

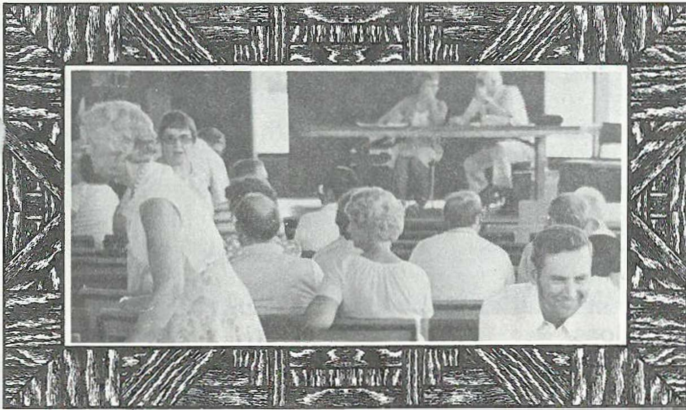
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## 1980 GENERAL CONFERENCE REPORT



**T**RADITIONALLY, as Chairman of the Board of Directors, I welcome you, in behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Church of God General Conference, to this sixtieth annual meeting of the Conference. In reality, however, we are not welcoming you to our conference—as delegates, you are the General Conference.

As we are organized under the Church of God General Conference Constitution and By-Laws, you, as recognized delegates to this conference, have the ultimate authority and almost unlimited power. The General Conference staff is responsible to the Board of Directors; the Board of Directors is elected by and responsible to you, the delegates. You are the final authority, under God, for the work of the General Conference. It's rather like the chain of command in education: the teachers are afraid of the superintendent; the superintendent is afraid of the Board of Education; the Board of Education is afraid of the parents; the parents are afraid of the children; and the children aren't afraid of anybody. But seriously, the delegates to this Conference have great authority and, consequently, great responsibility.

We have a printed agenda which we will follow as closely as possible. It provides for the reporting and discussion of the various phases of the Conference activities, for the election of directors, and for the introduction of general business from delegates. We will follow Roberts' Rules of Order, in the interest of orderly conduct of the business, but we want these meetings to be open and not stifled by formality or complicated procedures.

This has been a year of transition in the General Conference work. The reorganization of the Conference departments began this year, in fulfillment of the recommendations of the Study Committee which were adopted at the 1978 General Conference. Due to the tragic deaths of John and Ruth Lewis and Russell Reye, even more changes were required than originally had been anticipated.

During this past Conference year, S. O. Ross graciously delayed his planned retirement and continued to serve as Executive Director. David Krogh, who has been invaluable to the Conference by stepping into interim positions, has served as Acting President of Oregon Bible College. Russell Magaw is completing his first year as Director of Publishing, drawing all the publishing activities of the Conference into his department. David McClain is completing his first year as Director of Business Administration for the General Conference and for Oregon Bible College. Warren Sorenson, Director of Outreach and Church Development, has been engaged in special studies and programs at Fuller Seminary in California. In spite of what appears to be a very transitory situation, much has been accomplished in the General Conference work in this past year, as will be brought out in the sessions that follow.

We are now entering into a new fiscal year, with the permanent staff in place. The Executive Council, made up of the Executive Director, President of Oregon Bible College, and the Directors of Departments, is organized, meeting regularly and functioning efficiently. In this new year, David Krogh will begin his responsibilities as Executive Director. Dr. Charles Pryor has begun his service as President of Oregon Bible College. Russell Magaw will continue his work as Director of Publishing. David McClain will continue his work as Director of Business Administration. Warren Sorenson has completed his special courses of study and is now working full time out of the Conference office as Director of Outreach and Church Development.

We believe that the Conference has an efficient organization and an excellent management staff and we look forward to exciting progress in the new fiscal year and the new decade as the Church of God General Conference strives to fulfill its stated purpose "to assist members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission to

## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

By Harold Doan

feed the Church of God and preach the gospel to all the world by providing trained personnel, services, resources, and materials."

The theme for the Conference meetings this week is: "Sharing God's Love From the Foundation of Truth." There is a dual emphasis—the importance of sharing the love of God and the importance of revealed Bible truth as a basis for and integral part of this sharing. Sermons, seminars, classes, and other meetings will be centered in this dual theme message.

This theme concerning truth and love reminds me of the story of the ship captain who was a stickler for the rules. Everything had to be done by the book. One day the first mate came on duty and he had obviously been drinking. The captain, in spite of the protests and pleading of the mate, felt it necessary to enter into the ship's log, and hence into the first mate's record, the notation, "The first mate was drunk today." A few days later, when the first mate was on duty and the officer of the day, he made an entry in the ship's log, "The captain was sober today." This was, of course, true, but the implication was that this was such a monumental occasion that it had to be memorialized in the ship's log. Truth, in this case, lacked fairness and love.

In my opinion, there is an amazing unity in the Church of God in defining the elements of Bible truth. Our understanding of the essential truths of God's Word, as set forth in church constitutions and in the General Conference Constitution and By-Laws, and as taught and preached in the Churches of God, demonstrate one mind and one accord in definition of essential Bible doctrines.

Our individual attitudes toward Bible truth and our personal ideas about how to relate Bible truth to ourselves and to the world in which we live, differ, however. Everyone does not place the same degree of importance upon each of the things commonly believed among us. We do not each feel and observe the same needs in ourselves and in others,

and hence sharing God's love and God's truth may not mean the same thing to each of us.

It is like the two shoe salesmen who were sent to two different undeveloped countries to try to find new sales markets for their companies. After the first month, one sent in his report saying, "This is the worst place in the world to sell shoes. Everyone here goes barefooted." The other salesman sent in his monthly report, saying, "This is the greatest place in the world to sell shoes. Everyone goes barefooted." It is obvious that different people have different attitudes and different outlooks, even in the same situations.

In our Conference meetings here, we have a genuine cross section of the Church of God in North America. We are different personalities. We come from different cultural backgrounds. We live in different worlds or environments. We do different kinds of work. We have had different pastors and teachers. All of these factors influence our personal attitudes, and what we perceive to be the needs and the ways to fulfill those needs.

One might consider these differences to be a weakness in the body. I perceive these differences to be a source of strength, if we understand them and use them. The Apostle Paul's famed comparison of the church to the human body (1 Cor. 12) illustrates the *unity* of the body in Christ, but it also illustrates the *differences* in the individual members of the body. Each member is unique and has a different gift and specific function. These differences are melded by Christ, and the experiences and abilities and gifts have a synergistic effect; that is, the effectiveness of the resulting body is much greater than the sum of its individual parts.

We are united in faith, in purpose, and in hope for the coming of our Lord and full salvation in the kingdom of God. As we share our beliefs, opinions, experiences, and gifts, we will minister to one another and the body will grow stronger as we share God's love from a foundation of truth.



#### Monday, August 4

Chairman Harold Doan called to order the first business session of the sixtieth annual Church of God General Conference at 2:00 p.m., August 4, 1980, at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois. Bro. John Railton and Bro. C. E. Randall offered prayer.

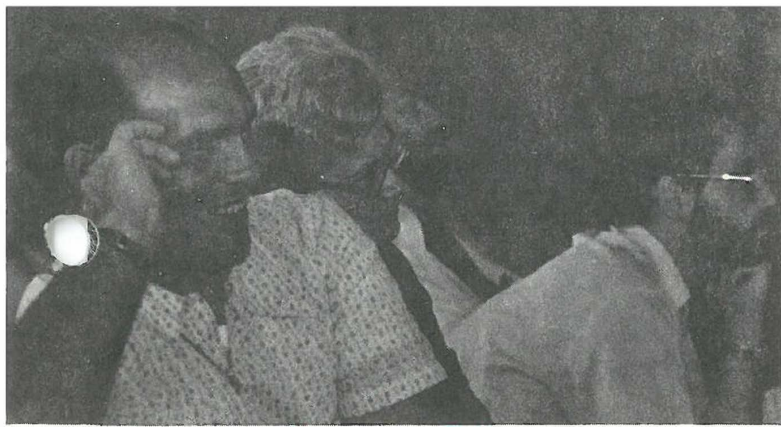
## MINUTES OF THE 1980 GENERAL CONFERENCE

Chairman Doan welcomed all the delegates and members in attendance. Special recognition was given to new delegates and one newly licensed minister.

Ruth Overholser, chairlady of the Credentials Committee, seated the delegates and explained procedures for the business sessions. She also told the delegates that they have a great responsibility in making their decisions.

Chairman Doan, in his keynote address, noted that this has been a year of transition, where changes have been made in accordance with the Study Committee's report. Stan Ross continued to serve as Executive Director, and David Krogh was acting president at Oregon Bible College.

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Russell Magaw, editor, and David McClain, director of business services, have completed their first year. This next fiscal year, David Krogh will be serving as Executive Director of the General Conference, and Charles Pryor will be president of Oregon Bible College. Russell Magaw will continue as editor of all Church of God printed material, and David McClain will serve as director of Business Administration. Warren Sorenson begins his work at Oregon as director of Outreach and Church Development. Chairman Doan admonished that the Conference move forward under this management.

The special reports of the annual report of the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, as printed in the June, 1980, PROGRESS JOURNAL, were discussed. John Huston moved and Charles Jones seconded that the special reports as published in the June, 1980, PROGRESS JOURNAL be received. Motion carried.

Dwaine Demmitt, vice chairman, gave a report on the activities of the Board of Directors during the past year. He explained that much time had been given to policy development and long-range goals. Oregon Bible College is attempting to become recognized in the State of Illinois as a Bible College.

S. O. Ross informed that the \$5,000 note on the Oregon Bible College women's dormitory had been returned by the Morse Mill (MO) Church of God as a contribution. Therefore, all indebtedness on the women's dormitory has been completely paid.

David McClain presented the financial reports for the first nine months (October 1, 1979 - June 30, 1980) of the current fiscal year. Charles Graham moved and Robert Coverstone seconded that the financial statement be received. Motion carried.

Russell Magaw reported on the Publishing Department and expressed appreciation for the workers in his department. He informed that Shirley McQuinn is conducting a writing seminar at this conference.

The credentials committee reported that 122 delegates had registered. C. E. Randall moved and Maurice Robinson seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Ed Goit dismissed with prayer.

### **Tuesday, August 5**

Chairman Harold Doan called to order the second session of the sixtieth annual Church of God General Conference at 2:00 p.m., August 5, 1980. Cecil Smead led in prayer. The minutes of the August 4 meeting were read.

The chairman informed that C. E. Randall serves as the conference parliamentarian. He also announced that S. O. Ross was appointed by the Board of Directors to be chairman of the Ministers' Voluntary Retirement Association. C.

E. Randall, who has been chairman of this association since its inception 12 years ago, did not wish to be chairman any longer.

Chairman Doan encouraged members of the conference to discuss with the Board of Directors any questions, suggestions, or concerns they might have.

Chairman Doan explained the background for the Outreach and Church Development Department. The Youth, Sunday School, and Missions Departments were consolidated into one department as they are all related to church growth. Warren Sorenson was appointed to be director of this department.

Warren Sorenson thanked all the people who had helped him during his past year at Fuller Theological Seminary. He plans first to prepare a profile of each church in the General Conference, then talk with the pastors. After that, seminars, clinics, and workshops will be conducted. He advised that the local church is the key to church growth. The General Conference can give help, but the local churches make growth happen.

Hugh Harman reported on the youth work. Three hundred fifteen persons were involved in the International Youth Camp this summer. Dates for next year's camp are July 12-18, 1981, at Camp Alexander Mack. The Midwinter Retreat is scheduled for January 2-4, 1981, at Look Up Lodge in South Carolina.

A youth caravan, composed of nine young people, traveled through Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Virginia, and Ohio, visiting churches where it received excellent receptions.

David Krogh informed that 115 persons attended the Christian Workers' Seminar in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, last March. Dates for the seminar next year are March 22-27, and it will be held in the Sheraton-Gatlinburg Hotel at Gatlinburg, Tennessee.

Joe James moved and David Cheatwood seconded that recommendation number one, that the contributions to Mission Builders League assistance be increased to \$20.00 for each appeal, be adopted. Motion carried.

The credentials committee reported 150 delegates present: eight officers, 46 ministers, and 96 delegates.

Russell Johns moved and Maurice Robinson seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Ray Hall dismissed with prayer.

### **Wednesday, August 6**

Chairman Doan called the third business session to order at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, 1980. Arnold Johns offered prayer. Bro. Doan explained how the election of officers will be conducted on Thursday.

The meeting was opened for nominations for the Board of Directors: three members to be elected. The following people were nominated:

Maurice Robinson, Jr., by Charles Bottolfs

Joe Martin, by C. E. Lapp

Larry Domigan, by Charles Graham

Joe James, by John Hearp

John Hearp, by Ed Goit

C. Jesse Pestle, by Willis Turner

Edward Bender, by Richard Worley

Charles Knapp, by Ray Hall

Jim Jannereth, by Don Needham

Stephen Bolhous, by Francis Burnett

James Hamilton, by Robert Huddlestun

Kenneth Vancil and Charles Bottolfs moved that nominations be closed. Motion carried.

Chairman Doan asked David Krogh, acting president of Oregon Bible College, to give his report. Bro. Krogh expressed his thanks for the contributions for the women's dormitory; informed that there would be two intern students this year: Charles Durham at the Rockford Church and Bobby Partain at the Phoenix Bible Church. A pole maintenance building has been erected on the college campus; the Golden Rule building is still being renovated.

Dr. Charles Pryor was introduced, and he gave a resumé of making his decision to become president of Oregon Bible College. He sees three needs for the college:

1. Continued support from everyone through prayers and communications.
2. Expanded recruiting procedures.
3. Cooperation and input from pastors of the Churches of God.

Joe James moved that the delegates to the 1980 Church of God General Conference recognize by a standing vote of appreciation the outstanding contribution of Bro. David Krogh who has served as acting president of Oregon Bible College during the past year.

John Hearp asked for a rising vote of thanks to Carroll Bennett, Eugene Stilson, Ed Schroth, and Dale Ramsey who have helped with repairs to the Golden Rule building.

Ruth Overholser reported for the credentials committee that 156 voting delegates were registered—eight officers, 50 ministers, and 98 delegates.

Maurice Robinson moved and Don Swartz seconded that the meeting be adjourned until 2:00 p.m., Thursday. Motion carried. Richard Worley dismissed the meeting with prayer.

#### Thursday, August 7

The fourth and final business session of the 1980 General Conference was called to order at 2:00 p.m., Thursday August 7 by Chairman Doan. Prayer was offered by Stanley Lawrence. Minutes of Wednesday's meeting were read.

Ruth Overholser seated the delegates, with 160 being registered.

The election of officers to the Board of Directors resulted in the following:

Maurice Robinson, Jr., was elected on the second ballot.

Joe James was elected on the third ballot.

John Hearp was elected on the third ballot.

Dwaine Demmitt moved that the delegates of the Church of God attending this 60th General Conference declare this day, August 7, 1980, as Stan and Peg Ross Day with a rising vote of appreciation to Stan for his 11 years of service on the Board of Directors and his 19 years of service as office manager, superintendent of missions, and executive director at the General Conference.

Through the chairman, Adrian Shepherd, Executive Vice President of the Advent Christian Conference, conveyed his thanks to Stan and Peg for their friendship during the past years.

Charles Pryor moved and Alva Huffer seconded that the General Conference delegates give a rising vote of thanks to Paul and Ruth Overholser for their generosity and love as demonstrated through their contributions to renovate the Golden Rule building into college class rooms and administrative offices.

C. E. Randall moved and John Huston seconded that a suitable enlarged picture of Bro. and Sr. Paul Overholser be placed in the remodeled Golden Rule building in honor of their contribution to the remodeling. Motion carried.

Robert Lindner moved and Joe Astolfi seconded that the Outreach and Church Development Department of the Church of God, headed by Warren Sorenson, send out letters to pastors, youth leaders, and other parties of the Church of God who are able to supply information on lessons and activity helps in problem areas of youth life for a new youth program. After receiving materials, they would be correlated into seasonal information packets that all our churches would be able to purchase. Motion carried.

Charles Bottolfs moved and David Swartz seconded that the delegate expense pool allowance of six cents per mile be increased to 18 cents per mile, beginning with the 1981 General Conference.

Ed Goit moved and Robert Coverstone seconded that the motion be amended to read 12 cents instead of 18 cents.

The Amendment lost and the motion lost.

Maurice Robinson, Jr. moved and Charles Bottolfs seconded that the basic mileage rate per mile for the General Conference delegate pool be determined by the General Conference business manager by taking the average price of gasoline per gallon and dividing it by 10 and rounding it off to the nearest penny. Those who travel by plane will be paid the basic mileage rate per mile for the number of air miles traveled, or the amount of their air fare, whichever is less. Motion carried.

This information should be announced in the PROGRESS JOURNAL far enough ahead of the Conference so churches could take care of this expense.

Jim Graham moved that the delegates give a standing vote of thanks and appreciation to Rachel Carr for eighteen and a half years of service to the General Conference.

C. E. Randall moved that the delegates give a rising vote of thanks to the retiring members of the Board of Directors: Carroll Bennett, Don Needham, and Charles Pryor.

David Krogh moved that a round of applause be given in recognition to the members who worked on the songbook committee: Stephen Bolhous, Beth Vancil, Dale Ramsey, Louise Lapp, David Krogh.

S. O. Ross had copies of letters he had sent and answers he had received from various political leaders concerning the government of Israel.

David Krogh presented the proposed budget. Joe Martin moved and Russell Johns seconded the adoption of the Goals for Giving in the amount of \$359,000. Motion carried.

Ruth Overholser, reporting for the credentials committee, reported eight officers, 51 ministers, and 101 delegates present, making a total of 160.

The chairman asked that the secretary read the minutes for today's meeting. Ed Goit moved and Willis Turner seconded that the minutes of the entire conference be accepted. Motion carried.

S. O. Ross dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shirley Urish, Secretary.

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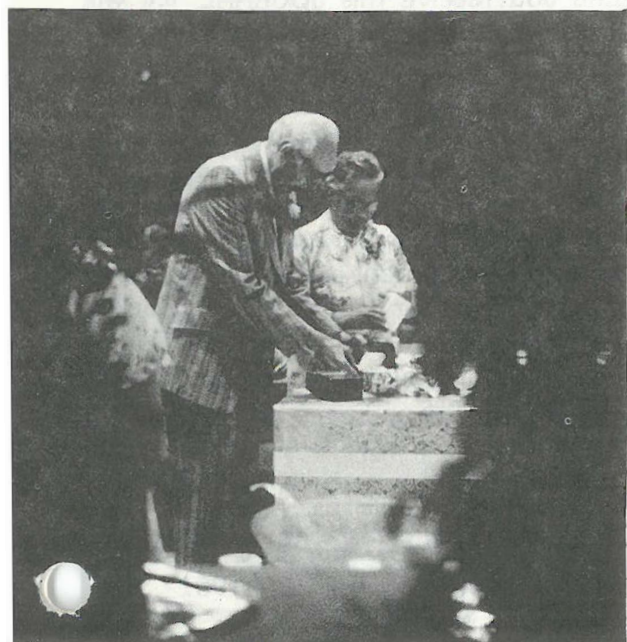
# Sharing God's Love from the Foundation of Truth



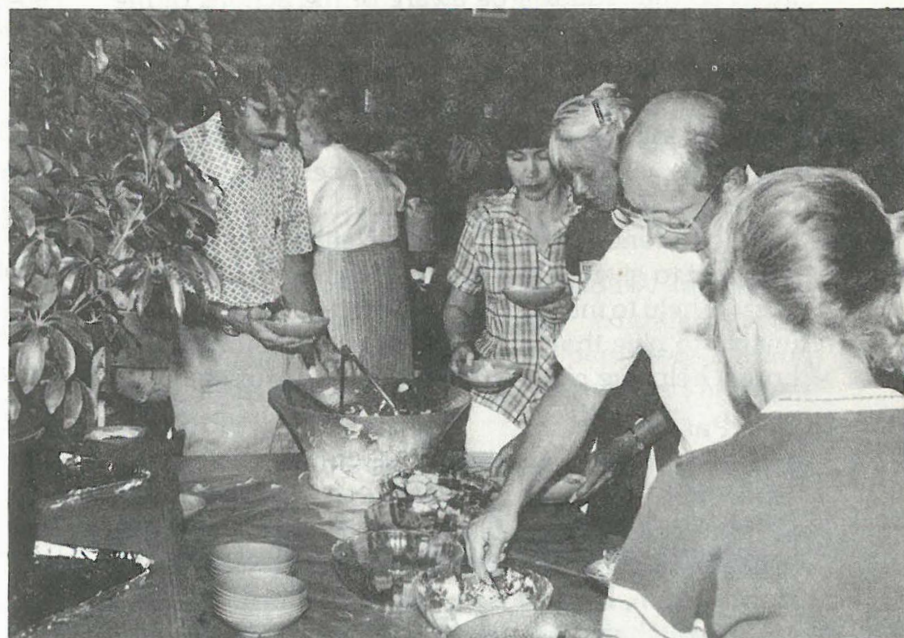
New members of the Board of Directors voting for its new officers.



Members Paul and Ruth Overholser honored with standing ovation for their underwriting the costs of renovating the Golden Rule building.



Retiring Executive Director S. O. Ross and wife Peggy opening gifts at the reception held in their honor.



Rockford College food is both healthful and plentiful.

David Krogh,  
Executive Director



### General Conference Minutes and Budget

The minutes of the 1980 annual Church of God General Conference delegate sessions appear in this issue. The annual budget appears on page 4. If you were unable to be present at Conference in August, I hope that you will give special attention to these two items so that you will be aware of the actions of the delegates who represent you.

You will notice that the Goal for Giving for this new fiscal year is \$359,500. This is a 3.3% increase over the Goal for the previous fiscal year. This year's goal could easily be met if each member family in the Church of God were to contribute \$100 to the General Conference during the year. Naturally many of us will want to give more than \$100 during the year and this will help to make up for those families who may be unable to give that much. But together and with the Lord's help, we can meet the budget requirement.

### New Pastors

It gives me pleasure to welcome four young men from their pastoral internship programs to full-time pastoral service. They are James Hill, Kokomo, IN; Michael Hoffman, Brush Creek, OH; Ken Howe, North Salem, IN; and Alan Shaw, Bedford, OH.

I am also happy to welcome Scott Millard, who has

been furthering his education since his graduation from Oregon Bible College, as pastor of the Front Royal, VA, church.

Please remember these new pastors and their congregations in your prayers.

### New Hymnal Being Used

Our new Church of God hymnal entitled *Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs* was officially introduced at General Conference in August. Since its release, the book has been ordered by many of our churches. Any churches which have not had an opportunity to see a copy of the book yet may write for an examination copy. For more information regarding the book, see the ad on page 14.

### Conference Finances

As this page is written in early September, contributions are short of our goal for August 15 to September 14. Nearly \$25,000 was contributed during this 30-day period. However, at this writing there are still 20 days before the end of this fiscal year, and we are anticipating sufficient contributions to enable us to finish this year in the black.

By the time you receive this JOURNAL, we will already have started the new fiscal year. It is my prayer that we will have made a good start in meeting our needs during the first nine days of October.

Listed below is the amount that will be needed during the next 30 days to cover our expenses. I trust that each of you who needs this page will make our financial needs a matter of prayer and concern. Your contributions are an investment in the lives of young people who are preparing for ministry; in missionaries who serve in other lands; in printing and publishing evangelistic and educational materials; and in many other worthwhile projects.

Thanks for your help.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981

**\$359,000**

Needed October 10 - November 9 \$29,960

**PROPOSED BUDGET  
CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE  
October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981**



	General Conference	Oregon Bible College	Total Gen. Conf. & OBC
<b>Anticipated Expenses:</b>			
Salaries	\$ 98,706	\$113,094	\$211,800
Light & Fuel	1,400	18,000	19,400
Telephone	2,100	6,000	8,100
Insurance	7,900	9,500	17,400
Postage	11,700	1,500	13,200
Office Supplies	1,850	1,500	3,350
Advertising	500	400	900
Repairs & Main.	5,400	2,500	7,900
Travel	10,300	7,000	17,300
Towel & Laundry	150	150	300
Printing	28,500	2,500	31,000
Editorial	1,400	----	1,400
Assist. Miss. Pts.	5,000	----	5,000
Assist. Churches	8,000	----	8,000
Free Literature	25,000	----	25,000
Special Programs	----	1,200	1,200
Food	----	22,000	22,000
Supplies & Expense	4,700	6,000	10,700
Rock Valley Instruct.	----	4,400	4,400
Social Security	6,000	7,000	13,000
Sub. & Dues	400	1,500	1,900
Professional Serv.	2,000	2,000	4,000
Auto Expense	1,000	1,000	2,000
Misc.	1,200	500	1,700
Foreign Exchange	1,400	----	1,400
Staff Training	1,400	1,000	2,400
Typesetting Expense	2,000	----	2,000
Special Missions	5,000	----	5,000
Mailing Supplies	1,000	----	1,000
Furniture & Equip.	3,750	7,000	10,750
Building Fund	----	3,000	3,000
Library Books	----	5,000	5,000
Vehicle Replacement	3,000	----	3,000
Purchase of Resale Items	10,000	----	10,000
<b>Total Anticipated Expenses</b>	<b>\$250,756</b>	<b>\$223,744</b>	<b>\$474,500</b>
<b>Anticipated Income:</b>			
Tuition, Room & Board (OBC)	\$ 75,000		
Gross Income from Sales		40,000	
<b>TOTAL Anticipated Income</b>			<b>\$115,000</b>
<b>Contributions Needed (GOALS FOR GIVING)</b>			<b>\$359,500</b>

**1980 Senior Youth Caravan a Success**

Now that the 1980 Senior Youth Caravan is past tense and enough time has elapsed to fully evaluate what took place, I feel strongly that the program was successful and that God blessed us all the way.

This caravan was the first to be organized since 1975 when the caravan concept was tabled due to lack of interest. This was certainly not the case this year as we received applications from 27 young people indicating their desire to be a part of this program. Much time and effort was spent in selecting 10 from the applicants to make up this caravan.

The caravan assembled in Oregon, IL, on July 20 to prepare and practice the program to be presented. A rather tight schedule had been set up which called for traveling some 3600 miles in 11 days to six different states and seven churches.

The caravan left Oregon the afternoon of July 22 with scheduled stops at the New Hope Church in Little Rock, AR, the Blood River Church in Springfield, LA, the Guthrie Grove Church in Pelzer, SC, the Fort Valley Church in Fort Valley, VA, the Eternal Hope Church in Washington, DC, the Bedford Church in Bedford, OH, and the Lawrenceville Church in Lawrenceville, OH. Due to the tight schedule, very little time was spent in sight-seeing, although the caravan members did enjoy a short tour of Monticello, an all-day picnic sponsored by the Guthrie Grove Church at Table Rock State Park near Greenville, SC, and a guided tour of Washington, DC, compliments of Pastor Dale Swartz of the Fort Valley Church.

Members of the caravan all agreed that they had received a wonderful spiritual blessing by having participated in this program, and we were told by many members of the various congregations we visited that they had received a blessing also. We thank God for this rich blessing.

