More in '74"  
 10:30 Lights Out

### Saturday, August 18

7:00 United Prayer Service, Joe James  
 7:30 Breakfast  
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

# Annual Report of the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors

Theme: "The Truth Shall Make You Free"

This report of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference was approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors on May 3, 1973. The report is presented here so delegates to the 1973 General Conference business session (Aug. 13-18, 1973, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa) will have opportunity to study it and form opinions and seek suggestions from the church or state conference which 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 with some comments and observations of the work as a whole.

The buildings and all physical facilities of the Conference are in excellent condition. Some remodeling was done on the General Conference building: replaced the old stairway, remodeled one office and a storeroom into two offices, added a fireproof vault, and improved the main entrance. An outside basketball-volleyball court was built behind the Men's Residence Hall. The Oregon Bible College Chapel was redecorated and the front paneled since the last conference report.

The General Conference staff members assemble in the College Chapel each Monday at 1:00 p.m. for a joint prayer service. This is a real spiritual uplift to the staff and I am sure a blessing to the Conference work as well.

Much progress has been made in most areas of the Conference work. We feel the Free Literature Campaign has triggered an Outreach that is unequalled in Conference history. The membership of the Church of God General Conference has truly "put their hands to the plow" in this effort. By meeting the financial needs and enlisting in the great task of witnessing for Christ with literature and personal testimony, many are finding Christ and the great plan of salvation.

We are thankful to God and praise his wonderful name for his blessings and guidance in all the activities of the various departments of the General Conference.

## Berean Youth Department

Since the annual report of 1972, these important events have made history in the Berean Youth Department. The first was a second successful Senior Berean "inner-city" Caravan. It was held in South Bend with Bro. James Graham, pastor of Hope Chapel Church of God, as sponsor and the Hope Chapel Church as host. Much literature was handed out and many persons were talked to in reference to their believing in and serving God and his Son Jesus. The results of such a campaign are hard to measure, but we know the young people involved were uplifted and stimulated as they took their stand for a testimony of the gospel.

There was a Junior Caravan for the first time in the Berean work. The delegates of the 1970 Youth Conference voted to receive permission from the General Conference Board of Directors to have two caravans. A caravan did not materialize in 1971. The Junior Caravan of 5 members was sponsored by Miss Pat Warner of the Pennellwood Church of God. This Caravan's destination was the Louisiana Berean Youth Camp. In this camp, the Caravan members helped with supervising recreation, acting as junior counselors, helping with the services, and gen-

erally doing whatever they were asked to do. En route, they visited with several Churches of God and had fellowship with the Bereans in each.

The major event of the Berean Youth Fellowship is the Youth Conference. It was held at Camp Mack, Milford, Indiana, July 23-29, 1972. There were 275 enrolled and a staff of 43. It is hard to describe in a few lines the enrichment and good that are received from Berean Youth Conference. All one needs to do is to discuss it with a person who attended. Great rejoicing was forthcoming when 17 young people did confess Jesus as their personal Savior. Some of these were baptized at the camp, while others returned home and were baptized.

Youth Week was the third week in September and, from all reports, was very successful. The purpose of that week is mainly to let the youth receive training in the work of the church. The Bereans of Garden Park Church of God received first place and the "traveling plaque" which is given.

The delegates voted during the 1972 Youth Conference to have an International Berean Communion Sunday and to try to get the youth of our churches in the foreign lands to have a part. Letters were written to the pastors and workers in the foreign lands about this special day and also to explain the Diamond Jubilee (75th) year and the meaning of Berean to them. Their response was "warming" to the heart and they were very happy to be a part with all of us. As a result, the youth of the Philippines organized into two groups and will have an annual conference on the last Sunday of November each year.

The fourth annual Midwinter Retreat was held at Camp Mack during the Christmas-New Year holidays. There were 34 campers and 3 adult counselors and teachers. It is a very special time of Christian fellowship for all able to attend.

The second International Prayer Day was held on March 25 throughout the world. Indications from letters received from the foreign pastors and youth leaders are that it was observed by all of them. Many of the Bereans in North America had special services.

The Senior Berean Lesson manual is not being printed until further notice. It was felt that the new Berean Scripture Studies book with 52 lessons was worthy of their study. *Challenge* continues to be a very popular magazine among our young people. Bro. Kent Ross is editor. The Junior Berean Lesson Manual, with Bro. Edward Bender as editor, will continue to be printed.

Bro. Francis Burnett is the present Youth Director. We thank our God that the Berean work continues to grow. Encourage your young people to serve God.

## Oregon Bible College

Oregon Bible College is completing its thirty-fourth year as the institution of higher education for the Church of God General Conference. It is dedicated to the task of preparing men and women to present the gospel message to the whole world. A primary objective of the College is the preparation of persons for the ministry in the Church of God. Accordingly, the vast majority of graduates have become licensed ministers. Another important objective of the College, however, is the providing of Christian educational background for men and women who plan to enter other professions.





**Omaha-Fremont group at 1972 General Conference**

The College is not a liberal arts college nor will it become one. Oregon Bible College is the College of the Bible. It has the Bible in the middle of its name, at the heart of its curriculum, and in its center of emphasis. The College is able to accomplish its purpose and to experience continued growth through the faithful and prayerful support of its many friends.

We have had another wonderful year at the College. We have had an excellent student body, characterized by an atmosphere of dedication to the Scriptures and spiritual ideals. Forty-one students were enrolled for the fall semester and forty-four students were enrolled for the winter semester.

College Commencement was held May 25, 1973, with James Mattison as special speaker. Six seniors were graduated: Dale Harshman, Robert Jones, Daniel Landry, Joseph Myers, Timothy New, and Mark Ryan. Upon recommendation of the faculty, Robert Jones was presented the Silver Disc Award. He had received a straight A in all courses at the College. Paul Moore completed the Graduate Internship Program of OBC in Arizona. Total number of OBC graduates is now 130: 114 men and 16 women.

Administration and faculty during the year included: Alva G. Huffer, president; John R. Lewis, administrative vice president and registrar; Stanley O. Ross, director of business affairs; Eugene E. Stilson, Francis E. Burnett, Dale F. Ramsey, and Dallas R. Demmitt. Mary Krogh was director of the women's dorm; Dale F. Ramsey was director of the men's dorm. Vernis D. Wolfe presented a seminar on Celebrating God's Presence during the first week of spring session. Dallas Demmitt was guest speaker for Christian Emphasis Week, September 25-29, taught a seminar on the Christian Family, and a counseling seminar for the freshmen, and had individual sessions with students at various times of the year. Hollis Partlowe and Warren Sorenson were special instructors in our Graduate Internship Program.

As campus administrator, John Lewis is in complete charge of the campus when the president is not in Oregon. Faculty, dorm directors, and staff members are directly responsible to him. He oversees the general counseling of students. Joseph Myers was president of the Student Council. Michael Brown was president of the Mission Fellowship Activity.

Development of our Music Department, under direction of Dale Ramsey, has been an important area of growth for the College. With a Bachelor of Science degree in music from Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania, he is now making excellent progress toward his Master of Arts degree in music at Northern Illinois University. At OBC, Brother Ramsey teaches Introduction to Music, Church Music, Music Fundamentals, Choir, OBC

Chorale, Brass Ensemble, as well as individual instruction in piano, organ, and voice. An attractive, carpeted new music room has been built in the lower level of the men's dorm and a new grand piano has been purchased for the chapel. Brother Ramsey was also in charge of gospel teams and other special student service groups.

The OBC Chorale has done much to promote the College through its sacred concerts during the year in local churches, before high school and college assemblies, and in churches in various parts of the United States and Canada.

Eugene Stilson, full-time OBC faculty member and library director, is making excellent progress toward another graduate degree. In 1971, he completed a Master of Science in Education degree at Northern Illinois University. He has also done graduate work at the same institution in the area of ancient history. Last September, Bro. Stilson began a program of studies at Wheaton College which will lead to the Master of Arts in Bible and Theology. This will assist the College in meeting its need for having at least two instructors with Master Degrees in Biblical Studies.

Plans for the College also include the development of our Department of Christian Education and Evangelism. With a specialist in charge of this department, the College could continue to enrich its curriculum in this area as it prepares Sunday school teachers and administrators. The College plans to offer college level workshops in Sunday school work for part-time students as well as promote research in Christian education.

The College wishes to thank its many friends who are responding in its campaign for special contributions to purchase additional books for the OBC Library. The Library needs basic reference works, up-to-date current books relating to courses being taught, as well as visual education materials. Every course in the College curriculum must be reinforced with adequate books concerning that subject in the library. According to the General Conference "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five Program," adopted by Conference delegates, the goal for the number of volumes in the library by September, 1975, is 10,000 books. Special contributions enable the College to purchase precise books needed directly from publishers usually at discount prices.

Details concerning admission procedures and programs of studies offered by the College are presented in the new edition of the College catalog for the academic year 1973-1974. A copy of the new catalog may be acquired by writing to Registrar John R. Lewis.

The Board of Education consists of the president of the College, Alva G. Huffer, as Chairman, and four other members appointed, each for a term of two years, by the Board of Directors. Current appointed members are: Joseph A. Fletcher, Robert D. Johnson, William D. Lawrence, and Vernis D. Wolfe. John R. 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, the governing board of the College. The Board of Education meets several times during the year.

The Church of God General Conference, by maintaining and promoting Oregon Bible College, enables many persons to gain an increased knowledge of God's Word, to experience spiritual development, and to prepare for Christian service.

#### **Sunday School Department**

The Sunday School Department is under the direction of the Sunday School Board, consisting of Scott Ross, Joyce Knapp, Robert Petry, and George Scott. On October 1, 1972, Bro.

Scott Ross assumed the part-time position of Sunday School Director. Bro. E. Milton Hall had faithfully served in this position for several years. The Sunday School Department is responsible for the "Sunday School News" column in *Progress Journal* and for the monthly "Sunday School Bulletin" that is sent to all pastors and Sunday school superintendents.

After carefully studying the surveys sent to our Sunday schools last year, the Sunday School Department began several new programs this past year. One program is the Sunday school tape ministry. It was felt there would be value in sharing some of the excellent talks made by various Church of God people by taping these and making them available to all of our churches. Thus far six presentations have been recorded. The response from our churches in ordering these tapes has been tremendous.

A second program the department has developed this past year is the monthly Continual Teacher-Training Guide Sheets. This program is designed to provide material for our Sunday schools to use for teacher training.

A third area is the gathering and cataloging of the present collection of teacher training materials owned by the General Conference. This catalog was sent out in the April "Sunday School Bulletin." Most of these materials will be loaned free to any Sunday school requesting them.

A fourth program is the development of a Sunday School Manual. This manual is to be a collection of papers presented by various Church of God people at various functions that relate to Sunday school work. These are to be gathered, grouped according to topic, and then sent to each of our Sunday schools. At the present time the department is in process of gathering these papers.

A fifth program is the development of our own teacher-training slide-sound sets. Two sets are now in process of being produced. One will deal with the teacher's responsibility and the other with teaching methods.

A sixth program that this department is working on is the production of a teacher's manual to accompany our quarterlies. This teacher's manual would include suggested teaching methods, visual aids, object lessons, and illustrations.

Other areas in which the board has worked has been in the development of a job description for the position of Sunday School Director, the discussion of how to best train lay workers in our Sunday schools, and the present and the future structure of our quarterlies and curriculum.

Beginning in September of this year, Bro. Francis Burnett will become the director of this department on a half-time basis. In September of 1974, a full-time Sunday School Director will be hired. Your Sunday School Board is encouraged by the work and the faithfulness of our Church of God Sunday schools and excited by the great potential that points toward even greater things to come.

#### Publishing Department

The Church of God General Conference Literature Crusade has been promoted through the Publishing Department. The response to this effort by the pastors and churches has been most heartening, and yet the potential in literature distribution has hardly been tapped. There has been an increasing tempo of interest in literature outreach. The churches which have organized for this campaign have discovered much latent talent and a ready willingness to share in the ministry of the Word by handing out and distributing the printed page.

So far this year, 138,000 tracts have been printed. Most of these have been reprints, but several new tracts have been added to our ever-growing list.

Perhaps, the most significant result of the Literature Crusade has been the awakened interest among the members of the church everywhere. A new zeal has taken hold of our people. A new awareness of the importance of our message has developed into an aroused consciousness of the responsibility to share this good news with those who know it not. For this exciting and challenging new day that has dawned upon us, we are indeed most thankful and grateful to our blessed Lord.

The regular publications which go forth under the sponsorship of the Publishing Department are *The Restitution Herald* (which in April had a 750 percent increase in circulation over the same month a year ago), *Progress Journal*, *Challenge*, *Truth Seeker's Quarterlies*, and *Vacation Bible School* lessons. To prepare copy, proofread, get it ready for the printers, and mail out requires quite a good sized family of employees and volunteer workers. The motivating spirit behind all these labors can be summed up in one phrase—love of the truth. This love embraces love for God, love for the Lord Jesus, love of the church, and love for mankind.

The past year has been a very fruitful one for all the Publishing Department. This has been made possible because of the members throughout the reaches of our work. Thank you, one and all!

#### Missions Department

Your Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference is made up of the following members: Mardy Lawrence, Secretary, M. A. Patrick, Lee McQuinn, Robert Hall, and S. O. Ross, Superintendent of Missions. They have held several meetings during the year and give much study to the mission of the Church of God General Conference.

In the past year several churches and state conferences have held missionary conferences. We encourage this among our membership. Your mission board is ready to assist in the planning and presentation of these conferences at your request. Often the Mission Board will attend a conference such as this and conduct a mission board meeting at the same time.

The work in and near Bangalore, India, continues to progress, with six churches having preaching services and nine Sunday schools being conducted each week. The Church-Medical facility is under construction.

Bro. S. S. Manoah in Bangalore, India, continues to work closely with Pastor P. M. Paulson near Hyderabad. Pastor Paulson is conducting services at five churches in that area.

Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero and his workers in the Philippine Islands continue to carry on a progressive ministry in many



Southwest Conference group at 1972 General Conference



Indiana group at 1972 General Conference

areas of northern Luzon. Especially the radio work has been most exciting. Churches have been started in the villages of Liwan and Lupao, both as a direct result from the radio ministry.

In Mexico Bro. Francisco Martinez was pastoring at the Labor Vieja Church. Due to illness of Sr. Martinez it seemed desirable for Bro. and Sr. Martinez and their family to move to the village of El Potosi. Bro. Martinez is conducting services in that village and the response has been very good. The Labor Vieja work continues under the lay leadership of Bro. Roberto Baddillo.

The mission work in Nigeria is progressing and growing. A new group at Asarama has about 250 members. Bro. Ephriam Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obot continue to give good leadership to the work in Nigeria.

The Lighthouse Mission Church at Digby, Nova Scotia, continues to reach many in the community with the gospel message. Another maritime conference and Bible school is being planned for the summer of 1973. Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and their family and Sr. Eunice Pearson continue to give good leadership to the work in and around Digby, Nova Scotia.

Literature continues to be the main source of outreach in the Middle East. The Systematic Bible Study Course lessons in Arabic are going into fourteen Middle East Countries and many are accepting Christ because of the study of these lessons.

Bro. Oliver Amani continues to give good leadership to the work in Ghana. Services are being held in three villages: Jasikan, Wora Wora, and Nkwanta. A meeting room has been provided rent free by a lady in Wora Wora.

The free literature distribution campaign of the present church year has been a great help in taking the gospel message into all the world. This program has had a tremendous effect on the home mission area. The membership of the Church of God has really become involved.

Five churches are receiving pastoral aid this year. It appears that at least seven churches will be on the program in the next church year. The membership of the Mission Builders League continues to grow. The Blessed Hope Church of God at Rockford, Illinois, and the Pleasant Hill Church of God at Pleasant Hill, Ohio, have received the two mission builders appeals for this current church year. Lafayette, Indiana, will receive the November, 1973, appeal.

Five churches have been started and organized since the last annual report and are carrying on a regular schedule of services. They are located at North Hills near Springfield, Ohio; Pleasant Hill, Ohio; Freeport, Ill.; Gastonia, N. C.; and Arlington, Texas. We are thankful for these congregations and for the members who have given the leadership to get them started.

The Home Bible Study program is still being widely used

among many of our church members. Many people are coming to know of the gospel message and the doctrines of the Scripture as taught by the Church of God through these various Home Bible Study Classes.

Many inquiries continue to come to our General Conference headquarters as a result of literature. Inquiries come from many places in the United States and Canada, as well as from foreign countries, wanting to know more about the Church of God and its teachings. Our prayer is that the Lord may continue to bless the efforts of missions and evangelism through the Church of God General Conference.

### General Services

The Church of God General Conference staff members perform many services in addition to the departmental activities covered in the preceding reports. Staff members often fill pulpits when local pastors are on vacation or are ill. They are also available for special meetings, dedications, state conferences, and other activities.

Your Executive Secretary endeavors to give assistance in finding replacements for vacant pulpits. Churches seeking pastors are encouraged to contact the Executive Secretary for assistance in this area. He is also responsible for the administration of the Ministers Insurance program and the Ministers Retirement Fund program. He is required to complete many forms and questionnaires for information from various 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 department heads and staff workers of the Church of God General Conference covet your prayers, encouragement, criticism, and concern as they endeavor to carry out the policies and programs that the delegates set up for them to accomplish.

### General Conference Finances

We are pleased that the Goals for Giving have been met for the first half of the fiscal year. Due to the expanded literature program and increased costs in operational expenses, there has been a need beyond the goals that were set. We praise God and thank the membership of the Church of God General Conference for meeting all of these needs through the first half of this church year.

The General Conference Board of Directors and the staff members appreciate the sacrificial giving of many. We express our thanks and appreciation to each one who has helped to meet these needs and who is concerned about the Conference



Minnesota group at 1972 General Conference

work. We encourage everyone to have a part in this great ministry of preaching the Word of God to the people of the world. May he continue to bless all the work of the Church of God General Conference that it may continue to bear fruit for the Master. We know Jesus is coming soon to set up his kingdom here upon this earth. We pray that that day might be soon. May we all be found busy in the vineyard and occupying acceptably until he comes.

