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Minutes of the 1973 General Conference

By Joe E. James, Secretary

The Fifty-Third Annual Meeting of the Church of God General Conference convened at Riverview Park, in Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Tuesday, August 14, 1973. Harold Doan, chairman of the Board of Directors, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and opened the session with prayer. He welcomed the delegates to the General Conference and outlined the roles and responsibilities of delegates.

Ruth Halls Overholser, Chairwoman of the Credentials Committee, seated the delegates and gave procedural instructions to the delegates and alternates. The credentials committee later announced that a total of 151 delegates had been seated, 8 Board of Directors, 52 ministers, and 91 church and conference delegates. Chairman Doan reported that Pastor Wilson W. Waters, Jr., of New Albany, Ind., will be present for most of the Conference, as a fraternal delegate from the Advent Christian Church.

Six churches from the following areas were represented this year for the first time: Van Nuys, Cal.; Pleasant Hill, Ohio; Freeport, Ill.; North Hills, Ohio; East Oregon, Ill.; and Greenville, S.C. Approximately thirty delegates were in attendance for the first time.

Executive Secretary S. O. Ross read a letter from Sister Leota B. Hanson, in which she expressed her greetings and best wishes to the Fifty-Third General Conference.

Chairman Doan called attention to the "Special Reports" on pages 7 and 8 of the June, 1973, *Progress Journal*. Charles Jones and J. Don Swartz moved that the reports be received and approved as printed. The motion carried.

Charles Knapp, vice-chairman of the Board of Directors, reported on the activities of the Board. He explained that the

Board meets during the fall and spring, and also during General Conference. Telephone conference meetings are called, when necessary, between the regularly scheduled meetings. Bro. Knapp emphasized the careful and prayerful deliberation given to the various issues by the Board of Directors.

Executive Secretary S. O. Ross reviewed the "Nine Months Financial Report" included in the delegate folders. These reports covered the period of time from October 1, 1972, through June 30, 1973. Bro. Ross carefully reviewed each item, explaining that two sets of books are now kept, one of "General Funds" and the other of "Restricted Funds." This is done on the recommendation of the auditors. The report included: a General Funds Statement of Assets and Liabilities (\$306,339.45 and \$7,946.32 respectively); a Statement of General Funds Income and Expenses (\$177,978.92 and \$170,603.50 respectively); a Statement of Restricted Funds Assets and Liabilities (\$242,171.19 and \$56,472.05 respectively). Charles Graham and Edward Goit moved that the delegates accept and approve the financial report. The motion carried.

Chairman Doan called on Francis Burnett to report on Berean Youth Department activities. Bro. Burnett stated that the recent Youth Conference was very successful and that enrollment reached the capacity for Camp Alexander Mack. Twenty-four individuals accepted Christ at the Conference. During the past year, much attention has been directed toward the observance of the 75th anniversary of the Berean Fellowship. These anniversary activities climaxed during Youth Conference. The historical book for the 75th anniversary is available. A new *Berean*

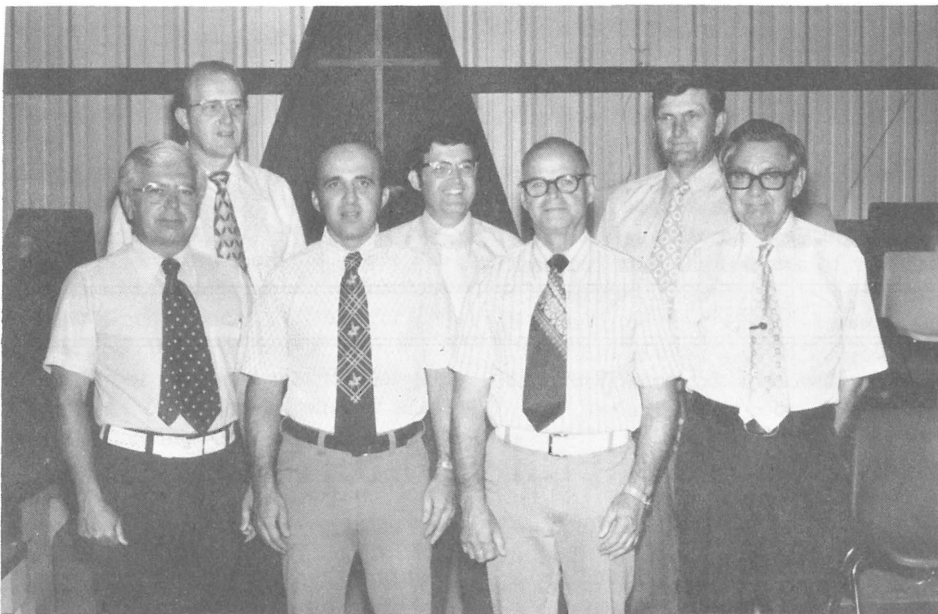
Scripture Studies book and a new tract, developed especially for our young people, were printed this year. Napkins, buttons, and other items commemorating the 75th anniversary are also available. The midwinter retreat and day-to-day business and planning were other items in Bro. Burnett's report. Bro. Burnett gave special recognition to Cleo Dixon for the donation of his excellent art work, used at Youth Conference and General Conference.

The meeting was recessed with prayer by Francis Burnett, at 11:50 a.m.

Wednesday, August 15

The second business session of the 1973 Church of God General Conference convened at 10:00 a.m., August 15, with Chairman Harold Doan presiding. The opening prayer was given by Pastor C. F. Pryor. Ruth Overholser, of the Credentials Committee, announced that the 151 delegates present at yesterday's session represented an increase of 12 over the first session of the 1972 Conference. Executive Secretary S. O. Ross reminded delegates to turn in forms for the delegate expense pool. He also announced that the cost of providing meals by Riverview Park management is greater than the amount paid by our people. The price paid by delegates for meals was agreed upon before the recent soar in food prices. To assist in meeting this deficit, special offerings will be taken today and tomorrow at the afternoon services.

Dr. Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, reported on the status of programs at the College. He said that last year the enrollment was 41 for the first semester and 44 for the second semester. John Lewis, vice-president, reported that 54 students are now enrolled for the



Shown above is the General Conference Board of Directors. From left to right, the members are: Harold Doan, chairman; John Hearp, vice-chairman; Dallas Demmitt, director; John Huston, treasurer; Russell Johns, director; David Johnson, director; and Kenneth Milne, secretary.

1973 fall semester. Twenty-two are freshmen and 32 are returning students. In the freshmen enrollment, there are 15 girls and 7 boys. There are 13 returning girls and 19 returning boys. Five male students are expected to graduate next spring.

Dr. Huffer gave a slide presentation, orienting delegates to the program and facilities of Oregon Bible College. The purpose and philosophy of the College was also emphasized during this presentation. He mentioned the need for qualified instructors and stated that a highly recommended English instructor, from the Oregon area, has been hired, on a part-time basis, for next year. Several comments and questions were received, and responses given, following Dr. Huffer's presentation. Dr. Huffer concluded by stating that he, the College staff, the Board of Education, and the Board of Directors constantly review the program, in order to provide the best possible Bible college for our General Conference. At the present time, the Board of Education is initiating an intensive study of the College, and will have reports, and perhaps recommendations, to present at a later time.

Ruth Overholser reported for the credentials Committee that 153 delegates were in attendance today, compared with 142 a year ago. C. E. Randall and Byron Jay moved that the business meeting be recessed until the next scheduled business

session, which will be at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 16. Motion carried. The session was dismissed with prayer by Joe James.

Thursday, August 16

The third business session of the Fifty-Third General Conference was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Harold Doan. Edward Goit offered the opening prayer. Executive Secretary Ross reported on the delegate expense pool, which amounted to \$58.84.

Chairman Doan clarified the roles of delegates, staff, and Board of Directors in Conference planning and decision-making, with the following statement: "For the sake of new delegates, I would like to briefly review the chain of command, which is spelled out in our 'Constitution and By-laws' and has been developed by precedent, through actions at General Conference.

"The staff at Oregon Bible College is responsible to the Executive Secretary, and through him, indirectly, to the Board of Directors. Working arrangements and salaries are reviewed annually by the Board of Directors and administered day to day by the Executive Secretary.

"The Board of Directors, in turn, is answerable directly to you. We are the ones to be called to account for whatever is done, or not done, in the Conference year. We make recommendations to you

in those areas where we need policy decisions. In those parts of the work where policy is already set, or there is no question of the Board's authority to act, we do not make specific recommendations. We simply report on activities in these departments. Staff members report for us, since they are most familiar with these departments. The responsibility, however, still rests upon the Board.

"You, as delegates, are not limited to acting on the recommendations of the Board. You can present motions or resolutions which express what you want done, to be accepted or rejected by this Conference. Those motions and resolutions which are accepted are then put into effect by the Board of Directors. The Board is answerable to you for its action or lack of action."

Minutes of the second business session were read.

The first order of business for Thursday was the nomination of candidates for three members of the Board of Directors. The terms of Charles Knapp, Robert Smith, and Joe James expire this year. The floor was opened for nominations for Director Number One. Warren Sorenson was nominated by Rolla Hightower; Harry Lee by James Lippert; and Kenneth Milne by Z. B. Duncan. Dale Swartz and Richard Smith, moved that nominations be closed for Director Number One. The motion carried.

The nominations for Director Number Two were: Paul Overholser, by Charles Jones; David Johnson, by Delbert Jones; and Kent Ross, by James Graham. Z. B. Duncan and Charles Jones moved that nominations cease for this directorship. The motion carried.

The nominations for Director Number Three were: Russell Johns, by C. E. Randall and Emory Macy; William Andrew, by C. E. Lapp; and Don Overmeyer by Alton Shaw. Norman LaMunion and Dale Swartz moved that nominations be closed. The motion carried. The Chairman announced that the election of three directors will be the first order of business at the next business session.

Scott Ross, head of the Sunday School Department, presented a report for that department, calling attention to the report on pages 4 and 5 of the June, 1973, *Progress Journal*. Bro. Scott Ross announced that applications for the full-time position of Sunday School Director, to be created in September, 1974, will be

received for several more months and that the job description will be published in the *Progress Journal* and *Sunday School Bulletin*. The Sunday School Director sees great days ahead for the department and for our Sunday schools. Bro. Scott Ross expressed appreciation to the Troyview, Ohio, Church, of which he is pastor, for permitting him to take the time to serve as part-time Sunday School Director for several months.

Chairman Doan opened the floor for nominations for two Sunday school directors. The terms of Joyce Knapp and George Scott are expiring. For Director Number One, Charles Graham nominated Joyce Knapp. Since there were no additional nominations, Edward Goit and Edward O'Neal moved that nominations cease and that the secretary cast a unanimous vote for Joyce Knapp. The motion carried.

Richard Smith nominated James Graham for Director Number Two. There being no other nominations, Kent Ross and James Babcock moved that nominations cease and that the secretary cast a unanimous vote for James Graham. The motion carried.

C. E. Randall, editor, presented a report for the Publishing Department. He called the delegates' attention to the written report submitted in the June, 1973, *Progress Journal*, page 5. Bro. Randall spoke enthusiastically of the growth of our publications during the Free Literature Campaign of the past year. He answered several questions regarding the future plans for literature distribution. J. Don Swartz presented a recommendation from the Columbia Church of God that more attention be given to the youth in *The Restitution Herald*, in order to make it a complete family paper.

Editor Randall said to the delegates: "Thank you for the cooperation given me and the kindly words spoken while I have been editor. The spirit at Headquarters has been superb. Thank you again for such a wonderful experience and pleasant time." The delegates responded with a standing ovation in appreciation for Bro. Randall's services as editor.

C. E. Randall and Hollis Partlowe moved the adoption of recommendation one, which reads: "We recommend that the Free Literature Campaign of this current year be continued indefinitely, using the present free tracts and additional material that may be written for this purpose." The motion carried.

Willis Turner and Z. B. Duncan moved the adoption of recommendation two, OCTOBER, 1973

which reads: "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. The motion carried.

For the remainder of the business session, Chairman Doan called on the delegates representing new churches to give brief reports on these works. The following reported: Robert Petry, for North Hills, Ohio; Brenda Burchett, for Greenville, S.C. and Gastonia, N.C.; Michael Mattison, for Arlington, Tex.; Dick Smith, for Pleasant Hill, Ohio; and Dale Harshman, for Freeport, Ill.

Ruth Overholser gave the Credentials Committee report: Eight officers, 48 ministers and 95 delegates. The total of 151 compared with 145 a year ago.

Delbert Jones and Raymond Brown moved that the business meeting recess until the August 17 session. The motion carried. The session was dismissed with prayer by Kent Ross.

Friday, August 17

The August 17 morning business session was called to order by Chairman Doan. Dr. William Lawrence opened the session with prayer. The chairman announced that Pastor Waters, of the Advent Christian Church, is not in attendance at our Conference. The minutes of the Thursday business session were read.

The first order of business was the election of three members of the Board of Directors. Prior to casting ballots, the chairman introduced nominee David Johnson, who was not present Thursday when other nominees were introduced. Kenneth Milne was elected as Director Number One on the second ballot. David Johnson was elected to the position of Director Number Two on the second ballot. Russell Johns was elected as Director Number Three on the second ballot.

The next order of business was the presentation by S. O. Ross of the Missions Department business, and the status of the 1974 General Conference place of assembly. Several campsites have been investigated. These other facilities are either inadequate for a group of our size or too expensive. The search for other sites will continue. The Board of Directors has set the location and time of the 1974 General Conference as, Riverview Park, August 12-17.

Bro. Ross referred the delegates to the Missions Department report on pages 5 and 6 of the June, 1973, *Progress Journal*. In addition, he reported that eight

churches will be on pastoral aid next year. He praised the work being done by lay people in several areas, and especially that of Eunice Pearson in Nova Scotia. Bro. Ross also expressed appreciation for Clement Richey, a retired person, who has moved to Oregon and is working as Maintenance Superintendent, and to his wife, Rosalie, who is also contributing to Conference work. Bro. Ross brought the delegates up to date on our foreign missions. Ghana is the newest field and Nigeria has shown the fastest growth and development.

Bro. Ross explained the disappointing situation which developed in the Middle East, where the Conference had been contributing to the work of Jamal Sunna'a. Support of Jamal Sunna'a in Lebanon has been discontinued by action of the Mission Board and the Board of Directors. Bro. Ross listed the reasons for this action, which included: teaching of false doctrines by Sunna'a in his study course lessons; Sunna'a had stated that the lessons were translations of our Systematic Bible Study Course, but this was found to be untrue; Sunna'a solicited and received funds from the Conversion Center in Havertown, Pa., although he had said that he received no support from any group except the Church of God; his present church sign says "Holy Land Baptist Church" (in Arabic); and several other reasons, all of which have been documented. Bro. Ross answered several questions related to missions work.

Joyce Knapp moved that the Missions Board make a study of how lay workers could be used in Sunday school and church work, with the prospect of having a definite program to be presented, to enlist the help of interested lay workers. Robert Petry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The chairman opened the floor for nominations to fill the expired term of Merle Patrick on the Missions Board. Merle Patrick was nominated by Delbert Jones and J. Don Swartz. Emory Macy and John Huston moved that nominations be closed and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Merle Patrick. The motion carried.

Ruth Overholser gave the report of the Credentials Committee: 8 officers, 50 ministers and 100 delegates. This was a total of 158 compared with 138 a year ago.

The chairman recessed the meeting until 2:15 p.m., and David Krogh dismissed the meeting with prayer.

The afternoon session was called to

order by Chairman Doan. C. E. Randall opened the meeting with prayer. The chairman announced that the new Board met during the lunch hour to elect officers. The following officers were elected: Harold Doan, Chairman; John Hearp, Vice-Chairman; Kenneth Milne, Secretary; and John Huston, Treasurer.

The Chairman opened the floor for a motion to adopt recommendation three. Delbert Jones and Arnold Johns moved the adoption of recommendation three, which reads: "We recommend that the 'Reaching Forth to Seventy-Eight' (Phil. 3:13, 14) program be adopted and promoted among the churches." The motion carried.

The floor was opened for a motion regarding recommendation four. Dallas Demmit and David Johnson moved the adoption of recommendation four, which reads: "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." The motion carried.

Joyce Knapp moved that the following guidelines be added to the "Guidelines for Special Aid Program": "The church receiving Special Church Aid would be expected to return one-tenth of its total

income to the General Conference, its state or district conference, or both, as a tithe unto the Lord, thereby making a covenant with the Lord to cause all endeavors of the church to be blessed beyond measure (Mal. 3:10)." The motion was seconded by Merle Patrick. The motion carried.

The next order of business concerned recommendation five. Willis Turner and Alton Shaw moved the adoption of recommendation five, which reads: "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 quitclaim deed, when it seems advisable for the purpose of borrowing money. The motion carried.

The floor was opened for action on recommendation six, regarding the constitutional change. Charles Knapp moved that the word "Secretary" in Article II, Section 6, of the Constitution and By-Laws be changed to read "Director." The motion was seconded by C. E. Randall. The motion carried.

The floor was opened for general busi-

ness. Byron Jay moved that the Church of God pastors support the tape ministry by submitting tapes to the tape library and that the General Conference support the tape ministry by advertising in *The Restitution Herald* and other denominational publications the availability of tapes by title. J. Don Swartz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Don Overmeyer moved that the Board of Directors appoint a committee to prepare and publish a songbook, similar to Youth Sings, which will be free of doctrinal error; and that this committee give due consideration to the Berean Youth Fellowship in regard to the content of this book. The motion was seconded by Edward Goit. Dallas Demmitt and Charles Knapp moved that this motion be tabled until General Conference 1974 and that the recommendation be submitted to the Youth Advisory Council for their consideration. The motion carried.

C. E. Randall moved that the Board of Directors be instructed to make a study, or appoint a committee, to research the need and advisability of implementing Section 1, paragraph (D) of Article 1 of the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference. Further, if such a study reveals the need for organizing a Board of Benevolences, initial guidelines of the nature and scope of the work be included in the report. The motion was seconded by Edward Graham. The motion carried.

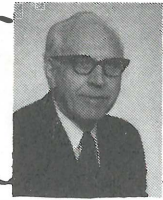
John Hearp and J. Don Swartz moved that the mileage allowance of the delegate
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CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET October 1, 1973, to September 30, 1974

ANTICIPATED INCOME:		Golden Rule Contract	3,000.00
Tuition, Room & Board (OBC)	\$35,000.00	Advance Education, OBC Prof.	800.00
Gross Profit from Sales		Emergency Reserve Fund	700.00
(Sales less printing & purchases)	<u>5,000.00</u>	Literature Campaign	20,000.00
Total Anticipated Income	\$40,000.00	MISSIONS:	
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:		Nova Scotia	5,000.00
Salaries	97,000.00	India	2,000.00
Utilities & Telephone	8,000.00	Mexico	2,000.00
Insurance	2,500.00	Philippine Islands	5,000.00
Social Security	4,000.00	Nigeria	3,000.00
Postage & Freight	4,000.00	Ghana	500.00
Supplies & Expense	5,000.00	Pastoral Aid	4,500.00
Depreciation & Repairs	2,500.00	Board Expense	1,200.00
Departmental Printing	8,000.00	Mission Opportunities	<u>800.00</u>
Food	8,500.00		\$24,000.00
Auto & Travel	8,000.00	Total Anticipated Expenses	\$198,000.00
Youth Caravan	500.00	CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED	
OBC Library	500.00	(Goals for Giving)	\$158,000.00
Legal & Audit	1,000.00		

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Business Session Minutes

The Secretary's minutes of the business sessions of the Annual Church of God General Conference appear in this issue. We encourage all members to carefully read these minutes. The delegates in session set the policies and the programs for the new Conference year. It then becomes the duty of the Board of Directors and the General Conference staff to carry out these programs.

Annual Budget

The Budget for the year, October 1, 1973, to September 30, 1974, is on page 4 in this issue. This is the largest budget ever undertaken by the Church of God General Conference. Contributions in the amount of \$158,000.00 will be needed to meet the needs for the year. We are thankful that the total giving for the past fiscal year has nearly reached this amount. We praise God for his blessings upon the membership to make this giving possible.

Change in Title

You will notice a change in title for my position (see top of page). It is now Executive Director instead of Executive Secretary. The delegates at the last Annual General Conference made this possible by a constitutional change. This title more nearly describes the duties of this administrative position.

Conference Van

A decision was made to order a fifteen passenger van for use of Oregon Bible College Chorale and Gospel teams, for Youth Caravans, and for other Conference needs. The evening offerings at General Conference, which were designated for this purpose, totaled \$2,019.00. Since Conference time other contributions and pledges have brought the total to five thousand dollars which is only slightly short of the total cost. This vehicle has been ordered and will be delivered within the next few months. We are thankful for each one who has contributed to this special need.

Sunday School-Youth Director

Bro. Francis Burnett began his duties as full-time Sunday School-Youth Director September 1. The appointment is for one year. As Sunday School Director, Bro. Burnett is chairman of the Sunday School Board, which is composed of Scott Ross, Robert Petry, Joyce

Knapp, and James Graham, the latter elected this year at General Conference.

As Youth Director, Bro. Burnett works with the Youth Council, elected by the youth at the annual Youth Conference.

Literature Crusade

The decision was made at General Conference to provide tracts free of charge indefinitely. *The Restitution Herald* will be provided subscription free for one year. We encourage each church to organize a systematic way of distributing this written word during the next church year.

Pastoral Changes

There were a number of pastoral changes made September 1. The new Directory, which will appear in the November issue of *Progress Journal*, will list the new addresses of these pastors.

Pastoral Aid

Eight churches are on the Pastoral Aid Program of the Church of God General Conference. They are: Royal Village, Front Royal, Va.; Lombard, Ill.; Eternal Hope, Herndon, Va.; Flag Center, Ill.; East Oregon, Ill.; Raymore, Mo.; Arlington, Tex.; and L'Anse, Mich., which is in the last year of the program.

Conference Finances

The goals for giving for the month of September have been met. We are thankful to the membership for this dedicated giving and to God for providing the needs.

As we begin this new Conference year, may God continue to bless and may all the work of the Church of God General Conference progress according to his will.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 - September 30, 1974
\$158,000.00

Goal for September	\$11,166.00
Given in September	\$11,885.00
October needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for October \$13,167.00

Missions News

By S. O. Ross

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

Ghana

Bro. Oliver Amani continues to do a good work in Ghana, West Africa. James Asare, Theodore Oboo, and Ruth Kufui were immersed in the waters of baptism by Pastor Amani. They are all from the village of New Ayoma and are employees of the Ghana Cocoa Marketing Board.

Bro. Amani reports that he is thankful for the tracts and quarterlies recently received and that they are most helpful in his ministry and evangelistic efforts.

A recent letter advises that Bro. Amani has been in the hospital for three weeks with a serious stomach ulcer. He says, "I am out of the hospital now and I hope to be able to resume normal work very soon. Greetings from the brethren here in Ghana and pray for me and the work here."

Mexico

Sr. Alice Aldrich spent six weeks in Mexico this summer. Susan Foster, of Sycamore, Ill., accompanied her at her own expense. They conducted Bible schools at both Labor Vieja and Potosi.

Bro. Roberto Badillo has assumed the leadership of the congregation at Labor Vieja. He has been a diligent lay worker for several years and is now speaking at the Sunday worship service as well as leading the midweek classes.

Bro. Francisco Martinez is pastoring the group at Potosi and conducting Sunday school and worship services each week. They have recently begun midweek services.

Philippine Islands

Eleven were immersed in the waters of baptism at the Uddiawan Church in July. There were two men, fifty and twenty-five years of age, and nine teen-age men and women. We praise God for each of these and ask your prayers for them as they begin their walk of life for the Lord.

Bro. Marcos Robles has been pastor of the Uddiawan Church. However, he is presently suffering with a lung ailment and is unable to continue his preaching ministry for awhile. Bro. Mariano Gallardo, a lay worker, is supplying the pulpit at present.

Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero, leader of the Philippine Conference work, and Bro. Estifanio Sibayan continue to carry on the radio work. Much good response is in

evidence and the Lord is blessing this work in a wonderful way.

Nova Scotia

The new siding for the church has arrived. The men will be busy trying to get the siding on before severe weather begins. Anyone who could go to Nova Scotia to assist in this project would be most welcome. Here is a real challenge for anyone to use his vacation in a spiritually profitable way, or for a retired person to serve the Lord.

A missionary conference will be held October 19-21 at the Digby Church of God. Bro. S. O. Ross will be there as guest speaker.

India

On August 5, special anniversary services were held at the Thomas Town Church. It was the seventh anniversary of this church. Many attended from the other churches located in and around Bangalore. Special prayers were held by Bro. S. S. Manoah and the members of the India churches during our annual General Conference, August 13-18.

Bro. Manoah says: "Please convey our special greetings and Christian love to each of the brothers and sisters of the Conference. Though we are very far from you and cannot partake with you, we are very near to you in our prayers."

The medical clinic is in operation in a temporary facility. This will serve until the new church-medical building is completed. Six hundred eighty persons were treated during July. Devotions are held in the waiting room several times each day.

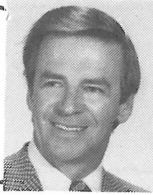
Nigeria

The pastors in Nigeria are most appreciative of the Bibles, *Songs of Truth* hymnals, and tracts that have been mailed to them. One of the men writes, "Every tract that you have sent is a real soul winner. Even the Moslems are enjoying reading the tracts. We really appreciate them and many thanks for all the literature."

Mission Day

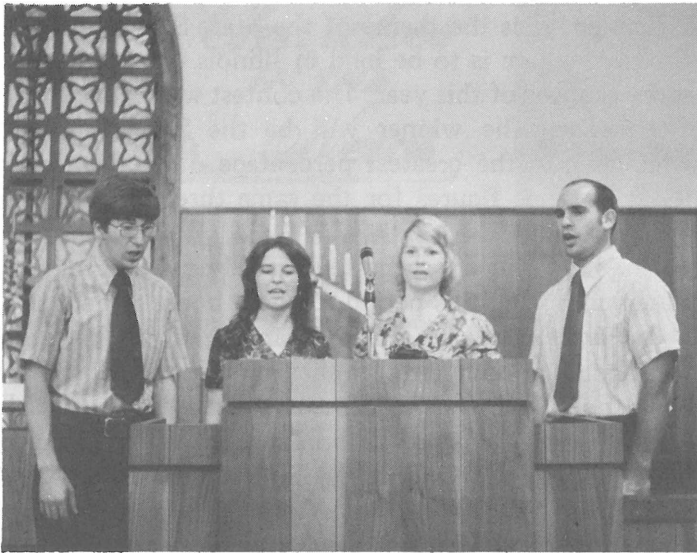
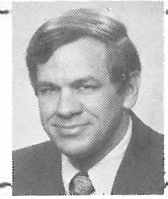
November is Mission Month in the Church of God General Conference. The first Sunday, November 4, is designated as Mission Sunday. We trust that each church will feature special mission emphasis on at least one Sunday in November.

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Dale Ramsey and students assisting in Oregon church services

side, vice-president, Bob Storts, secretary-treasurer, and Sam Voorhies, Student Council representative. The Freshman class will meet later in the term and elect officers.

Sydney Kirkpatrick is Student Council president. Michael Berry is president of the Mission Fellowship, and Bruce Burnside is Social Committee chairman.

Library Additions

Thanks to Cecil Smead and Delbert Jones of Pomona, Cal., for donating five hundred and two hundred books respectively to the College library. We were able to add most of these books to the shelves. They will help us to add to the quality of the library.

Fall Semester Calendar

For the Fall Breakfast on September 14, the students enjoyed a breakfast of wheat cakes at White Pines park. Christian Emphasis Week was October 8-12. Dallas Demmitt directed the Christian Emphasis Week program. There will be no classes Friday, October 26, while faculty members attend the AABC convention at the Sheraton Blackstone Hotel in Chicago. Thanksgiving holiday will be November 22-25, and the semester will end Friday, December 21.

Activities

In addition to their regular class responsibilities, students use much of their time helping in local churches through the Christian Service program, going on gospel teams and working for the Lord in other ways. Brother Dale Ramsey directs the Christian Service program and also schedules gospel teams. We are glad that the students have the opportunity to work for the Lord in this way.

New Board of Education Member

Charles Pryor, Morton, Ill., has been appointed to the Board of Education for Oregon Bible College. Brother Pryor is director of a career education program for the Peoria, Ill., school system. He has had much training in the field of education and is a dedicated worker for the Lord. His assistance to the Bible College is greatly appreciated.

New Staff Member

We welcome the assistance of Janis Wilsterman as a new staff member at the Bible College. She serves as the receptionist and secretary.

New School Year

Fifty-four students are enrolled for the fall semester. Twenty of these students are new, thirty are returning students, and four are unclassified students taking less than twelve hours.

New Students

We welcome the following new students to the campus: Donna Blake, Columbus, Ohio; Lynn Boyer, Seven Fountains, Va.; Deborah Burnett, Ripley, Ill.; Kenny Cook, Greentown, Ind.; JoAnn Coverston, Waterlick, Va.; David Huffer, Tempe, Ariz.; Linda Jones, Pomona, Cal.; Debra Lichliter, Seven Fountains, Va.; Cynthia Maddock, Burr Oak, Ind.; Sidney Magaw, Milford, Ohio; John Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Karen Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Rita Pearson, Vandalia, Ohio; Phyllis Prussak, Avon Lake, Ohio; Diane Shute, Niagara Falls, Ont.; Christie Simpson, Urbana, Ohio; Barbara Urban, Avon Lake, Ohio; David Wilsterman, Phoenix, Ariz.; Richard Young, Dayton, Ohio.

Class Officers

The classes have elected the following officers for this year. The Sophomores elected Scott Millard, president, Kathy Cooper, vice-president, Sarah DeForest, secretary, and Ken Taylor, Student Council representative. The Juniors elected Dan Graham, president and Telve Lippert, Student Council representative. The Seniors elected Benny Mattison, president, Bruce Burn-

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Great! Great! Great!

These are the words used by many to express their feelings concerning the 1973 Berean Youth Conference. This conference was held at Camp Alexander Mack, near Milford, Indiana, July 22-28. Indeed, it was truly a wonderful youth conference! As always, there were young people and adults attending from every corner of the U.S.A., and several from Canada. There were three hundred forty-four campers and forty-three staff members in attendance. In fact, the number reached the limit of available facilities at Camp Mack. The weather was very good and the grounds of the camp were beautiful. The spirit of all was excellent. Limited space does not allow us to describe the fine fellowship that was enjoyed in the name of Jesus our Savior.

The prime purpose of every youth conference is to develop the camper, both in knowledge and in Christian growth. He is encouraged to take a firm stand for Jesus as his Savior. On Thursday and Friday, twenty-four young people responded to the invitation to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins. All who attended agree that this was the most important and inspiring event of the entire youth conference. We thank our God for giving us this opportunity to be together.

Youth Week—1973

We would like to remind you that October 22-28 are the days set aside as this year's Youth Week. October 28 will be Youth Sunday. From past reports, we know that many of our churches look forward with pleasure to this special event. We encourage you to support the young people throughout this week of special activities. It provides an added opportunity for you to help them to grow in the work of the Lord.

Diamond Jubilee Ending

The commemoration of the 75th year of the Berean Youth Fellowship will end on October 31. It has been a wonderful year and we thank you for participating in its many special activities. The book containing the history of the Berean Youth Fellowship is on hand and available to you at \$2.50.

International Communion Sunday

The date for this special worldwide Communion service for the youth of the Church of God is November 25.

Bring Them in

The above is the theme of the State Sunday School Contest, which is to be held in Illinois during the last three months of this year. The contest will be based on attendance. The winner will be the Sunday school which shows the greatest percentage of increase over its attendance figures for the same three months one year ago.

The following are suggested special days that may be observed during this period, to help boost attendance.

1. *Family Day.* On this day, an effort may be made to encourage complete families to be present at Sunday school, and to sit together as a family unit. A small award, such as a pencil or bookmark, may be given to each member of the complete family units present.

2. *Picture Taking Sunday.* On this Sunday, have one who is a good photographer take slide pictures, or movies, of all the classes. Urge people to be sure to be on hand for their class picture.

3. *Picture Showing Sunday.* A week or two after the Picture Taking Sunday, show all of the pictures that were taken. Everyone will want to see himself and his family and friends on the screen.

4. *Rally Day and/or Homecoming Day.* Plan one or both days to come during the contest period. Make a special effort to contact everyone on the Sunday school roll and encourage attendance on that day. A short program may be planned, to be presented during the opening. Make everyone feel so welcome that he will want to attend again and again.

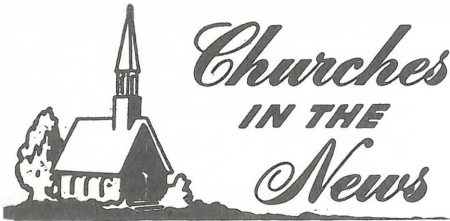
5. *Missions Day.* This is the first Sunday in November. Perhaps a letter from one of our missionaries, containing a report of the work in his country, may be read. A display of pictures of people and scenes from that country will help to promote enthusiasm. A missionary skit is suggested.

These suggested special days may be used in addition to others that fit well with your program.

Sunday School Board Meeting

On Saturday, September 29, 1973, members of the Sunday School Board met in the General Conference building, at Oregon, Ill. This was a special day. Each Sunday School Quarterly editor was invited to attend, and to discuss the future of the quarterlies and his part in this great work. A time was designated for each editor to confer with the Board, and to present his views about possible improvements for the quarterlies.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct. 5, 6—Women's Retreat, Epworth Forest, N. Webster, Ind.
- Oct. 5-7—N.E. Conference, Columbia Station, Ohio.
- Oct. 6, 7—Southern Illinois Conference at Macomb.
- Oct. 7-13—Special meetings at Burr Oak Church, Burr Oak, Ind. Clyde E. Randall, speaker.
- Oct. 7-14—Meetings at Guthrie Grove, S.C., Hollis Partlowe, speaker.
- Oct. 13, 14—Northern Ill. Conference, Dixon.
- Oct. 28—Tenth and thirty-fifth anniversaries, Jaynes St. Church of God, Omaha. Clyde E. Randall, speaker.
- Oct. 22-28—National Youth Week.
- Nov. 3—Michigan Missionary Conference at Blanchard.
- Nov. 2-4—Missionary Conference, Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont. Scott Ross, speaker, Ralph Childs, song evangelist.
- Nov. 7-11—Fall Meetings, Glad Tidings Church, Dayton, Ohio, Richard Smith, speaker.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.
- Nov. 25—BYF Communion Sunday

IN APPRECIATION

We feel a sincere appreciation for all of our friends, who so lovingly expressed their feelings of sympathy to us at the time of the death of our dear wife and mother, Lois. We also wish to thank those friends, families, churches, and the Ministerial Association for so generously assisting with our financial needs at that time.

We are also grateful to all those who have sent contributions to the Dixon National Bank, to help build the Lois Graham Memorial Fund, which is being used to help pay the cost of installing a music laboratory in the music room at Oregon Bible College.

May your kindness and generosity "redound to the glory of God" and add blessings to your account, that you may know joy at the appearing of Jesus our Savior.

Ernest Graham and family.

FREEPORT CHURCH OF GOD

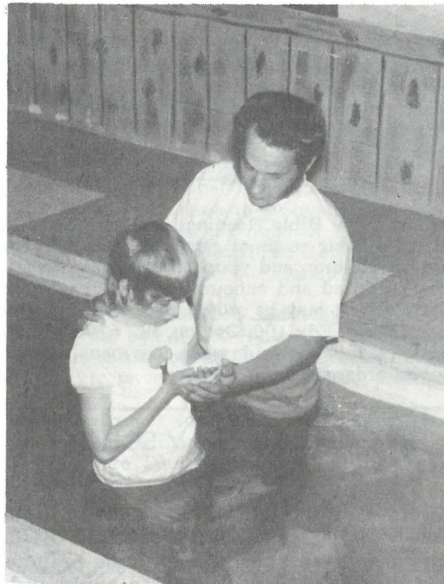
Members of the Church of God in the Freeport, Ill., community began meeting in November of 1972, and have Sunday school and Sunday morning worship services. Bro. Robert Jones was pastor until June 1, 1973. Bro. Dale Harshman has been preaching during the summer and became our full-time pastor September 1.

Officers were recently selected. They are: elder, Dean Urish; deacon, Dean Urish; deaconess, Edna Alvey; secretary-treasurer, Shirley Urish; Sunday school superintendent, Nancy Craig; Berean superintendent, Dale Harshman.

A home Bible study class was held last winter and plans are being made to hold another one this fall.

Shirley Urish, secretary.

BAPTISMS



The Sunday evening service at the Oregon Church was designated as "Freeport Night," with members of the new Freeport Church attending as guests of the Oregon congregation. During the course of the evening, Bro. Paul Johnson, representing the Oregon congregation, presented Bro. Dean Urish, who represented the Freeport congregation, with a check for the Building Fund of the new church.

The picture shows Linda Urish, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Dean Urish, being baptized in the baptistry at Oregon, by her pastor, Bro. Dale Harshman.

On July 8, 1973, it was my pleasure to baptize John and Don Kinsley, my nephews. Their address is 15328 Armsby L., Morgan Hill, Cal. 95037.

Jesse L. Humphreys, pastor.

James Fish was immersed in the saving name of Christ on Sunday, August 12, 1973, near Blanchard, Mich.

Michael Mattison, pastor.

Springfield, Ohio: The North Hills Church of God is very happy to announce that the following people accepted Christ as their personal Savior: Terri Current, John and Pat Looney, baptized August 5, 1973. Donna Deane, Cindy Monroe, and Connie Severs, baptized September 2, 1973. Also, Bonnie Pinkerman joined our fellowship September 2, 1973. May God richly bless them.

Vileen Rowell, secretary.

Mrs. Betty Jackson was baptized into the saving name of Jesus on Sunday, July 29, 1973, by the writer. The following Sunday she was officially received into membership in Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, by Pastor J. Arlen Marsh.

J. R. LeCrone, pastor.

Omaha, Neb.: It was our pleasure to assist our grandson to put on Christ by baptism, March 18, 1973. Brent Shelton, Litchfield, Minn., was baptized at the Jaynes St. Church of God, Omaha, Neb. . . . LuAnn McNew of Ft. Calhoun, Neb., was baptized into Christ August 22, 1973. LuAnn made her decision at the 1973 Berean Youth Conference. May the Lord bless these two young people.

Emory Macy, pastor.

East Peoria, Ill.: Elizabeth Lyons and Danny Bower were recently baptized and became members of the Faith Chapel Church of God. We trust that their future lives will reflect their faith in Jesus, and their desire to please the Lord in everything that they do. They were assisted in baptism by their pastor, Bro. Dale Swartz.

L'Anse, Mich.: We rejoice for five of our young people who were baptized in Lake Superior during the month of August. They are: Coleen and Tracy Emery, Terry and Randy Haataja, and Larry Grant. We pray God's blessing on these new members of the body of Christ.

Cecil Smead, retiring pastor.

Hillisburg, Ind.: There was great joy in heaven, as well as in the Hillisburg Church of God on August 12, 1973, when Tom and Dortha Burt accepted Jesus Christ through baptism. We pray God's guidance upon these two new babes in Christ, as together they serve him till he comes.

Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

Minneapolis, Minn.: Following their confession of faith, Debra Pedley and David Stein were baptized into the body of Christ on August 12, 1973. May God's blessing rest on them as they begin their walk of faith.

Don Needham, pastor.

Lafayette, Ind.: On July 15, 1973, Miss Patricia Kuhns was immersed in the waters of baptism and began a new walk of life. We at Faith Chapel rejoice with her in this decision.

Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

Mark Gilberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Gilberts, of Mount Horeb, Wis., and David Alvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Alvey, of Shannon, Ill., were baptized on April 15, 1973, by Bro. Robert Jones. On September 2, Linda Urish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Urish, was baptized by Bro. Dale Harshman.

Shirley Urish, secretary.

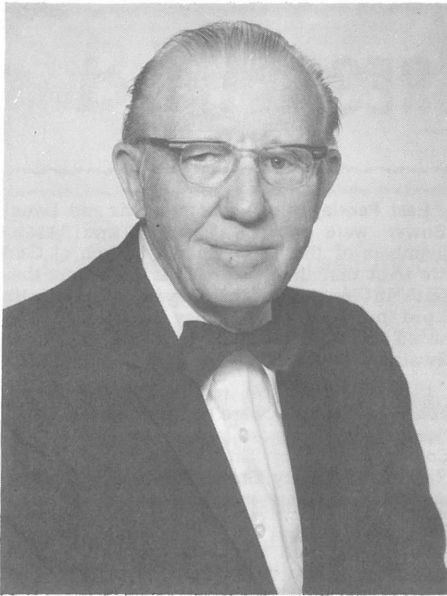
CAMPERS REQUEST BAPTISM

One of the great moments of the Youth Conference came when uncommitted campers received Jesus as their Savior. The following accepted the gospel invitation. Several of them were baptized at Camp Mack. The rest returned to their home churches to be baptized.

The following are the names of those who made their decision at that time: Shellee Ballentine, Cincinnati, Ohio; Donna Wilson, Barbara Urban, Tim Yarberry, Columbia Station, Ohio; Cindy Moore, Potosi, Mo.; Carleeta Carpenter, Waterloo, Iowa; Sarah Foster, Sycamore, Ill.; Diane Severs, Donna Robinson, Donna Issacs, Marty Hart, Lawrenceville, Ohio, community; Mark Good, Frankfort, Ind.; John Magaw, Cincinnati, Ohio; Joni Holt, Piedmont, S.C.; Laura VerMehren, Omaha, Neb.; LuAnne McNew, Ft. Calhoun, Neb.; David Hughes, Hammond, La.; Kathy Buliuing, Fonthill, Ont.; Cindy Barrett, Frank Kruiis, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Kathy Zingel, Linda Clayton, Lombard, Ill.

PASTOR NEEDED

The Denver Church is in need of a dynamic leader, to rebuild the effort from a small base. Interested ministers are requested to contact P. M. Landry, 1123 N. Meade Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo. 80909, phone 303-636-2813.



EDITOR RETIRES

Bro. Clyde E. Randall, editor of the Church of God publications for the past two years, retired September 1. He has been a diligent worker in the General Conference from its very beginning.

Bro. Randall has been in the active ministry for the past fifty-eight years. He was licensed in 1915 and ordained in March, 1921, six months before the formal organization of the Church of God General Conference. He has been known for lengthy pastorates. He served as Minnesota Evangelist for a few years and as pastor of the following churches: Southlawn, Grand Rapids, Mich., for three years; Fonthill, Ont., for eighteen years; Tempe, Ariz., for six years and Omaha, Neb., for fifteen years.

Bro. Randall has served on many boards and committees most of the years of his ministry. He served as a member of the National Berean Board during the earlier years of that organization. He has served on the Board of Directors and is presently Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association. He was recently appointed by the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference to serve as Historian for the Conference and he will be working on a written history in the months ahead.

Sr. Nora Anderson Randall has also retired from the General Conference work where she faithfully served for several years in various capacities. She was Womens Dormitory Director for a time and for the past several years served as director of food services for Oregon Bible College.

All best wishes and the Lord's blessings go with Bro. and Sr. Randall. They are commended for their diligent and faithful service in the Lord's work in these many capacities.

From the New Editor

I consider it a great honor to be chosen to succeed Bro. C. E. Randall as editor of the General Conference publications. He has done a fine job in that capacity, and I do not expect to take his place. With your cooperation and the help of God, I hope to be able to do a creditable job in this position.

For the time being, no major changes in makeup and departments of *The Restitution Herald* are contemplated. Several valuable suggestions have been received and will be given serious consideration. But until I learn to know my job thoroughly, I shall be content to follow the beaten path quite closely.

We urge that you make it your own personal

responsibility to keep us well supplied with articles that are thoroughly biblical and news that will encourage and strengthen others in the work of the Lord. Encourage your pastor to write, but don't leave all of the writing to the ministers. Laymen can be very effective Christian writers. Help make these publications what you want them to be!
J. R. LeCrone.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR APPLICATIONS

The Church of God General Conference plans to employ a full-time Sunday School Director in September, 1974. Anyone interested in this position should write to Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and an application will be mailed. This is a very important position and the prayers of the membership are desired that the Lord will direct the right person to apply and be accepted. Following is the Job Description for the position:

Job Description

1. Serve as chairman of the Sunday School Board.
 - a) Study the needs and make plans for promoting the Sunday schools of the Church of God General Conference.
 - b) Plan the agenda for Sunday School Board meetings and send the agenda to the members before each meeting.
 - c) Keep the Sunday School Board informed.
 - d) Direct the planning for Sunday School Day at the annual General Conference.
 - e) Keep in close contact and communication with the Executive Director to whom you are directly responsible.
2. Oversee all Sunday school promotions.
 - a) Feed our Sunday schools with new ideas.
 - b) Direct any national contests that may be held.
 - c) Direct and promote new Sunday school growth and offer practical aids to such growth.
 - d) Offer practical assistance in starting new Sunday schools.
3. Oversee all Sunday school publications.
 - a) Write monthly the "Sunday School News" column in *Progress Journal*.
 - b) Publish monthly the "Sunday School Bulletin."
 - c) Produce monthly the "Teacher-Training Guide Sheets."
 - d) Edit the Sunday School Manual.
 - e) Produce periodic bulletin inserts.
4. Plan, promote, and present seminars to meet the needs of our Sunday schools.
5. Visit Sunday schools and conferences (with emphasis on the smaller schools) to provide needed help and to promote the General Conference in general.
6. Oversee the Sunday school tape ministry.
7. Keep annual statistics on General Conference Sunday schools for the purpose of observing progress or the lack of progress.
8. Be aware of and keep in contact with the talents of individuals within our General Conference for future use as editors, writers, artists, speakers, seminar instructors, and so forth.
9. Be prepared to oversee the Sunday school quarterlies if they are placed in the Sunday School Department by the General Conference and its board.
 - a) Possible revision of the Sunday school quarterly.
 - b) Constant improvement and updating of the quarterly material.
 - c) Work closely with the publications editor and Executive Director in appointing quarterly editors.
 - d) Keep in close communication with the quarterly editors.
 - e) Direct the production of any teacher manual to accompany the quarterlies.
10. Work closely with the publications editor on vacation Bible school material and preparation.

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 "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"
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OBITUARIES

Samuel T. Kee was born in McDonough County, Ill., October 29, 1901. He died in Phoenix, Ariz., August 10, 1973. He was a long-time member of the Church of God. He was baptized during the General Conference sessions in August of 1929.

He and his wife Helen were active members of the Churches of God in Chicago, Macomb, and Ripley, Ill., and with their sons, at Tempe and Phoenix, Ariz.

Bro. Kee is survived by his wife, Helen Nell Kee, and one son, William. One son, Ronald preceded him in death. Three grandchildren and a brother also survive him.

Memorial services were conducted by the writer at the Carr Mortuary, in Tempe. He and the writer were longtime friends. Our prayer is that "the blessed hope" which motivated Bro. Kee's life may continue to motivate his family and friends. His was the hope of immortality when Jesus returns to establish God's kingdom on the earth.
 Gerald L. Cooper.

George W. Durham died on Friday, August 3, 1973, at the age of 95. He was a retired merchant and a member of Guthrie Grove Church of God. He served as a Sunday school teacher for 47 years.

Bro. Durham is survived by three daughters and four sons. A sister is still living at the age of 87. There are 19 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the pastor on Sunday, August 5, at the Guthrie Grove Church. Burial was in the church cemetery. Bro. and Sr. T. M. Ferrell sang.

Bro. Durham died with faith in the resurrection and the coming kingdom of God. He sleeps beside his faithful wife, awaiting that glorious day when his Savior shall return to this earth.
 Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Sara Pearle Durham Tollison, 87, widow of J. A. Tollison, died Monday, August 27, 1973, at Easley, S.C. She was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God. Surviving are two daughters, 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She was buried in the Guthrie Grove Cemetery. The writer had charge of the graveside service.
 Kenneth Milne, pastor.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: O. U. Idiong, Nigeria; Viola Goit, Fonthill, Ont.; Jack W. Lohr, Tempe, Ariz.; Mrs. Millard Pritchard, N.C.; Mrs. Norma Vidito, Winsten Winchester, and Barbara Winchester, Nova Scotia; Priscilla Anderson, Charles Baldwin, Patricia Baldwin, Randy Baldwin, Danny K. Bush, Preston Miller, Sheila Miller, Karen Mitchell, Colleen Scheese, Roxanne Scheese, Leanne Scheese, Randy Scheese, Sandra Scheese, Robert Smith, June Taylor, Craig Eldred, and Etta Marie Wetzell, all of Blanchard, Mich.

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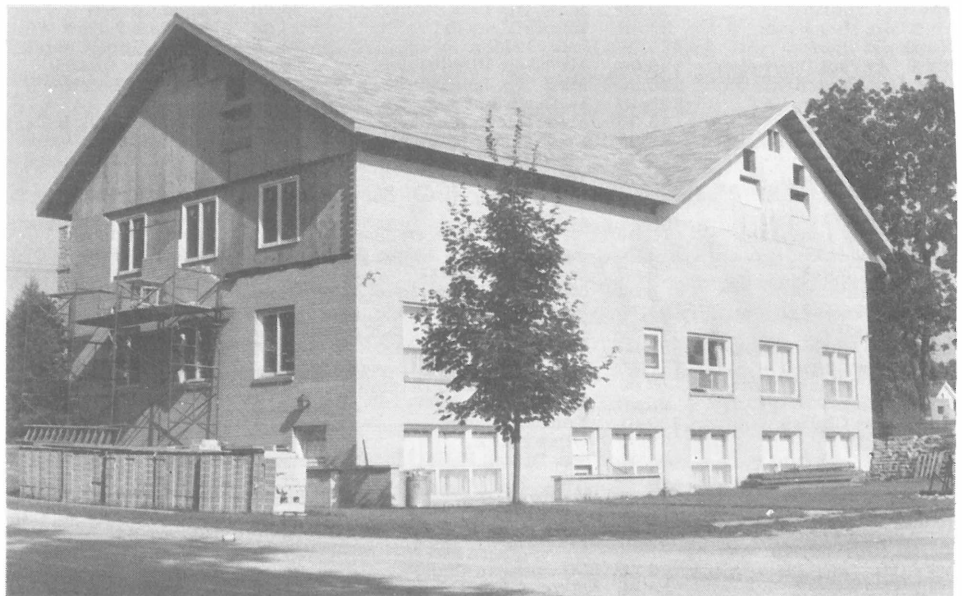
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Shown in this picture is a view of the Oregon Church of God, taken from the parking lot at the rear. The purpose is to show the progress that has been made in adding a second story to the educational wing of the building. This will provide the Sunday school with five additional classrooms.

MINUTES OF THE 1973 GENERAL CONFERENCE

(Continued from page 4)

expense pool be increased to 6¢ per mile, effective General Conference, 1974. The motion carried.

The next order of business was consideration of the Proposed Budget for 1973-1974. Edward Goit and Merle Patrick moved the adoption of the Proposed Budget, which included a "Goals for Giving" of \$158,000. The motion carried.

C. F. Pryor requested that the delegate body stand for a few minutes of silent prayer, thanking God for moving the membership to reach the needs in giving. Following the prayer, Delbert Jones moved that the delegates give a rising vote of appreciation to the retiring members of the Board of Directors. Several people seconded this motion as the delegates stood in appreciation.

Ruth Halls Overholser gave the final report for the Credentials Committee. At the afternoon session today, there were 8 officers, 39 ministers and 84 delegates present, for a total of 131 compared to 117 a year ago. The largest delegate at-

tendance this year was 158 compared to 145 in 1972. The smallest attendance was 133 compared to 114 in 1972. The average delegate attendance at business sessions was 145 this year and 135 in 1972.

Delbert Jones and John Huston moved that the Credentials Committee report be accepted. The motion carried.

Joe E. James, Secretary of the Board of Directors, read the minutes of the final business session. Alton Shaw moved that all minutes of the business sessions of the Fifty-Third Annual Church of God General Conference be approved. Howard Schute seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Russell Johns and Dale Swartz moved that the business session of the 1973 Church of God General Conference be adjourned. The motion to adjourn carried. Chairman Harold Doan dismissed the session with prayer.

"A Tape Fund has been established by the General Conference Board of Directors for anyone who would like to contribute funds, to offset the cost to Bro. Byron Jay in supplying tapes for our services. Up until now, Bro. Jay has donated all of his equipment and tapes!"—Glad Tidings Chapel Bulletin, Dayton, Ohio.

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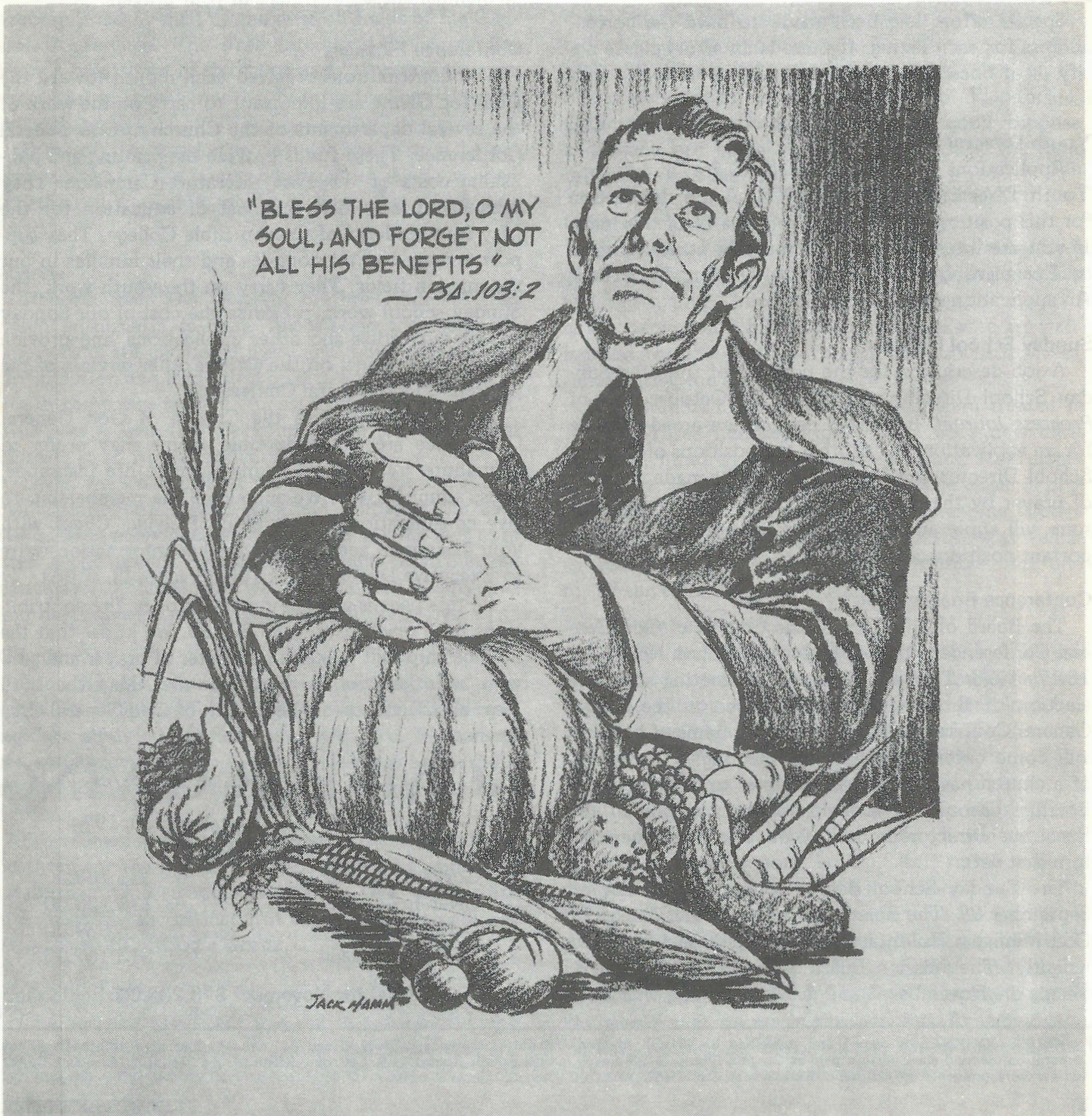
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Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	77.00	Anonymous in Memory of G W Durham	50.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Ward	40.00	Pennellwood Church	219.59
Holbrook Church	45.05	Wilman Gentry	5.00	Central High Plains Conf	44.28	North Hills Church	53.39
Blanchard Bereans	12.00	Edith Eades	12.00	Graytown Church	45.00	Anonymous	1.00
Sheila Sheeley	35.00	J Anon	60.00	Luella Mielke	25.00	Rockford Miss Soc	65.00
Ben Carpenter	50.00	Mr & Mrs Marvin Cooper	25.00	Chris Ramsey	25.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	50.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	10.00	Mr & Mrs Elmo Gaspar	200.00	Debbie Thomas	3.00	Carol Daniels	5.00
Digby Church	106.00	Ind Contributors	150.00	Mildred Schaal	7.00	Shellee Ballentine	1.00
Freeport Church	30.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00	Faith Chapel—Lafayette SS	125.65	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	30.00
Terry Circle	5.00	Mr & Mrs E J Demmitt	34.75	Mrs Lucille Wulff	19.00	Mr & Mrs Waldon Winner	10.00
Southwest Conf	104.75	Gen Conf VBS Offering	22.25	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	80.00	Phoenix Bible Church	261.00
Dixon Church	70.40	Gen Conf Mission Sale	255.70	East Oregon SS	25.00	Anonymous	100.00
Lafayette Faith Chapel	39.50	M A Patrick	128.50	Mary Hale	4.50	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal Jr	23.25
Troy View Church	111.65	Mr & Mrs Dallas Demmitt	54.00	Mr & Mrs Earl Reinhard	5.00	Modesto Bible Church	6.15
Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	40.00	Vinnie Tyler	10.00	Ruth Reid	15.00	J T Treharne	8.00
Leota Hanson	25.00	Fonthill Church	126.59	Fonthill SS	11.42	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00
Southlawn Church	380.01	Orley Patton	5.00	Cool Spring SS	15.16	San Jose Church	15.00
Macomb SS	30.80	Mrs Russell Heiser	5.00	Champion Church	25.00	Guthrie Grove BYF	8.00
Frances Wood	45.00	Francis Boyle	6.00	Morning Star Church	20.00	Indiana Conference	178.00
Esta Starbuck	50.00	Deirdre Daley	106.00	Jay Ramsey	50.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00
Lombard Church	116.31	Mission Dollar Club	110.00	Sue Andrew	5.00	Mr & Mrs Carroll Bennett	500.00
May White	15.00	Peoria Jr Bereans	8.00	Missouri Conf	200.00	Hazel Cripe	25.00
Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00	Raker Union SS	37.00	Herbert Edmister	3.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Knapp	78.40
Forest Hills Church	53.76	Maurertown Church	32.96	Mr & Mrs Arlen Rankin	5.00	Mr & Mrs Clement Richey	100.00
Mr & Mrs Don Ward	66.00	Mr & Mrs C C Fuson	10.00	Lawrenceville Church	190.62	St Louis Church	21.86
Mr & Mrs Russell Harman	50.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Glover	19.95	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	24.00	Hector Church	100.00
Shilah Richmond	21.00	Esther Jenkins	15.00	Anonymous	50.00	Anonymous	10.00
South Bend Hope Chapel	90.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50	South Bend Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00
Tempe Bible Church	434.78	Koszta Church	36.00	Dan Dovenbarger	30.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00
Denise Pearson	12.00	Happy Woods Dorcas Soc	5.00	San Jose Dorcas Soc	15.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	145.00
Jay St Church	32.23			Donna Kennedy	5.00		

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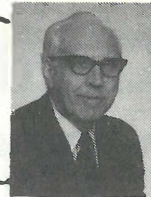
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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Church of God Directory

This issue carries the Church of God General Conference Directory. The membership is encouraged to file this issue for future use. When traveling, it is helpful to locate a church or Sunday school to attend in any particular area.