Our thanks also go to the previously mentioned churches for the invitation they extended to the caravan and for the warm and open reception and hospitality extended to the caravan members and their sponsors.

Caravan members included the following: Hugh and Mary Harman (sponsors), Karen Burnham, Angie Dickerson, Heidi Harman, Beth Harrison, Elizabeth Pryor, Kevin Demmitt, Brad Eldred, Mike Gallagher, and Jeff Smith.

We thank God again for his rich blessings!

# OREGON

# BIBLE



My name is Connie Davis from Springfield, LA. The classes here are very interesting, as is living in the dorm. I like it here, but the weather is definitely different from Louisiana. My activities include working with the Junior Church at Oregon Church of God, and singing in an OBC Gospel Team.

I am currently employed in work-study as one of the school's librarians. I think I shall truly enjoy my stay at OBC.

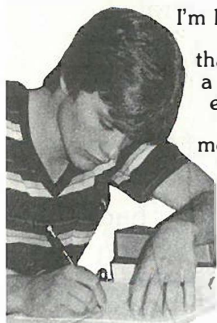


**Dr. Charles Pryor,  
President**



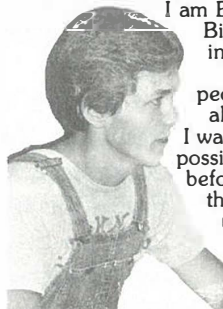
I am Kathy Walls from Springfield, LA. I enjoy living in the dorm. The classes are very interesting and exciting. I have to admit that living here is different from living in Louisiana, but I like it. Some of my activities are singing in the Oregon Church of God Choir, singing with an OBC Gospel Team, and serving on the social committee. God will

help me and the others who are here. I know he is already working through us.



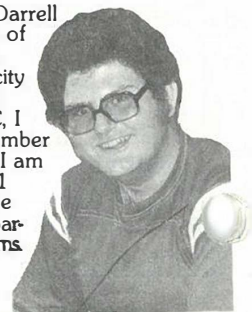
I'm Darwin Bronson from Blanchard, MI. I feel that I am going to have a great experience and education. I think that this College will give me the best foundation for my life, no matter what my career may be. God has opened several doors for me to be here. He has given me a job to meet my expenses and I praise him for it.

I am Beth Harrison from South Bend, IN. I decided to come to OBC a couple of years ago and now that I'm here I have no regrets. I will be getting a good music background as well as a Christian background. I am in both Choir and Chorale and am also taking piano lessons—it's a good thing I like music. I was really lucky to get a job which I both enjoy and is easy to get to—working in a craft store (surprise, Mom). I am really looking forward to a great spiritual experience this year.



I am Brad Wachtel. Oregon Bible College is becoming a good learning experience for me. The people are great and we all get along quite well. I want to gain as much as possible here in every way before I go back home to the mountains at Cashmere, WA.

Hello, my name is Darrell Cardwell. I am one of five freshmen from Indiana. My home city is Kokomo. Since I have come to OBC, I have become a member of the OBC Choir. I am also in the 1980-81 Chorale. Being in the choir allows me to participate in Gospel Teams. I also plan to run for class office. I hope to see you all on gospel team tour.



**JUNIOR-SENIOR**  
**OCTOBER 9-11—COMING**  
**PLAN NOW TO BE INCLUDED ON**  
*See your pastor or youth leader to*

Oregon Bible College opened its 42nd session with 130 students on campus. The freshman class includes 10 part-time students. There are 13 returning members. The total enrollment also includes two special students. One student, not pictured, is a local part-time student. On October 10, the college will hold its annual convention at Arlington Heights, Illinois. Sessions include worship service, student affairs, and workshops for Bible members of the College staff, Board of Trustees, and faculty. All members will be present at these sessions.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE DEDICATION OF THE**  
**NEWLY REMODELED CLASSROOM BUILDING**  
**SUNDAY AFTERNOON**

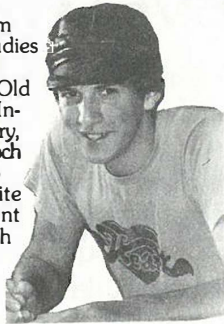




# COLLEGE

# PROGRESS

I'm Danny Bliss from Kokomo, IN. My studies include Greek, New Testament Survey, Old Testament Survey, Introduction to Ministry, Fundamentals of Speech and Introduction to Sociology. My favorite is Greek. It's different being at college with one class Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and another Tuesday and Thursday. I have to be organized, which I've never been in my life. It's really different and I like it.



I'm Darcey Emerick. I am a baptized member of the Hope Chapel Church in South Bend, IN. My place of employment is in the OBC library which will be very convenient because that will also allow me time to do homework. I am very excited about being a member of the Choir and Gospel Teams. I am also very excited and, I must

say, a little surprised about being selected to be a member of the Chorale, a singing group I have admired. I came to OBC looking for a sound Christian education and so far I have no doubts about finding it here.



I'm Russ Bird from Arlington, TX. I plan to attend Oregon Bible College for 5 years to become a minister. My plans for the future include to preach wherever I'm needed. I attended Arlington High School in Arlington.

While there I played on the football, baseball, and basketball teams. I've been a baptized Christian for 10

years. I was baptized by Brother Michael Mattison. I plan to be very active in campus activities. I am thankful for those who provided the scholarship that allows me to be here.

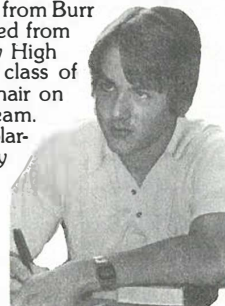


I am Joan Simpson. I enjoy life at Oregon Bible College. The atmosphere is comfortable, friendly, and provides an enjoyable learning experience. I am a member of the Chorale this year. I very much miss my family and the people and worship services at the Lawrenceville Church in Ohio.



I'm Eileen Moore from Little Rock, AR. I find my first year in college quite rewarding. I have enjoyed every aspect of each activity, and find the college life quite interesting. Everyone is so friendly, and I feel very much accepted. I have already gained a reputation for being a good athlete. I was elected to be on the Sports Committee, and asked to assist in planning games for Labor Day activities. I'm excited to be an active contributor to campus life.

I'm Steve Mattison from Burr Oak, IN. I graduated from Culver Community High School third in a class of 102. I sat fourth chair on the Indiana quiz team. I won the OBC scholarship which paid my tuition for the first semester of my freshman year. I am presently enrolled in 20 hours of classes. I plan to attend OBC for preparation to become a minister.



I am Pam Holquist from Grand Rapids, MI. Impressions of OBC have all been positive for me. Orientation got the freshmen well acquainted, and the upperclassmen have done their best to welcome us to the dorm life. It's perfect! The instructors are sincere in their desire to help us learn, and the food is quite edible.

## WEEKEND

### VISIT OUR CAMPUS.

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enroll with 40 full-time and three part-time students. We have 13 full-time resident students and one or two sophomores and five juniors. The senior class has nine full-time students and two pastoral interns. Brenda Lenox, 25, the American Association of Bible Colleges will be present. The program will include sessions on Christian college Presidents and Academic Deans. Members of the Student Government will be present.

REGISTRATION AND OPEN HOUSE AT THE COMMUNICATIONS AND OFFICE BUILDING ON OCTOBER 11, NOVEMBER 16.



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## To the Church of God . . . With Love

The phrase, Sharing God's Love From the Foundation of Truth, echoed from several sessions at this year's General Conference at Rockford, Illinois. This theme set the tone for a fine conference. An atmosphere of anticipation of great things to come could be felt by many of the delegates. At the same time, a spirit of concern has been expressed by many in relation to possible changes within the Church of God. Both the anticipation of great things to come and the concern in relation to change are linked to the reorganization of the structure of the Conference and changes in staff personnel.

The creation and function of the Department of Outreach and Church Development generates questions which deserve forthright answers, such as: What effect will this have upon the doctrinal heritage of the Church of God? and, What is church growth?

### Our Doctrinal Heritage

In response to the first question, the theme of this past General Conference, Sharing God's Love From the Foundation of Truth, expresses my philosophy for the Church of God and the Department of Outreach and Church Development. We cannot compromise Bible truth. The message is God-given; it is his, not "ours." We have no options in relation to revision of the content. The message cannot be changed without violating God's truth and our responsibility as his church.

What can change is our attitude toward others who need this message, and our commitment to God and the task of world evangelization. Dean Kelly in his book, *Why Conservative Churches Are Growing*, presents his thesis that conservative churches are growing because they know what they believe and are strongly committed to their faith. The conservative base is the strongest upon which we can build our ministry as the Church of God. Without commitment,

by  
**Warren  
Sorenson,  
Director**



however, we lack a basic ingredient that identifies and motivates the conservative church. The Apostle Paul wrote, "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth" (Eph. 6:14) but he did not say, "Stand still." The impact of committed persons is expressed in the following quote from Dean Kelly's book, "For when a handful of wholly committed human beings give themselves fully to a great cause or faith, they are virtually irresistible. They cut through the partial and fleet-

ing commitments of the rest of the society like a buzz saw through peanut brittle."

We are being thrust into the waters of conviction that the great commission requires total commitment within the Church of God. This is a time when we are challenged to reaffirm our convictions of the gospel message, and a time of awakening to our opportunity and challenge to be bearers of this message. We have a gospel to proclaim that gives meaning to life and urgency to the ministry of the church. The time of *isolation* and *timidity* is over. We have a message to share and there is urgency about telling it!

### Our Growing Churches

I will respond to the second question, "What is church growth?" on the basis of what I consider church growth to be and my nearly 30 years of ministry in the Church of God. One of my first pastoral experiences was in Hedrick, Indiana. Following the close of the morning service a man walked to the front of the church to give his life to Christ and as a public testimony of his request for baptism in the name of Christ. In a couple of weeks several young people followed his example and believers were added to the Body of Christ and the local congregation. *That's Church Growth!* But there's more.

Experiences throughout my ministry have helped clarify church growth. Through Bible study and sharing in Christian relationships I've seen persons grow in

faith, commitment, and a loving relation with Christ and fellow human beings. An increase of Bible knowledge and spiritual changes in personal application of faith resulted. *That's Church Growth!* But there's more.

Today I have many personal Christian friends who are not blood relatives of the charter members of churches. Where did these Christian friends come from? Christians sharing with the unchurched, new faces appearing in services and fellowship circles of the church, and the power of Christ and the gospel bringing conversion has resulted in new persons and families coming into membership of the Church of God. *That's Church Growth!* But still there's more.

Congregations have formed in new locations and have established churches. Mission fields have opened and missionaries are sharing Christ and the gospel in various cultures. *That's Church Growth!*

What is church growth? It is the growth of the Body of Christ as members of church families come to Christ in baptism; it is an expansion of the family of God by bringing the unbeliever to faith and commitment in baptism to Jesus Christ; it is the extension of the church by adding new congregations, which become established churches; it is bridging cultures through mission activity. In my understanding of God's commission to his Church, all of this is in accordance with his will; in fact, it is required if we are to be accounted as faithful stewards of the gospel.

As Director of Outreach and Church Development I speak to the Church of God with love, a love for the Church of God demonstrated by nearly 30 years of ministry. I appeal to you to evaluate church growth by its specific issues and not merely by a "term." I understand the concern for the heritage of the church, and this is as it should be, and yet assumptions that church growth will result in betraying this heritage are unfounded and do not consider the specific issues of church growth. -

Keep in mind that the name of the game is not "numbers" but *names* in the Book of Life. If God counts the number of fallen sparrows and the number of the hairs on the head, he most surely counts the number of baptized believers. I'm sure God wants us to remember the reason for the death of his Son and to build our ministry upon his purpose, "that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." The agony of the cross and the triumph of the resurrection are demonstrations of God's concern for results. (2 Pet. 3:9.) It is time we as the Church of God also demonstrate a concern for results.

### **New Church Progress**

One of our new churches is the GOSPEL MISSION

OCTOBER, 1980

CHURCH in Winter Haven, Florida. Byron Jay is serving as the pastor and leader of the church and is working diligently for its success. Bros. Clyde Randall and Cecil Patrick assisted in the pulpit ministry during their winter visits.

The congregation met in a home last winter, then moved to a rented facility in an office building. Now they have dedicated a small church building located on the corner of 33rd and O Streets in Winter Haven.

Their dedication services were very unique! Mr. Angelo Disavioa, who is also a Rabbi from Israel spoke for the message of dedication, in six languages (Hebrew, Arabic, Italian, Spanish, French, and English). His message on the unity of the church and family included living standards of the Jewish culture in which Jesus might have lived.

Bro. Jay writes, "Although I'm sure that we will soon outgrow the new location, it is a stepping-stone to yet bigger things to come." He extends an "open hand of fellowship" to any who may be in the Winter Haven area. A map showing the church location is available if you contact Byron Jay, 194 Maple Street, Winter Haven, Florida 33880.

The congregation is in need of a pianist or organist and has been diligently praying that God would provide one. Your prayer support for this special need and the continued growth of this mission church is earnestly sought. You can be a part of this mission church through your prayer support.

We praise God for this new work. We have received word from others regarding starting new churches. The Lord is opening doors for the extension of his church in new areas. We encourage groups or persons interested in starting a new church to write to the Department of Outreach and Church Development. God will continue to bless his people with opportunities as we accept those he places before us.



# CHURCH NEWS

## AND PROGRESS

### BAPTISMS

**Oregon, IL.** On August 3, 1980, our church family at East Oregon Chapel was greatly blessed as we had opportunity to witness seven persons receive Jesus Christ as Savior in the waters of baptism. A beautiful out-door service was held under the oaks on the banks of the Kyte Creek near Oregon. We welcome into the body of Christ, Diana McCoy and her two daughters Dawn and Deborah, Chris and Louanna Corcoran, Cynthia Eich, and Michael Clark. We pray God's richest blessings on these new brothers and sisters as they begin their walk with him. Richard Eldred, pastor.

**Wyoming, MI.** On August 3, 1980, Ronald Hale, Jr., was immersed into the body of Christ at the worship service of the Southlawn Church of God. He came forward to accept Christ as his personal Savior on decision night at the 1980 Berean Youth Conference, Camp Mack, Indiana. We welcome Ron into the family of God and pray for God's blessings upon his new walk of life. Michael Brown, pastor.

**Pleasant Hill, OH.** On August 10, 1980, at the close of the morning worship service Herbert and Dorothy Rhoades and Patricia North responded to the gospel invitation. They were baptized immediately after services at the Curtis Vance pond. Dale North accepted Jesus at the baptismal waters and was also baptized. These four are husbands and wives. We rejoice greatly in their decisions for Christ. May the Lord bless each one of these in their new walk of life. Fred A. Pensyl, pastor.

**McGintytown, AR.** We wish to welcome Debbie Ingram into our body of believers, who came forward to join the McGintytown Church of God on August 17, 1980. On the same date Carla Ingram came forward to request baptism. She was baptized by the writer on August 31 near McGintytown. Praise God, for his work is going forward. Thomas M. New, pastor.

**Troy, OH.** On July 27, 1980, Ron Hollopeter, Amy Hollopeter, Todd Pennington, Dicy Stapleton, Jill Gallagher, Kim Lucas, and John Demmitt were baptized into Jesus Christ at Lost Creek near Troy, Ohio. On August 3 we welcomed them into the Body of Christ and fellowship at Troy View. We praise God for the decisions these people have made to accept Jesus as their Savior! Gary Smith, pastor.

**Hector, MN.** During Youth Conference Eric Moore and Darris Johnson made decisions to follow the Lord. They have followed Christ's example and were obedient to his command that they be immersed. On July 24, 1980, an impressive service took place at Green Lake with Pastor David Cheatwood officiating. May they ever be faithful to their Savior. Miriam Johnson, secretary.

**Kokomo, IN.** The Jay Street Church of God welcomes into membership Tom and Barbara Glassburn and Jackie Cook. They were baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins on August 17, 1980. Tom and Barbara are a young married couple and it seems especially nice that they begin their walk with Christ together. Jackie was invited to services and witnessed to by two of our newest members, Al and Linda Jones. John Railton, pastor.

**Lafayette, IN.** On August 24, 1980, the hearts of the members of Faith Chapel rejoiced and were made glad at the decisions of Suzie

and Derek Winship as they responded to the gospel invitation to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. They both were baptized that afternoon in the cool waters of Wea Creek. We praise God for their concern for their salvation, and pray his blessing upon them to be led of his spirit in their new walk of life in Christ. Arnold Johns, pastor.

**Eden Valley, MN.** On July 30, 1980, Madylon Weldon of Plum City, WI, was baptized into Christ by Pastor David Cheatwood at the Long Lake campground. She joins the body of Christ at the Church of God in Eden Valley. God bless her in the new life. Mrs. Russel Parks, reporter.

**Glendale, CA.** Rejoicing with the angels of heaven, the Valley Church of God reports the baptism of four members—all from the Glendale community. Mr. Ron Belloff is the first adult man from the community to be baptized. His children attended the Vacation Bible School during 1979. They enjoyed it so much they decided to attend Sunday School at the Valley Church instead of where they had been going. Soon Ron also began attending the services. The climax came on August 3, 1980, when Ron was baptized. The other three baptized with Ron are Tina Ahlstedt, Patty Harris, and Diana Newton. Praise God. Bernedene Jones, secretary.

**Oregon, IL.** Cesar Rocha was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins August 10, 1980. He and his family have been studying and worshiping with us regularly for several months. We have especially appreciated his ministry to us in song both in English and Spanish. He is a wonderful addition to our local church family and to the Church of God at large. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Magazine, AR.** The Clark's Chapel church family rejoiced with Sondra R. Honea and Shellie L. Bynum on July 27, 1980, as they went down into the waters of baptism. They were assisted in this act of faith by the writer. J. Roy Humphreys, pastor.

**Omaha, NE.** On September 7, 1980, Jim Burnett accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized in his name. Jim is a young man who is about to enter the Marine Corp. Remember him in your prayers. Scott Ross, pastor.

**Raymore, MO.** Glen Williams was immersed into the saving name of Jesus Christ Sunday, August 10, 1980. We are certainly happy for Glen and share with him his commitment as he takes to himself a rich faith full of promises validated by the atoning death of God's own Son. May God richly bless him for a fruitful new life. Don Ward and Cecil Smead, pastors.

**Missouri State Youth Camp.** It was a tremendous joy and privilege to work at the Missouri Youth Camp June 29 - July 5, 1980. On Friday, July 4, the writer baptized Sean McKinney, Scott Radle, and Michael Koder. Bro. Craig Waggoner also baptized Paul McCarty and Paula Thompson. Shortly thereafter, Daniel Wiggins was baptized after returning to his local church in St. Louis. We certainly pray God's richest blessing to rest upon these new Christians. Pastor Rex Shaw.

**Minnesota Jr. Berean Youth Camp.** It was my privilege to direct the Junior Berean Camp at Long Lake the week of July 13-19, 1980. We were also pleased to have guest workers from the state of Indiana—Pastor Kenny Cook and

wife Cyndy from the New Hope Church of God, Plymouth. After Pastor Cook gave the invitation on Friday, July 18, it was a heart-warming thrill as 10 young people came forward and gave their lives to Christ. Following that service a baptismal service was viewed by many relatives and friends as they gathered by the swimming area of beautiful Long Lake. Pastor Shaw assisted Amy Savage, Carol Shaw, Scott Flesland, Tracy Savage, and Angela Hansen in putting on Christ; Pastor Cook assisted Mari Goldberg, Nancy Kirkpatrick, Jennifer Meyers, Shawn McCorney, and Linda Johns in putting on Christ. We pray that God will bless these young people in their new walk of life. Pastor Rex Shaw.

### MARRIAGES

#### Humphreys - Merchant

Deborah Louise Humphreys, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. J. Roy Humphreys, became the bride of Darryl Glenn Merchant, son of Mr. Donald E. Merchant and the late Mrs. Dolly Merchant, on May 17, 1980, at the Royal Village Church of God, Front Royal, VA. The bride's father performed the evening ceremony before family and friends. After a reception in the church social hall, the couple left for a wedding trip to Williamsburg, VA. They have made their home in Front Royal. Pastor J. Roy Humphreys.

#### Halloran - Payne

On Saturday, July 19, 1980, Deborah Kay Halloran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Halloran, became the bride of Arthur David Payne. The marriage ceremony was very inspirational as the young couple made their vows before the altar at St. Joseph's Church. Art and Debbie are now at home in Owatonna, MN, where Art is manager of Sirlain Stockade. May the Lord bless them in their life together. Mrs. H. S. Payne, reporter.

#### Landry - Wight

In a beautiful double-ring ceremony at the Flagg Center Community Church of God, Rochelle, IL, Gigi Landry became the bride of Terry Wight on Saturday, August 9, 1980. The wedding vows were exchanged before a large group of family, friends, and well-wishers, with Pastor Dan Landry, the bride's brother, officiating. Gigi is the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Gordon Landry, Oregon, IL. Terry is the son of Mrs. Chiyoko Wight of Rockford, IL, and Mr. Ed Wight of Loves Park, IL. Terry is attending Northern Illinois University at DeKalb, where they are making their home at the present. Gordon Landry, pastor.

#### Nettles - Cook

On March 28, 1980, Vanessa Ruth Nettles of Potosi and Edward Keith Cook of Ironton, MO, were united in marriage at the Fredericktown Church of God in a small ceremony conducted by the pastor. We wish them every happiness as they begin their married life together. Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

#### Cooper - Anthony

Tammy Louise Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Cooper, and Michael Magnus Anthony, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stan P. Anthony, were married by the pastor on March 29, 1980, in a candlelight ceremony at the Fredericktown Church. Michael has joined the Air Force and will soon be joined by Tammy as they set up a home together. Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

### Bailey - Bollinger

On May 17, 1980, Connie Marie Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bailey, and Larry Lee Bollinger, son of Mrs. Mary Bollinger, were united in marriage by the pastor at an afternoon ceremony at the Fredericktown Church. We pray God will bless their life together as they make their home in Overland, MO.

Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II pastor.

### Cooper - Bollinger

Kimberly Ann Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cooper, and Scott Bradley Bollinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guile Bollinger, were united in marriage by Pastor Roy Weece at the Fredericktown Church on May 31, 1980. We pray Kim and Scott will find much happiness together in their first home in Overland, MO.

Pastor Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II.

### Cooper - Hawkins

On June 21, 1980, Lisa Ann Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. (Buddie) Cooper, and Jimmy Dale Hawkins, United States Marine Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hawkins, were united in marriage by the pastor at an evening ceremony at the Fredericktown Church. Jim and Lisa will be starting their married life at Cherry Point, NC, where Jim is stationed with the Marines.

Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

### Bailey - Wray

Vicki Darlene Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bailey, and Daniel L. Wray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wray, were united in marriage by the pastor on June 28, 1980, at the Fredericktown Church. We pray God will bless Danny and Vicki and the home they share in Bethalto, IL.

Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

### Kaid-Kittinger

Patricia Ann Kaid and Billy Lynn Kittinger, both of Eldorado, IL, were married on Friday, June 20, 1980, in a beautiful wedding ceremony at the Star General Baptist Church located on the outskirts of Eldorado. The wedding ceremony was performed by the writer. The couple will make their home just outside of Eldorado. Billy is the son of Bill and Wilma Kittinger. May God bless their life together.

Pastor Rex Shaw.

### Ward - Williams

Gail Ward, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Don Ward of the Raymore, MO, Church of God, and Glen Williams, a recently baptized member, were united in marriage in a lovely ceremony on Friday, August 15. May God richly bless this home with all spiritual blessings.

Cecil Smead, pastor.

### OBITUARIES

**Willard Forrest Vishino**, 70, was born on December 10, 1909, and died at his home in Fredericktown, MO, on August 15, 1980. He is survived by his wife, Carrie (Rouse) Vishino; three sons; two daughters; 13 grandchildren; and one great grandchild. Brother Vishino was a retired farmer and a member of the Blush Church of God. Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Wilson Funeral Home on August 17, 1980. Brother Vishino awaits the call of his Master when he shall sleep no more.

Vivian E. Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

**Bessie M. Liestman**, (Mrs. Albert), 81, died Saturday, March 15, 1980, at her home in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Mrs. Liestman was born November 6, 1898, in Paynesville. She married Albert E. Liestman of Paynesville in 1914. She lived most of her married life in St. Cloud and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. Of her surviving family two daughters live in the Twin Cities area: Mrs. George (Margaret) Hartman of Bloomington, and Mrs. Robert (Darlene) Bormes of Blaine who is a member of the Faith

Community Church of God in Minneapolis. Mrs. Liestman lived a life of hope in anticipation of the second coming of Jesus

Pastor Rex Shaw.

Funeral services for **Earl H. Warmolts** were held at the Oregon Church of God, August 25, 1980. Being injured in an elevator accident seven years ago, he suffered constant pain till the time of his death. He is survived by his wife Norma; one daughter, Earlyne at home; and one son, Kirk, stationed with the army in Italy. Earl was a baptized believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, and though death is never pleasant, we feel relieved that he is no longer in pain. We rejoice, furthermore, in the resurrection to immortality when Jesus comes, when pain, tears, and death are no more (Rev. 21:4).

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

It is with sorrow that we report the death on July 30, 1980, in Loma Linda, CA, of **Harold Lewis Tjossem**. He was a long-time member of the Church of God, Faith of Abraham. He was born July 12, 1912, in Paulina, Iowa, and was a resident of California the past 42 years. He is survived by a brother, Vance of Seattle, WA, a sister, Arline Carpentier of Garden Valley, ID, two stepsisters, Blanche Harp of Boise, ID, and Babe Hollingsworth of Ontario, OR. Harold was a loving and faithful Christian until his death. He was buried next to his wife Nadine at Montecito Memorial Park, Colton, CA, where he awaits the call of the Lord. Graveside services were conducted August 4, 1980, by Bro. John Taylor of the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, CA.

John S. Taylor, reporter.

### Addition

In the September 1980 PROGRESS JOURNAL an obituary of George Savage was printed. It should be added that two brothers survive: John Savage, Waite Park, MN; Frank Savage, Lewiston, MT.

### HAPPY WOODS CHURCH SEEKING PASTOR

The Happy Woods Church announces that due to the retirement of our pastor, effective September 30, 1981, we will be seeking a person to fill the pulpit ministry at our church. The position will be filled October 1, 1981. A contract for two years is offered for the first term and will be renewable each five years thereafter. Anyone who feels led by God that he/she could fill the position may apply by letter to C. G. Bottolfs, Route 4, Box 49-C, Hammond, LA 70401. Please include a resumé with your letter. All replies will be kept strictly confidential.

### COMMUNION SETS WANTED

Communion sets are needed for our Nigerian churches. Any church having a spare set which could be donated for this purpose may send it to Missions, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

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### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Teresa Krampe, Blanchard, MI; Evelyn Pery, South Bend, IN.

### WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH LEFTOVER "SONGS OF TRUTH, NO. 2"?

Many individuals and churches in the Church of God have purchased the new hymnals, "Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs," but the old "Songs of Truth, No. 2" aren't worn out. Some churches have dozens or even hundreds of copies. What can be done with perfectly good song-books which are no longer used?