#### Recommendations for 1973-1974

1) We recommend that the Free Literature Campaign of this current year be continued indefinitely, using the present free tracts and additional tract material that may be written for this purpose.

*Explanation:* Many fine results are already in evidence. Many churches are just beginning to get really moving with this campaign. Individual members are being challenged to evangelism as never before.

2) We recommend that *The Restitution Herald* be sent subscription free for one year to all Church of God General Conference membership and to any others who are now receiving it or who request it.

*Explanation:* The subscription list of *The Restitution Herald* over the years has been about 2300 copies per month. Under the free program of the current year as many as 16,000 copies have been distributed in one month. The message is going out under this program. We feel that it should be continued to assist in this great effort of spreading God's message of salvation through the written Word.

3) We recommend that the "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Eight" (Phil. 3:13, 14) program be adopted and promoted among the churches. (See Page 9)

*Explanation:* This is an updating of the former "Reaching Forth to Seventy-Five" goals. We need to continue to reach toward new heights of progress.

4) We recommend that special assistance be given to churches which have a part-time ministry; that assistance be given up to half the salary cost of a full-time pastor; that this assistance be limited to not more than three churches at one time and that such assistance continue for three years; that this program be administered through the Home Mission Department in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Directors.

*Explanation:* We have many small churches which have struggled for years with part-time leadership. This program would give them an opportunity to endeavor to grow and develop into a full-time work with a full-time pastor leading them. If approved, this recommendation will become effective September 1, 1974. The above-mentioned guidelines will be available at General Conference.

5) We recommend an addition to Section 4 of the "Standards for Churches Applying for Mission Builders League Assistance." Said Section 4 now reads, "The congregation should have the approval of the State Conference with which it is associated. It is recommended that the congregation hold a joint-deed with the State Conference and (or) the General Conference." We recommend that a subdivision be added, as follows: a) That the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will temporarily deed the property back to the local congregation by a Quit Claim Deed when it seems advisable for purposes of borrowing money.

*Explanation:* If a local congregation needs to borrow funds, there is great difficulty involved when the property is held in joint-ownership. Loans in such cases must be secured jointly by all owners. The Quit Claim Deed will clear the matter for the local congregation to proceed with such financing.

6) We recommend a Constitutional revision which would change the title of the "Executive Secretary" to "Executive Director."

*Explanation:* See "Notice" of Constitutional Change on page 15 in this issue for explanation.

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## SPECIAL REPORTS

### Ministers Fund

The Ministers Fund of the Church of God General Conference is used for loans or gifts to ministers or their families in times of emergency. The fund is supported entirely by special contributions.

The Ministers Fund is administered by the pastors of the Oregon, Rockford, and Dixon churches, the dean of students of Oregon Bible College, and the executive secretary of the Church of God General Conference. Presently two are receiving monthly assistance from the fund and two ministers have outstanding loans.

At the last annual report, the total assets in the fund were \$607.26. The present balance, including the unpaid balance of the two loans, is \$511.31. This fund has been most helpful on many occasions. Your continued concern for this need is encouraged.  
S. O. Ross, Secretary.

### License and Ordination Committee Report

The names of one hundred fifteen licensed ministers of the Church of God General Conference were published in the November, 1972, issue of *Progress Journal*. This list did not include the names of four ministers who failed to get their applications

for renewal of their license in on time, and three who did not submit such an application.

Since that time, the following have received licenses as ministers: Ronald Macy, Robert Schrienk, Waldon Winner, Paul Moore, Dale Ramsey, Robert Jones, Dale Harshman, Timothy New, Daniel Landry, and Oliver K. Amani. Leonard Brown's license was renewed after a lapse of several years.

The members of this committee drew up a list of proposed revisions, eliminations, and additions to existing guidelines for the licensing and ordaining of ministers. This list was submitted to the ministers gathered at the Ministers' Conference, which was held at Oregon, Ill., April 30-May 4, 1973. After being examined and amended by the ministers, the suggestions were then passed on to the Board of Directors for their consideration and possible further action.

We should like to again remind all ministers that their licenses must be renewed annually. Application blanks for this purpose will be mailed to you from headquarters, about July 1. If you do not receive your application blank, write to headquarters and request one. Only the names of those from whom such applications have been received will be issued new recognition cards and have their names included in the list of rec-

ognized ministers to be published in the November issue of *Progress Journal*.

If you have submitted an application for renewal, ask for your new recognition card at General Conference. If you do not attend the Conference, your card will be mailed to you.

Committee: J. R. LeCrone, Chm., C. E. Lapp, C. F. Pryor.

#### Arbitration Committee

The Arbitration Committee is a standing committee made up of three members: S. O. Ross, Wayne Laning, and Clyde Randall. This committee serves pastors and churches in meeting and adjudicating problems which arise when called upon by either the pastor or church. The committee does not intervene in local matters except when called upon by one or both parties involved.

Clyde E. Randall, Chairman.

#### Ministers Retirement Association

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association continues to grow, and its financial stability increases each year. At the present time there are three ministers receiving retirement payments.

At the last biennial conference, the delegates voted to increase the pensions to widows of ministers to twenty-five dollars per month. Retirement pay to ministers and widows of ministers can and will be increased as reserve funds are built up to such an amount as will warrant increases.

Special contributions, bequests, and wills will hasten the day when such increases can be made. This work deserves hearty financial responses from the membership.

S. O. Ross, Secretary; Willard Naylor, Director;  
Clyde Randall, Chairman.

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## Additional Conference Information

**SITE:** The 1973 Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13-18. This camp is owned by the United Methodist Church and is located on the west edge of Cedar Falls, just a block off of U.S. Highway 20. Watch for the camp sign a few blocks west of the junction of highway 218. 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 1973 will be \$4.50 per person per day (\$21.50 for the Conference). The daily costs are: breakfast \$.75, lunch \$1.00, supper \$1.25, lodging \$1.25, 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 costs for promotion, travel, and supplies.

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 the Conference will go to some special Conference project designated by the Board.

**LODGING:** Lodging is provided in cabins and two dormitories. Cabins will house three 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.

Riverview Park can accommodate some camping trailers, and water and electrical hookups are 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 mimeograph copies of their lessons or outlines. Enough copies should be prepared so those not able to attend a particular session will be able to secure copies.

**ELECTIONS DURING GENERAL CONFERENCE:** Board of Directors: Three members will be elected to the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors. The terms of

Charles Knapp, Joe James, and Robert Smith will expire at General Conference. (These cannot be reelected.)

**Sunday School Board:** Two members to be elected. The terms of Joyce Knapp and George Scott will expire this year. (These may be reelected.)

**Mission Board:** One member to be elected. The term of Merle A. Patrick expires. (May be reelected.)

This information is given so that churches or state conferences can instruct their delegates to make particular nominations. Proposed nominees should be contacted beforehand to be sure they will serve if elected and to be sure that they are free and able to attend the meetings of the particular board they are to be elected to.

**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 general rules for all campers. There will be a youth director in charge of the youth activities.

**CHILDREN'S CLASSES:** Lois Pryor will be in charge of the 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 cost of travel for those from faraway and those nearby. Delegate pool expense forms have been mailed to each church and conference secretary. Each church is urged to enter the pool. This is a fair means of assuring general delegate representation.

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

Department	By September, 1975	By September, 1978
FOREIGN MISSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Two new Mission fields</li> <li>2) Five more missionaries in the field</li> <li>3) Each mission field visited by a Conference representative every three years</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Two new mission fields</li> <li>2) An experienced pastor or missionary representative to spend six months or a year in a training program for the missionaries in a particular field</li> </ol>
HOME MISSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Pastoral aid increased to \$150 per month</li> <li>2) Ten new churches in the General Conference</li> <li>3) Fifteen hundred mission builders</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Ten new churches in the General Conference since 1975</li> <li>2) A full-time pastorate in at least 80% of our local churches</li> </ol>
SUNDAY SCHOOL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Five new Sunday Schools in each District of the General Conference</li> <li>2) Each Sunday School increase attendance by at least 50%</li> <li>3) A full-time General Conference Sunday School Director</li> <li>4) A summer training session for lay workers in the Sunday School</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Revision and improvement in the curriculum of Sunday School materials</li> <li>2) Development of a comprehensive teacher training program to meet the needs of our churches</li> <li>3) Continued increase in Sunday School attendance and in the number of Sunday Schools</li> </ol>
BEREAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Twenty percent increase in membership above 1972</li> <li>2) Monthly publication of <u>Challenge</u>, including a page for youth leaders, pastors</li> <li>3) Full-time youth director</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Twenty-five percent increase above 1975</li> <li>2) Full responsibility of the departmental budget</li> </ol>
PUBLISHING	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Continue to improve the content and format of our Quarterlies and Vacation Bible School materials</li> <li>2) Increase sales by at least 20 percent outside our own fellowship</li> <li>3) Promote tract distribution through organized efforts of conferences and local churches; concentrate on fundamental teachings of the Bible</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Increase the monthly circulation of <u>The Restitution Herald</u> to 20,000 per issue. Establish and maintain an organized effort denomination wide for monthly distribution of the paper as an evangelistic outreach</li> </ol>
OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Total New Graduates - 30</li> <li>2) Student Body Size - 75</li> <li>3) Volumes in Library - 10,000</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Total New Graduates - 55</li> <li>2) Student Body Size - 90</li> <li>3) Volumes in Library - 15,000</li> <li>4) At least two instructors with Master Degrees in Bible and Theology</li> </ol>

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## Conference Issue

This issue carries the program of the 1973 Church of God General Conference that will be held August 13-18 at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. The reports and recommendations of the Board of Directors and other pertinent information regarding the Conference are also included in this issue. We encourage everyone to read these reports very thoroughly. The theme of this fifty-third Annual General Conference is: "The Truth Shall Make You Free."

Delegate forms, statistical forms, and pool expense forms have been mailed to all church and conference secretaries. Secretaries are urged to complete these forms promptly and return them in the envelope that was enclosed. Churches and conferences are urged to select their delegates soon and instruct them on how to vote on recommendations and Conference business. Consideration should also be given to selecting nominees for the positions to be filled by election as listed in this issue.

## Board of Directors Meets

The Board of Directors of the General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., on May 3 and 4, 1973. The General Conference program was finalized and the Reports and Recommendations approved. A detailed report on the progress of the Literature Program was reviewed.

It was agreed that the used Elliott addressing machine that was recently replaced in the mailing room be offered for sale. Firm sealed bids on the machine will be received until July 1, 1973, when the machine will be sold to the highest bidder.

Bro. C. E. Randall was reappointed to a four-year term as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association. Other members of the Board of Trustees are Willard Naylor (elected by the retirement membership), Vice Chairman, and S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary, who is automatically Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.

Arrangements were approved to provide additional housing in a rented facility for female students of Oregon Bible College should the enrollment exceed the number that can be housed in the present Women's Dormitory. A Tentative Proposed Budget was approved. The Executive Secretary was authorized to seek additional information on possible sites for the Annual General Conference in future years.

We commend members of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference for their dedicated service which is so graciously given without remuneration.

## Cabin Reservations

Reservations for cabins at General Conference are now being received. Write to Cabin Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061 and state the number in your family, or how many in the group, if two or more families want to stay together. Cabins will house from three to fourteen people and the cost is \$4.50 per day or \$21.50 for the Conference. (Meals are half price for children under age eight.) Camp costs are to be paid at the desk upon arrival.

## Books Willed to College Library

Pastor Gordon Smith of Clarence, Iowa, former pastor of the Koszta, Iowa, Church of God, died early in 1972. In his will he bequeathed his entire religious library to Oregon Bible College. Pastor Smith was an ardent reader and a devoted Bible student and had a library of more than two thousand volumes. We are most grateful and express our thanks to the family of Pastor Smith for this fine help to the College Library.

## Conference Finances

The Goals for Giving for the month of May have been met. We praise God and thank each one who has helped to make this so.

Missionary support must be met each month, salaries for staff employees must be met, general expenses in each department must be paid monthly, and the expanded cost of literature continues to mount. All these items of need are being completely supported regularly and we trust that it will continue. May God continue to bless, that all of the programs of the Conference may be carried to completion. Praise God for his blessings!

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,000.00**

Goal for May	\$11,166.00
Given in May	\$11,267.00
June Needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for June, \$11,166.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



The picture above shows Bro. Roberto Badillo and his family. Bro. Badillo is a strong spiritual lay leader in the congregation at Labor Vieja, Mexico.

Pastor Francisco Martinez felt led to leave Labor Vieja due to the illness of his wife Dora. Bro. Martinez is now living in the village of El Potosi and is beginning a church work there. Bro. Badillo continues to give leadership in the Labor Vieja work.

Sr. Alice Aldrich is making plans to spend some time in Mexico this summer to conduct vacation Bible schools in both villages and to supervise the mission work there.

## **Nova Scotia**

The work continues to progress, with attendance on the increase the past few months. The outside of the building needs to be redone, since the finish siding was never applied. Plans are in the making to complete the project this summer, using a prefinished product that will never need paint. Members of the church hope to perform the labor, but some work at jobs that keep them from helping and others are not physically able to assist. The Digby Church requests that if there should be one or more who would like to volunteer to come to Nova Scotia to help in this project they would be welcome.

## **Nigeria**

Attendance at the Ediene No. 1 Church, Ephriam Udo, pastor, averages well over one hundred on Sunday morning, with about eighty at midweek services. The church at Abak Urban with John J. Obot, pastor,

has an average attendance of ninety-nine, with over eighty at midweek services.

The new work at Asarama continues to grow. Thirty-four new converts were immersed in the waters of baptism recently. There is not a regular pastor for this new group, but Bros. John Obot, Ephriam Udo, and Solomon Idiong go there quite regularly for services. Bro. Idiong is the youth leader of the Nigerian mission field and it is his intent to visit Asarama quite frequently.

## **Lawrence Mission Trip**

Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence spent about two weeks in April visiting our mission fields in Lebanon and India. The construction of the building in Lalgi Nagar has been delayed due to some needed changes in the plans. This building is the Church-Medical facility assisted by Mission Builders and will be a real blessing to the members in this area.

A full written report of the trip is being prepared by Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence and further details will be given later. We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to them for their dedicated concern for the mission work of the Church of God General Conference.

## **Philippine Islands**

The radio ministry is becoming more difficult in the Philippine Islands. All scripts for a radio broadcast, accompanied by a certification that there is nothing subversive in the broadcast, must be presented to the Provincial Command for approval. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero says, "In spite of these requirements, we are still happy to continue the radio work, because more and more people are hearing our radio preaching."

Several months ago, due to trouble from the Huks, the Villaros Church moved its services to the village of Roxas. On the order of the government these folks are asked to return to their former homes in Villaros so the services will soon be resumed there.

## **Literature Campaign**

The Literature Distribution Campaign continues to progress. Many churches are having organized distribution programs. The churches in the foreign mission fields are picking up the tempo and are making special efforts to spread the written Word. May God continue to bless these efforts.





# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## Memorial Fund

A memorial fund has been established for Sr. Lois Graham at the Dixon National Bank. The fund will be used to purchase a music lab for the Oregon Bible College library. The lab will contain a cassette and eight-track tape player as well as a turntable for albums. The listening lab will serve the music classes as well as other classes at the College.

This lab will serve as a lasting memorial to the memory of Sr. Lois Graham and will greatly benefit the Bible College. Contributions may be sent to the Lois Graham Memorial Fund, Dixon National Bank, Dixon, Ill. 61021, or donations marked for this fund can be sent to the General Conference.

## My Song in the Night

The College Chorale has made a new long-playing album entitled "My Song in the Night." We urge you to send your orders for this album early. The cost for those orders received before June 15 is only \$3.00. The cost for all orders received after June 15 is \$4.00. Mail your orders to Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

## Spring Session

During the first week of the Spring Session, Pastor Vernis Wolfe taught a seminar on worship. The seminar considered such topics as the Hebrew background of Christian worship, worship in the early church, the need for the renewal of our worship, and the structuring of worship services.

John Lewis taught a class on Pastor Procedures, Eugene Stilson taught English II, and Francis Burnett taught the Book of Isaiah.

## Commencement

Six seniors graduated from Oregon Bible College, Friday evening, May 25, 1973. They were: Dale Harshman, Robert Jones, Daniel Landry, Joseph Myers, Timothy New, and Mark Ryan. Pastor James Mattison gave the Commencement address.

Congratulations to these six young men as they enter various fields of Christian service.

## Silver Disc

Congratulations to Robert Jones, who was awarded the Silver Disc Award during the Commencement ceremonies. The Silver Disc is a sterling silver pin presented to outstanding graduates of Oregon Bible College.

The following standards are used to determine those qualified to receive the award: 1) The student must have attended Oregon Bible College for at least three years, carrying a full-time load each semester. 2) The scholastic average must be at least 3.85. 3) The student must have a record of outstanding service and leadership in college organizations and activities. 4) The student must be elected to the award by the College faculty.

## Fall 1973-1974 Semester

The following courses will be offered during the coming Fall Semester. Dr. Alva G. Huffer will teach a Slide Project Workshop. John R. Lewis will teach New Testament III, Preaching I, Bible Survey, Acts of the Apostles, and Pastoral Work I. Eugene E. Stilson will teach Old Testament I, Biblical Hermeneutics, Bible Geography, Christian Education of Youth, Greek I, and Advanced Greek. Dale F. Ramsey will teach Introduction to Music, Choir, OBC Chorale, Brass Ensemble, Private Voice, Private Piano and Private Organ. Stanley O. Ross will teach History and Survey of Missions. Dallas R. Demmitt will teach a seminar during Christian Emphasis week. English I will also be taught during the semester.