Special effort has been made to have the correct address for each listing. If there is an error, please notify us at once and a correction will appear in the next issue.

Youth Director Applications

Applications are being accepted for a full-time Youth Director September, 1974. A job description for this position can be found on page 11 of this issue. If you are interested in this important position, write to Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill, 61061. An application will be mailed to you.

Sunday School Director

A job description for the position of full-time Sunday School Director appeared in the October issue of *Progress Journal*. Interested persons are urged to write for an application. We ask that the positions of Sunday School Director and Youth Director be made a matter of prayer by the membership. Pray that the right persons will apply and be accepted for both of these important positions.

Conference Boards Meet

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will meet in Oregon, Ill., on November 15-17, 1973. This will be the first meeting since the election of three new Board members at the annual General Conference in August. Many items of business will come before this three-day meeting. If a member of a church has a matter of business to present to the Board, it should be brought to the attention of the Executive Director or one of the Board members before that date.

The Sunday School Board met in Oregon, Ill., on September 29. The Board of Trustees of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association met recently. The Mission Board will meet at Blanchard, Mich., on November 3 and 4. This meeting will be in

conjunction with the annual Michigan Missionary Institute. The Board members will be participating in the Institute. The men and women serving on these boards are to be commended for their dedicated service. They give generously of their time and talents without pay. Remember these individuals in your prayers.

Conference Finances

The contributions received each month toward the Goal for Giving are important to carry on the work of the several departments of the Church of God General Conference. These funds provide the printing and publishing costs of the Free Literature Campaign. They subsidize nearly half the cost of education for the fifty-four students of Oregon Bible College. They support twenty-one missionaries and their families in our six mission fields. They carry on the youth work, the Sunday school work, subsidize the cost of our Sunday school quarterlies and other publications, and provide the means to carry on the various other services of the Church of God General Conference.

All contributions to the Church of God General Conference are tax deductible. Some may prefer to contribute by deferred giving through life insurance, wills, annuities, etc. We encourage the membership to give consideration to this kind of giving. Check with your insurance agent or for further information write to Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

As this page is written in mid-October, the contributions have reached only \$8,000.00. We know that the membership will make this a matter of prayer and concern and that the needs will be met. May the Lord bless all the efforts of the Church of God General Conference.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for October	\$13,167.00
Given in October	\$ 8,128.00
Deficit in October	\$ 5,039.00
November Needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for November \$18,206.00

Missions News

By S. O. Ross

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

Mission Month

November is Mission Month in the Church of God General Conference. Special emphasis should be given to missions in each church. Hopefully, each church will set one Sunday aside as Mission Sunday. Much is being accomplished in each of the mission fields of the General Conference. The Free Literature Campaign has been a great help in the "Outreach" that has been so successful in recent months, both in foreign fields and in local areas.

Each of the missionary leaders has written to express thanks for the tracts and materials being provided for their use. God is richly blessing the efforts put forth.

Nigeria

Reports from the Nigerian brethren indicate that much enthusiasm is being felt among the members. The youth are becoming more and more active under the direction and leadership of Bro. Solomon Idiong. A youth camp was held in August at the Ediene Church. This was a first for the youth there and was a real blessing to all who attended.

Seven were baptized at the Asarama Church. A special Communion service was held following the baptisms. The attendance at this church is over two hundred each Sunday. The Sunday evening service attendance average for August was one hundred twenty-two and the midweek average one hundred thirty-five.

Ghana

Bro. Oliver K. Amani continues to carry on a busy schedule in Ghana. Two prison inmates in Kpando village are studying the Scriptures with Bro. Amani and are asking for baptism. A fetish priest has been studying the Bible truths with him and also has asked for baptism.

Bro. Amani writes, "Many thanks to you and all the brethren for the monthly support. We are planning to establish a good strong congregation here in Nkwanta and to reach out to many of the surrounding villages with the truth of God's Word."

Philippine Islands

The gospel message is going out in a wonderful way in the Philippine Islands. Regular church services are carried on each week in the villages of Cordon, Gatta-
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ran, Liwan, Lupao, Minagbag, Pallagau, Quezon, San Nicolas, and Uddiawan. Each of these has a regular pastor and a full schedule of services.

Sr. Rizalina Aguinaldo works with each of the churches in music and in training workers for the children's classes. She also assists with the music in the radio broadcasts on occasion.

Bro. Estifanio Sibayan is now doing most of the radio work, with assistance from Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero. The radio continues to bring good response, and many are being led to Christ through the radio broadcasts and the follow up.

India

The Medical Clinic is in full operation and affords great opportunity to help many people both physically and spiritually. The clinic opens each morning with a chapel service at 8:30 for all the patients who are waiting and for the staff. Devotions are also held several times during the day.

Nine hundred sixty-seven patients were treated in August. Three hundred eighty-seven were new cases and five hundred eighty were returning for further treatment. Bro. S. S. Manoah says, "The clinic is progressing rapidly. Our church name is spreading. Slowly we must bring all of these people to salvation as well as to treat their sicknesses. Pray for this noble work and for all the efforts here in India."

Free Literature Campaign

We urge each church in the Church of God General Conference to make use of the many tracts that are available without charge. Several new tracts, in color, are now available. See the back page of *The Restitution Herald* for a complete list of literature.

Many churches have already organized plans to distribute the written Word. Nearly one half million pieces of literature were distributed during the past fiscal year. Let us not "let up," but rather make a renewed effort to reach more and more people with the gospel message. We read in Matthew 24:14: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached [published, Diaglott] in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." The time is short. We believe that we are in the last days. As individuals, we have no promise of tomorrow. Let us make full use of this opportunity to share our faith today.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Late Recruitments

Due to circumstances beyond the control of several persons who had earlier agreed to serve on the Berean Youth Conference staff, the following were recruited in the few weeks just prior to Youth Conference: Mary Harmon, Tempe, Ariz.; Billie Kennedy, Eden Valley, Minn.; Stanley Lawrence, Waterloo, Iowa; Mary Milne, Pelzer, S.C.; Kenneth and Beth Vancil, Bushnell, Ill.; Emile McClain, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Jean Kump, Baton Rouge, La. It truly is a blessing for all who can to serve on the staff. But we encourage all of you to be aware of the work and sacrifice that are often given by those who help on the BYF Conference staff.

New Contest Director

Bro. Paul Moore, Tempe, Ariz., has served as contest director of the Berean Youth Conference for the past two years. Due to college work and other duties, he felt the strain was too much. Bro. Don Needham, pastor of the Church of God in Blanchard, Mich., has assumed the directorship. Youth leaders, pastors, and youth presidents will be hearing from Bro. Needham soon. Bro. Needham has had considerable experience in working with youth and quiz teams. We know that he will carry on the tradition that has been established, and will recognize the need for quizzing, and keep the program developing.

International Berean Communion Sunday

Sunday, November 25, 1973, has been chosen as the second annual Berean Communion Sunday. Many of the Bereans held special Communion services in 1972. The young people of the Philippines had their first youth conference on that weekend. They organized and planned an annual conference, to be held on the fourth weekend of November thereafter. The value of special days such as this is not measurable. For one thing, each young person of the Church of God, regardless of locality, can know that he is having fellowship with a brother or sister in Jesus Christ.

Midwinter Retreat

The fifth annual Midwinter Retreat will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, December 29 through 10:30 a.m. on New Year's Day. The Retreat is designed especially for the post-high age, but twelfth graders are allowed to attend if the quota has not been filled by post-high youth. An application form is in the September-October issue of *Challenge*.

Reasoning Together

"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD." These were the words of Isaiah, as written in Isaiah 1:18. On Saturday, September 29, 1973, the Sunday School Board of the Church of God General Conference had a most important meeting. It may indeed be considered as one of the most valuable meetings to have been held in several years.

For many months, this Board has wanted to meet personally with the quarterly editors. The meeting materialized on September 29. A few weeks before, a letter had been sent to each quarterly editor, with an invitation to meet with the Board. The purpose of the meeting was stated as being fourfold: 1) to give the Board an opportunity to express appreciation for the work being done; 2) to offer encouragement to them as the work is continued; 3) to help the Board to become better acquainted with the material of the quarterlies and therefore the great amount of work needed to prepare the material; 4) to improve communication between the editors and the Board, to the end that future quarterlies may be improved for the betterment of all Sunday schools.

Present editors are: Genniel Anderson, Beginners; Ruth Overholser, Primary; Ruth Lewis, Junior; Shirley Urish, Teen-Age; and Jesse Pestle, Adult. Other guests included: Bro. J. R. LeCrone, head of publications; Bro. Eugene Stilson, chairman of the committee on Council of Christian Education (established several years ago by our General Conference) and Bro. S. O. Ross, Executive Director of the Church of God General Conference. These three men sat in during the meetings. It proved to be a most profitable day for everyone.

Seminars—Do You Want One?

Your Sunday School Board is interested in helping your Sunday school organization—local, state or district—in promoting better programs. If you are interested in having a weekend seminar, or a week-long series, please contact the Sunday School Director, P.O. Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. But before you determine that a seminar is to be held, call a meeting of your teachers and other leaders to define what is needed in your school and/or schools. Give the Sunday School Board a definite indication of the type of help desired by you. The Board has some presentations which have been successfully used in past seminars.

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.

General Conference Telephones: Area Code 815. Office, 732-2761. Oregon Bible College office, 732-6741; Men's Residence Director, 732-2705; Men's Residence students, 732-7352; Women's Residence, 732-6569; Women's Residence annex, 732-7291.

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MAGAZINE (Clark Chapel), Magazine 72943
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Robert Hall, Sec, 392 Howard St, Elmhurst 60126
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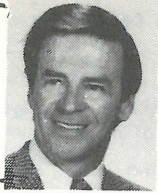
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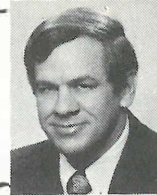
Those whose names are followed by an asterisk (*) preached fewer than twenty sermons during the year ending July 15, 1973.





OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Contemporary Personal Adjustment

Christian Emphasis Week was highlighted by the presence of Bro. Dallas Demmitt, who was our guest instructor. As a family counselor who practices in Phoenix, Arizona, he was able to focus our attention on many problems encountered in the adjustment of contemporary Christians to every phase of life.

Bro. Demmitt began each morning with a class on Christian Marriage and Family Relationships. He gave us insight into marriage and family concepts, with special emphasis on Biblical references. We discussed the role of the Christian in successful marriages. Special emphasis was given to the art of communication in relation to successful and meaningful relationships.

Chapel services were held every morning. Romans 8 centered our thoughts on Paul and his personal struggles in living the Christian life. We considered these in relation to our own situations.

Evening sessions were open to Freshmen students. This was a time when students met with Bro. Demmitt and dealt with some real problems in the area of personal adjustment. This involved taking a deep look at ourselves and dealing with our discoveries. Openness and trust were key words, in that the group attempted to be open and honest about themselves in seeking to gain insight through help from the group and prayer.

We are thankful for this valuable time that God has given us with Bro. Demmitt and for the exciting concepts that he shared with us.

Michele Gaspar.

New Student and Staff Member

In the last issue of the *Progress Journal* we named the new members of the student body and also the new staff members who are serving this year. We failed to name Janet Effertz, who is a freshman from South Bend, Indiana, and Sr. Inez Gordon, who serves as house mother for the Women's Dormitory Annex.

Basic Bible Study Tools

There are certain Bible study tools that every lay worker in the church should have in his library, if he wants to carry on an effective Bible study program. These tools would prove valuable to the Sunday school teacher, home Bible study leader, Wednesday night leader, or for personal growth.

It is helpful to use several recent translations for Bible study. Some of the better ones to consider are: The Revised Standard Version, The New American

Standard Bible, and the New English Bible. Other tools helpful to the Bible student are atlases, commentaries, concordances, and dictionaries. Below, information is given regarding two examples of each type which I would personally recommend.

Atlases: Pfeiffer, Charles F. *Baker's Bible Atlas*. Grand Rapids, Baker Book House, 1961. May, Herbert G. *Oxford Bible Atlas*. New York, Oxford University Press, 1962. Commentaries: Pfeiffer, Charles F. and Harrison, Everett F. *The Wycliffe Bible Commentary*. Chicago, Moody Press, 1962. Guthrie, Donald, *The New Bible Commentary: Revised*. Downers Grove, Illinois, Inter-Varsity Press. Concordances: Strong, J. *Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*. \$15.75, Abingdon. Young, R. *Young's Analytical Concordance to the Bible*. \$12.50, Funk and Wagnalls. Dictionaries: Tenney, Merrill C. *The Zondervan Pictorial Bible Dictionary*. Grand Rapids, Zondervan Publishing House, 1963. Unger, Merrill F. *Unger's Bible Dictionary*. Chicago, Moody Press, 1966.

Orders can be placed through the Church of God General Conference, in care of David Krogh. If you should need the publishers' addresses for any of these books, see the list below:

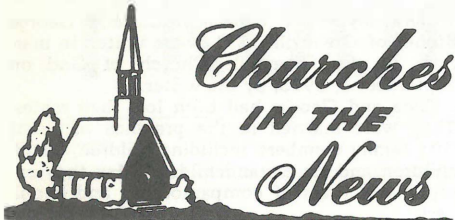
Abingdon Press, Nashville, Tenn. 37202 and New York, N.Y. 10022. Baker Book House, 1019 Wealthy St., SE, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49506. Funk and Wagnalls Co., 380 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. Inter-Varsity Press, Downers Grove, Ill. 60516. Moody Press, 820 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60610. Zondervan Publishing House, 1415 Lake Dr., SE, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49506. Oxford University Press, Inc., 1600 Pollitt Dr., Fair Lawn, N.J. 07410. *Eugene Stilson.*

Dormitory Improvement

We are grateful to the ladies organizations of the Macomb and Ripley, Illinois, Churches of God for purchasing a new couch for the women's dormitory. Some of the furniture in the dormitory has become worn and we welcome this assistance. The ladies of these churches have suggested that other ladies groups throughout the Church of God might consider this as a project for their respective groups. If interested, please write for more information to, OBC Women's Dorm, 110 N. 7th St., Oregon, Ill. 61061.

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 7-11—Fall Meetings, Glad Tidings Church, Dayton, Ohio, Richard Smith, speaker.
- Nov. 9, 10—Men's Retreat, Epworth Forest Camp, N. Webster, Ind.
- Nov. 25—BYF Communion Sunday
- Nov. 26-Dec. 2—Fall Meetings, Brush Creek, Ohio, Francis Burnett, speaker.
- Dec. 20-Jan. 1—Midwinter Youth Retreat, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
- Mar. 25-31, 1974—Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Oregon Church of God and dedication of the new educational addition. Vernis Wolfe, guest speaker.

Maurertown, Va. The brethren at the Maurertown, Va., Church of God are engaged in repairing and remodeling the basement of their church. A well-kept plant is one evidence of an enthusiastic and working congregation.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Mrs. Amy Pals; Mrs. Elsie Burkhart; Miss Darlene Burkhart; Miss Joyce Burkhart; Mrs. Alice Winche; Connie Thompson; Marilyn Taylor; Steve Taylor; Cheryl Reynolds; Jim Hamilton; Mrs. Bobbie Weaver.

Congratulations. Arlie and Ruth Townsend celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on August 30, 1973. This is a privilege that many married couples never enjoy. Indeed, it is quite rare. We pray that they will still be alive and together when the Lord returns.

ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

The Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference of the Church of God met June 7-10, 1973, at the church at McGintytown, Ark.

Bro. Gordon Landry, of Baton Rouge, La., was guest speaker. His sermons were enjoyed by everyone present. The theme of the Conference was, "What Is Truth?"

The following officers were installed, to serve for the coming Conference year: John Humphreys, president; J. D. Moreland, vice-president; Blanche Hayes, treasurer; Jettie Moreland, secretary.

Several changes in the time and place of the Conference for next year were voted. A letter will be sent to each church of the Conference, at a later date, concerning these. It is hoped that these changes will help to increase attendance and help our Conference to grow.

We ask the prayers of all that God will grant that this Conference may continue to hold forth those truths so clearly set forth in God's Word, and that others may be led to know the joy of serving the Lord.

Mrs. Jettie Moreland, sec'y.

McGINTYTOWN, ARKANSAS

The work on our new sanctuary is progressing nicely. We plan to use the existing building for educational facilities. The Lord has truly blessed us in building this addition. We are very thankful to him.

Bro. Daniel Landry and his wife Karla were with us in August for a few days. We were glad to have Bro. Landry speak to us. They are welcome back at any time.

Bro. and Sr. Albert Harper, of Omaha, Neb., were here for our Annual Homecoming. Bro. Harper was one of the speakers of the day.

We ask your prayers for our group, that we may continue to move forward with the work of the Lord and that the needed support for completing the building will be provided.

We wish to express the sincere thanks of all to those who have contributed so generously to this building program. May God richly bless each one.

Mrs. J. D. Moreland, reporter.

Nov. 2-4—Missionary Conference, Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont. Scott Ross, speaker, Ralph Childs, song evangelist.

YOUTH DIRECTOR APPLICATIONS

The Church of God General Conference plans to employ a full-time Youth Director September 1, 1974. Anyone interested in this position should write to the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and an application will be mailed. The youth are a most important part of the Church of God. A full-time Director is needed to lead and coordinate all the programs for youth. Following is a Job Description for the position:

Job Description

1. Administer and direct the youth programs of the Church of God General Conference.
 - a) Promote programs to stimulate youth work on local, state, and national level.
2. Work with the Youth Council.
 - a) Act as their advisor.
 - b) Consider their suggestions and proposals.
3. Annual Youth Conference.
 - a) Completely plan and prepare the program and schedule for each day of the conference.
 - b) Make arrangements for the location of the conference.
 - c) Secure counselors, teachers, and all workers for the conference.
 - d) Direct, with assistants, all the activities during the conference.
4. Caravans.
 - a) Make plans and arrangements for junior and senior caravans.
 - b) Solicit personnel among the youth for the caravans.
 - c) Accompany each caravan or appoint competent leaders to lead the caravan.
5. Prepare, promote, and distribute the slide-sound set for Youth Conference and caravans.
6. Camps and Retreats.
 - a) Give consideration to camps or retreats in local areas or in state or district conferences.
 - b) Give leadership in their planning, promotion, and presentation.
7. Contests.
 - a) Plan, promote, and publicize any youth contests that are held.
 1. Bible Quizzing.
 2. Christian Speech Contest.
 3. Officer of the year.
 4. Miscellaneous.
8. Plan and promote Youth Week activities.
9. Stewardship Training.
 - a) Keep the youth and their leaders aware of the budget needs of the Youth Department.
 - b) Handle Mission Dollar Club promotions.
 - c) Promote Coins-for-Christ Crusades.
10. Plan and conduct leadership training seminars in local or district conference areas.
11. Challenge magazine.
 - a) Edit the bi-monthly magazine, *Challenge*, or appoint an editor.
 - b) See that copy gets into the Publishing Department on schedule.
12. Submit youth news to the editor for publication in *Progress Journal* youth page.
13. Prepare memos and newsletters for youth leaders and ministers as seems advisable.
14. Correspondence.
 - a) Promptly answer all letters from youth leaders.
 - b) Answer promptly any inquiry regarding youth work.
15. General Conference Administration.
 - a) Work closely with the Executive Director on all major programs and promotions.
 - b) Make reports to the Board of Directors as required.

BAPTISMS

Dixon, Ill. Mrs. Ann Novac responded to the invitation and was baptized for the remission of her sins. She is now living happily in the hope of eternal life and the soon return of Jesus.
Ernest Graham, pastor.

Pleasant Hill, Ohio. Sunday, June 10, 1973, two of our youth, Gordy Vance and Phil Stine, came forward when Pastor Fred Pensyl, guest speaker from Lawrenceville, offered the invitation. These two young people are the first to be baptized since our church was started on December 3, 1972. We welcome them into the church, and congratulate them on their new walk with the Lord.
Pegge Stone, secretary.

Fonthill, Ont. Allen Schute confessed Christ as his Savior, and was baptized in his name for the remission of sins. May God richly bless him in this new walk of life.
John Hearp, pastor.

Arkansas. Camp Bradford was the scene of a baptismal service, in which several young people were baptized. The writer had the privilege of assisting the following young people in putting on Christ: Pam Knox; Sharon and Kenny Moore, Joe White, Penny Culpepper, Debbie Cain, Nancy McGinty. We pray that they will grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.
Daniel G. Landry, pastor.

Pelzer, S.C. Cathrine Smith, Rt. 1, Pelzer, 29669, was baptized into Christ on Sunday, September 9, 1973, by her pastor.
Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Macomb, Ill. The Macomb church welcomes Ken Guiker into the body of Christ and the fellowship of our church. Ken came forward and was baptized on August 12, 1973.

Oregon, Ill. A mother and her daughter accepted Christ at our service Sunday, September 23, 1973. On the afternoon of the same day, they were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. Mrs. Loretta Hendrickson and daughter Coreena put on Christ by faith. May God keep them in his will and service till Jesus comes.
C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Eldorado, Ill. It was this pastor's privilege to baptize into Christ Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis, upon their confession unto salvation. They make their home in Eldorado, with their little boy Tony. They are already great workers in the church and are a blessing to us all. Our prayers go with them in the Christian walk.
Dennis J. Baldwin, pastor.

Browtown, Va. Following the morning worship service on September 9, 1973, it was our privilege to baptize H. Robert Grove Jr., Box 571, Front Royal, Va. 22630, in the name of Jesus Christ. May God bless him as he continues to serve him.
James D. Ritch, pastor.

Hedrick, Ind. The Hedrick Church of God rejoiced over five confessions of faith and baptisms on July 22, 1973. Those baptized were: Frank Taylor, Steve Taylor, Marilyn Taylor, Nancy Townsend, and Connie Thompson. We praise God for these people and pray that the Lord will use them in his service.

Hillisburg, Ind. God poured out his blessings upon the Hillisburg Church of God during homecoming services, September 18-23, 1973. His messenger, Pastor Z. B. Duncan, proclaimed the truth of God's Word in a mighty way, as those present experienced the reality of the Holy Spirit. The week saw eleven young people confess Christ as their Savior. The following were baptized into Christ by their pastor: Shelly Huffer; Regina and Patrick Johnson; Eileen Denchfield; Ann, Phillip, James, Ricky, and Larry Burt; Danny Good, and Randy Wyrick. Praise God! Roger Denchfield, pastor.

Waterloo, Iowa. Following the Iowa State Youth Camp, Vickie Baker, Gwendolyn Downing, and Kerry Swanson were baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins. They have been accepted into membership of the Conger Street Church of God.

During the 1973 National Youth Camp, Carlotta Carpenter and Sarah Ann Foster were baptized into the body of Christ for remission of their sins. Carlotta has placed her membership with the Conger Street Church of God and Sarah has placed hers with the Flagg Center Church of God, Rochelle, Ill. It was the privilege of the writer to assist these young people in taking this important step in their lives. We pray God's blessings upon them as they pursue their new lives as members of the family of God.
Stanley Lawrence, pastor.

MARRIAGES

Miss Karen Ann Keckley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keckley of Edinburg, Va., became the bride of Mr. John Mark Mattison, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mattison of Maurertown, Va., on June 30, 1973. The double ring ceremony was performed by the groom's father at the Royal Village Church of God, Front Royal, Va. Both Karen and Johnny are members of the freshman class of Oregon Bible College. We pray God's blessing on this young couple as they start life together.
James Mattison.

Sandra Patty, Indianapolis, Ind., and Michael Huddlestun, South Bend, Ind., were united in marriage by the writer on July 21, 1973. The service took place in the new First Christian Church in South Bend, in the presence of a large number of guests.

Sandra finished at DePaw University, and Michael is a senior at Indiana University, Bloomington, where the couple resides. We

wish them much happiness.
T. M. Ferrell.

Linda Stone, daughter of the John H. Stones, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S.C., and Herbert Sargent of Williamston, S.C., were united in marriage by the writer at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, on August 1, 1973, in the presence of their immediate families. May God bless this union.
T. M. Ferrell.

Clara Myers of Seneca, S.C., and George Stone, of Greenville, S.C., were united in marriage in the Greenville Church of God on September 1, 1973, by the writer.

Clara and George had both lost their mates. They were married in the presence of about fifty family members, including children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. May they enjoy many years of companionship and happiness.
T. M. Ferrell.

ENCOURAGING COMMENT

"The Restitution Herald is one of the finest publications in the world and, to my knowledge, contains more truth than any other. It is to be commended for its fine works."—Robert C. Bernheisel, Pastor, Gastonia Church of God AF.

Building Progress Report. Negotiations with representatives of the Salvation Army are continuing for the sale of the present church facilities. We are asking that all pray for God's leadership in this part of our building program.
Tempe, Ariz., bulletin.

OBITUARY

Hulon Durham, age 69, of Piedmont, S.C., was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God. He served as a deacon and as a Sunday school teacher. He died September 21, 1973. The funeral was conducted by the pastor at Guthrie Grove Church, on Sunday, September 23. Burial was in the church cemetery. He is survived by his wife, four sons, two daughters, six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.
Kenneth Milne, pastor.

James Virgil Rexford died at his home in Eden Valley, Minn., on September 26, 1973, following several years of ill health. He is survived by his wife, formerly Ethel Crowder, and two daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Wendland and Mr. Arliss Buchard and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held on September 29 at the Eden Valley Church of God. Pastor Billie Kennedy conducted the services. Bro. and Sr. Rexford were baptized in August of 1969 by pastor C. E. Lapp.
Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Contributors to the General Conference: September, 1973

Jess Williams	15.00	Annie Welch	15.00	Dorothy Napper	10.00	Fort Valley SS	126.80
Mr & Mrs Bill Williams	5.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	70.00	Icel Stedman	5.00	Genniell Anderson	5.00
Mrs Lila Guiles	20.00	Phoenix Bible Church	950.00	Mr & Mrs Will Hanson	225.00	Mr & Mrs Earle Mogle	30.00
Hope Chapel Columbus	5.00	Happy Woods Church	73.00	Fonthill SS	13.03	Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	25.00
Pomona Ch of Open Bible	120.98	Holbrook Church	37.49	Troyview Sr Bereans	12.00	Larry Mayberry	3.50
Mary Hale	15.00	Litchfield Church	19.49	E Dorothy Magaw	14.00	Dan Dovenbarger	30.00
Leota Hanson	17.00	Ripley SS	46.75	Brush Creek Miss	120.00	Mrs Helen McMurtrie	50.00
Mich Conf	114.97	Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	25.00	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	15.00	Esti Holt	15.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Johnson	100.00	Malcolm McLeod	250.00	Southwest Conf	66.00	Ruth Reid	20.00
Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Golden Rule Missions	10.00	Eternal Hope Church	42.90	Digby BYF	17.00
Jaynes St Comm Church	300.00	Michael Ross	2.00	Mrs Harry Halley	10.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	187.12
Mrs Samuel Metheny	150.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Troy View Church	91.42	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Minn State Miss Soc	300.00	Freeport Church	30.00	Flagg Center Church	68.00	Pomona Dorcas Soc	30.00
Sheila Sheeley	15.00	Blanchard Church	147.34	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal Jr	16.00
Douglas Sperry	3.00	Brush Creek SS	35.26	Emory Macy Jr	10.00	Columbus Go Ye Miss Soc	5.00
Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Minn State Conf	116.64	Anonymous	2.00	Anonymous	42.00
Michael Brown	20.00	Lawrenceville Church	168.76	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	8.00	Diane Shute	3.00
Forest Hills Church	36.86	S P Dismukes	50.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Spence	5.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	20.00
Mr & Mrs James Mattison	4.32	Macomb Church	67.37	New Hope Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	40.00
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La Contributors	95.00	Glad Tidings Chapel Dayton	30.00	Denise Pearson	12.00	James Davis	5.00
Mrs Katherine Tackett	30.00	Beaumont Church	16.10	Ben Carpenter	30.00	Cool Spring SS	12.43
Felida Church	3.70	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	75.00	Mr & Mrs R Dean Johns	250.00	Oregon SS	7.86
Fredericktown Church	5.00	Mr & Mrs C E Randall	25.00	Karla Macy	26.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00

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Signs of Growth in the Church of God

By the Editor

IT IS true of a church, as of any other organism, that nothing ever remains static. Either it is growing and developing or it is dying. To maintain the status quo over an extended period of time is simply not possible. For this reason, the direction in which a church is moving is of far greater importance than where it finds itself at any given point in time. This is true whether we think in terms of numerical or spiritual growth. It also becomes evident in the enthusiasm with which the church searches out and takes advantage of its opportunities to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God.

That the Church of God is very much alive and growing is evident from a number of indicators.

Not the least of these indications of growth is the enthusiasm with which the churches have entered into and made good use of the free literature provided by our General Conference. The 1972-73 budget provided \$8,000 for such literature. By the end of September, 1973 \$23,112.84 had been spent in the production and distribution of such literature. Total contributions had exceeded the total budget by nearly \$14,000 and our General Conference was in the black!

The brethren had devised many ingenious methods for using this literature effectively. Door-to-door distribution, sometimes for several weeks prior to a special evangelistic effort at a church, accounted for getting much of this literature into the hands of people who do not attend the churches. The result has invariably been larger and more enthusiastic attendance at the evangelistic services,

and increased attendance at the regularly scheduled services of the churches.

This trend continues. Since the last General Conference the following churches have distributed issues of *The Restitution Herald* to the families in the areas where their church is located:

Fonthill, Ont. 2,000 copies
Dayton, Ohio 1,500 copies
Lawrenceville, Ohio . . . 2,000 copies
Hector, Minn. 1,000 copies
St. Louis, Mo. 500 copies
Rockford, Ill. 1,000 copies

In addition, hundreds of copies are being placed in racks located in such strategic places as laundromats, hospitals, rest homes, and other places where people gather.

Of course, we all realize that there is, in the final analysis, no such thing as literature that is "free." It may be free to the person who distributes it, and to the one who receives it, but somebody has to pay the cost of publishing it. This distribution of literature has been made possible by the enthusiasm and sacrificial giving of the brethren!

There are, of course, other indications of growth within the church. A quick check of the *Progress Journals* for the past year revealed that more than 190 baptisms were reported during this period. This number does not include those baptized in foreign missionary fields, which were reported on the page of *Mission News*, edited by Bro. S. O. Ross.

Other indicators of growth are the new Sunday schools and churches that have been started and are quickly taking root and growing. These things do not come

about by accident. They require careful planning and hard work. From all reports, the planning has been thorough and the labor joyously given. More of our larger and better established churches are considering establishing other churches in promising fields.

The Systematic Theology Bible Study Course is being studied around the world and is proving to be spiritually fruitful. Not only is it being used for individual study, via correspondence, it is also being used for class study in a number of locations. Daily, requests for new sets of lessons come into the office, and reports of those who have completed the course constitute an ever-growing file.

Yet another indication of spiritual growth and development is to be observed in Oregon Bible College. Not only is enrollment up, but the quality of the students is high and their earnest desire to serve the Lord is evident to all. Gospel teams, and other groups which represent the College, find a warm welcome wherever they go.

All of this is wonderfully encouraging to all, but we must not conclude that everything has been, or is being done that can be done, and begin to relax and rest on our oars. The very minute that we do, we will begin to drift backward, and the progress that has been made will be lost.

With the clear and definite indications before us that our Lord's return to earth is very near, we cannot afford to be careless or indolent servants! We feel confident that the Church of God will become increasingly aware of its opportunities and will continue to grow.

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Special Church Aid Program

The delegates at the 1973 General Conference approved a Special Church Aid Program to assist churches which have been operating on a part-time ministry to have a full-time pastor. Churches interested in this program can make application to the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Following are the Guidelines for this program:

Purpose of Special Church Aid: The Special Church Aid Program of the Church of God General Conference is to assist churches which have been existing on a part-time ministry to go to a full-time ministry. The program would give the church an opportunity to endeavor to develop into a full-time work, with a full-time pastor leading them.

Amount of Special Church Aid: Special Church Aid would be given up to a maximum of one half of the salary cost of a full-time pastor (not to exceed \$300 monthly) for a period of three years; amount of salary to be based on current living costs. After the three years, the church *may* qualify for the regular pastoral aid program.

Procedure for Granting Special Church Aid: Application for Special Church Aid would be made through the Home Missions Department of the Church of God General Conference. A thorough investigation will be made and each application considered on its own merits. The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference will make final approval for Special Church Aid.

Not more than three churches will receive Special Church Aid at one time. All other conditions being equal, Special Aid will be granted to churches in the order in which applications are received.

Conditions to be Considered in Granting Special Church Aid:

1) The church must be affiliated with the Church of God General Conference and have sufficient lay leadership to give the church a reasonable amount of stability.

2) The pastor must be a licensed minister, recognized by the Church of God General Conference, who will develop the church he serves to be an active, participating member in the Church of God General Conference.

3) The church and the pastor must have an organized evangelistic plan that will tend to become an outreach in the community, and try to attain to the purpose outlined in these guidelines.

4) The location, the facilities, and the plans of the church should be such that growth can reasonably be expected.

5) The spiritual conditions of the congregation should be such that growth can be expected. A church with a history of internal difficulties may be a doubtful recipient of the Special Church Aid.

6) The pastor in a church receiving Special Church Aid would make monthly reports to the Home Mission Department of the Church of God General Conference. He would continue in close touch with the Home Missions Director. If it is apparent that he

is not performing reasonable service to his congregation, the pastor and the church board would be counseled with. If conditions are not improved, it may be necessary to discontinue Special Church Aid.

7) The membership of the church receiving Special Church Aid would be expected to support the pastor, to cooperate with the outreach programs of the church and pastor, and make effort to witness and evangelize to assist in the church growth program. If it is apparent that the church membership is not giving cooperation to the program, they would receive counsel. If conditions do not improve, it may be necessary to discontinue Special Church Aid.

8) The church receiving Special Church Aid would be expected to return one-tenth of its total income to the General Conference, its state-district conference, or both, as a tithe unto the Lord, thereby making a covenant with the Lord to cause all endeavors of the church to be blessed beyond measure (Mal. 3:10).

9) The Special Church Aid Program will go into effect September 1, 1974.

Statistics Report

The report of the Church of God Participation Statistics for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1973, has been mailed to churches, pastors, and Sunday school superintendents. More churches and more individuals contributed to the budget needs than in any other fiscal year. Total contributions were twenty-three thousand dollars more than the past fiscal year. We praise God for this dedicated concern of the membership of the Church of God General Conference.

We encourage each member to review this report and note the progress and development in many areas of the work.

Conference Finances

We want to call attention to the giving for the month of November. At the last report there was a five-thousand-dollar deficit. This, added to the November needs, made a goal of more than eighteen thousand for November. Contributions have fallen nearly \$8,000.00 short of that need. We urge your prayer and concern for this matter that the needs may be met and the work may go forward to completion.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for November	\$18,206.00
Given in November	10,378.00
Deficit in November	7,828.00
December Needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for December \$20,995.00

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 part of the Youth group at the Thomas Town Church of God, Bangalore, India. Eleven of the group were not present when this picture was taken. Sr. Manoah, center of the picture, is the youth leader.

A young man of the Chinnayanapalya Church was killed in an accident in September. A young couple of the same church were united in marriage. In October, eight men and seven women were immersed in the waters of baptism.

Bro. S. S. Manoah writes: "Closing this letter with our Christian love and regards. All the congregation, members of our churches, the youth groups, and the Sunday school children are sending their greetings and good wishes to all our brethren at General Conference."

Nigeria

The church reports for the Nigerian Churches reveal good attendance at each of the churches. Edienne, where Bro. Ephriam Udo is pastor, has an average of one hundred twenty-six each Sunday. Bro. John Obott, of the Utu Abak Church, reports an average attendance of ninety-seven. The Asarama Church has an average of two hundred twenty at each service. Bro. B. O. Adum, a lay worker, is pastoring the group at present.

Bro. Udo sends his thanks to all who assisted in providing Bibles which were printed in the languages of Efik, Ibo, and English, for the church work in Nigeria. We are happy that Bibles in the native dialects of most

of our mission fields can be secured through the American Bible Society.

Bro. Udo writes: "Thank you for your letter. We are grateful for the support money for the month of September. We use this chance to express our thanks to all the people who contribute to make this work in Nigeria possible."

Mission Trip Plans

Plans are being made for Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence to visit several mission fields early in 1974. They will make stops at Nigeria and Ghana, and possibly India and the Philippine Islands. The brethren in Nigeria and Ghana are anxious for a visit from a member of the Mission Board, to help stabilize their work. Sr. Lawrence is secretary of the Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference.

Mexico

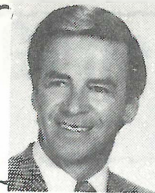
Bro. Roberto Badillo, who has been a dedicated layman for years, is now leading the services at Labor Vieja. He writes: "I hold services on Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday. My wife is preparing the Sunday school classes for the children. Greetings to all the brethren from my wife and me and our three sons, Leonardo, Ignacio, and Raul."

Bro. Francisco Martinez is pastor of the group at Potosi. Sr. Martinez, who was very ill for some time, is much improved in health at the last report.

Nova Scotia

A Missionary Conference was held at the Lighthouse Mission Church of God at Digby on October 19 and 20, 1973. Bro. S. O. Ross showed slides of the various mission fields and took part in other conference activities. Bro. Ross met with the Church Board on Saturday evening and spoke at both morning and evening services on Sunday. The Faith Promise Service during the conference was a thrill as the "thermometer" went well over the fifteen-hundred-dollar mark, more than double that of last year.

New siding has been installed, the trim of the building painted, and railing installed on the steps. The building is now in first class condition. Several new families are coming to services. The Lord is richly blessing the work in Nova Scotia. Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown are leading the work and Sr. Eunice Pearson is a wonderful help as a lay worker.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



President Ill

At this writing, President Alva Huffer is recuperating from emergency surgery at Good Samaritan hospital in Phoenix, Arizona. He entered the hospital for emergency gall bladder surgery on Thursday, November 1. We praise God for the answered prayers and continuing health of Bro. Huffer.

Student Vision

Our young people see the tremendous need for proclaiming the message of the kingdom of God to a distressed world. As we come nearer to the return of Jesus Christ, this need becomes more urgent.

In view of this need, the Student Council, under the leadership of Sydney Kirkpatrick, has this year taken on the project of raising money with which to place ads in wide circulation newspapers and national magazines. These advertisements will promote gospel truth and provide some means of feedback to the College from interested readers. It is anticipated that the students will need to raise some hundreds, or even thousands, of dollars for this project.

The students will welcome your prayers on their behalf, as they dedicate their time and money to this cause.

Prayer Day

The early morning hour helped to serve as inspiration for students and faculty as they gathered at seven o'clock for Communion. As in past years, this November 6 provided the students with spiritual uplift and refreshment. Under the leadership of Robert Storts, the theme for Prayer Day was developed around the fruit of the Spirit, as revealed in Galatians 5. Student leaders presented messages built around this theme.

The students divided into groups and there were many prayers of praise and thanksgiving offered. There, in the presence of God, they shared their ideas, needs, and feelings. It was a refreshing and stimulating morning.

American Association of Bible Colleges

Dr. Huffer, Charles Pryor, Eugene Stilson, and John Lewis attended the American Association of Bible Colleges meeting in Chicago, October 25-27. The meetings were specifically designed to appeal to presidents, academic deans, and development personnel. There were sessions which featured guidelines and criteria for

Bible college development and promotions. Workshops were conducted for deans and presidents, to show the relationship of the college board to the college and to emphasize the responsibilities of board members. The importance of establishing, publishing, and promoting Bible college objectives was emphasized. In other sessions, ideas were presented for innovative approaches to the teaching of general education courses. Emphasis was also placed upon evaluating the general education courses in the light of the objectives and criteria of the Bible college.

We are thankful to the General Conference for providing this opportunity for professional and spiritual growth.

We trust that through these benefits we may perform our tasks to the praise and glory of God.

Traveling to Share

The students of Oregon Bible College have been sharing exciting experiences through the gospel team program this semester. A team has been planned for almost every weekend of the semester. The schedule began with trips around the College area. October 1 found us branching out to farther distances, with trips to Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, and Louisiana. The long weekend the last of October provided the teams with a good opportunity to do some traveling. One team went to Lafayette, Indiana, and shared with the church there. Both the team and the congregation experienced a refreshing new openness in sharing with each other their relationships with the Lord. The same weekend, a team made the long trek to the Louisiana bayous to participate in a combined Texas-Louisiana youth retreat. Both teams felt the unifying power of God as they shared with the people.

Although gospel teams provide needed experience for O.B.C. students, that is not the primary objective. Gospel teams are an excellent avenue for the students to present the glorious message of Jesus Christ to those who do not know him, and to encourage those who do.

We pray that as you request gospel teams, you will remember this important goal. Gospel teams are not a show, but an outlet through which to glorify and praise God. When a gospel team is in your area, attend the services and invite others. Expect a refreshing spiritual experience.

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BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

A Great Step Forward!

As has been reported in previous issues of *Progress Journal* and *Challenge*, the Berean Youth Conference in 1973 reached capacity for the facilities of Camp Alexander Mack. Discussion with the BYF Conference staff members last year brought forth the idea, and desire, that the camping attendance be increased rather than decreased. But how was this to be done? Our camping program is held at Camp Mack during one of the choice weeks of the summer. Most other camps are booked solid for the month of July. The 1973 BYF Conference staff expressed the opinion that to have two camps on different dates would not be workable.

Through the suggestion of Mr. Virgil Douty and his wife, we wrote Brethren Retreat Center, Shipshewana, Ind. God certainly blessed us. The same week in July, 1974, that is tentatively reserved at Camp Mack, was open at the Retreat Center. This camp is located about thirty miles northeast of Camp Mack. So the Brethren Retreat Center, Shipshewana, Ind., has been reserved for July 21-27, 1974.

What are the plans? First of all, the eligibility requirements will be broadened. Young people in eighth grade have been asking to be included. This request can now be granted. The older age limit is to be raised to 25, provided that the camper is unmarried. Married couples may not attend as campers.

The eighth through eleventh grade group will use Camp Mack. During the same week, the twelfth grade and post-high group will use the Brethren Retreat Center at Shipshewana.

It is tentatively planned to transport the senior campers to Camp Mack for Quiz championship night and for the formal worship service on decision night. Plans also are being considered to present a somewhat different type of program to the senior camp—such as church leadership and promotion.

Tuition costs will be higher in 1974. Rising food costs are the main reason. As of this writing, we can expect that camp tuition for 1974 will be \$42.00.

As youth director, I ask for your sincere prayers on behalf of this forward movement among our youth. It will take considerably more planning and developing to have two camps operating during the same week. Your full support is also desired. Any questions concerning this change will be answered to the best of our ability.

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A Reservoir of Enthusiasm and Vigor

The November-December issue of *Challenge* contains an article which shows the importance of the Sunday school. The purpose is to encourage the young people to attend Sunday school and to seek a working relationship therein. The reminder of Paul to Timothy that he was to be an "example of the believers" is emphasized. This principle has not changed. Young people may still be "examples of the believers." Very often, adults are quick to remind the younger people of the importance of the impression that they are giving to others, especially to those outside of the "body of Christ." Adults may fear that the young people are, in reality, living the way that the adults have taught them to live.

In our several years of working with young people of the Church of God, as well as with many of their friends, it has become evident to me that they want to live good, clean, and upright Christian lives. They want to honor God and be good examples of followers of Jesus their Savior. They want others to know the way they feel. They want to share with their friends—both young and old—the experiences of their young Christian lives.

Too often, their enthusiasm is dampened by implying to them that their inexperience and youth are detriments to effective witnessing—that they cannot serve because they don't know how.

The *Challenge* article encourages young people to actively seek ways in which they may help in their Sunday schools. NOW we encourage all who read this column to diligently plan ways to take advantage of the enthusiasm and vigor of youth. Find, or create, ways to use them. The means that you develop for using them will aid in the spiritual development of the young people. In almost every instance, young people welcome good leadership and training. Show them how they can help by making calls in the community. Have special training sessions to acquaint them with the continuing needs of the Sunday school. They have the potential for becoming well-trained, faithful teachers who know how to prepare lessons and materials. They can make weekly calls on absentees or prospects, either by telephone or in person. They can help to maintain the church building and equipment in good repair. This, of course, will require the leadership and time of adults.

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



Churches IN THE News

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 29-Jan. 1—Midwinter Youth Retreat, Camp Mack, Milford, Ind.
Jan. 26—Indiana State Conference, Burr Oak.
Mar. 25-31—Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Oregon Church of God and dedication of the new educational addition. Vernis Wolfe, guest speaker

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Tillman Gentry, Mrs. Birthe Etwell, Bobbie Weaver, Mrs. Cindy Mayabb, Mrs. Willfred Frame, Mrs. Johnny Kidwell, Mrs. Kenneth Matthews, Mrs. Edward Marioth, Mrs. Judy Smith.

Emergency Surgery. Bro. Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, underwent emergency gall bladder surgery at a hospital in Tempe, Ariz., on November 1. At the latest report, he is progressing satisfactorily. We are sure that all will want to join in praying for his complete recovery.

FREMONT, NEBRASKA

The twentieth anniversary of the True Gospel Church of God in Fremont was celebrated during the Sunday school hour on November 4, 1973. A short program was presented before the classes went to their classrooms. Seventeen people who have been baptized during the time that the Fremont congregation has been worshipping in this location were given special recognition. A history of the founding of this church and of its growth was also presented. Fifty-two people were in attendance for the program and the classes which followed.

Following the Sunday school period, coffee and rolls were served. This provided an opportunity for those in attendance to visit with each other, and to recall some of the events which have transpired during the past twenty years.

Leslie Appleby, secretary.

DAYTON, OHIO, TRACT(K) STARS!

The above title is the name that we have given to our 27 volunteers, who weekly run the "side-walk tracks" in front of 1,348 homes! There were 1,500 homes the final week.

For 6 weeks, we distributed 16,800 pieces of literature by placing them in plastic mailing bags and hanging them on doorknobs. Tracts, explanatory sheets, *Restitution Heralds*, and our homecoming brochure were included.

This effort preceded our Fall Homecoming Meetings with Pastor Richard Smith. We received both positive and negative responses. This community knows that we are here and that we care about their spiritual relationship to God.

Dorothy Runyon, secretary.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Because of local conditions, the Pennellwood Church of God is changing the address at which the church will receive its mail. You are requested to address mail for the church as follows:

Pennellwood Church of God
Box 8182
Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508
The church is not moving.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Grand Rapids, Mich.

The phone number for the office of the Pennellwood Church is 616-452-7776.

Oregon, Ill.

To the list of Church of God Ministers, add: Ramsey, Dale, Bx 100, Oregon, IL 61061. Ph 815-732-2705.

VISITORS TO FREEPORT

A group of about 11 Senior Young People from the Macomb, Ill., Church of God, together with their leaders, Ken and Beth Vancil, traveled to Freeport, Ill., to meet with the brethren there. They taught some of the Sunday school classes and were in charge of the first half hour of the morning worship service. The young people are to be commended for their willingness to serve in this way.

MARRIAGES

A church full of friends and relatives gathered at the Garden Park Church of God in Grand Rapids, Mich., at 8 p.m., October 26, 1973, to hear the marriage vows of Bro. David Krogh, of Oregon, Ill., and Sr. Lynn Knapp of Grand Rapids. Following a sacred and beautiful wedding, the young couple departed for a week in Florida.

Bro. Krogh is employed as business manager of the Church of God General Conference at Oregon, Ill., where they will make their home. David is the son of Bro. and Sr. Harvey U. Krogh. His father was for many years a highly respected minister of the Church of God. Lynn is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Charles Knapp. Her father has served on the Board of Directors of our General Conference.

It was this pastor's privilege to hear the vows of the bride's father and mother when they were married at the Pennellwood Church of God in 1950, during his pastorate there.

May God go with this newly married couple and use them for his glory until Jesus comes.

C. E. Lapp.

On September 29, 1973, Nancy Jane Dodd became the bride of Mr. Robert Soffe, at the Lombard Community Church of God, in a double ring ceremony performed by the pastor. We pray God's blessing upon these young people as they continue their journey through life together.

E. O. Routson, pastor.

Dan Bush and June Taylor, both members of the Blanchard, Mich., Church of God, were united in marriage on September 29, 1973.

Don Needham, pastor.

Hildreth Worley and Virgil Weber were married October 20, 1973. The ceremony took place at Brush Creek, Ohio, and was performed by her two sons, Darrell Maddock and Richard Worley.

John Carr, pastor.

BAPTISMS

Fredericktown, Mo. The Fredericktown Church of God was made very happy, Sunday, October 14, 1973, when Terri Sue Cooper came forward at the close of the morning worship service and expressed her desire for baptism. Following her confession of faith, she was baptized into the body of Christ that afternoon. We pray the Lord's richest blessings upon her as she seeks to serve and obey him.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Ann Adkins was baptized into the saving name of Jesus on Sunday, September 23, 1973. She is a newcomer to the Church of God, having recently enrolled in the Systematic Bible Study Course. We welcome her into the membership of the body of Christ and the Hope Chapel Church of God.

C. F. Pryor, pastor.

Columbia Station, Ohio. The Sunday of October 7, 1973, was an unforgettable day for two new members in the body of Christ. William Flury, Sr., 11220 Mitchel Rd., and Ric Keller, 1977 E. Royalton Rd., both of Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, put on Christ in the waters of baptism at the conclusion of the evening service. We welcome Bill and Ric into our local fellowship and that of the Church of God throughout the world. We pray that God will enrich them with his Spirit for Christian growth.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Lombard, Ill.: Hearts were made happy when Maribeth Werneke requested baptism and was immersed by her pastor on September 30, 1973, at the Lombard Community Church of God, and received the right hand of fellowship. May she find peace and joy as she continues to serve her Savior.

E. O. Routson, pastor.

Pelzer, S.C.: I wish to report the following baptisms: Charles Durham, Rt. 1, Piedmont, S.C. 29673, and Kerry Pack, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S.C. 29669.

Ray and Vi Kluck and a family by the name of Wegner, who used to live in Rockford, came up on Friday, October 12, 1973, and stayed until Sunday. They are having Bible studies and are trying to get a church started. They brought the following young people for me to baptize; Miss Robin Pelkey, Gen. Del., Port Richey, Fla. 33569; Karen Lane, P.O. Box 79, Port Richey, 33568; and Thomas Miller, 93 Camelot Rd., Port Richey, 33568. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Oregon, Ill.: Before our evening service on October 14, 1973, a father and daughter, Walter C. Anderson and his daughter Elizabeth, were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. Our hearts were made happy, for the whole family is now united in faith. We rejoice that God is working in our midst. May these new ones in faith find joy in serving Jesus until he comes. Their address is Rt. 2, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

On the morning of October 21, 1973, four young people came forward at the close of the worship service and requested baptism. They were: Steve Seger, son of Bro. and Sr. Dave Seger, and Dale, David, and Cheryl Johnson, sons and daughter of Bro. and Sr. Robert Johnson, and the grandchildren of Bro. and Sr. Paul Johnson. We praise God for these who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior, and pray that they may grow strong in faith as they wait for Jesus to come.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Blanchard, Mich. Following her confession of faith at the morning service, Jonita Strauch was baptized on the afternoon of October 7, 1973.

Claudia Riley, Linda Baldwin, and Craig Eldred were baptized on October 21, 1973, following their confession of faith.

Don Needham, pastor.

Dayton, Ohio. We rejoice that Mrs. Janet Sorah publicly professed Christ as her Savior in baptism on October 21, 1973. Our prayers are with her as she now walks "in newness of life."
Rex Cain, pastor.

God is pouring out his blessings in a mighty way upon the Hillisburg (Ind.) Church of God. It was my privilege to baptize Frances Peterson and Florence Lodge in the saving name of Jesus on October 7, 1973. They are the mother and the grandmother of the pastor's wife. On October 21, Norman Bryne accepted the Lord in baptism.

This totals 20 baptisms in the past few months. We praise the Lord for each new "babe in Christ" and welcome them into God's household.
Roger J. Denchfield, pastor.

Springfield, Ohio. We are thrilled to announce that Walter and Lena Smith were baptized September 16, 1973. May God bless them in this new walk of life.

Vileen Rowell, secretary, N. Hills Church.

Ripley, Ill. We rejoice that Wynn Winner and Steven Prather were baptized for the remission of sins, October 21, 1973.

James A. Fyfe, pastor.

Bedford, Ohio. We rejoice with the angels of heaven at the baptism of Juanita Faye Phillips into the body of Christ. We welcome her to the Church of the Open Bible fellowship and to that of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. May God bless her and help her to be ever faithful to him for the remainder of her life.
David W. Cheatwood, pastor.

Eden Valley, Minn. Following revival services at the Eden Valley Church of God, conducted by Bro. Milton Hall, and inspiring song services led by Bro. Ralph Childs, our pastor, Bro. Billie Kennedy, baptized seven young people at the Long Lake Bible Camp, October 21, 1973. Those baptized were: Mrs. Ken Kirkpatrick of Minneapolis; Ricky Kirkpatrick of Paynesville, Rt. 1; Billy, Jolene, and Sue Blomker, Jolene Meyer, and Brenda Kennedy, all of Eden Valley.

We pray that these young people may always walk in the service of the Lord.

Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Hector, Minn. Our hearts were made glad as Mr. and Mrs. (Alva) Robert Miller, Box 447, Hector, and Jeffrey Swanson, Rt. 1, Hector, confessed Christ as Lord and Savior of their lives. They were baptized into his name for the remission of sin on October 28, 1973.

Edward Bender, pastor.

Tempe, Ariz. Miss Sandy Westlake, a resident of Tempe and a high school student, was baptized in the name of Christ by Pastor Warren Sorenson on the evening of Sunday, October 28, 1973. The Tempe congregation rejoices, as do all members of the body of Christ, with Miss Westlake in this decision. Especially joyful are the youth groups of the church, as their Outreach Program greatly influenced Sandy's decision. We pray God's blessing on her.

Jerald L. Cooper, reporter.

Springfield, Ohio. On October 28, 1973, Cheryl Brittingham, 6049 Ballentine Pike, Springfield, Ohio 45502 and Kerry Hall, 4444 St. Paris Pike, Springfield, Ohio 45504, were baptized into the name of Jesus. We pray that God will guide and richly bless them in their walk as Christians.
Milton Hall, pastor.

OBITUARIES

Jesse Arthur Pensyl was born in Leesburg, Ohio, April 3, 1887. He fell asleep in Christ Jesus, August 22, 1973. He had been a member of the Church of God since July 8, 1934, when he was baptized by Elder Sydney E. Magaw. Bro. Pensyl's wife preceded him in death in 1964. He is survived by two sons, Fred A. and J. Gilbert, and one daughter, Martha Hayes, also 8 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was an active member of the Lawrenceville and North Hills Churches of God, near Springfield, Ohio.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Curtis Simpson of the Lawrenceville Church of God, and Pastor Russell Dickerson of the North Hills Church of God. He died with faith in the resurrection and the coming kingdom of God. He sleeps beside his faithful wife Bertha, at the Oak Dale Cemetery, Urbana, Ohio.

Vileen Rowell, secretary.

Ida C. Kelley died October 14, 1973, following a stroke which she suffered while in Florida. She was 86 years of age, and had been a member of the Blanchard, Mich., Church of God for many years.

Mabel Pulsipher died October 9, 1973, while visiting in Georgia. She was 71 years of age. Her burial was in Ohio.
Don Needham, pastor.

A. Roy Johnson, age 85, of Hector, Minn., died October 27, 1973. He is survived by his wife Emma, and four sons, Frank, Robert, David, and Dale, and one daughter, Vivian Drabenstott. Also surviving are fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Bro. Johnson was immersed in the waters of baptism in 1899, by Lemuel Griffeth, a minister of the Church of God. Bro. Johnson was one of the founders of our local church, and was known in Minnesota as well as in other states for his efforts in behalf of the Lord's work. He remained faithful in service to his God, his Savior, and his church as long as he was physically able.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor and Bro. Harry Sheets, at the Hector Church of God, October 30, 1973. Burial was in the Hector Cemetery, where he will sleep the sleep of death while he awaits the trumpet call of him who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Edward Bender, pastor.

We seek your prayers for the Florence E. Hewitt family. Aunt Evelyn was born in Cleveland, Ohio, December 8, 1873. She accepted the Lord as her Savior in the early 1900's and was baptized by Pastor L. E. Conner. On October 9, 1973, she fell asleep in Christ and now awaits the coming of Jesus Christ, our precious Savior. May we each and all prepare for his coming.
David W. Cheatwood, pastor.

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
WCCG 1270 AM Belmont, N.C.
9:00 a.m. Sundays
WJJK 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.
12:30 p.m. Sundays
WTCA 1050 AM Plymouth, Ind. 9 a.m. Sundays, "Pathway of Light"
WILO 1570 AM; 99.7 FM Frankfort, Ind.
8:00 a.m. Sundays, "Bible Truth"

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.