Some churches have given them to sister churches; others try to give them to our mission churches which are already supplied; still others just store them in a closet. Surely there's another outlet for "Songs of Truth."

Yes, there is. The World Home Bible League, 16801 Van Dam Road, South Holland, IL 60473, receives old hymnals for distribution to people in foreign countries who read English. Through the use of this League our churches have another avenue by which our truths may get out to mission points worldwide. Write to the League for more information in donating "Songs of Truth" for distribution in needy countries.

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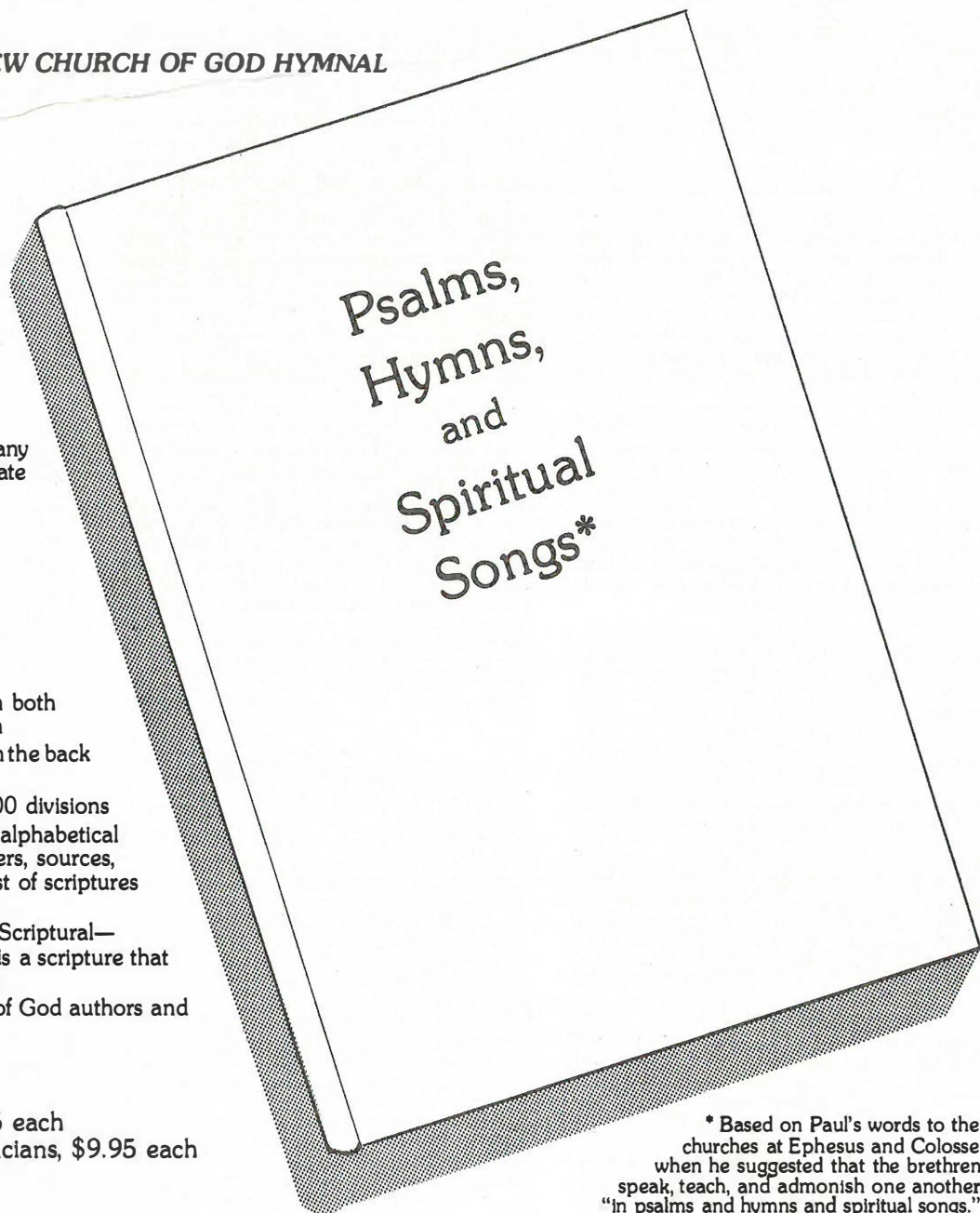
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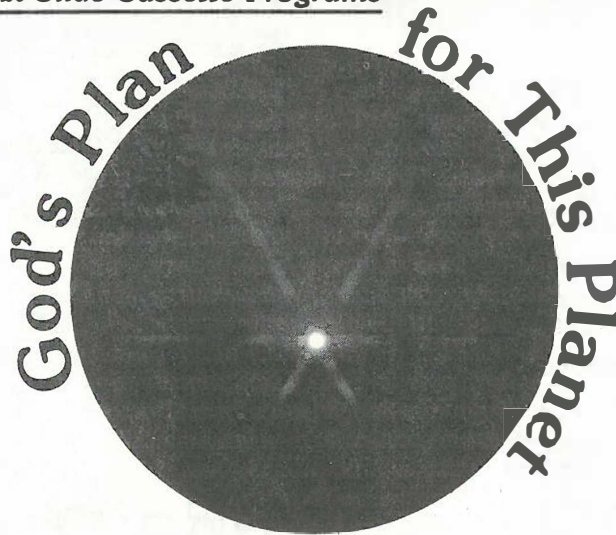
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Worth of Each Person		\$ 35.00	
Salvation Through Christ		\$ 35.00	
The Empty Tomb		\$ 35.00	
World's Only Hope		\$ 35.00	
Christ's Coming Kingdom		\$ 35.00	
All Six Complete Programs		\$200.00	
Totals		~~~~~	

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Mail to:** Church of God General Conference  
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## The Season of Lists

Guest list, shopping list, gift list, church program list, but the largest list of all at Christmas time is the mailing list.

It's the only time of the year you'll hear from cousin Fred, Aunt Mary, nephew George. Naturally you include them on your Christmas card list.

What shall it be this year? Everybody remarked about the Christmas letter you've sent with each card. After 10 years, that wears out. If I could think of something different to enclose with the card . . .

I've got it! A truly "Season's Greeting." A Christmas tract from the Church of God General Conference.

Today I must add to my list: "Order tracts for the Christmas cards." Got to get the order in soon so I can get the tracts back in time to use them.

Hmmm. Now to find the order form . . .

All four tracts are FREE.



## ORDER FORM

Please send me the following tracts:

- | Quan. | Tract                            |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| _____ | Peace . . . Good Will            |
| _____ | What Christmas Means To Me       |
| _____ | Welcome to Christmas             |
| _____ | God's Son—Priceless Gift of Love |

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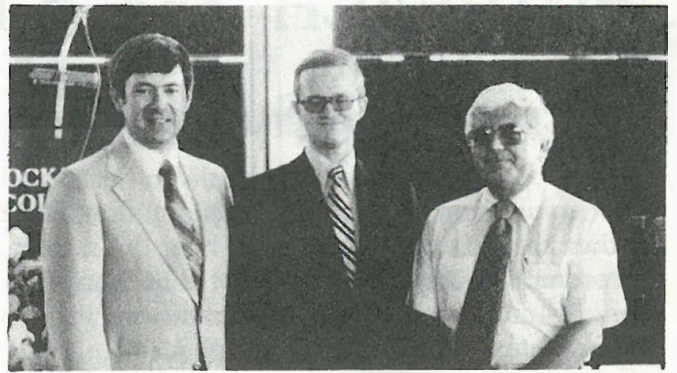
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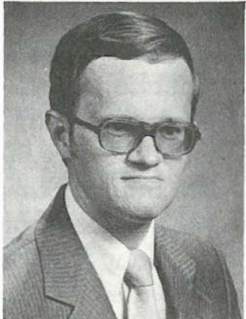
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## General Conference Progress



*David Krogh,  
Executive Director*

### New Church in Lawrence, Kansas

It gives me pleasure to welcome the Lawrence Church of God, Lawrence, Kansas, as the newest member church in the Church of God General Conference. The first service was held August 24. The Raymore, Missouri, congregation is serving as a mother church to this new congregation. Our prayers are with the brethren at Lawrence as they spread the Gospel in their area.

### Blood River Church Dedication

On October 19, the Blood River, Louisiana, Church of God dedicated their new building to the glory of God. This church received the forty-fourth Mission Builders Appeal last spring. The new building contains a sanctuary seating 225 people, two rest-rooms, and a nursery. The former sanctuary of the church will be used as a social room and six classrooms. Brother Billie Kennedy is the present pastor of the church. Our prayers are with the brethren at Blood River as they continue to reach people with the gospel in their area.

### Church of God Directory

The annual directory of the Church of God General Conference appears in this issue. Addresses of pastors, local church officers, conference and college staff, and members of the conference board and committees are listed. I would encourage you to save this directory for future reference.

We have attempted to secure accurate information from each church. However some information was not received by the time of publication. If you find an error,

please notify us immediately so that a correction can be printed in the next issue.

### Board of Directors Meeting

The Fall meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in Oregon on November 14 and 15. Any items of business that should be brought to the attention of the Board should be presented to the Executive Director or one of the Board Members prior to that date.

### Sharing the Gospel Through *The Restitution Herald*

During October, information was mailed to each member family of the Church of God regarding our Free Literature Campaign. If you have not yet replied to Bro. Russell Magaw's letter, I hope you will do so immediately. We are very interested in using *The Restitution Herald* as a means of spreading the gospel, and we can only do that with your help. Equally as important as the names you submit is your financial contribution to make it possible for *The Herald* to be sent without charge to many people. Thanks to those of you who have already taken the time to respond to this appeal.

### Conference Finances

During the last few days of September, nearly \$12,000 was contributed which made it possible for us to complete our fiscal year in the black. Special thanks to the hundreds of people and the many churches who contributed so generously during the past twelve months.

I am pleased to report that during the first nine days of October, \$12,277 was contributed by many individuals and groups. This generous giving has been a very positive first step toward our new Goal for Giving of \$359,000. We are counting on each reader to make it possible for the Lord's work to be successfully carried on. I thank God for your faithfulness.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981

**\$359,000**

Needed October 1 - 9	\$8,852
Given October 1 - 9	12,277
<b>Goal for November 10 - December 9</b>	<b>\$29,960</b>

## Success With Sunday School Promotions

By Joyce Knapp

When you hear someone speak enthusiastically about an unusual Sunday School promotion held by another church, are you eager to hear the results of that promotion or are you more apt to be "turned off" by the "gimmicks" that were used in the mechanics of the presentation of that promotion?

If prayerful consideration is given to the following five steps for developing a good Sunday School promotion, "gimmicks" will not be a justifiable name for the "incentives" that are chosen to stimulate enthusiasm for the ultimate success of your promotion:

### Identify the Need

1. The **NEED** or purpose for having a special Sunday School promotion. What goal would you choose to represent the area of need in your Sunday School? Perhaps you wish for more families to worship and study together, or you may desire a general growth in attendance, or you may want to stimulate personal Bible study and memorization, or you may realize and want to fill a need for brotherly love among your Sunday School members.

### Enlist Workers

2. **WHO** will be your best and most capable workers (do not play the game of "suggester's it")? A prayerful study of your Sunday School membership list should be made to choose key people and, better yet, key families, with just the right talents and attitudes to serve as captains of teams to work out the details for the encouragement and participation of all your Sunday School members. These key people should prayerfully work toward the ultimate goal with a Christ-like spirit of friendly competition.

### Use Incentives

3. **INCENTIVES** will certainly vary with the goal you are trying to reach. If you are going to promote families worshipping together, the incentive should be planned as a family award. If you are going to encourage individual outreach or personal growth, your incentives should be chosen for their personal value. Incentives can surely be fun without demeaning the purpose for which the promotion is being held.

### Build On Unity

4. **UNITY** of participation will make the most rewarding and fruitful promotion. Too often promotions are based upon the premise that the children of your Sunday School will be the key to the promotion's success. There is a tendency to think children aren't afraid

to invite their friends to Sunday School, so mentally the adults hide behind the children and let them do the work, if in fact, any work is done at all. The more successful alternative is to have your promotion be family oriented. When you are planning for outreach, each family should be encouraged to discuss together who will be invited, how the family members can be supportive of one another, and what details need to be given to those they have selected to invite. Those being invited need to know such details as: total time involved, what classes are being taught and by whom, whether there be another friendly face there, what transportation will be available, and who will be overseeing the welfare of a child until he returns home.

Another vital area to be considered for unified Sunday School promotion is planning for the hospitality of each person the Lord sends you. Each Sunday School class should discuss how they will receive someone new, what kind of welcome should be given by each class member, who will be willing to ask someone to sit beside him in the opening exercises, who will show the new attender to class, and who will explain class procedures.

### Follow Through

5. **COMPLETION** of a Sunday School promotion is attained when a "follow-up" procedure has been carried out. If increased attendance is your goal, your plans must include visitation of the guests you have received during the promotion. If you have a round-up of old members, you must include a campaign of personal contact with warm and loving messages of concern for those individuals who respond to the promotion. If your goal is to advance personal Bible study and memorization, you must plan to incorporate these learning experiences into your Sunday School openings or into special class-time opportunities.

God truly does expect you to be aware of the needs within your Sunday School and he does hold you responsible to work with him to answer these needs. Special days and Sunday School promotions can and are the answer to many of your Sunday School needs.

### MISSION NEWS

**Note:** *Tim Thal of the Phoenix Bible Church recently visited with Steve Grant in India. The following is his letter to his home church (used by permission).*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I recently had the privilege of visiting one of our

mission stations which is located in Bangalore, India. Two major accomplishments of the trip were (1) seeing and experiencing first-hand the work God is doing there through his missionaries among millions of unbelievers, and (2) sharing in the work for a time with Steve Grant and being an encouragement. It was meaningful to be able to view God's world in a totally different light.

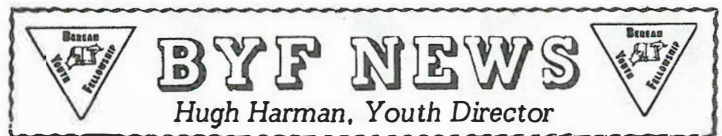
God has blessed India with great beauty. But the enormous spiritual need along with unforgettable poverty left an equally vivid impression on me. God has much work to do there. But there are many vibrant Christians in India, many who have given up much to devote themselves entirely to the sharing of the gospel, depending on God alone to provide their needs. Steve and I had several opportunities to work with some of these in the slum areas of Bangalore. The message of hope in Christ is welcome in these villages where disease and gnawing hunger are day-to-day realities.

Steve has fully adjusted to the different environment offered by India and is in good health and spirits. He has gotten used to, and is even able to enjoy, a spicy hot Indian meal once in a while. He is well accepted and respected and has formed many close friendships. His language study is coming along well and conversation in Tamil comes easier every day. He also leads a Bible study each week and holds a special discipleship class for the church leadership. Steve also recently had the opportunity of taking a course in village health work. The training could be especially valuable if he should in the future find himself in a ministry working with villagers far removed from any doctor.

One of our churches is facing some difficult problems at present. Witnessing some of these problems made me feel fortunate to belong to a strong, healthy church like the Phoenix Bible Church. There is not too much we can do but pray that God will work it out his way. Please pray that he will give encouragement to Pastor Noel and convict by the Holy Spirit those that are standing in the way of the Lord's work in the church.

Finally, Steve sends his love to all of you. He has grown to enjoy India and love the people there, but he also misses his family at the Bible Church. He sends his thanks for all the encouragement he receives from Pastor Jim and all of you. I also thank you for your prayers while I was gone. There were some times over there when I sure needed them. I know that God will use this experience to help me be of better service to him.

Love in Christ,  
Tim Thal.



### Warning About Cults

After reading some of the latest statistics on cults and because of continual pressure put on young people to join, I felt like the following information, originally published in pamphlet form and distributed by the University Religious Council of the University of California at Berkeley, would serve as a teaching tool to parents of teens and young adults alike.

#### *Learn to Be a Listener*

When you feel alone, lonely, and totally overwhelmed by a decision you need to make, and find yourself wishing that someone would just tell you what to do—when you feel like the world used to make sense but now everything is falling apart, you're vulnerable!

When you're hurting (or even when you're not):

Beware of people with magical answers of solutions who are excessively or inappropriately friendly. There are no instant friendships!

Beware of invitations to isolated weekend workshops having vague goals. There is no reason to be vague unless there is something to hide.

You should know that the two basic principles of mind control (brainwashing) are:

1. If you can get a person to *behave* the way you want, you can get that person to *believe* the way you want.

2. Sudden, drastic changes in environment lead to heightened suggestibility and to drastic changes in attitudes and beliefs.

Don't be foolish—protect yourself! Don't go away for a weekend or longer with a stranger or group, unless:

You know the name of the sponsoring group.

You are thoroughly familiar with its beliefs, affiliations, and goals.

You know what will be expected of you.

You know that you will be free and able to leave at any time.

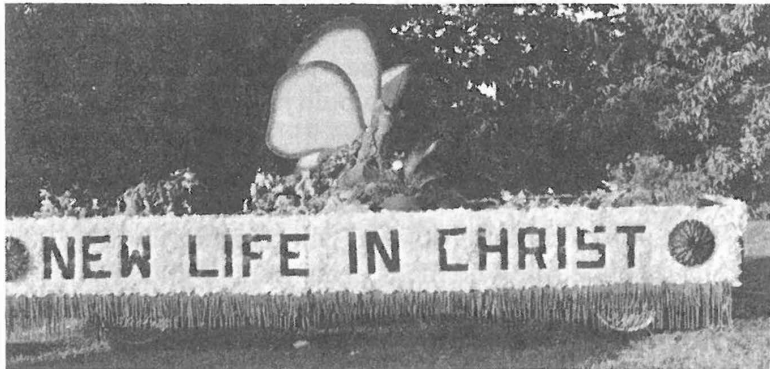
So, if you ever feel overwhelmed, lonely, confused, or in need of friends or direction, reach out to someone you trust: a friend, a teacher, a parent, a counselor, a crisis hotline, a member of the clergy, a member of the campus ministry; or, if you know someone who has these feelings, urge that person to reach out to someone he can really trust.

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**Youth, do you like the full-color Challenge covers? Cost is \$200 each. Help!**

## October—Busy, Beautiful Month

The annual Autumn on Parade festival brings thousands of visitors to the city during the first weekend of October. Oregon Bible College students entered a prize-winning float in the 130-unit parade. The two-hour event culminated a weekend of festivities. Under the leadership of sophomore student Sharon Moore Little Rock, Arkansas, the OBC float was awarded second place among the float competition.



To further reach out to our city, the Student Government Association set up an information and sales booth on the courthouse lawn.



Brian Atra and Dan Shaw at information booth.

## Meet the Student Government Association (SGA)

The Student Government Association exists for the purpose of promoting a close relationship and a good understanding between faculty and students, and for assisting in the supervision of student activities.

The primary function of the Student Government is to represent the student body to the Administration and the Administration to the student body. This in-

cludes reflecting student opinion, moderating student grievances, and presenting constructive student suggestions to the Administration.

Among the specific duties of the Student Government are the coordination of extracurricular activities and the coordination of all campus committees and organizations.

## Student Government Membership

The SGA consists of one representative elected from each class and a president elected at large by the student body. During the current year, Gary Burnham of Berea, Ohio, is serving as SGA president. Tracy Chapman of Portland, Oregon, is the junior class representative and vice-chairman. Debbie Fletcher of Burke, Virginia, represents the senior class and serves the office of secretary. Kevin Demmitt of Troy, Ohio, serves as treasurer and representative of the sophomores. Pam Holquist of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is the freshman class representative. Together, these persons comprise the Student Government Association—1980-81.



Burnham

Chapman

Fletcher

Demmitt

Holquist

## Thank You, Junior-Senior Weekend Sponsors

On October 9 and 10, twenty-one young men and women visited the OBC campus, attended career development sessions and college classes, ate cafeteria food, visited with OBC students, and toured the city and its surroundings. A number of the visitors expressed interest in applying for admission to the college.

Junior-Senior Weekend sponsors are a vital part of the campus visitation program. Sponsors have a very important part in the activities, including sessions planned specifically for them. Attending the October 9, 10 sessions as sponsors were Beth Vancil of Macomb, Illinois; Russell and Patty Fewell of Kokomo, Indiana; Lorene Armes of South Bend, Indiana; Charles Jones of Bedford, Ohio; Dick Eldred of Oregon, Illinois, and Phyllis Raymond of Springfield, Louisiana.

# CHURCH OF GOD DIRECTORY

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# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

**BAPTISMS**

**Greenbrier, AR.** We at McGintytown Church of God are pleased and excited about Pam and Gary Cardin's decision to come forward September 14, 1980. Gary rededicated his life to the Lord, while Pam was baptized at a beautiful evening service followed by a candlelight communion praise service. We congratulate this young couple and praise God for their decision.  
Thomas M. New, pastor.

**Eden Valley, MN.** On July 30, 1980 Madylon Weldon of Plum City, WI, was baptized at Long Lake Campground by Pastor David Cheatwood. She has been accepted as a member of the Church of God at Eden Valley, MN. May she go forth to faithfully serve God the rest of her life is our prayer.  
Mildred Parks, reporter.

**Springfield, OH.** We are pleased to announce the following baptisms: Randy Rowell was baptized into Christ on August 24, and Rhonda Jones accepted Christ as her Savior and was baptized on September 14. We thank God for the testimony of these two young people and pray for their continued growth.  
Joseph Duncan, pastor.

**Holbrook, NE.** The Holbrook Church of God is happy to announce that three people went forward to be baptized in the name of Jesus the Christ on the closing day of Central High Plains Conference, August 17, 1980. Virgil Mills, Timothy Driskill, and Timothy Davis requested baptism and were baptized near Holbrook in a sand pit. May they continue to grow in Christ their Lord.  
Pastor Leon Driskill.

**Troy, OH.** On Sunday, October 12, 1980, Brian Bashore was baptized in the name of Jesus. We rejoice with him, his family, and with our Lord that he made this important decision and pray that God may continue to bless him.  
Gary Smith, pastor.

**Ripley, IL.** Gary and Ann Delaney and their son, Leroy Allen, responded to the invitation call at the close of the morning worship service on October 5, and they were baptized in the beautiful waters of Logan Creek that evening. We were glad to have Pastor Waldon Winner, Jr. assisting in this service because he has been a life-long friend of the Delaneys. We pray that God will bless this family as they begin their new walk with God.  
Richard L. Young, pastor.

**Grand Rapids, MI.** We rejoiced with the angels in heaven as Mrs. Loraine Swanson was immersed in the waters of baptism on Sunday evening, October 12, 1980, by the writer. It is

with great pleasure that we welcome her membership into the Southlawn church. May God bless her new life in Christ as she works and lives for him.  
Michael Brown, pastor.

**Burr Oak, IN.** We, and the angels of God were made happy October 12, 1980, when Sharon Mahler was baptized by the writer at Hope Chapel, assisted by Elder Albert Overmyer. We have known Sharon a number of months and have seen her growth in faith. May God continue to bless her as she takes her responsibilities in the family of God.  
James Mattison, pastor.

**Columbia Station, OH.** The brethren of Columbia Church of God gladly welcome into membership Mrs. Elsie Walker. She was baptized by the writer on September 25, 1980, to join the family of God. May God richly bless Sr. Walker with the indwelling of his Holy Spirit for her new life.  
Steven Taylor, pastor.

**Fonthill, Ont.** The brethren of Glad Tidings Church of God rejoiced in the decision of Margaret Lehnert to accept Christ as her Lord and Savior. She was baptized in his name on May 18, 1980. It is most gratifying when senior citizens do not let this fact hinder them from responding to the gospel message.  
John Hearp, pastor.

**Springfield, OH.** Amanda Domigan expressed her desire to put on Christ and was baptized on September 28 at the close of the worship services. We of the Lawrenceville Church of God welcome her into our fellowship and into the Body of Christ. Amanda's baptism brings her whole family into the Body of Christ. We pray that God will bless her in her new walk of life.  
James D. Ritch, pastor.

**MARRIAGES**

**Olson - Kirkpatrick**

Tammy Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Olson, became the bride of Rick Kirkpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kirkpatrick in a beautiful ceremony at the Eden Valley, MN, Church of God August 23, 1980. Pastor David Cheatwood officiated as the couple exchanged vows. May God richly bless these two young people in their new life together.  
Mildred Parks, reporter.

**Ingram - New**

Deborah Jeanette Ingram became the bride of Thomas M. New October 10, 1980. The wedding was held at McGintytown Church of God, Green-

brier, Arkansas. Pastor Timothy M. New officiated at the double-ring, candlelight service. Dick Alcumbrack served as best man, and Cherie Merritt served as maid of honor. May God bless their life together.

**Landry-Foster**

In a beautiful double-ring ceremony at the Flagg Center, IL, Church of God on Saturday, September 20, 1980, Jennifer Landry became the bride of Daniel Foster. Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Landry, and Daniel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Foster. The ceremony was performed by Delbert Rankin, brother-in-law of the groom, and Dan Landry, brother of the bride. The couple now reside at 4203 Beach St., Apt. 6, Rockford, IL 61108. Our prayers are with them in their life together in Christ.  
Gordon Landry, pastor.

**Allen-Vamer**

Dana Allen of Litchfield, MN, and Doug Vamer of Minneapolis, were united in marriage in a beautiful ceremony at the Litchfield Church of God on August 23, 1980. Pastor Stan Ross performed the wedding. The newlyweds are making their home at 5734 Sander Dr., Apt. 6, Minneapolis, MN 55417, where Doug is a computer programmer for Cargill Inc. We wish God's blessing on this young couple as they begin their walk of life together.  
Stan Ross, pastor.

**McArthur-Maillet**

Pamela McArthur and Peter Maillet were united in marriage at Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ontario, on Saturday, April 12, 1980. They exchanged vows in a double-ring service. This meaningful event was witnessed by a church full of family members and friends. It is our prayer that God will bless them and grant them a life that is both happy and rewarding.  
John Hearp, pastor.

**ATTENTION  
JUNIOR AND TEEN TEACHERS**

As soon as you receive your Truth Seeker's Quarterlies for the first quarter (December, 1980, January, February, 1981), be sure to check out your first lesson. In each quarterly there are alternate approaches suggested which begin on Sunday, November 30. If you use these ideas—a choral reading for Juniors and a mime drama for Teens—you need to get started on November 30, a week before the beginning of the first quarter.

# General History of the Golden Rule Building

by Jan Stilson

The Gilbert Mansion was purchased by the General Conference in 1922, but the history of the building pre-dates that purchase by several decades.

The Golden Rule building now being renovated as an administration/education facility for Oregon Bible College, was first built in 1858, for \$2,000. It was called the Union School. It was a two-story, four-room elementary school-house with a main entrance on the south and another on the north which opened to a play area.

The building was set apart from the rest of the small community, for no other buildings were in that part of town except two homes on the highways south of the hill. The sight of children walking through the meadows and up the hill to school must have thrilled many frontier mothers and fathers.

As the inside of the building was being demolished last year, the secrets of its rich history were revealed with each new day. It had long been suspected that it was a former school building, but it had not been proven. The discovery of old chalkboards plastered directly onto the lath, old school papers, and the manner in which the north rooms had been built all convinced us—this building was the old Union School the history books mentioned.