The dorms will open for the Fall Semester on Saturday, August 25. Registration for returning students will be Tuesday, August 28, and registration and orientation for all students will be Wednesday, August 29. Classes will begin on Thursday, August 30.

## Student Council President

The student body met on Friday, April 29, and elected Sydney Kirkpatrick the new student council president for the 1973-1974 school year.

## Dean's List

Congratulations to the following people who were placed on the Oregon Bible College Academic Dean's List for the winter semester. Those achieving high honor were Robert Jones, 4.00; Denise Pearson, 3.86; Benny Mattison, 3.84; Kenneth Taylor, 3.69; Joseph Myers, 3.67; and Mark Ryan, 3.57.

Those achieving honor were Lynda Smith, 3.50; Sam Voorhies, 3.37; Mike Berry, 3.36; Deirdre Daley, 3.33; Sydney Kirkpatrick, 3.28; Dan Landry, 3.27; Linda Hollenback, 3.23; Scott Millard, 3.20; Dennis Brown, 3.19; and Cheryl Fletcher, 3.07.

# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Berean Youth Conference—1973

The plans and program for the 1973 Berean Youth Conference to be held at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana, July 22-28, are complete. Those who will serve on the staff are: Kent and Cheryl Ross, James and Karen Babcock, Joe and Shirley Fletcher, James and Charlene Graham, Edward and Miriam Bender, Stephen and Joyce Bolhous, Jewell and Georgia Richards, Scott and Gayle Ross, William and Mary Tierney, Robert and Sara See, Joe and Rebekah Martin, Darrell and Enid Maddock, Michael and Anita Hale, Maurice and Shirley Robinson, Don and Becky Needham, Roy and Louise Humphreys, Paul Moore, Sheila Sheeley, Isie Jenkins, Jean Berry, Kathy New, Carolyn Werneke, Jewell Manning, Barbara Harvey, and John Huston.

We are thankful for the interest of these persons in desiring to help the young people. Many of those who serve on the Youth Conference staff take a part of vacation time and some make a sacrifice financially. The six-day program of the Youth Conference requires much hard work by all who serve. It is also a time of great fellowship.

## Diamond Jubilee Homecoming

Friday afternoon and evening, July 27, which is the last day of the Berean Youth Conference, is set aside as "homecoming" for all who have ever been at a Youth Conference or served on the staff. Provision will be made for the evening meal, but no lodging can be provided for visitors. The cost per individual who attends will be \$1.50. Enrollment forms should be in the hands of your youth leader, pastor, or youth president. If you cannot obtain a form, send your name, the number of persons who will attend, and the fee to Berean Youth Fellowship, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Indicate: Homecoming.

## Young Adult Retreat Canceled

It is with regret that the plans for this Retreat had to be canceled because of lack of enrollments. Due to cost, the Retreat could not have been held with less than forty in attendance.

We believe that such an assembly would be worthwhile for the young adults and would be of much value toward greater Christian service. Perhaps another time of year would be better. Let us hear from you if you have any suggestions.

JUNE, 1973

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School of the Month

The Glad Tidings Church of God of Fonthill, Ontario, is the Sunday School of the Month for June. Recently this Sunday school had a "Marching Ahead for Christ" contest. Their theme song was "Onward Christian Soldiers." The Sunday school was divided into three teams, each with a captain and each with a seven-foot-high knight (covered in aluminum foil). A progressively increasing goal was set for each team for each Sunday of the contest. It included points for attendance, bringing your Bible, and bringing visitors. Each Sunday a team attained its goal, it was allowed to add a piece of armor to its knight. The pieces of armor were based on the armor Paul describes in Ephesians 6:11-17. A social at the end of the contest for the winning team was hosted by the losing two teams. Congratulations to this Sunday school of the month, to their superintendent Clyde Barnhart, and to their pastor John Hearp.

## The Purpose of the Sunday School

At their recent Conference, several Church of God ministers were asked to state in one sentence what they thought was the purpose of the Sunday school. Here are some of their replies.

John Lewis, vice-president of OBC: "The purpose of the Sunday school is to teach the principles of Christ with the idea of bringing people to the acceptance of Christ or growth in Christ."

Ed Bender, Hector, Minnesota: "The purpose of the Sunday school is the spiritual education of all ages in the church."

Rex Cain, Dayton, Ohio: "It is a place to interact on the teachings of Christ."

Jim Graham, South Bend, Indiana: "The purpose of the Sunday school is to bring the Word of God to people in a way which will educate, excite, inspire, and convert."

Kent Ross, Grand Rapids, Michigan: "The purpose of the openings is to provide the excitement and impetus to have the students return, and the purpose of the classes is to help them to integrate the teachings of Christ into their lives for a changed life style."

Vivian Kirkpatrick, Lafayette, Indiana: "To reach and share Christ with others."

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 7-10—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at McGintytown Church of God. Near Greenbrier, Ark. Gordon Landry, speaker.
- June 8-10—Minnesota Spring Conference.
- June 8-10—Southern Illinois Spring Retreat, Camp Walter Scott, near Effingham.
- June 16, 17—Missouri Summer Conference at Fredericktown.
- June 17-23—Missouri State Youth Camp, Arcadia.
- June 22-24—Illinois Summer Conference at Oregon.
- June 24-29—Indiana Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- June 24-30—Iowa State Youth Camp, Raccoon River Bible Camp, Scranton.
- June 24-July 1—Arkansas Youth Camp, Camp Bradford, Cleveland. Dan Landry, guest speaker.
- July 2-7—NE Junior Camp, Camp Chaffee, Tipp City, Ohio.
- July 8-14—Southeast Conference Youth Camp. Camp Christ Mount, Black Mountain, N.C.
- July 8-14—Minnesota Senior Berean Camp.
- July 15-21—Minnesota Junior Berean Camp.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- July 29—Southeast Conference, Guthrie Grove Church of God.
- Aug. 8-12—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb. Vivian Kirkpatrick II, speaker.
- Aug. 8-12—Missouri State Conference, St. Louis Church of God, John Lewis, speaker.
- Aug. 8-12—Iowa State Conference, James Mattison, speaker.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Sept. 30—Southeast Conference, Greenville Church of God.
- Oct. 7-14—Meetings at Guthrie Grove, Hollis Partlowe, speaker.
- Oct. 22-28—Youth Week.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

## WANTS A PASTOR

The Kokomo, Ind., Church is seeking a pastor as of September 1, 1973. Ministers interested should write: Miss Barbara Locke, 735 S. Locke, Kokomo, Ind. 46901.

## COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Mrs. Bette Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Overmyer, Dora Haight, Cherrie Sarver, Willie and Gertrude James, Mike Montgomery, Cynthia East, Junior Westbrook, Loyd Cooper. Congratulations!

## PASTORS AVAILABLE

Rex Shaw, 806 Buckskin Ct., Kokomo, Ind. 46901, Phone 317-453-3046.

James Rencontre, Box 106, Holbrook, Neb. 68948, Phone 308-493-5336.

Dale Harshman, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, Phone 815-732-7732.

Daniel Landry, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, Phone 815-732-2220.

Leon Driskill, 6375 S. Kessler-Frederick Rd., Tipp City, Ohio 45371, Phone 513-698-6327.

## BAPTISMS

**Columbus, Ohio:** On Sunday afternoon, April 22, 1973, it was our privilege to baptize in the name of Jesus Christ the following: Harold and Elva Eberly, 279 S. Monroe, Columbus, 43205, and Miss Connie Grooms, 1083 Woodrow Ave., Columbus, 43207. We welcome them into full fellowship and pray God's blessings on them.

C. F. Pryor, pastor.

**Lafayette, Ind.:** On Easter Sunday three young people were immersed in the waters of baptism to begin a new life. They were: Angela Scott, Robert and Diana Morrison. Communion was given and the right hand of fellowship extended.

Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

**Little Rock, Ark.:** On March 17, 1973, it was our privilege to immerse in the waters of baptism Jerry Smith, his wife Joyce, and daughter Kimberli. We pray the Lord's blessing on this family as they start their walk with the Lord.

J. Roy Humphreys, pastor.

## NORTHEAST CONFERENCE Sunday School Contest

The Northeast Conference Sunday School Contest (including Digby, N.S.) was held from March 4 through April 8—six Sundays. The contest, titled "Each One Reach Two," was based on a percentage increase over regular attendance.

North Hills Sunday School, Springfield, Ohio, was the winner, with 144% attendance. The Bedford, Ohio, Sunday School was second with 137% and the Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Sunday School was third with 132%.

Congratulations to all of the participating schools. All twelve Sunday schools had 100% attendance and better.

Allen Smith, N.E. Conference  
Sunday School Director

## NEW HOPE CHURCH

One February 18, 1973, the New Hope Church, Little Rock, Ark., hosted the quarterly Arkansas rally. There were about one hundred in attendance from Forest Hills, McGintytown, Oak Grove, and New Hope churches.

Everyone enjoyed the words of inspiration in song and word. Louise Humphreys, secretary.

## MUSIC BOOK APPEAL

Bro. Raymond Brown, Music Director for General Conference, is asking for assistance in music books. If you have copies of the book printed by Singspiration, Inc., entitled "Voices in Song" (Easy Choral Arrangements) Vol. 2, No. 1, please bring them to General Conference in August.

## OBITUARIES

**Bertha Pearl Wagganer** was born November 19, 1891, at Knob Lick, Mo., and died May 3, 1973, at Fredericktown, Mo. She was baptized by Bro. S. J. Lindsay, and was a member of the Blush Church of God.

She is survived by four sons, Walter, Willard, Amos, and Delbert Wagganer; six daughters, Ruby Fyfe, Steda Wieser, Velva Bailey, Hazel Pogue, Opal Pogue, and Iona Chilton; two sisters, Rosa Wagganer and Laura Pogue; three brothers, Ira, Robert, and Jesse Sikes. She also leaves twenty-one grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

She was laid to rest in Clubb Cemetery to await the call of Jesus at his coming. The writer was assisted with the graveside service by Bro. Charley Wagganer of the Blush Church.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

**Emil Gesin** of Forrester, Ill., was born November 1, 1891, to Ernest and Harriett Koontz Gesin, and died April 21, 1973. He married Frances Frey, January 10, 1917, who died January 11, 1967. Two brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

He leaves a son Milford Gesin of Forrester, and a daughter Marcile Iles of Freeport, Ill.; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Memorial service was in the Church of God at Oregon, where he was a faithful member and attendant. He now rests beside his wife in the Adeline Cemetery to await the call of Jesus.

May he come soon. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

**Pearl Brooks**, sister of Victor Corbell of the Tempe, Ariz., Bible Church of God, died Saturday March 31, 1973. Funeral services were conducted from Carr's Mortuary in Tempe, April 4, by Pastor Warren Sorenson.

Funeral services were conducted for **Lydia Saylor**, April 10, 1973, in Tucson, Ariz. Mrs. Saylor was sister-in-law of Ray Saylor of the Tempe Bible Church of God. The congregation of the Tempe Bible Church shares the great hope of the resurrection and extends an expression of sympathy to these families.

Reported by Pastor Warren Sorenson.

**Lois Graham** was born November 14, 1923, to Sidney and Linnea Johnson in Minneapolis, Minn., where she lived until 1943, when she moved to Oregon, Ill., to attend Oregon Bible College. On October 23, 1944, she married Ernest E. Graham. To this marriage were born seven children: Steven of Minneapolis; Judith of Golden, Colo.; David of Sioux City, Iowa; Dan, Joseph, Mark, and Elizabeth of Dixon, Ill. Other survivors include husband, Ernest, parents of Minneapolis; a sister Marge Swanson of Minneapolis; and two grandchildren.

For several years Lois was in charge of the mail room of *The Restitution Herald* and served faithfully in that position.

Her illness began a year and a half ago. During her illness she displayed her faith in the power of Jesus Christ to those with whom she came in contact. Through writings found in her belongings many inner thoughts were expressed of the deep convictions of her faith.

Her life expired on April 20, 1973, but her ministry will continue in the hearts of many. Funeral services were conducted in the Brethren Church in Dixon before a capacity attendance with Bros. Stanley Ross and Clyde Randall assisting. Pastor Zetterberg represented the Lee County Ministerial Union. Burial was in a

Dixon cemetery where Lois awaits resurrection morn.  
C. E. Lapp, pastor.

The following prayer was written by Sr. Graham during her last days in the hospital where she was suffering from cancer that brought her death.—Editor.

"Dear Lord, I am restless and weary;  
Teach me to abide quietly in thee,  
And make me aware of thy care for me.  
Shelter me in a faith that trusts.  
Even though I may not always understand the things that befall me.  
Dispel all anxiety from my heart,  
And help me to rest quietly in thy love.  
Restrain my lips from grumbling at my lot,  
And lift my low spirits through hope in thy healing power.  
In hours of pain, strengthen my power of endurance, I pray.  
I thank thee for flowers and the message they speak.  
Teach me to see thy beauty and love reflected in the common things of earth.  
Keep my mind clear and guide my meditations as I lie upon my bed.  
Fill my heart with thy spirit and give me peace within.  
May my empty hours be filled with thoughts of thee.  
Guide me into deeper companionship with thee,  
As I walk through this valley of illness.  
Breathe upon me thy calmness.  
And refresh my wearied spirit."

#### MARRIAGES

Richard Glen Bolt and Gwen Galliard were married Saturday, April 21, 1973, at the Guthrie Grove Church of God. A reception was held in the church social hall. After a trip to the Bahamas, the couple will live at 2 Mauldin St., Williamston, S.C.  
Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Mary Krzywiec and Ben Jankowski were united in marriage at the Bible Church of God in Phoenix, Ariz., Easter Sunday, April 22, 1973. We pray that God will richly bless their lives together.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

#### MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETS

The Church of God Ministerial Association met in Oregon, Ill., April 30-May 4, 1973. There were 53 ministers present. Papers were presented on many scriptural and pastoral work subjects. Evening services, conducted by students of Oregon Bible College, dealt with the subjects: "Our Adventist Heritage," "Dialogue to Understanding," "Evangelism," and "Restoration—Resurrection."

In the business session, C. F. Pryor was elected to replace retiring President John Hearp. Discussion was held on proposed changes in our License and Ordination standards. Further study of this matter will be carried on by a committee consisting of C. E. Randall, chairman; Francis Burnett, and Vernis Wolfe.  
David Krogh, secretary.

#### DIRECTORY CHANGE

Macomb, Ill., Church: Jesse Pestle, supt.

#### ADDRESSING MACHINE FOR SALE

The Church of God General Conference is offering for sale to the highest bidder one used Elliott Addressing Machine Model 300. The machine was used in the mailing room until the new addressing equipment was purchased late in 1972. The machine will be sold as it stands on the floor. Sealed bids will be received until July 1, 1973. Send bids to S. O. Ross, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

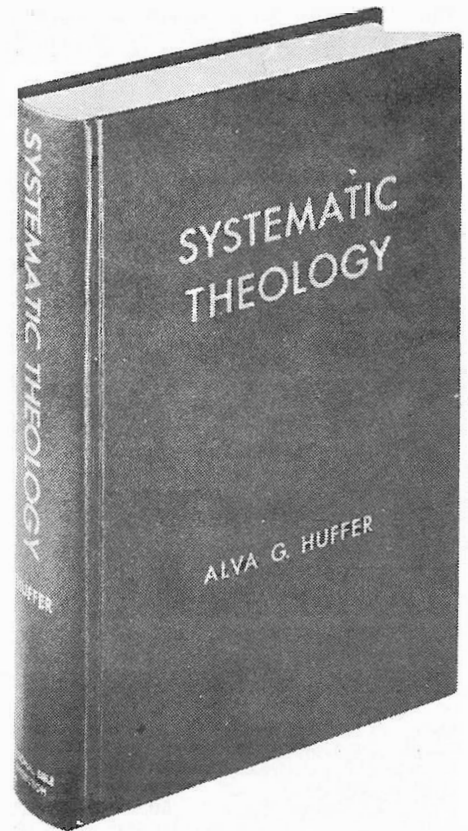
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#### RADIO LOG

WCEN 1150 AM; 945 FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WEBQ 1240 Harrisburg, Ill.  
9:45 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WSIG 790, Mt. Jackson, Va.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays, "Voice of Tomorrow"  
WKAI 1510 Macomb, Ill.  
8:15 a.m. "Words of Life"  
WPEG 97.9 FM Concord, N.C.  
7:45 a.m. Sundays  
WZKY 1580 AM Albermarle, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays  
WSVM 1490 AM Valdese, N.C.  
8:00 a.m. Sundays  
WJRI 1340 AM Lenoir, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WCGC 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.  
9:00 a.m. Sundays  
WJJJ 1260 AM Christiansburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WVVV 104.9 FM Blacksburg, Va.  
9:30 a.m. Sundays  
WHHV 1400 AM Hillsville, Va.  
12:15 p.m. Sundays  
WEGO 1410 AM Concord, N.C.  
12:45 p.m. Sundays  
KLFJ 1410 AM, 95.3 FM, 8:35 a.m. Sunday,  
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WMIX 940 AM, 94 FM Mt. Vernon, Ill.  
7:15 a.m. Sundays, "Words of Life"  
WMDE 98.7 FM Greensboro, N.C. 2:00 p.m. Sundays  
WHME 103.1mc FM South Bend, Ind.  
7 a.m. Sunday, "Chapel Time"  
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## COLLEGE ALUMNI ELECT OFFICERS

The O.B.C. Alumni Association, at its meet-  
ing in Oregon during the Ministerial Con-  
ference, elected the following officers: Stanley  
Lawrence, president; Michael Mattison, trea-  
surer; Stephen Bolhaus, secretary.

## PROPHECY PANEL QUESTIONS

During the Annual General Conference there  
will be a Prophecy Panel held, one day for  
youth and one day for adults. The Panel en-  
courages the membership to submit questions  
for discussion. The questions should relate to  
basic prophecies or to prophecies of general  
interest. Please send your questions to Bro.  
Hollis Partlowe, 2141 W. Cambridge Ave.,  
Phoenix, Ariz. 85009.