INEXPENSIVE AWARD BIBLE: American Bible Society, King James Version, hard cover, red edges, black letter edition. \$1.25, postage paid when payment accompanies order.

The
Restitution Herald

OREGON, ILLINOIS 61061

CHURCH OF GOD RESEARCH

Compiled by Paul M. Hatch

This research relates to the work of the Church of God History Book Committee, set up in 1944 and terminated at the death of the last Committee member in 1954.

The History Committee, that was to research and work on the history of the Church of God, was voted into existence at the General Conference session of 1944. At the General Conference held in 1946, the Committee reported: "Prospective publication includes the publishing . . . , also, there are plans for publishing, eventually, a history of the Church of God." Bros. G. E. Marsh and C. E. Randall were to be the editors. *Restitution Herald*, 8-13-46.

In the minutes of the General Conference in the same *Herald* (p. 9), in a section labeled "Report of History Committee," appears the following: "The chair called upon Bro. G. E. Marsh for a report of the Church History Committee. Bro. Marsh reported that he had been too busy in his pastoral duties to develop the history book project, but thanked the brethren who had contributed pictures and other historical data during the year."

The next year, 1947, the Conference was given this information concerning the work of the History Committee: "Bro. G. E. Marsh reported that he and Bro. C. E. Randall are con-

tinuing work on the History Book Committee, but their assignment was stupendous. He thanked those who had been assisting him with information and pictures. He had in his possession a photograph album received from Sr. A. J. Eychaner, the album containing many pictures of historical signification toward church history. He explained that preparation of a history book would require several years of full-time work for one man if the work were to be done properly, so requested the brethren to be patient as they look forward to the completed work."—Vol. 36, No. 45, p. 10.

In the same volume, on page 11, the minutes of the Conference state: "Bro. C. E. Randall, explaining that he has insufficient time for working on the historical book project, asked to be relieved from his place on the committee."

From this year on, Bro. G. E. Marsh carried on alone, reporting whenever requested to do so by the chairman of the annual Conference.

In the minutes of the Conference held in 1948 and reported in the August 10 issue of *The Restitution Herald* (p. 9), this report occurs: "Bro. F. L. Austin read a report of G. E. Marsh on the History Book Committee, said report being scheduled for the day's business. The chair called for the report which here follows: 'Much additional material has been assembled and something accomplished in the way of ar-

rangement, but the task is too great to be accomplished by a busy pastor in a short time. We will continue to do the best we can if it is desired. We suggest that a mimeographed outline be prepared to meet immediate needs as soon as possible.'—signed, G. E. Marsh, Committee on History."

At the 1949 Conference, Bro. G. E. Marsh gave this report: "G. E. Marsh, head of the History Committee, announced that his files of historical material were being put in order so that information in them could be used by others in case of need: no definite work had been done on any manuscript as yet. It was suggested that excerpts from the files be published occasionally, pending completion of a comprehensive history of The Church of God."—Vol. 38, No. 46, p. 4.

The minutes of the conferences held in 1950 and 1951 contain no mention of any report by the History Committee on its book project. We are left to conclude that the work was being held in abeyance during these two years.

The minutes of the Conference held in 1952 contain no direct mention of work on the Church History Book project by the Committee. It is recorded, however, that Bro. Joe Lawrence, who was then chairman of the Conference, included the following information. He "called attention to the 'Friendship Circle' promotion work being done, a history of The

Church of God, the efforts being made to compile accurate statistics."—Vol. 41, No. 46, p. 4. "Bro. Francis Burnett and C. L. Netts moved to accept the report and to continue the Committee. The motion carried."

The reference by Bro. Joe Lawrence to the "Friendship Circle" must have concerned an independent effort, or possibly an advisory group, to the official Committee on Church of God History. The result of their work was not learned by this compiler. If anyone has information, or can identify or cite this Circle work, the compiler will be most grateful.

In the minutes of the Conference that was held in 1953, it is reported: "Bro. G. E. Marsh, reporting the progress of the History Committee of the Church of God, stated that a wealth of material had been gathered, but that he did not have the funds nor the time to properly organize the material for a history book."—Vol. 42, No. 46, p. 9.

The Conference minutes of 1954 do not mention any report given by the History Book Committee. The last member of the Committee, Bro. G. E. Marsh, died November 23, 1954. There were no committee members nominated or appointed to continue the effort to research, compile, or publish such a book, so the effort, as far as an official Committee is concerned, ended in 1954 and has not, to this date, been resolved or reinstated.

Contributors to the General Conference: October, 1973

Mr & Mrs Douglas Todd	25.00	Alice Bassett	20.00	North Salem Church	13.96	Fonthill Miss Soc	241.60
Mauertown Dorcas Soc	30.00	Modesto Bible Church	4.80	Macomb SS	14.75	Mr & Mrs David Elliott	5.00
Eden Valley Church	360.24	Lombard Church	57.93	San Jose Church	31.00	Mrs S. Kuehne	4.81
Marjorie Bolhous	40.00	Valley Church	67.92	S Bend Hope Chapel SS	37.08	Golden Rule SS	100.00
Faith Community—Mpls	140.00	Dayton Glad Tidings	400.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Yows	25.00	Mr & Mrs V A Cunningham	50.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	50.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	50.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00
Northeast Conf	215.00	E Dorothy Magaw	38.00	Mrs Lucy Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Pat Wiltsey	25.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	10.00	Ill State Conf	100.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Moore	30.00	Donald Williams	23.00
Tempe Dorcas Soc	200.00	Mr & Mrs Francis VanFleet	16.00	Eternal Hope Church	72.87	Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	100.00
Anonymous	60.00	Ripley Miss Soc	100.00	Brush Creek Gospel G	25.00	Ephriam Udo	5.00
Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Anonymous	5.00	Fonthill Church	150.85	John Obott	1.00
Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger Sr	25.00	Freeport Church	30.00	Dorothy Napper	10.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Koszta Church	72.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	5.00	Telva Lippert	5.00	Digby Church	130.00
Oregon Mary & Martha	37.50	Pennellwood Miss Dept	154.00	Penny Winner	1.00	Omaha SS	58.82
Scott Strickland	50.00	Mary Krogh	50.00	Mr & Mrs Dallas Demmitt	10.00	Ben Carpenter	30.00
Rockford Miss Fund	60.00	May White	15.50	Mrs Gladys Valentine	10.00	Mrs Norman Vidito	1.00
Garden Park Church	317.09	Bedford Ch of Open Bible	32.46	Zenas Murphy	10.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	25.00	Jaynes St Com Church	350.00	Troy View Church	107.65	Mr & Mrs Carroll Bennett	25.00
Southeastern Conf	100.00	Morning Star Church	154.84	Ruth Fogle	10.00	Dan Dovenbarger	30.00
Nina Hatcher	5.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Dochstader	30.00	Holbrook Church	73.30	Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	20.00
Mr & Mrs O H Berry	25.00	Burr Oak Church	170.00	Peoria Church	190.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	30.00
La State Conf	220.31	East Oregon Church	51.50	Anonymous	100.00	Women's Retreat	137.00
Mrs F L Austin	10.00	Litchfield Church	27.95	Mr & Mrs Gayle Somers	35.00	Blood River Willing Workers	22.00
Guthrie Grove Church	559.51	Tempe Bible Church	262.05	Mr & Mrs John Carr	113.00	Verne Berry	10.00
Minn State Conf	237.79	Brush Creek Church	263.36	Mr & Mrs John Huston Sr	5.00	Mrs Patricia Piter	10.00
Mich Conf	70.17	Blessed Hope Church	160.53	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	25.00	Mary Hale	10.50
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	40.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	Southlawn Church	219.28
Debbie Robinson	1.20	Beaumont Church	25.40	James Frederick	25.00	Lawrenceville Church	239.91
Jay Ramsey	80.00	Macomb Church	62.67	Beulah Slater	50.00	Bessie Stephenson	7.00
Digby BYF	44.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00	Conger St Church	42.90	Elaine Shute	5.00
Paul Thomas	12.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	80.00	Garden Park BYF	6.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	12.00
Anonymous	3.00	Winston C Roberts	10.00	Truth Seekers SS	16.11	Oregon Mary & Martha	
Esther Peterson	3.00	Cora Siple	12.00	Brush Creek Youth	36.14	Miss Soc	12.50
Mr & Mrs Arnold Johns	20.00	Leota Hanson	5.00	Brush Creek Miss	60.00	Susan Andrew	5.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	24.00	Everett Rogers	25.00	Mr & Mrs Eugene Stilson	35.00	Litchfield SS	10.18
Oregon Church	631.25	Felida Church	3.20	Mr & Mrs Sylvan Richey	5.00	Anonymous	1.00
Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00	Phoenix Bible Church	267.00	Fremont Church	15.00	Dorothy Ratering	50.00
Milo Magaw	55.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	40.00
Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	80.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Mr & Mrs Arlie Townsend	20.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	250.00
Michael Montgomery	12.00	Mr & Mrs Floyd Wood	45.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Dorothy Siple	150.00
Ind Conf	100.00	Robert Bernheisel	85.75	Anonymous	8.00	Mr & Mrs Waldon Winner	10.00
Lynne Knapp	12.00	Hope Chapel		Mr & Mrs Richard Fridley	40.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	10.00
Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Miss Soc (S Bend)	65.00	New Hope Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle Walkington	25.00
Sharonlee Gallagher	2.00	Mr & Mrs William Shotwell	20.00	Brush Creek SS	52.12	Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00
Mark Gallagher	3.00	Happy Woods Church	67.00	Mr & Mrs Arlen Marsh	17.10	Mrs R D Stanton	2.00
Pennellwood Church	139.94	Pomona Open Bible Church	61.85	St Louis Church	31.83	Linda Hollenback	12.00
Southwest Conf	162.00	Anonymous	50.00	Mr & Mrs Arnold Johns	34.00	Eldorado SS	64.47
Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	61.00	South Bend Hope Chapel	79.13	Mr & Mrs William Hanson	215.00	Anonymous	5.00
Blanchard Church	143.65	La Contributors	280.00	Fremont SS	25.25	Oregon SS	7.82
Ripley Church	238.53	Katherine Tackett	54.00	Mr & Mrs John Hayse	9.11	Wilda Hammer	10.00
Columbia Church	281.72	Margaret Duval	50.00	Sharon Guiles	25.00	Macomb BYF	12.00
Lafayette Church	53.43	Mr & Mrs E A Frederick	30.00	Mauertown Church	67.00	Anonymous	200.00
Mrs Lila Guiles	10.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	25.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde Randall	30.00		
Raymore Church	25.00	Grace Marsh	25.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Hendrix	3.00		
Mr & Mrs Ivan Seman	25.00	Denver Church	40.50	Mrs Mabel Bell	15.00		

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Missions News

By S. O. Ross

India

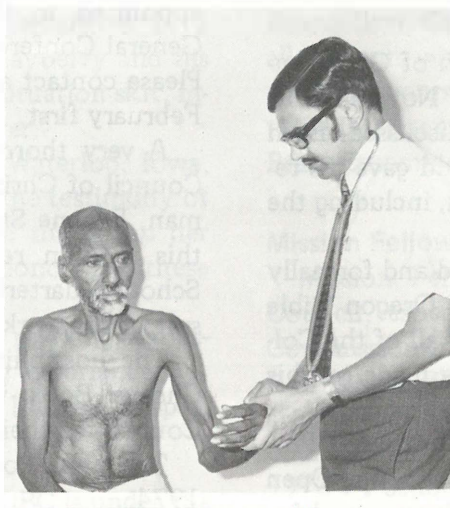
The accompanying picture shows Dr. Chander treating a patient at the Medical Clinic in Bangalore, South India. Four hundred seventy-one patients were treated in October, five hundred five in September, and nearly one thousand in August. Many contacts are made through the clinic. Bro. S. S. Manoah has devotions with the staff and patients as they wait for treatment. This gives Bro. Manoah great opportunity to become acquainted with the people and witness to them. Many lives can be won to Christ as well as many bodies physically healed.

Eight men and seven women were immersed in the waters of baptism in October. Pray for these new converts as they begin their Christian walk of life. Bro. Manoah says, "The work in India is growing smoothly and it will be established in many more places soon. We have strong prayers in our church groups and we know God will bless."

Nova Scotia

The Lighthouse Church of God at Digby, Nova Scotia, has taken great strides forward in recent months. A small van has been used to transport several to Sunday school and church services. They have been looking for a larger bus. Recently the Lord opened the way when a used military bus became available at a very reasonable cost. It will seat forty-two children or twenty-eight adults and is in first-class condition. The first Sunday the bus was used the attendance went over one hundred. The smaller van is still used on some occasions, and especially to pick up members and friends within the city of Digby.

The church building is now in excellent



repair, along with a very nice parsonage. With the expanded bus ministry, the physical facilities are ready to accommodate good growth. With the leadership of Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and the excellent work of Sr. Eunice Pearson, combined with the blessing of God, this work should expand in a wonderful way.

Philippine Islands

The Pallagao Church and its pastor, Evaristo Corpuz, were made very happy in October when Basilio Salibad, age 35, accepted Christ and was immersed in the waters of baptism.

Mrs. Tessie Paclep, 22 years, and Gerry Ballesteros, 18 years, were baptized at the Uddiawan Church by Bro. Mariano Gallardo. Pray for these newborn babes in Christ.

The radio ministry is still having a great impact and influence in the Philippine Islands. The government has taken over the former time slot of 11:30 to 12:00 noon. The program has been moved to a more

prime time of 12 noon to 12:30. They feel it was the blessing of God. Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero says, "We are so happy to get that time, even though the fee is a little higher, because most people open their radios at that time."

Ghana

We recently sent to Ghana, through the American Bible Society, a quantity of Bibles in the Twi and Ewe dialects. Bro. Oliver Amani writes, "Our thanks go to the Heavenly Father and to all of you at General Conference for making the funds available for Bibles for this great work of faith."

Nigeria

Sr. Sarah Udo, wife of Pastor Ephriam Udo, has been very ill for several weeks. Bro. Udo asks that the brethren continue to pray for her that she may recover and her health be restored.

A special day of activities was held recently at the Community Church of God at Utu Abak, where Bro. John Obott is the pastor. Bro. Ephriam Udo was special speaker at a dedication service. A Communion service was also conducted.

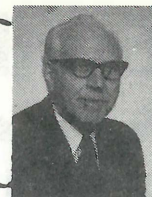
Mission Trip

As this is written, plans are finalized for Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence to leave January 3, 1974, to visit the mission fields of Nigeria and Ghana. Pray for them and their fellowship with the brethren there. Sr. Lawrence is a member of the Church of God General Conference Mission Board.

We express our thanks and appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence for giving so freely of their time and finances as they visit these mission fields. ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Annual Financial Statement

The Financial Report for the fiscal year of the Church of God General Conference ending September 30, 1973, can be found in this issue. We encourage you to study this report. The report is in two sections, one on the General Funds and one on the Restricted Funds. We find the Conference to be in a good sound financial position. Note below the statement of Bro. Allan M. Ramsey, who audited the books. If there are questions on the report, please feel free to contact the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

Board of Directors Met

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., on November 15 and 16. Many areas of the work were discussed. Each department head met with the Board and gave his report, and many decisions were arrived at, including the following actions.

The Report of the Audit was discussed and formally approved. The Board of Education of Oregon Bible College is making a Feasibility Study of all of the College operations. A written report will be made on this study at the May, 1974, Board meeting.

Two applications for the Special Church Aid Program have been received. The Church of the Open Bible at Pomona, Cal., is the first church approved for this Special Aid beginning September, 1974. The delegates at the 1973 Conference set a limit of three churches at any one time for this assistance.

A committee consisting of M. A. Patrick, chm.,

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT TO CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

The annual audit of your books and records for your fiscal year ended September 30, 1973, has been completed by me and the complete audit report has been furnished to all members of the Board and to the Executive Director. The report was presented to the Board by me at its meeting on November 16, 1973, and reviewed in person with the Board.

The audit report shows that the General Conference, in total, is in a good and sound financial condition. However, you should note that there are no cash reserves or cash surplus for the general administrative operation of the Conference. All cash funds or reserves are specifically designated by the donors to be used for specified purposes, which are not general operating purposes. The specified purposes are mostly for future construction of facilities, special mission projects, special college projects and equipment. The continuing immediate need for giving appears to be more for the general operating budget. Some cash reserves for general operations would be most helpful.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan M. Ramsey, Public Accountant.

Allan M. Ramsey, and David Johnson, has been appointed to give study to the future use of the fifty-two-acre plot of ground near Hammond, Louisiana, that was donated to the General Conference in 1967.

A Constitutional Revision will be proposed at the 1974 General Conference regarding Article I, Section 1, Sub-Division (D) dealing with a Board of Benevolence. This is in response to action by the delegates at the 1973 Conference. This proposal will be published and explained prior to Conference.

Harold Doan, Dallas Demmitt, and S. O. Ross were appointed to the program committee for the 1974 General Conference. Any suggestions will be welcome. Please contact any member of the committee, prior to February first.

A very thorough and comprehensive report of the Council of Christian Education was given by the chairman, Eugene Stilson. Much progress has been made in this area in recent months. The Beginners Sunday School Quarterlies are showing some changes as a result of the work of this Council.

The possibility of printing a Church of God Youth Chorus Book was referred to the Youth Advisory Council for their suggestions and recommendations.

The next Board meeting was set for May 2 and 3, 1974.

Conference Finances

The giving for the month of December has not met the goal. We ask that the membership pray about this matter. We hope that the January goals will be met, so that all of the work of the Church of God General Conference can go forward to completion.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year in 1974, and may God bless you all real good.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 - September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for December	\$20,995.00
Given in December	14,035.00
Deficit in December	6,960.00
January Needs	\$13,167.00

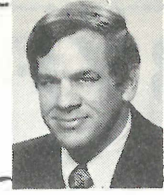
Goal for January \$20,127.00

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Fall Banquet

The highlight of the social calendar of the fall semester, the Fall Banquet, found its setting at Bishop's Buffet in Rockford, on Saturday, December 1. Students and faculty were served a fine meal and were entertained with a program planned by Social Committee Chairman, Bruce Burnside. Dan Ryan, Lynn Boyer, Bruce Burnside, and David Huffer opened the program by serenading the group with the after-dinner music of two quartet numbers. A special presentation was given to Ruth Kennedy, who left for home the next day. Bruce Burnside and David Huffer performed in a "Charlie McCarthy" type act. Larry Mayberry and his group concluded the program with a situation skit, involving an unfortunate substitute teacher.

Miss Sharon Anway traveled from Waterloo, Iowa, to join us at the banquet and to share the testimony of her life in the Lord. She shared with the group her original songs, together with thoughts concerning these songs.

Everyone enjoyed the formal, yet relaxing atmosphere. It was an edifying and refreshing experience.

Michele Gaspar.

Library and Music

The professional minor in Music at OBC is under the leadership of Dale Ramsey. There have been several major accomplishments during the past few years: a music room, a grand piano, choir robes, recording equipment, an annual LP recording, and a bus for tours. Another side to the growth of the music program is an Instructional Media Center. Music students need books, journals, records, tapes, and listening centers for enrichment of classes. A memorial fund will be used to purchase a listening table.

The library has passed the 8,500 volume goal and is now working toward the 10,000 volume goal. The specific goals in the music area of the library for the achievement of this goal by 1975 are: 100 new works covering the general field of music, 100 books on church music and music ministry, two music journals, and at least 100 records and tapes. We are preparing a card file of all of the items we plan to purchase. Contributions to the music area of the OBC library are welcomed. At the present time, special contributions account for about 80 percent of the funds for library development.

Eugene Stilson, librarian.

Winter Registration

Forty-nine students registered for the winter semester, but the number is expected to rise from that as we hear from late registrants. All students are enrolled in the Biblical Studies program of New Testament IV, Old Testament II, Introduction to Doctrine, Bible Study Methods, Biblical Introduction, Between the Testaments, and Biblical Eschatology.

Upper classmen are taking Preaching II and lower classmen Principles and Practice of Teaching, Speech, Church of God History and Missions, and English II. Evangelism, Greek II, and Advanced Greek are open to all students who have fulfilled the prerequisite.

Those courses offered in the area of music during the winter semester are Church Music, Choir, Chorale, Brass Ensemble, Voice, Piano, and Organ.

Mission Fellowship

Mission Fellowship is a committee of the Student Council, especially appointed to carry out the Great Commission in home and foreign missions. Concentration is specifically on home missions since, during the school year, students are not able to travel to different countries in our mission field. Our first meeting of the 1973-74 school year was held on September 6. Chairman Mike Berry read the list of offices to be filled. Those elected were: secretary, Denise Pearson; treasurer, Kathy Foretich; and vice-chairman, Lynda Smith.

The Lord has greatly blessed us with many opportunities to serve him throughout the community. A sidewalk booth was set up on the day of the Sidewalk Sale in Oregon. We sold buttons, posters, and books, while at the same time witnessing to the shoppers as they passed by. We sometimes shared a tract with them, or just a friendly word or smile.

The next project was a rummage sale held in front of the Men's Dormitory. Again, the Lord gave us opportunities to witness and talk to those people who were uninformed about Oregon Bible College. Another community service has been presentation of programs to patients of different nursing homes in the area. We have also had the responsibility of conducting chapel services at the college once a month for the months of November and December.

Denise Pearson, secretary.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Team Leadership

In today's modern method of teaching, leading, and meeting the needs of children and young people, much emphasis is given to "team teaching." Two or more teachers share the same classroom, pupils, and equipment, but each teacher employs a different approach to teaching the same subject.

Our purpose for this column is not to dwell on the matter of teaching, but on directing and leading the young people of the church and community.

Very often, those charged with responsibility for selecting leaders for the various departments of the church hear: "I would be happy to be youth leader but I simply do not have the time." If this is your problem, why not consider the possibility of having more than one leader. You could designate them as leader and assistant leader or co-youth leaders. The titles make little difference in the results. One may be excellent at presenting God's Word in such a way that it may be easily understood. The other leader may be able to plan and guide social get-togethers, retreats, and conferences, and to do the other things needed to keep young people active and strong—physically and mentally.

The requirements of today's church programs and promotions are much different than they were a few years ago. This does not mean that the doctrines taught have been changed, nor are they to be changed. Few who are now over forty years of age can remember having gone to a summer camp.

We must recognize that learning about God and his creation; Jesus Christ as our personal Savior; the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives; may come about more easily in a controlled social situation than through Bible study alone. Regular, well-planned Bible study periods are not to be eliminated. Christian fellowship, through well-planned and well-supervised and managed social activities also contribute much to spiritual growth. In these, the ones outside the body of Christ may first be made to feel accepted and welcome.

Often, an older person can well fill one of the places of youth leadership. It has been proven that young people do not reject those who are older when they share enthusiasm for and with young people. We may greatly increase the number of young people reached by our church through well-planned youth activities.

Sunday School of the Month

Several times during the past year, a Sunday school has been honored by having its accomplishments recognized in this column. Each, in turn, was designated as "Sunday School of the Month." The following is an account of the efforts put forth by the brethren of the Blanchard Church of God, Blanchard, Michigan, to attain a Rally Day attendance of 201.

The "Break the Record Contest" was a smashing success in the Blanchard Sunday School.

Materials needed for this contest include: 1) a stand in which a 12-inch record can be inserted; 2) records which can be broken; 3) a hammer; and 4) a chart to show the goal for each Sunday.

The contest covered a five-week period. Goals were set for each Sunday, to be raised on each successive Sunday. The goal started at what was about the average attendance, with the hope of reaching a final count which would be approximately a fifty-percent increase.

The first week, all were shocked when a 110 goal was surpassed, with 152 present. The second week, a goal of 125 was smashed when there were 140 in attendance. The next two Sundays had everyone counting twice, as the goal of 140 was passed with 142 present, and a goal of 155 resulted in an attendance of 156. Then the pessimists were really stung, as a seemingly unreachable goal of 175 was crumbled when 201 appeared.

The person who invited the greatest number of the people who were in attendance had the privilege of doing the record breaking. Polaroid snapshots were taken, and given to the "smashers." Movies also were taken of the "breakings," and also on Rally Day.

This contest does not thrive on giveaway gimmicks, but does involve a lot of person-to-person inviting to Sunday school. This gives Christians a great chance to do some witnessing.

Much credit is due to the Sunday school officers: Frances Wood, Dan Bush, and Joy Sutfin.

Sunday School Board Meeting

The winter meeting of the Sunday School Board members will be Saturday, January 26, 1974. This meeting will be held in the Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Indiana. Should you have any suggestions or questions, please send them to: Sunday School Director, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION General Fund

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 47.00
Cash in Bank—Savings	12,153.08
Petty Cash Fund	200.00
Notes Receivable	1,185.32
Accounts Receivable	934.24
Inventory	7,831.32
Total Current Assets	\$ 22,350.96
Property, Plant & Equipment	
Land	\$ 24,241.91
Improvements to Grounds	2,388.77
Buildings	227,357.88
Furniture & Equipment	41,762.28
Automotive	986.72
Construction in Process— Women's Residence Hall	1,410.00
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	\$298,147.56
TOTAL ASSETS	\$320,498.52
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,637.81
Notes Payable	1,185.32
Accrued & Withheld Payroll Taxes	811.93
Accrued Hospitalization Premiums	3,904.90
Accrued Salaries	2,952.20
Total Liabilities	\$ 12,492.16
Net Worth	308,006.36
Surplus	308,006.36
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	\$320,498.52

STATEMENT OF OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE

Operating Income	
Contributions—General	\$147,966.27
Contributions—Designated	11,977.46
Tuition, Room & Board	44,011.65
Services	152.00
Interest	373.69
Camps	7,505.72
Miscellaneous	1,416.75
Total	\$213,403.54

Statement of Gross Profit or (Loss) on Sales

Cost of Sales	
Inventory—October 1, 1972	\$ 7,973.86
Purchases	9,694.49
Salaries & Wages	17,288.11
Contract Printing	17,032.44
Editorial	1,532.50
Total	\$ 53,521.40
Inventory—September 30, 1973	7,831.32
Cost of Sales	\$ 45,690.08
Sales	\$ 33,375.03

Gross Profit (loss) on Sales	\$(12,315.05)
Total Operating Gross Profit	201,088.49

Operating Expenses	
Salaries	69,932.72
Light & Fuel	6,056.90
Telephone	1,599.62
Insurance	2,406.48
Postage & Freight	4,434.01
Supplies & Expense	8,158.17
Depreciation	6,146.94
Advertising	108.00
Repairs & Maintenance	2,660.94
Travel	10,314.74
Towel & Laundry Service	247.50
Camp	7,508.46
Printing (Departmental)	9,115.08
Speaker	200.00
Assistance to Mission Points	19,905.00
Assistance to Churches	4,025.00
Literature	23,112.84
Food	7,607.64
F.I.C.A. Tax	5,003.34

Rent	150.00
Interest	116.38
Professional Services	1,421.82
Auto Expense	1,080.31
Miscellaneous	258.75
Staff Training	1,482.96
Special Mission Projects	5,329.84
Total Operating Expenses	\$198,383.44
Net Operating Income	2,705.95

STATEMENT—OTHER RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Add:	
Gain on Disposition of Equipment	\$ 187.00
Depreciation	6,146.94
Total Net Operating Income & Additions	9,038.99
Deduct: Other Expenses	
Annuity Benefits	6,161.83
Net Cash Income	2,877.16
Capital Expenditures	
Additions to Grounds	\$ 1,639.01
Additions to Buildings	2,284.92
Additions to Furniture & Equipment	2,989.05
Total Capital Expenditures	6,912.98

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION Restricted Fund

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 4,980.88
Cash in Bank—Savings	52,800.51
Accounts Receivable	15.00
Notes & Contracts Receivable	107,334.54
Inventory	69.94
TOTAL ASSETS	\$165,200.87
Liabilities	
Deposits—Dorm Room & Key and Car Registration	\$ 610.00
Annuities	10,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,610.00
Net Worth	154,590.87
Fund Balance	154,590.87
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	\$165,200.87

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

Receipts	
Contributions	\$ 33,515.24
Interest	9,755.11
Camp	13,260.75
Total Receipts	\$ 56,531.10
Gross Profit on Sales	
Albums & Lounge Canteen	101.94
Total Gross Profit	\$ 56,633.04
Expenditures	
Office Supplies	\$ 13.25
Travel	7,310.23
Camp	12,516.02
Printing	967.43
Assistance to Churches	17,182.00
Assistance to Ministers	600.00
Supplies & Expense	1,320.71
Interest	596.32
Miscellaneous	1,935.68
Annuity Benefits	663.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 43,104.64
Net Income Over Expense	\$ 13,528.40
Other Deductions	
Loss on Sale of Investments	\$ 934.72
Additions to Furniture & Equipment	4,145.75
	5,080.47
EXCESS RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 8,447.93

The Annual Financial Statement above is a portion of the report of the firm of Allan M. Ramsey, Warsaw, Ind., accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, November 16, 1973.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



Churches IN THE News

Fonthill, Ont. "Launch Out Into the Deep" was the theme for the second annual Missionary Conference at Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., on November 2-4, 1973. Over 4,000 *Restitution Herald*s, tracts, and handbills were distributed in the Niagara Frontier area, in preparation for the conference. One hundred sixty-three people attended the services. They were unanimous in their appreciation of the challenging messages from God's Word, brought by Pastor Scott Ross, which dealt with Home Mission Work. Bro. Ralph Childs' testimony in word and song, and his chalk art ministry were a blessing to all.

A workshop was conducted by Pastor Ross on Saturday morning in preparation for visitation, and in the afternoon a calling program was carried on in the community.

The Faith Promise Service, on Sunday afternoon, saw \$5,364 promised to God for worldwide missions. We unite in praising God for his goodness, and his people for their faith that he will provide. Viola Goit, missionary sec.

Port Richey, Fla. Since early summer, Bro. and Sr. Ray Kluck and Bro. and Sr. Elroy Wegener have been holding Bible study classes in their homes. Through their wonderful work and patience, three new young people were baptized into Christ on October 14, 1973. Not having a church in Florida, we went to South Carolina, where Bro. Kenneth Milne of the Guthrie Grove Church assisted them in baptism.

We would like to thank Bro. and Sr. Wegener and Bro. and Sr. Kluck for bringing them to Christ by their witnessing. We also wish to extend our thank yous and blessings to Bro. and Sr. Milne and the Fuller sisters for sharing their homes and hospitality! We most enjoyed the warmth of all the people and our newfound brothers and sisters. Bro. Milne reported the baptisms in the December issue of *Progress Journal*.

We are now holding our own Sunday morning services and evening Bible classes. We have an organ, purchased by the Wegeners and the Klucks.

We are honored to dedicate our lives to God and to his people. We ask for your prayers in the growth and success of our new church. We have seven baptized members and some interested families. Robin Pelkey, sec.

Tempe, Ariz. Our mother church in Tempe has sold its building to the Salvation Army and will give possession of it December 31. God be praised that prayer has been answered! We also congratulate this fine congregation on this milestone in their growth and development. We pray that God will continue to bless them as they change locations and construct a building on the land they already have. Until then they will meet in a school near their building site. —Phoenix Bulletin.

BAPTISMS

Raymore, Mo. Our hearts rejoiced when Dan Jennings came forward and confessed his need for Jesus as his Savior. He was baptized into the Lord on Sunday, November 14, 1973. We pray God's blessing on Dan as he begins his new walk of life with the Lord. Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Washington, D.C. The Eternal Hope Church of God is very happy to announce that Wayne W. Carroll has expressed his acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior by his baptism at the Royal Village Church on October 28, 1973. Along with the angels in heaven, we praise God for Wayne's decision. Ronald Macy, pastor.

South Bend, Ind. The following people have recently accepted Christ as their personal Savior and have been baptized into his saving name: Mrs. Jane Osborn, April 29, 1973; Mrs. Cecil Rose and Miss Rene Doolen, November 4, 1973; Mrs. Irene Shaw, Miss Mary Lamphier, and Mrs. Vera Cusey, November 11, 1973. The brethren of Hope Chapel welcome and rejoice with these new Christians.

Also on November 11, 1973, it was our privilege to assist Mr. Paul Richards into the waters of baptism. We rejoice with Paul over his decision to accept Christ. Paul's pastor, Bro. Ted Armes, of the Morning Star Church, assisted in the service. James Graham, pastor.

Pelzer, S.C. Roy Davenport of 114 Kathryn Ct., Greenville, S.C. 29605, was baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ, Sunday, November 11, 1973. His wife transferred her membership from the Bethel Church of God. We pray the Lord's blessing on this family as they serve him. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Harlingen, Tex. The Harlingen church group was happy to witness the baptism of Mark Eckerson into the saving name of Jesus on November 4, 1973. We pray God's guidance and blessing on Mark in the years ahead. He is a teen-ager and so much of life is ahead of him. Harry Goekler, pastor.

Front Royal, Va. It was my pleasure and great privilege to help Barbara and Russell Noakes to put on Christ through baptism, November 11, 1973, at the Royal Village Church. The baptism was held at the close of the morning worship service. Because of this, it was witnessed by many who had never before seen a scriptural baptism. We do pray for God to strengthen Barbara and Russell in their new lives. Robert L. Schrienk, pastor.

Gatesville, Tex. At the close of the services on Sunday, November 11, 1973, the gospel invitation was given and five persons responded by giving their lives to Jesus. The writer helped each one to put on Christ by assisting in the baptisms. We welcome into the body of Christ, June and Bobby Sanders; Cindy and Becky Zirklebach; and Cherie Hammer. We pray the Lord's guidance on them. Daniel G. Landry, pastor.

Cleveland, Ohio. Pastor Cornelius Boykai has returned to Liberia, where he will carry on medical missionary work, supported jointly by the Cleveland Golden Rule Church of God and the Northeast Conference. A farewell dinner was held for him in the church basement, November 25, 1973.

Golden Rule's pastor is conducting regular classes after church each Sunday for three who are contemplating baptism. J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Eden Valley, Minn. On Sunday, November 25, 1973, during a beautiful service at the Eden Valley Church of God, Michael McCaerney and John Vanderbeek were baptized by Pastor Billie Kennedy. Michael had been attending the Church of God in Minneapolis for several years, and is presently teaching in the Battle Lake, Minn., school system. John Vanderbeek is the son of Mr. & Mrs. John Vanderbeek of rural Paynesville. He is a splendid young man and a good youth worker. Following the immersions, a Communion service was held. May God's richest blessing attend these young men. Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Cleveland, Ohio. James Koryta was baptized by the pastor during a service which was held between the morning worship and Communion at Golden Rule Church of God on November 4, 1973. Bro. Koryta had asked for baptism as he ended a superb sermonette on the church's Youth Sunday the week before. J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Oregon, Ill. On the evening of November 14, 1973, Paul Myles, a black man who is thirty-nine years of age and has been in Ogle County Jail for the past five months, was baptized in the saving name of Jesus. A number of our college young men and I have been working at the jail. Paul responded to the call of the gospel. Paul was born in a Chicago ghetto and, according to his own testimony, has never known anything but vice and crime all of his life. He said that he wanted to change, and this was the first time in his life that he had really looked at the Bible with believing eyes.

When he is located permanently for his prison term, he will enroll for the Bible Correspondence Course. We hope to be able to keep in touch with him and to help him all that we can. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Browntown, Va. The Cool Spring Church of God welcomes Mrs. Nancy Galloway into the body of Christ. She was baptized Sunday, November 11, 1973, in the name of Jesus Christ. May God keep her in his will and service till Jesus comes. James D. Ritch, pastor.

Hedrick, Ind. It was the writer's pleasure to assist Miss Kathy Wesley and Miss Connie Gillum in the waters of baptism at Redwood, on a cold November 9, 1973. We pray that the Lord will bless them in their new life for him. Both may be addressed at Rt. 3, Williamsport, Ind. 47993. Wally Winner, pastor.

Phoenix, Ariz. Mrs. Caryl Aarud, 9919 N. 16 Pl. E., Phoenix, Ariz. 85020, and Joseph Loving, 3634 W. Sierra, Phoenix, 85029, were baptized into Christ November 25, 1973. May God continue to bless them and keep them in the hollow of his hand! Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Digby, N.S. On November 18, 1973, the following were baptized in the saving name of Jesus and were received into membership of the Lighthouse Church of God, Digby, Nova Scotia: Mrs. Diane Findlay; Robert Leonard and Brenda Sivret; Harold Small; Judy Haynes; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Basser. Raymond L. Brown, pastor.

East Oregon, Ill. November 18, 1973, was an unforgettable Sunday for one new member of the body of Christ. Elma Sarver, Rt. 2, Oregon, Ill. 61061, put on Christ in the waters of baptism that afternoon. We pray that God will enrich her with Spirit for Christian growth. Timothy New, pastor.

TEMPE, ARIZONA

On or about December 31, 1973, the Lakeshore Bible Church of God, of Tempe, Ariz., will give possession of its property at the corner of University Drive and Myrtle Avenue to the worldwide organization, The Salvation Army. Thus ends thirty-five years of our teaching and preaching the gospel from that site.

The original building was dedicated in December of 1938, while Bro. S. J. Lindsay was pastor. Sr. Emma C. Railsback was the guest speaker at the dedicatory service. The congregation was small and was known as "The Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith." As the years passed, the congregation grew in number and in service, with many forward looking programs. The most important of these was the decision to divide the congregation and establish a work in Phoenix. Years of prayer and planning took place before it became an actuality in September of 1965.

In succession to Bro. Lindsay, the following ministers have served as pastors: L. E. Conner; Clarence E. Lapp; Gerald L. Cooper; Clyde E. Randall; Vernis D. Wolfe; Walter Wiggins; Alva G. Huffer; and Lee McQuinn. R. Warren Sorenson is the present pastor. Literally dozens of other Church of God ministers have spoken here during these years. Hundreds of fellow-members of the church, and their friends, have worshiped with us. A great many have returned year after year, and some (including 3 or 4 of the pastors) have made it their home. We believe that the spirituality of our people, as well as the standard friendliness of the West, have been strong influences.

It was with nostalgia and some sadness that we made the decision to relocate. We were being gradually nudged out by Arizona State University, zoning laws, and lack of parking space. The move is necessary, and we believe that it is God's will! Praise his name!

Beginning Sunday, January 6, 1974, Sunday school and morning worship services will be held at Marcos De Niza High School, located near the corner of Lakeshore and Guadalupe Roads in the southern part of Tempe. Anyone traveling through may phone Pastor Sorenson (838-4011), or any of the Tempe numbers listed in the November, 1973, Directory in *Progress Journal* for the location of the high school. Other services are pending at this writ-

ing, but will be held in the various homes for awhile.

The new building will be located on the corner of Lakeshore Drive and Guadalupe Road, south of Marcos De Niza High School, on property which, until recently, belonged to a pioneer family of the church. It will be sometime before it is ready for occupancy.

The tasks which are before us are tremendous, but the same God who blessed our efforts for thirty-five years will continue to do so. Our building program motto is: "Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it" (Psa. 127:1).

The Lakeshore Bible Church of God congregation humbly requests the prayers of the Church of God General Conference, and all who read this report, that we may continue to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord" during the difficult interval before the new building is completed and, after that, until Jesus returns to the earth to set up God's kingdom! Thank you! Thank God!

Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

"Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there."

—Bits and Pieces.

OBITUARIES

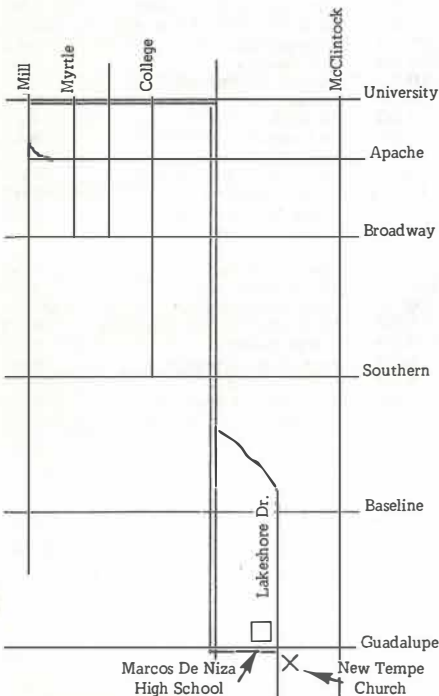
Oris Phelps, 78, a resident of the Hedrick community since 1934, died October 18, 1973. He had been ill since September 22. He attended the Hedrick Church of God faithfully. Services were conducted by the writer October 21, 1973. He now sleeps in Jordan Cemetery, near Pence, Ind., waiting the return of Christ.

Mrs. Jessie Reynolds, 68, of 9 Ross Ave., died November 14, 1973. She had been ill for five years. She was a member of the Hedrick Church of God. Services were conducted for her at her church, on November 17, by the writer. She now rests in the West Lebanon, Ind., Cemetery, where she waits for the Lord to call her forth. Wally Winner, pastor.

Cora Brooks was born August 16, 1898, at Licking, Mo. She died November 28, 1973, at Doniphan, Mo., at the age of seventy-five years. Sr. Brooks was baptized into the body of Christ by Bro. Roy Graham and continued as a faithful member of the Church of God of the Faith of Abraham at Doniphan. She endured a painful arthritic condition for many years without murmuring or complaining. When she was no longer able to attend services, she sent her offerings regularly. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, who conducted the funeral at Doniphan. Sr. Brooks now rests in the sleep of death, awaiting her Master's call at the resurrection.

A. T. Johns, pastor, Fredericktown, Mo.

Bro. Rolland Stilson fell asleep in death November 16, 1973, at the age of eighty-one. He leaves his wife, Maude; three sons, Kenneth Hal, Pomona, Cal.; Donald, Huston, Tex.; John, Northridge, Cal.; a daughter, Mrs. Sybil McLeod, San Luis Obispo, Cal.; and a sister, Mrs. Iris Kirkley, Plymouth, Ind. A daughter, Joy Neimier, preceded him in death. Bro. Stilson was a member of the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Cal., at the time of his death. For many years, he served on the church board of the Hope Chapel Church of God in South Bend, Ind., and on the Indiana State Conference board. When he moved to Pomona, he was chosen by the congregation to serve as an elder, which position he held until the time of his death. He was faithful in service to his Lord throughout his life. We pray again for the soon return of our Lord, when there will be no death or sickness and the faithful will be granted immortality. Delbert A. Jones, pastor.



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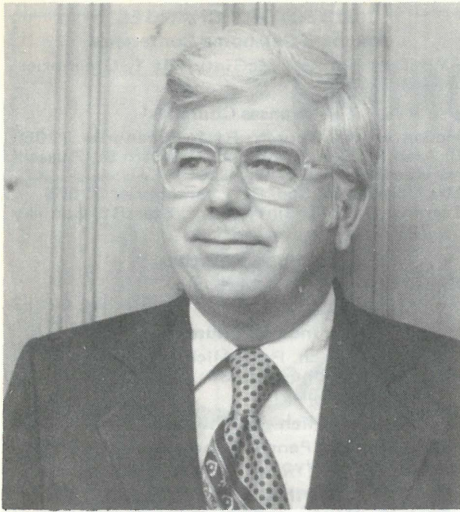
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COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Mrs. Diane Findley; Wayne Steenes; Mrs. John Hart; N. E. O. Emezue; J. U. Akpan; Linda Baldwin; Mrs. Dan Yahle; Lance New; Dan Foster; Sarah Foster; Russell Patterson; Pat Ewald; Paul Overholser; Janet Simpson; Bill Clark; Jane Lindner; Mary Dickerson; Sonja Smith; Mrs. Mellie Trongeau; Mrs. Stan Irish; Mrs. Bill Hively; Mrs. Adrienne DeBoe; May Ward; Debbie Paulson.



KNOW YOUR DIRECTORS
Harold Doan, Chairman

Harold Doan was born and reared in Grand Rapids, Mich., where he graduated from the Godwin Heights High School. Following this, he enrolled in Oregon Bible College and graduated in 1945 in a class of four. After com-

pleting his training at Oregon Bible College, he pastored the Chicago Church of God (now Lombard) and the Morningstar Church in South Bend, Ind.

Bro. Doan joined the staff of the Church of God General Conference in 1955. He served on the staff for thirteen years, most of that time as executive secretary and editor of publications. He also served as youth director for a short time.

In 1968 he resigned from his conference positions and moved to California to pastor the Valley Church of God at Van Nuys, and to join his brother Michael in an advertising firm. He and his wife Jean live at 12421 Rose Ave., in Los Angeles. They are the parents of two sons, Greg and Chris, both of whom are married.

Bro. Doan was elected to the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference for a three-year term in August of 1971, and has been chosen by the Board to be their chairman for three successive years. His dedicated leadership and service has had a great impact on the work and progress of the Church of God General Conference over the years.

The above is the first of a series of thumbnail sketches of the members of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. It is our hope that they will help you to better know the men who are serving you in this responsible position.

MARRIAGES

On November 10, 1973, Christine Tidey became the bride of Vernon Williams at the Phoenix Church of God. That God will lead them to establish their home on the Lord Jesus is our prayer.
Hollis Partlowe.

Lillian Schwartz, Litchfield, Minn., and Carl Osterkamp, Willmar, Minn., were united in marriage at the Litchfield Church of God, November 1, 1973, by the pastor. Lilly and Carl had both lost their mates. We pray God's blessing that they may enjoy much happiness together.
John Railton, pastor.

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Write:

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Contributors to the General Conference: November, 1973

Bedford Open Bible Church	58.27	Lisa Furlich	1.00	Peoria Faith Chapel	96.00	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	100.00
Mrs Waldron Stewart	20.00	Mr & Mrs R Kaffenbarger Sr	35.00	Robert Tucker	5.00	Mr & Mrs Lynn Slocum	20.00
Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	20.00	Carrie Vishino	2.00	Fonthill Church	473.63	Mary Krogh	75.00
Brush Creek Church	212.53	Mark Eckerson	1.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	60.00	Garden Park Church	165.35
Oak Grove Church	10.00	Ft Valley Bereans	30.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	60.00	Mary Brown	2.00	Mr & Mrs Willard Naylor	250.00	Mr & Mrs Eugene Stilson	30.00
Mr & Mrs John Lewis	150.00	Cleveland, Ark, SS	15.00	Mr & Mrs Don Swartz	200.00	Phoenix Bible Church	300.00
Flag Center Church	69.00	Dorothy Gardiner	6.00	Koszta Church	36.00	Margene Rager	20.00
Leota Hanson	5.00	Jessie Ritenour	100.00	Sheila Sheeley	12.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	25.00
Mr & Mrs Glenn Birkey	25.00	North Hills Church	105.54	Penny Winner	1.00	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	40.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	5.00	Pleasant Hill Church	114.17	Michael Ross	1.00	Mrs Roy Johnson	25.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	290.00	Fredericktown Church	12.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Forest Hills Church	70.29
Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Lois Cline	32.50	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	50.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	16.00	Doris Reye	25.00	Monica Salassi	2.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	24.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Richard Williams	64.35	Blood River Church	180.00
Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	50.00	Litchfield Church	26.72	Mr & Mrs Ed Bender	15.50	John Obott	1.00
Mr & Mrs Allen Smith	10.00	Pomona Open Bible Church	60.23	South Bend Hope Chapel	95.21	Digby BYF	5.00
Milo Magaw	125.00	Mabell Bell	15.00	Waterloo Church	23.00	Minn State Miss Soc	200.00
Alice Bassett	20.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	25.00	Inez Gordon	7.40	Eden Valley SS	20.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	60.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	10.00	E L Macy Jr	30.00
Northeast Conf	215.00	Mr & Mrs Bill Shotwell	20.00	Vivian Park	5.00	Mrs Pauline Roberson	3.00
Lawrenceville Esther Soc	4.02	Everett Rogers	25.00	Esther Jenkins	15.00	Mr & Mrs Floyd Combe	25.00
Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Hector Church	50.00	North Salem Church	11.40	Denver Church	44.10
San Jose Church	39.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Mr & Mrs Glenn Canfield	200.00	L K Punter	2.00
Lombard Church	40.60	East Oregon	57.82	Lafayette Lydias	10.00	Wayne Thompson	25.00
Anonymous	91.00	Eldorado Church	40.75	Mr & Mrs David Ansehl	5.00	Julian Hazlewood	5.00
Anonymous	135.00	Mr & Mrs Dennis Baldwin	10.00	Shellee Ballentine	2.00	La State Conf	60.42
Anonymous	44.00	Mary McDaniel	5.00	Mrs Hazel Adams	3.00	St Louis Church	68.88
Glad Tidings Chapel (Dayton)	30.00	Fonthill SS	28.27	Mr & Mrs Russell Magaw	5.00	Oregon Church	633.03
Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Ella Carpenter	3.00	Guthrie Grove Church	78.00
Felida Church	3.20	Cool Spring SS	27.55	Robert Bernheisel	42.00	Ruth Congdon	100.00
Gerald Osborn	200.00	Neva Anderson	4.50	Modesto Bible Church	10.25	Hank Schwier	12.00
Southlawn Church	192.34	Mrs Lila Guiles	10.00	Southwest Conf	131.56	Susan Lawrence	21.50
Lafayette Faith Chapel	48.45	Holbrook Church	54.50	Mr & Mrs William Wells	5.00	Oregon SS	7.52
Mrs Joe Shelly	10.00	Verna Freeman	25.00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Ransom	10.00	Diane McClain	8.00
Beaumont Church	20.22	Mrs Lucy Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Laning	200.00	Mrs Ruth Fogle	5.00
Mrs Waldo Wood	500.00	Robert Klindt	20.00	Mr & Mrs John Drang	50.00	Marjorie Bolhous	25.00
Neb-Co Bereans	301.28	Eternal Hope Church	79.74	C D Shaw	15.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Fridley	40.00
Gatesville Bereans	10.00	Mabel Andrew	10.00	Anonymous	100.00	Verne Berry	5.00
Freeport Church	30.00	Mr & Mrs Kent Ross	10.00	Nina Hatcher	5.00	New Hope Church	50.00
Anonymous	1.00	Troy View Church	117.87	Gary Hatcher	5.00	Ripley Church	40.40
Mr & Mrs Arne Lunderby	11.00	Tempe Bible Church	402.86	Shirley Mogensen	2.00	1973 Men's Retreat	288.00
Macomb SS	12.47	Mary Barnes	12.00	Rockford Miss Dept	65.00	Pennellwood Church	202.41
Mr & Mrs Delbert Jones	24.00	La Contributors	122.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Crader	6.05
Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Katherine Tackett	58.00	Indiana Conf	175.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	100.00
Hope Ch Miss Soc (S.Bend)	65.00	Ben Carpenter	50.00	Keith Baird	40.00	Lawrenceville Miss Dept	300.00
J Anon	30.00	Cora Siple	10.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00	Oregon Mary & Martha	25.00
Anonymous	23.00	Happy Woods Church	107.00	Dixon Church	43.91	Mr & Mrs George Hartman	76.00
Blanchard Church	240.64	Edna Claypool	15.00	Mr & Mrs Raymond Werneke	20.00	Brush Creek Youth	13.70
Mr & Mrs Robert Schrienk	3.15	Mr & Mrs Rollo Mosher	100.00	Fremont SS	23.00	Mr & Mrs William Hanson	200.00
Mary Hale	3.00	Beatrice Lapp	200.00	Fremont Church	10.00	Mr & Mrs Kendall Coats	9.40
Mr & Mrs Herbert Huenerkopf	5.00	S T Messick	25.00	Hillisburg Miss Soc	100.00	Clara Hoke	25.00
Mr & Mrs Cecil Patrick	200.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50	Ruth Reid	20.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	175.00
Illinois Conf	100.00	E A Frederick	30.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Mrs Alta Thrush	10.00
Mr & Mrs Dale Ward	40.00	May White	18.42	Raymore Church	25.00	Cindy Reeves	1.00
Michigan Conf	289.94	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	30.00	Fonthill BYF	12.00
M A Patrick	100.00	Macomb Church	68.82	Mr & Mrs Vernon Chaplin	100.00	Linda Hollenback	25.00

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SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES

HOW do you measure the success of a church? or, since the two are so closely associated, of its pastor? Do you count the number of people on the membership roll? Is it proper to measure success by attendance records? Is a large and beautiful church plant conclusive evidence that the congregation that worships there is successfully serving the Lord? Is the congregation that provides the most active social life for its members the most successful? Or would it be more practical and to the point to judge success by the balance in the treasury?

It would be more thoroughly in accord with the spirit of Christianity to judge the success of a church by the spiritual lives and attitudes of its members, regardless of the size of the congregation or the monetary value of its place of worship. In theory, at least, we all subscribe to this as the most satisfactory measure of the successful operation of a congregation. Any church that is taking worldly sinners, and being used of the Lord to turn them into devout and faithful workers in his vineyard, is operating successfully. Size, numbers, wealth, or influence are of little value unless the fruits of the spirit are in evidence among the brethren. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance" (Gal. 5:22, 23). The congregation that fails to bring forth these fruits is a barren vine, and not worthy of its place in the garden of Christ.

In the business world, the enterprise that handles the greatest volume of business and nets the most profit is held to be the most successful. The doctor whose patients include many wealthy people who are able to pay high fees may be regarded by some as being highly successful. The politician who climbs to the

highest office is thought of as successful. The same principle applies in many realms of endeavor. We tend to equate size, or quantity, with success.

It is not surprising that the carnal standards of the world sometimes spill over into the churches. But among truly Christian people, this simply is not true. They have learned to think in terms of spiritual rather than material values.

Obviously, the more people we can persuade to attend the services of our church, the more we can expose to the precious truths of the gospel of Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God. And we find it a reason of great rejoicing that the brethren of the Church of God are proving themselves capable of putting forth heroic efforts to gain this end. For this they are to be highly praised! Many of them are performing this service to the Lord exceptionally well. This is the beginning of their effort, not the end. In and of itself, it is not success. It is, however, a desirable stepping-stone to successful evangelistic efforts.

They understand that even the number of people who have been persuaded to "accept Christ as their personal Savior" (a widely used, but not strictly Biblical term) and be baptized, is not the final measure of the successful ministrations of their church. They know that their success depends upon the spiritual development of these people, as they "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 3:18).

This can be accomplished quite as successfully in the small congregation as in the larger one. There is no such thing as a small and unimportant congregation. Indeed, in certain respects, such a congregation may enjoy advantages not enjoyed by some of the larger congregations. Though it may be located in an area

where a sparse and scattered population severely limits the potential for numerical growth, a small church may still perform services that are vital to the overall welfare of the Church of God. The very fact that their numbers are small, and that they are not under the strains and stresses that often beset the larger congregations, makes it possible for them to concentrate more on that which is strictly Biblical and spiritual. It has no need for highly organized social endeavors. The members are under little pressure to attend to church functions that are non-essential spiritually.

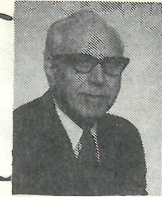
Many of our spiritual leaders received their early training under such conditions. The smaller congregations often make vital contributions to the work of the Church of God as a whole. Neither the small nor the large congregation can say to the other, "I have no need of you." The differing conditions under which they do their work may foster in each spiritual gifts valuable to the other. Together, they form an efficient and effective whole. They are the body of Christ!

Where Shall I Work?

"Master, where shall I work today?"
And my love flowed warm and free.
Then he pointed out a tiny plot,
And he said, "Work there for me."
But I answered quickly: "Oh, no, not there,
Not anyone could see,
No matter how well my task is done—
Not that small place for me!"
And his voice, when he spoke, it was so stern,
But he answered me tenderly:
"Disciple, search that heart of thine.
Are you working for them, or for me?
Nazareth was just a little place,
And so was Galilee."

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Gordon Landry Appointment

Bro. Gordon Landry of Baton Rouge, La., has been appointed to the staff of the Church of God General Conference. He will be assistant to Bro. Paul Johnson in the Publishing Department.

Bro. Landry is well experienced in the field of printing. He began this work in the print shop of the General Conference while attending Oregon Bible College. He worked for several years in the printing department of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge and, more recently, has operated a print shop of his own while serving as pastor of the Restitution Church of God at Baton Rouge.

Mrs. Angela Ring, who has assisted Bro. Johnson the past few years, has resigned and moved to St. Charles, Ill. She has been a dedicated worker for the General Conference. We regret her leaving, but wish her God's blessings in her new work.

Bro. Landry and family will move to Oregon next summer. We look forward to having him on the staff of the Church of God General Conference, beginning July 1, 1974.

Free Literature Campaign

The distribution of literature continues at a rapid pace. Nine thousand *Restitution Heralds* were mailed in December, eighty-five hundred in January, and a like number of the current February issue. Many fine evangelistic and doctrinal tracts are available free for this campaign. See the list on the back of *The Restitution Herald*. We urge each church to plan a distribution campaign, that God's Word may be spread in each community around the world.

Literature in the local dialect is now being provided for most of our mission fields. Bibles are also available in many of the dialects, through the American Bible Society. These are being provided through contributions to the Church of God General Conference.

Home Missions

A handy and useful manual for local mission directors is available through the Church of God General Conference. These are prepared by Sr. Karen Elliott of the Glad Tidings Church of God at Fonthill, Ont., Canada. She is the Missionary Chairman of the local

church there and presented a very informative sharing session on Home Missions at the 1973 General Conference. These manuals were available there. Since conference, a copy has been sent to each church. The manual is entitled, "Missionary Leadership in the Local Church." If any missionary director does not have this manual, please contact the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and one will be mailed to you.

The Pleasant Hill Church of God, Pleasant Hill, Ohio, has been approved for the Special Church Aid Program beginning September 1, 1974. The Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, California, was previously approved. One more church could receive this assistance next year under the program adopted by the 1973 delegates.

General Conference, 1974

The Annual Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17. The Program Committee will meet on February 10 and 11. Watch *Progress Journal* for further details on the program, daily costs, and other pertinent information. We ask your prayers that the fuel shortage and the energy crisis in general will not deter attendance.

Conference Finances

We are happy to report that the contributions have been up during the past month and the goal for giving has been met. We are thankful to each individual and to each church and conference that has had a part in meeting these needs.

Support payments to the twenty-two missionaries and their families, the payments to pastoral aid churches, the staff salaries, and the ordinary general expenses must be met each month. Praise God for the dedicated membership that supplies these needs regularly.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for January	\$20,127.00
Given in January	\$20,243.00
February Needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for February \$13,167.00

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 a group from the Edienne, Nigeria, congregation. We note the large number of young men and also many children. There are six congregations holding regular services.

Bro. Ephriam Udo, whose wife has been very ill, writes, "My wife is having some health improvement, but she has not completely recovered. Please continue to pray for her. Pray also for the work here to grow. Our wishes for a Happy New Year to all the members."