When exterior bricks were discovered beneath wallpaper in the north upstairs bedrooms, and limestone headers over doorways matched those over windows, it became evident that the north portion of the building had been added sometime after the original construction. This was documented by checking with the history books. A high school addition was built on the Union school in 1875 due to the growth of the community and the increased interest of the people in education. It was built in the play yard to the north. The Union School had been rediscovered!

The design of the schoolhouse included a hallway dividing each floor into two rooms, with a stairwell at the north side. The winter heat was provided by wood stoves, one in each room. As a measure of fire protection, a brick fire wall was placed along one side of the hallway. There was an abundance of clay in the Oregon area, and bricks were an inexpensive building material. When the high school was added, it included two more rooms, the exterior brick wall serving as firewall between the two buildings.

In 1896, it became necessary to build a new school, and the Union School was sold to the Gilbert family. To convert it to a private residence, the inside was totally remodeled.

Two fireplaces were constructed on the first floor, back to back in the center of the old hallway. The larger, more formal fireplace was the center of a large parlor. The smaller one was used in the family sitting room. A kitchen and dining room were built into the north high school addition. A small vestibule with an open stairway completed the downstairs. Upstairs, no less than nine bedrooms were partitioned, which opened on to a serpentine hallway which could have been mistaken for a maze. Such a lavish home must have been the site of much entertainment.

When the General Conference purchased the home for \$24,000 in 1922, the large rooms and many bedrooms of-

ferred the greatest attraction. It was to be used as a retirement home for elderly members of the Church of God who had no families to care for them. For \$1,600 or less members could enter the home in return for loving care administered in generous doses. However, without endowment, the economics of operating the retirement facility proved too costly. Gradually the retirement use was phased out and student use as a dorm site phased in.

In 1957, male students moved into the Golden Rule Men's Dormitory. They lived in harmony with the remaining elderly residents, "Red" and Mabel Lindsay and Sr. Elizabeth Ordnung, for several years.

Following completion of the new Men's Dormitory in 1963, the Golden Rule Dormitory became a women's facility. In 1975, when the new Women's Dormitory was completed, use of the Golden Rule building ceased, except for hotel purposes for visiting Church of God dignitaries.

It was during this period of time that the question arose as to the future use or destruction of the building. Some thought it should be torn down to make space for a new facility. Others, realizing its historic significance, objected. Finally it was decided to restore the building to its former glory, using modern energy-saving materials and methods.

The work was begun in the summer of 1979. The interior demolition proved to be very dirty work, but yielded several exciting surprises. As partitions were pulled down and the fireplace razed, an old mural was discovered in one school-room. It covered the entire wall with an arch of Christmas greenery, ribbons, and candles. Beneath the arch was "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Later, when the lath and plaster were being pulled from the ceilings, many old school papers fell out. These included exercise books of spelling and penmanship, teachers' notes and tests, report cards (which were issued at the end of each week), attendance sheets, and notes. We have speculated that at the end of the term, happy kids wadded, twisted and tore up their booklets, and threw the trash in the teacher's basket. She, seeing that a repair project was underway for the summer, tossed the materials into the open floor.

Dated 1865, most of the papers have been excellently preserved and are fun for history buffs to laugh about. A decision is pending on which agency would be better able to preserve and display the material.

During the renovation, energy-saving measures have included sealing up of cracks in the foundation to prevent heat loss, insulation of attics and walls to an efficiency of R35, use of double-glazed windows with tinted glass to complement the exterior of the building, and an addition of vestibules at each entrance.

Designers of the new interior have tried to be true to the building's original educational purpose. The small fireplace was removed so the hallway could be restored. The top floor contains classrooms and the ground floor contains a reception area, offices, and a conference room.

The exterior has received attention also. In order to preserve the brick, sanding, tuck-pointing, and sealing are

being done. Where unused openings have been sealed, old brick from the project and other 19th century buildings in Oregon have been used, so that "patches" are "matches." Even the color of the mortar used in tuck-pointing has been selected to match other buildings of that period.

Several people worked on the design of the Oregon Bible College Campus and the Golden Rule Building in particular. Bro. David Seger designed the basic concept of a unified campus, lending support to the idea of saving the old building. Following his tragic death in April, 1979, several staff persons including Eugene Stilson, Paul Newell, Stan Ross, and David Krogh worked out a design for the renovation project.

Many craftspeople have donated their skills and labor on this project. Bro. Carroll Bennett of Minnesota, Bros. Edward and Ronald Schroth and sons of Ohio. Bro. Eugene Stilson and son, Bro. Dale Ramsey, and several students of Oregon Bible College have spent many long hours of diligent work. Mr. Charles Mongan and Dean Dye of Oregon have often served as consultants.

Other members working at the site have included Walter

Bolhaus who has specialized in the finishing aspects, and Walter Spangler, whose crew has done a tremendous job of solving the tangle of plumbing problems connected in such a renovation project.

All this has been made possible by the prayers of the people, and the generous funding of the project by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Overholser of Springfield, Ohio.

Members of the General Conference and friends of the Oregon Community can be proud of the work which has gone into the revitalizing of the old Union School. It's a work of labor and a work of love. It's love of the Lord Jesus and education for service of God for which this building is dedicated.

A Dedicatory Service has been scheduled for November 16, 1980. Friends of the Oregon Community and Members of the General Conference are invited to attend and share the blessings of the day.

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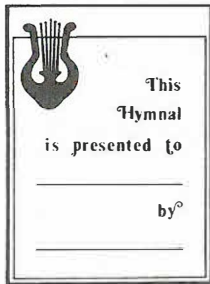
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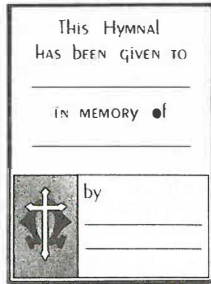
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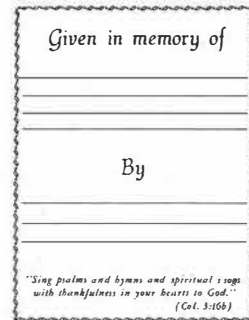


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## OBITUARIES

We mourn the death of Mr. **Harry Webb, Jr.**, a member of the Lakeshore Bible Church of God. Harry fell asleep in death on July 28, 1980, at the age of 44 years, due to a heart attack. He is survived by his dear wife Hamiet, his son Charlton, and other relatives. Pastor Kent Ross conducted the services. Harry will be sadly missed by the members and friends of the Lakeshore Bible Church of God. His life was truly dedicated to our Lord, and we find peace through the assurance that death will lose its sting the day Jesus conquers it at his coming when eternal life is given.  
Jean Hale, secretary.

**Sylvan Richey** was born to Coleman and Flora Richey, December 15, 1891, in Dolson Township, Clark County, IL, and died October 4, 1980. On December 25, 1913, he was married to Grace L. Hutchings, and to this union four children were born: Elden, Clement, Roger, and Marjorie Kannmacher. Besides the children, he leaves his wife Grace, three sisters—Netta Batchelor, Flossie Moody, and Gladys Lowry—eight grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren. Bro. Richey was a long-time member of the Salem Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith near Martinsville. For years he taught school. After retiring, he served in the Welfare office in Marshall. His wide contact with the young and old over the years developed a large following of

friends, and several hundred either came to the visitation or the memorial service, which was conducted by the writer at the Greenwell Funeral Home in Martinsville. He was laid to rest in the City of the Dead waiting for the resurrection.  
Pastor Clyde E. Randall.

**Maurice Anger**, a life-long member of Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ontario, fell asleep in death July 26, 1980, after a brief illness. He served his Lord and the church long and faithfully as a trustee. Surviving are his wife Grace, sons Harry and Grant, daughter Gloria Thibault and several grandchildren. Friends from the church and community expressed their sympathy by their attendance at the funeral service which was held at the church. Many contributions were made to the "Memorial Fund" of the church in honor of Bro. Anger.  
John Hearp, pastor.

**Fern Mae Coppock** of Pleasant Hill, OH, died September 26, 1980, at Dettmer Hospital, Troy, OH. She was born September 2, 1905, and was married to Harold Coppock in 1928. Survivors include her husband; one daughter, Norma Jean Kindell; one son, Norvin Coppock; six grandchildren; and a host of friends. Fern was very faithful in attendance at church services. Services were conducted by the writer at the Jackson Funeral Home in Pleasant Hill, and burial

was at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery where she awaits the resurrection day.

Fred A. Pensyl, pastor.

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Judy McGinty and Roger Jones, Greenbrier, AR; Shelby Clardy, Pelzer, SC; L and K Wooding, South Bend, IN; Ann Delaney, Ripley, IL.

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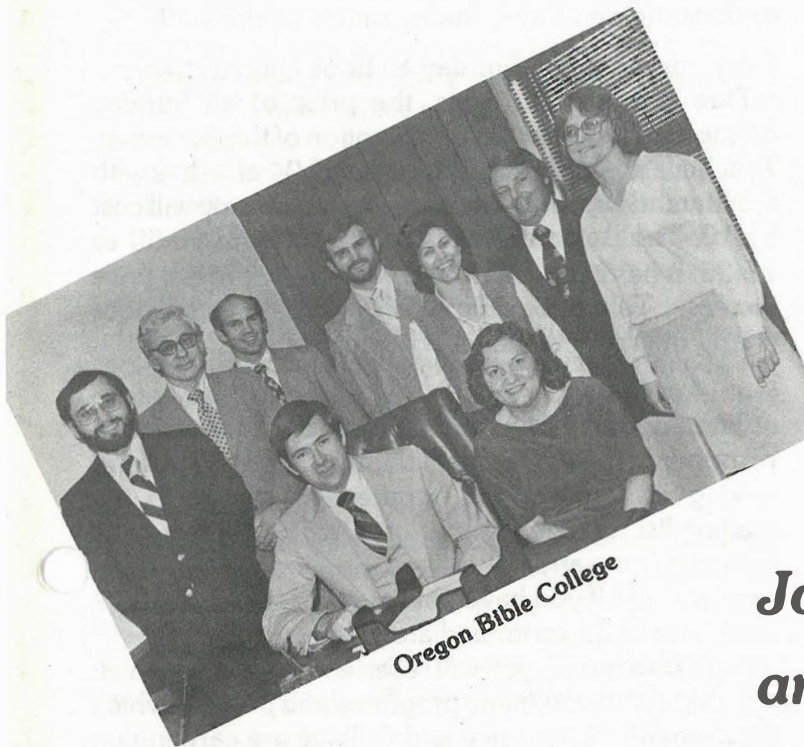
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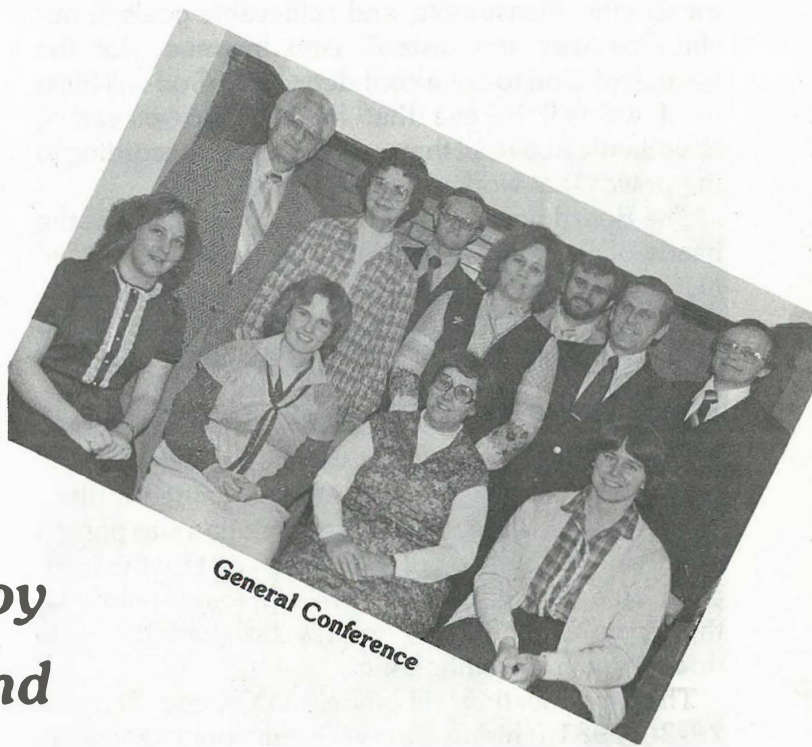
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General Conference

## Joy and Hope

### From Your Staff

Fulfilling . . . Thankfully serving . . . Meeting needs . . . Faith-building. Words and phrases like the foregoing were heard constantly in 1980 as your staff at the General Conference and Oregon Bible College went about their daily tasks. It's been a productive year in many respects . . . A complete Executive Council works through several challenging and visionary projects. Oregon Bible College enjoys its renovated administration-classroom facility—the Golden Rule building. All per-

sonnel in each department actively participate in a busy, on-going program.

For these reasons, and many more, we find expressions of joy about 1980 and thoughts of hope for 1981. At this holiday season we wish for you the encouragement which joy and hope bring.

Joy's fulfillment and hope's anticipation characterize the angelic birth announcement of the Messiah. May your

life take on the meaning of Christmas and the New Year as you read again phrases from the heavenly chorus: "I have good news for you: there is great joy coming to the whole people. Today in the city of David a deliverer has been born to you—the Messiah, the Lord . . . 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth his peace for men on whom his favour rests'" (Luke 2:10, 11, 14, NEB).

Have a joy-filled Christmas and a hopeful 1981.

**Oregon Bible College Staff:** (seated) Dr. Charles Pryor, Rachel Newell; (standing) Robert Jones, Eugene Stilson, Dale Ramsey, David McClain, Betty Hall, David Hall, Gayle Reye, (not present: Dianne Rademachir).

**General Conference Staff:** (seated) Becky Hall, Donna Kirkpatrick, Lois Pryor, Cindy Isenhoff; (standing) Warren and Irene Sorenson, David Krogh, Barbara Landry, David McClain, Gordon Landry, Russell Magaw.

# General Conference Progress

David Krogh,  
Executive Director

## Board of Directors Meeting

The General Conference Board of Directors met in the new Conference room of the remodeled Golden Rule Building in Oregon, Illinois, November 14 and 15. The Executive Director presented his first message to the Board after assuming this position, which consisted of an analysis of the state of the Church of God, and an overview of the great opportunities and challenges which we have before us in the future. The need for specific, measurable, and achievable goals in our churches was emphasized. And the need for the Church of God to have confidence that God will bless us if we will believe that he can "do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us" (Eph. 3:20).

The Board heard reports and suggestions from the heads of the three Conference Departments: David McClain, Business Administration; Russell Magaw, Publishing; and Warren Sorenson, Outreach and Church Development. The Board spent time discussing each aspect of the work.

In other action, the Board approved a policy authorizing the License and Ordination Board to work out the details of permitting pastors to be ordained in their local churches if they so choose. A motion was passed approving the creation of a Pension Trust for the General Conference employees. The employees will make their own contributions to this tax-sheltered trust through payroll withholding.

The next meeting will be held in Oregon, January 29, 30, 1981. This meeting will be devoted almost exclusively to discussing topics of long-range significance to the Conference and College, and adopting policy where needed for the smooth operation of our work. Board and staff members were given assignments to prepare presentations for the next meeting, which will serve as a springboard for discussion. Some of the areas to be discussed will be: long-range goals, future staffing needs and priorities, policies regarding our educational materials, discussion of our Mission Builders standards, and college campus development.

Any member who has suggestions for the Conference, or any area of concern, please communicate with a Board member or the Executive Director. The Conference exists to serve our churches, and it is only as we become aware of your needs that we are able to successfully do our work.

## Management and Communications Seminar

Early in November, Dallas and Nancy Demmitt of Phoenix, AZ, conducted a management and communications seminar for the College staff and Department heads of the Conference. They were in Oregon to conduct Christian Emphasis Week for the College, and they graciously donated their time to conduct the Seminar for the staff. The sessions proved to be very helpful in developing better communication and better understanding among the members of the staff.

## Price Increase for Sunday School Quarterlies

Due to increased costs, the price of all Sunday School quarterlies with the exception of the Beginners Teacher's packets, will be increased 10¢ effective with the March-May 1981, quarter. Each quarterly will cost \$1.10. The Beginners packet will rise from \$5.00 to \$5.25. It has been nearly two years since the last price increase. This price adjustment will help us to more nearly meet the actual cost of publication.

## Goal for Giving

Thank you to all who have been so generous in responding to our October literature appeal. As of this writing we have added hundreds of names to the mailing list for *The Restitution Herald*, and we have received thousands of dollars. Replies are still being received and if you have not yet responded to this appeal, please do so immediately.

Later this month you will receive a gift catalog which will share with you many programs and projects which the General Conference and College are carrying on during this fiscal year. It may be that you would feel led of the Lord to send a contribution which would underwrite the cost of one or more of these projects.

From the chart below you can observe that on November 9, we were \$3,127 short of our needs as of that date. Your faithful support of the work will be greatly appreciated.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981 **\$359,500**

	Needed	Given
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 38,812.00</b>	<b>\$ 35,685.00</b>
Deficit through Nov. 9		\$3,127.00
Needed Dec. 10-Jan. 9		29,960.00
<b>Goal for Dec. 10-Jan. 9</b>	<b>\$33,087.00</b>	

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# Oregon Bible College Progress

Dr. Charles Pryor, President

## Christian Emphasis Week

Nancy and Dallas Demmitt provided rich experiences in ministry through their skills in communication and counseling. The week began with a student-planned and -directed "day of prayer" at Stronghold. The Demmitts launched the group activity section of their week of ministry during a portion of prayer day. Nancy worked with the freshmen on Career Development concepts. Dallas focused attention on the members of the counseling class. Together, Nancy and Dallas conducted daily sessions with the entire student body. Evenings were spent in consultation with students.

The college and conference staff members spent each afternoon and one evening in a Seminar based on a workbook written and published by the Demmitts and two of their professional colleagues. The Seminar, entitled "Working Together," focused upon improving communications on the job. Positive results of the seminar can be seen and experienced daily on the campus and between college and General Conference staff members.

Dallas and Nancy Demmitt provided complimentary copies of their newest publication to each College and Conference employee who participated in the seminar. They also presented an autographed copy to the student body to be placed in the library.

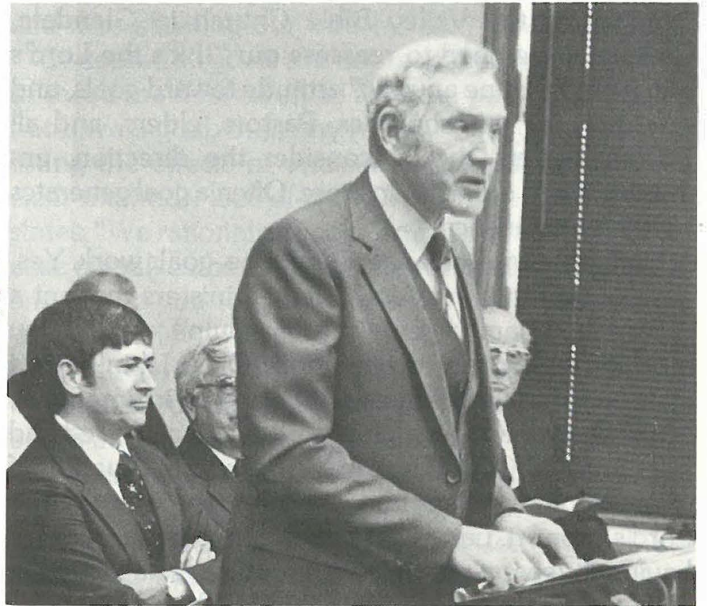
## Golden Rule Building Dedication

Greetings from Jim Barnes, Mayor of Oregon; Harold Doan, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Charles Pryor, President of Oregon Bible College, were heard by nearly two hundred people in attendance at the dedication of the newly renovated classroom and administration center. Pastor Clyde Randall presented a historical sketch of

Oregon Bible College and Janet Stilson reviewed the history of the building itself.

A highlight of the dedication service occurred when Alan Demmitt gave a tribute to his grandparents, Paul and Ruth Overholser. Alan noted their faith in God has been demonstrated throughout their lives and that major funding of the building project is just one of the many ways he has seen God work through them. Alan stated, "I have really seen their love and faith in God reflected in my Mom" (Joyce Demmitt).

College operations moved into the new campus center on Tuesday, November 4, 1980. When visiting Oregon, Illinois, look for us at 110 North Seventh Street.



Jim Keye photo.

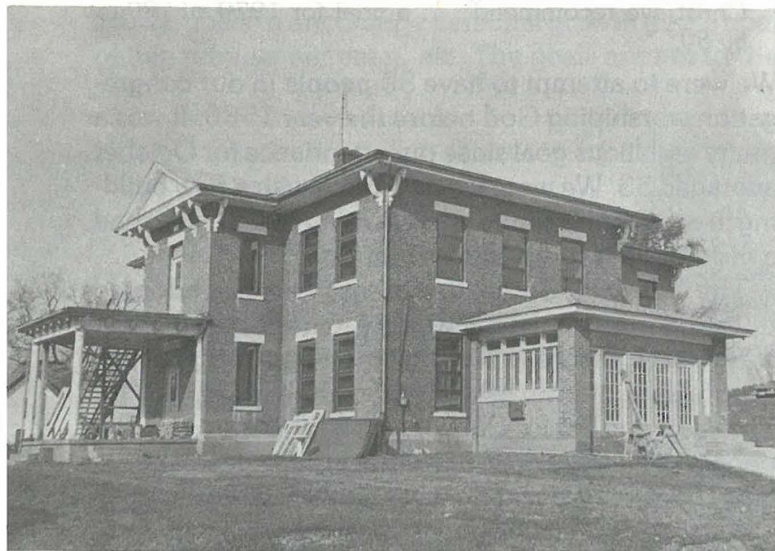
Oregon Mayor Barnes addressing those assembled at the Golden Rule dedication

## Spring Semester

The Spring semester calendar is presented below. Note especially the dates of holidays, breaks, and special events on campus. High school juniors and seniors should take careful note of the Junior-Senior Weekend dates. Parents and friends of Oregon Bible College are welcome to visit our campus whenever possible. Please write or call ahead if you have opportunity to visit.

### Spring Semester

Dorms Open for Students, 1:00 p.m.	Sun., Jan. 11
Student/Faculty Seminar, 8:00 a.m.	Mon., Jan. 12
Beginning of Classes, 7:00 p.m.	Mon., Jan. 12
OBC Day of Prayer	Tues., Feb. 3
Last Day to Drop Classes for Second Semester	Tues., Feb. 24
Mini Break (No Classes)	Mon., Mar. 2
Spring Vacation	Mar. 21-29
Junior-Senior Weekend	Thurs., through Sat., Apr. 9-11
Easter Break	Mon., Apr. 20
Ministerial Conference Seminar	Tues. - Thurs., Apr. 28-30
End of Spring Semester	Fri., May 8



Blair Johnson photo.

*To the glory of God and his Son Jesus Christ we dedicate this building, that, with the blessing of God, it may be a means to assist many in training for greater Christian service.*



# Outreach and Church

## SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR CHURCH

Why set goals for a church? we may ask; we are dealing with people—not merchandise.

I can only find one good reason: **THEY WORK!** From my own personal experience and recent experience at the Valley Bible Church in Glendale, California, we need to reassess our “If it’s the Lord’s will, it will be done anyway” attitude toward goals, and set some for our churches. Pastors, elders, and all church leaders should consider the direction, enthusiasm, and desire to do more. Often a goal generates such characteristics.

First, from my personal experience, goals work. Yes, even in “spiritual matters.” Many ministers recount a recurring dream of entering the pulpit on Sunday morning without any preparation. (Okay, I think I have even *heard* a few like that too.) Seriously, in times past, I continually had that nightmare—waking up tired and frustrated, believing I was in the desperate situation of trying to preach a sermon without preparation or the Lord’s support. Later I set a minimum personal goal of having at least a month’s sermon titles established in advance. After having done this for the past several years, I have not had the problem of the recurring “Preacher’s Dream.” One little goal did it.

Someone might say, “Well, that doesn’t allow for the Holy Spirit to work.” To this I can only reply, “Why can’t the Holy Spirit work a month in advance?” Goals work.

I was not real sure why they worked until I took a seminar with Olan Hendrix entitled the same as his book on the subject, “Management for the Christian Worker.” I highly recommend the book and the seminar. In it, he really hit home. “The Immature Leader always feels he has got to do it now.” If the plan does not work, he gets personally frustrated. In a lot of ways that is still me, but I am learning. Also he said, “The bottleneck is always at the top of the bottle.” Again, “‘Someday’ is *never* bologna (be lō’nē); put a date on it.” He really stepped on my toes! I kept recalling my mental tapes, “Someday this week I need to start my sermon.” “Someday, this church is going to double its attendance.” One of his principles reads like

this: “The probability of a future event occurring increases as effort is applied systematically toward its realization” (p. 42). This is where goals come in. What is the dream you have for your church? What is that future event? Make it a goal and get to work.

In addition to Hendrix, I learn from Jesus; “he made up his mind and set out on his way to Jerusalem” (Luke 9:51, GNB). From chapter nine until the words “It is finished,” Jesus has a goal. Study Luke 13:22, 32; 17:11; 18:31-33; 19:11; and then Luke’s account of his death. What a goal! Through 10 chapters Luke reminds us in the verses mentioned of that goal. Jesus had other goals that might be mentioned, like calling 12 rather than eight, but they are not as significant as the model he establishes in Luke 9:51 for you and me!

Secondly, from my experience with the Valley Bible Church, I have discovered that goals work. In November, 1978, the board adopted the following:

“Realizing that our aim as a Church of God is the building of our and others’ relationship to God through Christ, we recommend . . . a goal for 1979 of ‘80 by 80.’”

We were to attempt to have 80 people in our congregation worshiping God before the year 1980. It was a pretty ambitious goal since our attendance for October averaged 33. We were a new church with a new building in a new community—just starting out. Still, we had a vision of what the Lord could do.

The Outreach Committee in that proposal adopted by the board outlined the strategy. Once a month there was to be a Saturday set aside for community calling. Progressive interim goals were established, 40 for Thanksgiving, 50 for Christmas, 60 for Easter, etc. The people *owned* the goal. It was not just the pastor or the elders or board deciding what should be done. Each one began to feel the need to have others in with us to worship God. As some of the interim goals were reached, 55 for Thanksgiving, 63 for Christmas, I could see the positive attitude building in the congregation.