## NOTICE

### Applications for Sunday School Director

The Church of God General Conference plans  
to employ a full-time Sunday School Director  
beginning September 1, 1974. This position will  
be filled by application.

Anyone interested in the position is asked to  
write to S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary, Box  
100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. A job description and  
an application blank will be mailed to each one  
who applies. Applications will be received until  
General Conference, August 13, 1973, with  
right reserved to reject any or all applications.  
Names of applicants will be held in confidence,  
if desired, until appointment is formally made.

## NOTICE OF

Proposed Change in the Constitution  
and By-laws  
Church of God General Conference

### ARTICLE II

#### Duties of the Officers

**Section 6.** The Board of Directors is em-  
powered: (F) To employ a competent Execu-  
tive (Secretary) *Director* who shall be respon-  
sible to the Board of Directors for adminis-  
tering the business of General Conference, for  
personnel, for planning, for production, and for  
such specific matters of business as shall be  
assigned him.

**Explanation:** The Board of Directors pro-  
poses the above constitutional change by de-  
leting the word "Secretary" and adding the  
word "Director." It is the sentiment of the  
Board that the word "Secretary" does not  
properly describe the administrative duties and  
responsibilities of this office. Many similar orga-  
nizations are using the name "Executive Direc-  
tor." It is the feeling of the Board of Directors  
that this title would more clearly designate the  
duties of this position in the Church of God  
General Conference.

This proposal will be brought before the dele-  
gates for action at the 1973 General Conference  
Business Session.

## Contributors to the General Conference: MAY, 1973

Mr & Mrs George DeForest	50.00	Ben Carpenter	30.00	Janet Armes	12.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00
Mr & Mrs C L McCorkle	150.00	Telva Jo Lippert	10.00	Mr & Mrs Wilsey McKnight	20.00	Linda Jones	5.00
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	50.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Fridley	25.00	Gatesville Church	25.00	Cool Spring SS	19.40
Richard Williams	32.00	Ruth Reid	30.00	Anonymous	100.00	Josephine Kennedy	15.00
Hillsburg Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	10.00	Dorothy Siple	50.00	Kent Fedde	16.00
Patrick Landry	12.00	Mr & Mrs Orville Fleming	5.00	Golden Rule SS	100.00	Diane Cupp	15.00
Lawrenceville Missionaries	60.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00	Anonymous	10.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00
Rockford Miss Fund	65.00	Mr & Mrs Eugene Stilson	30.00	La State Conf	245.04	Holbrook Church	43.35
Modesto Church	8.20	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	20.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	12.00	Morning Star Church	12.55
Elaine Poole	108.20	Gertrude Fisk	10.00	Pennellwood Miss Soc	290.00	Peoria Church	68.00
Helen Holthaus	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	1,250.00	Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger, Sr.	20.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Phoenix Bible Church	415.00	Eva Modreske	5.20	Guthrie Grove Church	52.00	Ora Ely	5.00
Mr & Mrs Harvey Westerlund	10.00	W A VanDerWeele	10.00	Michael Brown	5.00	Mrs Floyd Wood	25.00
Mr & Mrs William Pierce	5.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	10.00	Anonymous	50.00	Brush Creek SS	42.60
Oak Grove Church	10.00	Omaha SS	58.20	Ruth Fogle	10.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	15.00
Oregon Church	553.30	New Hope Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00
North Salem Church	10.14	Dorothy Gardiner	100.00	Mr & Mrs D N Onderdonk	5.00	Troy View Church	104.50
Icel Stedman	5.00	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	13.00	Pomona Ch of Open Bible	60.00	Raymore Church	25.00
Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Mr & Mrs Lee Story	25.00	Lucy Fuson	5.00	Glad Tidings Chapel	210.00
Oregon SS	12.11	Susan Andrew	3.00	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00	Anonymous	10.00
E Dorothy Magaw	28.00	Mark Ryan	6.00	Mr & Mrs Gayle Somers	25.00	Terri Huddleston	16.00
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Esther Soc - Lawrenceville	4.07	Mr & Mrs Larry Johnson	5.00	Annie Welch	15.00	Gary Hatcher	2.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Mrs Leta McLeod	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ed Bender	22.00	Mr & Mrs Arnold Noon	75.00
Litchfield Church	45.48	David Butterbaugh	30.00	Edison Good	5.00	Cecil Smead	30.00
Pennellwood Church	129.24	Mr & Mrs Ralph Brown	5.00	Anonymous	7.00	Mr & Mrs W E Boyer	10.00
Mrs Gladys Volentine	35.00	Eternal Hope Church	56.71	Macomb Miss Soc	20.00	Mrs Shirley Tate	5.00
Michigan Conf	139.16	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.60	Esther Peterson	3.00	Grace & Esther Laning	5.00
Brush Creek Church	242.91	Maurertown Dorcas	20.00	Sheila Sheeley	17.00	Dixon Church	32.75
Mr & Mrs Emory Macy	200.00	Mr & Mrs Lee Tidwell	10.00	Diane Shute	3.00	Tempe Bible Church	874.70
Paul Moore	10.02	Mr & Mrs Willard Naylor	100.00	Johnny Mattison	7.00	Mr & Mrs Lee McQuinn	15.00
Digby Church	25.00	Happy Woods Church	204.00	Anonymous	50.00	Mr & Mrs Junior Weaver	25.00
South Bend-Hope Chapel	110.72	Verna Freeman	25.00	St Louis Church	17.53	Mrs J F Paustian	10.00
Clara Broberg	5.00	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	35.00	Melvina Rush	5.00	Columbia Church	200.00
Fonthill Church	182.34	Esta Starbuck	50.00	Mr & Mrs Thomas Hayden	5.00	Garden Park Church	163.38
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Mr & Mrs Robert Smith	15.00	B Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Leota Hanson	5.00	Mr & Mrs William McLaughlin	50.00
Golden Rule Ladies Guild	25.00	Fremont SS	9.45	Mr & Mrs Walter Spangler	25.00	Mrs Dessa Warner	5.00
Mr & Mrs William Cramer	5.00	Fremont Church	20.00	Hedrick Church	55.01	Alice Austin	5.00
Laura Brown's SS Class	2.11	Ft Valley Beg SS Class	5.00	Beaumont Church	26.61	Cora Siple	10.00
Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Koszta Church	36.00	Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	10.00	Maurertown Church	35.35
Deann Johns	5.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00	Mr & Mrs Jim Moore	50.00	Tempe Dorcas	5.00
Mr & Mrs Michael Hale	6.00	Minn State Miss Soc	150.00	Ind State Conf	43.00	Jay Ramsey	40.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Litchfield Bereans	6.00	Anonymous	200.00	Macomb Church	75.00
Garden Park BYF	8.00	Ruth Pearson	40.00	Mr Harvey Krogh	100.00	Pomona Dorcas Soc	30.00

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## THE CHURCH AND ITS MESSAGE

The Church of God is founded on Peter's confession, "the Christ, the Son of the living God." This insures a solid foundation. Paul tells us that "other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Not only is Jesus the foundation of the Church of God, he is the "head over all things to the church, which is his body" (Eph. 1:22, 23). Being the Head of the church, he directs it and has given instruction as to how the work of the church should be carried on and what its message should be.

### *Church to Succeed*

The Church of God was planned by its Head and its work designed and purpose set forth. Against this church the worst of all enemies, death, would not prevail. It is not presuming on the intended purpose and work of the church to say that the Head planned that the church would triumph over all its enemies. During the nearly two thousand years since its beginning, the church has been victorious. It has overcome all opposition and survived the greatest and worst persecution. We can look upon the church as being a victorious and triumphant body. We need to realize as never before what Elisha prayed for his servant when he said: "Open his eyes that he may see." What did Elisha want the man to see? That "they that be with us are more than they that be with them" (2 Kings 6:15-17). We are not on a losing side when we are in partnership with the Lord. May we always be mindful of the fact that "we are labourers together with God." The Church of God should never think in terms of defeat, but with confidence and full assurance say, act, and live, knowing that we can "do all

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*"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God . . . Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matt. 16:16, 18).*

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things through Christ which strengtheneth [us]."

### *A Vision of Success*

We must be aware of the apostasy that will be rampant in the last days. We can be so overwhelmed with a vision of apostasy and the fact that "evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived" that a vision of the whitened fields, the opportunities afforded, and the responsibilities which open doors lay upon us will be so blurred, that we will stand idly by, not realizing if we hold our peace, others will be called to garner in the ripened harvest.

The whitened fields are people needing the gospel message. People are opportunities. It was people which Jesus saw when approaching Jerusalem, who had bartered away the "day of visitation," and which moved him to weep (Luke 19:41, 42). The church needs a deep compassion for the unsaved that will move them to action.

### *The Message*

The message which Jesus as Head of the church has commissioned the members to give to the world can be summed up in three words: "Preach the Word." This Word is powerful. It is life, spirit, and truth. The gospel of the kingdom which Jesus sent the twelve forth to preach was the "Kingdom of God." Likewise, the

seventy, when they were sent forth, were charged to proclaim that the "kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The Word of God is the tool which the Christian is charged to use in his witnessing. God has promised that his Word will not return unto him void, but will accomplish that which he pleases (Isa. 55:10, 11).

Lack of success or growth within the church cannot be blamed on the Head or the Word. We, the members, must assume full responsibility for the condition of our churches. The early church prospered and grew in numbers because the members went everywhere preaching the Word (Acts 8:4). Two accusations were leveled against them: 1) They had filled Jerusalem with their doctrine (Acts 5:28); 2) they had turned the world upside down (Acts 17:6). They accomplished this success through partnership with Jesus and the teaching and preaching of the Word. Thus, "the word of God grew and multiplied." It wasn't all easy, for they hazarded their lives in this ministry of the Word. The thing we need to note is that success and growth followed their efforts. With Jesus as Head, the Word as our message, and people our opportunities, success will come to our labors too. "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Gal. 6:7).

The message of the gospel of the kingdom is a well-balanced spiritual diet which contributes to both healthy spiritual life and physical well-being. The gospel of the kingdom is adaptable to all life situations. During the ministry of John the Baptist, three classes of people asked him, "What shall we do?" As today, the Word met their need (Luke 3:10-14). \*

# THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: "The Truth Shall Make You Free"

## Conference Workers:

General Program Chairman: S. O. Ross  
 Camp Director: David Krogh  
 Worship Program Directors: J. James, J. Huston, J. Hearp, S. O. Ross  
 Youth Director: Dale Swartz  
 Recreation Director: Timothy New  
 Children's Class Director: Lois Pryor  
 Head Usher: Frederick Claussen  
 Music Director: Raymond Brown  
 Credentials Committee: Ruth Overholser  
 Chairman's Reception: Don and Marj Overmyer  
 Room Assignments: Mildred O'Neil and Barbara Harvey  
 Desk Clerks: Diane Huston, Cheryl Fletcher, Lynne Knapp, Mary Krogh, June Routson.  
 Ministers' Meetings: C. F. Pryor  
 Priscillas' Meetings: Jane LeCrone  
 Business Office: Mary Jo Brewer, Sandra New  
 Camp Nurse: June Andrew  
 Photographer: J. Richard LeCrone

4. Youth Department, Francis Burnett  
 5. Sunday School Department, Scott Ross  
 3:00 Same sessions as above led by a member of the Board of Directors.  
 1. John Hearp  
 2. Joe James  
 3. Dallas Demmitt  
 4. John Huston  
 5. Charles Knapp  
 3:45 Dismissal from sharing sessions.  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Observance of seventy-five years Berean Youth Fellowship, Francis Burnett  
 10:30 Lights out

Partlowe, James Mattison, Richard Worley.  
 Youth: Z. B. Duncan, "Tithing"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class: Alva G. Huffer  
 10:00 Business Session, Reading of Wednesday's minutes  
 Nomination for three directors  
 Sunday School Business  
 Election of one Sunday School Director  
 Publishing Department Business  
 11:45 Recess for Lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Mike Mattison, "Why Truth Hurts"  
 2:15 Sharing Sessions  
 1. Training for effective Youth Leadership, Kent Ross  
 2. Leadership training for Sunday School Workers, Sunday School Board.  
 3. Involving the Senior Member, Tessa Laning  
 4. Family Life, Family Life Committee  
 5. Effective Calling and Visitation, Warren Sorenson  
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Evening Service, Musicale, Raymond Brown  
 10:30 Lights out

## DAILY SCHEDULE

### Monday, August 13

2:00 Registration begins  
 5:30 Supper  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service  
 Conference Board of Directors, Opening and Song service: Kenneth Milne, speaker, "The Truth Shall Make You Free" (Keynote Address)  
 8:45 Chairman's Reception  
 10:30 Lights out

### Tuesday, August 14

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Austin Railton; Youth: Jay Ramsey; Priscillas: Rachel Carr)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Linford Moore, "Truth and Freedom"  
 Youth Class: John Railton, "Prayer"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth attend business session (Youth Day)  
 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, Charles Knapp  
 Financial Report  
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business  
 11:45 Recess for lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: James Graham, "A People for Our Time"  
 2:15 Sharing sessions  
 1. Mission Department, S. O. Ross  
 2. Publishing Department, C. E. Randall  
 3. Oregon Bible College, Alva G. Huffer

### Wednesday, August 15

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: John Huston; Ministers: Cecil Smead; Youth: Syd Kirkpatrick; Priscillas: Paula Kirkpatrick)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Z. B. Duncan, "Tithing"  
 Youth Class: Prophecy Panel, Hollis Partlowe, James Mattison, Richard Worley  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class, Eugene Stilson  
 Business Session, reading of Tuesday's minutes  
 Consideration of Oregon Bible College Business  
 11:45 Recess for lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service: Dennis Baldwin, "Prisoners of Ignorance"  
 2:15 Sharing Sessions  
 1. Leadership Training for Church Officers, E. Milon Hall and Willis Turner  
 2. Local Missionary Leadership, Karen Elliott  
 3. Using Literature effectively, C. E. Randall  
 4. Effective Calling and Visitation, Warren Sorenson  
 5. Effective Midweek Prayer and Bible Study, Vivian Kirkpatrick II  
 3:30 Dismissal from session  
 5:30 Supper  
 6:30 Choir practice  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service: Dale Swartz, song leader. Vernis Wolfe, speaker, "The Church in Mission"  
 Communion Service, Emory Macy and Ed Graham  
 10:30 Lights out

### Thursday, August 16

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Edith Eades; Ministers: Ted Armes; Youth: Greg Demmitt; Priscillas: Mary Milne)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Prophecy Panel, Hollis

### Friday, August 17

7:30 Breakfast  
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Loie Jones; Ministers: Edward Bender; Youth: Susan Andrew; Priscillas: Mary Helen Mattison)  
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Joe James, "Psychology of Jesus"  
 Youth: E. Richard Smith, "Calling and Visitation"  
 Children's Classes  
 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 10:00 Youth Class: John Lewis  
 10:00 Business Session  
 Reading of Thursday's Minutes  
 Election of Three Directors  
 Missions Department Business  
 11:45 Recess for Lunch  
 12:00 Lunch  
 1:25 Installation of new Board of Directors, C. F. Pryor  
 2:15 Continuation of Business Session general business  
 Adoption of a budget  
 3:30 Adjournment of Business Session  
 5:30 Supper  
 7:30 Evening Worship Service: Russell Magaw, Song Leader, Delbert A. Jones, Speaker, "Telling More in '74"  
 10:30 Lights Out

### Saturday, August 18

7:00 United Prayer Service, Joe James  
 7:30 Breakfast  
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary



## General Conference 1973

The fifty-third Annual Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13-18. Registration begins on Monday at 2:00 p.m. and the opening service is at 7:30. Supper will be served.

Cost of the Conference is \$4.50 per person per day (\$21.50 for the Conference) and should be paid at the desk upon registration. For cabin reservations, write Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

## Riverview Park

Riverview Park, site of the 1973 General Conference, is located just a few blocks off U.S. Highway 20, on the west edge of Cedar Falls, Iowa. Watch for the camp sign a short distance west of the junction of Highways 218 and 20. The park is near the Waterloo airport and bus station. Taxi service is available.

Beds are supplied with a pillow and blanket, however each one should bring his own linen. A very limited supply of linen is available for rental.

The park can accommodate several camper trailers, and there are two commercial trailer parks nearby. Tents are discouraged on the grounds. Several motel units are available nearby.

## Delegate Forms

Delegate forms, statistical sheet, and application to enter the delegate pool have been mailed to all church and state conference secretaries. Secretaries are urged to complete and return these forms promptly to assure proper delegate representation at General Conference. If a secretary has not received these forms, please contact the Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

## OBC Graduates Placed

The six men who graduated from Oregon Bible College May 25 have accepted positions for the next year. Robert Jones began a full-time pastorate at the Flagg Center, Ill., Church on June 1. On September 1, three others will begin full-time pastorates: Dale Harshman at Freeport, Ill.; Timothy New at East Oregon Chapel, Oregon, Ill., and Daniel Landry at Gatesville, Texas. Joseph Myers began work as assistant pastor at the Pennellwood Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich., June 1. Remember these young men and their wives in prayer as they begin their full-time service for the Lord. Mark Ryan plans to continue his education.

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## Youth-Sunday School Director

In accordance with delegate action taken at the 1972 General Conference a full-time Youth Director-Sunday School Director position will begin September first. Bro. Francis Burnett has been appointed to that position for one year. Bro. Burnett has been Youth Director and OBC instructor for several years and we are pleased to have him accept this Youth-Sunday School position. September 1, 1974, Lord willing, there will be a full-time Youth Director and a full-time Sunday School Director.

## Sunday School Director Applications

A full-time Sunday School Director will be employed September 1, 1974. Applications for the position are now being received. Anyone interested in this position please write to Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. An application form and job description will be mailed to you. The Sunday School Director will have a very responsible position. This department is growing and progressing and needs strong full-time leadership.