A Nigerian conference was held in December. More than three hundred attended. Bro. Udo reports that more would have attended but for the transportation difficulties. The average attendance at worship services at the six churches in November was: 39, 102, 50, 42, 78, and 236, the latter being the newest congregation of Asarama.

Philippine Islands

The youth of the Philippines Church of God met in conference December 30, 31, 1973, at the Uddiawan Church. This date was selected so they could meet and cooperate with the special services held each year on New Year's Eve at the Uddiawan Church.

Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero reports that the radio broadcast is being transferred to a larger station at Cauayan. The air time there will cost twenty dollars per month more than at Tuguegarao. However, the additional coverage will justify the added cost.

Pastor Placido Ortiguero, of the San Nicolas Church, has been holding evangelistic services at a neighboring village, Dalumpinas. The barrio (village) officers in Dalumpinas arranged a debate between Bro. Placido Ortiguero and a pastor of another denomination on the subject, "The True Church Founded by Christ." Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero reports, "A big crowd witnessed

the victorious stand of Bro. Placido." Debates are common in the Philippines and are often used as a means of proclaiming the truth of God's Word.

India

A baptismal service was held during the morning worship hour on November 25, 1973. A. M. Johns, Ravi Dass, Bharati Dass, and Malatti Dass, were immersed for the remission of sins by Pastor S. S. Manoah. Bro. Manoah writes: "Please pray for these new converts, that they will have God's guidance as they begin their walk in the light."

November 25 was a big day for the Sunday school children at the Thomas Town Church, as they had special services, with songs and plays in both English and the Tamil language. Prizes were awarded to those who achieved the highest marks in Scripture examinations.

On November 25, 1973, a ground-breaking service was held on the site of the new Church-Medical Building. Bro. Manoah dug the first shovelful, then the engineer and his wife, and then all the members and children took active part. Construction began that day. The plan is that it be completed at least by May first. Bro. Manoah says: "We are thankful to God that our new building is born and that his blessings are always with us. We were able to get the permit for cement and steel, and have received a portion of our quota, so the work can go on. We are continually praying for progress of the construction of our church-clinic building." The construction has been delayed for more than a year, due to some difficulties with the lot, and delays in getting permits for materials.

A Christmas program was held in each congregation. "Eatables" were passed out to everyone at those services. Five hundred seventy-three patients were treated in the medical clinic.

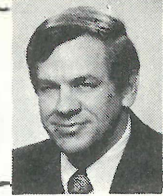
Ghana

Bro. Oliver Amani reports that on December 9, 1973, he had the pleasure to immerse in the waters of baptism Ross Symon Kpolah, Ambrose O. Denteh, Albert Gemowurah, and Stanley O. Nyame. Two of them are instructors in college and the other two are students. We ask your prayers for these new converts. Bro. Amani writes that they are very grateful for the monthly support and for the tracts, Bibles, and supplies we have sent to them.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Bible College Objectives

In the recent Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges convention, attended by the faculty members and board member Charles Pryor, convention participants placed emphasis on the importance of establishing Bible college objectives. Objectives are necessary for curriculum development and planning.

Robert O. Woodburn, academic dean of Washington Bible College, pointed out that because the Bible college is centered on the eternal truth of God's Word, it can set forth its precise objectives publicly, without fear of reprisal. These objectives will give purpose and direction to the college as an educational institution.

Mr. Woodburn continued by saying that objectives must be developed with certain criteria in mind. They must reflect the philosophy of the Bible college. Primarily, these objectives are to be Biblically based and oriented. They must also be theoretically sound. That is, they must reflect the educational principles drawn from Scripture and must be woven into a complete Christian world frame of reference. Third, these objectives must be formulated into something that is operational. The theory must become practical. Then these objectives must be stated in terms of specific behavior changes and, finally, these objectives must be measurable and subject to assessment. There must be clear evidence that the college is doing what it is purporting to do.

As objectives are more particularly related to the college, they must be reflected in the curriculum, giving it direction and providing guidelines for curriculum reform. Objectives also provide for the utilization of institutional resources. They help also in determining course content and provide a basis for curriculum assessment.

The importance of objectives for the Bible college is further evidenced in student life. Dormitory life and all student relationships and organizations are influenced by the objectives of the school. It is the objectives of the Bible college that make it distinctive from other institutions. The student must be aware of this and know exactly where he stands. He must be able to see the objectives reflected in the college philosophy, doctrine, social code, and personal expectations. There should be no question in the mind of the student concerning any of these areas. Objectives promote a sense of student unity and imply a standard of student con-

duct. The Bible college is a truth-oriented institution, with a mission that provides reasonable standards for students to follow. The objectives provide a basis for assessing the quality of student life. The student must feel that the administration is responsive to his needs in the college environment.

As Oregon Bible College continues, we feel the need to articulate, implement, and assess our objectives so that they reflect the precepts of Scripture and fulfill the educational needs of students.

Bible Eschatology

Pastor Hollis Partlowe, of Phoenix, Ariz., will be teaching a special seminar on Bible Eschatology at Oregon Bible College, March 25 through April 5, 1974. The class will meet for two hours each morning and for three evening classes. Bro. Partlowe will be dealing with Biblical prophecy and its relationship to our lives. This is a topic which is extremely relevant and should be of interest in the church. Laymen and pastors are welcome to attend. The cost of tuition is \$40.00.

Junior-Senior Weekend

Plans are already being made at Oregon Bible College for the Junior-Senior Weekend. We invite all high school juniors and seniors of the Church of God to visit the campus May 28 and 29. Young people should contact their church leaders for further information.

Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education, consisting of Alva Huffer, Vernis Wolfe, Robert Johnson, and Charles Pryor met in Oregon, February 1 and 2, to discuss and plan further development in the Bible College program. William Lawrence is also a member of the Board but was not able to be present. He and Mrs. Lawrence have been traveling in Nigeria and Ghana.

Dean's List

Congratulations to the following students who were placed on the Dean's list for the fall semester: Receiving High Honor were: Michele Gaspar, 4.0; Rita Pearson, 4.0; Benny Mattison, 3.80; Debra Lichliter, 3.78; Sidney Kirkpatrick, 3.70; Scott Millard, 3.60; Ken Taylor, 3.57. Receiving honor were: Gary Smith, 3.40; David Wilsterman, 3.26; John Mattison, 3.20; Dennis Brown, 3.07. Students receive High Honor by achieving a 3.50-4.0 grade point average. Students are honored that achieve a 3.0-3.49 grade point average.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Youth Week 1973

This event has been observed in most of the Churches of God. It is sponsored by, and is for, Bereans. The purpose of this special week remains unchanged. During the week, the young people are given positions of responsibility in Sunday school and church programs. The purpose is to give them training and experience in church leadership. There is no way to accurately estimate the benefits gained by aiding the spiritual growth of young people and developing new leadership material in the churches. Where the program has been introduced, our churches feel that they have been blessed as a result.

The 1973 Youth Week was October 22-28. Most Berean groups observed the week, but a few were not able to do so because of conflicting activities in the home church or state conference. A total of 20 groups sent in reports.

First-place winner was the Berean group of Faith Chapel Church of God, East Peoria, Ill. A short account of their week's activities will be in the January-February issue of *Challenge*. Winner of second place was the group at the Blanchard, Mich., Church of God. This group was very active and conducted a week's program which was a challenge to all, including the first-place winners. Their activities also will be reported in the next issue of *Challenge*. Third place in the rating went to the Bereans of the East Oregon Church of God, Oregon, Ill. Faith Chapel Bereans, of Lafayette, Ind., captured fourth place. Fifth place was awarded to the Lighthouse Mission Bereans, of Digby, Nova Scotia. Considered worthy of special mention were the Berean groups from Macomb, Ill., Fonthill, Ont., Raymore, Mo., and Burr Oak, Ind.

International Berean Prayer Day

Sunday, March 24, 1974, has been designated as the Third International Berean Prayer Day. This has proved to be a wonderful blessing to those who have participated in the past. It can be a part of one of the regularly scheduled services, or a special service.

Calendar of Future Events

Mar. 24—International Prayer Day

Apr.-May—Coins for Christ (tentative). Other fund-raising projects.

June 7-16—Senior Caravan to Arlington, Texas.

July 21-27—International Berean Youth Conference.

FEBRUARY, 1974

Audio-Visual Teaching and Learning

"The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them" (Prov. 20:12).

A proverb attributed to the Chinese has been quoted scores of times to emphasize the importance of audio-visual aids. The proverb asserts that "One picture is worth ten thousand words." The practice of using visual aids is considered as a *must* in the successful teaching of children. It has been proven that the consistent placing before a class of facts and figures, cartoon type figures, pictures, and objects, contributes to making the lesson real and alive to the pupils, and helps to fix it in their minds.

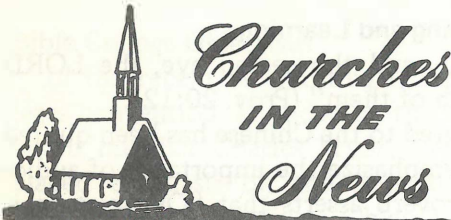
"Audio" and "audience" come from the same root word. The audience hears. "Audio," according to the dictionary, means "to hear." As a teacher talks and explains, people hear through seeing. As an example, let us imagine a picture of an ocean. High waves are depicted as rolling toward the shore. The mind can be made to imagine that the ears are hearing the sound of the waves, just by looking at the picture and hearing it suggested.

Through seeing, there can also be generated a sense of feeling. Suppose we desire to show that the land of Palestine is mountainous. By using a relief map, the journeys of Bible characters who walked through this land can be made to seem more vivid and real.

One of the most commonly used visual aids is the flannelgraph. It may be used to tell stories, help memorize Bible verses, learn songs, and stimulate the imagination. The audio is connected closely with the flannelgraph. Even adults can learn much from visual aids made for children. Maps and charts are recommended for young people and adults. Even when the class is being held in the church sanctuary, it is possible to use such aids. Good portable easels are available that can quickly be put between the pews to support a map, chart, poster, or other illustration of the lesson.

Visual aids require additional effort on the part of the teacher. But the teacher need not make the charts and posters himself. It is a helpful policy to ask talented class members, or others who possess the needed talent, to prepare these aids. This has the additional advantage of keeping them active in the work of the Sunday school. Variety in our lives helps to keep them interesting. The Sunday school teacher should provide variety in teaching the gospel.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



BAPTISMS



Paul Myles, shown in the photo just after being immersed in the waters of baptism, is a fruit of gospel teaching at the Ogle County Jail, Oregon, Ill. He is now studying the Systematic Bible Study Course while serving a prison sentence. Some of the Oregon brethren are keeping in touch with him by mail. His baptism was reported in the December issue of *Progress Journal*.

Minneapolis, Minn.: At the close of the morning worship service on December 2, 1973, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goldberg and their daughter Nancy came forward and expressed their desire to accept Christ as their Savior. They were buried with Christ in baptism by the writer on December 9. May God's richest blessing be upon these people as they seek to live for him.

Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

Columbia Station, Ohio: We were all made happy at Columbia when Miss Robin Trautman, 1370 Sloane Ave., Apt. 905, Lakewood, Ohio 44107, put on Christ in the waters of baptism at the conclusion of the evening service, November 25, 1973. We pray that God will direct Robin by his Spirit, that she may be "filled with all the fulness of God" (Eph. 3:13).

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Fonthill, Ont.: The following people have recently accepted Christ, and been baptized into his name: David McArthur; Randy Tritton; and Danielle Warankie. May God richly bless them in their new walk of life. John Hearp, pastor.

Burr Oak, Ind.: At the close of our morning service on November 25, 1973, Margaret (Peg) Capron, Rt. 4, Box 219, Plymouth, Ind. 46563, and Elizabeth Barclay, 6523 W. 28th St., Berwyn, Ill. 60402, stepped forward to accept

Jesus Christ as their Savior. After their confession of faith, they were baptized that afternoon. Elizabeth has been coming to church for nearly a year and plans to move into our area soon. We praise God for the decision of these two young ladies and pray his blessings upon their new way of life.

Darrell G. Maddock, pastor.

Flagg Center, Ill.: The Flagg Center Community Church of God was overjoyed when Lance New came forward at the end of services on December 9, 1973, to express his desire for baptism into the saving name of Jesus Christ. We were happy to assist Lance in putting on Jesus by baptism, at the Oregon Church of God, on December 16, 1973. We pray that God will richly bless and closely watch over this fine young man as he walks in his Savior's paths.

Robert L. Jones, pastor.

Lafayette, Ind.: On Sunday, November 18, 1973, Lester Sterling was baptized in the saving name of Jesus Christ. His decision unites him and his wife in Christ. We pray the Lord's blessing upon them. V. E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

Lenoir, N.C.: I wish to report that I had the privilege of baptizing Mr. Steve Austin into Christ. As always, it is a great joy to see one come up from the waters of baptism with a glowing smile and filled with the Spirit.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

Raymore, Mo.: Our hearts rejoiced with the angels on Sunday, December 9, 1973, when Charles DeVole gave his heart to the Lord, and accepted the Lord Jesus as his Savior, through baptism. This took place following the worship service. We pray God's blessing and guidance upon this young person as he begins his new life in Christ.

ReX L. Shaw, pastor.

Columbus, Ohio: It was my pleasure to assist the following young people in putting on Christ in baptism: Miss Debbie Clark, of 3356 Maize Rd., Columbus; and Dennis and Junior Morczek, of Delaware, Ohio.

These three young people came forward to accept the Lord Jesus Christ during a revival meeting conducted by Bro. Z. B. Duncan, at the Hope Chapel Church of God. We welcome them into membership in the body of Christian believers. We ask your prayers for them and for the work in Columbus. C. F. Pryor, pastor.

Bedford, Ohio: The Bedford Church of the Open Bible rejoices with the angels in heaven at the baptism of Laurie Ann Murray and Dennis David Cheatwood into the body of Christ. We pray that God will bless them both and help them to become mature Christians. Laurie's address is: 7584 Country Ln., Chagrin Falls, 44022; Dennis': 730 Washington, Bedford, 44146. David W. Cheatwood, pastor.

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.

MARRIAGES

On Saturday evening, October 27, 1973, the wedding of Stephen McQuinn and Jacque Carter took place in the Bible Church of God, in Tempe, Ariz. Both are members of this church. Pastor R. Warren Sorenson officiated in the presence of many relatives and friends.

The groom is the son of Bro. and Sr. Lee McQuinn, and the bride is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Keith Carter, all of Tempe.

Stephen and Jacque are well known to youth of the Church of God from associating with them at International Youth Camps. They are now making their home in Tempe.

May God bless this newly married couple as they continue life together.

Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

Miss Arlene Harrod became the bride of Mr. Kenneth Murray on July 7, 1973. The double-ring service was performed by the writer at the Glad Tidings Church of God in Fonthill, Ont. We pray God's blessing upon them as they begin life together.

John Hearp, pastor.

Miss Eleanor Payne and Mr. Gerald Cook were united in marriage on July 14, 1973, in a beautiful double-ring service at the Glad Tidings Church of God in Fonthill, Ont. It was officiated by the writer, and witnessed by a church full of family members and friends. May God's richest blessing go with them.

John Hearp, pastor.

Miss Janice Payne became the bride of Mr. Anthony Bryant on September 15, 1973. The double-ring service was conducted by the writer at the parsonage in Fonthill, Ont., and witnessed by the family and friends. We pray for them God's guidance and love in their life together.

John Hearp, pastor.

The Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., was the scene of a lovely double-ring service, uniting Miss Lorraine Anger and Mr. Robert Gelinis in marriage. It was performed by the writer on October 6, 1973. May God's blessing be upon them as they begin their lives together.

John Hearp, pastor.

Miss Diane Schute and Mr. Michael Brown were united in marriage on November 24, 1973. The double-ring candlelight service at the Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., was witnessed by a church filled with family members and friends. The writer performed the service, and asked God to richly bless their lives together and their testimony for him.

John Hearp, pastor.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Jackson C. K. Odani; Mary Anne Morrison; Mrs. Mattie Cruson; Kay Robbins; Mrs. Helen Calahan.

PASTOR RESIGNS

I have resigned from the pastorate of The Church of the Open Bible, of Pomona, Cal., effective August 31, 1974. I pray that the church will call a pastor who can give his undivided attention to the Lord's work. I plan to remain in my secular employment for the next few years.

Delbert A. Jones, pastor.

OBITUARIES

Dora DeHeer, age 90, was a member of the Litchfield, Minn., Church of God. She died December 22, 1973. The funeral was conducted at the church by the pastor. Sr. DeHeer is survived by a daughter, one sister, eight grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. We look forward to God's precious kingdom, when death will have no power. John Railton, pastor.

Ray Heyde, 71, Rt. 7, Plymouth, Ind., died December 4, 1973, following an extended illness. He became a baptized member of North Salem Church of God on January 25, 1948. He served for 23 years as Elder and Trustee of the North Salem Church, and also served as a member of the Board of the Indiana Conference for as long as his health permitted.

Surviving are his wife, Mildred, his son, Louis Ray, and two daughters, Mrs. Walter (Mary Lou) DeMien and Mrs. Eugene (Marjorie) DeMien.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer. Bro. Heyde was laid to rest, to await the return of Jesus and the resurrection.

Wood Talcott, pastor.

Anna Bousfield, one of the senior members of the Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., fell asleep in death November 17, 1973. She was a faithful attender as long as her health permitted. Words of assurance from Psalm 23 were spoken by the writer. She was laid to rest to await the resurrection call.

John Hearp, pastor.

Orlando H. Berry was born July 20, 1899, and died December 5, 1973, at Onamia, Minn. He was baptized into Christ and became a member of the Church of God in 1918. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in Lester Prairie, Minn., on December 9. Burial was in the Bergen Church of God cemetery. He is survived by his wife Ethel, one brother, seven nieces, and eight nephews. Bro. Berry died with faith in the resurrection, looking forward to the coming kingdom of God.

John Railton, pastor.

Alonzo D. McCoy died at the age of 70 years. He was a native of Anderson County and lived in Piedmont, S.C. A retired textile worker, he was a faithful member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God. Surviving are his widow, Lois Smith McCoy; a son Don; a sister Mrs. Angie Harris, of Piedmont; a brother Weldon, of Bourbon, Ind., and six grandchildren. The funeral was held on December 23, at the Guthrie Grove Church. Burial was in the church cemetery. Bro. Loie Jones assisted the pastor in conducting the service. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

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Rex Cain: "The Kingdom and You and I."

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MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL NUMBER 31

Quezon Church of God, Philippine Islands

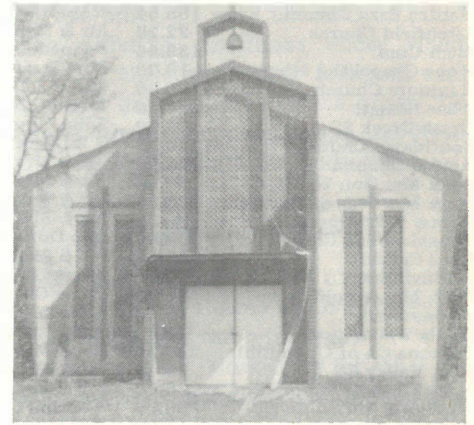
The Church of God in the Village of Quezon was the first church organized when the Church of God General Conference began mission work in the Philippine Islands. The present building is very crude and needs to be replaced.

A building like the one at right will be built with funds from this appeal. It will be 25 by 50 feet, including a sanctuary 25 by 40 feet and a study room-classroom in the rear. It will be of concrete with a galvanized roof.

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John Hearp, Vice Chairman

John Hearp was born and reared in Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated from high school there. He

attended Golden Rule Church of God in Cleveland. He studied at Baldwin-Wallace College, in Berea, Ohio, for one year and at Western Reserve University, Cleveland campus, for three years, where he graduated in 1949, with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Bro. Hearp spent two and one half years in the United States Navy. He worked a short time in sales work and several years in Production Control with a firm in Kalamazoo, Mich.

In September of 1962, Bro. Hearp gave up his secular work and enrolled in Oregon Bible College, where he graduated in 1964 in a class of four. He accepted the pastorate of the Ripley Church of God in September, 1964, and served there for seven years. In September, 1971, he moved to Fonthill, Ont., to pastor the Glad Tidings Church of God. Bro. Hearp is married to the former Louise DeLap, of Kansas, Ill.

Bro. Hearp was elected to the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference in 1972. At General Conference time in 1973, the Board of Directors selected him as their vice-chairman. He has been a dedicated conference worker since his early youth and has contributed much to the progress of the General Conference work. He has served on many boards and committees of the conference work, including four years as president of the National Ministerial Association.

DIRECTORY CHANGE

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BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

The youth of the church presented an outstanding Thanksgiving program on November 21, 1973. Members of the congregation were spiritually uplifted when the youth gave object lessons and Scripture readings concerning thanksgiving for the freedom of our country, the great abundance of food that God provides for us, and the blessing of the children that he has given to us to train.

Each Sunday school teacher was given special recognition on Sunday, November 25, for all the work that had been done in preparing to help others to understand the Word of God. The teachers were presented with books, designed to help them to better understand the people of their particular age groups, and to suggest guidelines for improving our classes.

We were all inspired by the uplifting messages given by Bro. Francis Burnett during the week of November 26. His words made us realize how close we are to the end of this age.

Betsy Moore, reporter.

THE MILLENNIAL TEMPLE

An 11-page pamphlet has been prepared by Pastor James Mattison entitled "The Millennial Temple—Its Location, Its Plan, Its Purpose." Any Bible student who would like to study Ezekiel 40-48, may have a free copy of this pamphlet by writing to Pastor James Mattison, Maurertown, VA 22644.

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Only the Truth--All of the Truth!

An Editorial

SPIRITUALLY, the Church of God is built upon the premise that the Bible is the Word of God. This means, as the Apostle Paul explained to Timothy, that "all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim. 3:16, 17).

The conviction that this is true has made us acutely aware of the warning contained in Revelation 22:18, 19. "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Whether this was written concerning the Book of Revelation, or the Bible as a whole, is immaterial, since both are inspired of God, and no man has the right to change any of his Words.

We are also mindful of the admonition given to Timothy, but equally applicable to every individual and every organization that uses the Bible as the final authority concerning what is spiritual truth or falsehood. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness" (2 Tim. 2:15, 16).

The result of the belief of our forefathers that the Bible is all true, and all

important, has been the development of a denomination of careful Bible students, determined to "be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love . . . grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ" (Eph. 4:14, 15). This insistence upon truth, and accuracy in reporting it, has been given priority over every other consideration, even over the popularity and numerical growth of the churches. Many of the doctrines that they found in the Bible were unpopular, but they stubbornly refused to compromise Scriptural truth. Dedicated men founded and carefully nourished congregations that remained small. Pastors worked with these small but devoted congregations because they valued truth more than they valued popular acclaim and high salaries. We owe them much!

It is your editor's belief that God was preparing a small group of truth-loving and consecrated people for the very day in which we now find ourselves living! Time has proven to be false the "private interpretations" (see 2 Pet. 1:19-21) of many who opposed solid Scriptural truth. Those who were deceived into depending upon these private interpretations of Scripture, and who built their lives around these interpretations, are now seeking something solid and permanent upon which they can depend. This is our opportunity to introduce them to the truth of God's Word, and many of the Church of God brethren are enthusiastically taking advantage of it. The truths

that we hold so dear are no longer unpopular, they are only unknown. Many who are now hearing them for the first time are thrilled to learn that they have been taught in the Bible for from two to six thousand years, and once they understand, they accept them readily. Our part is to make sure that as many as possible have an opportunity to hear the truths upon which their eternal welfare depends. Changing times demand no change in the eternal truths that God has given into our keeping. They have stood, and will stand, the test of time. Times change. God's truths, as proclaimed in the Bible, do not. What was true yesterday is still true today. What was false yesterday is still false today.

Because they believe this, the brethren are making use of every means of communicating the truths of salvation that is open to them. The Church of God may never, in this age, become the largest and most popular denomination in the world. Nor is this necessary for us to enjoy the approval of the Lord. Jesus asks only that when he returns we shall be found diligently laboring in his vineyard.

As we maintain our fidelity to Biblical truth, we will avoid dangerous half-truths. By our faithfulness to Biblical practices, we shall avoid those that appeal to and promote the lusts of the flesh.

To borrow a phrase from the courts of law, we have an inescapable obligation to "tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."

We will then feel the satisfaction expressed by Paul, when he said, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase" (1 Cor. 3:6). ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Sunday School Director-Youth Director

Applications are still being received for the positions of Sunday School Director and for Youth Director. These are scheduled to be full-time positions. We urge real dedicated men or women who feel qualified for either of these positions to give prayerful consideration to them. If interested, please contact the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and an application will be mailed to you.

Oregon Bible College Graduation

Commencement Exercises for four Oregon Bible College students will be held at the Oregon Church of God on Friday, May 24, 1974. The graduates are Bruce Burnside, Troy, Ohio; Benny Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Robert Storts, Columbus, Ohio; and Samuel Voorhies, Ponchatoula, La.

Two of these graduates will consider a call to a pastorate. They are Bruce Burnside and Benny Mattison. Bro. Burnside may be contacted by writing to Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Bro. Mattison is in the Internship Program in Arizona this second semester and may be reached at 1847 E. Apache, Apt. 9, Tempe, Ariz. 85281.

Bro. Voorhies plans to go on to further education and Bro. Storts has not fully decided on his future plans.

Tape Ministry Library

The Tape Ministry Committee now has many fine sermons on tape, by several of our Church of God ministers. Some of these tapes are listed in *Progress Journal* from time to time. Many others are available. We encourage their use by our people for shut-ins, isolated members, and as a witnessing tool. The cassettes are \$3.00 each and may be ordered by writing to Tape Ministry, 4105 Annapolis Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45416.

Pastors are encouraged to send tapes of their sermons to the same address, to be retained in the Tape library.

Systematic Bible Study Lessons in Braille

Bro. Ralph Childs of Dayton, Ohio, is a student of Braille. The Glad Tidings Church of God at Dayton has purchased a Braille machine. Bro. Childs is now in the process of translating the twenty-nine lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course and the question sheets into Braille. If any reader of this page knows of a person without sight who would like to take this free

course, please contact the Executive Director, at Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. The lessons will be sent out as they are completed. We understand that shipping costs for any material for the blind is free, so these can be sent postage free. As the lessons are finished, they will be returned and used again by others. Let us take advantage of this opportunity to take the gospel message to those without sight.

Bro. Childs has done much work with the deaf also. We express our thanks to him for this additional effort for the handicapped.

Boards and Committees Meet

The Sunday School Board met in South Bend, Ind., on January 26. The Oregon Bible College Board of Education met in Oregon, Ill., on February 1. The Mission Board will meet in Front Royal, Va., during the Virginia Missionary Conference on March 22 and 23. The Youth Advisory Council met during the Mid-winter Retreat at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind., over the New Year weekend. Members of these boards spend much time and effort in this work for the Lord and are to be highly commended for their efforts.

The General Conference Program Planning Committee met on February 10 and 11. A committee consisting of M. A. Patrick, chm., Allen Ramsey, and David Johnson, will meet in Oregon, Ill., on March 9, to make a study of possible future use of the fifty-three acres of property in Louisiana that was deeded to the Church of God General Conference some years ago. Please pray for each of these boards and committees.

Conference Finances

We praise God that the goals for giving for the month of February have been met. The current budget is the largest in the history of the Church of God General Conference. We commend the membership of the Conference for meeting these needs and thank God for his continued blessings.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for February	\$13,167.00
Given in February	\$14,110.00
March Needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for March \$13,167.00

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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).



The pictures show Bro. and Sr. P. John Wesley and their daughter, and Bro. and Sr. Jesudas and their family. These two men are both converts of Bro. P. M. Paulson in Ravulapalem, Hyderabad, South India. They are pastors in two of the five churches under the leadership of Bro. Paulson.

These men have come out of the Hindu religion, and are ministering to many people in the Hyderabad area. Bro. S. S. Manoah visits this area on occasion and continues to supervise the work there, although it is seven hundred miles from Bangalore.

Bro. Manoah reports that many activities were held in each of the Bangalore churches during the Christmas season. Many toys were given to the children and seventy-four sarees (women's apparel) were given to the widows and poor ladies of the church. On New Years Eve and New Years Day special services were held. Bro. Manoah writes, "During the holiday season at all the services the churches were overcrowded. The members remembered in prayer all the brothers and sisters at headquarters and all the members of the Church of God General Conference who are encouraging and helping all of our groups in Bangalore."

The construction of the Church-Medical building is progressing well. Nine hundred seventy-four patients were treated in the temporary medical facility during December.

Lawrence Mission Trip

Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence have returned from their mission trip to Africa. A letter written in Liberia by Sr. Mardy Lawrence, a member of the General Conference Mission Board, says, "We have so much to share with you. Pastor Oliver Amani in Ghana is very intelligent, well-read, a good student of the Bible, as

well as of history, geography, and world events. He has proven his dedication, stability, ability, and determination to serve the Lord at all personal cost." We look forward to a complete report of their trip in a later issue.

Mexico

A Christmas program was held in the Labor Vieja church, which included a drama by some of the young people. Attendance is good. Bro. Roberto Badillo is conducting the services and Sr. Badillo is leading the Sunday school. Bro. Badillo writes, "Please express our greetings to all the members and to everyone at the college for a Happy New Year."

We trust that this writer's trip to Mexico (the last week of February) will be fruitful, and bring an evaluation for further planning in this area.

Nova Scotia

The work in Digby, Nova Scotia, continues to go well. An annual report for 1973 shows that the average attendance for the year was; Sunday school 67, worship 64, and midweek 34. Fourteen attended a series of teacher training sessions. Eighteen new converts were added to the church during the year.

The outside of the church building was finished. Two one-hour radio broadcasts and ten radio devotions were conducted. The church held pre-Easter services, a missionary conference, the Maritime Conference and Bible School, and held services in a nursing home. A larger bus was added to the facilities of the church.

Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown, with the help of Sr. Eunice Pearson, are giving good leadership to the work in Nova Scotia. May the Lord continue to bless this fine work.

Philippine Islands

The plans are all ready to begin construction of the new church building at Quezon. The present Mission Builders Appeal, number thirty-one, will provide the funds for this building. If you are not now a Mission Builder and would like to help in this project, send your name and address, together with \$5.00 or more, to Mission Builders, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Bro. Ortiguero writes, "There is a great scarcity of gasoline in the Philippines. We cannot use the Jeep but must use a bus for church visitations. The weather has been very, very cool."



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Scholarship Awards

Through the generosity of church conferences and individuals within the Church of God, sixteen scholarships were provided for Oregon Bible College students this year. Most of the scholarships are in the amount of tuition costs. A few scholarships are for larger amounts, and a few are for lesser amounts. The first two criteria taken into consideration in the awarding of these scholarships are academic achievement and Christian character.

The S. E. Magaw scholarship, provided by the Alumni Association, was awarded to John Mattison. The James A. Patrick scholarship, provided by the Northeast Conference, was awarded to Sidney Magaw. The family of Lea Doeden provided the Doeden scholarship that was awarded to Sydney Kirkpatrick. The Glen and Violet Booth scholarship was awarded to Michele Gaspar, and the Norman McLeod and S. J. Lindsey scholarships were awarded to David Wilsterman.

Scott Millard received the Lucian Murphy scholarship and Debra Lichliter received the Edna Brewer scholarship, provided by an anonymous donor. Christy Simpson was the recipient of the Helen L. Overholser scholarship. The Michigan State awards went to students Gary Smith and Michael Berry. Indiana and Minnesota provided scholarships for Kenny Cook, Cynthia Maddock, and Dan Ryan. The Berean Youth Fellowship scholarship is given to the student scoring the highest on a Bible content test. Rita Pearson received this scholarship. Debbie Burnett received a scholarship in memory of Bro. and Sr. Loren Burnett. A new scholarship was provided by the 1974 graduating class and was awarded to Ken Taylor.

Junior-Senior Weekend

The dates for Junior-Senior Weekend are wrong in the February issue of *Progress Journal*. The correct dates are March 28, 29.

We look forward to having the high school juniors and seniors of the Church of God visiting the College on those dates.

Prayer Day, by Michele Gaspar

Discovery is a key to experiencing an exciting and more abundant life. Just as a child's day is filled with a series of discoveries, we attempted to make Prayer Day

one of discovery. Through the imaginary eyes of a child, we experienced the joy of discovering God, others, and ourselves.

The day began early, with a candlelight Communion service in the women's dorm. David Wilsterman and Mike Berry directed the service as the loaves of bread and cups were passed from person to person. Following the Communion, everyone joined in the fellowship of breakfast at the men's dorm.

The College community met at the chapel for a time of worship and praise. This filled the remainder of the morning. Rick Williams, Dennis Brown, Sam Voorhies, and Carl Jennings delivered messages which centered around the discovery theme. Instrumental and vocal specials throughout the morning accentuated this theme. Highlighting the praise activity was a period of time in directed silent prayer.

A dramatic reading was presented, which pictured the Lord's Prayer as an intrusion into our lives and how men react to the commitment involved in the prayer. Eleven members of the student body participated in this presentation.

All students met in a classroom and formed prayer lines. These prayer lines were made of an inner circle and an outer circle, with students from the different circles joining hands and praying for each other.

The activities of the day closed with a time of sharing the discoveries that Christ had brought into each person's life. The service was dismissed with a demonstration of unity and a call to service.

Dr. Huffer on Campus

Dr. Alva Huffer was on the Oregon campus January 21 to February 8, teaching a course on the History of Western Civilization. In addition to teaching, he advised and met with students and made future curriculum and administration plans.

Dr. Huffer met with the Board of Education February 1 and 2, to plan and prepare for the continuing development of the College.

He will return to Oregon, March 4-15, to finish teaching the Western Civilization course.

1974 Concert Season

The College Chorale started the new season with a series of concerts in Grand Rapids, Michigan, February 15-18.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Midwinter Retreat

The fifth annual Berean Midwinter Retreat, held December 29-January 1, 1974, at Camp Alexander Mack, for young people of post-high age, was a tremendous success. Without reservation, it can be considered the largest and best that we have ever held. Forty-three young people and three staff members attended. All stayed for the entire period. This was the first time that all have been able to do so. All lived in the staff house. This is equipped to take care of approximately the number who attended our retreat.

It would be hard to describe the fine fellowship in the spirit experienced by each one who attended. It is a marvelous way for young people who can do so to spend their New Year holiday time. The experience reminds one of the words of the hymn: "Richer, fuller, deeper; Jesus' love is sweeter; sweeter as the years go by." Because the program is different from that of Youth Conference, the young people find time to discuss many items of interest, and to enjoy their fellowship and recreation.

We urge that you encourage your college age sons and daughters to include this in next year's holiday plans. If developments now planned are completed at Camp Mack by fall, there will be room for more than sixty people in a winterized shelter.

Berean Historical Book

This book was published to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee Year of the Bereans. Many of you have purchased a copy, but many of you have yet to do so. Beginning February 1, 1974, Youth Director, Bro. Francis Burnett will contribute \$1.00 per book to the Berean treasury. This is your opportunity to buy one of these books, and at the same time help to meet the budget of the Bereans. If you do not have some on hand in your church, order today. The price remains at \$2.50.

International Prayer Day

This is the month for this special Day in the Berean program. The date is Sunday, March 24. This is the third year that we have observed this special Day. Promote the Day among the young people of your church. "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men . . . For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour" (1 Tim. 2:1-3).

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Bring Them In!

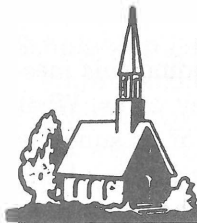
How often the great old song containing this message has been sung and enjoyed by many of us. What of the meaning? How often have many of us sung the song without giving deep thought to the intent of the message? Jesus taught in the parable of the Great Supper that people were to be *forced* to come in. The account is recorded both in Matthew and Luke. From Luke we read, "Compel them to come in that my house may be filled" (14:23b). The Diaglott uses the word "constrain," and the New English Bible says "make them come in." All of these translations indicate action on the part of those who know the gospel, to cause others to be brought in to hear it.

Contests and promotions are used by many Sunday schools and churches as aids to increase attendance. Some feel that this is a poor way to get others to come into contact with the gospel. Would it be amiss to suppose that many who believed on Jesus may have first eaten of the bread and fishes? Could some of them have been healed when "as many as came unto him were healed"?

It seems reasonable that contests and attendance promotions should be more than just occasions on which to give out awards and prizes. The purpose should be to get more people into the house of the Lord. Those who promote the program should feel that they have reward enough when they are able to see the results. The goal should be to bring glory and honor to God—not to receive a prize.

To provide incentives for the pupils and teachers is good. To rule them out would be unwise. The Pennellwood Church of God Sunday school has had an active program in operation for months. A Teacher of the Month is honored. The goal to be sought depends on both pupils and teachers. Attendance increase is based on the class, and each member is involved. The "reward," basically, is to accomplish growth in attendance, both for Sunday school and worship services. Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton, Ohio, is taking the teaching staff out to a dinner, and providing a special speaker for the evening. Glad Tidings Sunday School, Font-hill, Ont., began a contest on February 24. The theme is: "Telling more in '74." Promotions bring about interest. It is highly commendable to work hard and long for our God. Bring them in! Compel them to come in! Make them come!

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



Churches IN THE News

TO SAVE FOR VBS HANDWORK

A small picture of himself for each child who will be using Book One or Book Two; pictures of children, clipped from magazines; small cereal boxes (as from variety packs); small aluminum pie pans; lace and ribbons; plastic bleach bottles.

SEEKING A PASTOR

Although Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, still is seeking a permanent full-time pastor, the congregation, at its semiannual business meeting January 27, 1974, unanimously delivered a vote of confidence to the present acting pastor, who has served since September 1, 1973, and will continue to serve under the terms of the recent vote until a successor is selected. Requests for information about the pastorate should be directed to J. Arlen Marsh, chairman of the Board of Elders, Golden Rule Church of God, 16609 Chatfield Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44111.

ARLINGTON, TEXAS

The Arlington Church of God enjoyed a Christmas program, presented by the children and young people on the Tuesday evening before Christmas. Refreshments followed the program. The children received gifts from their Sunday school teachers, and the church presented a gift of money to the pastor and his family.

The average monthly church budget for September through December has been about \$600. The building fund has risen to \$3,077.

Our youth have formed a BYF and have elected officers. Midweek classes are being held, with Charlotte Mattison as youth leader. A November bowling party and a December skating party have been the social activities. Six of our young people attended the Louisiana-Texas Retreat in October.

The Dorcas ladies group enjoyed a meal and a shopping spree at Six Flags Mall in December.

The adult group has just finished a ten-week survey of Biblical prophecy in the midweek classes. The Gospel of Mark is being studied now.

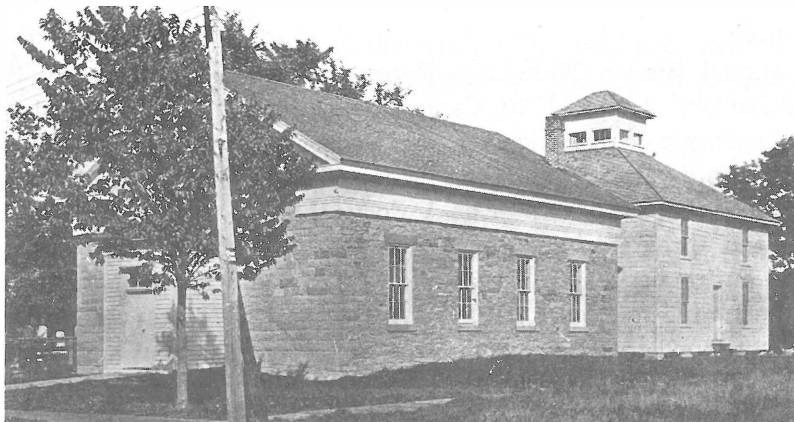
MARRIAGES

Bonnie and Rodney Vaughn were reunited in marriage by Pastor John Carr, December 22, 1973.

Kim McCullough and Mike Johnson were married December 22, 1973, by Pastor Carr, at the Macomb Church of God.

Maralee Manthey and Ken Guiher were married January 4, 1974, in Peoria, Ill. Ken is a baptized member of the Macomb Church of God.

May God richly bless each of these newly married couples as they begin their new lives together. Bette Potts, asst. reporter.



The
Old
Stone Church

BAPTISMS

Lenoir, N.C. I wish to report that I had the privilege of baptizing Mr. Steve Austin into Christ. As always, it is a great joy to see one come up from the waters of baptism with a glowing smile and filled with the Spirit.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

Burr Oak, Ind. Mrs. Robert (Charmaine) Miller expressed her desire to accept Jesus Christ as her Savior. After her public confession, she was baptized on December 30, 1973. Her address is: 1000 E. Road, Culver, Ind. 46511. We praise God for Charmaine's decision, and welcome her into the body of Christ and the fellowship of the church.

Raymore, Mo. It was with great joy in our hearts that we were able to baptize Sharon Peukert December 16, 1973, following the morning worship service. Immediately after this we shared with her in her first Communion.

Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Blanchard, Mich. Stanley and Sandra Parks and Mark Rogers were baptized into the body of Christ on December 9, 1973. May God's richest blessings rest upon them.

Don Needham, pastor.

Greenville, S.C. On October 28, 1973, we baptized the following: James McCauley, husband or Sr. Carolyn Chandler McCauley, of Greer, S.C.; and Robert and Cindy Chandler Thomasson, husband and wife, of Wellford, S.C. We are pleased to have these active young couples in the Greenville Church.

T. M. Ferrell, pastor.

Grand Rapids, Mich. We are happy to report that on December 30, 1973, Miss Julie Williams accepted the gospel invitation given by her brother, Richard Williams, a student at Oregon Bible College. She was baptized by Pastor Kent Ross on the evening of January 6, 1974. We ask God's blessing on her. Norma Knapp, secretary.

Macomb, Ill. Jane Channell was baptized into the body of Christ December 16, 1973, by Pastor John Carr. We pray the Lord's blessing upon her as she begins her walk with Christ.

Bette Potts, asst. reporter.

Fonthill, Ont. Our hearts rejoiced as Mary and Harold Jacobsen confessed Christ as their Savior, and were baptized into his name. They were visiting Fonthill, from their home at 4107 50th St., Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. They realized the need of this decision through the per-

OREGON CHURCH OF GOD ANNIVERSARY-DEDICATION

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Oregon, Ill., Church of God and the purchase of the Old Stone Church will occur on March 11, 1974.

To help make a meaningful celebration, Pastor Vernis Wolfe, a former pastor of our church, will be giving gospel messages from Monday, March 25, through Sunday, March 31 (except Friday, at which time Oregon Bible College Choir and Chorale will present a concert).

With the completion of our seventy-five years of Christian work, another phase of the building program has been finished—the addition of five classrooms. Dedication of these new facilities will be at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, March 25.

You are invited to enjoy any or all of these services. If you plan to stay overnight and want a room reserved, be sure to inform Mrs. Inez Gordon, 400 South Fifth Street, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

sonal witnessing of relatives from our church. It is reassuring to know that God's presence will be with them even though they will be isolated from other believers. John Hearp, pastor.

Fonthill, Ont. It was my pleasure to assist Donna Anger, of Fonthill, and Patrick Warankie, of Welland, to put on Christ in the waters of baptism. His wife was baptized last month. They first heard of our church through an article by the writer, which appeared in the local newspaper. May God richly bless them in their new walk with him. John Hearp, pastor.

East Oregon, Ill. We thanked the Lord for answered prayer when Zada Hitchcock came forward and confessed her need for Christ. She was immersed in the waters of baptism by the writer on January 27, 1974. We pray God's blessing and guidance upon her as she begins her new life for him. Tim New, pastor.

Grand Rapids, Mich. Friends of Southlawn Church of God were gladdened, and the family of Jesus was enlarged when, on January 13, 1974, the following people were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins: Lois M. Jannereth, Mrs. Shirley M. Visser, Lori L. Visser, Mari L. Marston, Brenda J. Roberts, Robin J. Roberts. On the following Sunday, January 20, Cindy L. Visser was also immersed. With these immersions, Southlawn rejoices and takes note that the entire

Visser family and the entire Jannereth family are now in the body of Christ. Our prayers, of course, are that these young people will walk always with Jesus Christ in faith, and that their loyalty will increase throughout their lives.

Austin Railton, pastor.

Fredericktown, Mo. Georgia Ann Lindsey, of Gatewood, Mo., was baptized by the writer, Sunday, January 20, 1974. She came, with her parents, Bro. and Sr. Everett Emmons, to Fredericktown for this service. We rejoice with her, her family, and the Doniphon Church of God, where they are members. A. T. Johns, pastor.

Blanchard, Mich. On Sunday evening, January 27, 1974, the following were baptized into the body of Christ: Larry and Sandra Bellingar, Becky Potter, and Jill Mason. We praise the Lord for their commitment. They were baptized in a new baptistry, just completed, at the Blanchard Church of God. Larry and Sandra's address is: Box 135, Blanchard, Mich. 49310. Jill may be addressed: Box 173, Blanchard, Mich. 49310; Becky's address is: Rt. 1, Remus, Mich. 49340.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: David McClain; Mrs. Lyle Pals; Mrs. Helen Bowen; Mrs. George Williams; E. K. G. Afenyo; Linda Sandifer; Mrs. Barbara Amero; Robert Brady; Mrs. Clifton Mansfield; Mrs. Joyce Davenport; Mrs. Genz Fuller; Miss Cathrine Smith; Mrs. Marilyn Lightner.

TIPP CITY, OHIO

Cards were passed out at an evening service to permit church members to write down problem texts that they should like to hear explained. Sermons based on these questions have drawn us closer to God; given us an understanding of world conditions, and a view of the future for Christians. We appreciate all that Bro. and Sr. Richard Worley are doing to strengthen our church.

Sunday, January 27, 1974, an evening service was presented by the Lawrenceville Bereans. The service was well attended.

February is Visitation Month for the Brush Creek Church of God. With God's help, we plan to help our church to grow in numbers and in spirit. We are using the literature campaign material as a help to others as well as to ourselves. We pray for the success of this visitation effort. We hope to be number one in the forthcoming Northeast Sunday School Contest. May God's spirit work in us, that we may bring others to Christ. Betsy Moore, reporter.

OBITUARIES

Lelin McDaniel, son of William and Elza McDaniel, was born May 5, 1891, in Brown County, Ill. He died at Rushville, Ill., December 23, 1973. Lelin was a member of the Ripley, Ill., Church of God. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, December 26, at the Ripley Church of God. Bro. McDaniel was laid to rest in the Ripley Cemetery, to await the coming of the Master. James A. Fyfe, pastor.

Bro. Tim Davis, 21, son of Bro. and Sr. Roy Davis, died of Hodgkins' disease at Cleveland, Ohio, December 28, 1973. Interment and services were conducted at Summerville, Ga., December 31. Tim had been hospitalized at intervals for several years for treatment and surgery involved with his difficulties. He and his parents have been members of Golden Rule Church of God for some time. J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Sr. Joseph (Maria) Plantner, 84, who, with her surviving husband and daughter Alice, has long held membership in Golden Rule Church

of God, Cleveland, Ohio, died January 11, 1974, after a number of years of poor health. Her pastor conducted the funeral services January 14. Sr. Plantner was born in what is now Czechoslovakia, but moved to the United States when she was 16. The entire family has been extremely active in the work of the Cleveland congregation. J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Lura E. Robins, a member of the Ripley, Ill., Church of God, fell asleep in death January 16, 1974. She was born in Brown County, Ill., September 30, 1885. Funeral services were conducted at Mt. Sterling by the writer. She was laid to rest in the Mt. Sterling cemetery, to await the Master's call. James Fyfe, pastor.

Fred Tavenier, for many years a member of the Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, died suddenly Friday, January 25, 1974, at the age of 84. Funeral services were conducted by the pastor on Monday, January 28, with interment in Lakeview Cemetery. He and his wife, both of whom were baptized by Pastor Melville Lyon, long had been active as officers of the Golden Rule congregation. In recent years, however, ill health had prevented both from attending church regularly. J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Mrs. Lena Upton of Portland, Ore., fell asleep in death on January 22, 1974, at the age of 86 years. She was baptized into Christ in 1914 and remained a faithful member of the Church of God throughout her life. She was very active in the Felida Church of God. She was Sunday school superintendent at the time of her death.

She is survived by her husband Elmer, three sons, two daughters, three step-children, sixteen grandchildren, and twenty-four great-grandchildren. She was laid to rest to await the call of the Master.

AVAILABLE PASTORS

Mark D. Ryan
Box 8182
Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1973
Bruce Burnside
Box 100
Oregon, Ill. 61061
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1974
Benjamin Mattison
1847 E. Apache, Apt. 9
Tempe, Ariz. 85281
In OBC Internship Program
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1974

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR APPLICATION

The Church of God General Conference, with the help of God, is seeking applicants for the position of Sunday School Director. This is a full-time position which will begin on or after September 1, 1974. The Lord is earnestly "calling" a dedicated servant to apply for this position. For an application blank, please contact Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. We ask that the membership make this a matter of special prayer concern that the "right" person will apply and be accepted to give the necessary leadership to this Department.

Job Description

1. Serve as chairman of the Sunday School Board.
 - a) Study the needs and make plans for promoting the Sunday schools of the Church of God General Conference.
 - b) Plan the agenda for Sunday School Board meetings and send the agenda to the members before each meeting.
 - c) Keep the Sunday School Board informed.
 - d) Direct the planning for Sunday School Day at the annual General Conference.
 - e) Keep in close contact and communication with the Executive Director to whom you are directly responsible.
2. Oversee all Sunday school promotions.
 - a) Feed our Sunday schools with new ideas.
 - b) Direct any national contests that may be held.
 - c) Direct and promote new Sunday school growth and offer practical aids to such growth.
 - d) Offer practical assistance in starting new Sunday schools.
3. Oversee all Sunday school publications.
 - a) Write monthly the "Sunday School News" column in *Progress Journal*.
 - b) Publish monthly the "Sunday School Bulletin."
 - c) Produce monthly the "Teacher-Training Guide Sheets."
 - d) Edit the Sunday School Manual.
 - e) Produce periodic bulletin inserts.
4. Plan, promote, and present seminars to meet the needs of our Sunday schools.
5. Visit Sunday schools and conferences (with emphasis on the smaller schools) to provide needed help and to promote the General Conference in general.
6. Oversee the Sunday school tape ministry.
7. Keep annual statistics on General Conference Sunday schools for the purpose of observing progress or the lack of progress.
8. Be aware of and keep in contact with the talents of individuals within our General Conference for future use as editors, writers, artists, speakers, seminar instructors, and so forth.
9. Be prepared to oversee the Sunday school quarterlies if they are placed in the Sunday School Department by the General Conference and its board.
 - a) Possible revision of the Sunday school quarterly.
 - b) Constant improvement and updating of the quarterly material.
 - c) Work closely with the publications editor and Executive Director in appointing quarterly editors.
 - d) Keep in close communication with the quarterly editors.
 - e) Direct the production of any teacher manual to accompany the quarterlies.
10. Work closely with the publications editor on vacation Bible school material and preparation.



KNOW YOUR DIRECTORS
Kenneth Milne, Secretary

Bro. Kenneth Milne received his secondary education in religious schools and was a minister of another denomination. After coming in contact with Church of God literature, he felt led to come to Oregon, Ill., in 1949. He worked for a time in the Print Shop that was then operated by the Church of God General Conference, and took some studies at Oregon Bible College.

In August, 1951, Bro. Milne was granted his Ministerial License by the Church of God General Conference. He has pastored churches at Macomb and Rockford, Ill., and presently is pastor of the Guthrie Grove Church of God,

Pelzer, S.C. While in Rockford, he served as part-time instructor at Oregon Bible College. For several years, he was a member of the License and Ordination Committee of the Church of God General Conference.

Bro. Milne is married to the former Mary Railton. He is a dedicated servant and strong in the doctrinal teachings held by the Church of God General Conference. He was elected to the Board of Directors at the 1973 General Conference. The Board members selected him to serve as their secretary.

"Hardening of the heart ages people more quickly than hardening of the arteries."

—Weyauwega Wis. *Chronicle*

Contributors to the General Conference: January, 1974

Anonymous	50.00	Everett S Rogers	25.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Mrs Zella Bagwell	1.00
Mr & Mrs Ray VanderMolen	52.00	Mrs Mabell Bell	10.00	Beaumont Church	14.15	Cathy & Brian Griffith	1.00
Mr & Mrs Samuel Carroll	25.00	Ill Conf	100.00	Hope Chapel-South Bend	150.31	Mr & Mrs Tommy Freeman	5.00
Leota Hanson	20.00	Mrs James Powell	5.00	Anna West	5.00	Mr & Mrs Nolan Greeman	3.00
Mr & Mrs Bernell Story	200.00	Mr & Mrs Clarence Jones	2,000.00	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	40.00	Mary Brown	2.00
Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	20.00	Robert Klindt	90.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	50.00	Monica Salassi	1.00
John C Anderson	200.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00	Shiloh Richmond	21.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Calif Member	200.00	Linda Hollenback	25.00	Jaynes St Church	617.95	Oregon Mary & Martha	12.50
Opal Nelson	100.00	Morning Star Church	16.40	Mr & Mrs Roy Longanecker	17.00	Tom Elkins	4.00
Mr & Mrs Claude Mills	50.00	Brush Creek SS	83.90	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00	Emory Macy Jr	30.00
Mr & Mrs Dick Hess	10.00	Mrs Gladys Volentine	10.00	Mrs Paul Kesseling	2.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	3.00
O W Eckerd	10.00	Pomona Dorcas Soc	30.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Wood	12.00	Mr & Mrs Harry Bashore	1.00
Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	90.00	Digby Church	134.50	Macomb Church	377.19	Mr & Mrs R E Kaffenbarger Sr	15.00
Mr & Mrs Ivan Veach	50.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	20.00	North Hills Church	66.15
Modesto Bible Church	3.25	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Ethel Berry in memory of		Mr & Mrs Russell Benedict	10.00
Mrs Anna Johnson	100.00	Mr & Mrs Bill Shotwell	20.00	Orlando Berry	100.00	Mrs Max Dolmage	5.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Anderson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Ward	50.00	Mary Hale	3.00	New Hope Church	50.00
Hedrick Dorcas	13.94	Southlawn Church	250.87	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	54.25	Anonymous	1.00
Mr & Mrs Stephen Bolhous	20.00	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	34.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Mrs Frank Fauntleroy	4.00
Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	La Contributors	79.00	Emma Miller	2.00	Lee Ross	5.00
Mr & Mrs Edgar Harvey	200.00	Holbrook Church	79.40	Cora Siple	10.00	Karoline Rose	5.00
Mr & Mrs William Good	200.00	Mr & Mrs William Poland	25.00	Dorcas Cates	2.00	Mabel Alexander	25.00
Mary Krogh	42.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Miller	35.00	Mr & Mrs C C Frisbie	5.00	L R Wilson	1.00
Cool Spring SS	24.35	Katherine Tackett	66.00	Southwest Conf	81.00	Walter Lankheim	3.00
Eva Modreske	5.20	Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Mr & Mrs George DeForest	52.00	Mr & Mrs Darrell Bradford	1.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	25.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Lewis	15.00	Margie Litchlitter	5.00	Mrs John Ward	5.00
Milo Magaw	70.00	Ruth Reid	15.00	Joseph Davis	3.00	Mrs Elmer Ennis	5.00
Blanchard Church	85.00	Mrs Sarah Kuehne	7.40	Arnold Lemke	2.00	Mrs Margaret Barrett	3.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	180.00	Minn State Conf	119.95	North Salem Church	12.62	Resurrection Hope Church	100.00
Mr & Mrs Earl Smith	20.00	Lucy Fuson	5.00	Hope Chapel Ark City	200.00	Janice Tierney	12.00
John Colaw	6.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	30.00	M A Patrick	100.00	Ellen Tierney	12.00
Mich Conf	60.18	Hillisburg Miss Soc	49.00	Mr & Mrs Scott Ross	20.00	Rockford Miss Fund	48.44
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	50.00	Mrs Earl Richter	24.00	Anonymous	11.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	524.00
Northeast Conf	215.00	Peoria Faith Chapel	135.00	Maurertown Dorcas	10.00	Mr & Mrs Herb Kasper	10.00
Esther Soc, Lawrenceville	5.82	Pennellwood Church	131.25	Douglas Sperry	3.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Huddleston	35.00
Ft Valley Church	866.34	Mrs R D Stanton	2.00	Blessed Hope Church	54.28	Ind State Conf	267.00
Hector Church	200.00	Lawrenceville Church	346.44	Robert Ennis	5.00	Theodore Meier	5.00
Blanche Harland	25.00	Happy Woods Church	76.00	Ruth Puckett	3.00	Anonymous	157.00
Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	30.00	Lombard Church	73.85	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50	Mr & Mrs Ron Riley	25.00
E Dorothy Magaw	74.00	Tempe Bible Church	482.36	Marion Holden	3.00	Mr William Foster	5.00
Mr & Mrs Larry Johnson	50.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Edd Cardin	5.00	L K Punter	5.00
Mrs Agnes Lussenden	30.00	Fremont Church	10.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Baldwin	66.00	Mr A B Branson	1.00
Freeport Church	30.00	Fremont SS	26.00	Terrie Baldwin	12.00	Mrs Effie Tidwell	2.00
Macomb SS	15.98	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Randy Baldwin	12.00	Mrs L W Keys	25.00
Garden Park Miss Dept	30.00	Walter Coulter	10.00	Owen Pottorf	2.00	Mr & Mrs Dan Stone	20.00
Mr & Mrs Joe James in memory of Alonzo McCoy	10.00	Wilber Coulter	10.00	Mr & Mrs Earle Mogle	40.00	Mr & Mrs V G Newman	8.00
Mr & Mrs E A Frederick	30.00	Columbia SS	95.60	Yvonne Reigelsperger	90.00	Brush Creek Young People	11.24
Alice Bassett	20.00	Hedrick Dorcas	10.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	146.00	Kevin Eldred	3.00
Eden Valley Ladies Aid	42.43	Glad Tidings Fonthill SS	14.66	Mr & Mrs Clyde Randall	25.00	Brian Eldred	3.00
Litchfield Church	33.20	Mrs Forrest Vishino	2.00	Mrs Dorothy Goldquist	2.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Eldred	4.00
Pleasant Hill Church	86.44	Lafayette Faith Chapel	40.18	Michael Berry	2.00	Neil Richardson	12.00
Mr & Mrs Wilsey McKnight	10.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	Denise Pearson	2.00	Mrs Grace Osteen	1.00
Dixon SS	5.00	Troy View Church	128.43	Kim Cooper	3.00	Kenneth McCracken	3.00
Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	47.50	Mrs Helen McMurtrie	40.00	Diane Severs	4.00	Mr & Mrs Don Mumford	5.00
Omaha SS	60.63	Dorothy Siple	75.00	Mr & Mrs Dan Mitchell	12.00	Ronald Fisher	3.00
Truth Seekers SS	14.37	Pomona Open Bible Church	77.18	Mr & Mrs Don Needham	22.00	Garden Park Church	251.72
Raymore Church	25.00	Dayton Glad Tidings Chapel	240.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Clara Birch	10.00
Phoenix Bible Church	98.00	Columbia Church of God	314.71	Blanchard Sr Bereans	12.00	Mr & Mrs John Huston Jr	20.00
East Oregon Church	47.22	Eden Valley Church	614.73	Jonita Strauch	20.00	Conger St Church	50.00
Valley Church	68.54	Eternal Hope Church	100.25	Valley Young People	4.75	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
May White	10.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs Allan Steiner	12.00	Faith Com. Church-Mpls	268.00
Mr & Mrs Robin Bauerle	50.00	Fonthill Church	173.52	P G Coverstone	3.00	Irene & Arthur Poe	365.00
Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Frances Wood	25.00	Arlene Ekholm	5.00	Bedford Ch of Open Bible	81.27
Burr Oak Church	170.00	Felida Church	2.70	Mr & Mrs Fred Pensyl	10.00	Brush Creek Church	576.94
Ripley Church	295.48	Anonymous	55.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	319.99	Oregon Church	977.64
St Louis Church	29.67	H L Reid	3.00	Flagg Center Priscillas	21.20	Michael Ross	3.00
Phoenix Miss Fund	150.00	Annie Welch	16.40	Mr & Mrs W Winner Sr	10.00	Oregon SS	16.68
Mr & Mrs T E Martin	500.00	Robert Tucker	7.00	Mr & Mrs Shannon Ivers	5.00	Russell Bird	12.00
S Bend Hope Cpl Miss Soc	65.00	Mr & Mrs George Lansbery	10.00	Roy Ekroth	1.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Mattus	20.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	148.00	Paul Moore	24.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	20.00	Jill Anger	12.00
Mr & Mrs Glenn Canfield	500.00	Mr & Mrs James Ring	10.00	Mrs Douglas Ter Beek	5.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	20.00
J Anon	60.00	Mr & Mrs Almus Dimmick	10.00	Mr & Mrs Kent Ross	15.00	W H Stone	20.00
Mr & Mrs David Swartz	25.00	Morse Mill Bereans	10.00	Marjorie Bolhous	20.00	Anonymous	5.00

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The Wheat -- Not the Tares

An Editorial

EVERY Bible-reading Christian is familiar with the parable that we call "The Parable of the Tares." In this parable, Jesus declared: "The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way" (Matt. 13:24, 25).