Then and now I can hear critics saying, “You’re just

# Development

by Joe Martin, Pastor,  
The Valley Bible Church

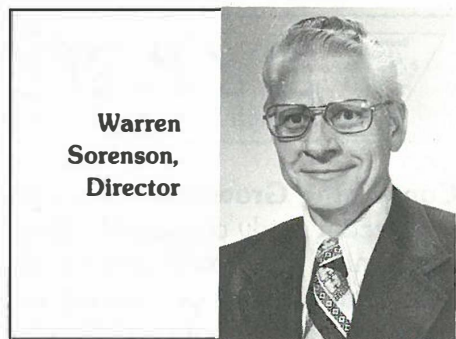
looking for numbers." That is *not* true. Each number represents a person that may not enter the kingdom of God if I do not do my part to get the Word to the community in which I live. If a goal generates enthusiasm and direction towards more hearing the Word, why not use a goal? When Jesus told the parable about the feast and empty seats, the host did not say, "Well, that's okay, guys; you tried." Rather, he admonished his servants to go out and "compel" them to come in. I must confess, I was very pleased during April of 1979 when I preached my month's messages on Abraham's Faith—dealing with Resurrection, the Shema-One God, Jesus, and the Kingdom—that our attendance averaged 57 and not 33. If the people began coming because they wanted to reach a goal, that is fine with me; they heard the Word. In fact, I would encourage tools to "compel" them to come in, especially goals.

The Valley Bible Church is continuing to set goals to get more people involved. We've set youth goals, Vacation Bible School goals, goals to encourage Bible Study, goals to encourage personal growth (like a goal of two retreats per year), etc. The goals are not to the

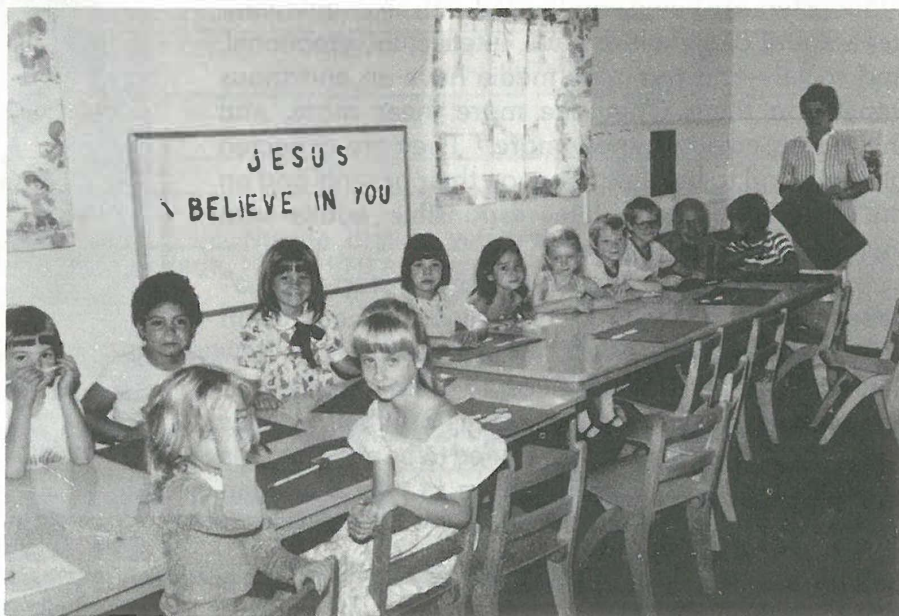
glory of individuals but a glory to God as individuals grow in their relationship to him through Jesus our Lord. We praise God that on December 23, 1979, there were 90 people in our congregation worshipping and thus allowing our "80 by '80" goal to be met.

Of course all goals are not reached. We have some of those too. However, as Hendrix puts it, "If you do not have a goal, then any road will get you there." In listing the effects of unclear objectives, such as unclear methods, lack of measurement, and drifting, he states, "We rationalize, we exonerate ourselves, we excuse ourselves, but in the end we find we have failed." I encourage you to allow the Lord to work by stating your vision in the form of a goal, and working towards it for the glory of God.

Recently for our Rally Day, October 26, 1980, the board adopted a goal of 85. We only had 80 but I still feel great as I remember seeing that "extra effort" put forth by the congregation to bring them in. The message that morning was "The King Is Coming" Is there something that you would like to see accomplished before he comes? Try a goal and get to work. You may be surprised what the Lord can do!



**A vacation Bible School class  
taught by Delbert  
and Bernedene Jones  
at Valley Church of God,  
Glendale, California.**



### Concerning Growth and Maturity of Our Youth

A recent study contained several interesting things concerning the growth and maturity rates of our pre-teen and teen-age young people. According to this study there is a great deal of tangible evidence to indicate that the youth of today grow up faster than ever before. However, according to this study most of this growth takes place in areas concerning money and pleasure. The fact is that our young people have more money than we did to spend on entertainment, cars, clothes, food, etc. With money in hand combined with the tremendous environmental demands placed on our youth today, it is quite natural that our teens are simply responding to these pressures.

The question being posed by the researchers concerns the emotional, physical, intellectual, and social maturity of our young people. Are they maturing in these areas also? Some observers think that in terms of independence youth are immature. They are more dependent on their parents for longer periods of time, less self-sufficient, enter the world of work later, and most marry later than the youth of yesterday.

Other observers indicate that the maturation process is accelerated today and are concerned about the problems arising from "shortcuts to adulthood." They feel that children and youth should have time to enjoy themselves. Instead, it seems that parents are attempting to burden them with heavy responsibilities and are pushing them into all sorts of things before they are developmentally ready. According to one researcher, "youngsters are being bombarded with an overwhelming amount of stimuli—sexual, intellectual, emotional, and social—and the mass media have an enormous impact on them. They see more, hear more, and they're expected to know more." They are expected on one hand to be dependent on their parents and on the other to behave like responsible adults with mature goals.

According to this study the process of "stop-and-go" development is leading to a great deal of confusion among our youth and they are not sure exactly how they are to make the transition to young adulthood.

It seems that the evidence points out that our kids are struggling for maturity. We need to be aware of this maturation process and the ways in which we can assist our kids in going through it.

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### Staff Communication Seminar

"I know you believe you understand what you think I said, but I'm not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant."

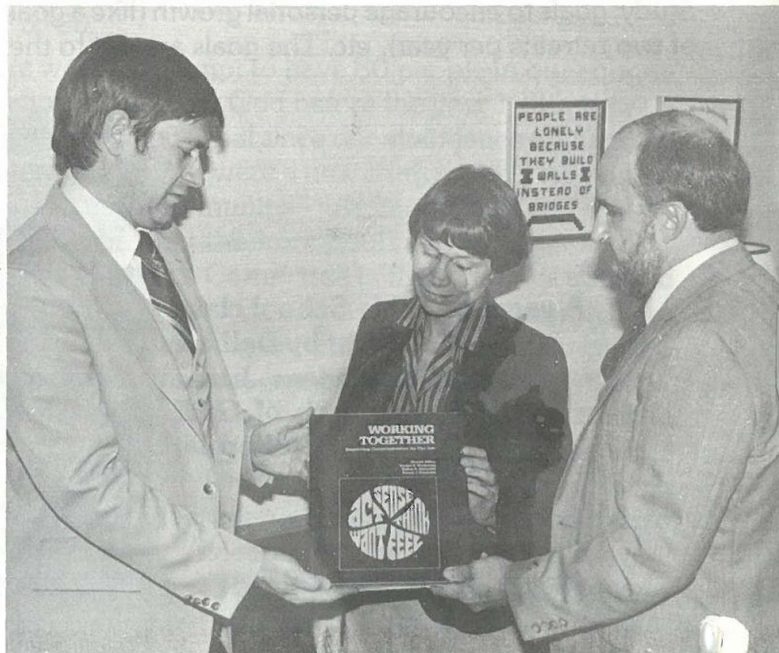
Ever had that experience? Isn't it trying on your nerves and on the patience of your listener to explain what you said—time and again?

Perhaps such nonverbal indicators as gestures, facial expressions, or overall attitude give away the real meaning of your words—yet you've never understood yourself to speak that way. Certainly you've not given such a confusing message in words. . . .

Isn't it embarrassing when you or your hearer has to ask, "What was that I never heard you say?"

During the week of November 3-7, 1980, Dallas and Nancy Demmitt dealt with the problems of communication in various sessions and seminars for the benefit of General Conference and Oregon Bible College staff members. The Demmitts are co-authors of a communication book/program which helps understand the intricate problems associated with dialogue in the world of work and industry. The Demmitts brought their volume, "Working Together," to your staff and worked through its concepts during the week. By experiencing some of these concepts in open sessions, the staff began to grasp how to build bridges of understanding instead of hammering together walls of fear, doubt, and mistrust.

We shall always be grateful to Dallas and Nancy for the insights imparted to us during the week. As time progresses, we shall increase our use of these concepts in our work together. —Russell Magaw.



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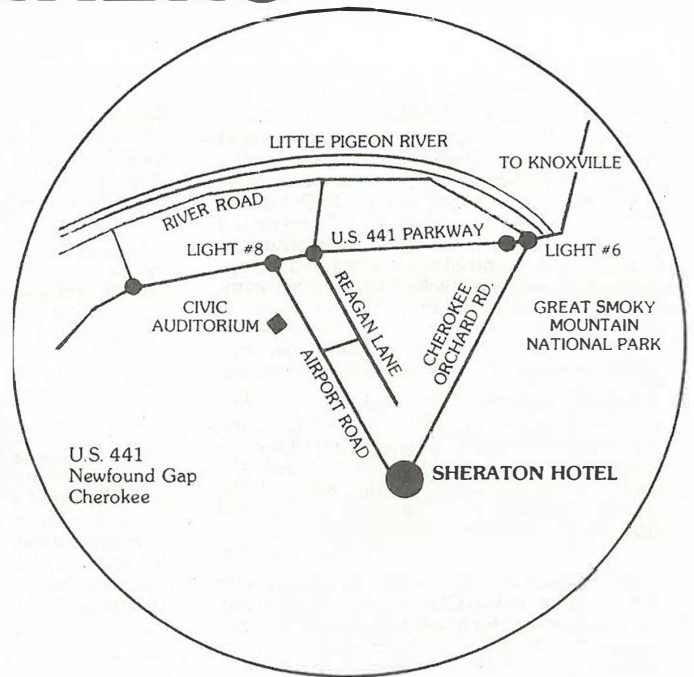
The Demmitts presenting a copy of their book, "Working Together," to President Pryor for use in the Oregon Bible College library.

# CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SEMINAR

March 22-27, 1981

**Sheraton Gatlinburg  
Hotel**

Gatlinburg, Tennessee



## CURRICULUM

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Is this your first year at the Seminar? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years you have attended before \_\_\_\_\_  
(Seminars have been held in 1974 at Oregon Bible College, 1975-1979 at Camp Mack, 1979 at Francisco Grande, and 1980 at Gatlinburg.)

I am enclosing a \$10.00 non-refundable deposit per person and will pay the balance on arrival. (Please check one of the boxes below.)

I would like accommodations based on four persons per hotel room. (Cost: \$95 per person; \$165 per couple.) Names of those you wish to share a room with \_\_\_\_\_

I would like accommodations based on two persons per room. (Cost: \$296 per couple.)

**Mall to: Christian Workers' Seminar, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061  
Enrollment Deadline: February 27, 1981**

# Church News

## BAPTISMS

**Oregon, IL.** The family of God that meets at the East Oregon Chapel was blessed in the month of October to witness three persons receive Jesus Christ as their Savior. On October 5, 1980, Tracy Gilbert and Lisa Paul committed their lives to Christ in the waters of baptism. On October 26 we rejoiced again as we had the opportunity to witness Becky Eich seal her commitment to Christ in baptism. We are thrilled at the decision of these three young ladies. We pray God will richly bless them as they begin their walk with him.  
Richard Eldred, pastor.

**Fonthill, Ontario.** James McArthur came forward on October 12, 1980, confessing his faith in Christ as his Savior. He was baptized the following Sunday. It is gratifying to see the vitality of youth added to the work of the church. The brethren of Glad Tidings Church of God rejoice with Jim in his decision.  
John Hearp, pastor.

**McGintytown, AR.** We wish to congratulate and welcome Steven Cardin into our fellowship. He came forward for baptism October 19, 1980, and was baptized by the writer that afternoon on a beautiful autumn day. Praise God for his continual blessings and answers to our prayers.  
Thomas M. New, pastor.

**Pleasant Hill, OH.** On October 19, 1980, at the close of the morning worship service, Curtis Vance Jr. responded to the invitation to accept Jesus Christ as his Savior. He was baptized the same day in the afternoon at his brother Dean's pond. Curtis was the first person baptized in the recently installed pond. He was given the right hand of fellowship on October 26. Our earnest prayer is that Curtis Jr. will be blessed in his new walk of life in Christ.  
Fred A. Pensyl, pastor.

**Browntown, VA.** Immediately following morning worship on Sunday, October 26, 1980, Mrs. Blanche Day was immersed into Christ in a stream at Browntown, VA, before a host of Christian friends. We at Cool Spring Church of God ask God to guide her as she lives for him.  
Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

**Minneapolis, MN.** On Sunday, October 12, 1980, it was my privilege to baptize Mike Theisen into Christ. Witnessing this event was very inspiring as the baptism was held in the Mississippi River. Even though the temperature was only 43 degrees and the water was quite cold, the sun was shining and truly there was joy and warmth in the hearts as Mike committed himself to living for his Savior for the rest of his life. May God be with him, and with us as we at Faith Community Church of God help him to grow.  
Rex Shaw, pastor.

**South Bend, IN.** We praise God that many have prayed for and worked with Bill Kiel to bring him to the Lord. Bill accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior and was baptized in the name of Jesus on Sunday, October 26, 1980. This now unites Bill and his wife Carole in the Lord. We pray God will richly bless them and their family.  
John A. Raiton, pastor.

**Lenoir, NC.** With praise of God, the Church of Resurrection Hope witnessed the baptism of Mr. Curtis Lovejoy. Bro. Lovejoy has listened to the radio program but was not an attender of the church. Then he came and was baptized into Christ, calling upon the Lord and believing the truth. May God bless this man who at the age of 68 has entered into the Body of Christ.  
Mr. Roger Austin was baptized into Christ at

the same service on October 19, 1980. He joins his mother, brother, and sister in the faith. With great rejoicing we praise the Lord for his decision. May God bless Roger in a great way as he faces the future in the Lord.  
—Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

**Glendale, CA.** On September 28, 1980, Pastor Joe Martin baptized Matt Hazlip, Sharon Hazlip, and John Sorora. We rejoice that three more young people have chosen to join the family of God.

## MARRIAGES

### Hansen-Eldred

Miss Vanessa Hansen became the bride of Craig Eldred on Sunday, October 12th, 1980, at the Blanchard Church of God. Craig's father, Dick, and Don Needham officiated. A special addition to the service included this couple renewing their vows to their Savior, Jesus Christ. We welcome them as a new family into the Blanchard congregation.  
Don Needham, pastor.

## PROPHECY ISSUE COMING

Because of the tremendous interest in world events and how they tie in with Bible prophecy, the February, 1981, issue of *The Restitution Herald* will feature prophetic studies. Stories, articles, Bible topics, etc., will have a prophetic slant in this issue. A special feature will be the presentation of two prophetic schools of interpretation: the historical and futuristic.

Plan ahead to make the best use of this issue. If you want extra copies, please notify your pastor or church board officer, who will in turn inform *The Restitution Herald* before December 29, 1980. Extra copies will then be sent to the churches. Isolated members may send their order directly to our office.

Mail your requests to **The Restitution Herald, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.** Requests received after December 30, 1980 cannot be honored. Thank you.

*The Publishing Department.*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 6, 7, 8, 1981—Southwest Conference, Valley Bible Church, 1651 Lake St, Glendale, CA.

## JESUS THE CHRIST: WHOSE SON IS HE?

The above heading is the title of a twenty-four page booklet, now available through your Church of God General Conference. Written by J. August Smith, it is now in the third edition. It deals informatively and effectively with the question of whether Jesus existed in another place and form before his birth of the virgin Mary. You will find it thoroughly biblical and convincing. Order it from: *The Restitution Herald, Bx 100, Oregon, IL 61061.*

The price is seventy-five cents when payment accompanies the order.

## VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

For the church sign on the church and for advertising, we have adopted the name Valley Bible Church. The official name remains Valley Church of God.

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Mary Barnes, McGintytown, AR; Nina Vetroon, Oregon, IL; Mary Ann Mortellaro, Schaumburg, IL.

## OBITUARIES

**Mrs. Charles (Ruth Hoscheid) Kortz** was born February 10, 1905, at St. James, MN, and died in Meeker County Memorial Hospital on November 1, 1980, after a short illness.

She is survived by her husband Charles; one son, Leon; and four daughters—Mrs. Virginia Howell, Mrs. Keith (Irene) Hinkley, Mrs. James (Elaine) Merila and Marjorie Kortz. One son, Charles Jr., preceded her in death. Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Johnson-Haglund Funeral Home in Litchfield, MN, and she was laid to rest in Ripley Cemetery to await the call of the Master.  
Pastor S. O. Ross.

**Ruth G. Lippert**, 72, of Meadowbrook, IL, and a former resident of Oregon, IL, fell asleep in Christ, October 28, 1980. Having retired from teaching school in 1973, she is survived by her husband James and one sister, Alice Marshall of Dixon, IL. Funeral services were held at Smith Funeral Home in Alton, IL, and at the Church of God in Oregon, IL, after which she was laid to rest in the Adeline Cemetery near Forreston, IL. We continue to pray for the bereaved and praise God for Jesus Christ who is the resurrection and the life.  
Hollis Partlow, pastor.

**Ellie Chandler Pierce**, 79, died at her home in Greenville, SC, October 15, 1980. She was a charter member of the Greenville Church of God, and a long-time member of the Guthrie Grove Church. She is survived by sons James, Bill, and Jack; her daughter, Betty Grissop; 13 grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. She will be remembered for her strong faith, her vital and active life, and her cheerful and uncompromising disposition throughout her lingering illness. Services were held at Guthrie Grove with Pastor Ed Bender assisting.  
T. M. Ferrell.

Members and friends of the Church of God in Iowa and Minnesota were saddened at the death of **Christine Johnson** on September 20, 1980. Born August 10, 1897, to Otto and Helene Momsen in Lakeview, IA, Christine accepted Christ in baptism in her late teens, with Bro. G. E. Marsh performing the service. She was married in 1918 to W. H. Klindt to whom she bore three children which survive: Harold and Frances Stanzel of Sioux Rapids, IA, and Robert of Montfort, WI. Mr. Klindt died in 1943. In 1950 Christine was married to Arthur Johnson at Albert City, IA. She helped raise Arthur's daughter, Ruth Edwards; both survive. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and five great grandchildren. At the funeral service words of comfort were spoken by pastors Louis Cronbaugh, S. O. Ross, Scott Ross, and Gary Dahlman. Burial was in Furguson Cemetery at Lakeview, IA. We look forward to victory over death at Christ's return when he grants eternal life to the faithful.  
—J. Arthur Johnson.

# and Progress

On October 14, 1980, the State of Israel lost another of its staunchest Christian friends. **Casimir Lanowick**, Director of the Christian-Israel Friendship League, based in Paradise, CA, died in his hometown of a heart attack at the age of 63, after devoting the last 33 years of his life to the cause of modern Israel, which he saw as the nation of prophetic destiny. In various ways—by lecturing, fund-raising, writing, publishing, and escorting tour groups to the Jewish State, Mr. Lanowick's unbounded zeal for Israel became known around the world.

In October of 1947 Casimir began editing and publishing a monthly magazine designed to acquaint Christians with the already amazing developments achieved by the Jews returning to "Palestine." "Israel's Restoration News" became a valued source of information to many Christian clergy and laity at a time when the non-Jewish world had limited access to comprehensive data about the new State of Israel.

As soon as possible Mr. Lanowick made his

way to the new Jewish State in 1950, spending three months combing the country on a research and photographic mission, witnessing and filming the arrival of thousands of immigrants. He returned to his office, then in Redwood City, CA, and put together a strikingly beautiful and informative film presentation.

Then ensued many years of worldwide lecturing. Mr. Lanowick passionately told the story of the miraculous rise of Israel, sharing the achievements, aspirations, and trials of its people by in-depth reporting as its historic mission was unfolding.

Realizing that the finest way for Christians to appreciate Israel was by visiting the Land of Promise, in 1955 Casimir Lanowick began organizing and personally escorting tour groups to Israel. With his wife and working companion, Elva, Mr. Lanowick continued to make regular trips to Israel, including 15 months of residence in Jerusalem in 1958-59 on a journalistic mission. In 1973 Casimir Lanowick was awarded

the "King David Club Award" by El Al Airlines, given only to those who have played a key role in the development of Israel's civil aviation.

In 1974-75 Mr. Lanowick conceived and chaired the Lowdermilk Memorial Forest project, resulting in the planting of over 10,000 trees near Mt. Turan in Galilee in memory of the great Christian Zionist, Dr. Walter Clay Lowdermilk, of Berkeley, CA, the father and founder of Israel's national water plan.

Mr. Lanowick also organized numerous national Israel Seminars, and acted as the National Co-ordinator in the United States for the First International Congress for the Peace of Jerusalem held in the Holy City in January-February, 1978. He was a founding member of the International Christians for Israel organization which sprang out of this Congress.

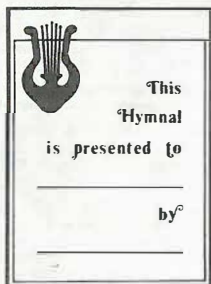
Casimir Lanowick is survived by his wife, Elva, and his 92-year-old father, Stephen Lanowick, also of Paradise, CA.

Christian-Israel Friendship League.

## Bookplates for Sale

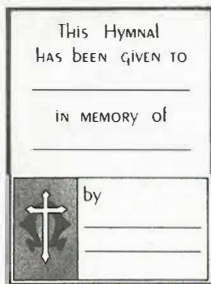
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### Hymnal Bookplates

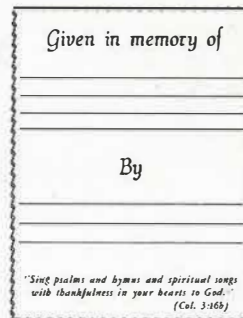


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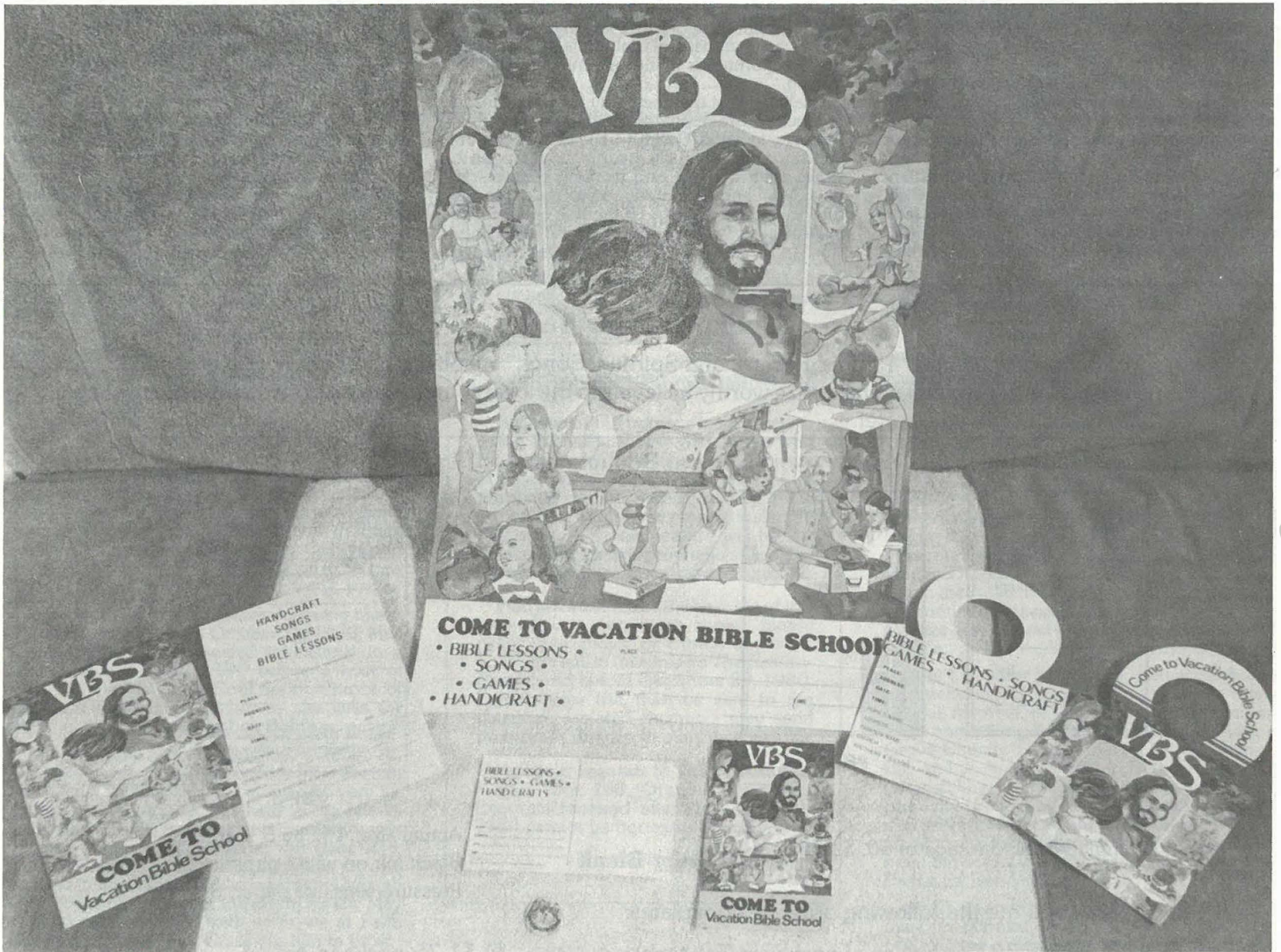
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# Five-Lesson Plan

# Vacation Bible School



### Jesus, My Special Friend

This year's Vacation Bible School theme centers on the miracles and works of Jesus, a friend today for all who believe in him. For perhaps the first time in Church of God publishing experience, you have opportunity to purchase full-color promotional materials which will help you advertise your Vacation Bible School.

Some of the materials are pictured above in black and white. Available are dodgers which may be used

as bulletin inserts, handouts in door-to-door canvassing, etc. Also available are doorknob hangers for neighborhood saturation, posters for displays on bulletin boards and store windows, and postcards for mailing to your community. You may also purchase buttons to pin on the youth as they register the first day.

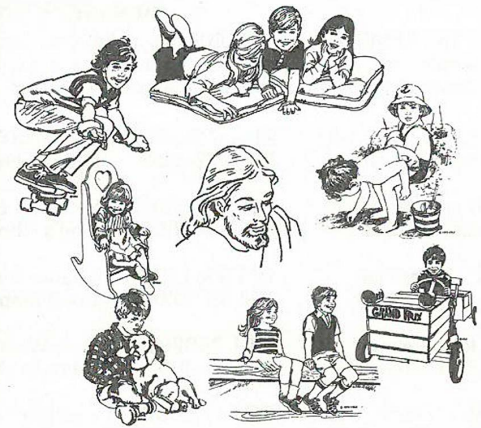
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E. Milon Hall:	HM-3 6702A12	Road Maps of Life
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John Lewis:	LJ-1 7608029	What Do You Have in Your Hand?
C. F. Pryor:	PCF-1 570525	Justification
C. F. Pryor:	PCF-1 7008B00	Is There Any Word From the Lord?