## No August Journal

*Progress Journal* is not published in August. The Goal for Giving is set for two months, July and August. The contributors for those two months will appear in the September issue.

## Conference Finances

The Goals for Giving for the month of June have been met. The Lord is really blessing the work of the Church of God General Conference. The needs are going far beyond the budget goals, due to increasing costs of operation and costs of literature, but contributions are covering those needs. We want to thank each one who has contributed to meet these needs. We ask your continued prayer, concern and support of all the programs of the Church of God General Conference.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for June	\$11,166.00
Given in June	\$11,430.00
July-August needs	\$22,332.00

**Goal for July and August \$22,332.00**



# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



The picture shows the congregation and meeting place at Asarama, Nigeria. This is the new group that already has over two hundred fifty baptized members. Bros. Ephriam Udo, John Obot, and Solomon Idiong are going here alternately for services until more permanent arrangements can be worked out. These people are hungry for the gospel message.

Bro. Udo reports that they have received the one hundred copies of the *Songs of Truth Hymnals* and the Bibles in the Efik dialect. These have been provided by special contributions from churches and individuals. Bro. Udo writes, "We pray the Lord continues to be with you all and bless you in your efforts to help us spread the gospel. To conclude, I use this chance to thank the Church of God General Conference, the Mission Board members, the Board of Directors, and all the individuals who contribute to make the spreading of the gospel in Nigeria a success."

## Middle East

We regret to announce that support to the Middle East Mission field was terminated in May. Through tracts and other literature of another denomination we learned that Pastor Jamal Sunna'a was not being honest with us. Upon further investigation, and finally a visit to Lebanon by Bro. and Sr. William Lawrence, our concerns were verified.

We find that the many Bible study lessons in Arabic being used by Pastor Sunna'a were not in the Church of God General Conference Systematic Bible Study Course lessons, but were other lessons which teach scriptural error. We find many instances of deceit and untruth in our dealings with him over the years. We

also find that he has been receiving some support from another denomination for several years.

In view of all of this, action was taken at a telephone Mission Board meeting on May 22, 1973, to terminate our support to Pastor Sunna'a in Lebanon and Pastor Iskander in Egypt, effective immediately. More detailed information and further discussion of this matter will be presented at the annual General Conference in August.

## Philippine Islands

In a recent letter from Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero we learn that the libel suit against him for the trouble at the radio station many months ago has finally been dismissed. The case was set and reset many times. Only two witnesses appeared and both were proven in cross-examination to be confused and untruthful.

Bro. Ortiguero says, "The complainant, realizing his defeat in court and fearing a counter-charge if defeated, offered to settle the case amicably. The complainant and I agreed to ask the court for dismissal. The court, upon the request, ordered the libel case dismissed. Many thanks to God and to all the brethren who have helped me much with their prayers and money for the attorney fees."

Over two hundred people attended the twelfth annual Philippine Conference. Classes were held for four age groups, business meetings were conducted, and evangelistic services held in the evenings. One evening session was an open forum held at the Quezon Municipal Auditorium when many people of other faiths came to study and ask questions. The Lord's Supper was observed on the final evening of the Conference.

Several contests were held during the Conference. The Bible Quizzing was won by the Uddiawan Church, Hymn Singing by the Lupao Church, Best Solo by a delegate from the Liwan Church, Bible Preaching by the Uddiawan Church, and a ball game by the Quezon Church. Prizes were given to the winners.

Fourteen persons, ranging in ages from eleven to sixty-three, accepted Christ and were immersed in the waters of baptism, the youngest being Eleodoro Ortiguero, Jr., son of the leader of the Philippine mission work.

## India

Three men and seven women were baptized into Christ by Bro. S. S. Manoah at a recent service. The Thomas Town youth presented a concert about Jonah, and the schoolchildren acted out a scene about the healing of the lame man (Acts 3).

Sr. Manoah had minor surgery but is progressing well. Bro. Manoah says, "Please remember to pray for her, and also for the new ones who have decided to walk in his ways. We have to work hard and toil well to bring many souls to our truth and faith and to his fold because his coming is very, very near. Closing with our united Christian love, good wishes, and regards. Please remember me in your prayers."

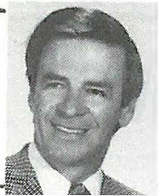
## Mexico

Bro. Francisco Martinez went to Labor Vieja for services over the Easter weekend. He planned to begin regular services at El Potosi in May. Sr. Martinez, who had been quite ill, is now much better.

## Nova Scotia

Sr. Eunice Pearson, lay worker in Nova Scotia, is spending several weeks in the states on vacation. She is a fine help to Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and the mission work in Nova Scotia.

Attendance averages are about 61 for Sunday school and 59 for worship service. When the project to reside the church building is completed, the church is planning to do some remodeling inside. Please remember in your prayers these projects in Nova Scotia, and also all the work of the various mission fields around the world.



# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## You as God's Man

"Holiness and total commitment," are required of dedicated men of God in today's world. James Mattison, speaking May 25, urged these high ideals upon the 1973 graduating class of Oregon Bible College. He further stated that there must be a willing mind and a desire to teach God's Word to men. Every young person entering full-time Christian service must examine his motives for wanting to serve God. The heart must be right before the service can be real.

Mr. Mattison pointed out that they were God's men and that God needs them to be holy. As they go out into full-time Christian work, they are not doing so as individuals under human motivation. The indwelling Christ is directing and motivating their lives. Their responsibility is to know the Word, study, pray, lean on the Lord, forsake all and follow him.

On the practical side, to be active servants of God, they must call on people and become experts on salvation. Young ministers must also take care of problems as they arise, be grateful for every kindness, live within one's means, and have no large indebtedness.

Finally, the young man of God must preach God's Word in all of its beauty and power, concentrating on its positive truths. Being kind, tenderhearted, and considering others better than ourselves was shown to be the motivating force behind all Christian ministry.

## Eugene Stilson Recently Honored

Eugene Stilson, one of our College instructors, was recently honored by having membership conferred on him in Phi Alpha Theta, the International Honor Society in History. It was presented to him, May 6, 1973, in recognition of conspicuous attainments and scholarship in the field of history.

Brother Stilson, in addition to his work as full-time instructor, is head of our College Library. In 1971 he completed a Master of Science in Education degree at Northern Illinois University. He has also done graduate work at the same institution in the area of ancient history.

Last September, Brother Stilson began a program of studies at Wheaton College Graduate School of Theology which will lead to a Master of Arts in Biblical Studies. This summer, he will be taking courses in Greek Exegesis of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. At the end of the summer, he will have completed one half of his total program toward this additional degree.

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## October Tour of Europe and Holy Land

Several persons have expressed interest in a Holy Land Tour for October, 1973. Information is now available for this tour.

Alva G. Huffer, president of Oregon Bible College, will be conducting a 22-Day Tour to Europe, the Holy Land, and the Mediterranean area, Monday, October 1, through Monday, October 22, 1973.

As a special feature, this tour, like the one in July, will include a four-day cruise of the Greek Islands in the Aegean Sea: Crete, Delos, Myconos, Patmos, Rhodes, and Santorini.

The tour group will visit six countries on three continents. Rome and Pompeii (Italy); Cairo (Egypt); Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jericho, Megiddo, Sea of Galilee, Tiberius, Haifa, Caesarea, Tel Aviv, and other important Bible places (Israel); Athens and Corinth (Greece); the Greek Islands Cruise; Ephesus (Turkey); and Amsterdam (Netherlands) will be visited.

Tour price is \$1,653.00, based on a minimum of 15 persons in the group, with departure from New York.

This package tour includes: airline transportation from New York, deluxe hotels (room with private bath; to be occupied by two persons), two meals per day (all meals during cruise), deluxe motorcoach sight-seeing, including services of local English-speaking guides, entrance fees, and all necessary tips.

Reservations may be made by sending deposits of \$100.00 per person to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282. Make checks payable to: Western World Travel Service. Final payment in full is due September 1, thirty days before departure. The Pan Am Fly Now Pay Later Plan (with payments over 24 months) is available upon request.

Oregon Bible College will give three semester hours credit to persons, if they so desire, who go on the tour.

## October Holy Land and Greek Islands Tour October 1 - October 22, 1973

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation deposits of \$100.00 per person are enclosed.

Please send me a color brochure of the tour.

Mail to: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282

# BYF NEWS

Francis Burnett, Youth Director

## Diamond Jubilee Historical Book

To commemorate the 75th year of the founding of the Berean work in the Church of God, a collection of facts, pictures, and other items has been assembled. It will be ready for distribution by July 1. The cost of the book is \$2.50. We are sure that some families will want more than one copy. May we suggest that it would make a nice gift, especially for an older member who might not be able to afford it.

Early in the preparation of the materials, the Church of God membership was given the opportunity to support the Historical Book with contributions to a Patron's Page. We want to thank each one or group that made a contribution. The funds received were most helpful and certainly made it possible to sell the book at \$2.50. The Historical Book will have a hard cover and 64 pages. Order blanks should be in the hands of your youth leader or pastor.

## New Youth Tract

A tract is being prepared especially for the youth of the Church of God. Yet it is hoped that adults will want to use it in their distribution of religious literature. It is our desire that you examine the tract and make known your reactions to it. If you feel it is not the kind of message that should be published, let it be known. If you find it attractive and having a helpful message, let it be known. Please write to the International Berean Youth Director, P.O. Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

The tract will first be used by the Senior Youth Caravan in Grand Rapids, Mich., but all youth groups will be urged to use it to give to their friends as one of the ways to teach them about Jesus Christ.

## Youth Week, 1973

Idea sheets and bulletin cover order blanks for Youth Week should be in the hands of your youth leader and pastor. The date is October 22-28, with the 28th as Youth Sunday. As International Youth Director, we thank every church very much for the help that is given to our young people. Thanks, too, for your interest in the young people, both in your state conference and in the General Conference. It is a real blessing to the young people for your church to allow your pastor to take part in Youth Conference work. Of course, your church is greatly blessed through the abilities and efforts given to it by your young people.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Scott Ross, Director

## Sunday School Department Expansion

Beginning in September of 1974 the position of Sunday School Director will be expanded to a full-time position. The General Conference Board of Directors will consider applicants for this position. If you would be interested in serving in this position and have the necessary qualifications you are encouraged to write to the Conference requesting an application form. It is the feeling of the Sunday School Board that the expansion of this position will bring many benefits and blessings to the Department and to our individual Sunday schools.

## Questions?

As a teacher or Sunday school officer, do you ever have questions that you would like to sit down and discuss with an expert? Thursday afternoon at General Conference there will be an opportunity for people to do just that. At this sharing session you will have an opportunity to gather in small groups and ask questions of someone who is an expert in your particular field. The seven small group sessions that are planned are on teaching 1) Beginners, 2) Primary, 3) Juniors, 4) Teen-agers, and 5) Adults, and on being a top-notch 6) Superintendent and Pastor and 7) Record Keeper.

## Sunday School Board

Your Sunday School Board, consisting of Joyce Knapp, George Scott, Robert Petry, and Scott Ross, has met three times this past year, planning and directing the work of the General Conference Sunday School Department. The terms of Joyce Knapp and George Scott will expire at this summer's General Conference. (Board members can be reelected.) We want to thank them for the fine contributions they have made to the department.

Two Sunday School Board members are to be elected this summer. You are encouraged to give careful thought to whom you would like to see nominated for these positions, speak to these people to make sure they are willing to serve, and then see that their names are placed in nomination this summer. Much time and effort are required to serve on the Sunday School Board, but the blessings of God make it a very joyful service.

Oftentimes, service for the church and the Lord do not show immediate results. In Sunday school work there is an ever-present evidence of seed growth.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## Churches IN THE News

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 2-7—NE Junior Camp, Camp Chaffee, Tipp City, Ohio.
- July 5-8—Virginia State Conference, Dennis Baldwin, speaker
- July 8-14—Southeast Conference Youth Camp, Camp Christ Mount, Black Mountain, N.C.
- July 8-14—Minnesota Senior Berean Camp.
- July 9-13—Virginia State Youth Camp
- July 15-21—Minnesota Junior Berean Camp.
- July 22-28—Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind.
- July 29—Southeast Conference, Guthrie Grove Church of God.
- Aug. 8-12—Central High Plains Conference, Holbrook, Neb. Vivian Kirkpatrick II, speaker.
- Aug. 8-12—Missouri State Conference, St. Louis Church of God, John Lewis, speaker.
- Aug. 8-12—Iowa State Conference, James Mattison, speaker.
- Aug. 13-18—General Conference at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Sept. 30—Southeast Conference, Greenville Church of God.
- Oct. 7-14—Meetings at Guthrie Grove, Hollis Partlowe, speaker.
- Oct. 7-13—Special meetings at Burr Oak Church, Burr Oak, Ind. Clyde E. Randall, speaker
- Oct. 22-28—National Youth Week
- Nov. 25—International BYF Communion Sunday
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.

PROGRESS JOURNAL will not be published in August.

### TAPE MINISTRY

The Church of God General Conference offers a Tape Ministry, which can be used for Sunday school or church services or in the home. The following tapes are available:

- "What Will You Do With This Man—Christ Jesus?"—John Lewis
- "Why Would They Die for God?"—Scott Ross
- "The 'Outs' Got In!"—Raymond Brown
- "Mortal Soul—The Whole Man"—Russell Magaw
- "Break Up Your Fallow Ground"—Clyde Randall
- "Believe It or Not, Jesus Will Return"—Rex Cain
- "The Sunday School Teacher"—Harvey Krogh
- "War With the Lamb"—Leon Driskill
- "I'm Going to Get Up"—Kent Ross

Cost: Rental, \$1.00 plus postage; Purchase, \$3.00. Address: Tape Ministry, 4105 Annapolis, Dayton, Ohio 45416.

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### BAPTISMS

**Kokomo, Ind.:** On April 22, 1973, David Bliss was baptized into Christ. He is a fifth generation Christian in the Kokomo Church of God.

On May 20, 1973, Leslie Gillem and Mark Wall were baptized into Christ. This was at the close of a short series of meetings during which Bro. C. E. Randall was the speaker. The interest and attendance were good. We enjoyed having Bro. and Sr. Randall for the services.

We rejoice with these who have taken their stand for Christ. Dale H. Ward, pastor.

**Oregon, Ill.:** On the evening of May 27, 1973, Marilyn VanVleet gave her confession of faith and was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins. We are praising God for the power of the gospel, and pray others will respond to the call of Christ.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

**Lenoir, N.C.:** I am happy to report that on June 1, 1973, I had the privilege to baptize my brother, Bobby Duncan, into Jesus Christ for the remission of sin. He has been ill and suffering with nerve problems for the past five years. He knows the doctrines well and he got up out of his sickbed and came to the church for the baptismal service. It was a great time of rejoicing, and I want to thank the many who joined with me in prayer for this.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

**Grand Rapids, Mich.:** It was my privilege to help Cindy Hoover and Steve Paige shed the sinful life of the world and put on Christ by baptism Sunday, May 13, 1973. Both Cindy and Steve have been bringing others to our services to learn about Christ. May God bless them and us.

Robert Schrienk, pastor.

**Royal, Ark.:** It was my privilege to immerse the following into Christ: Elayne Rainwaters, John Rainwaters, Mike Simpson, Tamara Chambers, Laurie Chambers, and Linda Hill.

John Humphreys, pastor.

**South Bend, Ind.:** Lynn and Kay Hively, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Hively, were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins February 11, 1973. This marks the fifth generation of the J. H. Anderson family to be baptized into the Church of God.

Mrs. Jane Osborn responded to the call to accept Christ as her personal Savior April 29, 1973, and was baptized that evening in the waters of baptism. We praise God for this young mother as she now seeks to serve the Lord and Master.

James Graham, pastor.

**Macomb, Ill.:** May 11, 1973, Virgil Weber, Chris Hance, Ronald and Richard Willey were baptized at the Macomb Church by Pastors John Carr and Donald Needham. We are thankful these four dedicated their lives to Christ.

Diana Potts, reporter.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Mrs. J. G. Helwig of Tempe, and her daughter Mrs. Myron Webster of Flagstaff, requested baptism Sunday, April 15, 1973, and were immersed the same day in the saving name of Jesus. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Litchfield, Minn.:** We were happy when Mrs. Mabel Smith, 342 E. Third St., Litchfield, 55355, responded to the gospel invitation and came forward to be baptized into Jesus Christ May 21, 1973. May God bless her in her Christian walk.

John Railton, pastor.

### MACOMB, ILLINOIS

The Macomb Church choir presented a cantata "Hallelujah, What a Savior" at the Macomb and Ripley churches, Eisenhower Tower, and the nursing homes in Macomb. The cantata was directed by Sr. Rachel Carr with Sr. Hildreth Worley accompanist.

Sunday, May 6, 1973, the Macomb Church had a mortgage burning ceremony with Bro. Willis Turner, Rockford, Ill., the guest speaker. We are thankful for the faithfulness of the members which enabled us to pay off the mortgage on the church in seven years.

Evangelistic meetings were held at the Macomb Church May 6-11, 1973, by Bro. Donald Needham of Minneapolis, Minn. Bro. Needham delivered some inspiring sermons. The average attendance was eighty-four. Four gave their lives to Christ.

Diana Potts, reporter.

### FLAGG CENTER, ILLINOIS

The Flagg Center Church will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary Sunday, August 12, 1973. The Glenn Birkey's will be honored, as Bro. Birkey was largely responsible for the beginning of the church work.

All past pastors, teachers, and members of the congregation, along with friends, are invited to join in this celebration. Anyone having information or pictures covering the past twenty-five years is asked to send such to Mrs. Barbara New, Rt. 1, Rochelle, Ill. 61068. The material will be returned if desired. Pastor Arnold Johns will be the anniversary speaker.

### WANTS A PASTOR

The Kokomo, Ind., Church is seeking a pastor as of September 1, 1973. Ministers interested should write: Miss Barbara Harvey, 735 S. Locke, Kokomo, Ind. 46901.