We will not dwell on tares, except to point out that they are generally identified as belonging to the family of weeds which a farmer knows as "darnel." The seeds are often poisonous to human beings on account of the parasitic growths that they contain. For this reason, it is still a common practice to carefully separate them from the wheat (which they closely resemble in their early stages of growth) and from other grain that is intended for human consumption.

In Jesus' parable, as soon as the tares became identifiable, the workers asked the owner of the field if they should pull them up. The answer was, "Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them" (v. 29).

Explaining the significance of this parable to his disciples, Jesus told them: "He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; the field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; the enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

"As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; and shall cast

them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

"Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear" (vv. 37-43).

This parable could just as aptly be called "The Parable of the Wheat." Indeed, the tares and their destruction are only incidental to the harvest of the wheat. The primary purpose is the gathering of the good wheat into the barn of the owner, where they shall "shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father."

Paul gave to Timothy a list of signs that will identify the "last days." But he warned Timothy to beware of becoming so bemused with the evils, and so preoccupied with trying to root them out that he neglected that which was his own responsibility. He could safely leave the rooting out of the tares to the angels at the end of the age. His advice to Timothy (and to every Christian) was: "But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them . . . All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (vv. 14-17).

The Message for Us

The zeal with which the Church of God is not only broadcasting the seed of the gospel, but is also carefully guarding and nourishing the developing seedlings, is the mark of a maturing church. We are avoiding the temptation to focus our attention on the tares, leaving the wheat at the

blurry edge of the picture. Instead, we are concentrating upon improving both the quality and the quantity of the wheat. We firmly believe that this is the correct procedure. Somewhere in our recent reading we ran across the following statement, or one very much like it. "It would seem reasonable to assume that the Divine Farmer will determine the time of harvest by the maturity of the wheat rather than by the progress of the tares."

Source of Seed

Someone has pointed out that it is not the shepherd who bears the lambs, but the sheep. The same principle holds true in the realm of vegetation. Future crops must of necessity spring from the fruitage of previous generations of the same species.

The only way that your church and mine can possibly plant the fruits of faith in the lives of others is to first bring them to maturity in our own lives. We are the source of the seeds that must be the genesis of future crops.

An important indicator of our maturity is a growing concern with the quality of the seed that we are sowing in the lives of others, and the loving care with which we are caring for and nourishing growing and developing seedlings. This is to be observed in the increased interest in sowing the seed and also in the effort that we make to insure that it is fed the pure truths of God's Word. Literature, Bible classes, youth camps, radio broadcasts, missionary efforts, and home evangelism are all being developed for the sake of the wheat. Truly, there is an abundance of tares in the field. The angels will deal with the tares in due time. Our concern is with the wheat!

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Annual General Conference

The Annual Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17, 1974. The theme of the Conference will be "Tell the Good News," and the song by the same title will be the theme song. The cost this year will be \$5.75 per person per day (\$27.00 for the Conference). The daily costs are: breakfast \$1.00, lunch \$1.50, dinner \$1.50, lodging \$1.50, insurance and miscellaneous \$.25. (Meals are half price for children under age eight.) Begin now making plans to attend this time of fellowship, study, business, and worship with brethren from many areas of the United States and Canada.

Riverview Park is a family type facility and we encourage families to stay together. Most housing is in cabins holding from four to twenty people. Reservations for housing will be accepted after May 15. See the *May Progress Journal* for more information on reservations.

The full Conference program, departmental reports, proposed recommendations, and other pertinent information will appear in the June issue of *Progress Journal*.

Board of Directors Meeting

The General Conference Board of Directors will meet on May 2-4 in Oregon, Ill. Reports and recommendations to the delegates will be finalized at that meeting. If anyone has an item of business that should come before the Board at that meeting please contact the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill., or one of the Board members, and the matter will be placed on the agenda.

Literature

Literature distribution continues at a rapid pace. Two hundred fifty thousand tracts and forty-five thousand copies of *The Restitution Herald* have been printed in the first five months of this current fiscal year. Many are taking the Free Systematic Bible Study Course of twenty-nine lessons. The printed Word is going out. Many churches and individuals are taking hold during this Free Literature Campaign and we praise God for this effort. We are happy that the membership of the Church of God General Conference is doing its part to help fulfill Matthew 24:14, which

says, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached [Diag., published] in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

The cost of providing these free materials will exceed the amount placed in the budget. The cost of free literature during the first four months of the fiscal year is more than ten thousand dollars. Twenty thousand dollars was the total amount budgeted for the year, so the cost is exceeding the budget. We are thankful that the needs are being met by a dedicated membership.

Annual Ministerial Conference

The Annual Church of God Ministers Conference will be held in Oregon, Ill., April 29-May 3, 1974. This is a time of study, fellowship, and spiritual uplift for ministers attending. Consequently it becomes of great benefit to the local churches as the pastors return inspired and refreshed. We trust that each church will encourage and assist its pastor to attend. Travel expenses are pooled to even out the cost. Pastors from a general area are encouraged to travel together to hold down the pool expense.

Conference Finances

I am pleased to report that the goals for giving for the month of March have been met. The Staff, the Board of Directors, and I express our thanks and appreciation to the membership for consistently meeting current needs.

Due to increased costs for food, postage, and other current expenses, it is quite possible that total expenses will exceed the amount placed in the annual budget. We will make every effort to keep within the budget when possible. The Lord has richly blessed the membership of the Church of God General Conference over the years. May we give him thanks and pray for his continued blessings and direction in all that is done.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for March	\$13,167.00
Given in March	13,434.00
April Needs	\$13,167.00

Goal for April \$13,167.00

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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).



The picture shows Sr. Mardy Lawrence, Secretary of the General Conference Mission Board, on a Nigerian road with Bros. Solomon Idiong, Ephriam Udo, and John Obott. Often they would take her from place to place on the back of a bicycle.

Trip Report by Sr. Mardy Lawrence

As secretary of the Church of God General Conference Mission Board, I, together with my husband Dr. William Lawrence, returned early in February from a visit to our mission fields in Nigeria and Ghana. We carried greetings of the Church of God General Conference to seven churches in Nigeria and one in Ghana as one of the purposes of the trip. For some time the mission board has felt that it was important that this area in Africa be visited by qualified General Conference workers.

My husband and I evaluated the progress of the General Conference efforts, the needs of the leaders, the needs of the people, particulars of how we can help, and restrictions on imports. We also investigated the relationships and anticipated future relations between American-sponsored Christian churches and/or schools and the Nigerian and Ghana governments.

We feel that the trip was very successful in accomplishing its purpose. It was certainly a fascinating trip, although at times a most difficult one. We are very appreciative of all the prayers that were offered on our behalf while on the trip.

We will show colored slides and give a full report on the trip at the annual Church of God General Con-

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ference on Wednesday evening, August 14, at River-view Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Mexico Trip

It was the privilege of the writer to visit Mexico in February. I flew to Monterey. There Bro. Dean Moore met me and we traveled in his Econoline Van to our mission stations in Labor Vieja, Potosi, and Saltillo. We carried our own food and water.

We enjoyed a time of rich fellowship with the brethren in Mexico. Bro. Moore acted as interpreter and guide, having been a General Conference missionary in Mexico for several years.

We find the work in Labor Vieja becoming much more stable under the leadership of Bro. Roberto Badillo. They have a fine new block church building, and more people are becoming interested in the gospel of salvation.

There is much building and expansion going on in the city of Saltillo. This appears to be a fruitful field for future missionary development. Bro. and Sr. Francisco Martinez are presently working in the village of Potosi, where many children are coming to Sunday school. The adults of the community seem to lack spiritual interest.

We ask for your prayers for Bros. Badillo and Martinez and their families, and for God's rich blessings on the mission work in Mexico.

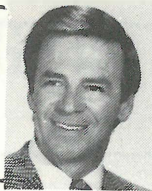
Philippine Islands

Mrs. Susan Bulay, age 30, was immersed in the waters of baptism at the Pallagao Church in January. This is one of the three churches that has been organized by people who were converted through the radio ministry.

The radio broadcasts are now coming from the larger station in Cauayan. Bro. Estifanio Sibayan is doing most of the radio preaching. The plan is to begin a church in Cauayan, with him as pastor. Bro. Ortiguero has been ill for several weeks with a severe flu. He sends greetings to all the American brethren.

India

January 24 was "Republic Day," a special holiday in India. Thirty-five youth of the Bangalore Churches of God, together with Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah, distributed five hundred tracts and gave messages in the open air, preaching in ten different places in the city.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Reaching Out

The long weekend of February 15-18 provided the Chorale with the opportunity to travel to South Bend, Ind., and Grand Rapids, Mich. The host churches had a rigorous but exciting schedule planned for the group. On Friday, at 8 a.m., the Chorale was found at the Channel 8 TV station, rehearsing to appear on the Buck Matthews talk show. We were allowed approximately fifteen minutes to perform, followed by an interview with Dale Ramsey. Immediately following the appearance, the Chorale was on the road to Kentwood High School to perform before a student assembly. Colvert High School hosted the next performance. Then the singers traveled to South Bend, Ind., for an evening concert at Hope Chapel.

The Godwin High School auditorium, back in Grand Rapids, was the scene of the next concert on Saturday evening. There lighting effects and a beautiful auditorium provided an exciting atmosphere in which to perform.

The Garden Park and Pennellwood Churches of God both hosted the Chorale for services on Sunday morning. The Chorale also performed at the Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) in Lansing, Mich. The schedule on Monday took the group to another high school before they began the journey back to Oregon.

The Chorale members returned to school the following day, tired, but enriched through the experiences of the busy weekend. The motivating power of God was evident as they shared their faith with many people.

May is the month that Chorale members are now anticipating. They expect to spend two and a half weeks touring churches in the Southwestern United States. The tour will carry them through Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, California, Arizona, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, and Illinois. They look forward to many exciting concerts and experiences, as they travel through beautiful areas and share with the people along the way. This is a real opportunity for the College to share with churches which are far removed by distance, but not by faith.

Winter Activities

Variety has been the key word in social activities at OBC. The Social Committee has planned a greater variety of activities than in past years. Friday nights have been occupied with volleyball and basketball at a local

gymnasium. Winter has taken on an exciting perspective with the start of skiing trips to a nearby ski resort. The popularity of this sport has increased, with many new beginners risking falls and bruises to experience the exhilaration of zooming down the snow-covered slopes. Culture was the key word for a Saturday excursion to the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry, the Planetarium, and the Aquarium. New talent was exposed at a Talent Show, sponsored by the Social Committee.

Spring Session

The OBC Spring Session will be held April 29 through May 24. A seminar will be taught by Dallas Demmitt the first week. Pastoral Practice will be taught for three weeks by John Lewis. History of Western Civilization II will be team taught by Eugene Stilson and John Lewis. The OBC Chorale will present a concert tour to the Southwest, Saturday, May 4 through Wednesday, May 22.

Christian Workers Seminar

Oregon Bible College is cooperating with the Sunday School Department in presenting a Christian Workers Seminar for the week, May 6-10, which will include five classes each day. We encourage Sunday school workers to take advantage of this opportunity for personal growth.

Booster Month in May

The spiritual benefits that the Bible College has received through Booster contributions cannot be measured.

We feel that it is the most rewarding giving that the friends of the College can do because the results are measured in the spiritual and mental growth of students. As in former years, we appreciate your prayers and support.

Holy Land Tour in July

Dr. Alva G. Huffer, president of Oregon Bible College, will be making his eighth trip to Europe and Bible Lands this summer. He will serve as Tour Manager for a 22-Day Tour of Europe and the Holy Land, Monday, July 8, through Monday, July 29.

The group will visit six countries: Italy, Greece, Egypt, Israel, Turkey, and England. Further information may be acquired from: Alva G. Huffer, 1857 E. Alameda Dr., Tempe, Ariz. 85282.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Coins for Christ

One important phase of the Berean Youth program is the Coins for Christ campaign. This project has been a part of fund-raising activities for the Berean budget for approximately fifteen years. It continues to stimulate interest among both the younger and the older Bereans.

This year, a new type of coin holder is being used. It emphasizes the need for fattening a vinyl pig in order to feed the budget and make it grow. Pennies, nickles, dimes, quarters, halves, and greenbacks will help to make the coffer overflow. Encourage your young people to help to support their department of the General Conference.

1974 Berean Youth Conference

Plans for providing a program and staff for the 1974 Berean Youth Conference are progressing well. Two camps will be in session during the same week—July 21-27. Camp Mack will be for campers of junior age, to include those of the 8th through 11th grades. Twelfth grade and post-high campers through age 25 will be at Shipshewana Retreat Center, near Shipshewana, Indiana. The tuition fee will be \$43.00 for each camper. Each applicant must forward a deposit of \$5.00 (non-returnable). Registrations received later than July 10 will require an additional \$5.00.

In spite of possible transportation difficulties, every effort should be made to promote this year's Youth Conference, and to support every eligible young person who wishes to attend.

All signs point to the soon return of Jesus to earth. What better way to spend money than to gather our young people together for study, prayer, and fellowship in the name of Jesus Christ.

The theme for 1974 is: "Jesus Christ—King of Kings!" Let us determine that every young person shall enjoy this opportunity to be drawn close to Christ, and to be stimulated and strengthened for the days ahead.

We covet your prayers on behalf of our leaders and their assistants. God has wonderfully blessed our Youth Conference in years past, both with regard to the programs and the young people. In the many thousands of miles traveled to and from Youth Conferences, not a single person has been hurt or in any way molested. Praise God for his blessings!

Sunday School Seminar

By the time that you read this column, you should have been informed about the seminar which is to be held as part of the curriculum of Oregon Bible College for the spring session. Five courses will be offered for one week. These courses will be available to college students also.

You are urged to give careful consideration to this opportunity. If it is at all possible for you to attend, or to help another to attend, by all means do so. Your Sunday School Board has discussed this and prayed about it for many months. We have no doubt that this session is one of the better ways to upgrade the learning and skills of church and Sunday school workers.

The bulletin insert which you will receive from your pastor very soon will contain full details and an enrollment blank. Any questions may be resolved by writing to Bro. John Lewis, OBC Registrar, or to Sunday School Dept., Francis Burnett, Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Director's Activities

A five-message evangelistic meeting was conducted by the writer at Morning Star Church of God, South Bend, Ind., the last week of October, 1973.

A full week of meetings was conducted at Brush Creek Church of God, Tipp City, Ohio, in November.

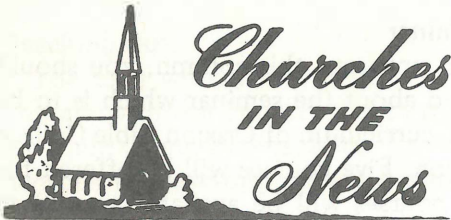
Though these meetings were not programmed as Sunday school seminars, they did provide an opportunity to discuss General Conference work with many.

As guest speaker and teacher for the Michigan Spring Conference, held February 27-March 2, at Southlawn Church in Grand Rapids, the writer delivered four messages, led three devotional periods, and taught four Bible classes. The theme of the conference was "Reaching More in 74." Emphasis was on the Sunday school.

The Greater Rockford Area Sunday School Convention was held March 22, 23, with Ethel Barrett as the principal speaker.

Future events that I will be attending are: Greater Chicago Sunday School Convention, April 4-6; a week-end Sunday School Seminar, April 19, 20 at Raymore Church of God, Raymore, Missouri; and the Texas State Conference at Gatesville, June 14-16. There I will be guest speaker and teacher, presenting thoughts on "Better Sunday Schools."

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



HONOR CHURCHES

In the current issue of *The Restitution Herald*, you will find the first of a series of features which will honor one of the member churches of the Church of God General Conference.

Any member church is eligible for this representation. The purpose is to make it possible for the churches to know more about each other.

Send us a brief history of your church, and a short expression of why you consider that your church is succeeding, and a previously unpublished article by your present pastor.

If possible, send us black and white pictures of your first and present pastors, along with pictures of your first place of meeting and the place where you meet now. Do not send colored pictures, except as a last resort. As a rule, they do not reproduce well in black and white. If you have a choice, please send your color negatives in preference to colored prints. If you have no other choice, send the color prints and we will do the best that we can with them.

BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

The youth of the Brush Creek Church of God have begun to practice their quizzing. They have hope of being "champs" at the National Youth Conference this year. On Sunday, February 24, 1974, they went to Troy View Church of God for a meet with their youth.

On Sunday night, February 24, we enjoyed a pulpit exchange with Glad Tidings Church of God, at Dayton. Bro. Rex Cain filled the Brush Creek pulpit, while Bro. Richard Worley was preaching at Dayton. We enjoyed Bro. Cain's sermon.

The senior Bereans recently conducted a white elephant sale, with all proceeds going to the Northeast Conference.

At the present time, members of the Brush Creek congregation are conducting four Home Bible Study groups. A fifth group is just getting started. Pray for us, that we may reach more people through witnessing to others and studying God's Word with them.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

On February 24, 1974, the New Hope Church of Little Rock hosted the Winter Arkansas Rally Day. There were about 120 present, representing the McGintytown, Oak Grove, Forrester Hills, and New Hope churches.

The theme of the Rally was: "There is no Energy Crisis With Jesus." Each church followed this theme in presenting its part of the program. The program and special music throughout the day were enjoyed by all. It is always a privilege to be able to meet and fellowship with friends in the Lord.

Louise Humphreys, secretary.

BAPTISMS

Troy, Ohio. The following people have recently accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and have been obedient to his command to be baptized: George Small and Diana Bashore, February 3, 1974; and Nancy Brewer and her son Dale, and Doug and Ann Burnside, February 17, 1974. The brethren of the Troy View Church of God rejoice in these decisions, and welcome these people into our fellowship.

Scott Ross, pastor.

Lawrenceville, Ohio. The following have recently been baptized: Cheryl Brittingham, Kerry Hall, Darlene Elliott, Kimberly Yoder, Jill Circle, and John Lindner. All of them are members of our church families.

Milon Hall, pastor.

Pelzer, S.C. I wish to report the baptism of Curtis Masters on February 17, 1974, by the pastor of the Guthrie Grove Church of God. Bro. Masters came over from the Bethel Church, but thought that he should be rebaptized. He felt that at the time that he was first baptized, he was too young, and did not realize what he was doing.

Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Tempe, Ariz. On Sunday, February 10, 1974, members and friends of the Lakeshore Bible Church of God returned to the old church building for the baptism of Miss Heidi Harmon. Heidi is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Hugh Harmon. She is a student in an elementary grade school, but has excellent knowledge of the truth of God's Word, having been taught all of her young life by her parents and her Sunday school and Berean teachers. She was baptized into the name of Jesus Christ by Bro. Joseph Duncan. After the baptism, Pastor Warren Sorenson took charge of a Communion service.

Jerald L. Cooper, reporter.

Raymore, Mo. Our hearts rejoiced when Terry Peukert and Ricky Embree came forward and confessed their need for Jesus as their Savior. They were baptized into the Lord on Sunday, February 3, 1974. We pray God's blessing and guidance to continue to rest upon them.

Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Lenoir, N.C. On February 10, 1974, Miss Tracy Hedrick was baptized into Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. The joy of seeing her face light up with the peace that passeth understanding, as she came up out of the water, filled with the Spirit of our God, was a very great and rewarding experience to all of the church. We pray God's blessings on this young person, who now lives in Christ, awaiting his coming.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

South Bend, Ind. Morning Star Church of God, at South Bend, Ind., has been blessed in recent months by several baptisms. Those baptized were: Jerry Baughman, John Richards, Steve Bice, Paul Richards, John and Jane Williams (Sr. Williams is the former Jane Duncan), David and Gale Potter (Sr. Potter is the former Gale Woolley). We pray that God will bless these people as they begin their Christian walk.

Alice Langel, secretary.

San Jose, Cal. At the close of the morning worship service on February 24, 1974, Miss Suzanne Williams was baptized into the body of Christ. We pray that God will richly bless Suzanne in her new life.

Ray Hall, pastor.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Cecil Rademachir; Richard Keller; Dorothie Rose; Mrs. Marie Nemeth; Peggy Abato; Jonita Strauch; Carol Parks; Mrs. Patrick Amero; Joseph Smith; Dennis Sharp; Leila Ratliff; Steven A. Kochones; Harold Domigan; Paul Overholser; Diane Severs; Rita Doughman; Alberta Stevens; Terry Pensyl; Gary Pensyl; Beverly Elliott; Hope Errett; Mary Rowell; Frank Rowell; David Strickland; Bonnie Domigan; Linda Massie; Larry Domigan; Randy Stevens; Joan Simpson; Dwayne Gremler; Karen Circle; Jill Circle; Margaret Barentine; Laura D. Cain.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Ripley, Ill.

Lozelle Burnett, Supt. 209 E. Washington, Mt. Sterling

Raymore, Mo.

Change the address of Pastor Rex Shaw to: Box 288, Raymore, Mo. 64083, Phone 816-331-6444

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Burr Oak, Ind.

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Peoria, Ill.

Lois Pryor, Sec. 109 N. Indiana, Morton, Ill. 61550

Monte Salzman, Supt., Ten Mile Creek Rd., Rt. 8, East Peoria, Ill. 61611

Lenoir, N.C.

Paul Duncan, Church Clerk, Secretary and Treasurer of the Church of Resurrection Hope has moved to 716 B Circle Dr. Lenoir, N.C. 28645, Phone 704-758-5817

FIRST PRINCIPLES

The tract "First Principles" by G. E. Marsh is not an "attention getter" to be handed out on the streets. It is an excellent study guide to be put into the hands of any who are interested in an easily understood survey of the doctrines on which the Church of God is founded. It answers the question, "What does your church believe?" We recommend that you obtain a supply of these to have on hand for just this purpose. It is an "oldie but goodie."

THE MILLENNIAL TEMPLE

An 11-page pamphlet has been prepared by Pastor James Mattison entitled "The Millennial Temple—Its Location, Its Plan, Its Purpose." Any Bible student who would like to study Ezekiel 40-48, may have a free copy of this pamphlet by writing to Pastor James Mattison, Maurertown, VA 22644.

MARRIAGES

February 2, 1974, in the Front Royal Church of God at Front Royal, Va., Miss Rosa Wymer became the wife of Gary Ramsey, of the Fort Valley Church of God in Christ Jesus. The bride and groom said their vows to each other as they stood facing each other. This made the service seem different and more meaningful. That Gary and Rosa shall establish a Christian home is our desire for them. James Mattison, pastor.

On February 2, 1974, the wedding of Paul Duncan and Mary Smith took place in the Church of God of Resurrection Hope in Lenoir, N.C. Officiating were the pastor of the bride, Hal Vannoy, and pastor of the groom, Z. B. Duncan. Many relatives attended. The wedding was a double-ring service. The groom is the son of Pastor and Mrs. Z. B. Duncan, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. Howard Smith, of Lenoir. The couple will make their home in Lenoir. May God richly bless them!

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

OBITUARIES

Kitty Ruth Wilson was born January 28, 1935 in Cheyenne, Wyo., to Mr. and Mrs. Golie Sprinkle. She died February 12, 1974, in Hot Springs, Ark. She is survived by her husband, Matthew Wilson; two sons, Steven Andrew and Mark Richard; one daughter, Rebecca Lynn; her mother, Esther Sprinkle; two brothers, James David and Paul Sprinkle; and one sister, Mary Esther Kinsey. She was a member of the Church of God of the Faith of Abraham. Those who knew her best loved her the most. She manifested true Christian virtues that gave evidence of the work and grace of God in her life. Especially during the last part of her life, there was confidence, courage, and a steadfast determination to do the will of God, even in extreme and prolonged suffering. She was laid to rest in Lowe Cemetery, near Royal, Ark., to wait for the coming of Christ and resurrection to eternal life in his kingdom. Dean H. Moore.

Edna B. Beach died of an apparent heart attack February 5, 1974, at 62 years of age. At her request, funeral services were conducted by this writer, assisted by Pastor Bob Jones. Interment was made at Trinity Memorial Gardens, Rochelle, Ill., where she awaits the call of her Master at the time of the resurrection. A memorial has been established in the name of the Flagg Center Community Church of God, of which she was a member. Bro. Jones is presently pastor of the church. Pastor A. T. Johns.

Bro. Leonard Funk, 89, of Winchester, Va., passed away January 25, 1974. The writer baptized him five years ago. He was a member of the Maurertown Church of God in Christ Jesus. Our sympathy goes to his wife Eva, and to daughters Marie and Stacy. Leonard awaits the resurrection call in Harrisville Cemetery at Toms Brook. James Mattison, pastor.

Curtis Dale Prather was born April 5, 1915, in Oakland Township, Schuyler County, Ill. He died January 23, 1974, at Rushville. He was the son of Clarence and Estella Curtis Prather. The funeral was conducted by the writer at the Ripley Church of God on January 26. Burial was in the Rushville cemetery. He was an active member of the Ripley Church of God.

James A. Fyfe, pastor.

Bro. Clarence Ritch, elder of the Church of God of Resurrection Hope, fell asleep in death as the result of a sudden heart attack. Bro. Ritch had served faithfully as a trustee and elder of the church. He was a devout visitor of widows and the needy, and a great help to the pastor. His wife Clara, and two sons Randy and Gary are members of our church. With great sorrow on the part of the entire congregation he was laid to rest to await the coming of the

Lord to awake those who sleep in Christ. This pastor officiated, and never has he appreciated the Truth more in any time of sorrow.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

Bro. George Condrey fell asleep in death on February 5, 1974, as the result of a heart attack. He was the husband of Mrs. Maggie Condrey, who has been a most faithful member of the church. His stepson, Clarence Walker, is a deacon in our church. Returning from the funeral of Bro. Clarence Ritch, his wife found him lying dead on the floor of their home. Services were conducted by this pastor. He was laid to rest to await the coming of the Lord and the kingdom of God. Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

Mrs. Izzie Bell Kelley Tackett was born August 12, 1885, at Holland, Ark. She died October 25, 1973. She was a long-time member of the Church of God. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. She was laid to rest to await the coming of her Lord and Master.

Roy Humphreys, pastor.

Ralph L. Holshouser, age 70, died February 3, 1974. Ralph was a charter member of the Fredericktown, Mo., Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. He was instrumental in

helping to build the present granite edifice. Memorial services were conducted at the church by this writer, February 6. He was assisted by Pastor Roy Graham of Denver, Col. Bro. Holshouser was laid to rest in Marcus Memorial Park Cemetery, to await the Lord's return.

A. T. Johns, pastor.

AVAILABLE PASTORS

Mark D. Ryan
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Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1973
Bruce Burnside
Box 100
Oregon, Ill. 61061
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1974
Benjamin Mattison
1847 E. Apache, Apt. 9
Tempe, Ariz. 85281
In OBC Internship Program
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1974

Paul M. Moore, 1847 E. Apache, Apt. 9,
Tempe, Ariz. 85281, Oregon Bible College
Graduate 1972, OBC Internship Program 1973.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR APPLICATION

The Church of God General Conference, with the help of God, is seeking applicants for the position of Sunday School Director. This is a full-time position which will begin on or after September 1, 1974. The Lord is earnestly "calling" a dedicated servant to apply for this position. For an application blank, please contact Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. We ask that the membership make this a matter of special prayer concern that the "right" person will apply and be accepted to give the necessary leadership to this Department.

Job Description

1. Serve as chairman of the Sunday School Board.
 - a) Study the needs and make plans for promoting the Sunday schools of the Church of God General Conference.
 - b) Plan the agenda for Sunday School Board meetings and send the agenda to the members before each meeting.
 - c) Keep the Sunday School Board informed.
 - d) Direct the planning for Sunday School Day at the annual General Conference.
 - e) Keep in close contact and communication with the Executive Director to whom you are directly responsible.
2. Oversee all Sunday school promotions.
 - a) Feed our Sunday schools with new ideas.
 - b) Direct any national contests that may be held.
 - c) Direct and promote new Sunday school growth and offer practical aids to such growth.
 - d) Offer practical assistance in starting new Sunday schools.
3. Oversee all Sunday school publications.
 - a) Write monthly the "Sunday School News" column in *Progress Journal*.
 - b) Publish monthly the "Sunday School Bulletin."
 - c) Produce monthly the "Teacher-Training Guide Sheets."
 - d) Edit the Sunday School Manual.
 - e) Produce periodic bulletin inserts.
4. Plan, promote, and present seminars to meet the needs of our Sunday schools.
5. Visit Sunday schools and conferences (with emphasis on the smaller schools) to provide needed help and to promote the General Conference in general.
6. Oversee the Sunday school tape ministry.
7. Keep annual statistics on General Conference Sunday schools for the purpose of observing progress or the lack of progress.
8. Be aware of and keep in contact with the talents of individuals within our General Conference for future use as editors, writers, artists, speakers, seminar instructors, and so forth.
9. Be prepared to oversee the Sunday school quarterlies if they are placed in the Sunday School Department by the General Conference and its board.
 - a) Possible revision of the Sunday school quarterly.
 - b) Constant improvement and updating of the quarterly material.
 - c) Work closely with the publications editor and Executive Director in appointing quarterly editors.
 - d) Keep in close communication with the quarterly editors.
 - e) Direct the production of any teacher manual to accompany the quarterlies.
10. Work closely with the publications editor on vacation Bible school material and preparation.



KNOW YOUR DIRECTORS

John Huston, Treasurer

Bro. John Huston was born in Dayton, Ohio. He grew up and has lived most of his life in the area of West Milton, Ohio, where he now resides with his wife Diane and their three sons. Bro. Huston accepted Christ early in life, and has been a member and a diligent worker in the Brush Creek Church of God, near Tipp City, Ohio, ever since.

Bro. Huston has been youth leader of the Brush Creek Church, youth leader of the Northeast Conference, and presently is a member of the Northeast Conference Board.

He is an employee of the Inland Manufacturing Company (a department of General Motors), and also operates his own business, Aztec Tool and Die.

He is serving the third year of a three-year term as a member of the General Conference Board of Directors. This year, the Board members selected him as treasurer.

Happiness is not having and getting, it consists of giving and serving.

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE CENTENNIAL

Attention all members or past members of the Minnesota State Conference Churches:

You are cordially invited to attend the
Centennial Celebration
of the
Minnesota State Conference
at
Long Lake Bible Camp
June 6-9, 1974

Lodging and camping facilities provided.

"The Bible is a book of faith, and a book of doctrine, and a book of morals, and a book of religion, of special revelation from God; but it is also a book which teaches man his own individual responsibility, his own dignity, and his equality with his fellowman."

—Daniel Webster.

Contributors to the General Conference: February, 1974

Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00	Litchfield Church	22.53	Ruth Reid	20.00	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	80.00
La State Conf	354.36	Peoria Church	102.00	Morning Star Church	12.38	Baton Rouge Young People	12.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Whelpton	10.00	William Poland	20.00	Digby Church	58.74	Jean Kump	12.00
Mr & Mrs Jeff Anderson	3.00	Tempe Bible Church	2690.77	Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Mrs Esther Jenkins	15.00
St Louis Church	30.00	Leota Hanson	10.00	Freeport Church	30.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00
Ill Conf	100.00	Flagg Center Church	90.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Southwest Conf	83.00
Mr & Mrs Verl Wyrick	2.00	Anderson Chapel	23.60	Fairy Lyon	10.00	Elwyn Drew	5.00
Mrs Phil Jefferies	5.00	Macomb Church	64.18	Eugene Steele	5.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00
Gladys Emigh	6.00	Alice Bassett	25.00	John R Humphreys	5.00	Jay St Church	26.66
Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	25.00	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00	Mae Turnbow	5.00	Wilbert Funk	2.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	145.00	Blanchard Church	199.86	Beaumont Church	13.64	Garden Park Church	141.60
Koszta Church	36.00	Holbrook Church	59.24	Blessed Hope Church	56.70	Arlene Ekholm	10.00
Oregon BYF	32.00	Mr & Mrs Gary Sprague	3.00	Mabel Andrew	10.00	St Cloud Church SS	3.00
Texas-Louisiana Bereans	62.00	May White	17.37	Inez Gordon	10.00	Mr & Mrs Donald Corley	5.00
Sharon Guiles	12.00	Annie Welch	14.64	Faith Chapel Lafayette	41.74	Mr & Mrs N H LaMunion	40.00
Dennis Brown	11.00	Mr & Mrs Owen Graves	3.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	30.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	65.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Shellee Ballentine	2.00	Mrs Otto Graf	50.00
Edna Claypool	20.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Stevens	1.00	Alice Aldrich	125.90	Mr & Mrs E Freyaldenhoven	25.00
Mr & Mrs Jess Williams	5.00	Alice Plantner	10.00	Diane Severs	1.00	Mr & Mrs James Ring	20.00
Mr & Mrs Jerry Wachman	2.00	Joseph Plantner	10.00	Brush Creek Young People	11.50	Edith Eades	6.00
Henry Schuitema	5.00	Maurertown Church	42.09	Eternal Hope Church	70.28	Cool Spring Dorcas	10.00
Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	10.00	Mary Brown	1.00	George Davison	3.00	J Anon	30.00
Pleasant Hill Church	60.36	Graytown Dorcas	5.00	Mr & Mrs J Nelson Fox	2.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50
Northeast Conf	215.00	Ark City Hope Chapel SS	60.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	15.00	New Hope Church	50.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	50.00	Ripley Miss Soc	75.00	Mr & Mrs James Lippert	10.00	Modesto Church	4.25
Mr & Mrs R E Kaffenbarger		South Bend Hope Chapel		Mr & Mrs Lee Tidwell	15.00	North Hills Church	54.96
Sr	35.00	Miss Soc	65.00	Ronald Downs	2.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Wood	12.00
Martin Morgan	12.00	Minn State Miss Soc	200.00	North Salem Church	12.95	Robert Halliday	12.00
Brush Creek Miss Dept	60.00	Felida Church	2.70	Don Schawecker	10.00	Lawrenceville Sr Youth	10.83
Michael Berry	10.00	Mrs Lucy Fuson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Glynn Miller	5.00	Digby Jr Cadets	12.00
Denise Pearson	2.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	25.00	Dora C Morgan	10.00	Emory Macy Jr	30.00
Christie Simpson	10.00	Mrs Mabell Bell	15.00	Mr & Mrs Doyle Ward	50.00	Mr & Mrs Stephen Bolhous	20.00
Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	8.00	Cora Siple	10.00	Kay Vancil	12.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	32.50
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Outreach Dept	80.00	Mrs Dwight Hale	3.00	Glad Tidings SS Fonthill	13.98	Mr & Mrs T R Meier	5.00
Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	32.50	Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ed Bender	50.00	Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	25.00
Margaret Castleman	3.00	Margaret Duval	50.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	27.00	Valley Church	100.00
Brush Creek SS	235.54	Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Mr & Mrs Elmo Gaspar	24.00	Ava Kelley	7.40
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	60.00	Hope Chapel South Bend	74.89	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	10.00
Southlawn Church	242.79	Kathleen Wilson	3.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Cecil Smead	30.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Clavin	1.00	Golden Rule SS	100.00	Troy View Church	111.25
Milo Magaw	75.00	La Contributors	75.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	50.00	Mr S L Rife	3.00
Mich Conf	114.90	Mr & Mrs Jack Parsons	20.00	Raymore Church	25.00	Frances Smith	3.00
Hazel Cripe	15.00	Mrs Zelma Powell	10.00	Charles McMurtrie	5.00	Anonymous	15.00
Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Johnson	90.00	Zenas Murphy	20.00	Litchfield SS	8.96
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Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	1500.00	Marjorie Bolhous	50.00	Shilah Richmond	20.00	Garden Park Miss Dept	60.00
Greg Demmitt	11.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	E C Christensen	3.00	Troy View SS	11.17
Macomb SS	15.05	East Oregon Chapel	76.52	Vinnie Tyler	10.00	Bedford Church	33.90
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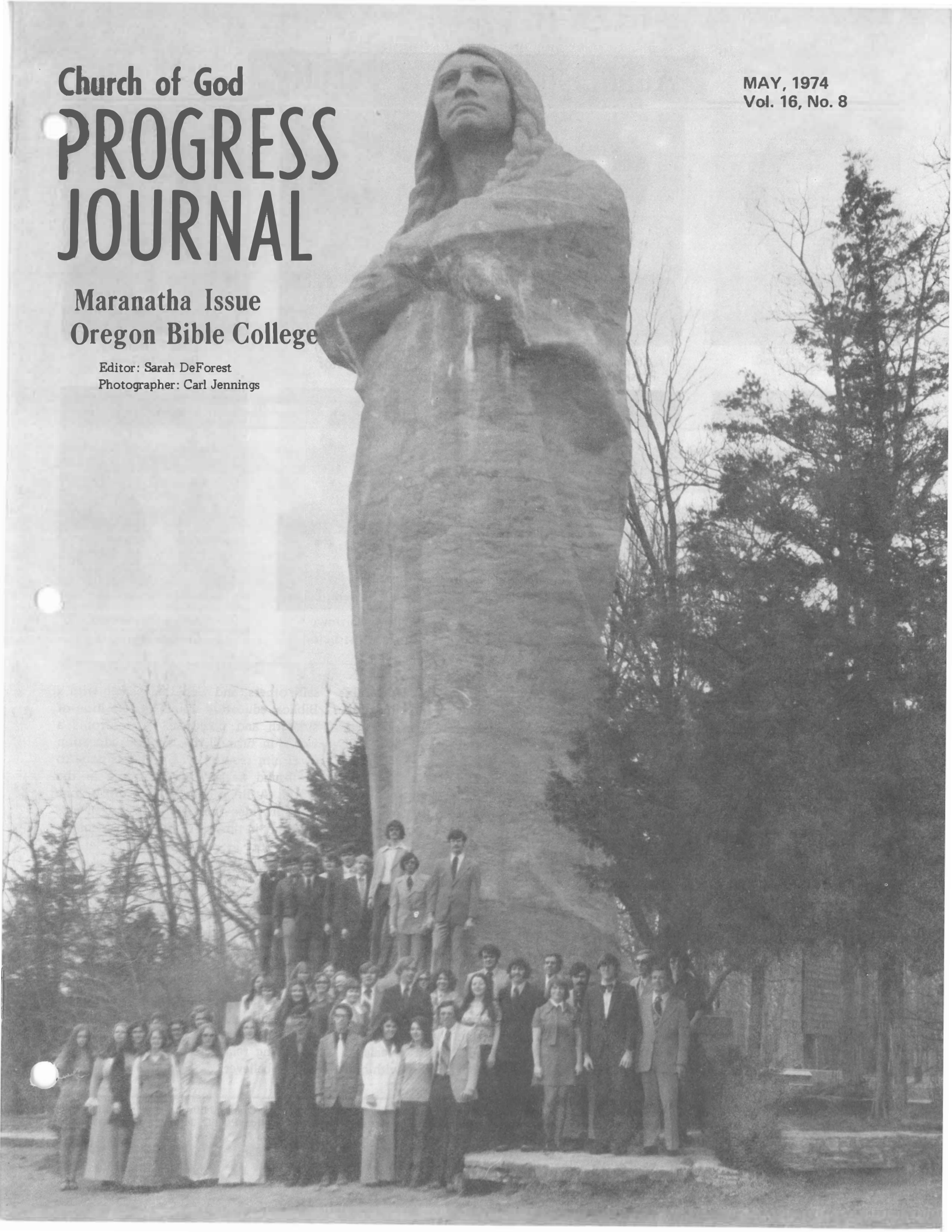
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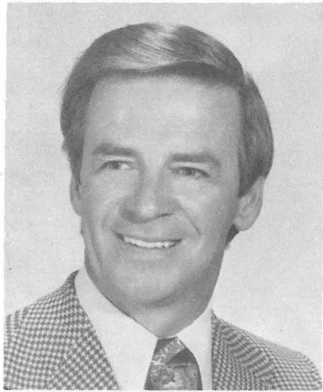
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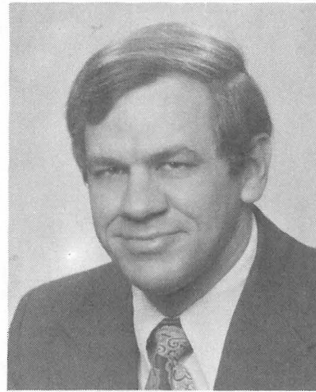
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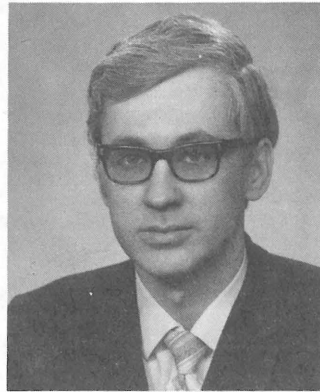
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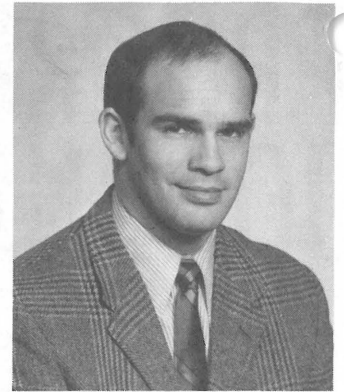
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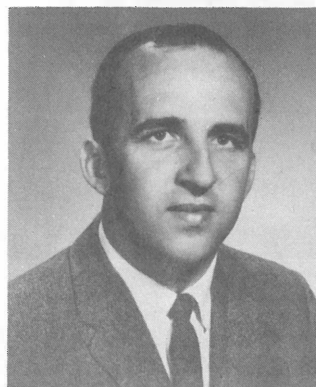
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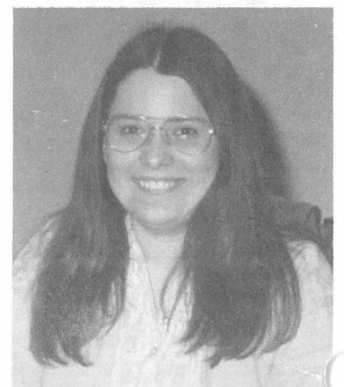
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BIBLE COLLEGE EDUCATION IN FOCUS

By John Lewis

We are living in an educated world. It is a world that is so dominated by knowledge and understanding that we cannot

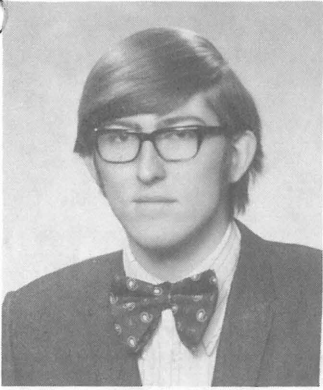
begin to comprehend the loss we would suffer if the possibilities for education would suddenly disappear. What is education? When is one truly educated? How much is enough? What educational methods are the best? The answers to these questions are difficult but they must be explored. These questions are examined by each student as he strives to acquire a formal education in the Bible College.

Think now of the uniqueness of Christian education. No matter how many times we quote the text, the instruction of the Lord is still relevant. "Study to shew thyself approved . . ." The physicist, psychologist, mathematician, and philosopher can give answers, but only the Christian can give answers that satisfy the greatest human needs.

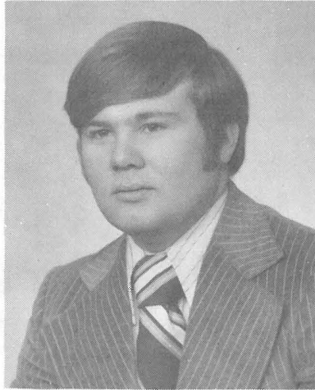
At the Bible College the Scriptures are focused on the matters that trouble men today. Because God's Word reveals all that bears upon his relationship with him-

self, others, and God that person with a Biblical education stands in a position of strength and power as he confronts a world in turmoil. His Biblical education gives him security when there is none to be found at any other source in the world. A Bible college education is one that provides the possibility for success not only in the areas of academic achievement but in business, social, leisure, moral, and spiritual areas as well. The student is a whole person content in his relationships and confident in his standing before men and God. As he matures in the study and understanding of God's Word he becomes a source for counsel and direction to which other men turn for answers. By gaining this in-depth strength and confidence in his relationship with the Word he becomes a positive influence upon the world and achieves a satisfying relationship with God and his fellow believer.

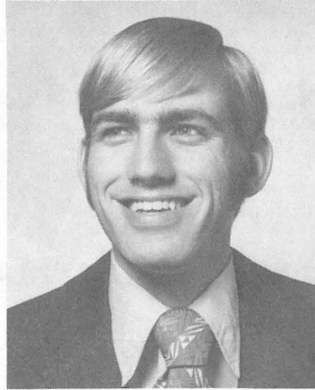
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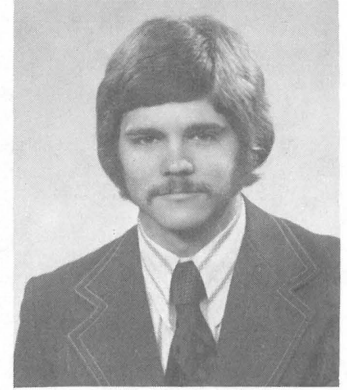
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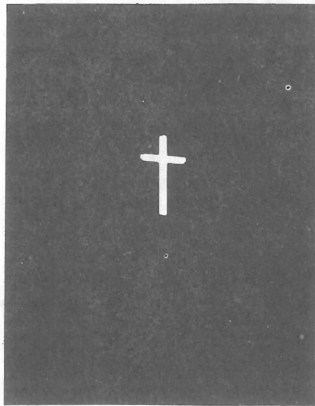
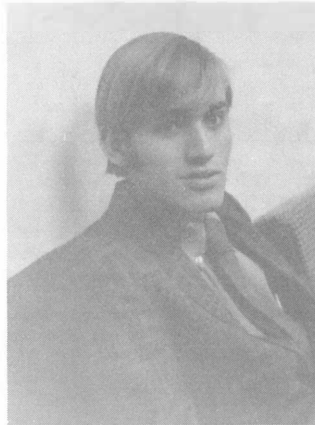
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Samuel Voorhies

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Part-Time Students



Sue Foster. Missing—Mike Brown, Deb Cook, Dan Graham, Joe Graham, Sharon Guiles, Earlyne Warmolts, Janice Wilsterman.



Freshmen



L to R: Sid Magaw, Deb Licklitter, Diane Brown, Karen Mattison, John Mattison, JoAnn Coverston, Christie Simpson, Barb Urban, Phyllis Prussak, Ken Cook, Cyndy Maddock, Rita Pearson, Dick Young, Linda Jones, Lynn Boyer, Dave Wilsterman. Missing—Donna Blake, Janet Effertz.

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MAY, 1974

STUDENT COUNCIL

By Sydney Kirkpatrick

The Student Council is OBC's version of representative student government. Each class and major organization is represented on the Council, which meets every other week to undertake matters vital to the student's life, and activities.

Several innovations and new ideas have been instituted this year by the Council. The Mission Fellowship has been merged into a Student Christian Service Committee, and placed under the supervision of the Christian Service Director.

We have also been working on a student body project. Offerings have been received at each chapel service, and several hundred dollars have been raised for this project. With this money we plan to undertake something new for OBC and the Church of God. We are presently completing the composition of an ad, with visions of publishing it in several major newspapers around the country. Through the use of this major media, we hope to present the gospel message to a wide spectrum of the population, hoping that many will respond to our efforts.

In addition to these major projects, the Council also involves itself with the day-to-day activities of the College, trying to assist in providing the student with a pleasant environment in which to live, grow, and serve God. Some of these activities include the sponsorship of adequate social activities to meet the student's needs.

It is also appropriate that we express our gratitude to Bro. John Lewis who serves as faculty advisor to the Council. His assistance, through suggestions and guidance, is invaluable.

We would ask that you continue to remember us in your prayers, as we seek God's guidance in the matters before us.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By Bruce Burnside

Throughout the school year, the Social Committee has planned activities and events which would afford each student the opportunity for good Christian fellowship and recreation.

Fall semester activities included a Halloween party and a formal banquet. The students participated weekly in athletic activities, including volleyball, basketball, and other athletic activities in a local gymnasium.

Student life is certainly busy because of college responsibilities, job responsibilities, and gospel team activities nearly every weekend. Still the students found time to go roller skating, present a talent show, have a steak fry outing, and plan many of the activities for Junior-Senior Weekend during the winter semester. We feel it is a blessing to be involved in this Christian fellowship. These kind of activities contribute to our feelings of belonging to one another and provide the opportunity for spiritual ethical growth.

Student Council



John Lewis, Mike Berry, Sarah DeForest, Dave Wilsterman, Sid Magaw, Telva Lippert, Deb Burnett, Ken Taylor, Bruce Burnside, Scott Millard, Sam Voorhies, Syd Kirkpatrick.

Social Committee



Row 1: Sarah DeForest, Bruce Burnside, JoAnn Coverston, Lynda Smith; Row 2: Linda Hollenback, Kathy Jo Foretich, Linda Whaley, Kathy Cooper.

Mission Fellowship



Eugene Stilson, Deb Burnett, Mike Berry, Kathy Jo Foretich, Lynda Smith, Linda Whaley.

MISSION FELLOWSHIP

By Mike Berry

The Mission Fellowship Activity is a committee of the Student Council that directed its energy in the areas of Home and Foreign Missions. During the fall semester the group distributed literature and sold buttons, posters, and books in Oregon. We also visited two rest homes in neighboring cities.

In the area of foreign missions we collected school books to send to Ghana for the new school. Money to pay for the shipping costs of the books was raised through a rummage sale. We are presently still working on this book project.

During the winter semester an amendment to the constitution eliminated the MFA Committee and formed a new committee that would work in conjunction with the Christian Service Department of the College. This new committee is under the direct supervision of Christian Service Director Dale Ramsey. Through this new organization, the students can participate in Christian service activities and engage in active missionary work. In this way the student is not only training but is also serving the Lord as he trains. In raising funds and materials for foreign missions, the students are brought together in a stronger bond of unity.

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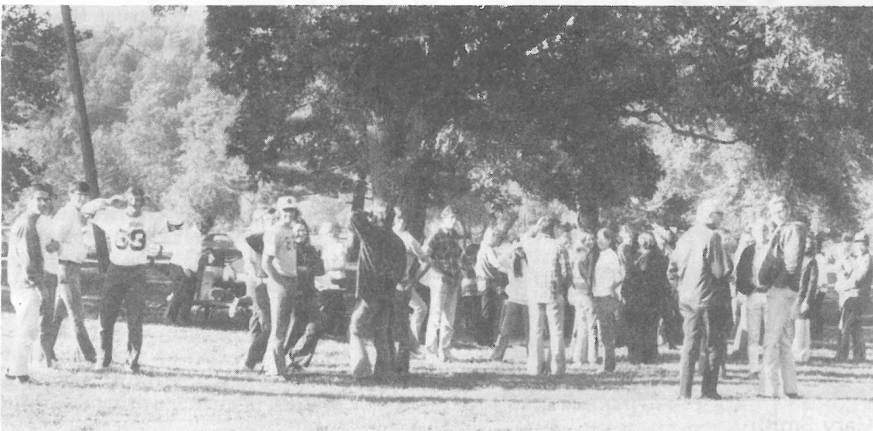
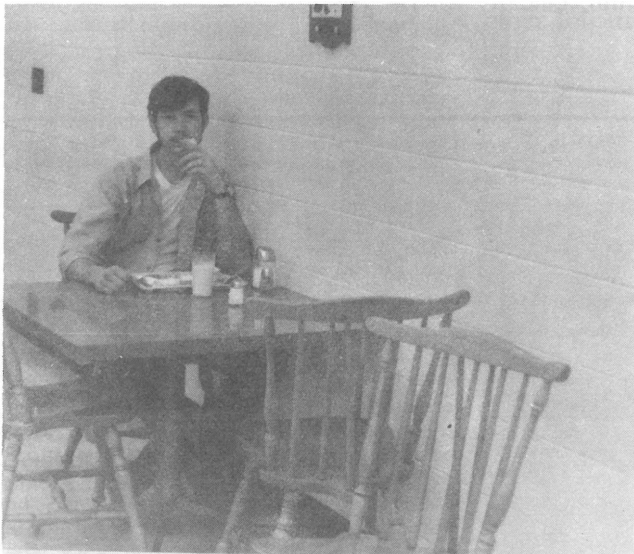


Dennis Brown, Sam Voorhies, Gary Smith

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

By Sam Voorhies

The Public Relations Committee was organized last year under the direction of the Student Council. It is made up of a chairman and two members. The purpose of the committee is to work for a better and more complete relationship with the community, local churches, and state conferences. In cooperating with the community and churches we intend to praise and glorify God. We trust that we will be able to serve God further in this new capacity.



Choir



Row 1: Linda Whaley, Rita Pearson, Telva Lippert, Christie Simpson, Rick Williams, Phyllis Prussak, Lynda Smith, Deb Burnett. Row 2: Sarah DeForest, Kenny Cook, Dennis Brown, Deb Lichter, Sid Magaw. Row 3: Linda Hollenback, Lynn Boyer, David Huffer, Kathy Cooper, Cyndy Maddock, Janice Wilsterman, JoAnn Coverston. Row 4: Bruce Burnside, Dan Ryan, Dick Alcumbrack, Earlyne Warmolts, Barb Urban, Scott Millard. Missing—Janet Effertz, Larry Mayberry.

Chorale



Row 1: Sharon Guiles, Kathy Jo Foretich, Linda Jones, Shelly Gaspar, Pam Miesse, Deb Burnett. Row 2: Carl Jennings, Sam Voorhies, Larry Mayberry, Dennis Brown, Dick Young, Sue Foster, Ken Taylor, Rick Williams, Scott Millard. Missing—Deb Cook.

THE COLLEGE CHOIR

By Dale Ramsey

With thirty members, the choir represents one of the largest organizations on campus. The choir is open to all OBC students and provides valuable opportunities for the student to praise God through a different musical genre.

Many students learn part singing for the first time in their musical experience. With this experience, their talent and ability grow, giving them the confidence to attempt successfully many different kinds of musical activities.

The choir has presented thirteen concerts this year, including a tour to Ohio during the Easter weekend. They performed an Easter cantate entitled, "Faith, Tears, and Resurrection" composed by Bill Fasig.

Thank you, God, for these opportunities, and because of these blessings of this year we look forward to a program that is expanded even more in the 1974-75 school year.

THE COLLEGE CHORALE

By Dale Ramsey

The Oregon Bible College Chorale is a group of sixteen singers selected by audition from the student body. The primary purpose of the Chorale is to praise God and glorify his Son through the performance of choral music. The Lord has provided many opportunities for service for this group and we praise and thank him for it.

During this past school year the Chorale has performed 40-45 concerts in churches and high schools. Two television concerts were given, one in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and one in Phoenix, Arizona. This is an excellent medium through which we can proclaim the gospel in song. We praise God for the opportunity.

Besides giving performances and providing public relations for the College, Chorale members gain valuable musical experience. Through singing, they develop a knowledge of musical terminology, choral music, and an awareness of choral balance, blend, and diction.

Each year the Chorale takes an extended tour to a distant part of the United States. This year the Chorale toured the western states, giving concerts in Iowa, Nebraska, California, Arizona, Texas, Arkansas, and Missouri for two and one-half weeks in May.

The Lord continues to use the Chorale in many wonderful ways, and we look forward to the years ahead, if the Lord wills, to new and greater avenues of service through his work.

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Annual General Conference Reservations

Cabin reservations for the Annual Church of God General Conference will be accepted after May 15. The Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17, 1974. Cabins will hold from four to twenty people. Families are urged to stay together. Write to Cabin Reservations, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061, and give the number in your family or party that will be staying together. We can then set aside a cabin to fit your needs. The cost this year will be \$5.75 per person per day (\$27.00 for the Conference). Begin making plans now to attend.