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### TODAY'S WRONG EMPHASIS

So far as is known no bird ever tried to build more nests than its neighbor. No fox ever fretted because he had only one hole in the earth in which to live and hide. No squirrel ever died in anxiety lest he should not lay up enough nuts for two winters instead of one. And no dog ever lost sleep over the fact that he did not have enough bones buried in the ground for his declining years. So many people put the emphasis on the wrong things. The Bible says: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33).  
—*Pleasant Hill Church of God bulletin, Pleasant Hill, OH.*

## Contributors to the General Conference: October, 1980

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## Webs of Contacts

Signs abound daily which tell us Jesus could return in our generation. So-called "messiahs" from dozens of cults proclaim their authority. Armies of men skirmish on battlefields around the globe seeking political clout. Every 24 hours 20,000 persons die from starvation. Natural calamities from the eruptions of Mt. St. Helens to earthquakes in some of the strangest places take countless lives each week. Believers in communist lands suffer wrong for their faith.

In his Olivet Discourse Jesus warned about such signs as being the "beginning of sorrows. . . . But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved" (Matt. 24:8, 13). Then he made a startling statement. "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (verse 14).

While the "signs of the times" swarm around us, we are to tell the good news of the gospel of the kingdom. In another place Jesus charges us: "Occupy till I come" (Luke 19:13). How can we most effectively preach the gospel and care effectively for possessions in Jesus' name (that's "occupying") until our Lord returns? What can we do for friends, relatives, and those in our communities in order to let them know about the gospel of the kingdom?

We need to make use of the natural "webs of contacts" people have for the cause of Christ. What are "webs of contacts"?

Webs are social ties between people—common kinship, common community, and common interests. When a new person comes into the church, he is not only added to the roll, but he brings a new untapped web of friends and family outside the church. Church leaders must emphasize reaching people in such webs.

Present church members have unreached people within their webs. Research has shown that, on the average, each member has approximately eight personal contacts with unchurched people. Strategy should be developed to introduce these prospects to the church and show how Christ can, in these end times, have positive value in their lives.

Suppose Mary Smith just became a new member of the church. If she could get just three of her eight unchurched friends to come with her, and each of them has eight unchurched friends, the church would have 24 new prospects to reach.

Thus, if the church has a strategy for introducing new prospects to its fellowship, there's plenty of work to be done as we await Christ's return.

How about you? Where are you in these "webs of contacts"? What will you do with your contacts?

## Press for a Decision in Your Calling

Churches with a regular program of calling and visitation on homes in their communities know the secret to success—how to press for a decision without being abrasive or pushy. But how can such an ideal be achieved? That question remains unanswered in the programs of churches which have had little or no success with calling in the community.

There is a technique involved which brings fruit for the Lord. But working it involves persistence and commitment on the part of the caller. He must never give up on families listed as prospects. These families are never removed from the mailing list of the church unless they move away or die. After awhile these families learn that they have a relationship with the caller which is constant.

The calling proceeds in a cyclic pattern. First visits consist of building a relationship with the people—getting to know the family. Another series of calls has as their purpose the imparting of information about the church, the Lord, the Bible, the caller's personal testimony. Opportunity is given for the family to make a decision. Whatever the decision, the caller affirms the family. He encourages the people to know that in time they will want to make a decision for the Lord.

Another series of calls deals with the need to make the decision for the Lord. But in this series the steps of building a relationship and affirmation are repeated so the family knows the caller has their best interests at heart.

This pattern has been used successfully by Mr. Mack McCarter, pastor of First Christian  
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# General Conference Progress



*David Krogh,  
Executive Director*

## Annual General Conference

The 1981 Church of God General Conference will meet at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, on August 3-7, 1981.

The charges for the four-day Conference, which include meals and lodging, are as follows:

Adults (13 years and up)	\$65.00
Children (4 through 12 years)	55.00
Children (under 4)	no charge
If college bed is used	15.00

Those who will not require lodging, but who wish to eat meals in the dining room, will pay \$40.00. Those who will attend only during the day, and who do not wish to eat meals in the dining room, will pay a \$12.00 commuter fee. There is no charge for those who come to the Conference only for the evening services.

A Program Committee, consisting of Pastor John Hearp, Dwaine Demmitt, Dr. Charles Pryor, and David Krogh, has been appointed. Additional details of the Conference and program will be available soon.

Reservation information will be sent to the pastors shortly. Begin making plans now to attend this Conference.

## Board of Directors Meet

The Board met in Oregon, Illinois, January 29 and 30. The Department Heads met with the Board as long-range plans for the Conference work were discussed. The March Journal will give additional details of this meeting.

## Gift Catalog

During December each Church of God family received a gift catalog listing many of the projects, programs, and activities of the General Conference and Oregon Bible College. Special thanks are extended to each family who responded to this appeal for support.

## Staff Travels

Members of the General Conference staff are happy for the opportunity to visit churches and to fill pulpits

when a need arises. Our personnel are currently speaking occasionally at two churches that do not have resident pastors. And our staff is available to speak when pastors are on vacation or ill. Also, we are available to visit your church to assist in any way that we can.

Bro. Warren Sorenson, Director of Outreach and Church Development, just recently returned from his fourth major trip since becoming a member of our staff. He has been able to share evaluation tools with many of our pastors and assist many churches to reach out to their communities.

Please let us know how we can help you and your church.

## Conference Finances

Contributions through January 9 were about \$9,500 short of our needs for this fiscal year. We have found it necessary to borrow to pay our bills. Only a small additional contribution from each member family would easily remove this deficit.

The members of our staff are committed to doing whatever we can to serve you and all the people of the Church of God. Your faithful support will make it possible for us to carry on the work we have been instructed to do.

Thanks for your response.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981

**\$359,500.00**

	Needed	Given
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10-Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10-Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 98,732.00</b>	<b>\$ 89,214.00</b>
Deficit through Jan. 9		\$ 9,518.00
Needed Jan. 10-Feb. 9		29,960.00
<b>GOAL for Jan. 10-Feb. 9</b>		<b>\$ 39,478.00</b>

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# OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Dr. Charles Pryor, President

## Christian Service at Oregon Bible College

A sound program of Christian Service or field work goes hand in hand with formal studies in preparation for effective service. Bible College education is characterized by the place given to practical training. Oregon Bible College has a well-organized program of training in Christian service.

### Rationale for Program

The essence of the Christian faith lies in relating divine truths to human realities. In Christian Service, the student is confronted with reality. He is brought into vital relationships with people. The practical aspect of the program is preparing the student for Christian ministry, with the underlying principle of learning by expression. Here classroom instruction becomes functional, integrating academic content and practical experience for the personal development of the student in areas of Christian Service.

### Goals of Christian Service Program

1. To assist students in deepening and internalizing theological perceptions through integrating classroom and field experience.
2. To minister to the student, assisting and supporting his process of growth towards maturity in Christ.
3. To provide opportunities for students to discover and develop ministry gifts through active involvement in ministry.
4. To assist each student in experiencing and teaching Scripture as God's revelation of that reality which believers are called to live.
5. To provide opportunities for students to serve Christ by serving people in local churches and in the community at large.
6. To provide a model for each student with whom he can enter into a close personal relationship.

### Basic Requirements

#### 1. Ministry Service

Each full-time student must successfully complete six semester units of practical Christian Service. Each two-year student must successfully complete two semester units of practical Christian Service. A listing of specific opportunities in the local churches and the community is provided for students to assist in selecting a ministry area.

#### 2. Weekly Attendance

Students are encouraged through their Christian Service commitments to become consistently involved in one of the local

churches. Regular attendance is not simply a requirement of the student's commitment to Oregon Bible College, but an opportunity to become involved with others in the worship of our Lord. Each student will be held accountable to his/her advisor for the consistent involvement in a church body. Attendance at Sunday School and at least two church services each week is required.

#### 3. Chapel Attendance

Attendance at College Chapel is important for the growth of each person. Chapel provides the opportunity to worship together and to minister to one another. Each person's participation and contribution is important. Students are held accountable for regular Chapel participation.

#### 4. Record Keeping

Keeping accurate records of weekly attendance and ministry activities is a requirement of the program. Reporting Christian Service activities is designed to assist students in defining goals, stimulating positive action, and assessing progress.

### Christian Service Assignments

Students conduct Christian Service activities in churches and in community agencies. This year Oregon Bible College is contributing service to the following churches and agencies: East Oregon, Illinois, Church of God North Grove, Illinois, Community Church Oregon, Illinois, Church of God Dixon, Illinois, Church of God Flagg Center, Illinois, Church of God Washington Grove, Illinois, Church Oregon, Illinois, Park District (coaching, sports, and dramatics) Ogle County, Illinois, Youth Services Bureau White Pines Manor Nursing Home/Adopt-a-Grandparent Program Volunteers in Probation Program (Ogle County) Village of Progress

*"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."*



Jim Hitchcock (left) of East Oregon Church meeting with Mike Gallagher (right) for assistance as he prepares to teach a Sunday School lesson to teens.

### Financial Assistance

For many years friends of Oregon Bible College have made money available for student financial assistance through scholarships and grants-in-aid. Historically, the majority of financial assistance has been granted at the beginning of the second semester each year. Need, commitment to Bible College education, and scholarship are among the criteria for granting aid.

Presently, the College Administration is developing a comprehensive financial aid program to provide assistance throughout the school year. During the months ahead both current providers and prospective providers of financial aid and scholarships will be contacted to review criteria for awarding funds. Persons, churches, and/or conferences who are interested in providing on-going student financial assistance funds should contact Dr. Charles Pryor.

The Scholarship/Grants-in-Aid Committee awarded assistance to the following persons for the Spring, 1981, Semester:

Name of Award	Recipient	Class
S. E. Magaw (Alumni Assoc.)	Darwin Bronson	Freshman
James A. Patrick	* Gary Burnham	Senior
Lea Doeden	R. Joe Good	Senior
Glen & Violet Booth	Beth Harrison	Freshman
Norman McLeod	Jeff Smith	Sophomore
S. J. Lindsey	* Becky Roseberry	Sophomore
Harold Doan	* Pam Holquist	Freshman
C. E. Randall	Robert Alcumbrack	Junior
Lucian Murphy	Daniel Shaw	Senior
Helen L. Overholser	Alan Demmitt	Junior
Otto E. Dick	Darcey Emerick	Freshman
BYF	* Steve Mattison	Freshman
Harry & Emily Berry	* Karen Mitchell	Senior
Troyview, Overholser, Demmitt	Michael Gallagher	Sophomore
Lawrenceville, Overholser	Joan Simpson	Freshman
Illinois State Conference	* Darlene Burkhart	Senior
Illinois State Conference	* Deb Cook	Senior
Illinois State Conference	Wynn Winner	Sophomore
Northeast BYF	* Kevin Demmitt	Sophomore
John and Ruth Lewis	Tracy Chapman	Junior
Minnesota State Conference	* Blair Johnson	Sophomore
Virginia State Conference	Debra Fletcher	Senior
Elton Trust	Cecil Rademachir	Senior
Elton Trust	Vickie Wyrick	Senior
Elton Trust	Dick Eldred	Junior
Missouri State Conference	* Brian Atra	Sophomore
Thelma Moore Attwell	Eileen Moore	Freshman
Thelma Moore Attwell	Sharon Moore	Junior

\* Students so designated attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the Fall semester and have a cumulative average of 3.0 or better.

Besides these awards, a number of financial assistance grants are made directly to students by friends, relatives, home churches, and conferences but are not reported to the financial aids officer.

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# Outreach and Church Development

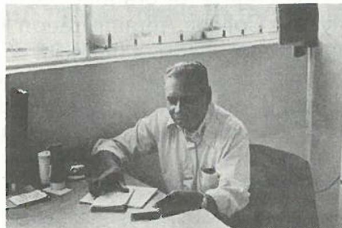
## Indian Medical Clinic

When noontime comes, Jaya Sheelan and his wife distribute the bread and milk.



Clinic director  
Mrs.  
Manoah

Today the kids got "scrubbed up" before chow.



Dr. Michael



Dr. Jothi

There are real kids under all that dirt!



Jaya Sheelan, Sister Mary, and Mr. Samuel (Tata)



While Dr. Michael helps a sick baby

"As ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give" (Matt. 10:7, 8).

Jesus sent us, "his disciples," into the world to share the coming kingdom of God with others. Our little clinic in Lalji Nagar tries to live Christ's command of preaching and healing.

Approximately 30 people come each day, Monday through Saturday, seeking help for their physical ills. Daily we try to help both the physical and spiritual needs of our community. Most of the patients are from poor Hindu and Moslem families. They come because they trust us, or as a last hope when home remedies and "gods" fail to perform. Here they see what Christian prayer and a little medicine can do.

The clinic is directed and run by Emily Manoah. Emily's smile gives encouragement to everyone.



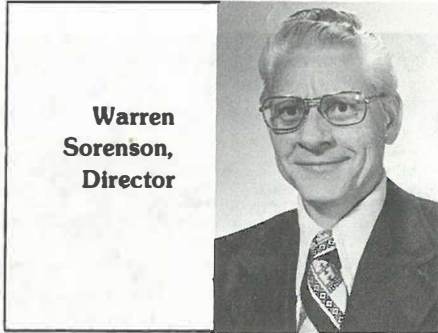
Sister Mary catches up on some paper work.



Tata shares a story about Christ and hands out tracts to those in the waiting room.

# Department

Staffed by the  
Lalji Church  
Bangalore, India



Either Dr. Michael or Dr. Jothi see the patients. Sister Mary is our nurse in charge of paperwork, shots, and medicines. Jaya Sheelan, our caretaker, not only keeps the place clean, but is also there to lend a helping hand with a tearful child.

Yet there is one more man without whom all our efforts would be in vain. His name is Samuel "Tata" (Tamil word for grandpa) to both staff and patients alike. Every morning as the clinic door opens, Tata is there to visit with the sick in the waiting room. His message is simple and true: "You must have faith in God, the doctors can help, but only through Jesus can you be healed." He prays with the sick and tells them about this wonderful man called Jesus.

Each morning about 10:30 a short sermonette is given. Pastor Noel, Tata, and Brother Stephen take turns giving the message and praying for the sick. When our missionary friend comes, Tata is always there to translate his message into any one of several languages.

At noontime, hungry little children from neighboring slums gather at the door. They are here for their daily portion of bread and milk, compliments of the Indian government but distributed by our church.

The efforts of Pastor Noel, Tata, and the rest of the Lalji Church and staff here brought new faces into our church these past Sundays. Last week, five new Hindus and three Moslem friends joined us for worship (PTL). May God continue to minister through his dedicated servants.

FEBRUARY, 1981



## On Parent-Teen Communication

A recent survey of a national cross section of over 1000 young people between the ages of 13 and 18 indicates that part of the problem parents have in dealing with their children is the lack of communication. I believe that most of us as parents would agree that a wise recommendation would include the need to communicate to our most precious possessions, our children.

Yet a recent Gallup Youth Survey points out the fact that 25 percent of the young people surveyed did not discuss their activities with their parents. Another 42 percent indicated that no words of praise were received from their parents during a 24-hour period. During that same period 50 percent had not received a hug or kiss, 54 percent had not heard the words, "I love you," and 79 percent indicated they received no help with their homework from a parent.

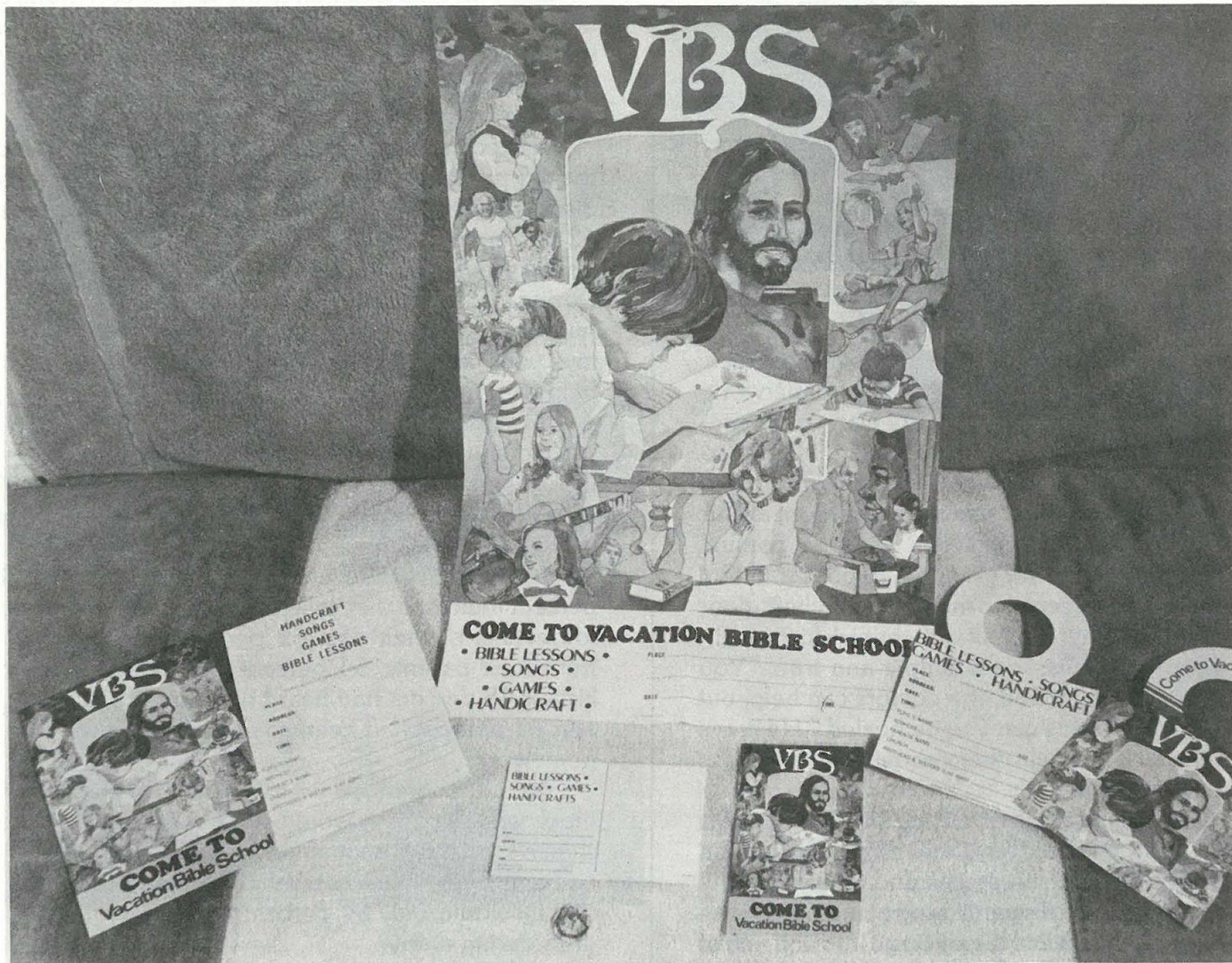
This survey distinguished between those who attended church at least weekly, less than weekly, and those who did not attend at all. It is important for us to note that this part of the survey indicated that the young people who attend church regularly outranked those who do not in every category of the survey. 78 percent indicated they talked with their parents about the events of their day, 62 percent received praise from their parents, 54 percent had been hugged or kissed, 48 percent had heard the words, "I love you," and 22 percent had been given assistance with their homework.

Even though those who attend church outrank those who do not, it would seem that we as parents should look at this another way. Why would only about half of Christian parents tell their children "I love you," or why would only 54 percent hug or kiss their children during a day?

It is our responsibility to raise up our children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord" according to God's Word. Can anyone picture God ignoring his responsibility? Can anyone picture God being anything but nurturing with us, his children? What constitutes nurturing? Does it include telling someone that you love him? Does it include showing love by a hug or kiss? If the above are part of the nurturing process, then approximately 50 percent of us are not carrying out our God-given responsibility to our children as shown by this survey. We are not immune! Let us back up our good intentions with action.

# Five-Lesson Plan

# 19 Vacation B



### Jesus, My Special Friend

This year's Vacation Bible School theme centers on the miracles and works of Jesus, a friend today for all who believe in him. For perhaps the first time in Church of God publishing experience, you have opportunity to purchase full-color promotional materials which will help you advertise your Vacation Bible School.

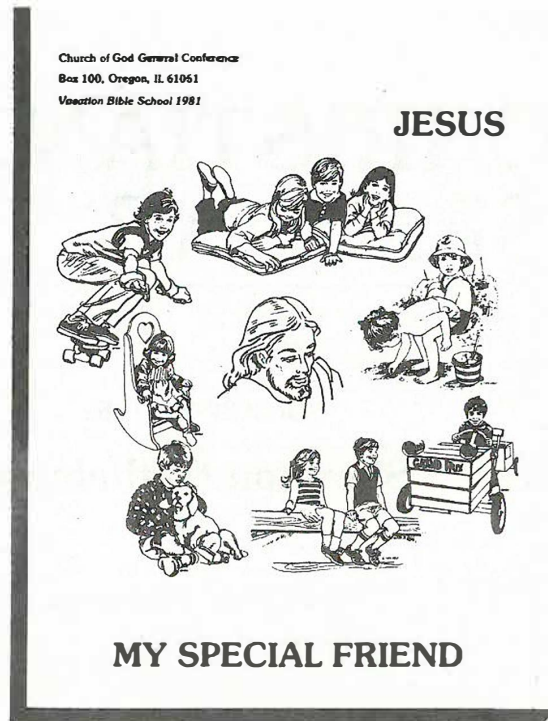
Some of the materials are pictured above in black and white. Available are dodgers which may be used

as bulletin inserts, handouts in door-to-door canvassing, etc. Also available are doorknob hangers for neighborhood saturation, posters for displays on bulletin boards and store windows, and postcards for mailing to your community. You may also purchase buttons to pin on the youth as they register the first day.

Begin now to plan for use of the promotional material. Orders will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Use the order blank on page 11.

# 31 Bible School

Please send the following Vacation Bible School Teacher's Books and Supplies



- Director's Manual
- Storyteller's Book
- Book One—Preschool & Kindergarten
- Book Two—1st & 2nd Grades
- Book Three—3rd & 4th Grades
- Book Four—5th & 6th Grades
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- Book Six—High School
- Craft Manual (total collection of craft suggestions from all the Teachers' Manuals)

Quantity	Unit Price	Total
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All books are Teachers' Manuals only

- Advertising Materials
- VBS Dodgers, full color, per 100
- VBS Autograph Album, unassembled
- Doorknob hanger, full color, per 100
- VBS Poster, full color, each
- VBS Postcard, full color, per 100
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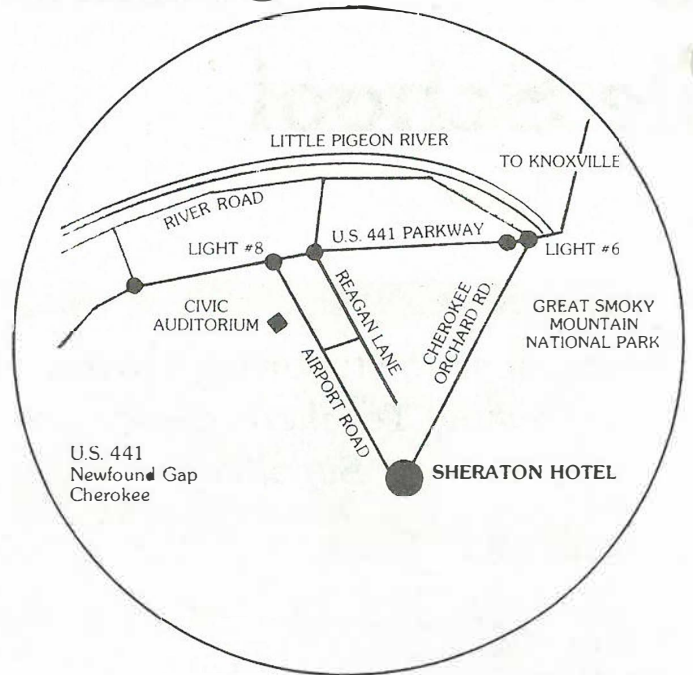
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# CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SEMINAR

**March 22-27, 1981**  
**Sheraton Gatlinburg Hotel**  
 Gatlinburg, Tennessee



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- Enriching Personal and Family Life Through Cell Groups
- Lay Ministry Opportunities
- Leadership Training in Youth Ministry
- The Bible and the Early Church—Our Heritage and Foundation
- What Makes a Growing Church
- Sunday School Leadership Training

Registration will begin at 4:00 Sunday afternoon. The evening meal will be served at 6:00. The regular schedule will begin on Monday. The hotel will be vacated by 9:30 Friday morning.

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Is this your first year at the Seminar? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years you have attended before \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Seminars have been held in 1974 at Oregon Bible College, 1975-1979 at Camp Mack, 1979 at Francisco Grande, and 1980 at Gatlinburg.)

I am enclosing a \$10.00 non-refundable deposit per person and will pay the balance on arrival. (Please check one of the boxes below.)

I would like accommodations based on four persons per hotel room. (Cost: \$95 per person; \$165 per couple.) Names of those you wish to share a room with \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mail to: Christian Workers' Seminar, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061**  
**Enrollment Deadline: February 27, 1981**

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

## Notice To All Ministers

The Ministerial Conference will convene at the Church of God, 301 N. 3rd St., Oregon, IL, April 27 through May 1, 1981.

The theme is, "Developing Skills for Ministry." Registration will begin Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the Oregon Church.

Gayle Reye, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061, is in charge of lodging. Please let her know when you plan to arrive.

A nursery will be available for small children during the evening services and Sandi Withers will be in charge of it. Any questions about the nursery should be addressed to her: Route #1, Oregon, IL 61061, or phone (815) 732-7763.

Churches are encouraged to pay the pool expense for their pastor since this is a good time of training and encouragement for him.

A program will be mailed to all pastors in the near future.

Program Committee:  
Hollis Partlowe, Chairman  
Russell Magaw  
Rex Cain  
Sydney Kirkpatrick

## ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

This writer had the happy privilege to again represent the Church of God General Conference on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society at its recent meeting in Bloomingdale, NJ, December 2-4, 1980. The previous meeting was in March, 1977. Sixty-four denominations were present to study the work of the Bible Society and to make recommendations for future work.

The Society was organized in May, 1816, and the thrust of the Society has always been to translate and distribute the written Word without comment. Millions of copies of the Bible and portions are sent into all parts of the world each year. The work is carried on by contributions from individuals, churches, and denominations everywhere.

At the recent annual meeting 12 resolutions were adopted regarding the work of the Society.

## EAST OREGON CHAPEL Oregon, Illinois

"Let Us Arise and Build" is the statement which was made by a highly motivated group in the days of Nehemiah as they sought to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem (Neh. 2:18). It is also the cry of the members of the East Oregon Chapel who likewise are highly motivated. Excitement has been running high as we have been increasing in number and are outgrowing our facilities. The congregation voted November 30, 1980, to pursue building added classroom space and increasing the size of the sanctuary. The vote was an overwhelming 100 percent in favor of this project. Since that date contributions to the building fund have been humbling as people have been giving sacrificially. Undergirding the positive attitude of the people is a growing love for Jesus Christ, an increasing awareness that God wants lost people found, and a willingness to support his work.