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. Elmer Ennis, Mrs. Gloria Schrienk, Mrs. June Branch, Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Bradford. Congratulations!

### OBITUARIES

**Margaret Berkey,** Ruth Miller's daughter, died April 7, 1973. Margaret lived in Peoria, Ill. Funeral services were conducted at Peoria. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Miller and family of Macomb, Ill.

Diana Potts, reporter.

**George McMurtrie** was born at Belfont, Pa., October 3, 1897. He died at Cleveland, Ohio, May 14, 1973.

He became a resident of Cleveland in 1910. Here he became acquainted with Helen Anderson, whom he made his bride April 16, 1923. Beside his wife Helen, he is survived by one daughter Carol, and a grandson.

Bro. and Sr. McMurtrie were baptized, and became members of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith in 1930. They were faithful in attendance and active members. George served as a deacon for many years.

His funeral was held May 16, and he was laid to rest in Whitehaven Cemetery, where he awaits the return of the Lord and the resurrection of the dead.

J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY CHANGE**  
Bible Church of God, P.O. Box 27501,  
Tempe, AZ 85282

PROGRESS JOURNAL will not be published  
in August.

**NOTICE OF  
Proposed Change in the Constitution  
and By-laws  
Church of God General Conference**

**ARTICLE II**

**Duties of the Officers**

**Section 6.** The Board of Directors is empowered: (F) To employ a competent Executive (Secretary) *Director* who shall be responsible to the Board of Directors for administering the business of General Conference, for personnel, for planning, for production, and for such specific matters of business as shall be assigned him.

**Explanation:** The Board of Directors proposes the above constitutional change by deleting the word "Secretary" and adding the word "Director." It is the sentiment of the

Board that the word "Secretary" does not properly describe the administrative duties and responsibilities of this office. Many similar organizations are using the name "Executive Director." It is the feeling of the Board of Directors that this title would more clearly designate the duties of this position in the Church of God General Conference.

This proposal will be brought before the delegates for action at the 1973 General Conference Business Session.

**NOTICE**

**Applications for Sunday School Director**

The Church of God General Conference plans to employ a full-time Sunday School Director beginning September 1, 1974. This position will be filled by application.

Anyone interested in the position is asked to write to S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. A job description and an application blank will be mailed to each one who applies. Applications will be received until General Conference, August 13, 1973, with right reserved to reject any or all applications. Names of applicants will be held in confidence, if desired, until appointment is formally made.

**SLIDES AT CONFERENCE**

On Thursday night, August 16, at the annual General Conference, Bro. and Sr. William Lawrence will show colored slides of their recent trip to India. These will be shown after the regular evening service, which is the Musicale.

**BIBLES**

**AWARD BIBLE:** World Bible with concordance, readers' aids, color illustrations, maps, black letter RSV, black imitation leather cover with limp binding. \$3.95, postage paid when payment accompanies order. Order #5103C.

Also available in red letter King James Version. \$3.95. Order #243C.

**INEXPENSIVE AWARD BIBLE:** American Bible Society, King James Version, hard cover, red edges, black letter edition. \$1.25, postage paid when payment accompanies order.

**Cambridge Cameo Bible (77X),** \$13.95. Red Morocco leather cover, concordance, center column references, India paper, maps. (5x7½x1 inches). Postage paid when payment accompanies order.

**Zondervan Brevier Reference Bible (3415X),** \$14.95. Black calfskin cover, 192 page concordance, center column references, India paper, maps, RSV. (5½x7½x1 inches). Postage paid when payment accompanies order.

**Contributors to the General Conference: JUNE, 1973**

Mr & Mrs Charles Knapp	48.00	Faith Chapel—Lafayette	52.54	Paul Coulter	7.00	Anonymous	8.00
Mr & Mrs Eugene Stilson	3.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00	Walter Coulter	7.00	E L Macy Jr	30.00
Lois Hunt	5.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Smith	57.60	Fonthill SS	14.41	O H Berry	20.00
Mr & Mrs Russell		C E Randall	25.00	New Hope Church	50.00	Glad Tidings Chapel	30.00
Kaffenbarger Sr	30.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Mildred Mathews	10.00	Luella Mielke	25.00
Bedford Agape Soc	2.15	Golden Rule Church	64.95	Mr & Mrs W E Boyer	50.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00
Pleasant Hill Church	244.02	Beaumont Church	20.47	Anonymous	2.00	Cora Siple	20.00
Blanchard Church	287.94	Hope Chapel—Columbus	10.00	Troy View Church	110.75	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	63.50
Mr & Mrs Albert Rogers	20.00	Digby Church	65.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00
Mr & Mrs Jack Parsons	25.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Wagganer	20.00	Maurertown Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Dan Stone	250.00
Mr & Mrs E R Appleby	25.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Tempe Bible Church	568.29	Pennellwood Church	100.41
Lombard Church	67.83	Anonymous	45.00	Michael Ross	4.00	Oregon SS	10.29
Alice Aldrich	20.00	Jay St Church SS	52.56	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00	Rockford BYF	50.00
Freeport Church	60.00	Peoria Jr Bereans	4.00	Mrs William Brown	2.00	Peoria Faith Chapel Sr BYF	9.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	16.00	Cool Spring SS	34.03	Mrs Evelyn Fleming	5.00	David Krogh	96.00
St Louis BYF	3.00	Mr & Mrs Arlen Rankin	11.50	Mr & Mrs Ralph Lutton	25.00	Freeport BYF	7.60
Garden Park Church	199.56	Mr & Mrs Lee Tidwell	15.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.60	Mrs Mabel Bell	30.00
Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Felida Church	2.20	Mr & Mrs Charles Poi	5.00	Bedford Church	54.96
Alice Bassett	28.00	South Bend Hope Chapel	84.35	Fonthill Miss Soc	234.58	Oregon Church	523.50
Macomb Church	77.28	Mr & Mrs George DeForest	45.00	Anonymous	50.00	Ill State Conf	100.00
Milo Magaw	65.00	Grand Rapids Churches	107.97	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	30.00
Macomb SS	18.20	Raymore Church	25.00	Mrs Esther Jenkins	15.00	Columbia Ladies Circle	50.00
La Contributors	171.00	Burr Oak Church	255.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	69.00	Litchfield Church	49.76
Rockford SS	16.17	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	24.00	Restitution SS—Casey	25.00	Dennis Clark	12.00
Holbrook Church	74.38	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	32.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Northeast Conf	215.00
Muriel Hass	10.00	Anonymous	50.00	Fort Valley BYF	50.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00
Mr & Mrs Allen Smith	25.00	St Louis Church	46.30	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	35.00	Hazel Cripe	10.00
Mr & Mrs S L Rife	20.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	15.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	15.00
Mr & Mrs Norvald Sogge	25.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	50.00	Andrew Chamberlin	3.00	Mabel Andrew	10.00
Peoria Faith Chapel	204.00	Southwest Conf	84.27	Dan Dovenbarger	30.00	Brush Creek Church	190.97
Hope Ch Miss Soc—S Bend	65.00	Marjorie Bolhous	20.00	Mrs Lucy Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	25.00
Fremont Church	15.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	25.00	Anonymous	100.00	Brush Creek Sewing Circle	15.00
Fremont SS	51.10	Eternal Hope Church	56.97	Zenas Murphy	15.00	Troy View BYF	9.25
San Jose Church	39.00	Lawrenceville Church	226.73	Mr & Mrs W Hanson	50.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	145.00
Ruth Pearson	30.00	Happy Woods Church	118.00	Mr & Mrs Robert L Jones	50.00	Eden Valley Bereans	175.00
Anonymous	100.00	Koszta Church	36.00	Jay St Church	125.00	Bedford Bereans	28.10
Flagg Center Church	77.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	10.00	Raker Union SS	37.24	Cool Spring BYF	76.83
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00	Josephine Kennedy	7.00	Happy Woods Dorcas Soc	5.00	Valley BYF	23.80
Mr & Mrs David Stine	5.00	Oregon M & M Miss Soc	12.50	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	25.00	Mrs Charles Henninger	5.00
North Hills Church	176.81	Lynda Smith	2.00	Paul Moore	5.00	Harold Hightower	35.00
Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	25.00	Sharonlee Gallagher	1.00	Fort Valley SS	64.29	Phoenix Bible Church	156.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Johnson	115.00	Tempe Dorcas	5.00	Anonymous	2.00	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	80.00
Minn State Miss Soc	100.00	M A Patrick	100.00	May White	17.57	Robert Klindt	25.00
Ruth Reid	15.00	Verne Berry	10.00	Mr & Mrs John Huston	47.00	Mr & Mrs Virgil Dowty	20.00
Annie Welch	14.69	Alta Thrush	10.00	Don Thoms	50.00	Inez Gordon	10.00
Michael Brown	40.00	Mrs O A Messersmith	5.00	Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	15.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	30.00
Sheila Sheeley	25.00	Cecil Smead	50.00	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	76.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Partain	15.00
Ark City Hope Chapel SS	60.00	Brush Creek Church SS	47.44	Roy Thomas	2.00	Mich Conf	48.56
Terri Current	4.00	Fonthill Church	134.07	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal Jr	22.00	Minneapolis Bereans	150.00
Darlene Current	4.00	Faith Comm—Minneapolis	155.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	40.00	Lombard Bereans	20.7c
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Mr & Mrs Max Brittingham	5.00	Anonymous	30.00	Rodger Schuld	12.00
Everett Rogers	25.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	66.00	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	16.00	Mr & Mrs David Johnson	20.00
Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00	Ben Carpenter	30.00	La State Conf	93.17	North Hills Church	86.40
Pomona Ch of Open Bible	119.57	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Children's Class—Casey SS	4.97	David McClain	5.00
Vivian Lewis	5.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Flagg Center BYF	18.30	Diane McClain	4.00

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## STRIKE - *While the iron is hot!*

Guest Editorial by David Krogh

**W**E STAND on the brink of the greatest spiritual awakening in the world since the Day of Pentecost. The opportunity for preaching the gospel in this country and around the world is greater today than ever before in history.

Many groups, recognizing the opportunities, are undertaking massive evangelistic efforts to reach people with the gospel. Campus Crusade for Christ is mobilizing 100,000 men and women who plan to share the message of salvation with every person in every metropolitan area, university center, and village of the world by 1980.

Key 73 is an evangelistic movement uniting 150 denominations in our country, with the goal of spreading the good tidings of great joy to every person in the United States.

Because of our historical stand for the truth, we of the Bible Church of God cannot and we will not cooperate with the great evangelistic movements of our day, however, it will be an ungodly abomination if we choose to sit on the sidelines while this evangelistic furor sweeps the world.

Now is the time for action. I am convinced that if we tarry now, not only will we forfeit the opportunity to reach this generation for Christ, but I believe God will judge us severely on the day of Judgment. Luke 12:48 says, "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required." God has blessed us in a great way spiritually and materially and he is expecting much from us.

We of the Church of God can stand in the forefront of the evangelistic effort of our day, *if* we will do four things:

### *1. Be Doers of the Word*

James 1:22-25 emphasizes the importance of not only hearing the Word, but doing something about what we hear. There is little point in going to a doctor unless we are prepared to do the things he says to us. Knowledge must become action; theory must become practice. And yet there are thousands of people who go to church every Sunday and who have heard many sermons on the Great Commission, and yet make little or no deliberate attempt to put this knowledge into practice in sharing their faith with other people.

Neither the world nor our next door neighbor will be saved if we fail to be doers of the Word.

### *2. Seek First the Kingdom of God*

In applying Matthew 6:33, I think every Christian should analyze everything he does to see how this relates to the work of the Lord. Each Christian, regardless of occupation, should view his work as a work for the Lord. Every opportunity should be seized to stand up for truth and righteousness. Every opportunity should be exploited for witnessing of Jesus Christ.

The money earned on a job should be considered as a trust from God. Truly dedicated Christians will never stop with the tithe when the offering plate is passed. Dedicated Christians will make money for God and they will only deduct what they need for living expenses and give the rest to the work of promoting the gospel.

If we expect the rest of the world to hear the message of salvation, this mes-

sage is going to have to be our first priority.

### *3. Get Everyone Involved in the Work of the Ministry*

In Ephesians 4:11-13 there are two things that need to be clarified. The word "saint" is a synonym for Christian—anyone who has accepted Christ and been baptized is a saint.

The comma after the word "saint" in our KJV does not belong there.

When we understand these two things, we come to realize that every Christian is to do the work of the ministry, i.e., meet the needs of people. And the greatest need of the people of the world today is to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ.

### *4. Use the Process of Multiplication*

In 2 Timothy 2:2 we find Paul explaining to Timothy the process of multiplication in spreading the gospel. Each person who hears is to tell someone else. If we use addition rather than multiplication we can never get very far in spreading the Word. If one person were to contact one person each day, he could only contact 30 people in a month. However, using the process of multiplication in which each person who is contacted, in turn contacts someone else, in 30 days, over 1 billion people could be contacted!

### *Consequences of Failing to Act*

If we fail to spread the gospel, God will hold us responsible (Ezek. 33:2-9). It is our responsibility to warn the wicked. If they fail to heed our words, it is then their own responsibility. Mordecai told Queen Esther that if she failed to act,

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# General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



## 1973 General Conference

The Annual Church of God General Conference was held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 13 to 18. Five hundred thirty-one were registered, eight less than 1972.

Pastor Kenneth Milne, Pelzer, S.C.; Bro. David Johnson, Hector, Minn.; and Bro. Russell Johns, Bennington, Neb., were elected to the Board of Directors. The new Board was organized and the officers are: Harold Doan, chairman; John Hearp, vice-chairman; Kenneth Milne, secretary; John Huston, treasurer; Dallas Demmitt, David Johnson, and Russell Johns, directors. We express our thanks and commendation to the retiring Board members; Charles Knapp, Joe James, and Robert Smith.

I am sure that all who attended felt richly blessed, as a fine spirit of unity, cooperation, and fellowship prevailed throughout the Conference. The minutes of the delegate sessions will appear in the October issue of *Progress Journal*.

## Board Sessions

The Board of Directors met several times during the Conference. Following are some of the actions taken:

Upon the resignation of Bro. J. R. LeCrone from the License and Ordination Committee, Pastor Hollis Partlowe of Phoenix, Ariz., was appointed to that committee. The full committee now is: C. F. Pryor, chairman, C. E. Lapp, and Hollis Partlowe.

Bro. C. E. Randall was appointed to act as Historian for the Church of God General Conference.

Appointments for a two-year term to the Board of Education were William D. Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz., and Charles Pryor, Morton, Ill. Other members of this board are Bros. Vernis Wolfe and Robert D. Johnson, with Dr. Alva Huffer as chairman. The Board of Education is undertaking an Institutional Research Study to formulate long-range plans for Oregon Bible College.

Decision was made to receive applications for the position of Youth Director beginning September 1, 1974. Upon inquiry, an application and job description will be mailed.

It was agreed to extend the time for receiving applications for the position of Sunday School Director.

The Sunday School Board has asked that September 12 be set aside as a day of prayer to remember this need that the right person will apply and be accepted for this position.

A budget of \$158,000.00 was approved and will be printed in a later issue. The 1974 General Conference will be held at Riverview Park on August 12-17.

## Mission Builders, Rockford Church

Mission Builders Appeal number twenty-nine in November, 1972, was for the construction of a new building for the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill. Because of extremely high bids on construction and other circumstances, decision was made by the Rockford Church not to build. Decision was made to purchase a used church building and parsonage from another denomination. The funds received from Mission Builders Appeal number twenty-nine were used for that purpose. (See pictures, page 7.)

## Maintenance Superintendent

Bro. Clement Richey, formerly of the Troy, Ohio, Church of God, has accepted the responsibility of supervising maintenance of buildings and equipment of the Church of God General Conference. Bro. Richey was with the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio, for many years and we are pleased to have him on the Conference staff in this capacity on a part-time basis.

## Conference Finances

We are pleased to report that the goals for giving for the months of July and August have been met. We commend the membership for this dedicated giving that all the programs of the Conference for the current year may go forward to completion.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

**\$134,00.00**

Goal for July-August	\$22,332.00
Given in July & August	\$23,111.00
September needs	\$11,166.00

**Goal for September \$11,166.00**

# Missions News

By S. O. Ross

*"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness" (Matt. 24:14).*



The picture shows Sr. Rizalina Aguinaldo and the children of the Agbannawag Church, Philippine Islands. This church was begun early in 1962. It grew and progressed well until April, 1963, when an uncivilized tribe burned the church. It was also in this area where three of the members of the Church of God were beheaded. The church was then abandoned and the members placed their membership in Quezon or other nearby congregations.

The Agbannawag congregation has been reorganized under the leadership of Pastor Domingo Valdez and regular services are being held. There is still much danger of persecution and harassment, but these people are determined to worship God in this place. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero says, "A delegation of members from the Agbannawag congregation have promised to protect Bro. Valdez from any danger from head-hunters." Pray for these people.

## Nigeria

A youth camp meeting was planned for all youth of the Church of God of Nigeria at the Ediene Church in August. Bro. Ephriam Udo is pastor here. At the same time a vacation Bible school was being held at Utu Abak, where Bro. John Obot is pastor. Bro. Solomon Idiong is in charge of the youth work of the Nigerian Church of God.

Three were immersed in the waters of baptism at the Golden Rule Church in the village of Ntak Afaha, where the pastor is J. A. I. Ekpo, recently licensed by the Church of God General Conference.

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These pastors take turns going to the new congregation at Asarama until a full-time worker can be trained to take the pastorate there.

## India

The Church-Medical building that is being built with assistance from Mission Builders Appeal number twenty-eight has been delayed due to final approval on the plans. Construction will be underway shortly. In the meantime, a clinic has been opened in temporary quarters in the area, with a doctor on part-time.

Bro. S. S. Manoah recently visited the village in Ravulapalem where Bro. P. M. Paulson and Bro. Philip are leading a mission work of five congregations. The work there is progressing well and Bro. Manoah will return later for a more extended time of study and planning with these people.