More details of the Conference, including the daily program, reports, recommendations, etc., will appear in the June issue of *Progress Journal*.

Mini-Courses at General Conference

Individuals will have opportunity this year to enroll in, and attend, a course each day of the General Conference. Four of these Mini-Courses will be held at 2:15 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. One will be held at 6:30 a.m., Tuesday through Friday. Enrollment for a course can be made when making a cabin reservation, or when you register at General Conference. Each class will be limited to twenty-five. Sharing sessions will be held each afternoon for those not enrolled in one of the Mini-Courses.

The afternoon courses being offered are:

"Bible Eschatology," by Hollis Partlowe.

"Communications in the Church," by John Lewis.

"Principles of Teaching," by Eugene Stilson.

"Sunday School Development," by the Sunday School Department.

"Enriching Family Life," by Dallas Demmitt will be offered each morning.

OBC Food Costs Soar

The food service costs at Oregon Bible College, as elsewhere, continue to escalate. The suggestion has been made that members plant an extra row of potatoes, corn, or other vegetables and donate the additional produce to the College kitchen. This would be acceptable with the director of food services, although storage space could be a problem. If this is done, one should check with the College before delivering such items.

Some churches have already donated jellies, peanut butter, pickles, etc., and these are most helpful. We

must advise, however, that home-canned foods cannot be accepted, due to government health regulations.

Oregon Bible College Graduation

Commencement exercises for four Oregon Bible College Seniors will be held at the Oregon Church of God, May 24, 1974, 7:30 p.m. The graduates are Bruce Burnside, Troy, Ohio; Benjamin Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Robert Storts, Columbus, Ohio; and Samuel Voorhies, Hammond Louisiana. Bro. John Lewis, vice-president and registrar of Oregon Bible College, will be the commencement speaker.

Ministers Retirement Assoc. Bi-Annual Meeting

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association will hold its Bi-Annual meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 1974, at 9:00 p.m. at Riverview Park during General Conference. Several changes in the Rules and Regulations of the Association are being proposed. Each minister, church, and conference in the association has been duly notified of the proposals. Churches and conferences that are in the association are reminded to appoint a delegate to this important meeting. It may or may not be a regular conference session delegate.

Youth Director Appointed

Hugh Harman, Tempe, Arizona, has been appointed Director of the Youth Department. (See news page for details.) Applications are being reviewed for Director of the Sunday School Department. Hopefully an appointment will be made in this area soon.

Conference Finances

We are happy to report that the goals for giving for the month of April have been met. We express thanks and appreciation to the churches, conferences, and individuals who have part in meeting these needs. May God continue to bless.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

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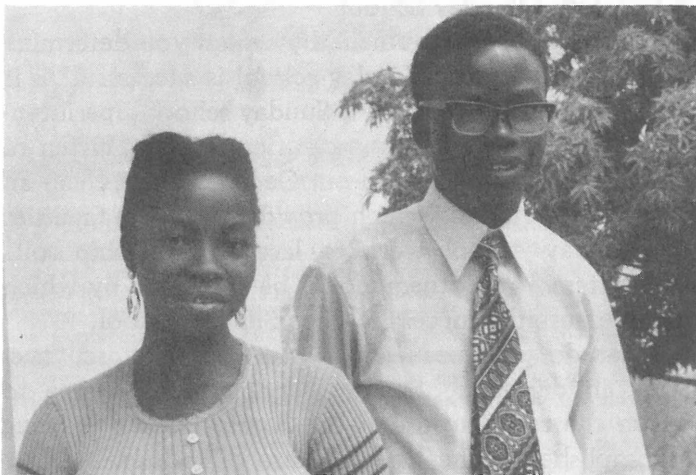
Goal for April	\$13,167.00
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Goal for May \$13,167.00

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 Oliver and Comfort Amani of Ghana. Pastor Amani is leader of the Church of God mission work in Ghana. He is thirty years old and a dedicated servant of the Lord. He had a very serious accident in a taxi two years ago when three were killed and another permanently injured. Bro. Amani was nearly decapitated but after many months in the hospital has fully recovered with only a large scar on the neck. He is sure the Lord spared him for a special work and he is completely dedicated to the service of the Lord.

The main mission thrust in Ghana is in the village of Nkwanta, where services are held in a rented hall. Thirty-six have been baptized here. Bro. Amani goes to many villages around the area to preach and teach, and has had a number of converts in these villages.

Bro. Amani has started a secondary school and has fifty students. He conducts a well-disciplined school. Many parents prefer it over other schools which are often too rowdy. Commercial and general education courses are taught in addition to religious courses.

Philippine Islands

Bro. Estifanio Sibayan, who has done the major part of the radio ministry for several months, is now ill with a heart ailment. We ask your prayers for his recovery. Bro. Eleodoro Javar, a very eloquent speaker, is now giving the radio messages.

The construction of the Quezon church building has begun. Mission Builders Appeal number thirty-one is for the cost of this building. Building costs continue to rise in the Philippines, as elsewhere, and the total cost will exceed the estimates. If you have not yet sent in

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your Mission Builders Appeal payment, please do respond quickly to assist in this effort. If you are not a Mission Builder and would like to help this mission church in their building project, please write Mission Builders, Box 100, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

India

We are pleased to report four baptisms in India: John Joseph and Thangamani Joseph from the Thomas Town Church, Sarya Kumar from Tannery Road, and Christina Mathew from Chinnayanapalyam Church.

One thousand seven patients were treated in the medical clinic in February. The construction of the new church-medical building is progressing and will be completed soon.

Bro. S. S. Manoah is conducting special theology courses for twelve young men from four of the churches. Bro. Manoah writes, "If I train these twelve youths well, they will be good witnesses to our faith and truth. We will need more workers because already there are two new places that want me to conduct Sunday schools and worship services. Please remember these new places and our Bible theology classes in your prayers."

Nova Scotia

The Lighthouse Church of God, Digby, Nova Scotia, conducted a six-weeks Literature Distribution Campaign throughout the city prior to Easter. They are also having a Calling Campaign along their bus routes. They held teacher training sessions and special preparation classes prior to the spring campaign.

Mexico

The Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference has approved Bro. Francisco Martinez and his family to move immediately to Saltillo to begin a church work in a new housing development area. May God bless and direct this mission effort.

Nigeria

In January, Etim Udo was baptized into Christ for the remission of sin. In February, Matthew Akpan accepted Christ and Bro. Ephriam Udo assisted him in the waters of baptism. The Nigerian brethren express their thanks to the General Conference for the free literature being supplied to them and are grateful for the blessings they are receiving in the use of same.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Berean Scripture Studies Number Two

Plans for developing a set of fifty-two lessons for another *Berean Scripture Studies* book are advancing well. Book One of this series was printed in the fall of 1972. It has been widely used.

No record has been kept as to who has purchased Book One, but it is apparent that many churches and Berean groups have not yet done so.

This second book will contain several lessons that pertain to our time and the prevailing social conditions. Several Church of God brethren have been asked to prepare lessons. This will represent the composite thinking and views of our congregations.

Approximately one hundred seventy-five copies of Book One are still available. More can be ordered to meet any future demand. Book Two should be ready for sale by January 1, 1975.

Berean Youth Conference and Quizzing

Bulletins from several sources make it evident there is much interest in the quiz program for 1974. The quiz will be based on 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, and Titus. Most district and state conferences will conduct play-offs for the purpose of selecting an all-star team to represent them at the Berean Youth Conference. This leads to exciting times, not only at the Youth Conference, but in the weeks prior to it which are given to preparation.

A new electronic system is being developed for use at the Youth Conference. It consists of a device to be held in the hands of the quizzers. The system will have six buzzers, one for each member of the teams. No group will be permitted to employ such a device for practice before attending the Youth Conference. Since it is not possible for every group to have one, it is fair that none shall have the advantage of previous practice with this system.

Youth Conference Speech Contestants

Since there will be two camps operating concurrently, trophies will be awarded at each camp. No title has been assigned for any of the speeches. Neither is there any limitation on the number from any church or conference who may participate. We encourage anyone who is interested in entering the speech contest to contact a youth leader or a pastor for more information. Or you may write to the Berean Youth Department, P.O. Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

A Successful Sunday School

What is the measurement by which you determine whether or not your Sunday school is successful? Is it a most wonderful pastor? a Sunday school superintendent who is active and conscientious? liberal giving to the Mission Department of our General Conference? an exceptional building which provides adequate facilities for Sunday school work? a large membership roll? These items, and others, could be standards by which you measure the success of your Sunday school.

What do you mean when you use the word "success" in discussing Sunday schools? The degree to which the real purpose of the Sunday school is being accomplished is the true measure of its success. This purpose cannot be different from that of the church and its pastor. This purpose, of course, is to assure that those attending the Sunday school hear the Word of God—to be certain that they receive the truth.

John set forth an effective gauge of the success or failure of any Christian teaching unit. "I rejoiced greatly that I found thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father" (2 John 4). "I have no greater joy than to hear that thy children walk in truth" (3 John 4).

Any business measures its accomplishments by the success of its products. The public measures them by the degree to which they justify advertising claims.

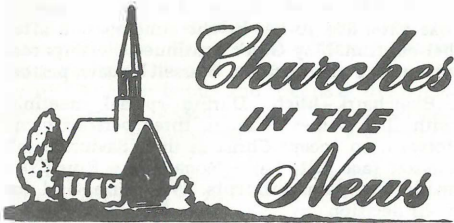
In the same way, a successful Sunday school must deliver the benefits that it claims to produce. Its members must measure up to the standard of God's Word by knowing the truth. If the members are being brought to a knowledge of God's Word through the Sunday school, and are obeying it, the Sunday school is operating successfully.

The measure of the success of a Sunday school is greatly affected by conditions in the homes of its members. The quality of the home, in turn, may be greatly altered by the influence of the Sunday school. Does your Sunday school teach principles that tend to upgrade the quality of the homelife of its members?

Sunday School Board Meeting

A meeting of the members of the Sunday School Board is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7. The editors of the quarterlies will meet with the Board. If you have an idea, or a suggestion for the future of the Sunday school work, please make it known to the Board.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



ARIZONA MISSIONS CONFERENCE

The Fourth Annual Missions Conference was observed jointly by the Tempe and Phoenix Bible Churches of God. It met at the Phoenix Church, February 22-24, 1974. The theme of the Conference was "The Valley of the Sun needs God's Son." This theme was emphasized in every session, beginning with a banquet on Friday evening, which opened the Conference, to the presentation of the film "A Thief in the Night," which concluded the meetings.

Leading in the various sessions were: Gerald L. Cooper; Dr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Lawrence; Lee and Shirley McQuinn; Paul McPherson; Clyde E. Randall; and host pastor, Hollis Partlowe. Pastor Warren Sorenson and his family were unable to attend because of the funeral of Sr. Sorenson's father.

To minister to the needs of some, literature was distributed in the area of the Phoenix Church. The Phoenix bulletin reported that four families attended services on March 3 as a result of this effort.

Musical numbers were presented throughout the Conference. The musical climax was reached when a half-hour program preceded the Saturday night meeting. The Phoenix choir, directed by Jonell Loeffler; a young people's choir, with members from both churches; and the Tempe choir, directed by Sharon Wilkins, joined in presenting the program.

The Faith-Promise part of the program was held on Sunday morning. Sr. Lawrence was in charge at the Phoenix Church, and Bro. McQuinn at Tempe. The total amount promised for missions this year was approximately \$19,000. An offering received at the evening session totaled \$331.90. This, too, will be used for mission work.

The Phoenix congregation used the new annex for a meeting of this type for the first time. They are to be congratulated. They proved themselves to be excellent hosts and hostesses.

This was our first attempt to conduct such a conference with the help of local people only. Because of the success that we experienced, we encourage other churches and conferences to hold such meetings.

We praise the Lord for his guidance throughout the Conference. Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

~~Cleveland, Ohio, Church (Golden Rule). Miss Alice Plantner, Sec, 13711 McElhatten Ave, Cleveland 44110~~

~~Miss Patricia Beam, Supt, 482 Clearview Dr, Cleveland 44128~~

~~Columbus, Ohio, Church, C. E. Pryor, pastor, Phone 614-272-2982~~

~~Pomona, Cal. Church. Cecil A. Smead, H-51, 2909 Arrow Highway, Laverne, Cal. 91750, Ph. 714-593-0932~~

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At the 1973 delegate sessions, the following motion was duly passed, "That the Board of Directors be instructed to make a study, or appoint a committee, to research the need and advisability of implementing Section 1, paragraph (D) of Article I of the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference. Further, if such a study reveals the need of organizing a Board of Benevolence, initial guidelines of the nature and scope of the work be included in the report."

Article I, Section 1, Paragraph (D) By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference now reads,

"That a board of benevolence be organized to minister to individual needs as they may arise."

The Board of Directors has given study to this matter. Notice is hereby given that it will be proposed to the delegates of the 1974 Church of God General Conference that the above described Paragraph (D) be deleted from the By-Laws.

Explanation: This section of the By-Laws sets out the Purposes of the Church of God General Conference. Paragraph (D) does not seem to be one of the Purposes of the Conference.

Ministering to individual needs appears to be a Biblical requirement that can best be met at the level of the local church as the need arises.

If and when a need should arise for the Church of God General Conference to act, it appears that the Board of Directors already has authority to do so. Article II, Section 6 (Duty of the Officers) Paragraph (H) states: "To do any other necessary act for the establishment, prosecution, and accomplishment of the business of the Church of God General Conference."

BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

The Gospel Gleaners (young married group) are making big plans for the year. Camping, tours, a museum, and a paddle-boat cruise are to be included in their activities.

We are happy to report that Pastor Worley and his family have accepted the invitation to continue pastoring the Brush Creek Church for the coming year.

The junior and senior Bereans have been busy this month. Besides studying and quizzing, their activities included a white elephant sale (the auctioning of donated items) and a spaghetti supper for members of the church.

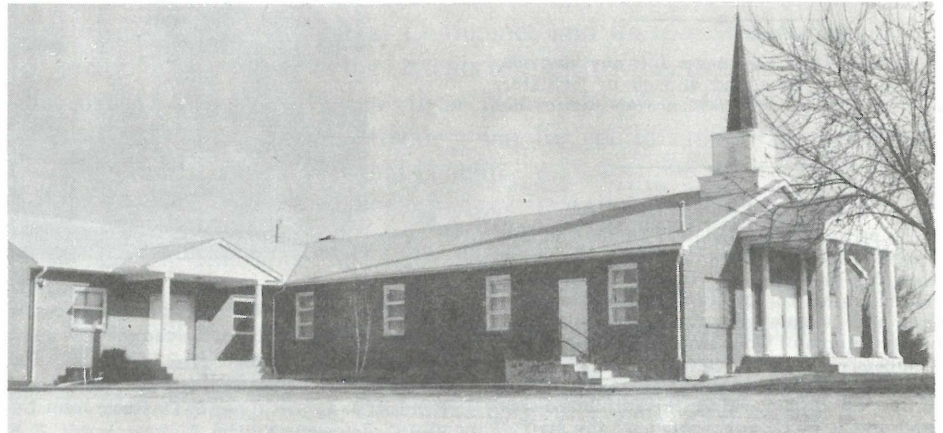
On April 7, 1974, we started a radio program on station WPTW, from 9:00 to 9:15 each Sunday morning. The programs will pertain chiefly to the future coming of Christ. A contest was held for the purpose of selecting a name for the program. The prize to be given the winner was a radio. After a three-way tie, and then a two-way tie, the title "Amazing Truths" was finally chosen. Pray that the radio work will reach others for Christ and salvation.

Betsy Moore, reporter.

Pay Envelope: Folks who never do any more than they get paid for, never get paid for any more than they do.—*Elbert Hubbard.*

COMPLETED STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Russell and Doris Johns; Tommy, Mary, and Kent Picklesimer; Joseph Smith; Elizabeth Smith; Davies Alaska Ogunsemore; Obed I. Ita; Shirley Woodrum; Mrs. Nella Lohr; Sandra Parks.



ROCKFORD CHURCH DEDICATION

The dedication of the recently purchased facilities of the Blessed Hope Church of God in Rockford, Ill., was held on March 10, 1974. More than 125 people gathered for the afternoon service. S. O. Ross, Executive Director of the General Conference, delivered the dedicatory message. Others who took part in the service included Willis Turner, Dwight Pestle, Rolla Hightower, Sydney Kirkpatrick, Francis Burnett, and David Krogh. Following the service, an inscription bearing the name of the church and the date, was placed on the cornerstone.

The Lord has graciously and miraculously provided our new facilities, and the congregation is trusting him to lead them as they work in their new field of service.

Sydney Kirkpatrick will become full-time pastor September 1.

David Krogh, interim pastor.



YOUTH DIRECTOR APPOINTED

Hugh W. Harman (picture above) of Tempe, Ariz., has been appointed Youth Director for the Church of God General Conference, beginning September 1, 1974. Bro. Harman and his wife Mary, with their two children, Dean, 14 and Heidi, 8, will move to Oregon, Ill., in early August.

Bro. Harman has a B.A. degree from Texas Western College and an M.A. degree from Arizona State University. He has had ten years experience as a public school teacher. He has been adult leader of the Tempe, Ariz., Berean Society for seven years, and was Sunday school superintendent for three years, in addition to holding other local church offices.

Bro. Harman has been president of the Southwest Conference of the Church of God for the past six years. He served on the staff of the Southwest Youth Camps for seven years and, together with his wife, has served on the International Berean Youth Conference staff.

During the past three and one-half years, Bro. Harman has been involved in the rehabilitation program for pre-delinquent and delinquent youth. For two years, he directed this program.

We welcome Bro. Harman to the staff of the Church of God General Conference. We believe that he will bring stability and good leadership to the work of the youth of the Conference.

Impossibilities: Law never does anything constructive. We have had enough of legislators promising to do that which laws cannot do. —Henry Ford.

CONFERENCE AND OBC VAN

The picture shows the 1974 Dodge Van, purchased in January, 1974, with special contributions for that purpose. This fifteen-passenger vehicle is used for Oregon Bible College gospel team and Chorale trips, and for transportation of any Church of God General Conference staff members.

We express our thanks to all who contributed to the cost of this vehicle. It is fulfilling a great need and is much appreciated by the staff of the Church of God General Conference and by the staff and students of Oregon Bible College.



BAPTISMS

Whitnel, N.C. Miss Diana Marie Wells was baptized by the undersigned at the Resurrection Hope Church of God on February 24, 1974.

Robert C. Bernheisel.

Lafayette, Ind. Faith Chapel Church of God rejoiced on February 17, 1974, when Derek and Judy Winship were immersed in the waters of baptism. We thank the Lord for their decision, and pray that their Christian walk may always be fruitful and rewarding.

Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

Fremont, Neb. Mrs. Gene (Carol) LeCrone was baptized into Christ on Sunday, February 24, 1974. We pray that she will "walk worthy" of the vocation wherewith she has been called.

Lucille Appleby.

Minneapolis, Minn. At the close of the morning worship service on March 10, 1974, Mrs. Shirley Bormes came forward confessing Christ. She was immersed on the afternoon of the same day for the forgiveness of sins. We pray that God will bless her as she begins to live for Christ.

Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

Raymore, Mo. It was our pleasure to baptize Betty Sanderlin on Sunday, March 3, 1974. On the following Sunday we assisted Mary Pat Schoenen in putting on the Lord Jesus Christ in the waters of baptism. We pray God's richest blessing upon them.

Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Eden Valley, Minn. The Eden Valley congregation was glad to be permitted to witness the baptism of Ken Walters by Pastor Billie Kennedy on Sunday, January 27, 1974. We pray the Lord's blessing on him as he continues his walk with Christ.

Mrs. Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Phoenix, Ariz. Marlene Burkhart, 1633 W. Thunderbird Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85029, was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, March 24, 1974. We praise God for this

young girl who dedicated her life to our Master. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Columbia Station, Ohio. We are happy to report that Nina Yarberr, 1804 Root Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio, was immersed in the waters of baptism, March 31, 1974, to be united with us in the body of Christ and under the banner of his truth. It was truly a wonderful moment when the right hand of fellowship was extended to her by the congregation after her baptism. May God's continued blessings rest on her and us together. Russell Magaw, pastor.

Blanchard, Mich. During special meetings with Bro. James Graham, three persons came forward to accept Christ as their Savior. Sarah Nelson (age 80), Lauri Rogers, and Ron Estill made their commitments. We praise God for their decision. Don Needham, pastor.

AVAILABLE PASTORS

Paul M. Moore, 1847 E. Apache, Apt. 9, Tempe, Ariz. 85281, Oregon Bible College Graduate 1972, OBC Internship Program 1973.

Bruce Burnside
Box 100
Oregon, Ill. 61061
Oregon Bible College Graduate, 1974

Weeds come of themselves: flowers require cultivation. There is depravity in the soil, a tendency to thorns and thistles. It is under the curse. Good things are brought out of the soil, like good things out of the human heart, only as the result of much labor. It takes no pains to produce a harvest of weeds, nor to produce the harvest of the thief or the drunkard—no more effort than is required to float downstream. This is depravity.—*Gleanings for Sermons.*



DEDICATION AT OREGON

Following a week of evangelistic services, with Bro. Vernis Wolfe serving as evangelist, the Church of God at Oregon, Ill., dedicated the new addition to the educational wing of the church. The service of dedication was held at 2:30 on the afternoon of Sunday, March 31, 1974, with Bro. Wolfe preaching the dedicatory sermon. Others who participated in the service were: Lois Cline; C. E. Randall; J. R. LeCrone; S. O. Ross; John Lewis; Francis Burnett; Armin Weng; the Oregon Choir; Paul C. Johnson; William Andrew; and V. E. Kirkpatrick. The choir sang a dedicatory hymn, written by Sr. Louise Lapp, and a recording of a song sung by former Pastor Harvey U. Krogh was played. Pastor C. E. Lapp led in the act of dedication.

The Lord has wondrously blessed the effort to provide these new facilities. The brethren have given generously of their time, efforts, and money to bring it to completion. They now face the challenge of making maximum use of their new classrooms.

The dedication coincided with the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Oregon congregation. To commemorate this historic event, an attractive booklet has been published, which contains a brief history of the congregation and its leaders, including some interesting pictures from the past as well as from the present.

Anyone wishing a copy of this historical booklet may have it by sending a request to: Mrs. Mabel Andrew, 406 S. 7th St., Oregon, Ill. 61061.

OBITUARIES

Alfred Percy Payne, a faithful adherent of the Glad Tidings Church of God of Fonthill, Ont., fell asleep in death after a lingering illness. Words of assurance from Psalm 23, and God's provision for us were spoken by the writer at the service conducted February 21, 1974, in Thorold.
John Hearp.

Bernice Tinlin, one of the senior members of Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., fell asleep in death. The promise of Christ's return, and the establishment of God's kingdom were shared with her family and friends at the service conducted on February 21, 1974, at Niagara Falls, N.Y., by the writer.
John Hearp.

Harold R. Small of Digby, Nova Scotia, died March 26, 1974, at the age of sixty-six. Harold was baptized last November. His wife Alice has been a member of the Digby Church of God for the past five years. Though we mourn with her, we rejoice in the hope of the soon return of Christ, and the resurrection of this loved one.
Raymond L. Brown, pastor.

Laura Wrenn, age 85, died December 13, 1973. She suffered a heart attack on the way to church, and several days later died in the hospital. She was a faithful servant of the Lord, and the Blessed Hope Church, Rockford Ill., will

FIRST PRINCIPLES

The tract "First Principles" by G. E. Marsh is not an "attention getter" to be handed out on the streets. It is an excellent study guide to be put into the hands of any who are interested in an easily understood survey of the doctrines on which the Church of God is founded. It answers the question, "What does your church believe?" We recommend that you obtain a supply of these to have on hand for just this purpose. It is an "oldie but goodie."

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surely miss her fine example of attendance at every service of the church. Her hope was in the soon return of Jesus in whom she sleeps.

David Krogh, pastor.

Earle Mogle, a long-time member of the Blessed Hope Church, Rockford, Ill., died April 1, 1974, at the age of 71. He faithfully worked for the Lord in the local church and served for several years on the General Conference Board of Directors. He awaits the call of the first resurrection.
David Krogh, pastor.

Mrs. Mary Bennett died at the Paynesville hospital on January 26, 1974, at the age of 99 years and 9 months. She had been a member of the Eden Valley, Minn., Church since 1906. She is survived by three sons, Erwin and Merl of Paynesville, and Clyde of Eden Valley; and four daughters, Mrs. Alta Hurd of Paynesville, Mrs.

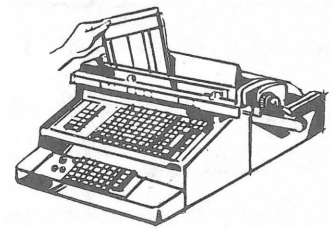
Alma Bennett and Mrs. Mable Hoskins of Eden Valley, and Mrs. Esther Hansen of Prior Lake. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Billie Kennedy on January 29. Burial was at the Eden Lake Cemetery.

Mrs. Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Mrs. Dorothy C. Houser died suddenly and unexpectedly of coronary arrest on February 14, 1974, in New York City at the age of fifty-nine. Mrs. Houser joined the Church of God in 1936, having been greatly influenced by F. L. Austin and Floyd Stilson. She was active in the Churches of God in South Bend, Ind., Grand Rapids, Mich., and Chicago, Ill. She taught Sunday school and served as Sunday school superintendent. Mrs. Houser was preceded in death by her husband John in 1964. She is survived by two sons, Edward and David, both of New York City.
David Houser.

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(Phil. 4:17).



Many new programs for expanded stewardship are now possible. The government has recognized the great value of donations to churches, colleges, and non-profit organizations and has provided incentives for such giving through tax deductions. Now there are ways for people in every income bracket to give to those institutions in which they believe. People with the most moderate incomes who have any kind of real or personal property, as well as people with substantial estates, should know of these ways to contribute.

Church of God General Conference and its several departments are qualified to receive the benefits of these new concepts in stewardship of possessions. One of these plans may be especially suited to your circumstances and provide a way for you to support the Lord's work and receive a personal benefit.

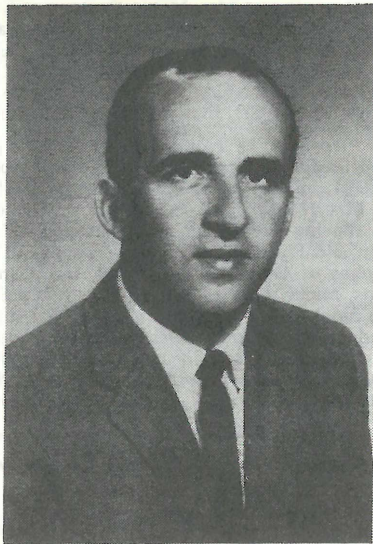
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Dallas Demmitt

Bro. Dallas Demmitt was born in Ohio and grew up in the Brush Creek Church of God. He attended the Tipp City, Ohio, high school and graduated from Oregon Bible College in the class of 1958. He is married to the former Nancy Nichols and they have two children, Lori and Beth.

While attending Oregon Bible College and for sometime afterwards, Bro. Demmitt worked with the State of Illinois Youth Rehabilitation Program. He also spent one year at the Yellowstone Boys Ranch in Montana.

Bro. Demmitt studied at Wittenburg University, Springfield, Ohio; University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; and Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz. He was pastor of the Chappell, Neb., Church of God for two years. He is a part-time instructor of Oregon Bible College, teaching classes as part of the Internship Program conducted at Tempe, Ariz., and at the Oregon, Ill., campus on numerous occasions.

Bro. Demmitt is a Family Counselor by profession and has a practice in Phoenix, Ariz., in a

clinic with several doctors and gynecologists. He is serving the second year of a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference.

SPIRITUAL LEADER NEEDED

Would You Be Interested?

In Modesto, Cal., we have eight baptized members. Presently we are having Bible study every week. We realize the need to grow and witness to others. However, we need a leader or leaders, to work with us. When we were able to have a regular schedule of services, we averaged an attendance of twenty.

We need help—don't underestimate yourself. We feel confident that God will lead someone to us. It may be you.

Any pastor, family, or single person who would be interested in helping our group to grow to the glory of God, please contact: Mrs. Roy Jenkins, P.O. Box 283, Salida, Cal. 95368.

Contributors to the General Conference: March, 1974

Bernice Manuel	4.05	Mr & Mrs Dan Stone	64.00	East Oregon Chapel	80.16	Ethel Berry	50.00
Brush Creek Church	216.61	Ind State Bereans	54.00	Hugh Welsh	5.00	Mr & Mrs Lee Tidwell	5.00
Mrs B F Goolsby	5.00	Monica Salassi	2.00	Sidney Hatch	1.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde Randall	25.00
Mr & Mrs Glen Elton	50.00	Mich State Conf	150.00	Mr & Mrs Harlan Dierking	5.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	60.00
Glad Tidings Dayton Outreach Dept	40.00	Gary Hatcher	3.00	Mr Fread Cuningham	1.00	Blessed Hope Church	43.60
Mr & Mrs Ron Suzuki	5.00	Shirley Mogensen	2.00	Mr & Mrs Allen Martin	5.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Hess	10.00
Church of Open Bible Pomona	75.86	Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	75.00	Fort Valley SS	88.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Kozzta Church	72.00	Minn State Miss Soc	100.00	Fremont SS	33.25	Mrs Waldron Stewart	26.00
Anonymous	5.00	Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Fremont Church	15.00	Earl Alexander	5.00
Raymore Bereans	26.40	Luella Mielke in memory of Clara E Miller	100.00	Denise Pearson	2.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00
Valerie Mowrer	25.00	Alice Bassett	25.00	Penny Winner	5.00	Columbus Hope Chapel Miss Soc	3.00
S P Dismukes	50.00	Arlington Church	30.00	Clair Rice	12.00	Diane Severs	1.00
Tempe Bible Church	234.22	Pleasant Hill Church	71.01	Mrs H M Bausom	3.00	Cool Spring SS	20.64
Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	300.00	Fonthill Church	108.87	Mr & Mrs Delbert Stedman	5.00	Sarah DeForest	25.00
Pennellwood Miss Dept	148.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Mr Don Schawecker	13.10	Anonymous	78.00
Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00	Mrs Mabel Bell	15.00	Mrs Raymond Vander Molen	3.00	New Hope Church	50.00
Macomb SS	13.52	Forest Hills Church	45.58	Clarence Butler	1.00	Mrs George Saunders	5.00
Sue Andrew	5.00	Everett Rogers	25.00	Mr & Mrs L Eugene Smith	5.00	Faith Community Church, Minneapolis	107.50
Raymore Church	25.00	Hope Chapel Columbus	5.00	Gordon Thoms	1.00	Mrs Willa Howell	1.00
San Jose Church	65.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mrs Joe D Shelly	20.00	Guthrie Grove Church	841.91
Mr & Mrs Don Ward	88.00	Mary Krogh	50.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	25.00	Ripley Church	173.00
Modesto Bible Church	3.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Mrs Anna Butts	3.00	Morning Star Church	12.96
Litchfield Church	20.49	South Bend Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00	William Glueck	10.00	Anonymous	15.00
Mich State Conf	46.33	Freepport Church	30.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	242.48	Tempe & Phoenix Miss Conf	331.90
Southlawn Church	172.39	La Contributors	73.00	Sara Beddow	65.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00
Flagg Center Church	63.00	Katherine Tackett	64.00	Mr & Mrs Wallace Tierney	100.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	15.00
Milo Magaw	80.00	Katherine Tackett	64.00	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Hillisburg Youth	54.00
Ill State Conf	100.00	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Brush Creek Miss Dept	60.00	Genniell Anderson	7.00
Mr & Mrs Alton Shaw	50.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	Leta Louks	4.00
Jay St Church	32.65	Gatesville Church	27.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	31.00	P G Coverston	100.00
Northeast Conf	215.00	Holbrook Church	119.73	Mr & Mrs Norman LaMunion	40.00	La State Conf	123.25
Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	10.00	Norman Weaver	5.00	Mr & Mrs Hollis Neal Jr	23.00	Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	90.00
Mrs L V Montgomery	5.00	Mr & Mrs Jeffrey Spencer	2.00	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	24.00	Peoria Faith Church	72.00
Harlingen Church	72.59	Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	50.00	Frances Wood	50.00	Mr & Mrs Burt Harrison	10.00
Digby Church	25.00	Hope Chapel South Bend	74.25	Eternal Hope Church	51.94	Telva Lippert	10.00
Kim Cooper	3.00	Mrs R D Stanton	17.00	Russell Blomker	10.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	56.50
Phyllis Prussak	15.00	Beaumont Church	11.35	Brush Creek SS	38.18	Mr & Mrs Howard Moore	71.10
Hedrick Church	96.28	Mr & Mrs Cecil Patrick	100.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00	Ben Carpenter	25.00
Burr Oak Sr Bereans	53.00	M A Patrick	100.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Lawrenceville Esther Soc	3.90
Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Lucille Appleby	50.00	Mrs Nelle Barkley	100.00	Virginia Conf	123.50
Mr & Mrs Charles Knapp	40.00	Mabel Andrew	5.00	Ind State Conf	150.00	Mr & Mrs L F Slocum	34.00
Mrs Norma Vidito	4.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50	Elizabeth Clark	9.50	Carolyn Smith	2.00
Garden Park Church	163.20	Southwest Conf	68.00	Neva Anderson	14.00	Mr & Mrs John Cain	3.00
Blanchard Church	131.39	Jaynes St Church	300.00	Michael Ross	2.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	70.00
Leota Hanson	10.00	Deann Johns	1.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Minn State Conf	113.71
Patricia Beam	25.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Burnett	100.00	Southlawn Dorcas	100.00	Mr & Mrs Byron Johns	20.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Humphreys	25.00	Phoenix Bible Church	221.00	Mary Brown	1.00	Ruth Reid	15.00
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Oregon Church	338.98	Macomb Church	68.81	North Salem Church	14.66	Dick Richter	50.00
Pennellwood Church	195.92	Arnet Gutshall	2.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	420.00	Lafayette Lydias	5.00
Nina Hatcher	8.00	Mr Harry Jones	3.00	Mrs Mildred Bennett	1.00	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	40.00
St Louis Church	23.37	Mrs Lucy Fuson	5.00	L B Punter	3.00	Mr & Mrs R E Kaffenbarger Sr	20.00
William Poland	20.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Tucker	10.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Schmidt	5.00		
Lombard Church	54.31	Mr & Mrs Bill Shotwell	25.00	Cora Siple	10.00		
Lawrenceville Church	460.66	May White	17.00	Mrs Anease Stewart	5.00		
Annie E Welch	15.00	Jeanette Jett	2.00	Mrs Betty Brice	5.00		
Faith Chapel Lafayette	36.42	Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	10.00				
Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	15.00	Mrs Bessie Liestman	3.00				
Mr & Mrs Dan Landry	12.00	Mr Robert Ennis	15.00				
		Happy Woods Church	48.00				

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: "Tell the Good News"

Conference Workers:

General Program Chairman: S. O. Ross
 Camp Director: David Krogh
 Worship Program Directors: H. Doan, D. Demmitt, S. O. Ross
 Children's Class Director: Lynne Krogh
 Head Usher: Rolla Hightower
 Music Directors: Kent & Cheryl Ross
 Credentials Committee: Ruth Overholser
 Reception: Don and Marj Overmyer
 Room Assignments: Mildred O'Neil, Margaret Duval, Barbara Harvey
 Desk Clerks: Edith Eades, Inez Gordon, Mary Krogh, Betty Jannereth, Isie Jenkins
 Ministers' Meetings: C. F. Pryor
 Priscillas' Meetings: Grace Cain
 Business Office: Sandra New, Dorothy Siple, Mary Jo Brewer
 Camp Nurse: June Andrew
 Photographer: J. Richard LeCrone

DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 12

2:00 Registration begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Worship Service
 Conference Board of Directors, Opening and Song Service; Harold Doan, Chairman, speaker, Keynote Address
 8:45 Reception
 10:30 Lights Out

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Paul Overholser; Ministers: Edward Bender; Youth: Waldon Winner, Jr.; Priscillas: Louise Hearp)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Richard Worley
 Youth Class: Michael Mattison
 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, John Hearp
 Financial Report
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship Business
 11:45 Recess for Lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon worship service: General Conference Youth
 2:15 Mini-Course, Hollis Partlowe, "Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communications in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"

2:15 Sharing Sessions
 1. Involving the Senior Citizen, Doris Richmond
 2. BYF Sharing, Youth Department
 3. How to Conduct an Evangelistic Coffee, Nancy Demmitt
 2:15 Board of Directors' Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; Scott Ross, speaker, "The People Had a Vision"
 9:00 Bi-annual meeting of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association
 10:30 Lights Out

Wednesday, August 14

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Ellsworth Routson; Youth: Ronald Macy; Priscillas: June Routson)
 9:00 Combined Adult and Youth Class; Sunday School Department
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, Donald Needham
 10:00 Business Session, reading of Tuesday's minutes
 Publishing Department business
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday School Directors
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon worship service, Sunday School Department
 2:15 Mini-Course, Hollis Partlowe, "Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communication in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"
 Sharing Session and Activities, Sunday School Board
 2:15 Board of Directors Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; William & Mardy Lawrence, Mission Trip Report and Slides.
 9:00 Campfire, E. Milon Hall
 10:30 Lights Out

Thursday, August 15

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Don Swartz; Ministers: Emory Macy; Youth: Robert Jones; Priscillas: Nora Randall)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: David Krogh
 Youth Class: James Graham, "Having Pleasure in It"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting

10:00 Youth Class: James Babcock
 10:00 Business Session, Reading of Wednesday's minutes.
 Nomination for three directors.
 Mission Business
 Election of one Mission Board Member
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Mission Board Panel Discussion
 2:15 Mini-Course, Hollis Partlowe, "Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communication in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"
 Sharing Sessions
 1. Involving the Senior Member, Doris Richmond
 2. Tell the Good News, Alva Huffer
 3. How to Conduct an Evangelistic Coffee, Nancy Demmitt
 2:15 Board of Directors Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; John Lewis, speaker
 Communion Service, Rex Cain and Fred Pensyl
 10:30 Lights Out

Friday, August 16

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Edgar Harvey; Ministers: James Fyfe; Youth: Rex Shaw; Priscillas: Helen Pryor)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, C. E. Randall
 Youth: Timothy New, "The Time of Tribulation"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Stephen Bolhous, "Keeping Good Tidings"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Thursday's minutes
 Election of three Directors
 Oregon Bible College 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, Musicale, Kent and Cheryl Ross
 10:30 Lights Out
Saturday, August 18
 7:00 United Prayer Service
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

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Annual Report of the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors

Theme: Tell the Good News!

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 2, 1974. The report is presented here so delegates to the 1974 General Conference business session (Aug. 12-17, 1974, Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa) can become familiar with it and can be instructed by their church or state conference regarding same.

This report covers the first eight months of the current fiscal year. Oral reports will be given at Conference on activities that occur in the interim. The progress and activities of the several departments are reported herein, with some comments on the work as a whole.

The buildings and all physical facilities of the Conference are in excellent condition. We are thankful to Bro. Clement Richey, Superintendent of Maintenance, for his fine work in this area.

The General Conference staff members continue to assemble in the College Chapel each Monday at 1:00 p.m. for a joint prayer service. These sessions are a spiritual blessing to the staff. We urge the membership to pray with us each Monday at this hour.

The Church of God General Conference as a whole is showing much progress. The Free Literature Campaign continues to be a blessing to those who use this avenue to share and it is bringing the message of salvation to many. We are thankful to God and praise his name for his blessings and direction in all the activities of the various departments of the Conference.

Berean Youth Department

This report begins as of June, 1973. During this month, the "inner-city" Senior Caravan met in Grand Rapids, Mich., and spent ten days handing out literature and witnessing of their Christian faith to many on the streets. Bro. Kent Ross, pastor of the Pennellwood Church of God was their sponsor. That church acted as host to six team members. One cannot accurately assess the face value of such a venture. The Word was distributed and God will bless it.

The Junior Caravan, under the sponsorship of Bro. Carl Jennings, a student of Oregon Bible College, visited churches in South Bend, Ind., Michigan State, Graytown, Wis., Minneapolis and Litchfield, Minn., and the Minnesota Junior Youth Camp. The Caravan was in the youth camp during the entire week of camping. The Caravan members helped as junior counselors, assisted with classes, with recreation, and with the evening services.

The most important part of the Berean Youth Fellowship program is the Youth Conference. The 1973 Conference had the largest attendance ever. A total of 344 campers and 43 staff members filled Camp Mack to capacity. The Youth Conference program is designed first of all to teach Bible truths. In addition, time is given for much fellowship and recreation. Much emphasis is placed on being followers of Jesus Christ. Youth Conference leaders, and many of the older campers, do not hesitate to

encourage those not in the church to accept Jesus as their personal Savior. As a result, twenty-four young people responded to the gospel invitation. Several of the candidates were baptized at camp and the others at their home churches. The young people of the Church of God, especially those who attended Youth Conference, are to be commended for their giving. More than \$1,700.00 was contributed during the six-day Youth Conference of 1973.

According to all reports received, Youth Week for 1973 was very successful. Faith Chapel Bereans of East Peoria, Ill., won the first place "traveling trophy." The Blanchard, Mich., Church of God Bereans won second place. This is also a "traveling trophy."

The Midwinter Retreat, held at Camp Mack December 29 through January 1, was the fifth annual meeting of post-high young people. There were 43, plus a staff of 3, attending. It was the largest and the best ever held.

A new approach to raising the Berean budget, which is a definite part of the General Conference budget, was accepted by the Youth Conference delegates. The budget was divided into different portions which are raised by allocation and the remainder was divided by the number of young people on the *Challenge* mailing list. This, in turn, was proportioned to each district or state conference. Many Berean groups have already contributed their portion for the year.

International Communion Sunday and International Prayer Day have become very meaningful to the Bereans. The Communion Sunday was November 25, 1973, and Prayer Day was March 24, 1974. This has done much to encourage each Berean to think of others.

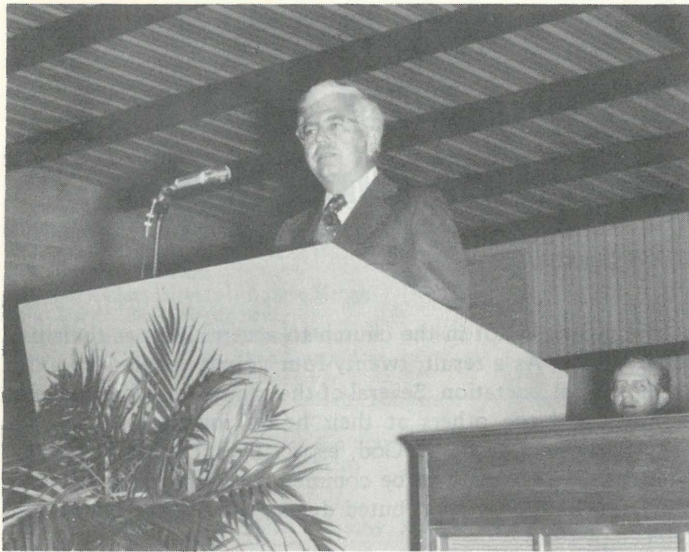
Publications of the Department are: *Challenge*, edited by Bro. Kent Ross; *Junior Berean Lesson Manual*, edited by Bro. Edward Bender; the *Youth Leaders Memo* and other literature necessary for the promotion of the work.

Plans have been completed to use two camps, operating concurrently, for the 1974 BYF Youth Conference. Camp Mack will be occupied by those young people entering eighth grade through eleventh grade. Shishewana Retreat Center, about 30 miles distant from Camp Mack, will be used by those entering twelfth grade through age 25. Due to rising food costs, the camps were forced to raise their prices. Therefore, camp tuition for this year is \$43.00.

Beginning September 1, 1974, Bro. Hugh Harman, formerly of Tempe, Ariz., will assume the duties of Youth Director. The Harmans will make their home in Oregon. Bro. Harman has worked on the Youth Conference staff, and is known to many of the young people.

Publishing Department

The Publishing Department of the Church of God General Conference has been very busy this year! We are happy to report that the brethren have been making enthusiastic use of the



Chairman Harold Doan

Free Literature Campaign. The figures involved tell an interesting story. The month-by-month distribution of *Restitution Heralds*, beginning with last September, is as follows:

September	12,000	February	9,600
October	9,600	March	9,600
November	9,000	April	11,000
December	8,540	Total	77,000
January	8,500	Average	9,730

In addition, 250,000 pieces of other literature have been printed and made available to the brethren for free distribution.

No less important is the fact that consecrated efforts are being made to reevaluate and upgrade our quarterlies, vacation Bible school material, and other literature. This is not to fault the literature already in use, but to profit from what we have learned along the way. Your constructive criticisms are most valuable to this effort. Make your suggestions directly to the editors of the various publications.

In our estimation, the increased distribution of literature has benefits that go beyond the innate value of the literature and its message. Through it, the Lord is saying to each of us, "Don't ever say that there is nothing that you can do to help to spread the gospel of salvation." We can distribute literature, even though we have difficulty in expressing ourselves orally, or feel shy about talking to strangers. Even those who cannot walk can still put tracts in their letters, or hand them directly to their friends.

The printed Word never loses its strength. The literature that we hand out may still, should the Lord tarry, be influencing the eternity of others long after we have been put in the grave to await the returning of the Lord. Each piece of literature that you hand out is potentially a vital influence upon the eternal future of others. This service is important!

For these reasons, we are doing our best to insure that the literature made available for this purpose is both factual and inspirational. It must express eternal truths and values. The methods of telling them may change with time, but the truths themselves never change. There is no limit to how long a piece of literature may last, or how far it may travel.

The cost of literature distribution has gone beyond the amount of money budgeted for the purpose, but you have un-

complainingly met the rising costs, and have continued to intensify the use of the literature. For this we thank God! We may be assured that if we offer our Heavenly Father nothing but our best, he will bestow his best upon us!

Sunday School Department

Bro. Francis E. Burnett assumed the directorship of this department beginning in September. It has been on a part-time basis, since he is also director for the Youth Department. There has been quite a lot of activity in the department and much has been accomplished. The Director is chairman of the Sunday School Board and its members are: Scott Ross, Robert Petry, Joyce Knapp, and James Graham. This Board met in Oregon, Ill., on Saturday, September 29, 1973. At this time, all of the Sunday School Quarterly editors were asked to meet with the Board that a better and more thorough understanding of their work might be understood by all. Others invited to meet during the time with the editors were: Bros. S. O. Ross, Executive Director; J. R. LeCrone, Editor of Publications; and Eugene Stilson, chairman of the Council of Christian Education. All agreed it was a profitable and rewarding meeting.

The Board met again in South Bend, Ind., on Saturday, January 26, 1974. Bro. S. O. Ross met with the members for the purpose of all considering some applications for the position of Director which had been submitted. One of the important matters in the January meeting was the arranging for a Sunday School Seminar held in conjunction with other studies in the Spring Session of Oregon Bible College. The Sunday School Board has been urging this kind of training for the past two or three years. The Seminar subjects are taught by Oregon Bible College staff members: John Lewis, Eugene Stilson, and S. O. Ross.

The Department continues to encourage the use of a tapistry and teacher training aids. The tapes were listed in the April, 1973, *Sunday School News*. Any information on these can be obtained by writing the Sunday School Department. The *Sunday School Monthly* is printed about the 15th of the month and mailed to all superintendents and pastors. There is also a Continual Teacher Training guide sheet printed each month and mailed to any who request it. It has a Leader's Guide sheet and one for a teacher's use. There are approximately 45 on the mailing list at the present time.

At the Board meeting held on May 7, the Quarterly editors again met with the Board members. Other items of business were: 1) final preparation for the Sunday School session during the 1974 General Conference, 2) ideas and promotional thoughts for the coming year.

The Director held evangelistic meetings at the Morning Star and Brush Creek Churches of God in October and November. He was also guest speaker and teacher for the Michigan State Conference, Grand Rapids, from February 27 through March 2, 1974. Special emphasis was given to the Sunday school. The Director and his wife Iris held a Sunday School Seminar of four sessions on April 19 and 20, 1974, at Raymore, Mo. There have been several letters of inquiry which have been answered and some materials sent out. The Director is also responsible for the Sunday School News in *Progress Journal*.

Mission Department

The Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference is made up of the following members: Mardy Lawrence, M. A. Patrick, Lee McQuinn, Robert Hall, and S. O. Ross, Superintendent of Missions. They meet several times during the year to

give study to the mission work of the Church of God General Conference and to make recommendations in the area of Missions.

The Philippine Island mission field continues to grow. A new church building is being constructed in Quezon with assistance from Mission Builders Appeal number thirty-one. The radio broadcasts are now coming over a station in Cauayan, one of the largest in Northern Luzon. Three congregations have been started as a direct result of the radio ministry. There are ten churches holding regular services each week. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero continues to give good leadership to the Philippine mission work.

The church-medical building in Bangalore, India, is nearing completion. A medical clinic is already in operation in a rented building. About one thousand patients are seen each month. The cost of the clinic operation is about one hundred fifty dollars per month. This amount is supplied by a family outside the Church of God.

Church services are held regularly in four locations in Bangalore in addition to Sunday school classes in other areas. Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah are giving excellent leadership and direction to all of the work of the Church of God in India. They are working closely with Bro. P. M. Paulson and his five congregations in Hyderabad, in inner India.

Bro. S. O. Ross, together with Bro. Dean Moore, visited the Mexico mission field in February. The work in the village of Labor Vieja is going well under the leadership of Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo. The Mission Board recently approved the re-assignment of Bro. and Sr. Francisco Martinez. They had been working in the village of Potosi for several months with little success. They are now in the city of Saltillo, working in a new housing area. Sisters Alice Aldrich and Mary Jo Brewer will be in Mexico this summer conducting vacation Bible schools in both Labor Vieja and Saltillo and giving general assistance to the mission work there. The Mission Board is recommending that Sr. Aldrich remain in Mexico as a missionary for the next year.

Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence visited the mission fields in Nigeria, Ghana, and Liberia and were much impressed in each place. Bro. Oliver Amani in Ghana is holding services each week in the village of Nkwanta and also holds evangelistic services in the surrounding villages. Many have been immersed in the waters of baptism through these efforts. Bro. Amani has opened a secondary school and has fifty students.

The Nigerian work is under the leadership of Bros. Ephriam Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obott. Services are held in six villages. The largest congregation is in Asarama with nearly three hundred members.

The mission work in Liberia, under Bro. Cornelius Boykai, has been the mission effort of the Northeast Conference. Bro. Boykai is a registered nurse and conducts a clinic. A medical building and a church building are now under construction. The church services are bearing fruit, as over twenty were baptized there in February.

The Lighthouse Mission Church of God in Digby, Nova Scotia, is under the leadership of Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown. Sr. Eunice Pearson, a layworker from Dayton, Ohio, is giving much good assistance to the work there. A five-week canvass was held in the month of March. Each home in the city of Digby was visited, with literature, each week. In April, eight hundred copies of *The Restitution Herald* were distributed to the homes in the city.

Eight churches are able to have full-time pastorates this year, with assistance provided through the Pastoral Aid Program. Two

churches are being constructed this year with the help of the Mission Builders League of the Church of God General Conference. These churches are at Quezon, in the Philippine Islands, and the North Hills Church of God, near Springfield, Ohio.

The Free Literature Distribution Campaign continues to be a tremendous outreach both in the Home and Foreign Mission fields. Many members have become more involved through the use of literature. Many inquiries continue to come in to our General Conference headquarters as a result of literature. These inquiries come from many countries of the world, in addition to the United States and Canada, asking to know more about the Church of God and its teachings.

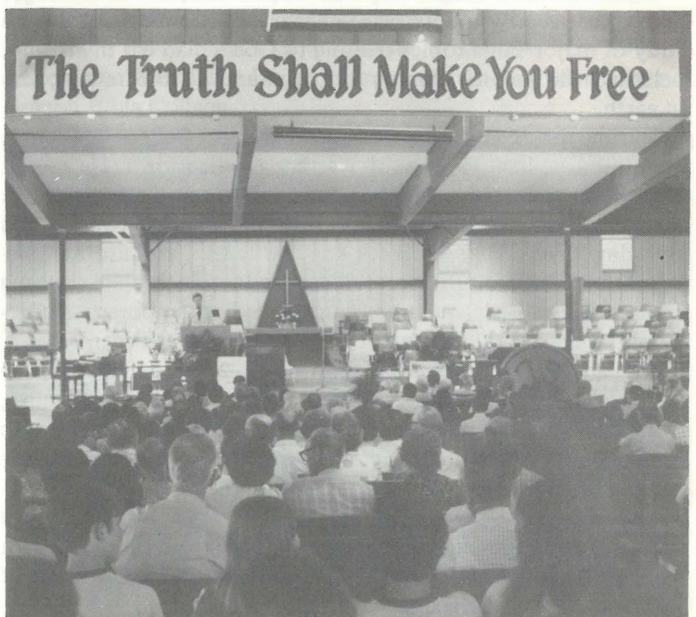
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The Philippine Island mission field continues to grow. A new church building is being constructed in Quezon with assistance from Mission Builders Appeal number thirty-one. The radio broadcasts are now coming over a station in Cauayan, one of the largest in Northern Luzon. Three congregations have been started as a direct result of the radio ministry. There are ten churches holding regular services each week. Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero continues to give good leadership to the Philippine mission work.

The church-medical building in Bangalore, India, is nearing completion. A medical clinic is already in operation in a rented building. About one thousand patients are seen each month. The cost of the clinic operation is about one hundred fifty dollars per month. This amount is supplied by a family outside the Church of God.

Church services are held regularly in four locations in Bangalore in addition to Sunday school classes in other areas. Bro. and Sr. S. S. Manoah are giving excellent leadership and direction to all of the work of the Church of God in India. They are working closely with Bro. P. M. Paulson and his five congregations in Hyderabad, in inner India.

Bro. S. O. Ross, together with Bro. Dean Moore, visited the Mexico mission field in February. The work in the village of Labor Vieja is going well under the leadership of Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo. The Mission Board recently approved the re-assignment of Bro. and Sr. Francisco Martinez. They had been working in the village of Potosi for several months with little success. They are now in the city of Saltillo, working in a new housing area. Sisters Alice Aldrich and Mary Jo Brewer will be in Mexico this summer conducting vacation Bible schools in both Labor Vieja and Saltillo and giving general assistance to the mission work there. The Mission Board is recommending that Sr. Aldrich remain in Mexico as a missionary for the next year.

Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence visited the mission fields in Nigeria, Ghana, and Liberia and were much impressed in each place. Bro. Oliver Amani in Ghana is holding services each week in the village of Nkwanta and also holds evangelistic services in the surrounding villages. Many have been immersed in the waters of baptism through these efforts. Bro. Amani has opened a secondary school and has fifty students.

The Nigerian work is under the leadership of Bros. Ephriam Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obott. Services are held in six villages. The largest congregation is in Asarama with nearly three hundred members.

The mission work in Liberia, under Bro. Cornelius Boykai, has been the mission effort of the Northeast Conference. Bro. Boykai is a registered nurse and conducts a clinic. A medical building and a church building are now under construction. The church services are bearing fruit, as over twenty were baptized there in February.

The Lighthouse Mission Church of God in Digby, Nova Scotia, is under the leadership of Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown. Sr. Eunice Pearson, a layworker from Dayton, Ohio, is giving much good assistance to the work there. A five-week canvass was held in the month of March. Each home in the city of Digby was visited, with literature, each week. In April, eight hundred copies of *The Restitution Herald* were distributed to the homes in the city.

Eight churches are able to have full-time pastorates this year, with assistance provided through the Pastoral Aid Program. Two

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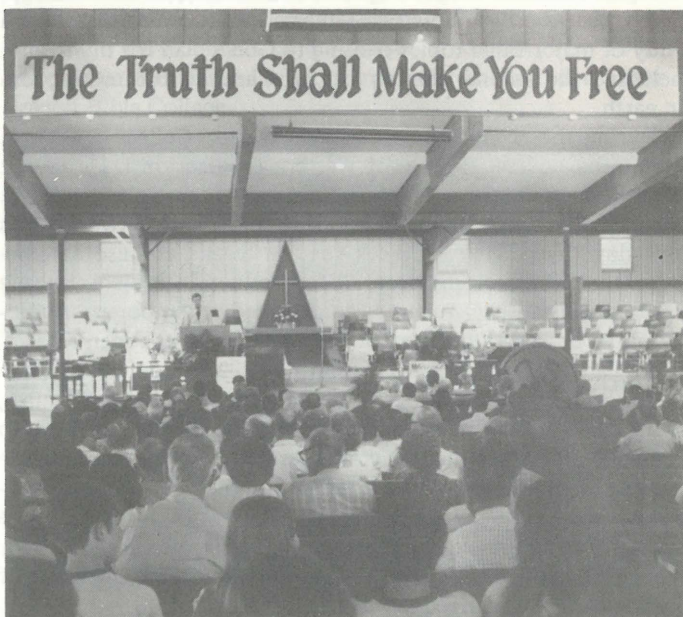
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Installation of new Board members

the Arizona pastors, Warren Sorenson and Hollis Partlowe. He took two courses at Arizona State University and one course at Mesa College. He had Pastoral Counseling classes with Dallas Demmitt and attended many professional seminars in the Phoenix area. Benjamin Mattison will become pastor of the Morning Star Church in South Bend, Ind., this fall.

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; Dale F. Ramsey; Dallas R. Demmitt; Hollis A. Partlowe; and Ruth Donaldson, who taught English I and II.

Dallas Demmitt was special speaker for Christian Emphasis Week, October 8-12, taught a seminar course on Enriching Family Life, had a counseling seminar for the freshmen, and had individual sessions with students at various times during the year. During the first week of the Spring Session, he taught another seminar course on Psychology of Effective Living.

Hollis Partlowe taught a special course in Bible Eschatology, March 25 - April 5. This two-semester-hours course involved a study of major Bible topics relating to God's plan for the future, including the second coming of Christ and his future kingdom on earth.

During the second semester, Alva Huffer, College president, taught the course, History of Western Civilization I. He taught this three-semester-hours course utilizing our College "block plan" of class scheduling, wherein the class meets two periods each day, five days each week for five weeks. He also had sessions in a course, Audiovisual Slide Production Project. Eugene Stilson, assisted by students, constructed a temporary Audiovisual Laboratory Workshop in the basement of the men's dorm.