We recently declared a "Statement of Purpose" which we wish to share with you also. It reads: It is the purpose of the body of Christ which meets at the East Oregon Chapel:

1. To provide a place where any who desire can come to praise and worship our Creator, Almighty God.
2. To strengthen each other, grow in love, and receive the necessary training to become mature followers of Jesus Christ.
3. To meet the spiritual needs of this community and to reach out to our friends and neighbors with the gospel message of salvation.

This is our purpose in all things. We covet your prayers as we attempt to fulfill our obligation to God and his Son Jesus Christ in reaching the lost.

Richard Eldred, pastor.

It was good for the General Conference to have a representative at this important meeting.  
Pastor Stan Ross.

## IDEAS—PRESS FOR A DECISION (Continued from page 1)

Church in Hereford, Texas. His records show that in one year a congregation using this procedure grew with 67 additions by baptism and transfer.

In summing up this method, McCarter says, "My pattern is relational / affirmational / decisional, in a continuously recurring cycle: Courtesy call—cultivation call—commitment call. Then, if they haven't decided positively yet, a continuing cultivation—commitment call cycle, maybe even two or three times. As I continue calling, we keep sending them a church newsletter and trying to influence them in whatever way we can. I try not to be afraid of rejection or let my self-confidence be destroyed by fear."

For more information regarding the McCarter method, write to us and request "Techniques for Making Decision Calls." —Russell Magaw.

## OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS (Continued from page 3)

### Fall Semester High Honor Roll

Students carrying 12 hours or more, and who maintain a credit-point average of at least 3.50 in any semester, are placed on High Honor Roll. Congratulations to the following students: Brian Atra, Darlene Burkhart, Gary Burnham, Deb Cook, Alan Demmitt, Michael Gallagher, Pam Holquist, Blair Johnson, Steve Mattison, Karen Mitchell, and Becky Roseberry.

### Honor Roll

Students maintaining an average of at least 3.00 are placed on the Honor Roll. Congratulations to the following students: Darwin Bronson, Darcey Emerick, Debra Fletcher, Joe Good, Beth Harrison, Cindy Isenhoff, Eileen Moore, Sharon Moore, Cecil Rademachir, Joan Simpson, Jeffrey Smith, Kathryn Walls.

## DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

### Counseling & Arbitration Board

Chairman: C E Randall, Bx 194, Oregon, IL 61061  
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**Cleveland Church**  
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David McClain, Supt, 1730 Mobile Home Av, Rockford 61109

### Indiana Churches

**Culver Church (New Hope)**  
Kenneth W Cook, Assoc Pastor, RR 1, Meadowlark Ln, Culver 46511  
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### North Salem Church

Ken Howe, Pastor, 13263 4th Rd, Plymouth 46563

### Missouri Churches

**Jordan Church**  
Jack Allspaw, Supt, RR 4, Bx 219, Buffalo 65622  
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**Pleasant Hill Church**  
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Smith, E Richard (Jeanne), Rt 1, Bx 124, Pelzer, SC 29669 Ph 803-947-1600

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Anyone who has written lyrics to any and all hymns or other songs, or who has composed music appropriate for religious use, I'd greatly appreciate a copy of your lyrics, or a copy of the song to which the words have been set. Send all information to:

Daniel Watkins  
208 West St.  
Attica, IN 47918

## MARRIAGES

### Riley-Keller

On Saturday afternoon, November 15, Mary Riley and Blaine Keller were joined in marriage at Fulks Run, VA. We pray that God will lead and direct them in their united life.

Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

### Harkrader-Henson

On Saturday morning, November 15, Elva Harkrader and Bruce Henson were united in marriage by the writer at the Cool Spring Church of God, Browntown, VA. We ask God to guide and bless them in their lives together.

Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

### BAPTISMS

**Springfield, OH.** It was a joyous occasion as Fred Clark came forward expressing his desire to put on Christ at the Lawrenceville Church of God in the waters of baptism on November 30, 1980. Bro. Fred has been an attender at Lawrenceville for many years and we rejoice greatly in his decision. He has truly been a blessing and we pray that God will continue to bless him with many years of service to him. Fred received the right hand of fellowship at the close of the service on December 7th.

**Springfield, OH.** The brethren of the Lawrenceville Church of God witnessed the baptisms of Darrell and Bruce Blanton at the close of the worship services on Sunday, December 28, 1980. We are thankful for these young men and the decisions they have made and pray that God will continue to bless and help them in their new walk with Christ. Darrell and Bruce were given the right hand of fellowship at Lawrenceville on January 4, 1981. James D. Ritch, pastor.

**Pomona, CA.** The Church of the Open Bible of Pomona welcomes two new sisters in Christ to its fellowship. Connie Kirby was immersed on Sunday, December 21, 1980, and Marian Berry was accepted by transfer of membership from her church home in Yucaipa, CA. We see God's provision for this body in their addition, and pray only his richest blessings for these two sisters. David Wilsterman, pastor.

**Hilliard, OH.** The Hilliard Bible Church of God is happy to announce the baptism of Mary Katherine Allemang. Mary accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior and was baptized in his name on Sunday, December 21, 1980, by Pastor C. F. Roth, elder Duane Johnson, and deacon Joe Writsel. Our prayer is that God will bless and guide her as she begins her walk with him.

C. F. Roth, pastor.

**South Bend, IN.** Candi Plank and Kim Platz were baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins on Sunday evening, December 14, 1980. We welcome Candi and Kim into the membership of the Hope Chapel Church and we pray God's richest blessings upon them.

John A. Railton, pastor.

**Browntown, VA.** Following morning worship on November 16, 1980, the Cool Spring congregation gathered on the banks of a creek in Browntown, VA, to witness the baptism of David Smith into the body of Christ. We pray God's blessing to be with him as he begins his Christian walk.

Stephen Bolhous, pastor.

**South Bend, IN.** Hope Chapel was overjoyed when the following persons came forward to give their lives to the Lord and seal that commitment through the waters of baptism. Donalee Hughes, Scott Emerick, Cristy Doolen, Tim Van Der Heyden, Gary Van Der Heyden, Tammy Rand, and Billie Johnson were immersed in the name of Jesus. We pray God's blessing upon each one of them as they grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord.

Pastor Edward Bender.

**Pelzer, SC.** The Guthrie Grove Church of God was happy when Evelyn McCall came forward to give her life to the Lord, and sealed her commitment with baptism on October 5, 1980.

There was also great joy when Teresa Blanken took the step to give her life to the Lord, and sealed that decision in the waters of baptism on December 7, 1980, a warm 72° day, in Hurricane Creek. Both ladies were received by the right hand of fellowship following their immersion. We pray God's blessing upon each one of them as they grow in the knowledge and love of the Lord.

Edward Bender, pastor.

**Ripley, IL.** The Ripley Church of God rejoiced at the baptism of Peter Allen, son of Gary and Ann Delaney, on Sunday, November 30, 1980, after the worship service. Pete is home from duty in the United States Army. May the Lord be with Pete in his new walk of life.

Richard L. Young, pastor.

**Blanchard, MI.** It was the privilege of our congregation to witness the commitment, conversion, and baptism of Tanya Shaw and Charlene Wolever into the body of Jesus on November 16. We welcome them into local membership of the Blanchard Church. Don Needham, pastor.

**Oregon, IL.** Matthew Haynes and Ken Welty III, both seniors at Oregon High School, were baptized into Christ November 23, 1980. We praise God for their decision to follow the Lord Jesus, and trust that God will use them both to glorify him from this day forward.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Greenbrier, AR.** Members and friends of the McGintytown Church of God are thrilled with the decisions of two in our congregation who came forward to become a part of God's family. On November 16, 1980, Robert Goodrich and Barbara Sublett made these decisions at the close of the morning worship service. On the following Sunday Robert was baptized and Barbara became a member by letter. We welcome both of them into our family and praise God for their decisions. May the Lord bless them in their walk with him.

Thomas New, pastor.

**Kokomo, IN.** We are happy to report that we have two new members in our congregation and in the Body of Christ. Carrie Blake accepted Christ as her personal Savior on November 2, 1980. Steve Campbell accepted Christ on December 7, 1980. We pray that God will bless each of these two as they grow in Christ.

James Hill, pastor.

**Royal, AR.** On November 23, 1980, the congregation of the Forest Hills Church of God at Royal, AR, watched from the banks of Bear Creek as Pastor Larry Mayberry led Lee Ann McCall into the chilly waters to baptize her into the saving name of Jesus. We rejoiced with song as they came out of the water. We met again that evening to celebrate communion and to extend the right hand of fellowship to the new member of the body of Christ. Your prayers are earnestly desired for this young convert as she meets the trials and temptations of this present world. May we all meet in the kingdom without the loss of one.

Anita Howell, reporter.

**Eden Valley, MN.** Shaun McCamey, age 10, was baptized into Christ at Long Lake on July 18, 1980, by Pastor Kenneth Cook. His membership is at the Eden Valley Church of God. We pray God will richly bless him in his new life.

Mildred Parks, reporter.

**Greenville, SC.** Years ago it was our privilege to unite in marriage two couples: Donna Johnson and Valerian "Curley" Miller of Cambridge, NE; and Ardys Johnson and Wendell "Mac" McKeown of El Segundo, CA. On December 7, 1980, it was our privilege to unite these couples in the Lord. On that day we assisted "Curly" and "Mac" to put on Christ

in baptism in the Hurricane Creek near Pelzer, SC. May God bless their new walk and work for him.

Pastor T. M. Ferrell.

### OBITUARIES

**Jean McMinn,** age 68, widow of L. Kirkwood McMinn, of Greenville, SC, died December 9, 1980. Jean was a charter member of the Greenville Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. She is survived by a daughter, Carolyn Davis of Fayetteville, NC; two sons, Harry L. McMinn of Greenville, SC, and Larry Kirkwood McMinn of Manassas, VA; and nine grandchildren. Services were held December 11 at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, with burial in Woodlawn Memorial Park. The writer was assisted by Pastor Edward Bender. May God comfort those who mourn.

T. M. Ferrell, pastor.

The Ripley, IL, Church of God and many people in the community mourn the death of one of its members, **J. L. (Shorty) Hendricks.** He was 73 years of age and had suffered for several months with cancer. Just about 12 weeks ago he accepted Christ as his Savior. He was buried in the Ripley Cemetery. He was loved by all who knew him. We praise God that he now awaits the resurrection at the coming of our Lord.

Richard L. Young, Pastor.

**Mr. Gordon Daniel Williams,** age 50, of Grandville, MI, died unexpectedly in an automobile accident Saturday, December 27, 1980. Survivors include three sons: Richard Williams of Phoenix, Arizona; James A. Williams of Wurthsmith AFB, MI; and Kenneth A. Williams of Grand Rapids; two daughters: Jamie L. Proos and Julie Ann Williams, both of Grand Rapids; one brother, Gary Williams of Grand Rapids; and one sister, Mrs. Donald (Mary) Verwys of Jenison, MI; plus several nieces and nephews. Mr. Williams lived in the Grand Rapids area and had been a member of the Garden Park Church of God. A graveside service, conducted by the writer, was held at the Fairplanes Cemetery, Grand Rapids.

Michael Brown, pastor.

Funeral services for **Josephine ("Josie") Koontz,** 90, of Oregon, IL, were held at the Oregon Church of God, November 17, 1980. She was later laid to rest in Adeline Cemetery to wait the call to immortality by Jesus Christ who will destroy death itself at his return. Josie was a kind, gentle, dear saint of God who was loved by all who knew her. A friend of God and man, she will be greatly missed by our church family. Pray for her son, Dale, who survives.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Hiram Levi Reid** of Cleveland, AR, died December 25, 1980. He was born June 2, 1904, in Cleveland. Bro. Reid was a minister for 40 years. A retired barber, he belonged to the Cleveland Church of God, which he had pastored for the last several years. Left to mourn his death are his wife Agnes, Cleveland; one son, Hiram James, Campbell, CA; five daughters—Mrs. Margaret Castleman, Anaheim, CA; Mrs. Nona Rubbert, Visalia, CA; Mrs. Lila Cope, Fresno, CA; Mrs. Jeannie Roe, Springville, CA; Mrs. Allene Jeues, Springville, CA—three brothers; four sisters; 24 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren. He was laid to rest in the Cleveland cemetery to await the call of the Master. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Bro. Fred Bradford.

Pastor John R. Humphreys.

**Juanita Lloyd** was born in Gallatin, Illinois, the daughter of Fred and Kathleen (Trousdale) Shain, on June 18, 1910, and fell asleep on January 5, 1981. As a young girl Juanita Shain was immersed into Christ by Pastor James A. Patrick, on June 9, 1923, and placed her

membership in the Restitution Church of God, Eldorado, IL, where she was a faithful worker until the time of her death. Juanita was married on April 7, 1930, to Marshall Lloyd. To this union three sons were born. Juanita and Marshall were privileged last summer to celebrate their Golden Wedding—50 years of a good married life together. Survivors include her husband;

three sons—Leo and Fred, both of Eldorado, and Leland of Evansville, IN; four grandchildren—Kenneth Lloyd of Harrisburg, Pamela Comer of Lake Charles, LA, and Ross and Shain Lloyd, both of Eldorado; and a great-granddaughter, Danielle Comer. A granddaughter, Leah Rayanne, preceded her in death. After funeral services conducted in Bean's Colonial

Terrace, she was laid to rest in the Hazel Ridge Cemetery to await the call of her soon-coming Lord.  
V. E. Kirkpatrick, pastor.

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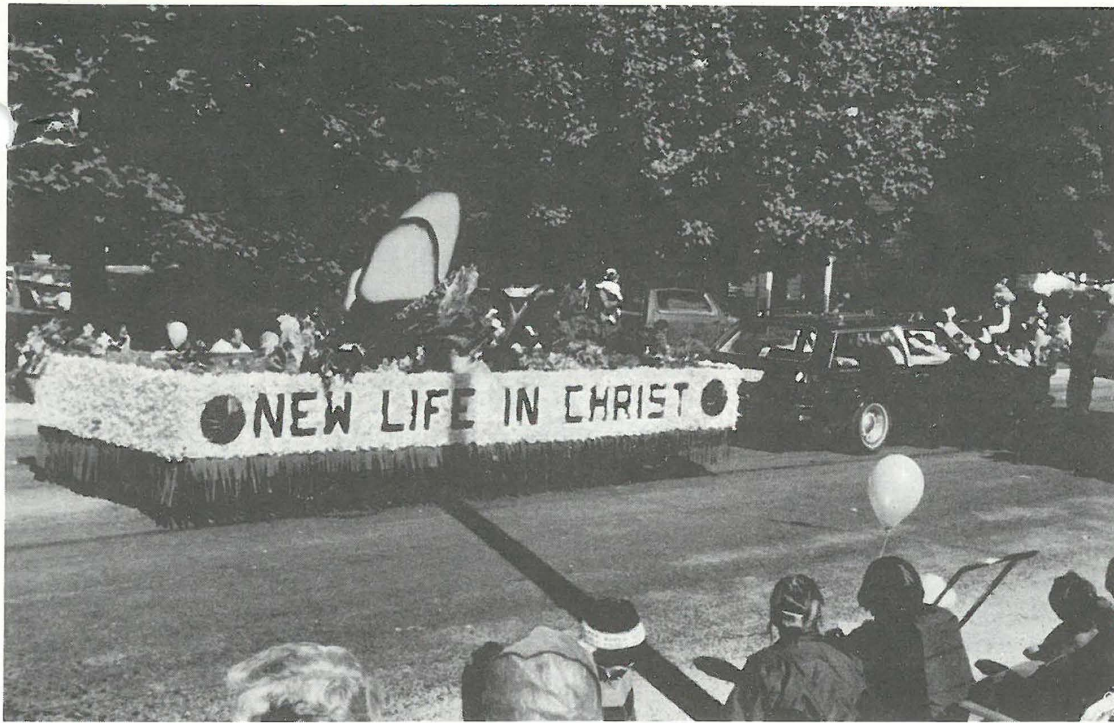
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Gospel Miss Church	25.90	Mrs Mae George	10.00	Gary Roepke	20.00	Mr & Mrs E J Demmitt	75.00
Robert L Jones	40.00	Wilda Hammer	20.00	Bernice Roberson	20.00	Mr & Mrs E C Harvey	120.00
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Eunice Cleo Orr	20.00	Lillie B Martindale	12.00	Mr & Mrs C Robin Hayse	12.00	Mr & Mrs Carl Davenport	20.00
Lorene Orr	20.00	Northeast Conference	265.00	Irena Margrave	10.00	Mrs Dorothy Napper	10.00
Guthrie Grove Church	1112.35	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	80.00	Mrs Luther Bengé	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ross Anger	10.00
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Bess L Kasper	60.00	Mr & Mrs Mardell Williamson	25.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Cisler	12.00	Mr Roy A Nason	1.70
Golden Rule SS	10.00	Julian W Hazlewood	28.00	Doris M Reye	30.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	150.50
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Mr & Mrs Paul Crie	5.00	Audrey Densmore	8.00	Mr & Mrs Kirk Kraft	40.00	A Grace Adamson	40.00
San Jose Church	14.00	Bernice S Carpenter	1.00	Mrs Vernon Davis	10.00	Mr & Mrs William Cramer	50.00
Mr & Mrs Albert Hollinshead	100.00	Mr & Mrs Given Cleek	40.00	Mr & Mrs Wm E Shotwell	85.00	Mr & Mrs L A Chaplin	40.00
Lucille Boyer	40.00	Mrs Eunice Pearson	15.00	Ruth Sealey Congdon	120.00	Mr & Mrs Orville Driskill	50.00
Mr & Mrs Mark Simpson	4.00	Mr & Mrs Huston McCaffery	20.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Crader	20.00	Alice Wingo	20.00
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St Louis Church	38.97	Country Chapel	24.82	Hope Chapel Columbus	5.00	Mr & Mrs Duane Stetzer	4.00
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Mr & Mrs Albis Wright	10.00	Mr & Mrs Leland Wendroth	10.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	285.00	Mr & Mrs Dan Dovenbarger	140.00
Clair L Rice	20.00	Pennellwood Church	151.85	Mrs Arlie G Townsend	11.00	Mr & Mrs Everett Brown	10.00
Mr & Mrs Virgil Claypool	6.00	Leona Conrad	45.00	Mr & Mrs Travis Meharg	5.00	A Grace Adamson	14.00
Mr & Mrs E A Frederick	100.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	200.00	Anne R Weyrauch	40.00	Hope Chapel S Bend Bereans	2.00
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Mr & Mrs Ralph Sanford	110.00	Mr & Mrs Milton Huxman	5.00	Muriel Hass	25.00	Ellen E Toney	60.00
Maurertown Church	47.02	Anna E Smith	5.00	In Memory of Ruth Lippert:		Lakeshore Christian Ladies	40.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Potts	12.00	Mr & Mrs George Jurco	3.00	Ray & Muriel Hass	10.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	175.00
Harry S Payne	1.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Magaw	130.00	Columbia SS	17.35	Fonthill SS	26.46
Mildred R Stantial	20.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Danskin	15.00	Mr & Mrs C F Patton	10.00	Mr & Mrs Joe Middleton	20.00
Mr & Mrs John E Savage	16.00	Mr & Mrs Gordon Hess	10.00	Mr & Mrs Tommy Walker	5.00	Margaret Jackson	2.00
Stephen F LaDew III	12.00	Mr & Mrs W G Beavers	25.00	Mr & Mrs Leonard Dart	4.00	Macomb Miss Soc	25.00
Janice M Haberer	20.00	Donna M Deane	12.00	Mr & Mrs John E Waterman	20.00	James L Wilson	100.00
Mr & Mrs John Huston Sr	50.00	Kathleen Wilson	20.00	Mr & Mrs Forrest Chapman	12.00	Mr & Mrs Rolla Hightower	50.00
Ben E Roseberry	12.00	Mr & Mrs Ivan Mills	25.00	Malvina Palmero	25.00	Anonymous	25.00
Mr & Mrs James Ashley	12.00	Wanda Carr	8.00	Pomona Church	50.00	Mr & Mrs Chris Ramsey	300.00
Goldie Sweeney	20.00	Mabel Hoskins	12.00	Eternal Hope Church	139.75	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Hinkle	20.00
Mr & Mrs Charles Martin	16.00	Everett S Rogers	52.00	Mr & Mrs Vernon Pippell	4.00	Fonthill Church	528.35
Tincie Stephens	5.00	Alta V Saylor	12.00	Mr & Mrs Wm Driver	20.00	In Memory of Christine Johnson	400.00
Lois L Blakely	20.00	Ernest J Ward	12.00	Mr & Mrs Wilbert Baumgarten	10.00	Anonymous	100.00
Eva B Bottolfs	4.00	Mrs Patricia A Smith	12.00	Mr & Mrs James L Roberts	200.00	Mr & Mrs Dwaine Demmitt	62.05
Anna Mae Bollin	10.00	Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00	Mrs Sophie Hammer	20.00	Mr & Mrs Glyn Craig	150.00
Mr & Mrs Fred Bradley	12.00	Anonymous	27.00	Chris A Huston	5.00	Richard Zimmerman	5.00
Carol E Smith	12.00	Eugene Harris	12.00	Mr & Mrs Lee Moore	20.00	Mr & Mrs Glenn Canfield	200.00
Muriel Bush	10.00	Mr & Mrs Paul A Newell	90.00	Mr & Mrs Orvis Messersmith	22.00	Mr & Mrs Roland DeLay	25.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Errett	12.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	40.00	George E Kugler	68.00	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00
Mrs T Dorsey	50.00	Hazel Kirkpatrick	20.00	Mr & Mrs Henry Austen	20.00	Mr & Mrs Creeton Foster	5.00
Mr & Mrs Michael Brown	12.00	David Landry	600.00	Mr & Mrs Malcolm McLeod	120.00	Mrs Viola Steil	2.00
Glessie Jennings	12.00	S Bend Hope Chapel	142.49	Mr & Mrs Daniel Heard	5.00	Eldorado Church	119.95
M A Patrick	100.00	Royal Village Church	96.16	Mr & Mrs Robert Diamond	4.00	Mrs Lucille Wulff	25.00
Mr & Mrs Frank Taylor	15.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Wilson	5.00	Anonymous	20.00	Mr & Mrs James Wiggins	10.00
Ralph E Eicher	20.00	Mr & Mrs Glenn Myers	2.00	Fredericktown Church	35.00	Mr & Mrs Carl Heiser	40.00
Mr & Mrs Richard Emery	40.00	Flagg Center Church	141.50	Mr & Mrs Clyde E Randall	25.00	Via Raymond	5.00
Mr & Mrs J R Gardner	12.00	Oregon Church	525.82	Mr & Mrs Ray Foster	10.00	Mrs Earl Beebe	12.00
Mr & Mrs Daniel Kizer	20.00	Oregon Church Little Lambs	8.36	Mr & Mrs Tim Kaffenbarger	12.00	Mr & Mrs David Ewald	12.00
Mary Prather	12.00	Oregon Mary & Martha	50.00	Mrs Oda Tate	10.00	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	200.00
L H Anderson	10.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Bolhous	20.00	Miss Sara Beddow	150.00	Cecil Cronbaugh	10.00
Mr & Mrs Cecil Rademacher	20.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	173.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Long	5.00	Charlene Smith	6.00
Mr & Mrs Kendal Coats	300.00	Frances Wood	200.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	100.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Wilson	125.00
Clara E Broberg	10.00	Daniel L Shaw	6.00	Myrtle Martin	5.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Baird	75.00
Pleasant Hill Church	109.50	Mr & Mrs William Pierce	75.00	Clair L Rice	48.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Fletcher	10.00
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Virginia Henninger	5.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.00	Garden Park Church	239.16
Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	75.00	E Oregon Chapel	131.16	Frank A Perkins	40.00	Laura Keenan	20.00
Mr & Mrs Kenneth Gifford	5.00	Mr & Mrs Glenn Burkhart	2.00	Mr & Mrs Lary Shaw	25.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Coulter	4.00
Mr & Mrs Edward Dykstra	208.99	Alice L Marshall	40.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	75.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Edwards	20.00
Mr & Mrs Melvin Stedman	10.00	Gladys Emigh	1.00	Mildred Somers	55.00	Mary Lou Hornaday	12.00
Mrs Cora Rank	2.00	Valeta J Ives	15.00	Bessie Van Sickle	2.00	Anna Mae West	31.00
Mary Duncan	2.00	Anonymous	200.00	Steven B Spangler	25.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	100.00
Patricia Huffer	12.00	Blanchard Church	449.36	Mr & Mrs Norvald Sogge	12.00	Maude Rife	2.00
Mr & Mrs Carroll Bennett	15.00	Maude Rife	45.00	Mr & Mrs Dennis Eldred	8.00	Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	392.00
Evelyn Barr	10.00	Mr & Mrs Fulton Ramsey	100.00	Mr & Mrs James Bird	12.00	Holbrook Church	497.05
Mr & Mrs Monte Sandifer	25.00	Kate Ewbank	10.00	Mr & Mrs Delbert Shain	20.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00

Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	120.00	Herman Dale Lewis	40.00	Ferne Cunningham	4.00	Macomb SS	23.22
Yvonne Reigelsperger	180.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle Lewis	20.00	Mr & Mrs Bobby Thomason	10.00	Homer Rice	2.00
Mr & Mrs Don Eggle	5.00	Cindy Jo Isenhoff	57.20	Mrs Charles Robertson	8.00	Jay St Church	69.72
Mr & Mrs Herbert Sargent	8.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	100.00	Mr & Mrs Ward Countryman	8.00	Erma McChesney	200.00
Mr & Mrs Walter Reid	4.00	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	146.00	Norma Slaymaker	12.00	Hope Chapel Miss Soc	130.00
Anonymous	356.26	Mr & Mrs A T Palmer	4.00	Sarah Kuehne	16.00	Jaynes St SS	112.59
Mr & Mrs Frank Chapman	12.00	Mr & Mrs Roger Cupp	4.00	Anonymous	70.00	Milo Magaw	280.00
Mrs James Wagenaar	3.00	Mr & Mrs Ben Mattison	20.00	Mr & Mrs Joseph Sheeley	25.00	New Hope Church	100.00
Mr & Mrs D D Lawrence	10.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Anderson	100.00	Mr & Mrs Isaac Chapman	10.00	Brush Creek Church	788.60
Raymore Church	88.66	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	40.00	IL State Conference	230.00	Anonymous	12.00
Mr & Mrs Harry Goekler	25.00	Anonymous	1.00	Mr & Mrs Donald Needham	40.00	North Hills Church	269.43
Blessed Hope Church	128.60	Macomb Church	395.08	Ethel Berry	100.00	Mr & Mrs James Jannereth	20.00
Minnesota State Miss Soc	124.00	J Austin Smith	5.00	Patrick M Landry	160.00	Pleasant Hill Church	263.74
Koszta Church	135.00	Mr & Mrs Curtis Masters	35.00	Audrey Densmore	8.00	Mr & Mrs Ralph Lutton	40.00
Jennie R Pryor	20.00	Mr & Mrs Victor Ralston	20.00	Mr & Mrs Floyd Barnhill	12.00	Mrs Lee Fish	5.00
Mr & Mrs Marion Partlow	20.00	Mr & Mrs Robert H Hall	40.00	Lawrenceville Church	1285.14	Mr & Mrs Larry Johnson	20.00
Rita Burner	10.00	Hedrick Church	50.00	Phoenix Bible Church	830.00	Faye Graf	12.00
Mr & Mrs Lozelle Burnett	12.00						