Special services were held at the Thomas Town Church in July celebrating their seventh anniversary.

## Free Literature Campaign

Sixteen thousand five hundred dollars worth of free literature has been provided through the Free Literature Distribution Crusade in the first nine months of this church year. Many people are reading God's Word through these tracts and *The Restitution Herald*.

We want to emphasize, however, that all literature ordered should be distributed. One *Restitution Herald* represents about twenty-five cents. One hundred of them on a shelf represents twenty-five dollars of someone's contributed money standing idle, or wasted. We encourage churches and individuals to make full use of the literature acquired. See that it gets into the hands of someone so that the message is proclaimed.

When one hundred or more copies of one issue of *The Restitution Herald* are ordered we have requested a report of how they were used. We would appreciate these reports so that others may benefit by your experiences. May the Lord bless the continued use of his written Word.

## Home Missions

Eight churches will receive Pastoral Aid this new church year. This program assists a smaller growing church to have a full-time ministry. Pray for each of these churches.





# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



## **John R. Lewis on Holy Land Trip**

For many years, the Board of Education has felt that it would be ideal for full-time instructors at Oregon Bible College not only to have at least a Master's Degree in academic preparation, but also to visit the lands of the Bible as part of their graduate education.

Walking where Jesus walked and visiting cities and countries where the apostles preached the gospel would provide an excellent background for teaching courses at the College. It is a worthy goal that eventually all full-time instructors at the College will have had this experience.

This past summer, some friends of the College made it possible for Bro. John R. Lewis to have this experience. Bro. Lewis is Campus Administrator, Vice-President, and Registrar, as well as a full-time instructor. He visited the Holy Land, Europe, and the Mediterranean area, July 9-30, in the tour group directed by Alva G. Huffer, President of the College.

## **Bible Content Test**

The student body of Oregon Bible College participates each year in a Bible Content test designed to determine their recall of factual information given in the Bible. The test consists of 150 questions that must be answered within a limited time period. The average score of the graduating students over the last ten years was 87.0. Breaking this average score down into five-year segments, we find that the average score for graduating students in the years 1964-68 was 87.9 and the average score for graduating students in the years 1969-73 was 86.8. These averages include, of course, the scores the students received when they took the test all four years, including freshmen. The highest average score of any student was 134.2 and the highest single score by any student was 146. All of these scores are out of a possible total of 150.

## **Library Additions**

Several new books were recently added to the library through the generosity of John Mercer of Springfield, Illinois. In early June he turned over his entire collection of books for Bible College use. We are thankful for his contribution.

## **Gospel Teams**

Oregon Bible College is glad for the opportunity to send young people to churches as gospel teams. Stu-

dents can serve the churches in a variety of ways. They can sing, play musical instruments, preach, and give talks.

If you would like for a group to visit your church, please contact gospel team director, Dale Ramsey.

## **New English Instructor**

Mrs. Ruth Donaldson of Oregon, Illinois, will be teaching Freshmen English Composition this year. Mrs. Donaldson has a Master's degree and many years of experience in teaching. We welcome her to the Bible College faculty.

## **Fall Curriculum**

In the fall class schedule, Dr. Huffer is teaching a Slide Project Workshop, John Lewis is teaching New Testament III, Preaching I, Bible Survey, Acts of the Apostles, and Pastoral Work. Eugene Stilson is teaching Old Testament I, Biblical Hermeneutics, Bible Geography, Christian Education of Youth, Greek I, and Advanced Greek. Dale Ramsey is teaching Introduction to Music, Choir, OBC Chorale, Brass Ensemble, Private Voice, Private Piano, and Private Organ. Stanley Ross is teaching History and Survey of Missions. Mrs. Ruth Donaldson is teaching English Composition I, and Dallas Demmitt will be teaching a Christian Emphasis Week Seminar.

## **Fall Schedule**

Students registered for fall classes Wednesday, August 29, and classes started Thursday, August 30. There were no classes during the Labor Day holiday, September 3 and September 14, when the students participated in the annual Fall Breakfast. Christian Emphasis Week will be October 8-12. Faculty members will attend the AABC Convention in Chicago October 26, OBC Day of Prayer will be Tuesday, November 6. Students will be out for Thanksgiving vacation November 22-25, and the Fall Semester will end Friday, December 21.

## **Weddings**

Congratulations to Oregon Bible College students that were married during the past summer. Cheryl Fletcher became the bride of Dale Swartz on June 30. Dale is pastor of the Peoria, Illinois, Church of God. Gary Smith married Debbie Kirkpatrick on August 24. Gary is a sophomore at Oregon Bible College this fall.



# BYF NEWS

*Francis Burnett, Youth Director*

## Adult Leadership

This is being written for each adult to consider in regard to your own sons, daughters, and the young people among you. The Berean Department of the Church of God has shown a sizeable growth the last several years. There is a great potential. It is fully recognized that young people have much energy and zeal, which often result in successful projects in many of our churches. But the young people (Bereans in most of our churches) need leadership—adult leadership. In a few instances, the young people might deny this, but generally the wisdom, experience, and knowledge of adults are desired.

A trend in the last few years has been to let the young people take complete charge of their own department. As this trend has developed, many adults have dismissed the needs of the youth from their minds? These statements are made to cause all to reconsider the adult-youth relationship. As an adult, what have you done to encourage the youth leader in his position to help the young people? What has your pastor done to really encourage the Bereans in their desires and work? What has the church as a congregation done?

Why is this matter being considered in this column? Though the membership has grown in the Berean Department, and some of the activities have increased, yet in many instances the work has decreased. Let us be specific. Approximately four years ago, there were 4500 bulletin covers printed to be used during Youth Week or in that month. As this is being written, there are orders for exactly 850. In 1968, the Coins for Christ Campaign brought in contributions in excess of \$5,200, with 64 groups participating. In 1973, the Coins for Christ Campaign brought in just a little over \$1,800, with 33 groups participating. Why this reverse trend? In 1968 and 1969, there were more than 200 Bereans who were members of the Mission Dollar Club. In 1973, there are 143.

It is our personal observation that the Church of God young people have the ability of meeting all of these needs. It is the plan of the General Conference Board to hire a full-time Youth Director in 1974. This will increase the Youth Department budget by several thousand dollars. A conservative estimate of a budget for the Youth Department for 1974 is \$12,000. The youth are capable of meeting this challenge with the counsel, encouragement, and leadership of the adults.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

*Scott Ross, Director*

## New Sunday School Director

Bro. Francis Burnett became the new Sunday School Director as of the first of September. In his years as pastor, youth director, and instructor at Oregon Bible College he has gained much experience which will prove valuable to the work of the Sunday School Department. Bro. Burnett will serve in the Sunday School Department in addition to his work in the Youth Department until the full-time Sunday School Director position is established in September of 1974.

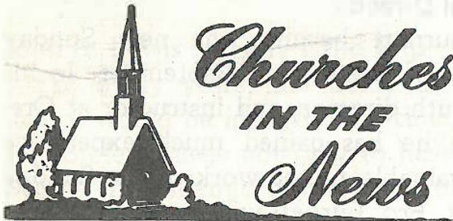
## Sunday School of the Month

The Sunday school of the month for September is Faith Chapel Church of God in Peoria, Illinois. This Sunday school recently had a weekend of intensive teacher training. Friday evening they began with a dinner for Sunday school workers at a local restaurant. Following the dinner they visited a local Bible bookstore and spent the rest of the evening viewing the latest helps and aids for Christian teachers. Saturday, after having breakfast together, there was a session on child development and its implications for Sunday school teachers. Such things as what Bible stories and concepts meet the needs of various age groups and what kind of classroom furnishings are needed were discussed. After lunch together there was a presentation on various aids available to teachers in preparing lessons. Then there were skill training sessions on map work, use of the concordance, and worksheets. After supper together each teacher was assigned a teaching method that was to be researched thoroughly and presented at a future monthly training session. Congratulations to this Sunday school of the month, to their superintendent Carol Ring, and to their pastor Dale Swartz.

Teacher training is a vital part in any successful Sunday school. The key to educating people in the Word of God is the teacher. Yet handing a person a lesson book does not make him a teacher. Sunday schools need to provide their teachers with the opportunity to improve the skills they now have and to acquire new teaching skills. Every Sunday school ought to have some program of teacher training.

It should be added that teacher training in itself does not qualify one to teach the Word of God. A qualified teacher must have a broad knowledge of the Bible. After all, it is the Bible that needs to be taught. The Word of God has the power. \*

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 7-9—Minnesota Senior Berean Fall Retreat.
- Sept. 28-30—Minnesota Fall Conference.
- Sept. 30—Southeast Conference, Greenville Church of God.
- Oct. 5, 6—Women's Retreat, Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind.
- Oct. 5-7—N.E. Conference, Columbia Station, Ohio.
- Oct. 7-13—Special meetings at Burr Oak Church, Burr Oak, Ind. Clyde E. Randall, speaker.
- Oct. 7-14—Meetings at Guthrie Grove, Hollis Partlowe, speaker.
- Oct. 28—Tenth and thirty-fifth anniversaries Jaynes St. Church of God, Omaha. Clyde E. Randall, speaker.
- Oct. 22-28—National Youth Week.
- Nov. 2-4—Missionary Conference Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont. Scott Ross, speaker, Ralph Childs, song evangelist.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.
- Nov. 25—International BYF Communion Sunday

## WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Women's Retreat will be held at Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind., October 5, 6, 1973. For information, write Mrs. Carol Schmidlapp, Rt. 2, Argos, Ind. 46501. The retreats have been a great blessing in past years.

## FLAGG CENTER ELECTS OFFICERS

On June 3, 1973, the Flagg Center Community Church of God held election of officers, with the following being chosen: Ray Foster, Francis Burnett, elders; Ward Countryman, Sheldon Mickey, David Ewald, trustees; Robert Coffman, Jerry Seebach, deacons; Barbara New, Margaret Foster, deaconesses; Pat Ewald, secretary; Bonnie Seebach, treasurer; Jim Mickey, Christian education director. Pastor Robert Jones and wife Peggy have accepted the pastorate of the church. Pat Ewald, secretary.

## COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Mrs. Barbara Brown, Ellsworth A. and Eunice H. Frederick, John Coverstone, Debbie Lichliter, John Mattison, Karen Keckley, Connie Boyer, Zaccheaus O. Brown, Nigeria, Adolph, Jean, and Patty Ann Morczek, Mrs. Walter Keller, Karen Holt, Colleen Kruijs, Elva Eberly, B. O. Adum. Congratulations!

## SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

The Oregon, Ill., Church of God will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary in March, 1974. Already plans are underway for an appropriate observance of this diamond birthday.

## BAPTISMS

**Fonthill, Ont.:** Our hearts were made glad as Mark Payne, 5 Prospect St., Fonthill, confessed Christ as his Savior. He was baptized into his name for the remission of sins on April 22, 1973. John Hearp, pastor.

**Grand Rapids, Mich. (Garden Park Church):** During the last few months the Lord has greatly blessed the witnessing and work of our church. Following the morning service of June 10, 1973, Phyllis Coonrod and Gail Titchenell came forward to witness their faith in Christ. They were baptized into Christ the same evening. On June 17, five people responded to the invitation to witness their faith in Christ, and that evening June and Jane Kamp, Wayne Butler, and Richard Hunt put on Christ by baptism. On July 1, it was my privilege to baptize John and Agnes Prince into the body of Christ at Gunn Lake. We pray for the power of God to fill these people that they might bring great glory to our Creator and his Son Jesus Christ.

Robert Schrienk, pastor.

**Arcadia, Mo.:** On Friday afternoon, June 22, 1973, a baptismal service was held at the Missouri Youth Camp at Arcadia.

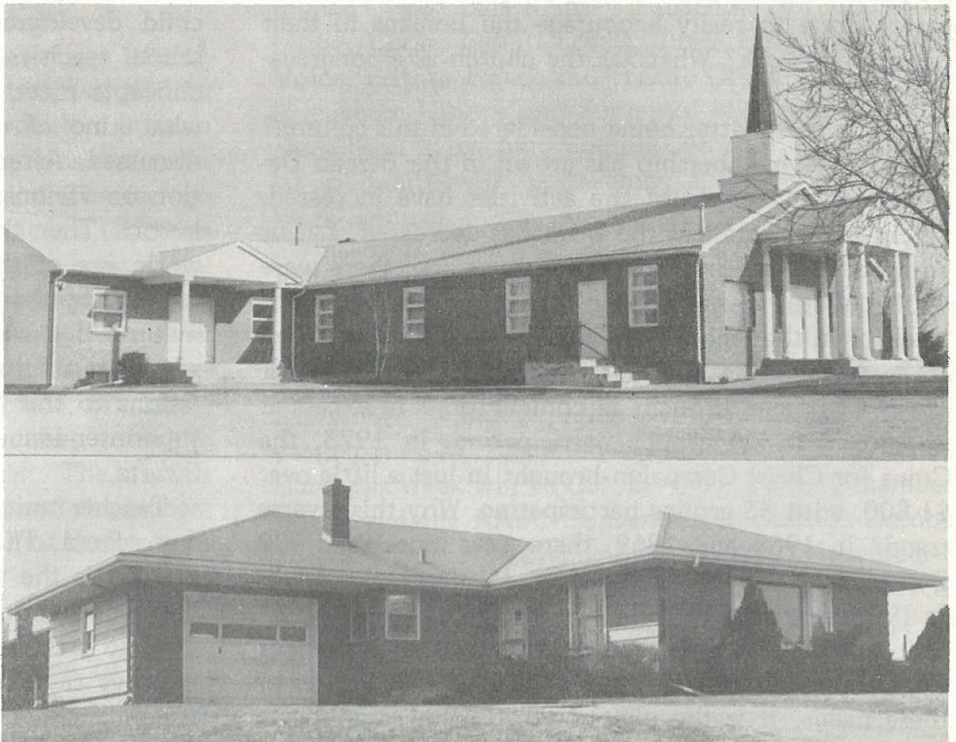
Gale Ward was baptized by her father Bro. Don Ward, and Debra and Chris McKinney were baptized by the writer. A. T. Johns, pastor.

**Cleveland, Ohio:** Cathleen Onderdonk, wife of David Onderdonk, Jr., was baptized into the saving name of Jesus on the evening of June 20, 1973, and was formally received into the fellowship of the Golden Rule Church of God June 24. We feel sure she will be a devoted and active member of the church and a servant of the Lord. J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

**Bedford, Ohio:** We are happy to report that Mrs. Arlene Szekely, Miss Kim Szekely, and Miss Sandy Phillips responded to the gospel invitation and were baptized into Jesus Christ on July 15, 1973, for the forgiveness of sins. May God bless them as they seek to live for him. Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

**Hillisburg, Ind.:** The congregation of the Hillisburg Church of God rejoiced recently when Brian Huffer and Robert Burt confessed their need of Jesus Christ. Brian was baptized on May 6, 1973, and Robert was baptized on June 3, 1973. We pray God's blessing upon these two as they begin their new life in him. Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

**Lombard, Ill.:** Mrs. Robert Taylor was immersed in baptism at the Lombard Community Church of God by the pastor, June 17, 1973. We extended to Shirley the right hand of fellowship. May God bless her as she continues to serve him. E. O. Routson, pastor.



The above pictures show the beautiful sanctuary and parsonage which the Rockford congregation purchased instead of the proposed new building as submitted in the Mission Builders Appeal. The buildings are located in the influence area of the original planned site. The sanctuary seats 175, with pastor's study, library, nursery, two large foyers, and three classrooms on main floor. The basement has a kitchen, large fellowship hall, which is divided by curtains for classrooms, several large classrooms, washrooms, and furnace room. The parsonage is a frame building, three bedrooms, bath and a half, large kitchen with dining area, large living room with dining area. The basement, half of which is a recreation room, has tiled floors and an outside exit.

**Digby, Nova Scotia:** June 17, 1973, Pastor Raymond Brown baptized Mrs. Dora Height in the saving name of Jesus Christ. May God bless and lead her in her new walk of life.

Faustina Harris, reporter.

**Tempe, Ariz.:** The following people were recently baptized into the body of Christ and are now members of the Tempe Bible Church of God: April 15, 1973, Mrs. Helwig and Mrs. Webster; July 1, Lisa Huffer was immersed by her father Dr. Alva Huffer; Charles Deem, Peggy Carter, Darvin Roseberry were baptized by Pastor Warren Sorenson. July 8, Marcie Grey, James Miller, Larri Ann Miller, Mark Miller were baptized by Bro. Sorenson. We rejoice with these, their families and friends, and pray God's blessings on them.

Jerry Cooper, reporter.

**Tipp City, Ohio:** The Brush Creek Church of God rejoices over the decision of five boys who came forward for baptism and were immersed July 15, 1973. They are: Thomas Kennedy, Jess Messaros, and Lonnie Driskill of Tipp City, John Pearson and Rickie Coile of West Milton. Leon Driskill, pastor.

**Washington, D.C.:** On Sunday, June 10, 1973, it was our privilege to baptize in the name of Jesus Christ, Samuel W. Carroll. Mr. Carroll has been a faithful attendant at the Eternal Hope Church of God for several years. It is with glad hearts that we welcome him into the fellowship of the body of Christ. May God bless him richly is our prayer.

Duane and Ann Ryder, Herndon, Va., accepted Christ and were baptized July 8, 1973. We pray for these two as they begin their walk of life with Christ. Ron Macy, pastor.

**Phoenix, Ariz.:** Our congregation rejoiced to see six of our youth baptized into Christ July 8, 1973. They were: Judy Bond, Vicky Barnes, Tami Minor, Susie Minor, Mark Lohr, and Brent Thurston. We pray that God will bless them as they live for him during these last days.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Tempe, Ariz.:** The Lakeshore Bible Church of God (new name for Tempe Church) rejoiced as Jeffrey Coffman answered the gospel invitation and was baptized Sunday evening, July 22, 1973. Gerald Cooper, reporter.