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. Dale Ramsey was director of the men's dorm; Mary Krogh was director of the women's dorm. Seven girls were housed in the women's dorm annex. Inez Gordon served as house mother for these girls until November. The girls were housed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Krogh.

Sydney Kirkpatrick was president of the Student Council.

Bruce Burnside was chairman of the Social Committee. Michael Berry was president of the Mission Fellowship Activity. Deborah Burnett was editor of the Student Voice. Special OBC Days of Prayer were held November 6 and January 31. The Junior and Senior Weekend was held March 28-29, with the largest attendance thus far: 58 juniors and seniors and 18 counselors, making a total of 76 visitors.

An important area of growth for the College has been the development of our Music Department, under the direction of Dale Ramsey. Having his B.S. degree in music, he is making excellent progress toward completing his Master of Arts degree in music at Northern Illinois University. At OBC, Dale Ramsey teaches: Introduction to Music, Church Music, Music Fundamentals, Choir, OBC Chorale, Brass Ensemble, as well as individual instruction in Piano, Organ, and Voice. He was also in charge of Gospel Teams and other special student service groups.

The OBC Chorale presented at least 46 sacred concerts during the year, in local churches, before high school and college assemblies, on television, and in churches in various parts of the United States and Canada. The OBC Choir presented at least 15 sacred concerts during the year. All students have the opportunity to be on a gospel team. Some students serve as student pastors on a regular basis for local churches.

The number of volumes in our College Library is now 9,000. The College thanks its many friends who are responding in its campaign for special contributions to purchase additional books for the OBC Library. The Library needs funds to purchase basic reference works and up-to-date books relating to courses being taught, as well as visual education materials. Eugene Stilson is library director.

Eugene Stilson continues to make progress toward acquiring an additional graduate degree, the Master of Arts in Bible and Theology, from Wheaton College. Plans for the College include adding another faculty member with a Master Degree in Biblical Studies in the near future. Plans for the College also include the development of our Department of Christian Education and Evangelism, with a faculty member in charge. With a specialist in charge of this department, the College could continue to enrich its curriculum in this area as it prepares pastors for their relation to education in local churches and Sunday school teachers and administrators for their positions. The College is seeking to add a new faculty member who will be in charge of this department.

The Board of Education consists of the president of the College, Alva G. Huffer, as chairman, and four other members, each appointed for a term of two years, by the Board of Directors. The current appointed members are: Robert D. Johnson; William D. Lawrence; Charles Pryor; and Vernis D. Wolfe. John R. Lewis, administrative vice-president, attends meetings also. 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 met in August, January, and April.

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 growth, and to prepare for Christian service.

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 pul-

pits when local pastors are on vacation or are ill. They are also available for special meetings, dedications, state conferences, and other activities.

Your Executive Director is available to give assistance in finding replacements for vacant pulpits. He has pertinent information on the pastors and their families, and usually knows when a pastor may be available for a "call." Churches seeking pastors are encouraged to contact the Executive Director for help in this area. He is also responsible for the administration of the Ministers Insurance program and the Ministers Retirement 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 out for them to accomplish.

General Conference Finances

We are pleased that the Goals for Giving for the first half of the fiscal year have been met. The programs for this current year require the largest budget ever for the Church of God General Conference. The membership has responded to the needs.

The General Conference Board of Directors and the staff members appreciate the sacrificial giving of many. Faith Promise services, total involvement through the Literature programs, and regular dedicated giving by the membership have combined to meet the needs of the expanded work of the Church of God General Conference. We express our thanks and appreciation to each one who is concerned about the work of the General Conference and who has helped to meet these needs. We know that Jesus is coming soon. We need to continue to be diligent in our efforts to preach, teach, and publish the truths of God's Word, that many who are dying without Christ may have opportunity to know him before God sends him back to this earth to set up his kingdom. May we all be found busy in the vineyard when Jesus comes.

Recommendations for 1974-75

1) We recommend that *The Restitution Herald* be continued indefinitely as a part of the Free Literature Program.

Explanation: *The Restitution Herald* has been a part of the Free Literature program the past two years. About ten thousand are reading this fine paper each month as compared to twenty-three hundred when it was by subscription. We feel that the effort of spreading the message of salvation through this media of the written Word should continue indefinitely.

2) We recommend that Sr. Alice Aldrich be sent to Mexico as a missionary, beginning September 1, 1974.

Explanation: Sr. Aldrich was a missionary in Mexico for a few years. We feel there is a need for her direction and assistance in this field. She will give needed help in the area of teaching, material preparation, and in doctrinal stability.

3) We recommend that Solomon Idiong of Nigeria be brought to Oregon Bible College to finish his training and graduate, and that his wife accompany him here.

Explanation: There is a need to provide more sound theological leadership to the expanding mission work in Nigeria. We feel

that one of the leaders should be a graduate of Oregon Bible College to assure this spiritual stability.

4) We recommend that Article I, Section 1, Paragraph (D) By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference be deleted.

Explanation: This paragraph under the purposes of the Church of God General Conference reads: "That a board of benevolence be organized to minister to individual needs as they may arise." It does not appear that this is one of the purposes of the General Conference.

Ministering to individual needs can best be done on a local church basis. If and when such a need may arise for the Church of God General Conference to act, it appears that the Board of Directors already has authority to do so. Article II, Section 6, Paragraph (H) under Duty of the Officers states, "To do any other necessary act for the establishment, prosecution, and accomplishment of the business of the Church of God General Conference."

5) We recommend that, in light of the current institutional study made by the Board of Education of Oregon Bible College, Oregon Bible College remain in Oregon, Ill., for the immediate future, with the understanding that additional buildings be erected in such a way that options are kept open so that campus facilities could be sold in the future, if so desired.

Explanation: The Board of Education of Oregon Bible College is conducting an in-depth study of all phases of the College operation. This recommendation is a result of that study.

6) We recommend that a structure be erected by September, 1975, in Oregon, Ill., to provide better housing for female students at Oregon Bible College.

We further recommend that the new building be designed in such a way that it could be sold readily in the future if it were so desired and be easily converted into a condominium, townhouses, or a series of apartments. It should be built in such a way that additional units could be added as needed.

Explanation: The present Women's Residence is the former Golden Rule Home and is one hundred sixteen years old. It is not large enough to house the present female students.

In designing the new building, primary consideration will be given to meeting the housing needs of the students and a dorm director and to providing for adequate student lounge facilities. The new building should be attractive and be congruent with a long-range development of an adequate campus. The 1973-74 school year found the largest number of female students ever at Oregon Bible College.



Brother C. E. Randall conducting a study session

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.

At the last annual report, total assets in the fund were \$511.31. The present balance is \$666.50. Two are receiving monthly assistance from this fund in the total amount of \$600.00 a year. There are no outstanding loans at this time. I want to express thanks to those who made special contributions during the past year to keep the fund solvent. We urge more contributions, that this emergency fund for ministers may grow.

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 Director of the Church of God General Conference. S. O. Ross, Secretary.

License and Ordination Committee

The names of one hundred seventeen licensed ministers of the Church of God General Conference were published in the November, 1973, issue of *Progress Journal*. To this list, we must add the names of three who failed to get their applications in on time, making a total of one hundred twenty. Since then, the name of Bro. Daniel Fyfe has been added to the list, since he asked for, and was granted, a license. Two graduating Oregon Bible College students will be interviewed for possible licensing in May.

During the General Conference session in August of 1973, Bro. Z. B. Duncan, Bro. James D. Ritch, and Bro. Dennis Baldwin were ordained. It is our hope that other ministers will feel led to follow their example.

We would once more remind the ministers that their ministerial license must be renewed annually. If proposed guidelines are approved, this will no longer be necessary for those who are ordained. In the meantime, be sure to mail your application promptly. Your recognition card will be handed to you at the General Conference session in August or, if you are not there, it will be mailed to you after the Conference is over.

The names of graduating seniors of Oregon Bible College who were interviewed and approved in March were reported in the June, 1973, issue of *The Restitution Herald*. As this is being written, no seniors have been interviewed or approved in 1974, so we cannot report their licensing at this time.

Committee: C. F. Pryor, Chm., C. E. Lapp, Hollis Partlowe.

Board on Counseling and Arbitration

When this Board was set up by action of the General Conference delegates at the 1961 Conference, the main thrust of its duties was to give counsel to pastors, elders, and local church officers. Quote: "This Board would also provide counseling for pastors and elders seeking guidance in solving church problems, through giving counsel to pastors and elders, local officers can become better equipped to handle many problems."

Arbitration is a final act and usually could be avoided if counseling had been sought and heeded. This past year the counseling services of the Committee have been sought and used in some cases which have "equipped" the parties with pleasant solutions.

The counsel of the Board is always available and we urge this early action rather than a final appeal to arbitration.

Board of Counseling and Arbitration, Clyde E. Randall, Chm.; S. O. Ross, Secretary; Wayne Laning, member.

Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association continues to improve its stability in both resources and minister appeal. At present there are forty-nine ministers participating, fifty local churches, six state conferences, and the General Conference.

At present, four ministers are receiving retirement assistance. Since the cooperative effort was started, the amount paid to widows of participating ministers has been doubled. As reserves are built up through premiums paid, special gifts, and legacies, it will be possible to increase retirement benefits.

Clyde E. Randall, Chm.; S. O. Ross, Secretary; Willard Naylor, Director.

Report of Layworkers' Study

The delegates at the 1973 Church of God General Conference passed the following motion, "That the Mission Board make a study of how lay workers could be used in Sunday school and church work, with the prospects of having a definite program to be presented, to enlist the help of interested lay workers."

The Mission Board has given considerable study to this matter. We find that many new and beginning Sunday schools and churches often lack sufficient teachers and leaders. We also find that often there are mature youth who have not yet located in a permanent position, who could give much assistance in the development of a new work. They would be encouraged to find employment near the church. We also have senior citizens, who may be retired from a business or profession, who could be a tremendous help in the teaching area and in giving stability to a new congregation.

The Mission Board is proposing that the Superintendent of Missions act as a clearinghouse for this project. We realize that any help by individuals in these projects would have to be on a strictly voluntary basis. Individuals who would be interested in giving assistance to one of these new smaller churches would give their name to the Superintendent of Missions. The Mission Department would usually know of the beginning church. These beginning groups would, however, be encouraged to report to the Mission Department that they would welcome such assistance.

The Superintendent of Missions would then make the name and location of this new group known through *Progress Journal* and also by personal contact with those who have made their names available.

The Mission Board recommends implementation of such a program to give encouragement, stability, teaching help, and whatever other assistance such volunteers might render to the new congregation.

Mission Board, Church of God General Conference.

Council of Christian Education

The Council of Christian Education seeks to promote high
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quality in the Christian education materials and programs of the Church of God. Study is made of instructional methods and materials, lesson planning, lesson aims, curriculum, and age-level characteristics. This research is made available through papers, leadership training programs, and revision of our publications. Some of the major events of the year are: 1) participation in a workshop of the Sunday School Board and editors; 2) recommendations regarding goals in the Christian education field; 3) a cooperative project with Oregon Bible College to provide stu-

dents with on-the-job training in Christian education work of the church through curriculum development, and teaching methods workshops; 4) presentation at the Leadership Training Seminar at O.B.C., and at the General Conference, of the results of this research; 5) development of courses for Oregon Bible College to provide trained leadership in this field; 6) cooperation with the editor in the revision of four quarters on the Preschool Quarterly. We thank God for a productive year.

Eugene Stilson, Chairman.

Additional Conference Information

Site: The 1974 Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17. 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 cost at Riverview Park in 1974 will be \$5.75 per person per day (\$27.00 for the Conference). The daily costs are: breakfast, \$1.00; lunch, \$1.50; supper, \$1.50; lodging, \$1.50; insurance and miscellaneous \$.25. (Meals are half price for children under age 8.) 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. 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 four 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. Water and electrical hookups are available, but no sewer. Two public camping facilities are located in the area. Tents on the grounds are discouraged.

Note to Teachers and Leaders: Teachers of General Conference adult and youth classes and leaders of Christian sharing sessions are reminded to prepare mimeographed copies of their lessons or outlines. Enough copies should be prepared to permit those not able to attend a particular session to secure copies.

Elections During General Conference: Board of Directors: Two members will be elected to the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors. The terms of Harold Doan and John Huston will expire at General Conference. (These cannot be reelected.)

Sunday School Board: Two members to be elected. The terms of Scott Ross and Robert Petry will expire this year. (These may be reelected.)

Mission Board: One member to be elected. The term of Lee McQuinn expires. (He may be reelected.)

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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 to which they may be elected.

Young People: The youth are expected to stay with their families in cabins and thus be under the direct supervision of their parents.

Children's Classes: Lynne Krogh 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 refreshment breaks during the class periods. 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 far away 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.



In the dining room

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



Conference Issue

This issue carries the program, reports and recommendations, and other pertinent information regarding the 1974 Church of God General Conference. The Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17, 1974. The theme of this fifty-fourth Annual General Conference is: "Tell the Good News."

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 to instruct them how to vote on recommendations and other Conference business. Consideration should also be given to selecting nominees for the positions to be filled by election, as listed in this issue.

Conference Program

The evening services at General Conference this year will generally introduce the activities for the following day. Bro. Harold Doan, Conference Board Chairman, will be the speaker on opening night. He will keynote the entire Conference. On Tuesday night Bro. Scott Ross, a member of the Sunday School Board, will keynote the activities for Wednesday, which will be geared to Sunday school activities. Wednesday night, Sr. Mardy Lawrence, a member of the Mission Board, and her husband William, will show slides of their recent trip and report on the mission work in several of our mission fields. This will be an introduction to the Mission business of the next day. On Thursday night, Bro. John Lewis, vice-president and registrar of Oregon Bible College will be the speaker. He will set the stage for the Bible College business on Friday.

Cabin Reservations

Reservations for cabins at General Conference are now being accepted. Write to Cabin Reservation, Box 100, Oregon, Ill., 61061, and state the number in your family or group that wish to stay together. Space will be reserved for you.

Board of Directors' Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference met in Oregon, Ill., May 2 and 3. The Program for the annual General Conference and the

Reports and Recommendations to the delegates were approved. The Litchfield, Minn., Church of God was approved for the Special Church Aid program beginning September, 1974, if a full-time pastor is called.

The Board of Education of Oregon Bible College has been making an in-depth institutional study. They presented a report and made recommendations, and these were approved by the Board of Directors. Plans are underway to enlarge the library facilities this summer by using a portion of the basement area of the Men's Residence building.

The resignation of Bro. Charles Pryor as chairman of the Family Life Committee was accepted with regret, and with thanks and commendation to him and his wife Lois, for their fine work on this committee. Bro. Dallas Demmitt, presently a member of the committee, was appointed the new chairman.

Other matters on the agenda included: approval of a tentative budget for the next year; increase in mileage rate for staff, boards, and committees from eight to ten cents per mile; approved investigation of costs to reprint the hymnal, *Songs of Truth*; and a discussion of the progress of the committee on the possible use of the Louisiana property owned by the Church of God General Conference.

The next Board meeting will be held at 2:15 p.m., August 13, at General Conference.

Conference Finances

We are pleased to report that the Goals for Giving for the month of May have been met. These funds are needed each month to carry on the activities and projects in each department of the General Conference. The total cost of the Free Literature may go beyond the amount placed in the budget. We are grateful that the membership is making use of the literature and thankful that the contributions are coming in to meet these needs. Praise God for his blessings!

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for May	\$13,167.00
Given in May	15,323.00
June Needs	13,167.00

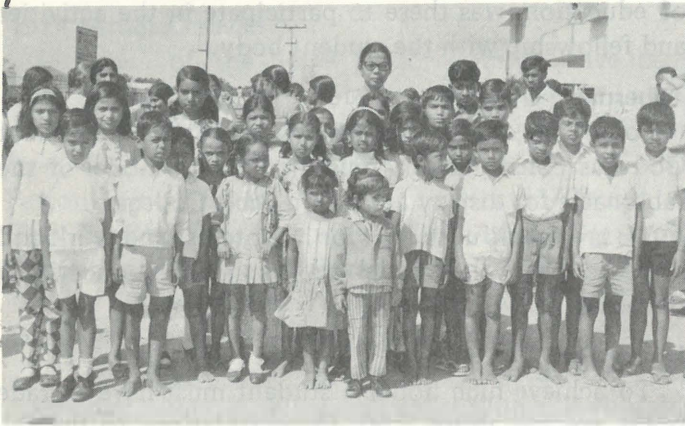
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Missions News

By S. O. Ross

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



The picture above shows one group of children of the Thomas Town Church of God in Bangalore, India. The lady in the center rear is Sara Jeanie, a sister of Sr. S. S. Manoah. She is a very active Sunday school teacher and leader.

Plans are being made for Bro. P. M. Paulson of Hyderabad to come to Bangalore in July and spend two weeks in intensive study of Bible Truths with Bro. Manoah. This will be a great help to Bro. Paulson to strengthen him in the faith and teachings of the Church of God General Conference.

Thirteen hundred seventy-seven patients were treated in the clinic in March. Many physical ills are treated and, through devotions, counseling, and personal contacts, some will be brought to Christ.

Philippine Islands

The construction of the Quezon Church building has been slowed, due to difficulty in getting materials, especially cement. Cement has recently become available, so the construction is again progressing. Mission Builders Appeal number thirty-one is supplying the major portion of the cost. If you have not sent your contribution to Appeal number thirty-one, please do so shortly, so this project can be successfully completed.

Bro. Estafanio Sibayan, who had a severe heart condition, is showing good improvement. Please continue to pray for his full recovery. He was doing the major part of the radio ministry when he became ill. Ten churches in the Philippine Islands carry on a full schedule of services with a full-time pastor. The Lord is truly blessing the work through these active churches, the radio ministry, and the evangelistic outreach leadership of Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero.

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Braille Systematic Bible Study Course Lessons

Bro. Ralph Childs of Dayton, Ohio, who does much work with the handicapped, has transcribed the twenty-nine lessons of the Free Systematic Bible Study course into Braille. Both the Braille lessons and the taped cassette lessons are in the Church of God Tape Library ready for use.

Encourage the blind to use these lessons. To get the lessons, or for more information, please contact the Church of God Tape Ministry Library, 4105 Annapolis Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45416.

Tapes of sermons by many Church of God ministers can also be obtained from the above address. They can be helpful if a pastor is away, or for shut-ins. We encourage the use of these materials.

Mexico

Sr. Francisco Martinez of Saltillo, Mexico, has been quite ill with tuberculosis. She has recently begun treatment by a specialist and he has been most encouraging regarding her recovery.

Bro. and Sr. Martinez and their family recently moved to Saltillo to begin a mission work in a new housing area on the edge of the city.

Bro. and Sr. Roberto Badillo continue their good work in the village of Labor Vieja. Sr. Badillo leads the Sunday school children's classes, and Bro. Badillo preaches and teaches the adults.

Nigeria

Nine were immersed in the waters of baptism at the Golden Rule Church of God at Three Towns by the pastor, Bro. J. A. I. Ekpo. Six were baptized by Bro. John Obott, pastor of the Community Church of God.

A Faith Promise Service was held in March in the Hope Chapel Church of God by Pastor Ephraim Udo. These extra funds will be used for a proposed new church building. Matthew Akpan and Daniel Udo came forward and accepted Christ at Hope Chapel on March 24, 1974.

Literature Distribution Campaign

Much Church of God literature is being sent into many parts of the world. The Mission Fields are using a great deal of material in their evangelistic outreach programs. Over one quarter million tracts have been printed this fiscal year and about nine thousand *Restitution Heralds* are distributed each month.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Commencement

Congratulations to Bruce Burnside, Troy, Ohio; Benjamin Mattison, Maurertown, Va.; Robert Storts, Columbus, Ohio; and Samuel Voorhies, Ponchatoula, La., who graduated from Oregon Bible College Friday, May 24, 1974. The Commencement address was given by John Lewis. Benjamin Mattison has accepted the Morningstar Church in South Bend, Ind. Samuel Voorhies will continue his education at Southeastern State University in Louisiana.

Board of Education Meeting

The Board met Thursday and Friday, May 2 and 3, to consider plans for future campus and program development through the hiring of additional faculty members. The Board consists of Vernis Wolfe, Charles Pryor, Robert Johnson, and William Lawrence.

Spring Session

Thirty-three students were enrolled for the first week of the Spring Session. Dallas Demmitt conducted a seminar on the Psychology of Effective Living, April 29 through May 3.

The Chorale left May 4 for a tour of the Western United States. They gave concerts at various churches, high schools, and television and radio stations in Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, California, Texas, Arizona, and Arkansas.

Eighteen students were on campus May 6 through May 24 and took classes in the History of Western Civilization and Pastoral Practice.

Sunday School Seminar

Eighteen attended the Sunday School Seminar sponsored by the Sunday School Board and taught by Oregon Bible College faculty. We feel that the success of this seminar will help us to evaluate and plan for continuing this kind of program in the future.

Spring Activities

April 26 was the date for the annual Oregon Bible College steak fry. Activities and menu were planned by Michele Gaspar and Telva Lippert. Francis Burnett served as chef and did an excellent job of preparing the steaks to everyone's taste.

The Sophomore Class sponsored a picnic for the students on Friday evening, May 23. Sarah DeForest planned the picnic and directed the activities. We were glad that Dr. William Lawrence, a member of the board

of education, was there to participate in the activities and fellowship with the student body.

Tabernacle Display

John Carr, pastor of the Macomb, Ill., Church of God has constructed a museum quality model of the tabernacle for display at Oregon Bible College.

We are thankful to him for his interest and work and hope to keep the model on display for educational purposes.

Honor Roll

To achieve high honor a student must have a grade point average above 3.50. Congratulations to the following students: Debbie Lichliter, 4.0; Rita Pearson, 4.0; Michele Gaspar, 4.0; Telva Lippert, 3.81; Sam Voorhies, 3.79; Cyndy Maddock, 3.69; Gary Smith, 3.68; David Wilsterman, 3.68; John Mattison, 3.53; Scott Millard, 3.50.

Congratulations to the following students for achieving honor: Deirdre Kirkpatrick, 3.40; Linda Jones, 3.40; Bruce Burnside, 3.36; Dennis Brown, 3.35; Sid Magaw, 3.15; Debbie Burnett, 3.04; Kenny Cook, 3.0. To achieve honor, a student must get a grade point above 3.0.

Sing to the Lord a New Song

The Chorale has produced a new long-playing phonograph album titled "Sing to the Lord a New Song." The album is available at the price of \$3.50 until July 15. After July 15, the price will change to \$5.00. Please send your orders for the album to Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill., 61061.

New Student Council President

Congratulations to Michele Gaspar, who was elected president of the Student Council for the 1974-75 school year, on Wednesday, April 24.

Junior-Senior Weekend

Thanks to the people of the Church of God who assisted high school students and promoted Junior-Senior Weekend, March 28 and 29. Including sponsors and young people, we had seventy-six visitors. This is the largest group we have ever had. While here, the students attended classes, were entertained by a Chorale concert, and a play presented by the drama students of the Bible College. Many of these visiting students indicated that they will be attending Oregon Bible College in future years.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

1974 Senior Caravan

Members of the 1974 Senior Caravan have been selected. They are: Joy Robinson, Ponchatoula, La., of the Happy Woods Church of God; Connie Scott, Rockford, Ill., of the Blessed Hope Church of God; Jane Patton, Wood River, Ill., of the Eldorado Church of God; Bonnie Walls, Beaumont, Tex., of the Beaumont Church of God; Paul Weaver, Dayton, Ohio, of Glad Tidings Chapel Church of God; and Greg Demmitt, Troy, Ohio, of Troy View Church of God.

These young people expect to be in Arlington, Tex., on Friday, June 7. They will assist with the church's vacation Bible school, which begins Monday evening, June 10. The hours between arrival and the beginning of the VBS will be spent in discussing the lesson material, preparing to lead songs, tell stories, and help in many ways. Of course, they will also attend Sunday school and worship services with the Arlington brethren on Sunday. During the three days prior to the Bible school, promotional work will be done.

Following the vacation Bible school, the Caravan will travel to Gatesville, Tex. There they will attend the Texas State Conference on Saturday and Sunday. Besides the young people from Texas, many are expected to attend from Arkansas and Louisiana. The Caravan members will conduct one or more sessions on Saturday, to instruct the young people in methods of making the operation of the Berean youth organization more successful.

The Caravan will travel to Little Rock, Ark., on Monday. There they will present a service at the Oak Grove Church of God that night. On Tuesday, they will travel to Doniphan, Mo., for a service at the Church of God that night. On Wednesday, they will travel toward Oregon, Ill. For any who may wish to take a plane to their home, the St. Louis airport will be the most convenient place from which to depart.

Caravan sponsors will be Bro. and Sr. Francis Burnett. While in Texas, Bro. Burnett will visit one or two Sunday school leaders, not of the Church of God, who use Church of God quarterlies. The Burnetts will also conduct Sunday school seminar sessions at the Texas Conference on Saturday. Bro. Burnett will speak at the worship service on Sunday morning.

VBS—Potential for Growth

By the time that this issue reaches you, most of you will have made your vacation Bible school plans for 1974. This is as it should be. Any project, to be beneficial, must be preceded by a great deal of careful planning. The intent of this column is to encourage you to use this year's VBS as a gauge and guide for the future.

Vacation Bible school has been described as the *recruiting arm of the Sunday school*. Experience and the tabulation of facts prove this to be true. All agree that the primary purpose of VBS is to teach children the truths of God's Word. The pupils who are already in regular attendance at Sunday school and worship services, may find it a strengthening tonic. It encourages, instructs, and stimulates. A child brought to the VBS by recruiting may be introduced to the church building and its people for the first time. Often, it is his first opportunity to learn about God, Jesus Christ, and the Bible. He is prime potential material for membership in your Sunday school. With proper encouragement from fellow pupils and teachers, a portion of these can become interested members. Very often, these children become responsible for bringing brothers, sisters, friends, and/or parents with them.

Additional members of the Sunday school often spring from the seedbed of VBS. Of course, the seedbed must be fertile and well cultivated if the seedlings are to grow and develop well.

A vacation Bible school can also be a useful tool for introducing non-teaching members of the Sunday school to the challenges and satisfactions of teaching children, by asking them to serve as assistants.

The value of all of this depends on good planning and zealous execution of the plans. As little as possible is left to last-minute preparation or improvisation.

Take a thoughtful look at your own VBS program. Ask yourself some hard questions. Was your pre-planning and preparation adequate? How much, and for how long, did you plan? How much effort was given to instructing and training helpers? Was someone made responsible for directing a follow-up program of visits to the homes of those who attended, especially the homes of those pupils who are not already members of your Sunday school? Did you think to thank and compliment your assistants, and to encourage them to take further training to prepare themselves to be Sunday school teachers?

PLEASE!! No visitors during Berean Youth Conference at either Shipshewana Retreat Center or Camp Mack. NO VISITORS.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At the 1973 delegate sessions, the following motion was duly passed, "That the Board of Directors be instructed to make a study, or appoint a committee, to research the need and advisability of implementing Section 1, paragraph (D) of Article I of the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference. Further, if such a study reveals the need of organizing a Board of Benevolence, initial guidelines of the nature and scope of the work be included in the report."

Article I, Section 1, Paragraph (D) By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference now reads,

"That a board of benevolence be organized to minister to individual needs as they may arise."

The Board of Directors has given study to this matter. Notice is hereby given that it will be proposed to the delegates of the 1974 Church of God General Conference that the above described Paragraph (D) be deleted from the By-Laws.

Explanation: This section of the By-Laws sets out the Purposes of the Church of God General Conference. Paragraph (D) does not seem to be one of the Purposes of the Conference.

Ministering to individual needs appears to be a Biblical requirement that can best be met at the level of the local church as the need arises.

If and when a need should arise for the Church of God General Conference to act, it appears that the Board of Directors already has authority to do so. Article II, Section 6 (Duty of the Officers) Paragraph (H) states: "To do any other necessary act for the establishment, prosecution, and accomplishment of the business of the Church of God General Conference."

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Ripley, Ill.

Robert Lanning, Supt. Rt. 3, Mt. Sterling 62353.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Diana Marie Wells; Larry Bellingar; Sandra Bellingar; Charles Gladstone Doodoo; Mildred Vance; Gladys Pensyl; Jim Babcock; Mrs. Audry Whynot; Rosalie Winchester; Beckie Potter; Mrs. Wilfred H. Baggary.

ANNUAL MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

April 29 through May 3, 1974, the Ministerial Association of the Church of God met in Oregon, Ill. Sixty ministers attended during the week. The program was planned and directed by Billie Kennedy and Emory Macy. The sessions began daily at 8:00 a.m. and concluded around 5:00 p.m. Preaching services were held each evening Monday through Wednesday and a fellowship was held on Thursday evening.

At the business session, Rex Shaw was elected as secretary-treasurer for a three-year term.

David Krogh, retiring secretary.

BAPTISMS

Miss Nancy Marie Landon, daughter of Richard and Marilyn Landon of 7190 Country Ln., Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022, put on Christ in baptism on Sunday morning, April 7, 1974. Members of the Church of the Open Bible welcome her into the membership of the body of Christ. We pray that she will grow and mature in Christ to the glory of God.

David W. Cheatwood, pastor.

On April 7, 1974, Gerald Cook was baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins. We rejoice that this fine family is now united in the Lord. May God richly bless him.

John Hearp, pastor.

We of the Burr Oak, Ind., Church of God praise and thank God for the following four ladies, who gave their lives to Christ Jesus, following the morning worship service on April 7. They were: Mrs. Darlene (Kaye) Capron, Rt. 4, Menominee Dr., Plymouth, 46563; Miss Vicki Hoskins, Rt. 4, Cook Lake, Plymouth, 46563; Mrs. Doris Ann Vermillion, Rt. 4, Plymouth, 46563; Mrs. Betty Woods, 1000 E. Rd., Culver, 46511. They were immersed into the saving name of Jesus on the same afternoon. We pray the Lord's blessing upon them as they continue their journey of life with the Lord Jesus as their Guide and Companion.

Darrell Maddock, pastor.

On Sunday, April 7, 1974, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Smedley, 534 Washington Ave., Front Royal, Va. 22630, were baptized into Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. We of the Cool Spring Church of God rejoice with the angels. We pray the Lord's richest blessings upon them as they seek to serve and obey him.

James D. Ritch, pastor.

Baptisms at Blanchard, Mich., recently included Ruth Hayden, who was immersed on Easter Sunday, and Ron Estill and Doug Paulson, who were baptized on April 21, 1974. We praise God for these commitments.

Don Needham, pastor.

JoAnn LaMattina, 2344 Brokaw Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, and Tim Bennett, 10372 Mitchell Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, two of our wonderful youth, responded to the gospel invitation and felt the warm glow of conversion. They were baptized April 21, 1974, for the remission of sins. We praise God for their step of faith and pray for continual strength.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Raymore, Mo. We rejoiced with the angels in heaven when Iva Elkins came forward and gave her life to Christ. She was baptized on Sunday, April 28, 1974. We pray the Lord's blessing on her as she begins her new life in Christ.

Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Columbia Station, Ohio. At the close of the May 5, 1974, morning worship service, Leslie Nold, 12775 N. Boone Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. We praise God for her decision to put on Christ, and welcome her into the membership of the church.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Rockford, Ill. The Blessed Hope Church of God witnessed the baptism of Sheila Bushaw on April 21, 1974. We are happy for her decision and her desire to study the Word of God. We pray God's blessing on her as she begins her new life.

David Krogh, pastor.

Pomona, Cal. Mr. Brian Arnold, his son John Arnold, Tracy Ferres, and Steve White accepted the gospel invitation and were baptized April 14, 1974. The following Sunday Barbara McIntyre was baptized in the saving name of Jesus Christ.

Delbert Jones, pastor

Tempe, Ariz. Lori, Lisa, and Lana Powell were baptized into the body of Christ, and became members of the Lakeshore Bible Church of God, in a service conducted at the former church home Sunday afternoon, April 14, 1974. We praise God for his offering of salvation and life through his Son Jesus.

Gerald L. Cooper, reporter.

Dayton, Ohio We rejoiced when Mrs. Luella Sorah came forward on Easter Sunday morning, expressing her faith in Christ. She proclaimed this faith by submitting to baptism immediately after the worship service. Our prayers are with her in this new life in Christ. Rex Cain, pastor

Troy, Ohio. On April 21, 1974, the following people were baptized into Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins: Linda Ross, Harry Bashore, James Longendelpher, and Halley Ross. The Troy View Church rejoices in these decisions and welcomes them into our fellowship.

Scott Ross, pastor.

The silent witness of a consistent life is essential to any dynamic vocal testimony. What we are speaks much more effectively than what we say.

BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

A Family Fellowship Night was held March 29, 1974, at the church. Barbecue, popcorn, and sodas were enjoyed by everyone while they watched two old W. C. Fields comic films. Following the films, the group played several games. This fellowship was planned by the class of married people, of which Dorothy Demmitt is the teacher.

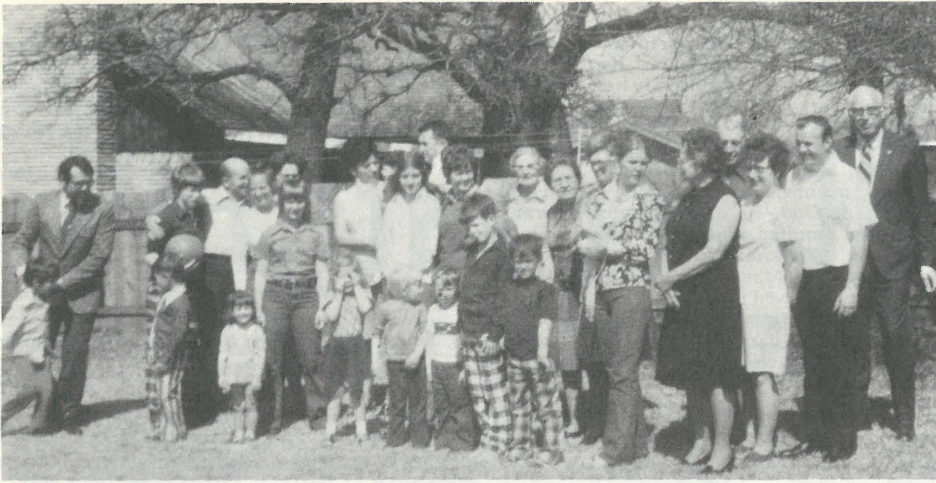
An Easter Sunrise Service and a breakfast were planned and presented by Jim Moore's class of young married people. After the group enjoyed some special music. Steve Moore gave a sunrise message on the topic, "Resurrection, Our Hope."

The Women's Sewing Circle planned a fine banquet for the fathers and sons on April 20. Special music and a special guest contributed to the success of the evening. Skits, featuring several silly things that some of the men have done in past years, were the hit of the evening.

We should all realize how greatly we are blessed when we have homes, food, and clothing. Because of the tornadoes that hit the area, many people were left injured, homeless, and with nothing to wear or eat. The church donated clothing, food, and money to help those of the Xenia area. We thank God for the protection that he gives us.

In our six-week Sunday school contest with other churches of the Northeast Conference, Brush Creek came in seventh, which was about the middle of the list. We had seventy-two people who were perfect in attendance during the period, and twenty-four who missed only once. We should always work to bring more to God.

Betsy Moore, reporter.



ARLINGTON, TEXAS

The new Arlington Church is continuing to investigate various possibilities for a permanent location. The high price of land is making this difficult. The average price is \$20,000 per acre.

We are presently meeting in a private school, centrally located between our three most distant families, each of which drives about half an hour from their homes to the southeast, northeast, and northwest of our meeting place. We have ten member families, involving twenty-seven people. We are looking forward to welcoming the Tidwell family, of El Paso, who have written to say that they are moving to this area by June. Two new contacts have begun taking the Systematic Bible Study Course.

We appreciate the personal interest of the conferences that support us financially. Our church had a wonderful visit with Bro. S. O. Ross on March 1 and 3. We were much encouraged by his evaluation of the work. Bro. and Sr. Clyde Randall visited us on March 5, and spoke

to us about the Free Literature Crusade. Others around the General Conference have written with inquiries and donations. On April 7, several families from Michigan and Indiana visited us during their schools' spring break. Those visiting Six Flags Over Texas, or other Metroplex tourist attractions are urged to include our church in their visit!

We are grateful for Bro. Hubert Reeves, president of the Texas Conference, for visiting us, together with his family, about twice each quarter. They joined us for all-day Easter activities.

The Louisiana Conference also supports us monthly, and sends their state newsletter to us. They received a report of the work during their spring missionary conference, April 20, 21. Pastor Michael Mattison was guest speaker for the weekend.

Our next big event will be the appearance of the Oregon Bible College Chorale, the evening of May 19.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Emma Johnson, 76, died March 24, 1974. She is survived by one daughter, Vivian Drabenstott, and four sons, Frank, Robert, David, and Dale. Also surviving are fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Emma was immersed into the body of Christ in September of 1922, by Evangelist Almus Adams. She served her Lord faithfully and with great joy her remaining days, as a member of the Hector, Minn., Church of God. Funeral services were conducted by the writer and Bro. Harry Sheets on March 26. She sleeps the sleep of death while she awaits the trumpet call of him who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Edward Bender, pastor.

Paul Eugene Barnett was born December 30, 1920, in Gosper Co., Neb., to Arthur and Ethel Barnett, and died March 25, 1974, at Hastings, Neb. Paul was a member of the Church of God at Holbrook, Neb. He had been in poor health for a long period of time. Funeral services were held March 27, at the Church of God in Holbrook, with the writer officiating. He was laid to rest, to await the coming of Christ and the resurrection from among the dead.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

Frank Spry, age 70, fell asleep in death April 7, 1974, after a brief illness. Bro. Spry was active in the Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ont., as a trustee, Sunday school teacher, and member of the choir. The funeral meditation, emphasizing his belief in the return of Christ and the establishment of God's kingdom upon the earth, was spoken by the writer. Bro. Spry was laid to rest, awaiting the Lord's return.

John Hearp, pastor.

Samuel Humphreys, of Campbell, Cal., died April 6, 1974. He was born October 18, 1897, in Mississippi, and later moved to Arkansas. He became an active member of the Bear Church of God, near Royal, Ark. Later, he became a member of the San Jose Church of God in San Jose, Cal. He served this congregation as a layman until the time of his death. Survivors include: his wife Etta; two brothers, Jess and John, both of Royal; four sisters, Mrs. Esther Sprinkle and Mrs. Mary Kinsey, of San Jose, Mrs. Olive Stephenson, of Vidor, Tex., and Mrs. Rachel Morris of Sedrowooly, Wash.; and many nieces and nephews. A man of faith, who devoted himself to studying the Bible and rendering Christian service, he lived in the hope of the resurrection and of living in God's eternal kingdom. He was laid to rest near Royal, to wait for the coming of our Savior.

Dean Moore.

Mrs. Fred (Edna) Tavenier, long a member of Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, died April 20, 1974, at a nursing home in Painesville, Ohio. The Golden Rule pastor conducted services, based on Psalm 17:15, noted in Sr. Tavenier's Bible as her favorite verse, on April 24. She would be glad to know that, as a consequence of the services held for her and her husband (who preceded her in death by about two months), members of her family are attending the church regularly.

J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

Ben Prichard was born February 22, 1900, in Neal, Kan., to Sam and Dora Prichard. He married Hazel Louderman on March 12, 1928, in Eureka, Kan. He moved to Macomb, Ill., in 1936. He became a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith in 1945. He is survived by his wife, two sons, four daughters, twenty-two grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and one sister. Funeral services were conducted March 30, 1974, by Pastors John Carr and Ernest Louderman. Neva Sue Weaver.

The prayer of a young Christian was as follows: "Lord, fill me to overflowing! I cannot hold much, but I can overflow a great deal!"



COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

As you can see by the picture, a new building is being erected at Columbia Church of God, 11388 Root Rd., Columbia Station. The new edifice will be a 40 by 64 foot educational and fellowship addition to the present church structure. It will contain an assembly area and three permanent classrooms.

A ground-breaking service was held April 7,

1974. Actual construction began April 9. Our contractor has had volunteer labor assistance from the church membership and interested persons in the community, for which we are thankful. Other work has been completed since this picture was taken. May this structure be used for the glory of God and the spiritual good of our community.

Pastor Russell Magaw.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE 1974

Following are the names of the Church of God ministers who attended the Spring Session of the Ministers' Conference: David Krogh; E. Milon Hall; Richard Worley; David W. Cheatwood; Rex F. Cain; Wally Winner; Robert Jones; Rex L. Shaw; S. O. Ross; J. R. LeCrone; Stanley Lawrence; Clyde E. Randall; Francis E. Burnett; C. E. Lapp; Cecil Smead; Theodore Armes; Don Needham; Ellsworth Routsom; Darrell G. Maddock; Alva G. Huffer; Dallas Demmitt; John R. Lewis; Austin Railton; John Carr; Kent Ross; Daniel Landry; Arnold Johns;

Ernest Graham; Kenneth Milne; R. W. Sorenson; Hollis Partlowe; Paul Johnson; Scott Ross; C. F. Pryor; Emory Macy; Leon Driskill; Clyde M. Long; Mary Vadnais; Billie Kennedy; John Railton; Dale Harshman; Vivian Kirkpatrick II; Vernis D. Wolfe; Eugene Stilson; James Mattison; James Rencontre; Ronald Macy; Dale Swartz; James A. Fyfe; Mark D. Ryan; Michael Mattison; James Graham; Robert Schrienk; Stephen Bolhaus; John Hearp; Vivian Kirkpatrick; Gordon Landry; Russell Magaw; Timothy New.



KNOW YOUR DIRECTORS
David Johnson

Bro. David Johnson of Hector, Minn., is serving his first year of a three-year term on the Church of God General Conference Board of

Directors. He was born on the same farm on which he now lives. He graduated from the Hector High School and did his alternate service term in the state of Maryland, where he met his wife Miriam. They have four children, ages eight to fifteen.

Bro. Johnson is the son of Roy and Emma Johnson, both recently deceased, who were charter members in organizing the Hector Church of God. He now operates a farm of seventeen hundred acres and is a director in the Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Corporation that is now building a huge plant near Hector. He is very involved in the sugar beet industry as a producer and processor.

Bro. Johnson has been a dedicated worker in the Hector Church of God since his baptism in early life and is also active in the Minnesota State Conference.

MACOMB, ILLINOIS

Members of the Macomb Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith were blessed by God when Pastor Rex Cain came to the Macomb Church of God for evangelistic meetings, April 15-21. We offer heartfelt thanks to Bro. Cain for the inspiring services presented to us during that week.
Neva Sue Weaver.

MARRIAGES

On March 22, 1974, the wedding of Daniel Lewis and Evelyn Avery took place in the Macomb, Ill., Church of God. Many relatives and friends were present. John Carr, pastor of the church, and the writer, uncle of the groom, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

John Lewis.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 20-July 5—Tri-State Youth Camp, Maurertown, Va. Guest speaker, Billie Kennedy.
- June 27-30—Virginia State Conference, Maurertown. Guest speaker, Billie Kennedy.
- June 30-July 6—Missouri Junior Youth Camp.
- July 6, 7—Missouri Quarterly Conference, at Camp.
- July 7-13—Missouri Senior Youth Camp.
- July 7-14—Maritime Conference, Digby Nova Scotia.
- August 8-11—Missouri State Conference, Morse Mill. Guest Speaker: Kent Ross.

More dates under this heading are on page 19 of *The Restitution Herald*.

Contributors to the General Conference: APRIL, 1974

Mr & Mrs S O Ross	65.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Vancil	3,000.00	Mr & Mrs Bill Shotwell	25.00	North Salem Church	22.66
Mr & Mrs E J Demmitt	20.00	San Jose Church	30.00	Happy Woods Church	97.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Jones	20.00	South Bend Hope Chapel		Southwest Conf	94.00	D O Whitlow	5.00
Mrs G F Bagwell	1.00	Miss Soc	65.00	Mr & Mrs Hollis Partlowe	25.00	Mary Hale	3.00
Northeast Conf	215.00	Golden Rule Church	100.16	Macomb Church	82.62	Mr & Mrs Jack Sutfin	4.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	50.00	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	170.00	Mr & Mrs Rollo Mosher	100.00	Jay St Church	30.25
Mr & Mrs Don Needham	10.00	Dan Dovenbarger	100.00	Mrs Dwight Hale	6.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Brown	10.00
Mrs Earle Mogle	5.00	George Procter	5.00	Ill State Conf	100.00	Fremont Church	10.00
Mr & Mrs George Scott	5.00	Cecil Smead	30.00	Mr S Kuehne	3.00	Fremont SS	40.00
Phoenix Church	239.00	Arlington Church	5.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	290.42	Esther Peterson	6.00
Troy View Church	123.25	Leota Hanson	10.00	Morning Star Church	18.08	St Louis Church	82.29
Mr & Mrs Bill Andrew	100.00	Clifford Atchison	3.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Millard	3,000.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Wood	6.00
Margene Rager	30.00	Lois Hunt	10.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Worley	160.00	P G Coverstone	3.00
Mr & Mrs John Carr	25.00	Mr & Mrs John Cardin	12.00	Anna Miss Soc St Louis	5.00	Ruth Fogle	5.00
Yvonne Reigelsperger	60.00	May White	21.48	Cool Spring SS	59.82	Wallace Stone	35.00
Oregon Church	539.54	Beaumont Church	18.30	Pennellwood Miss Dept	293.00	Mr & Mrs William Hanson	50.00
Milo Magaw	85.00	Annie Welch	15.75	Shirley Mogensen	5.00	J Anon	60.00
Anonymous	100.00	S P Dismukes	50.00	Cindy Barrett	6.00	V A Cunningham	3.00
Peoria Faith Chapel	153.00	Raymore Church	25.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Melvin Rogers	20.00
M A Patrick	100.00	Arlene Ekholm	15.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00	North Hills Church	160.02
Ken Cook	3.00	Mr & Mrs Alfred Hetrick	50.00	Mrs Wm Beavers	4.00	Forest Hills Church	38.00
Oregon SS	10.93	Ripley Church	126.85	Theresa Groff	1.00	Frank Roper	55.00
Macomb SS	16.42	Mr & Mrs Waldon Winner	10.00	Mr & Mrs Gayle Somers	38.00	Mr & Mrs Byron Johns	15.00
Blood River Willing Workers	15.35	National Clothing House	5.00	Forest Hills Church	77.00	Sara Beddow	25.00
Mr & Mrs W E Boyer	50.00	Freeport Church	48.13	Forest Hills Bereans	10.00	Bessie Durham	30.00
Brush Creek Church	271.38	Mrs Gladys Volentine	10.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	32.00	New Hope Church	50.00
Lombard Church	71.06	Ollie Cooper	10.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00	Margene Rager	15.00
Mich State Conf	125.80	Mary Brown	1.00	Burr Oak Church	170.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	20.00
Litchfield Church	32.13	Lawrenceville Sr Youth	5.48	Faith Chapel Lafayette	60.75	Brush Creek Young People	17.42
Blanchard Church	185.45	Ellen Jannereth	2.00	Truth Seekers SS	17.29	Mr & Mrs Ken Taylor	50.00
Glad Tidings Chapel	240.00	E L Macy Jr	60.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Miller	15.00	Ben Carpenter	25.00
Jaynes St. Church	400.00	Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Kohler	12.00	Pomona Dorcas	30.00
Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	Ripley Miss Soc	220.00	Mr & Mrs R E Kaffenbarger		Mrs Louis Policz	64.00
Pomona Open Bible Church	59.93	Garden Park Church	178.46	Sr	10.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	32.50
Cora Siple	10.00	Hazel Cripe	10.00	Diane Severs	1.00	Mr R D Stanton	5.00
Holbrook Church	69.38	Ruth Reid	15.00	M P Schoenen	48.60	Mr & Mrs Ed O'Neil	15.00
Anonymous	20.00	Fern Kennedy	5.00	Kosztz Church	36.00	Ind Conf	365.00
Valley Church	68.50	Verna Freeman	25.00	Fredericktown Church	75.55	Mr & Mrs David Johnson	100.00
Bedford Open Bible Church	40.78	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	70.00	Peggy Rager	6.00	Etta Hurlley	10.00
Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	25.00	Anonymous	100.00	Robert Smith	6.00	Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	10.00
Julian Hazlewood	5.00	Fonthill Church	131.67	Karen Smith	6.00	Hillisburg Miss Soc	26.00
Mr & Mrs Don Ward	43.96	Columbia Church	311.21	Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Mr & Mrs Allen Smith	25.00
Blanchard Ladies Aid	15.00	South Bend Hope Chapel	124.50	Mr & Mrs Doy Cardin Jr	5.00	Mr & Mrs C L McCorkle	150.00
Anonymous	5.00	Everett Rogers	25.00	Mrs D B Cardin Sr	5.00	Mr & Mrs Arnold Johns	44.00
Maurertown Church	26.80	Lucy Fuson	5.00	Robert Ennis	10.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	52.50
Jay Ramsey	55.00	Litchfield SS	9.81	Mrs Frank Nelson	2.00	Phyllis Prussak	12.00
La Contributors	77.00	Mark Eckerson	6.00	East Oregon Chapel	40.70	Edith Eades	6.00
Katherine Tackett	64.25	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	50.00	Fonthill SS	14.15
Marjorie Bolhous	20.00	Anonymous	5.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	40.00
Oregon Mary and Martha	12.50	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Graytown Dorcas Circle	10.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50
Alta Thrush	20.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Ward	3.00	Eden Valley Church	375.54
William Poland	20.00	Agnes Lussenden	30.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	110.00	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Milne	100.00
Eva Modreske	5.20	Flagg Center Priscillas	5.00	Monica Salassi	1.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00
Mabell Bell	15.00	Mary Jackson	3.00	Lakeshore Bible Church	708.19	Sue Andrew	3.00
Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	24.00	Shilah Richmond	23.00	Mr & Mrs Ken Bush	12.00	Esta Starbuck	39.00
Blessed Hope Church	79.67	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Bea Paulsen	6.00	Mr & Mrs Herb Kaspar	33.00
Pennellwood Church	119.18	icel Stedman	5.00	Frances McCormack	3.00	Ruby Stuckey	5.00
Alice Bassett	25.00	Anonymous	250.00	Eternal Hope Church	183.89	Anonymous	10.00
Keturah Perkins	12.00	Brush Creek SS	47.38	Mildred Mathews	10.00		
Pleasant Hill Church	73.50						

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GENERAL CONFERENCE -- 1974

An Editorial

OUR General Conference sessions each August constitute the high point of the church year for many of the brethren. It is a time of inspiration, instruction, precious fellowship, and constructive planning. Our corporate worship services serve to bring us close to God and to each other. In them we catch visions of the glorious future that our heavenly Father has in store for those who faithfully love and serve him to the end.

The Bible classes help to bring us to a better understanding of the Bible. From the discussions that accompany such class study, we also gain a better understanding of, and respect for, the viewpoints of others. This contributes greatly to spiritual harmony and love among the brethren.

In those sessions which deal with methods for reaching goals of numerical growth and spiritual development, we sharpen our evangelistic and missionary skills. We return home equipped to be more effective workmen for the Lord than we were when we departed.

The business sessions keep us abreast of the accomplishments, opportunities, and problems which accompany such a large and growing work as that of our General Conference. Each member may express his opinion of the services now being rendered by your Conference. Even more important, it provides an opportunity to suggest improvements and submit them to the judgment of all of the churches, as they are represented by their delegates.

Not the least of the blessings to be gained from attending General Conference sessions is the person-to-person fellowship to be enjoyed at meals and during the free periods between portions of the planned program. Not only are old

acquaintances renewed during this time, but new friendships are formed and cemented as well. Brethren in Christ are never strangers to each other for long!

You Can Help

The Conference Program is planned far in advance and carefully worked out. As little as possible is left to chance or spur-of-the-moment improvisation.

Your Directors and the Program Committee have devoted many hours and much effort to arranging the program. They have hope that it will be highly successful in accomplishing its purpose. They are also acutely aware that their most careful and prayerful preparations will accomplish little unless you come to the Conference equally well prepared. This we are sure that you will do.

Many of our churches hold special meetings before the General Conference for the purpose of discussing anticipated and announced items of business and instructing their delegates how to vote on them. They may also unite in formulating motions that they wish to have introduced on the floor at a business meeting, and subjected to the corporate judgment of the brethren.

Even more important, they join in praying that God will be present at the Conference and that his Spirit will prevail in every respect. The result of this is easily observed in the spirit of loving forbearance with which the brethren discuss issues on which they may not be in complete agreement. It is also in evidence when, due to unforeseen developments or human weaknesses, plans are disrupted and inconveniences must be endured. Cheerfulness and consideration that each

displays to others convince all that the Spirit of Jesus is present.

When You Return Home

The attitude and message that you carry with you when you return home from these meetings really determine the future of your General Conference and the various projects and responsibilities that you have assigned to it. You see, in a very real sense *you are the General Conference*. Your Board of Directors, and your Conference Staff are under your control and direction. The essential harmony that exists between them and the brethren throughout the world can only be explained by the fact that the Spirit of the same God is guiding all. They pray for you and you pray for them. God hears and answers both your prayers and theirs.

May we suggest that while you are attending the Conference you make notes, not only of the actions taken in the business sessions, but also of other things that impress you while you are there, and share them with the brethren of your congregation when you get home. They have invested their time, money, prayers, and interest in this important work. They will be grateful to you for bringing to them your impressions of the overall activities and spirit of the gathering. And remember: In reporting the activities of *your* General Conference, be sure to say "we" did this or that, never "they."

Attend the Conference expecting to be blessed, pray submissively to God for his guidance. Express love in all that you say and do and your blessing is assured. You cannot fail to carry home a blessing for others!

WE'LL SEE YOU AT CONFERENCE!

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: "Tell the Good News"

Conference Workers:

General Program Chairman: S. O. Ross
 Camp Director: David Krogh
 Worship Program Directors: H. Doan, D. Demmitt, S. O. Ross
 Children's Class Director: Lynne Krogh
 Head Usher: Rolla Hightower
 Music Directors: Kent & Cheryl Ross
 Credentials Committee: Ruth Overholser
 Reception: Don and Marj Overmyer
 Room Assignments: Mildred O'Neil, Margaret Duval, Barbara Harvey
 Desk Clerks: Edith Eades, Inez Gordon, Mary Krogh, Betty Jannereth, Isie Jenkins
 Ministers' Meetings: C. F. Pryor
 Priscillas' Meetings: Grace Cain
 Business Office: Sandra New, Dorothy Siple, Mary Jo Brewer
 Camp Nurse: June Andrew
 Photographer: J. Richard LeCrone

DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 12

2:00 Registration begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Worship Service
 Conference Board of Directors, Opening and Song Service; Harold Doan, Chairman, speaker, Keynote Address
 8:45 Reception
 10:30 Lights Out

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Paul Overholser; Ministers: Edward Bender; Youth: Waldon Winner, Jr.; Priscillas: Louise Hearp)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: Richard Worley
 Youth Class: Michael Mattison
 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, John Hearp
 Financial Report
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship Business
 11:45 Recess for Lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon worship service: General Conference Youth
 2:15 Mini-Course, Hollis Partlowe, "Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communications in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"

2:15 Sharing Sessions
 1. Involving the Senior Citizen, Doris Richmond
 2. BYF Sharing, Youth Department
 3. How to Conduct an Evangelistic Coffee, Nancy Demmitt
 2:15 Board of Directors' Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; Scott Ross, speaker, "The People Had a Vision"
 9:00 Bi-annual meeting of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association
 10:30 Lights Out

Wednesday, August 14

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Ellsworth Routson; Youth: Ronald Macy; Priscillas: June Routson)
 9:00 Combined Adult and Youth Class; Sunday School Department
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, Donald Needham
 10:00 Business Session, reading of Tuesday's minutes
 Publishing Department business
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday School Directors
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afterschool worship service, Sunday School Department
 2:15 Mini-Course, ~Hollis ~Partlowe, ~"Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communication in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"
 Sharing Session and Activities, Sunday School Board
 2:15 Board of Directors Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; William & Mardy Lawrence, Mission Trip Report and Slides.
 9:00 Campfire, E. Milon Hall
 10:30 Lights Out

Thursday, August 15

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Don Swartz; Ministers: Emory Macy; Youth: Robert Jones; Priscillas: Nora Randall)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class: David Krogh
 Youth Class: James Graham, "Having Pleasure in It"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting

10:00 Youth Class: James Babcock
 10:00 Business Session, Reading of Wednesday's minutes.
 Nomination for three directors.
 Mission Business
 Election of one Mission Board Member
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Mission Board Panel Discussion
 2:15 Mini-Course, Hollis Partlowe, "Bible Eschatology"
 Mini-Course, John Lewis, "Communication in the Church"
 Mini-Course, Eugene Stilson, "Principles of Teaching"
 Mini-Course, Sunday School Department, "Sunday School Development"
 Sharing Sessions
 1. Involving the Senior Member, Doris Richmond
 2. Tell the Good News, Alva Huffer
 3. How to Conduct an Evangelistic Coffee, Nancy Demmitt
 2:15 Board of Directors Meeting
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Kent Ross, song leader; John Lewis, speaker
 Communion Service, Rex Cain and Fred Pensyl
 10:30 Lights Out

Friday, August 16

6:30 Mini-Course, Dallas Demmitt, "Enriching Family Life"
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Edgar Harvey; Ministers: James Fyfe; Youth: Rex Shaw; Priscillas: Helen Pryor)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, C. E. Randall
 Youth: Timothy New, "The Time of Tribulation"
 Children's Classes
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class: Stephen Bolhous, "Keeping Good Tidings"
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of Thursday's minutes
 Election of three Directors
 Oregon Bible College 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, Musicale, Kent and Cheryl Ross
 10:30 Lights Out

Saturday, August 18

7:00 United Prayer Service
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated

This will be the last issue of *Progress Journal* until the September issue.

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General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



General Conference 1974

The Fifty-Fourth Annual Church of God General Conference will be held at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa, August 12-17. Registration begins on Monday at 2:00 p.m., supper will be served at 5:30 p.m., and the opening service is at 7:30.

Cost of the Conference is \$5.75 per person per day (\$27.00 for the Conference) and is payable upon registration. For cabin reservations write Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Riverview Park

Riverview Park, site of the Conference, is located just a few blocks off U.S. Highway 20, on the west edge of Cedar Falls. 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 blanket and pillow, however one should supply 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. Several motel units are available nearby. Tents on the grounds are discouraged.

Delegate Forms

Delegate forms, statistical forms, 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 your secretary has not received these forms, please contact the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061 immediately.

Sunday School Director Appointed

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Bro. Francis Burnett as the full-time Director of the Sunday School Department of the Church of God General Conference, beginning September 1, 1974. (See news page for details.)

Retirement Association Bi-Annual Meeting

The Bi-Annual meeting of the Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association will be held on Tuesday, August 13, after the General Conference evening worship service. The election of the vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees will be held. Several

changes are being proposed in the Rules and Regulations of the Association. All minister members are urged to attend. Each church and State Conference which is a member in the association should appoint a delegate to represent it at this meeting. Assets of the Association are now nearly fifty thousand dollars. Five members are receiving monthly retirement benefits.

Ministers Fund

The Ministers Fund of the Church of God General Conference is used for emergency purposes for the ministers. Another minister was recently given emergency assistance because of severe illness. Two are receiving small monthly assistance. The fund is supported entirely by contributions. Over the years, many Sunday schools contributed their birthday offerings into this fund. Recently the fund balance has become very low. We urge contributions or offerings for this fund, that means may be available when an emergency does arise.

New Staff Member

As reported earlier Bro. Gordon Landry begins his new position in the Publishing Department July 1, 1974. He will be assisting Bro. Paul Johnson in preparing all publications for printing. He and his family have moved from Baton Rouge, La., where he was pastor of the Baton Rouge Church and operated a private printing business. We welcome him to the staff of the Church of God General Conference.

Conference Finances

The Goals for Giving for the month of July have been met. We express our thanks to each one who has helped to make this possible. The Lord is truly blessing the work of the General Conference. We covet your continued prayers and concern for all the programs of the Church of God General Conference. There will be no August *Progress Journal*, hence the needs for two months in the Goals for Giving.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 – September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

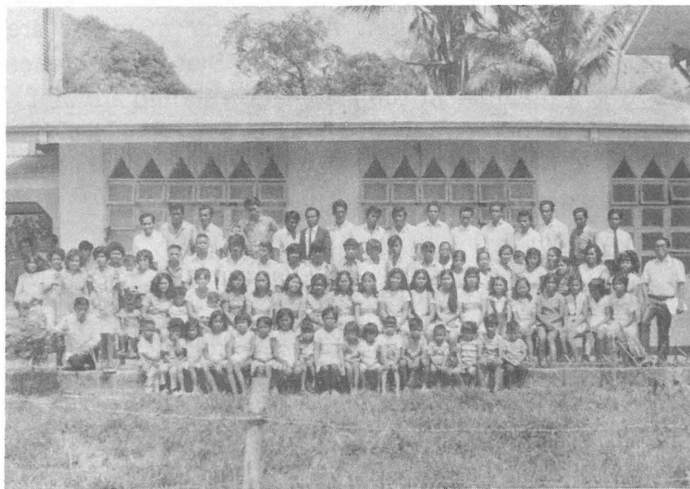
Goal for June	\$13,167.00
Given in June	15,348.00
July-August needs	26,334.00

Goal for July and August \$26,334.00

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 the delegates and daily attenders at the 13th Annual Church of God Philippine Conference. The conference was held at Uddiawan Church, April 18-20, 1974. The background on the picture is the Uddiawan Church building. A Philippine Berean Youth Conference was held April 21, also at Uddiawan.

Two hundred eight people attended the conference. There were classes for adults, young married couples, youth, and children. There were ministers meetings, board meetings, and general delegate meetings to handle the conference business. Evangelistic meetings were held three nights, and many questions were answered and discussed in open forum. A Super-8 religious film was shown each night after the regular services.

Many contests were held during the conference. There were Bible quizzing, Bible preaching, hymn singing, and games. Prizes were given to the winners. There were thirteen baptisms. The candidates came from the Uddiawan, Cordon, Quezon, Pallagao, and Gattaran churches. The names and ages of those baptized were: Pedro Vargas, 42; Ponicipio Capicio, 42; Susana Fabro, 14; Casinia Jornadal, 14; Rogelio Concepcion, 26; Josie Dulay, 13; Rolando Cariazo, 23; Esteban Lucero, 35; Leonida Lucero, 28; Benjamin Bulay, 15; Florenda Gabriel, 13; Estimayda Guzman, 16; and Esperanza Cinco, 14.

The radio ministry is going real well. Many letters of inquiry come in and many doctrinal questions are asked. These are answered by Bro. Eleodoro Javar on the radio programs. The construction of the Quezon Church, with help of Mission Builders Appeal number

thirty-one, is nearing completion. Bro. Mauro Abon is the pastor there. Ricardo Ortiguero, son of Eleodoro S. Ortiguero, is assisting Bro. Abon on a voluntary basis.

Ghana

In April, Bro. Oliver K. Amani assisted four in putting on Christ in baptism. They were: Christopher Q. Gyambia, Elvis Mesre-Boahene, Samuel K. Gyabako, and Rosebud Amenyo, a home economics teacher. The three men are middle-school teachers.

Bro. Amani is conducting a secondary school in Ghana. There is a need for more students to make the school self-sufficient. Many members have difficulty providing the cost of schooling for their children. If a church or individual wishes to provide schooling for a student in Ghana, please contact the Superintendent of Missions, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061. The cost per pupil per year is \$125.00.

Tape Ministry

Messages by Church of God pastors on many subjects are now on tape. These are in the Tape Ministry Library. For use of these tapes contact The Tape Ministry Library, 4150 Annapolis Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45416.

Pastors are urged to send tapes of their sermons to the same address to add to the library collection.

India

Vacation Bible school was held at the Thomas Town Church in April. Nearly one hundred children attended. The Sunday school teachers taught the classes. Later schools were held at Tannery Road, Chinnayana Palya, and at John Nagar. After the sessions, sweets were distributed to the children.

Services are now being held in a new place, Neela Sandra. Contact was through the doctor in the medical clinic. Seven families attended the first services there.

A special sing-song service was held at Thomas Town on April 7. On Easter Sunday evening, a film was shown on The Resurrection of Christ.

Nova Scotia

A Literature Distribution Campaign is being held in the Digby area to advertise the Annual Maritime Conference, July 7-14. Five hundred homes will be reached each week for six weeks with tracts, Gospels, a letter, and *The Restitution Herald*. Pray for this effort by our Nova Scotia brethren.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Renewal for the Church

Speaking to the members of the 1974 graduating class of Oregon Bible College, the writer had the opportunity to talk to them of changes in the lives of individual Christians that can bring change to our churches. That he can change is to the benefit of man's salvation. Things happen in the lives of people who come to know Christ. To understand Christianity is not enough. The power of God's Word must be applied where man lives. Many churches in the world do not talk about and apply themselves to meeting the living needs of people. Church leaders often occupy their time with business that is not relevant to the salvation of men. A church that makes its way in the world with no clear goals or purposes is of little spiritual value. Energies of a church and its members must be directed by a consuming passion to proclaim the gospel. There is no substitute for great accomplishments by the church in this day. The church must be doing! The work of Christ is to give life to men. This work the church must carry on with purpose and commitment.

The church continues, and will continue, with or without any particular individual. Because it is the body of Christ, it lives by the Word of God. Men are like grass and the flower of the grass, but the Word of the Lord will survive forever. The will of God has been revealed to mankind in many different ways and through many different men. God now speaks to us through Jesus Christ, who is the Word made flesh. The goal of resurrection, toward which the church is presently striving, is symbolic of renewal and rebirth that must take place daily in the lives of believers. The business of the church is to do the Word. The church has no need to withdraw in fear from the world. It must boldly challenge it with regard to its ideologies and style of living.

The Scriptures are important to the life of the church. The good news of Christ is the very heart of the church. The Word of God produces genuine results within the church. The church that is not successful is not applying the Word to its work. Just as Christ was raised from the dead, so also the church has new life. Faith is going to work in this day just as it has in every other age of the church. The key is the Word of God. For it is through the Word that faith comes to man, and it is through that faith that the church finds the power to do the will of God.

Fall Schedule

Registration for the fall semester will begin Tuesday, August 27, 1974. Classes will begin on Thursday, August 29. Students will be taking the following classes: New Testament I; Systematic Theology I; Preaching III; Bible Geography; Christian Education of Children; Greek I; Music Fundamentals; Choir; Chorale; Brass Ensemble; Private Voice; Private Piano; Private Organ; Missionary Principles; English I; and Hebrew I.

Young people who plan to attend OBC but have not received application forms should send for the forms immediately. Write to Admissions, Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

The newest LP album by the Chorale, "Sing to the Lord a New Song," will soon be available. The price for the album is \$3.50 until July 15. After that time the cost will be \$5.00. Send your orders to Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Weddings

Congratulations to Carl Jennings and Pam Miesse and also to Mike Berry and Denise Pearson, who were married June 8. Carl and Pam were married by the writer at Lawrenceville, Ohio, and Mike and Denise were married at the Brush Creek Church by Pastor Richard Worley. Carl will be a junior this fall and Mike will be a senior. Pam will continue classes as a junior.

Boosters

We are still receiving money from brethren and friends for the Booster fund. We appreciate the special efforts of everyone to provide these special funds for various projects of the College. Again a significant amount of the money will be used for library growth. At this writing we have more than ninety-five hundred volumes. Praise God for this progress!

Library Expansion

During the summer months, the library facilities of the College will be expanded to more than double its present dimensions. The south half of the basement area of the library building will be enclosed, carpeted, and lighted to accommodate vertical stacks. The present library facilities will then be used as a study area and the reserve section of the library. We praise God for this opportunity to provide more adequate facilities for the students.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Youth Conference Plans Completed

Staff members for the two camps have been selected. The program has been prepared and assigned. Staff manuals have been mailed to those taking part. A total of fifty-four people will work in the two camps. Many hours of hard work on the part of the youth director and those on the staff are required to prepare activities, lessons for classes, material for workshops, and to prepare to discharge other responsibilities. Everything that members of the staff do is important to the success of the Youth Conference.

You too can make important contributions to bringing about a successful Youth Conference in 1974. You can pray each day for the young people and members of the staff, that a loving spirit will promote a most wonderful Christian fellowship. You can encourage young people of your congregation to attend. Some financial help may be needed to make this possible for them. Nowhere could your money be invested more wisely.

How is time spent at a Youth Conference? Each camper spends approximately fifteen hours in Bible classes, workshops, and worship services. This is equal to thirty average Sunday school lesson periods. In addition, devotional periods, prayer periods, and many hours of discussing God's Word with individuals are part of the Conference. Each youth may receive instruction equal to more than six months in Sunday school. Experience in conducting church business is gained from approximately six hours of the week spent in business sessions.

On Camp Mack's Staff

Two Church of God young people will be employed on Camp Mack's staff. They are Kenny Cook, Kokomo, Ind., and Phyllis Prussak, Columbia Station, Ohio. They will begin work on May 31. It is good for these young people to have this kind of opportunity. Two Church of God young people were employed by Camp Mack last summer.

Deadline for Enrollments

The deadline for enrollments was extended to July 10 instead of July 1 as in former years. It is very important to get your enrollment in by this deadline. Each camp wishes to know by July 12 how many campers will be in the camp. We may enroll a few after that date, but not many. Why take chances?

Total Commitment Equals Victory

Wednesday, August 14, 1974, has been set aside as Sunday School Day at General Conference. The keynote for this very important day will be delivered during the worship services on Tuesday night by Bro. Scott Ross, pastor of the Troy View Church of God, Troy, Ohio. Bro. Ross is a member of the Sunday School Board. His message will be "The People Had a Vision."

The program activities on Wednesday will begin at 8:45 a.m., with prayer by several groups. It is our wish that special emphasis shall be placed on Church of God Sunday schools throughout the world. The 9:00 a.m. classes will be for adults and young people together. They will be divided into two groups. All of the men, young and old, will meet in one group. The women of all ages will meet in a second group.

The men's group will be led by Bro. Don Needham, pastor of the Blanchard Church of God, Blanchard, Mich. The elder and younger ladies will be taught by Sr. Joyce Knapp, a member of the Garden Park Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich. She is also a member of the Sunday School Board. This class will consider the role of women in the church with respect to total commitment.

The afternoon worship service (1:25 to 2:10) will be led by Bro. Robert Petry, a member of the North Hills Church of God, Springfield, Ohio. He also is a member of the Sunday School Board. The theme will be: "Sunday Schools—Exit or Excitement!" Bro. James Graham, pastor of the Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind., and the fourth member of the Sunday School Board will assist with this session.

The afternoon session (beginning at 2:15) will be conducted under the theme: "Give and Take, and Sunday School Success Stories." Adults and young adults of both sexes and all ages will attend this session. It is hoped that everyone who is interested in *totally committing* himself to the end that *victory* can be realized will attend. This session is for the sharing of success stories. It should be an inspiration for all.

Following the afternoon session, it is planned that the quarterly editors, those who prepare the lessons, and those who teach departmental classes shall meet together. From these group meetings the Sunday School Board can learn which way to move in developing our quarterly materials.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA

In following the command of Jesus, "You are to go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere" (Mark 16:15, LB), forty-five people from the Church of God have taken one of the Gospels to every home in Digby, each week for six consecutive weeks.

With great joy and much enthusiasm, all workers met at the parsonage for prayer before starting out. Each worker received a blessing for helping in the spreading of the gospel.

"From the response of the townspeople," said the leaders, "many appreciated and enjoyed the messages they received." A similar campaign of literature distribution for the surrounding areas of Digby is now in the planning stages.

Left to right in the picture are: Cindy Ross; Billy Milberry; Kenneth Ring; Ruth Thibodeau; Judy Winchester; Brenda Sivert; Barry Milberry; Clyde Milberry; and Wanda Ring.

BAPTISMS

Columbia Station, Ohio. During the May 26, 1974, morning worship service, Mrs. Pauline Carroll, 11369 N. Station Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins by former pastor Cecil Patrick. We praise God for Pauline's step of faith, and pray God's richest blessings on her in the Christian walk.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Beaumont, Tex. At the conclusion of the Beaumont Family Retreat on Sunday, March 31, 1974, two young people were immersed into the all-saving name of Jesus. They are Mary Katherine Raymond from the Blood River, La., Church of God, and Faye Walls from Beaumont, Tex. Bro. Dale Ward, pastor of the Beaumont group baptized Faye, while the writer baptized Mary. We pray that God will bless these two new Christians as they set forth on their Christian journey. Pastor Gordon Landry.

Phoenix, Ariz. Miss Denise Donaldson and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Madoriski were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, May 19, 1974. We welcome them into God's redeemed family and into our local fellowship.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Fonthill, Ont. It was the writer's pleasure to baptize another of our fine young people, David Weyrauch, in the name of Christ on May 26, 1974. May God richly bless him in his new life.

John Hearp, pastor.

SEVEN FOUNTAINS, VIRGINIA

The Fort Valley Church of God of Seven Fountains, Va., had the privilege of having Bro. C. E. Randall for a week of services April 22-27, 1974. An average of forty-eight people attended each of the services to enjoy the special music and the Word of God as delivered by Bro. Randall. Virginia Grin, secretary.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 11-14—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at Little Rock. Vernis Wolfe, guest speaker.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR



Francis Burnett has been appointed Director of the Sunday School Department on a full-time basis, beginning September 1, 1974. Bro. Burnett has been Youth Director on a part-time basis for several years. This current church year he has been Youth and Sunday School Director.

Bro. Burnett and his wife Iris live in Oregon, Ill. They have four daughters, Martha, Mary and Miriam who are married, and Michal who is still at home. Bro. Burnett grew up in the Ripley, Ill., church and became a member of the Church of God early in his life. He graduated from Oregon Bible College in 1943, the second graduating class of the school. He was in the pastoral ministry for twenty-seven years, serving churches in Jordan, Mo., Brush Creek, Ohio, and Garden Park, Mich.

In 1968 Bro. Burnett joined the teaching staff of Oregon Bible College and served as dean for sometime. He later became Youth Director on a part-time basis and continued to teach some classes at Oregon Bible College. He has served on the General Conference Board of Directors, the Board of Education of Oregon Bible College, on many other conference committees, and in State Conference offices.

We welcome Bro. Burnett into this full-time work in the Sunday School Department. He comes well qualified for this important task and we ask the Lord's blessings upon him in this new position.

COMPLETE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Mrs. Kenneth Mathews; Mrs. Johnny Kidwell; Mrs. Wilfred Frame; Mrs. Ruby McCormic; Mary Brown; Kathy Robbins; Cheryl Albert; Oma Jean Taylor; Mrs. C. H. Leach; Tom Ross; Linda Ross; Willa Adams; Ann Ellis; Diane Rademachir; Phyllis Prussak; Jeanne Dye; Marion Matthews; JoAnn Coverstone; Friday Effiong; Augustine Lazarus Umanah; Roger Onderdonk; Richard Hess; Kevin Demmitt; Sally Schaffer; Mrs. Norma Lewis; Elizabeth Roth.

OBITUARIES

Edward L. McIrvin died on Friday, April 12, 1974. He was born in Felida, Wash., March 15, 1884, and lived in the Vancouver community his entire life. He was a member of the Felida Church of God. He is survived by a son Vernon, of Odessa, Wash., 4 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Words of comfort were spoken at his funeral by the writer. His brethren in Christ expect to meet him when Jesus returns.

I. M. Chapman, pastor

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Russell Johns

Bro. Russell Johns was born near Blair, Neb. He and his family came into contact with the Church of God and he was baptized into Christ early in life. He and his wife Doris live in Bennington, Neb. They have two sons and a daughter,

all married, and they have nine grandchildren.

Bro. Johns operates a large Farm Supply business in Bennington which handles feeds, seeds, and fertilizers. He has been on the city council of Bennington for the past fourteen years, serving as mayor much of that time.

The Johns family has been very active in the Omaha Church of God for many years. Bro. Johns is presently chairman of the church board. He is also active in the Gideon organization. Bro. Johns is serving his first year on the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. His business knowledge and dedicated Christian principles make him a really fine member of this important board.

NOTICE TO MINISTERS

Any licensed minister of the Church of God who wishes to be considered for ordination at the General Conference session should get his application to Bro. C. F. Pryor before July 25. Application blanks may be obtained by requesting them from Bro. Pryor at 117 S. Richardson Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43204.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At the 1973 delegate sessions, the following motion was duly passed, "That the Board of Directors be instructed to make a study, or appoint a committee, to research the need and

advisability of implementing Section 1, paragraph (D) of Article I of the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference. Further, if such a study reveals the need of organizing a Board of Benevolence, initial guidelines of the nature and scope of the work be included in the report."

Article I, Section 1, Paragraph (D) By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference now reads,

"That a board of benevolence be organized to minister to individual needs as they may arise."

The Board of Directors has given study to this matter. Notice is hereby given that it will be proposed to the delegates of the 1974 Church of God General Conference that the above described Paragraph (D) be deleted from the By-Laws.

Explanation: This section of the By-Laws sets out the Purposes of the Church of God General Conference. Paragraph (D) does not seem to be one of the Purposes of the Conference.

Ministering to individual needs appears to be a Biblical requirement that can best be met at the level of the local church as the need arises.

If and when a need should arise for the Church of God General Conference to act, it appears that the Board of Directors already has authority to do so. Article II, Section 6 (Duty of the Officers) Paragraph (H) states: "To do any other necessary act for the establishment, prosecution, and accomplishment of the business of the Church of God General Conference."

Contributors to the General Conference: MAY, 1974

Glad Tidings Dayton		Beaumont Church	13.17	Elaine Shute	35.00	Cecil Smead	30.00
Outreach Dept	80.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Miller	3.00	Blessed Hope Church	45.50	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	50.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Zeller	60.00	Pennellwood Church	132.38	Macomb BYF	25.42	Oregon Church	1,177.20
Bedford Ch of Open Bible	38.52	Brush Creek SS	44.60	Mr & Mrs James Ring	10.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	100.00
Fairy Lyon	10.00	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	10.00	Garden Park Church	152.16
Troy View Church	267.49	Hope Chapel Columbus	5.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Partain	16.45	Mr & Mrs Dale Elzinga	20.00
Lombard Church	63.00	Esther Jenkins	15.00	Jaynes St Church	150.00	Omaha BYF	24.00
Dorothy Siple	150.00	Arlene Ekholm	5.00	J Anon	21.50	Ivan Veach	15.00
Margaret Duval	100.00	Pomona Open Bible Church	59.42	Mr & Mrs Lyle Thayer	50.00	Yvonne Reigelsperger	58.00
Douglas Sperry	3.00	Eternal Hope Church	94.43	Alta Thrush	20.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00
Minn State Miss Soc	1,000.00	Garden Park Miss Dept	60.00	Eva Modreske	5.20	Ill State Conf	100.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Johnson	45.00	Digby Church	42.80	Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	40.00	Tempe-Phoenix Easter Off	120.36
Edna Stander	12.00	May White	15.34	Holbrook Church	43.27	Flagg Center Church	66.00
Freeport Church	45.34	Mr & Mrs Michael Brown	7.50	North Hills Church	58.02	William C Poland	20.00
Frances Wood	40.00	Mr & Mrs E A Frederick	30.00	Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	32.50	Mary Brown	1.00
Macomb Church	108.82	Mr & Mrs George DeForest	40.00	Monica Salassi	1.00	Mr & Mrs Patrick Wiltsey	50.00
Lucy Fuson	5.00	Morse Mill Church	100.00	Mr & Mrs C F Pryor	5.00	Cora Siple	15.00
Mr & Mrs R E Kaffenbarger		Mrs Joe D Shelly	10.00	Margene Rager	20.00	Milo Magaw	90.00
Sr	20.00	Ft Valley SS	69.04	Mr & Mrs Jack Brown	10.00	Kathy Anger	12.00
Mrs Mabel Bell	30.00	Mr & Mrs John Lewis	50.00	Mr & Mrs Richard B Lee	1.00	La State Conf	271.50
Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	170.00	Ken Walters	12.00	Hope Chapel, Ark City SS	60.00	La Contributors	72.00
Annie Welch	16.75	Modesto Bible Church	13.50	Mr & Mrs Ralph Lutton	25.00	Katherine Tackett	59.00
San Jose Church	27.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Johnson	10.00	Macomb SS	16.23
Sheila Sheeley	10.00	Anonymous	100.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Brossard	20.00	Mr & Mrs Harvey Fisher	30.00
Ollie Cooper	10.00	Anonymous	125.00	North Salem Church	11.02	Oregon SS	16.85
Blanchard Church	168.75	Hope Chapel-South Bend	89.75	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	12.00	Hope Chapel Miss S Bend	65.00
Litchfield Church	38.77	Arlington Church	5.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	25.00	Mr & Mrs Don Ward	38.00
Omaha SS	44.73	Mr & Mrs Lyle Lewis	60.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	35.00	Kevin Eldred	3.00
Cool Spring SS	63.85	Peoria Faith Chapel	100.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	5.00	Brian Eldred	3.00
E Dorothy Magaw	28.00	Raymore Church	125.00	Shilah Richmond	82.18	Mr & Mrs Keith Eldred	4.00
Phoenix Bible Church	1,878.00	Bedford	12.49	Raymore Bereans	11.30	Pleasant Hill Church	227.10
Mr & Mrs Ivan Mills	225.00	Fredericktown Church	86.50	Mr & Mrs Scott Ross	16.60	Tempe Lakeshore Bible Ch	714.38
Everett Rogers	25.00	Mrs W O Thal	20.00	Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	50.00	Dorothy Boyer	7.05
Jay St Church	73.05	Kozsta Church	36.00	Fremont SS	50.74	Leota Hanson	15.00
East Oregon Church	59.83	Donald Williams	12.00	Esta Starbuck	30.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	100.00
St Louis Church	54.30	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	10.00	Mr & Mrs Herb Kasper	10.00	Marjorie Bolhous	25.00
Bedford Agape Soc	3.16	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	30.00	Mildred Heyde	1.50	Oregon Mary & Martha	25.00
Happy Woods Church	92.00	Oliver Amani	5.00	Brush Creek Young People	7.12	Mr & Mrs Fulton Ramsey	50.00
Tempe Dorcas	10.00	Solomon Idiong	5.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.50	Alice Bassett	25.00
Mich Conf	96.74	Russell Thoms	10.00	Ben Carpenter	25.00	Mr & Mrs Francis Van Fleet	16.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	20.00	Fonthill Dorcas	14.82	Raymore Church	25.00	Dan Dovenbarger	100.00
Mrs Gladys Volentine	20.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	206.69	Lawrenceville Church	650.78	Anonymous	3.00
Macomb Miss Soc	95.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	75.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	30.00	Brush Creek Church	231.74
Fonthill SS	12.33	Mr & Mrs Ed Bender	10.00	J Plantner	10.00	Ruth Reid	15.00
John Tucker	9.00	Mr & Mrs Luther Bengel	10.00	Alice Plantner	10.00	S P Dismukes	50.00
Tom New	6.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle Ashelford	100.00	New Hope Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Loie Jones	25.00
Golden Rule Church	64.99	Vickie Edwards	12.00	Mr & Mrs A L Shaw	25.00	Maurertown Church	83.90
Mr & Mrs Bill Shotwell	25.00	Mr & Mrs Douglas Todd	500.00	Linda Hollenback	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ed Schroth	8.00
Mr & Mrs Wayne Yows	15.00	Southwest Conf	85.00	Troy View Church	122.75	Northeast Conf	225.00
Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	75.00	Helen McMurtrie	40.00	Mr & Mrs Don Needham	10.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	50.00
Mrs G C Guiles	10.00	Fonthill Glad Tidings Ch	121.11	Beulah Slater	50.00		
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"Fitly Framed Together"

THE phrase, "fitly framed together" in Ephesians 2:21 is the translation of a single compound Greek word, *sunarmologeō*. It combines *sun*, which carries the thought of "closely together," with *harma*, a particle of union, and *lego*, which means "to lay forth." Its literal meaning is "closely fitted together."

Phillips' version retains the original thought by translating the sentence: "In him each separate piece of building, roperly fitting into its neighbor, grows together into a temple consecrated to the Lord. You are all part of this building in which God himself lives by his spirit."

This word is also used in Ephesians 4:15, 16, where Paul expresses the hope that the members of the church, by "speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ; from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."

Careful Assembling

Some time ago, your editor read an article about how one can get the most for his money when purchasing a new automobile. One bit of advice was to buy one that was assembled during the middle of the week. The reason for this advice is to be found in the workers on the assembly line. On Monday, many of them are afflicted with weariness or "hangovers" from their weekend, and so are in no condition to do their best work. On Friday, their minds are more likely to be occupied with plans for the coming weekend than with the work that they are doing. On these days, the automobiles that come

"Built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit" (Eph. 2:20-22).

off of the assembly line are not "fitly framed together," but have been so carelessly assembled that they are sometimes characterized as "thrown together." They lack the dependability and durability of machines that have been more carefully fitted together.

The same complaint is often heard concerning newly built houses, and industrial products of all kinds. In some cases, at least, it is probably justified.

Our Conference Machine

As your General Conference continues to grow and expand, its organization inevitably becomes more complex. Its departments, committees, boards, and projects must be fitly framed together if it is to operate efficiently, dependably, and satisfactorily in its capacity of a servant to the Churches of God.

This means, of course, that each part of its work must be carefully and prayerfully evaluated in relation to every other part.

Since our interests and talents differ, it is normal for individual members or member churches to become enthralled with, and excited about, one particular department or project. This serves a useful purpose. Without such enthusiasm little

would be done. It is important, however, to remember that other less glamorous but equally vital efforts must not be neglected while we concentrate exclusively on our pet project.

A Sign of Health

We find it a sign of healthful interest when searching questions are asked with regard to the present operation, future plans, and financial condition of the Conference of which you are a part. All legitimate questions are appreciated and seriously considered. When business sessions of the Conference are well attended, and carefully thought-out suggestions and motions are offered, this goes a long way toward assuring that the work will continue to be fitly framed together, and qualified to serve the needs of the churches well.

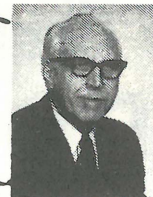
What You Can Do

Give thoughtful and prayerful attention to the reports and actions presented at our General Conference business sessions. Pray for those who have been placed in positions of leadership responsibility. Ask God to guide your thinking and, as far as is humanly possible, lay aside personal preferences and prejudices, and strive to take an objective and dispassionate view of the overall work. Ask God to reveal your own personal responsibility for its work, to the end that you may be fitly framed together with the whole.

Remember that, in the final analysis, the Conference does not control the churches; the churches control the Conference. It is both your privilege and your responsibility to keep it fitly framed together, with every part operating in harmony with every other part. ●

General Conference Progress

S. O. Ross, Executive Director



1974 General Conference

The fifty-fourth Annual Church of God General Conference is history. The session was held August 12 to 17 at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa with four hundred sixty in attendance. This was a most inspiring conference. Special thanks go to all who took part in any way to make this one of the best conferences ever.

All six published Recommendations were passed with only one small amendment. In addition the Recommendation in the Lay workers Report was adopted and will be implemented through the Mission Department of the Church of God General Conference. The complete minutes of the business sessions will be published in the October issue of *Progress Journal*.

The delegates approved the Annual Budget. For the fiscal year October 1, 1974 to September 30, 1975 contributions in the amount of \$195,000.00 will be needed to meet the needs.

Board of Directors

Bro. Robert Smith of Blanchard, Michigan and Pastor Billie Kennedy of Eden Valley, Minnesota were elected to the Board of Directors. The officers for the coming year are John Hearp, chairman; David Johnson, vice-chairman; Kenneth Milne, secretary; Robert Smith, treasurer; Dallas Demmitt, Russell Johns and Billie Kennedy, directors.

We express our sincere thanks and commendation to our retiring directors, Harold Doan and John Huston, (chairman and treasurer, respectively) for their faithful and dedicated service over the past three years.

Proposed Dormitory Approved

In accepting recommendation number six, the delegates approved an eight-plex housing facility, estimated cost about \$125,000.00. The evening offerings during Conference were designated for this building and total amount received was \$1,917.65. During the conference eight people made commitments in the total amount of \$14,750.00 to assist in this project. See the October issue of *Progress Journal* for further details on a fund-raising project.

Board Actions

Pastoral aid was approved for the Gulf Coast Church of God, New Port Richey, Florida. Vernis Wolfe and Robert Johnson were re-appointed to the Oregon Bible

College Board of Education. They will serve with William D. Lawrence and Charles Pryor, holdover members, and Dr. Alva G. Huffer, Chairman.

Bro. Allan Ramsey was appointed chairman of the committee to study the possible use of the Louisiana property. Bros. M. A. Patrick and David Johnson will continue to serve as committee members.

In accordance with delegate action, Kent Ross, chairman, James Graham and Hugh Harman were appointed to a committee to study the feasibility of publishing a Church of God General Conference Youth Chorus Book. A progress report of the work done on a Church History was given by Bro. C. E. Randall. Much research has been done and the actual writing will begin shortly.

A reprint of the *Songs of Truth* hymnal was approved. Bro. Allan Ramsey was asked to do the annual audit for the current year and that his appointment be on a continuing basis.

The 1975 General Conference will again be held in Riverview Park. The dates will be August 11 to 16.

New Telephone Number

The new telephone number for all business offices of the Church of God General Conference, including Oregon Bible College, is now 815-732-7991. Due to a new system recently installed all calls will go through this one number.

Conference Finances

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 General Conference may go forward to completion. The expenses in many areas of the work have gone beyond the amount budgeted. This is due to increased costs and some unforeseen expenses. Praise God that the needs are being met each month.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1973 - September 30, 1974

\$158,000.00

Goal for July and August	\$26,334.00
Given in July and August	\$28,612.00
September Needs	13,167.00

Goal for September \$13,167.00

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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).



The picture above shows the progress of the construction of the Quezon Church in the Philippine Islands. The major cost of this building is being provided with Mission Builders Appeal number thirty-one.

A new building was recently built and dedicated by the brethren at the village of Pallagao, where Bro. Evaristo Corpus is pastor. Special evangelistic services were held at Gattaran, with Bros. Javar and Abon assisting Pastor Guzman. During these services Fred Cabotajo and Emelda Pinion, both teens, were baptized into Christ.

Nova Scotia

A very successful Maritime Conference and Bible School was held in July. Bro. Ralph Childs of Dayton, Ohio, and the New Life Quartet, of Oregon Bible College, were guest workers.

The Lighthouse Mission Church of God at Digby recently had a parcel of land deeded to it. Bro. Roddy Pike, who was instrumental in organizing the church in Digby, and who was the first pastor, had purchased the land several years ago. He has now graciously deeded this property to the Digby Church of God. We express our thanks and gratitude to Bro. Pike for this fine gesture.

Nigeria

Through special donations, a bicycle was provided for the mission field of Nigeria. It is being used by Bro. John Obott in pastoring the Utu Abak congregation. Bros. Obott, Udo, and Idiong all express their appreciation for the bicycle.

Much literature is being provided for the work in Nigeria. All of the pastors have expressed their thanks for this written material. Many have been brought to conversion through the use of tracts.

The roof of the Utu Abak Church has been destroyed by large termites. This happens periodically, as the roof is made of palm fronds. It will cost more than one thousand dollars to construct a permanent metal roof with the necessary bracing. We are asking special contributions to assist in this much-needed project.

Eight trays of Communion cups and several bread plates have been donated and sent to Nigeria. We greatly appreciate the response to this mission need. The men in Nigeria express their thanks to each church that provided these used Communion sets.

At the Golden Rule Church of God, at the village of Three Towns where Bro. J. A. I. Ekpo is the pastor, a witch doctor and his family were converted to Christ and immersed. After accepting Christ he burned all his juju charms and talismanic rings. Praise God that his Word continues to go out in a wonderful way.

India

The construction of the church-medical building was halted for fifteen days due to lack of cement. At last report, one hundred bags were received and construction was resumed. More than one thousand patients were treated in the rented facility.

The folks at the Thomas Town Church observed the seventh anniversary of the dedication of their building. Special prayers were held for the Church of God General Conference sessions in August.

Bro. P. M. Paulson, of Ravulapalem, spent some time in Bangalore in August. He was there to study, with Bro. S. S. Manoah, the true teachings of the Church of God and for leadership training in successful church work.

Ghana

Pastor Oliver K. Amani conducted open-air preaching services for seven nights recently. He spoke on Fundamentals of the Christian Faith. About eighty non-members attended each night in addition to the membership. Each service lasted two hours.

During June, three Middle School students accepted Christ and were immersed in baptism. They are James Nyador, Moses Nyador, and Andrew Bepenae. Pray for these new converts.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

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



Education for the Church

Learning is one of the most rewarding and satisfying experiences available to mankind. Learning is a continuing need that gives to man a sense of direction and purpose in life. God intended that we pursue understanding. Achievement and success in every area of life are preceded by knowledge. Growth, unity, love, compassion, and all other human virtues are established on the basis of clear knowledge of ourselves and others. It is fundamental to every activity of life.

Biblical education and learning make a unique contribution to individual growth and development. In much of education today there is that feeling that people must learn to do something. Education is looked upon as skill development. Success in life is associated with doing rather than with being. The worth of the individual by contemporary standards is found in how much he is able to do. In Christian education the value of his learning, and of the individual, is found in being—the person he is. Success with God and with fellowman must be found in the quality of our existence and not in the value of our abilities.

In its greater definition, then, education is learning about life and learning to live. Growing into a responsible person and accepting Christian responsibility is the highest kind of education. The externals of a successful career and vocation are secondary to learning about and imitating the successful living of Jesus Christ. A primary activity of living must be precisely that—living. A Biblically educated person is one who lives successfully before God and in unison and love with fellow believers. The skills and abilities that Christian young people develop as they learn are rewarding to the church, but they are secondary to the greater objective of learning to live.

New Scholarship

The 1974 graduating class has provided a full tuition scholarship for an OBC student. This is the first year for this scholarship, but it is planned that the award will be given annually. Congratulations to Michael Berry, who is the recipient for 1974-75.

Graduate Work

Eugene Stilson attended graduate school in Wheaton, completing more graduate studies in the New Testament. His area of interest this summer was centered in the Epistles of Paul.

New Faculty Member

Mrs. Connie Mongan of Mt. Morris, Illinois, will be serving as Freshman English instructor during the following year. Mrs. Mongan is a graduate of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. Mrs. Mongan has a B.A. with a major in English. We are thankful for the contribution she will make to the education of our students.

Booster Fund

Some money is still coming in from the spring Booster Fund drive. We are thankful to God for the people of the Church of God who have contributed more than \$1500 to the Booster Fund this year.

Music Lab

Music laboratory facilities are presently being constructed in the library. The funds to finance this new equipment were provided by the Lois Graham Memorial Fund. We are thankful to the Ed Graham family for providing this excellent addition to the College library.

Chorale Record

There are still available copies of the Chorale long-playing album, "Sing to the Lord." If you would like a copy of the album, please send your name along with \$5.00 to Oregon Bible College.

Christian Emphasis Seminar

Christian Emphasis Week will be October 7-11. The instructor for the Christian Emphasis Week Seminar will be Bro. Joe James of Greenville, South Carolina. Bro. James will conduct classes every morning and present a chapel message every day.

We are thankful to the guest instructors who are able to provide concentrated instruction and spiritual emphasis as an opportunity for growth for our students.

Communication Conference

November 11-16 John Lewis will be attending a Creative Communication Conference in Kansas City, Missouri. The Conference will bring together the leading Christian Communicators throughout the United States. They will conduct seminars in mass communications, worship communications, and creative communications in every area of Christian development. We are thankful to the Church of God for this opportunity to attend.

BYF and Sunday School news

Francis Burnett, Youth and Sunday School Director

Greatest and Largest Ever!

The 1974 Berean Youth Conference, held in two camps approximately 35 miles apart, was the largest ever in Berean Youth Fellowship history. The number at the Shipshewana Retreat Center, Shipshewana, where 12th grade and post-high campers were housed, was 131 campers and 17 staff members. Eighth to 11th graders at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Indiana, numbered 259 campers and 33 staff members. This adds up to a total of 440 in attendance at the two camps.

The weather was nearly ideal, and the spirit at both camps was the kind desired. Campers and staff members from Shipshewana were transported to Camp Mack on Tuesday night, to be present for the championship Bible quiz, and again on Thursday night, for the Decision Night worship service.

At the close of the worship service on Thursday night, twenty-two went forward in response to the gospel invitation. Following the service, they received counsel from members of the staff. Four were baptized in the lake at Camp Mack early Friday morning.

We thank our living God for his graciousness and love toward all of us, manifest in such a fine fellowship in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thank You, One and All!

We are writing this column for the last time. It has been our pleasure to be International Berean Youth Director for the past five years. Previously, we served on the youth conference staff for nine years, for four of those years as assistant director.

No words can really express our feelings after having served in such a capacity for such a length of time. During this period we associated with hundreds of young people, many of whom are now adults, and serving faithfully in the churches. Between us has developed a Christian fellowship that has no equal. The special fellowship that we have experienced with the young people that we have known in the past 14 years will be missed very much. Yet it is important that changes be made for the best interests of all.

Our earnest desire is that each of you will give full support to Bro. Hugh Harman, as he assumes the directorship of the Berean Youth Department. He is a fine Christian man, who is determined to serve God faithfully.

SEPTEMBER, 1974

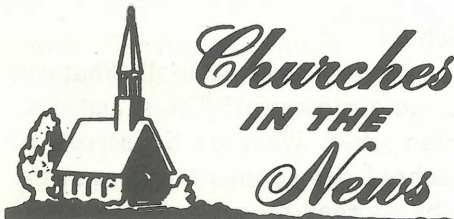
Successful Sunday School

How can we build a better Sunday school? What can we do to make ours more successful? These, and similar questions, are often asked. What are the secrets of successful Sunday school development and growth? The following may be scorned by some as "the same old stuff."

Solomon wrote: "The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun" (Eccl. 1:9). There must always be basic, fundamental principles, upon and around which all else is built. The application of these basics to new areas and in a variety of ways provides the impetus that leads to an exciting and growing Sunday school.

The following are some tried and proved principles that hold the secrets of success. 1) Zeal for Sunday school work must be clearly evident in the attitudes and actions of Sunday school workers. A cherished vision of the goals being sought is inseparable from accomplishment. 2) The Sunday school staff must be consecrated. The spiritual standards of a Sunday school never rise above those of its working staff. Such standards must be established and maintained by those who labor for the Lord. 3) Systematic and continuous training, for the purpose of enlarging and upgrading the staff, is essential. Teacher-training courses should vary as to content and approach, in order to challenge and inspire both experienced and inexperienced teachers. 4) A workable system of record keeping is important. Records are necessary to an efficiently operating Sunday school. A successful visitation program depends much upon well-kept membership and attendance records. 5) An active visitation program is as necessary as officers. There is no acceptable substitute. 6) It is important to keep the size of classes within reasonable limits. When a class becomes too large, it tends to become stagnant. Too small a class may discourage both teachers and pupils. By dividing or combining classes wisely to meet current needs, much can be done to help maintain enthusiasm. Ample supply of trained workers makes this possible. 7) Remember that *teaching the truth* is the ultimate purpose of any Sunday school. If it fails to teach the Bible simply, understandably, and comprehensively, even the largest and most efficiently operated Sunday school is only empty show. ●

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



**HONOR SERVICE AT
MARTINSVILLE CHURCH**

A special all-day meeting was held on Sunday, May 26, 1974, at the Salem Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith in Martinsville, Ill. The service was in honor of Bro. and Sr. Sylvan Richey and Bro. Zenas Murphy, the oldest living members of the Salem Church. The church was filled with local members, guests from Restitution Church of God, Casey, and other visitors. Some traveled over 200 miles to join in honoring the long and dedicated service that Bro. and Sr. Richey and Bro. Murphy have given to their church.

Morning and afternoon services were conducted by Bro. S. O. Ross of Oregon, Ill. His afternoon subject was "Faith Rewarded," with the lives of the three honored guests as illustration of this precious attribute. During the services several musical selections, both vocal and instrumental, were enjoyed by all.

To mark the day, flowers and plaques were given to the honored guests. It was also announced that a gift of office furniture had been presented to the Oregon Bible College library in their honor. A delicious basket dinner was served at noon.

BAPTISMS

San Jose, Cal. At the close of the morning worship service, June 30, 1974, Linda Kinsey and Jeff Kinsey were baptized into the body of Christ. We pray that God will richly bless Linda and Jeff in their new life with him.

Ray Hall, pastor.

South Bend, Ind. On April 28, 1974, Gary and Sue Smith were baptized into Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins. On June 16, Harlan and Carol Higgins were baptized into Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins. Hope Chapel Church of God rejoices in their decisions and welcomes both families into the fellowship of the church.

James Graham, pastor.

Dry Run, Va. Richard Grim, 32, was baptized into Jesus in the waters of Passage Creek in Fort Valley on June 16, 1974. His confession of faith had been made somewhat earlier. We are glad to welcome "Sonny" into the household of faith, and look forward to his becoming a strong pillar in the house of the Lord.

James Mattison, pastor.

Tempe, Ariz. In a joint service with the Phoenix congregation, twelve young people were baptized into Christ. Many of them had requested baptism at a recent Southwest Conference Youth Camp. Six were from Phoenix and six from Tempe. Both congregations rejoice with the angels of heaven. Those from Tempe are: John Herrell, Chris Tueppler, Tim Paul, Debbie Wright, Gladys Clark, and Sandy Merchant. May God bless them as they begin their life in Christ.
Gerald Cooper, reporter.

Herndon, Va. Mrs. Maxine Schmidt and Mrs. Eleanor Barnard were baptized on June 9, 1974, at the Royal Village Church, in Front Royal. Sr. Schmidt's address is 469 Dulles Pk. Ct., Apt. 101, Herndon, Va. 22070. Sr. Barnard's address is 467 Dulles Pk. Ct., Apt. 104, Herndon, Va. 22070.

Ronald Macy, pastor.

Fonthill, Ont. It was the writer's privilege to assist Neal Shafto, of Simcoe, Ont., to put on Christ in the waters of baptism on June 16, 1974. We rejoice in the faithfulness of this fine family in the work of the church, even though they live some distance away.

John Hearp, pastor.

Raymore, Mo. We rejoiced with family and friends when Susan Glover went forward on Saturday, May 25, 1974. It was our privilege to baptize her the following morning, after the morning worship service. We pray God's richest blessings upon her as she begins her new life in Christ. Susan is the daughter of Howard and Doris Ann Glover, and lives with them at 13710 Spruce St., Grandview, Mo. 64030.

Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

Digby, N.S. On May 5, 1974, Miss Judy Winchester and Miss Ruth Thibodeau were baptized in the saving name of Jesus and received into membership in the Lighthouse Church of God.

Raymond L. Brown, pastor.

Columbia Station, Ohio. During the June 23, 1974, morning worship service, Miss LuAnn Yost, 10844 Mitchell Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio 44028, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. We praise God for her step of faith, and welcome her into membership in the body of Christ and the Church of God.

Russell Magaw, pastor.

Lafayette, Ind. Mary Alice Powell was immersed in the saving name of Jesus, June 9, 1974. We at Faith Chapel rejoice with her in this decision.

Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

Eden Valley, Minn. At the close of the morning service, June 23, 1974, Michael Thyen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wally Thyen of Paynesville, was baptized for the remission of sins at Long Lake Bible Camp. We all join in prayer that Michael will always walk hand in hand with our Savior.

Blanche Brossard, reporter.

Waterloo, Iowa. It was a joyful occasion at the Conger Street Church of God, June 23, 1974, when Teresa Smith expressed her desire for Christian baptism. As she begins her new walk of life for Christ her Savior, we pray for God's blessing to be with her. She was immersed by the writer at the Y.W.C.A. in Waterloo.

Stanley Lawrence, pastor.

Dayton, Ohio. Miss Sandy Jobe professed her faith in Christ by baptism, July 7, 1974. We rejoice in her decision to prepare for Christ's return and eternal life!

Rex F. Cain, pastor.

Phoenix, Ariz. On July 14, 1974, the following young people were baptized into Christ, and were raised to walk in newness of life: Pamela Boone; Desiree Loeffler; Janet Dunn; Charlotte Culver; Sheri Lohr, and Brad Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Cooley were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ on July 21, 1974. It is wonderful to have these dear ones added to God's redeemed family throughout the world, and to our local church.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Following the Decision Night service of the Tri-State Youth Camp, with Bro. Billie Kennedy as guest speaker, the following young people came forward requesting baptism: Victor Lee (Skip) Vermillion, Bambi Lynn Cooper, and Valerie Dawn Garnett, all of Browntown, Va., and P. G. Coverstone, of Front Royal, Va. They were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins by the writer, on July 7, 1974. We of the Cool Spring Church of God rejoice in their decision, and pray that their Christian walk may always be fruitful and rewarding.

James D. Ritch, pastor.

MARRIAGES

Pamela Miesse and Carl Jennings were united in marriage, June 8, 1974, at the Lawrenceville, Ohio, Church of God, by the writer. We pray the blessing and favor of God on their life together.

John R. Lewis.

On Saturday, June 8, 1974, Michael Berry and Denise Pearson were united in marriage at the Brush Creek, Ohio, Church of God. Michael is from Wyoming, Mich., and is a senior at Oregon Bible College. Denise is from Vandalia, Ohio. She attended Oregon Bible College for three semesters. We pray for the Lord's blessing to be on this couple, and that their lives together in his service will be filled with joy.

Richard Worley, pastor.

NEW WORK AT WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON

Our prayers have been answered! We are taking our first step, a Bible study group. The first meeting of the Willamette Valley Bible Study will be August 11, 1974. We plan to meet the second and fourth Sundays of each month in the homes of members of the group.

We issue an invitation to all ministers and lay brethren who will be passing through to stop and lend us your moral support. For further information, contact: Joyce Rice, 4761 Burlington Loop, Salem, Ore. 97302; phone 503-362-8109.

PASTOR RESIGNS

The resignation of Pastor J. Arlen Marsh, who had served as interim pastor of Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, since August, 1973, was submitted to the church, to take effect immediately, on June 16, 1974. He had acted as pastor only between the time Pastor J. R. LeCrone resigned to become editorial director of the General Conference, and the possible selection of a full-time pastor. Need for taking a vacation—if he took one at all—between June 14 and 27 forced the decision to leave early. Bro. Ellsworth Frederick filled the pulpit June 16 and 23. The church has a business meeting scheduled, to vote on a prospective full-time pastor, immediately after the worship service.

J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

BRUSH CREEK, OHIO

On May 11, 1974, a mother-daughter banquet was hosted by the men of the Brush Creek Church. Bro. Rex Cain was guest speaker. He gave a fine talk concerning discipline and the rearing of children.

May 17-19 were the dates of the Northeast Youth Conference, which was held at Brush Creek. Approximately seventy people were in attendance.

The senior Bereans held a pancake supper on May 25. All donations were given to the Coins-for-Christ Crusade.

The junior Bereans had a walk-a-thon on June 1. While on their ten-mile hike, they also distributed vacation Bible school advertisements. Betsy Moore, reporter.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hall, 5631 Madison Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Emmie Pack Stone, of Pelzer, S.C., died Sunday, April 21, 1974, at the age of 91. She was the widow of William Harper Stone, who died in 1940. He was an assistant pastor at Guthrie Grove Church. Sr. Stone was a member of Guthrie Grove Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. She is survived by three daughters, two sons, three stepdaughters, and three stepsons. Also surviving are thirty-eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at Guthrie Grove Church by the pastor, who was assisted by T. M. Ferrell. Burial was in the church cemetery. Kenneth Milne, pastor.

Louise Rubsamen Kump was born near Mt. Morris, Ill. June 20, 1910, to Louis and Minnie Rubsamen. She was married to Daniel C. Kump, April 30, 1931. She was baptized into Christ at East Oregon, Ill., in 1948, and remained a faithful member and worker at East Oregon Chapel Church of God until the family moved to Baton Rouge, La., where she died March 1, 1974. Survivors include her husband, Daniel; two daughters, Mrs. Gordon Landry, Oregon, Ill., and Jean Kump, Baton Rouge, La.; one son, Louis, North Little Rock, Ark.; thirteen grandchildren, a great-grandson; five sisters; and one brother. She was laid to rest in Daysville Cemetery to await the call of her Lord. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Sr. Phoebe Lynd was born at Rushville, Ill., September 24, 1895, to William and Etta Densmore. She was married to Orville Lynd in 1925. To this union two children were born, Orville Dale and Eileen Townsend. She was baptized by Bro. G. E. Marsh in 1917, became a member of the Ripley Church of God, and had her membership transferred to the Oregon Church of God in her later years. She died May 10, 1974, after a long illness, and was buried beside her husband at Kewanee, Ill., to await the call of her Master, Jesus. C. E. Lapp, pastor.

Mayme V. Jones died suddenly in her home in Pomona, Cal., on June 20, 1974, at the age of 88 years and 11 months. She was married to Arthur M. Jones in 1919. She and her husband pastored the churches at Lawrenceville, Ohio; Eldorado, Ill.; St. Cloud, Minn.; Kokomo, Ind.; and several churches in Iowa. Surviving are her son Delbert, pastor of the Pomona Church of God; and three grandchildren: David, Foley, Minn.; and Philip and Linda in Pomona. She had many relatives and friends. Services were conducted in Pomona by Bro. Harold Doan. Graveside services were conducted by the writer at Elmwood Cemetery, Waterloo, Iowa, where Sr. Jones was laid to rest beside her husband to await the call of the Master. S. O. Ross.

Mr. Ellis Shaw was buried in a funeral service conducted by the writer on June 15, 1974. He fell asleep in death on June 13, 1974, following a short illness. He is survived by his wife, Sr. Irene Shaw, who is a member of Hope Chapel Church of God, South Bend, Ind. James Graham, pastor.

Mrs. Blanche Eyster, Oregon, Ill., was born March 14, 1904, in Nashua Township, Ogle County, Ill., to Charles and Louise Butterfield, and died at her home June 20, 1974, of an apparent heart attack. She was married to Clifford Eyster November 24, 1927. Two daughters were born to this union: Mrs. Herman (Barbara) Bergman, Rochelle, and Mrs. Charles (Donna) Holder, Carpentersville. Besides the husband and daughters, one sister, Mrs. Edna Goeble, Spooner, Wis., and five grandchildren survive her. In April of 1940, Bro. S. E. Magaw baptized both Bro. and Sr. Eyster. They have been active members of the Church of God ever since. Funeral services were held from the church of her devotion, and were conducted by the writer and Bro. S. O. Ross, after which she was laid to rest in the Daysville Cemetery, where she awaits the resurrection call. Clyde E. Randall.

Esther Helen Harvey Snyder was born September 1, 1918, at Kokomo, Ind. She died June 10, 1974. In her early teens she was baptized by J. H. Anderson. She was a faithful member of the Jay Street Church of God. She was married to Fred Snyder July 11, 1937. To this union three daughters were born: Mrs. Ron (Rita) Bliss; Mrs. Don (Phyllis) Obermeyer; and Mrs. Bob (Janet) Snyder. Surviving to mourn her death are her three daughters; eleven grandchildren; one brother, Edgar Harvey; one sister, Neomi Harvey, and many relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother Robert, and a sister Lois. Following services conducted by the writer, which emphasized her faith in the resurrection, she was laid to rest in the Crown Point Cemetery, to await her awakening call. V. E. Kirkpatrick, pastor.

Mrs. Betty E. Irish, age 56, fell asleep in death May 30, 1974, following an illness of one year. Sr. Irish was immersed in the waters of baptism in 1963 by Bro. Timothy Pearson. Since that time she had taken an active role in the work of Hope Chapel Church of God in South Bend, Ind., where she often served as an officer. She is survived by her husband, Bro. Stan Irish, two sons and two daughters. She sleeps the sleep of death until Christ returns to call her from the grave. Funeral services were conducted by the writer June 3, 1974. James Graham, pastor.

Hattie Garfield Bradley Johns was born in Meridian, Conn., August 1, 1880, and died in Littlefork, Minn., July 16, 1974. She was reared in and near Blair, Neb., and was baptized by Bro. Almus Adams about 1916. On December 26, 1898, she became the wife of Arthur M. Johns, in a ceremony at Blair. To this union, five boys and five girls were born: Robert, Marysville, Wash.; Edmond, deceased; Byron, Littlefork, Minn.; Russell, Bennington, Neb.; Arnold, Fredericktown, Mo.; Gertrude, Littlefork, Minn.; Isabelle (Mrs. Don Williams), Bodfish, Cal.; Doris (Mrs. Lee Rhoades), San Fernando, Cal.; Janice (Mrs. George Haberer), Dixon, Ill.; and Mary (Mrs. Orland Barnes), Littlefork, Minn. Sr. Johns was preceded in death by her husband and son Edmond. She reared her children in the faith. Her amazing health and strength kept her busy about her household until a few short weeks before her death. She is survived by nine children, twenty-seven grandchildren, forty-one great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren, making a total of eighty living descendants. She was laid to rest beside her husband in the cemetery at Blair. Emory Macy, pastor.

CONFERENCE PHONE NUMBER CHANGED

The telephone number of the Church of God General Conference, including Oregon Bible College, is now 815-732-7991. This number replaces both 732-2761 and 732-6741, the previous numbers. There are still two lines into the offices but, if one line is busy, your call will be automatically switched to the other. A busy signal indicates that both lines are in use.

Dormitory and student numbers will remain as they have been.

WHO HAS THE FILM STRIPS?

Bro. Don Ward would like to recover two film strips that he made himself. He has lost track of them, but is sure that they are somewhere among the ministers. One is about the church, and the other pertains to death. If either of them is in your possession, please return it to Don Ward, P.O. Box 87, Raymore, Mo. 64083.

INVITATION

The Minnesota State Conference of the Churches of God would like to extend an invitation to Church of God (of the Abrahamic Faith) members to camp and fish at Long Lake Bible Camp, near Eden Valley. Any large group should write to Lowell Wegner, P.O. Box 825, Litchfield, Minn. 55355, Phone 612-693-2938. Please clean the facilities you have used before leaving the grounds. Miriam Johnson, secretary.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Free Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded certificates: Anna Mae Reid; Mrs. Imogene Booker; Ruth Hayden; Sandra Parks.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 4, 5—Southern Ill. Conference, Ripley.
Oct. 11, 12—Northern Ill. Conference, Flag Center.
Oct. 12, 13—Neban Berean Youth Retreat, Camp Rock Haven, Cozaco.

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San Jose Church	27.00	Brush Creek Young People	56.24	North Salem Church	27.82	Roy Cooper	5.00
Blessed Hope Church	106.05	Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	20.00	Mr & Mrs Joe Myers	25.00	St Louis BYF	12.00
Macomb SS	33.75	Mr & Mrs Steven Knapp	48.00	Arlington Bereans	23.18	Flagg Center BYF	43.17
Bedford Bereans	24.53	Frances Wood	30.00	Esther Peterson	3.00	Mrs Mabel Bell	15.00
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Blanchard Sr Bereans	230.60	Happy Woods Church	167.00	Clara Hoke	25.00	Anonymous	100.00
Morse Mill Bereans	13.22	Minn State Conf	64.05	Troy Church	267.60	Anonymous	100.00
St Louis Church	49.02	Pennellwood Church	246.10	Oregon SS	18.09	Lawrenceville Church	235.98
Phoenix Bible Church	230.50	Mr & Mrs Lowell Holt	50.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	127.00	Tempe Dorcas	30.00
Tom New	6.00	Golden Rule Church	161.59	Guthrie Grove BYF	114.59	Mara Jennings	12.00
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Gary Hatcher	7.00	Mrs Petsy Rudacille	100.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Mattus	23.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc	20.00
Jay Ramsey	60.00	Illinois Conf	100.00	Mr & Mrs Herb Kasper	10.00	Sheila Sheeley	10.00
Valley Young People	13.77	Clay Marquis	3.00	Anonymous	2.25	Jaynes St Church	375.00
Dale & Josie Koontz	30.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Wood	21.00	Mrs Ivy Millsap	5.00	Lawrenceville Esther Soc	2.15
Cool Spring Bereans	94.38	Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	9.00	Gatesville Bereans	18.00	Michael Ross	2.00
Lawrenceville Sr Youth	27.50	Southwest Conf	236.00	Mr & Mrs L Hollenback	52.63	Fonthill Miss Soc	542.37
Eden Valley Bereans	381.00	Clara Broberg	10.00	Clair Rice	30.00	Mrs F L Austin	5.00
Leota Hanson	20.00	Fonthill Church	300.41	Fredericktown Church	68.45	Valley Church	69.77
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Mary Brown	4.00	Mrs Earl Richter	24.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00	Sr	15.00
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