**Columbia Station, Ohio:** During the summer five of our young people were baptized in the name of Christ for the remission of sins, thus uniting with the body of Christ. Penny Walkem, 11220 Mitchell Rd., Columbia Station, 44028; and LuWayne Daugherty, 12568 Hawke Rd., Columbia Station, were immersed on July 22. Russell Hollan, 19090 E. River Rd. S., Columbia Station, was baptized on July 29. Barbara Urban, 135 Miller Rd., Avon Lake, 44012; and Donna Wilson, 10181 Valley View Dr., Columbia Station, 44028 were immersed at Berean Youth Conference. We welcome these believers into God's household. Russell Magaw, pastor.

## STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT

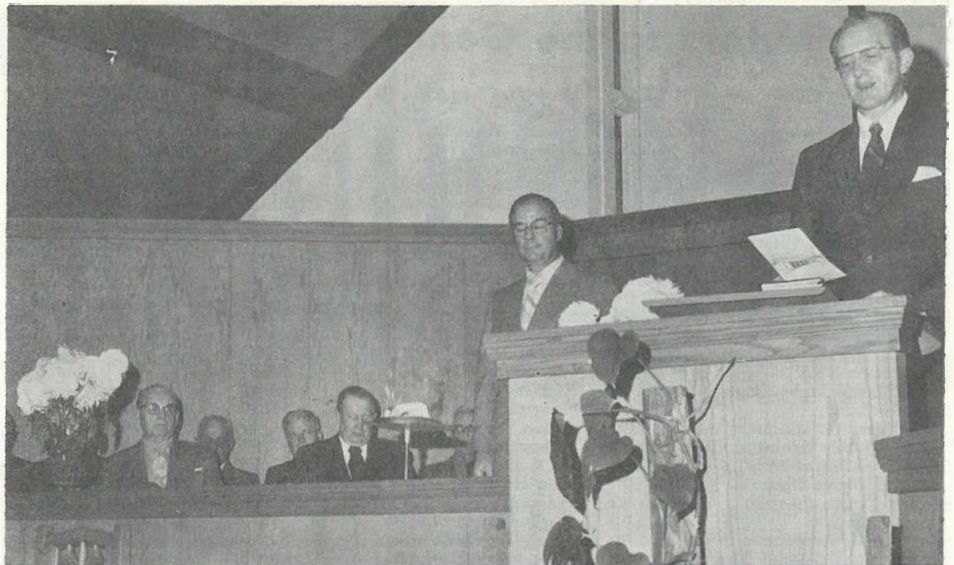
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God would destroy her and her father's house. He said, "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" (Esth. 4:14).

Furthermore he told her that if she failed to act, God would raise up someone else to do the work she was supposed to do. There are others today who are prepared to reach the world by 1980. It will be despicable if we sit by and let these people who are preaching false doctrine spread their heresy all over the world.

The words of David to Solomon as he was about to build the temple are words that can apply to us today, "Arise therefore, and be doing, and [may] the LORD be with thee" (2 Chron. 22:16).

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**FONTHILL BURNS BONDS.** Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., laid the cornerstone to its fine house of worship May 27, 1962. The building cost approximately \$100,000. Bonds of \$30,000 were issued. These were retired and a special debt-free service was held May 27, 1973, in which the congregation joined in praise and renewed dedication. We congratulate the Fonthill Church.

## ARLINGTON, TEXAS

The Arlington, Tex., group met with Pastor Michael Mattison on Sunday, June 22, 1973, to plan for the starting of regular services in the fall. Thirty-two were present for Sunday school, worship, and communion, an evening cookout, and business meeting. The children presented a program of instrumental music and readings during opening exercises, and Pastor Mattison preached on "Building Together."

By January 1, 1974, we will plan to start regular visitation in this community of 120,000.

Provisions of a constitution were worked out and financial needs of the church discussed. The Arlington Church of God welcomes the prayer support of the General Conference membership.

## OBITUARIES

Mrs. Georgia R. Naber died at her home in Arkansas City, Kan., May 17, 1973. Funeral services were held there, with burial at Utica, Neb. Graveside services were conducted by the writer, who had baptized her into Jesus Christ, November 14, 1967. She is survived by her husband, one son Jack, a brother, Raymond Kelly, and a sister, Mrs. Anna Thomsen.

Promises of the resurrection and eternal life were spoken to the family for their comfort, as she was laid to rest in the Utica cemetery.

Clyde M. Long.

Catherine Hyatt, a member of the Fonthill, Ont., Glad Tidings Church of God fell asleep in death May 7, 1973. She was characterized by her love of God's Word and faithfulness in worshipping him. She was laid to rest in the Fonthill cemetery to await the Master's call, with services being conducted by the writer.

Jack Hearp, pastor.

Funeral services were conducted for Alonzo DeCounter July 8, 1973. The Macomb, Ill., Church extends its sympathy to the family.

Diana Potts, reporter.

Lottie M. Moore died at her home April 23, 1973, Tipp City, Ohio, at the age of eighty-one. She was a faithful member of the Brush Creek Church of God. She is survived by her five children, 18 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren. Psalm 23 was the basis of words of comfort given by her pastor, after which she

was laid to rest in Maple Hill Cemetery, Tipp City, awaiting the resurrection out from the dead. Leon Driskill, pastor.

## MARRIAGES

Miss Sheila Avey, Troy, Ohio, became the bride of Mr. Dan Gallagher, Troy, Ohio, on Saturday, June 9, 1973. The wedding was performed by the writer at the Troy View Church of God, with Pastor Scott Ross assisting. We pray God's richest blessings upon this couple in their life together.

Francis Burnett.

Jeff Anderson and Janis Pestle were united in marriage June 23, 1973, at the Macomb Church of God.

Kent Slater and Mary Hightower were married July 7, 1973.

Diana Potts, reporter.

On Friday Evening, June 22, 1973, the Church of God at Oregon, Ill., was the scene of a beautiful wedding, when Bro. Kurt Laurret of Rockford, Ill., and Sr. Ellen Canfield of Chana, Ill., met at the altar and exchanged sacred vows. The church was filled with many friends, relatives, and members of the church to wish them well. May God's blessing be on them through life.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Cheryl Fletcher and Dale Swartz were united in marriage at Columbia Station, Ohio, on June 30, 1973. Pastor Joseph Fletcher, father of the bride, officiated with the writer in the beautiful double ring candlelighting ceremony. After a California honeymoon, the couple returned to Peoria, Ill., where Bro. Swartz is pastor of Faith Chapel Church of God. Russell Magaw, pastor.

Diane Wilson and Leonard Gibson were united in marriage at Columbia Station, Ohio, August 4, 1973. The church was filled with friends and relatives to witness the double ring ceremony. The couple has established a home at 23246 Alexander Rd., North Olmsted, Ohio 44070.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Miss Barbara Jo Lawrence, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William D. Lawrence, became the bride of Mr. Steven L. McCoy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy, in a lovely garden wedding at the home of the bride, Friday evening, May 25, 1973. After a honeymoon to Hawaii, they are at home at 1735 S. Encanto Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85281.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

# Contributors to the General Conference: July-August, 1973

Happy Woods BYF	12.00	Mr & Mrs Lee Tidwell	8.70	Mrs Pauline Whorton	50.00	Tempe Church	944.14
La State Camp	34.00	Lorene Orr	50.00	Mabel Andrew	10.00	Fonthill BYF	5.60
Blanchard Sr Bereans	233.53	Eunice Orr	50.00	Howard Mowrer	110.00	Anonymous	148.00
Anonymous	150.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Columbus Go Ye Miss Soc	5.00	Brush Creek Youth	40.10
Mr & Mrs Samuel Carroll	10.00	Edna Claypool	10.00	Glad Tidings Chapel		Ripley Miss Soc	125.00
Garden Park Church	306.44	Linda Hollenback	15.00	Dayton	205.00	Betty Ackels	8.00
Mr & Mrs Clarence Jones	5.00	Guthrie Grove SS	100.00	Mr & Mrs Andy Allen	35.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	200.00
Alice Jennings	5.00	Jennifer Sheeley	6.00	Litchfield SS	20.04	Mrs Ada Updike	3.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	50.00	Wilma Sherrell	3.00	Litchfield Bereans	10.75	Anonymous	5.00
Mr & Mrs Lowell Holt	25.00	Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Judy Haynes	12.00	Mrs Evelyn Austin	5.00
Mr & Mrs Loyd Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Joseph Astolfi	20.00	Kokomo VBS	82.00	Mrs Burton Smith	25.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	120.00	May White	32.12	Ronald Osland	10.00	Eternal Hope Church	136.12
Blood River Willing Workers	32.00	Shilah Richmond	20.00	Debbie Thomas	3.00	Freeport BYF	10.00
Denise Pearson	10.00	Valley Church	59.45	P G Coverstone	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ron Bray	110.00
Pomona Dorcas Soc	30.00	Deann Johns	7.00	Minn State Conf	50.00	Mr & Mrs David Cheatwood	25.00
Southlawn BYF	30.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	32.00	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Milne	100.00
Mr & Mrs Monroe Elton	25.00	Kim Ashley	12.00	Tempe BYF	19.59	North Salem Church	22.74
Opal Nelson	50.00	Hedrick Church	74.36	Lynda Smith	5.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	305.00
Mr & Mrs T E Martin	35.00	Truth Seekers SS	11.29	Modesto Bible Church	20.94	Felida Church	4.90
Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	20.00	Columbia SS	97.22	Arkansas City Church	325.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	20.00
Mr & Mrs James Fyfe	5.00	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunien	80.00	Mr & Mrs Vernon Chaplin	150.00	Mr & Mrs Russel Thoms	5.00
Guthrie Grove Church	37.00	New Hope Church	100.00	La State Conf	212.94	Mr & Mrs Gayle Somers	25.00
Valley Young People	9.43	Blessed Hope—Rockford	270.23	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00	Oregon BYF	101.50
Koszta Bereans	30.80	Golden Rule Church	41.05	Mrs Sophie Brossard	35.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	10.00
North Hills Bereans	93.30	Mr & Mrs Gary Bormes	12.00	Fonthill Church	392.57	Lafayette Faith Chapel BYF	60.00
Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	80.00	Fonthill Dorcas	10.00	Morse Mill BYF	11.40
Columbia Church	305.22	Northeast Youth Camp	45.67	William Tierney	12.00	Nina Hatcher	4.00
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	25.00	Holbrook BYF	11.00	BYF Camp Offerings	1,716.26	Gary Hatcher	4.00
Hedrick Dorcas Soc	8.37	East Oregon BYF	9.00	David Krogh	70.00	Dan Ryan	12.00
Raymore Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	25.00	Michigan State Conf	312.68	Mr & Mrs John Hayse	17.95
Sharon Guiles	50.00	Tempe Bible Church	250.00	Anonymous	100.00	Kokomo BYF	223.00
Minnesota State Conf	140.20	Mrs Gladys Volentine	10.00	Mr & Mrs Rollo Mosher	100.00	Peoria BYF	16.26
Mr & Mrs Joseph Plantner	20.00	Joni Stetzer	6.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	200.00	Mr & Mrs Given Cleek	30.00
Alice Plantner	50.00	Glad Tidings SS Fonthill	25.36	Brush Creek SS	79.08	Margaret Duval	50.00
Holbrook Church	46.96	Fay Wegner	12.00	Golden Rule SS	100.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Dochstader	30.00
Hazel Cripe	5.00	Mark Gallagher	5.00	Brush Creek Church	508.47	Effie Jones	10.00
Oregon SS	15.30	Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	30.00	North Hills Church	158.07	Mrs C C Fuson	13.00
Jaynes St SS	63.21	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	150.00	Dorothy Siple	75.00	Beaumont Church	80.77
Minn State Miss Soc	100.00	Leota Hanson	10.00	St Louis Church	50.61	Omaha Bereans	50.00
Esther Peterson	3.00	Ruth Reid	30.00	Blanchard Church	243.00	Macomb Miss Soc	115.00
Digby BYF	3.45	Mr & Mrs Wilfred Cambre	50.00	Mr & Mrs Joe James	20.00	Verne Berry	30.00
Mr & Mrs Glenn Birkey	25.00	Dan Dovenbarger	85.00	Litchfield Church	76.88	Macomb SS	25.30
Brush Creek Berean Soc	47.85	Macomb Church	199.55	Mr & Mrs John Huston Sr	5.00	Vinnie Tyler	10.00
Flagg Center Church	95.00	Lawrenceville Church	348.74	Tempe Bible Church	1,207.02	Phoenix Bible Church	425.00
Mr & Mrs David Davis	4.00	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	40.00	Hope Chapel—South Bend	210.26	Mr & Mrs Ron Riley	25.00
Anonymous	8.00	S P Dismukes	100.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Rogers	20.00	Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	200.00
Pennellwood Church	104.45	Eva Modreske	5.20	San Jose SS	15.33	Digby Church	111.00
Hope Chapel SS South Bend	36.73	Donna Kennedy	5.00	St Louis BYF	9.00	Irvin Ferguson	12.00
Hope Chapel Church S Bend	138.09	Rockford Miss Soc	130.00	Mark Eckerson	5.00	Koszta Dorcas Circle	10.00
Faith Chapel Lafayette S	38.78	Sue Andrew	3.00	Tempe VBS	62.42	Forest Hills Church	70.00
Michael Brown	20.00	Ben Carpenter	60.00	Anonymous	9.00	Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	25.00
Diane Shute	3.00	Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger Sr	35.00	Anonymous	10.00	Mr & Mrs Kent Ross	10.00
Flagg Center Bereans	9.36	Dwight Hutchinson	12.00	Pam Miesse	6.00	Maurertown Church	31.27
Pomona Open Bible Church	59.02	John Coverstone	5.00	Hope Chapel Columbus BYF	15.00	Troy View BYF	32.40
Ill State Conf	100.00	Louise Lawson	12.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	390.00	Mr. & Mrs Russell Dickerson	6.20
Jay Ramsey	40.00	Mr & Mrs John Railton	5.00	San Jose Church	43.00	Anonymous	125.00
Telva Jo Lippert	10.00	Bety Coulter	22.50	Harlingen Church	10.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	40.00
Anonymous	2.00	Kathy Cooper	12.00	Cecil Smead	108.00	Frances Wood	40.00
Southlawn Church	680.49	Genniell Anderson	255.00	Oak Grove Church	19.00	Mr & Mrs Everett Kraft	300.00
Pennellwood Bereans	17.00	Phoebe Lynd	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Rice	15.00	Ripley VBS	15.88
Mr & Mrs Robert Lawson	10.00	Hillisburg Miss Soc	100.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	25.00	Marjorie Bolhaus	40.00
Doris Rouch	25.00	Faith Chapel Peoria	100.00	Everett S Rogers	50.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	80.00
Northeast Conference	215.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	260.00	Wallace Stone	20.00	Troy View Church	196.35
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	61.20	Adaline Wood	200.00	Mrs Wilda Hammer	15.00
Lawrenceville Esther Soc	2.22	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	68.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle Ashelford	50.00	Mr & Mrs Fred Pensyl	10.00
Dayton Glad Tidings SS	51.83	Susan Lee	1.00	Waterloo Bereans	41.93	Burr Oak Church	111.00
Dayton Outreach Dept	90.00	Anonymous	4.00	Hope Chapel Miss Soc		Mr & Mrs Ivan Veach	50.00
La Contributors	75.00	Dana Weidensall	5.00	South Bend	130.00	Anonymous	42.00
Milo Magaw	40.00	Ellen Jannereth	5.00	Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	20.00	Indiana State Conf	70.00
Mr & Mrs John Carr	100.00	Fremont SS	24.30	Mrs Annie Welch	29.64	Fonthill Miss Soc	157.52
Mr & Mrs William Hanson	200.00	Fremont Church	25.00	Resurrection Hope Church	100.00	Oregon Mary & Martha	25.00
Oregon Church	318.09	Cool Spring SS	17.02	Hope Chapel—Columbus	20.00	Michele Gaspar	12.00
Mr & Mrs Clyde Randall	155.00	Columbia BYF	50.00	Happy Woods Church	156.00	Tempe Dorcas	15.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	25.00	Teresa Dochstader	2.00	Southwest Conf	229.09	Maurertown Dorcas	20.00
Cora Siple	10.00	Lombard Church	78.70	Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	48.45	Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00
Ripley Church	209.51	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	J Anon	50.00	Guthrie Grove BYF	135.37
Koszta Church	72.00	Faith Comm Church—Mpls	97.50	Raymore Bereans	5.00	Lawrenceville BYF	25.00
Ch of Open Bible Bedford	26.55	Anonymous—R	75.00	Anna Soc—St Louis Church	10.00	Mr & Mrs M Robinson Jr	12.00
Mrs Earl Richter	24.00						
Mr & Mrs F A Ramsey	50.00						
Mr & Mrs Roy Johnson	25.00						
Vena Logsdon	5.00						
Glad Tidings Rebekah Soc	15.00						
Fremont Ladies Aid	62.00						
Alice Bassett	14.00						
Macomb BYF	38.53						
Kdg—1st grade Oregon	5.87						
Freeport Church	30.00						
Laura Keenan	10.00						
Mabelle Bell	15.00						
Mrs Lila Guiles	10.00						
Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	30.00						
Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00						
F O Sapp	5.00						
Garnett Caudle	10.00						

## YOUTH RETREAT

A Youth Retreat held at Camp Emmanuel June 15-17, 1973, found 35 young people from the Macomb Church in attendance. The theme for the Retreat was "Grow in Grace,"

Diana Potts, reporter.

Look people in the face when speaking.  
Give not your advice unasked.  
Praise not another at the expense of the company present.

## DIRECTORY ISSUE

Names and addresses of Conference and Church officers should be mailed in at once for the November issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL which carries the Church Directory. This is very important—don't delay in furnishing this information.

Human *innocence* is not to know evil: Christian *saintliness* is to know evil and good, and prefer good.