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Anonymous	200.00	Frank A Perkins	20.00	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Lewis	10.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Eldred	156.00
Mr & Mrs Wm E Shotwell	65.00	Mr & Mrs Don Stilson	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Johnson	12.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Magaw	130.00
Mr & Mrs D D Lawrence	10.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Zobrist	20.00	Mr & Mrs David Cheatwood	56.00	Mr & Mrs Edward Dykstra	1200.00
Raymore Church	91.00	Clara Lamb	40.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Baird	75.00	Blanchard Church	1012.45
Pennellwood Miss Dept	129.00	Mr & Mrs Edgar Hendrix	60.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Brossard	50.00	Mr & Mrs John Anderson	300.00
Mrs Raymond Cowart	3.00	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Mr & Mrs V Cunningham	20.00	Mr & Mrs Wm D Lawrence	2000.00
Jewel Holt	100.00	Mrs Craig English	7.00	Sarah Jessie Anderson	25.00	Kathleen Wilson	300.00
Eunice C Keys	100.00	Dorothy L Siple	25.00	Litchfield Church	51.02	Brush Creek Church	386.38
Mr & Mrs Charles Hummel	200.00	Mr & Mrs Rob Laning	265.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	175.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Baldwin	100.00
Claude H Reid	20.00	Mr & Mrs Carl Buscemi	12.00	Eldorado Church	109.03	Pennellwood Church	409.80
Randy Stevens	24.00	Grace Fisk	40.00	Maude Rife	25.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	105.00
Anonymous	75.00	Grace Lippincott	20.00	Guthrie Grove Church	35.00	Mr & Mrs Clair Alcumbrack	100.00
Lakeshore Bible Church	658.93	Margaret Duval	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dudley Lippert	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ivan Magaw	200.00
Morning Star Church	12.00	H Lewis McKinney	8.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	30.00	Mr & Mrs David McClain	40.00
Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Frances I Boyle	100.00	In Honor of Anna Johnson:		Koszta Church	50.00
Julian Hazlewood	28.00	Royal Village Church	99.61	Jean O'Donnell	20.00	Mr & Mrs Donald Needham	40.00
Mr & Mrs Vernon Chaplin	500.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Rosen	1.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Jones	75.00	Steven B Spangler	25.00
Mr & Mrs Philip Myers	25.00	Mr & Mrs Samuel Carroll	500.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde E Randall	25.00	Edith Eades	10.00
Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	300.00	Eternal Hope Church	192.81	E Oregon Chapel	208.35	Mr & Mrs George Hoke	90.00
Oregon Church	1224.17	Mr & Mrs John Waterman	20.00	Patrick M Landry	160.00	Kathryn Waggoner	5.00
In Memory of Ruth Lippert:		Eden Valley Church	329.22	Mary Bengé	5.00	Mr & Mrs Elvin Hughes Jr	12.00
Oregon Church	10.00	Troy View SS	15.18	Fonthill Miss Soc	291.64	Audrey Densmore	8.00
Mr & Mrs James Fyfe	5.00	Mr & Mrs Quentin York	25.00	Clair L Rice	40.00	Miss E Dorothy Magaw	50.00
Mr & Mrs Joe Good	60.00	Forest Hills Church	55.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Cooper	5.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Domigan	80.00
Oregon Mary & Martha	50.00	Country Chapel Church	22.72	Mr & Mrs Rolla Hightower	150.00	Gospel Miss Church	95.97
Anonymous	10,850.00	Carol E Smith	100.00	Fonthill Church	574.89	Maurertown Church	98.73
Mr & Mrs Ivan Mills	1000.00	Burton E Smith	100.00	Paula Klindt	55.00	Mr & Mrs Mansel Rogers	20.00
Edward Hudson	10.00	Alta P Steele	10.00	Mr & Mrs Herbert Huenerkopf	15.00	Mrs William Bauder	3.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Jenkins	12.00	Fredericktown Church	230.71	Pomona Church	76.59	Katherine Tackett	55.00
Mr & Mrs Thomas Wilkins	100.00	Mr & Mrs Harold W Simpson	20.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Johnson	100.00	San Jose Church	17.00
Mr & Mrs John Faunterloy	12.00	Cecil A Smead	80.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	30.00	Milo Magaw	290.00
NE Conference	265.00	Althea Rice	34.00	New Hope Church	100.00	Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	570.00
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	80.00	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	44.00	Mr & Mrs William Cramer	20.00	Mr & Mrs Kenneth Vancil	2000.00
Anonymous	10.00	Anonymous	100.00	Fonthill Church	297.89	Gary Roepke	40.00
Anonymous	15.00	Mr J Arthur Johnson	30.00	Mrs Dorothy Napper	20.00	Mr & Mrs Lawrence Madden	112.00
Everett S Rogers	40.00	Frances Wood	125.00	Anonymous	10.00	Mr & Mrs Isaac Chapman	10.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	95.00	Litchfield SS	26.35	James Hill	12.00	Blood River Church	485.25
St Louis Church	50.63	Mr & Mrs Michael Rager	100.00	Brian Atra	1.05	Bedford Church	302.02
Fonthill SS	27.21	Mr & Mrs John Carr	98.00	San Jose Dorcas Soc	20.00	IN State Bereans	110.00
S Bend Hope Chapel	200.85	Mrs Joe D Shelly	15.00	Mr & Mrs Warren Sorenson	250.95	Garden Park Church	291.28
Mildred Somers	35.00	Mr & Mrs J Don Swartz	105.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle D Lewis	80.00	C J Isenhoff	35.00
Ellen E Toney	60.00	Mr & Mrs Given Cleek	300.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	75.00	Gayle Reye	325.00
Mr & Mrs Joe Middleton	20.00	Mrs William Hanson	400.00	Mr & Mrs George Savage	10.00	Southlawn Church	758.58
Iva M Hammond	20.00	Mr & Mrs Malcolm McLeod	200.00	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	40.00	Sylvia LaDew	10.00
S Bend Hope Chapel Bereans	2.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	100.00	Mr & Mrs J Richard LeCrone	100.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Channell	168.00
Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dan C Dovenbarger	140.00	Mrs Bessie Stephenson	6.00	David Landry	1100.00
Mr & Mrs William Poland	80.00	Mr Marcus E Wilson	20.00	Mr & Mrs James Mattison	25.00	Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	45.00
Lorene Orr	100.00	Anonymous	25.00	Ethel Berry	10.00	Mr & Mrs Elmo Gaspar	300.00
Eunice Cleo Orr	100.00	Mr & Mrs Dwaine Demmitt	12.00	North Hills Church	111.69	Mr & Mrs Richard Emery	25.00
James Klepinger	20.00	Mr & Mrs Donald McCombs	12.00	Mr & Mrs Paul A Newell	60.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Lane	100.00
Bess L Kasper	120.00	Mrs Vernal C Rossner	25.00	Yvonne Reigelsperger	180.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Vance	10.00
Mrs Grace Blomquist	40.00	Stephen Adams	50.00	Bedford Bereans	3.86	Faye Graf	25.00
Mr & Mrs Roy Black	4.00	Lakeshore Christian Ladies	40.00	Pauline Walker	3.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	100.00
Mrs William Wagner	20.00	Brush Creek Youth	25.00	Mary Krogh	70.00	Arlington Church	100.00
Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	14.00	Michigan State Conf	134.63	Anonymous	68.00	Mr & Mrs Meredith New	65.00
Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	25.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	120.00	Mr & Mrs John Poole	4.00	Anonymous	100.00
Mrs Elizabeth Lemak	12.00	Burr Oak Church	256.18	Mr & Mrs A E Karnett	30.00	Mr & Mrs Orval Lynd	100.00
Mr & Mrs Henry J Engel	100.00	Mr & Mrs Melvin Weaver	20.00	Mr & Mrs Roland DeLay	25.00	Mr & Mrs E J Demmitt	500.00
Cool Spring Church	81.89	Marie E Kelso	50.00	Anonymous	25.00	Mr & Mrs C Gene Davis	300.00
Verne Learned	100.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00	Mr & Mrs Sheldon Mickey	100.00	Blessed Hope Church	131.34
Mr & Mrs Walter Reid	20.00	Robert L Jones	45.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Spangler	1000.00	Mr & Mrs Don Huffer	100.00
Lowell E Holt	250.00	Daniel L Shaw	6.50	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	92.00	Mr & Mrs William Pierce	35.00
Mrs Norma Warmolts	20.00	Fort Valley SS	171.10	Mr & Mrs Cecil Patrick	120.00	Mr & Mrs Gerald Niles	220.00
Evan K Chang	5.00	Fairy C Krejar	10.00	Anne R Weyrauch	100.00	Mr & Mrs C Robert Lawson	100.00
Leoda Huckenstine	50.00	Mr & Mrs Hiram Schier	100.00	Ripley SS	135.40	Mr & Mrs Norvald Sogge	200.00
Paul M Hatch	18.41	Mrs Esther Jenkins	10.00	Conger St Church	71.44	Mr & Mrs Gerald Maroney	300.00
Mr & Mrs Lyle Ashelford	100.00	Mrs Iris M Kirkley	12.00	Valley Church	377.79	Mr & Mrs Lynn Slocum	100.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	25.00	Mr & Mrs Jerry Nelson	5.00	Mr & Mrs Lee McQuinn	100.00	Merle A Patrick	150.00
Mr & Mrs Howard F Mowrer	30.00	Macomb Miss Soc	25.00	Mr & Mrs Curtis L Masters	50.00		
Mrs Doris Reye	10.00	Columbus Hope Chapel	5.00	Pleasant Hill Church	129.19		
Edna Wissman	5.00	Harriet E Webb	12.00	Mr & Mrs Elwyn Drew	100.00		



# Church of God Progress Journal

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## *Publishing Department News*

*by the Editor*

### **New Life in Christ**

It may not be quite time for butterflies to spring from their cocoons, but certainly every Church of God recently blessed with new believers knows the boundless energy new life in Christ brings.

We know new life is taking place in the churches. Bro. Warren Sorenson in the past winter months has traveled from Ohio to Arizona, from Texas to Michigan. He brings back reports of the new life Christ has been infusing in many congregations of the Church of God. For this we praise and thank him who adds "to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:47).

Enthusiasm for the new life Christ gives is illustrated by the conversation Jesus conducted with the Samaritan woman at the well. He offered her a new kind of water which quenched thirst forever. She became so excited about his offer that she left her empty waterpot behind in her rush to tell acquaintances in the city about the man of Nazareth being the Christ (John 4:29).

Praise God that similar excitement for the new life of Christ exists in many of our churches.

### **New Life in Publishing**

Next month several new things will take place in this membership issue, the Church of God PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Beginning with the April, 1981, issue of the JOURNAL, you will receive it separated from *The Restitution Herald*. It has been determined that it is more convenient and just as economical to make separate mailings of both publications each issue.

You will observe other minor changes in both magazines. We hope you will be pleased with these arrangements.

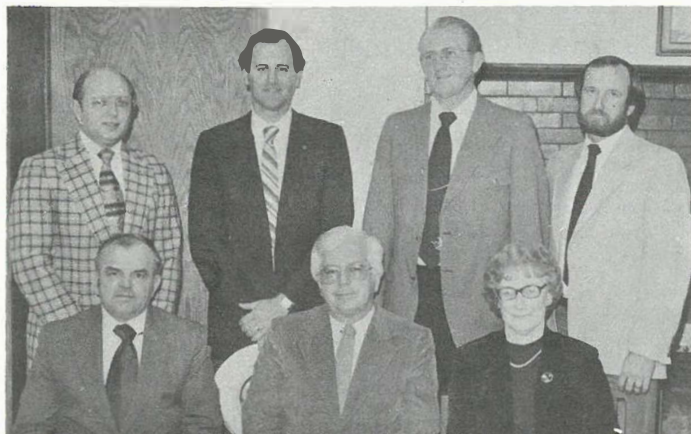
### **Herald Themes Announced**

Periodically we devote major portions of an issue of *The Restitution Herald* to a single theme. For the April, 1981, issue of *The Herald* we will feature articles on the resurrection hope which we have in Christ. The May, 1981, issue will feature Christian education concepts and mothers. In June, 1981, we will zero in on the family and its needs in the face of the economic and moral devaluation of our times. The July/August, 1981, *Herald* will not be thematic as such, but some emphasis will be placed on using vacations and leisure time profitably. Then we hope to have a four-page review of media in the September, 1981, issue—just in time for the new television season.

If you have any ideas for articles in these general subject areas, we'd like to hear from you. Please write to us for more details. Also pray that God will use this print ministry for his glory and for the good of mankind.

# General Conference Progress

David Krogh,  
Executive Director



**Church of God General Conference Board of Directors Seated (l. to r.): Dwaine Demmitt, Vice Chairman; Harold Doan, Chairman; Shirley Urish, Secretary; Standing (l. to r.): Joe James, Treasurer; Directors Maurice Robinson, John Hearp, and James Graham.**

## Board of Directors Meeting

Pictured above is the current Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. These individuals are elected by the delegates from each church and State Conference. They receive regular reports from the Executive Director and President of Oregon Bible College, and they oversee the work. They spend many hours on behalf of the Conference and College.

The Board met in Oregon, Illinois, January 29 and 30. Among the items discussed and acted upon were:

1. The Hearp Memorial Loan Fund was renamed Hearp-Delap Memorial Loan Fund at the request of John and Louise Hearp. Bro. and Sr. Hearp made an additional contribution to this fund from the estate of Sr. Hearp's parents, and the new name of the loan fund more accurately reflects the memory of the Hearps' parents.

2. A committee was appointed to study ways of making the Board of Counseling and Arbitration more effective in assisting churches which have need of their assistance. This committee will report back to the Board at its May meeting, and any major changes would be submitted to the delegates for action at the summer Conference.

3. The McGintytown Church in Arkansas was approved as the recipient of the spring Mission Builders Appeal #46. Additional information regarding the expansion plans of this growing congregation will be mailed with the appeal later.

4. The audit report for 1979-80 was accepted and approved by the Board. A summary of this report appears on pages 10 and 11.

5. The Board authorized the employment of a full-time Youth Ministries Coordinator/Instructor. This individual will teach Christian Education Youth Ministry courses in Oregon Bible College, and will direct Youth work in the Outreach and Church Development Department. This person will supervise all of our national youth activities, and give priority to training and assisting local youth leaders.

6. Steve Grant, who is continuing his education in cross-cultural communication, will be hired on a part-time basis, effective immediately, to assist Bro. Warren Sorenson in the Department of Outreach and Church Development. He will assist with research and policy development for our foreign mission work. He will also be available to visit local churches to report on his field work in India and to increase the mission awareness of all Church of God members.

7. The Board heard a report from the General Conference Planning Committee. The theme of the 1981 summer General Conference is: "You Are the Church." The emphasis in the Conference will focus on the ministry of the local church and individual involvement.

8. The Board spent most of its time at this meeting discussing topics of long-range significance to the Conference and College.

## Conference Finances

I have been overwhelmed with your generous response to the financial needs of the Conference during the past month. As you can see in the chart below we were only \$893 short of meeting our Goal for Giving on February 9. The generous giving of hundreds of people has made it possible for us to meet our financial obligations.

Special thanks are extended to those who gave above and beyond their normal giving.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981

**\$359,500.00**

	Needed	Given
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10 - Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10 - Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10 - Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10 - Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00

**TOTALS \$128,692.00 \$127,799.00**

Deficit through Feb. 9 \$ 893.00

Needed Feb. 10 - Mar. 9 29,960.00

**GOAL for Feb. 10 - Mar. 9 \$ 30,853.00**



## 1981 Senior Berean Youth Caravan to Be Formed

We find ourselves already excited about the prospects of the 1981 Senior Youth Caravan to be conducted during this coming summer.

Information and applications are in the hands of all pastors and youth leaders and those interested in applying need to be aware that the deadline for application has been set at March 20, 1981. This caravan is open to those going into the tenth grade through age 25.

A schedule has been established which calls for the caravan to begin on July 20 and end on August 1. We are tentatively planning to travel in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and on into Canada if arrangements can be made.

If there are churches in these states that would like to have the Senior Berean Caravan put on a program for you, I would appreciate your writing to me. Address all correspondence to: Hugh Harman, 629 W. Plata, Mesa, AZ 85202.

## Slide Sound Set of Berean Youth Conference

The slide-sound set of the 1980 International Berean Youth Conference is in the process of being prepared and should be ready for viewing somewhere around the middle of March. This set will include 160 color slides along with a narrated cassette tape. A nominal \$3.00 charge will be made for viewing.

## 1980 Quizzing Material

The material for this year's quiz program has been selected by your Contest Director, Bro. Neil Richardson.

All material pertaining to this year's program was sent from this office on March 1, 1981, under a permit mailing. However, to insure that all interested parties received this material at approximately the same time, a first-class mailing was made to all active pastors and contains only the material to be covered in this year's competition. The permit mailing contains the quiz manuals and all other information and hopefully arrived shortly after the first-class mailing. Those parties having an interest in quizzing should check with their pastors, if their material has not arrived.

The material which is being used this year is interesting and challenging and we are all looking forward to a fantastic year.

We are looking for at least 12 teams in this year's

competition at Berean Youth Conference, so help us by encouraging your young people to become involved.

## COG Shirts Now Available

Due to the numerous requests made at last year's General Conference, the shirts sold at the 1980 Berean Youth Conference with the "Ziggy" figure and lettered "I'm Proud To Be COG" (COG stands for Church of God) have been reordered and are available for purchase. These shirts are available in adult sizes—small, medium, large, and x-large—and will be sold for \$6.00 each on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in purchasing one, I would ask that you get together as a church group if possible and place an order collectively. If this is done it will save a great deal of time and money. If you are unable to order with a group, feel free to order your shirt individually.

To order, just send a list of sizes needed along with a check or money order to cover the cost (\$6.00 each plus \$.50 postage per shirt) to Hugh Harman, Box 28124, Tempe, AZ 85283. All checks should be made out to Berean Youth Fellowship.

## Post-High Midwinter Retreat Concluded

Thirty-six young people representing six states assembled at Look-Up-Lodge near Greenville, South Carolina for the purpose of attending the annual Post-High Midwinter Retreat. The largest representation was of course from South Carolina, but we were more than pleased to have others come from Louisiana, Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, and Arizona.

It was a beautiful location with adequate facilities and good food, and the weather was quite mild. All of this lent itself to having a good spiritual experience as well as an enjoyable time. Hugh and Mary Harman and Joe and Carol James served as staff. The four-some taught classes each morning and afternoon. The evening service program for the two nights was completely planned and carried out by the young people themselves.

We are truly blessed with a great group of young people in the Church of God and it was a pleasure to have been able to share with them in an experience such as this.

Pictures taken at this retreat were included in the January/February issue of *Challenge*.

## International Berean Youth Conference Dates Set

The 1981 International Berean Youth Conference will convene July 12-18, 1981, at Camp Alexander Mack.



# OBC PROGRESS: A LOOK AT INTERNSHIP

Dr. Charles Pryor, President

A primary purpose of Oregon Bible College is to prepare men and women for the ministry in the Church of God. Internship is designed for persons who complete the professional studies program with plans to enter an active ministry. The period of internship takes place during the fourth or fifth year of the student's program of study and preparation.

Internship assignments and contracts are developed on an individual basis. All arrangements must be agreed upon by the intern, the cooperating church, and the internship coordinator for the College. Upon successful completion of internship the individual may be recommended for licensure by the License and Ordination Board.

During the current term two men are serving churches in an intern capacity. Brother Jim Graham at the Phoenix Bible Church is supervising the internship of Bobby Lee Partain, Jr. Bobby Lee is from the Guthrie Grove Church in Pelzer, South Carolina. At the date of publication, Brother Partain's post-internship plans were not definite.

The Rockford, Illinois, Church of God is the cooperating church for Charles Durham's internship. Pastor Sydney Kirkpatrick has been working closely with OBC to provide professional and spiritual growth experiences for Brother Durham.

The following interviews with intern Charles Durham and with cooperating pastor Sydney Kirkpatrick were conducted during February by Dr. Charles Pryor. The impact of the program on the pastor, the intern, and the church is easily recognized in the text of the interview.

## DURHAM INTERVIEW

**Pryor:** As you completed your senior year, what were your thoughts about internship?

**Durham:** I was charged with the excitement of full-time ministry. In all honesty, I looked at internship as a hindrance to my getting on with my ministry. David Krogh applied his wisdom and persuasion to help me see I needed an internship. I complied. When I entered my internship, I immediately realized how much there was to learn through my *real* ministry as an intern.

**Pryor:** How was your location chosen?

**Durham:** David Krogh (then Acting President) and I discussed many possibilities and concluded Rockford would be a good choice. My first Christian Service assignment was in Rockford. Both Kim (my wife) and I were well acquainted with the members of the Rockford congregation and were confident they and their pastor could become vital contributors to our growth in the Lord's work. The members' sincere message was apparent in the lives they modeled. I also appreciated Pastor Kirkpatrick's approach to ministry. Pastor Kirkpatrick is real. He cares. I knew I would learn many invaluable skills by working with him.

**Pryor:** What was your first major challenge as an intern?

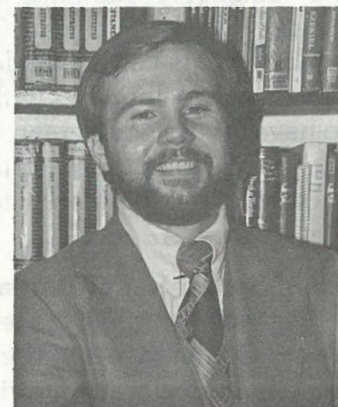
**Durham:** Within the first month the Pastor was called out of the country for over a week. I was left alone—in charge. God's help, the preparation I had from College, and the positive outlook of Pastor Kirkpatrick and the congregation quickly dispelled any anxieties I might have felt. Having been a student-pastor at East Oregon also contributed to my readiness to handle the office of pastor during Brother Kirkpatrick's absence.

**Pryor:** What has been the highlight of your internship?

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Charles Durham



Sydney Kirkpatrick

## KIRKPATRICK INTERVIEW

**Pryor:** What were your thoughts in anticipation of supervising an intern?

**Kirkpatrick:** Mine can be described as excitement—excitement at being able to develop and expand the ministry of our church while providing an invaluable training opportunity to a new pastor.

**Pryor:** How did you choose Charles?

**Kirkpatrick:** Charles had been assigned here for Christian Service during his first years at OBC. I was familiar with Charles and his abilities. All our previous contacts had been positive.

**Pryor:** What was your first major challenge as an intern supervisor?

**Kirkpatrick:** The awesomeness of what I was about to do. 2 Tim. 2:2 says, "And the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, these entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also" (NASB). I began to recount all the things I would be able to pass along to Charles. I realized he would pattern some of his ministry after me. I then set about to examine my own life, my own style to be sure I

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**Durham:** My daily life includes definite prayer time. The highest point of my internship occurred when persons for whom I had been praying stepped forward and publicly accepted Christ. I'll never forget the first time. I recognized that event as the real answer to the question, "What is the ministry all about?" I have experienced the power of prayer many times during these months of internship.

**Pryor:** I've heard you use the term "prayer coordinator" a number of times. What is a "prayer coordinator"?

**Durham:** In our church I coordinate a prayer ministry which reaches into each department. I must constantly be aware of the activities and needs of departments and the individuals who make up these departments. I then develop a prayer guide as an aid to members' daily prayer life. The guide keeps persons aware of needs. I'm currently cultivating laymen to take over my role as prayer coordinator. The ministry will continue because it is their ministry of prayer. All special activities of the church, such as home Bible Study and calling, are supported by specific individuals' prayers at the time the activity is scheduled to take place. (If readers wish more detailed information regarding the prayer ministry, they're invited to contact either Pastor Durham or Kirkpatrick.)

**Pryor:** Is there anything else about your internship you want to share with our readers?

**Durham:** One of the key things I've learned is that God definitely works in a series of stages of preparation. So often I've wanted to leap out on my own—get ahead of God's schedule. Frequently I've been stopped just short of leaping and have been amazed at what I've learned by being patient—taking time to get involved as an intern under the guidance of an experienced pastor—IT IS NOT A SIN TO TAKE TIME TO LEARN THOROUGHLY.

**Pryor:** It's Mid-March—just a few weeks of internship left. What's next?

**Durham:** Kim and I feel a definite call to pastor the Greenville, South Carolina, church. I plan to be interviewed by the License and Ordination Board in April and begin my pastorate in May of this year. I'm excited about entering the ministry. I feel a deep conviction that God has called me to a life of ministry. Breaking the positive bonds we have developed in Rockford will be painful, but I am ready to move forward in the Lord's work.

The pastoral internship provides a "real" opportunity to function within a ministry while maintaining ties with Oregon Bible College. The cooperating church and college provide help to the new pastor as the daily ministerial activities are being learned and practiced. Churches interested in learning more details regarding the internship program or considering participation in the program may contact Dr. Charles Pryor for details. Your inquiries are welcome.

would be an adequate model. After all, I might see some of myself in his ministry in later years.

**Pryor:** What has been a highlight of your internship supervision to date?

**Kirkpatrick:** With an intern on our staff I have an opportunity to observe how effective an individual's ministry can be. Charles Durham has been especially effective in developing the ministry of prayer in this church. To observe the results of that ministry has been thrilling.

**Pryor:** Is there anything else about your role as an intern supervisor you want to share with our readers?

**Kirkpatrick:** Through this experience I've been able to realize just how much the church's outreach and effectiveness can be increased through a multiple ministry situation. The increase in ministry potential goes far beyond one plus one. I look forward to the continuing expansion of ministry specialties within the Church of God.

**Pryor:** Charles' internship will be over in a few weeks. What next?

**Kirkpatrick:** Our challenge at the Rockford Church is to continue the level of ministry attained through working with Charles Durham's internship. Good programs have been initiated. It's up to us—pastor and laymen—to see that they continue. Admiration and love between Charles Durham and members of this church are very high. Charles and Kim deserve much credit.

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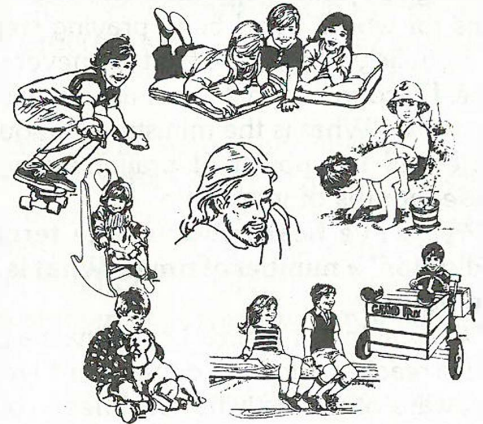
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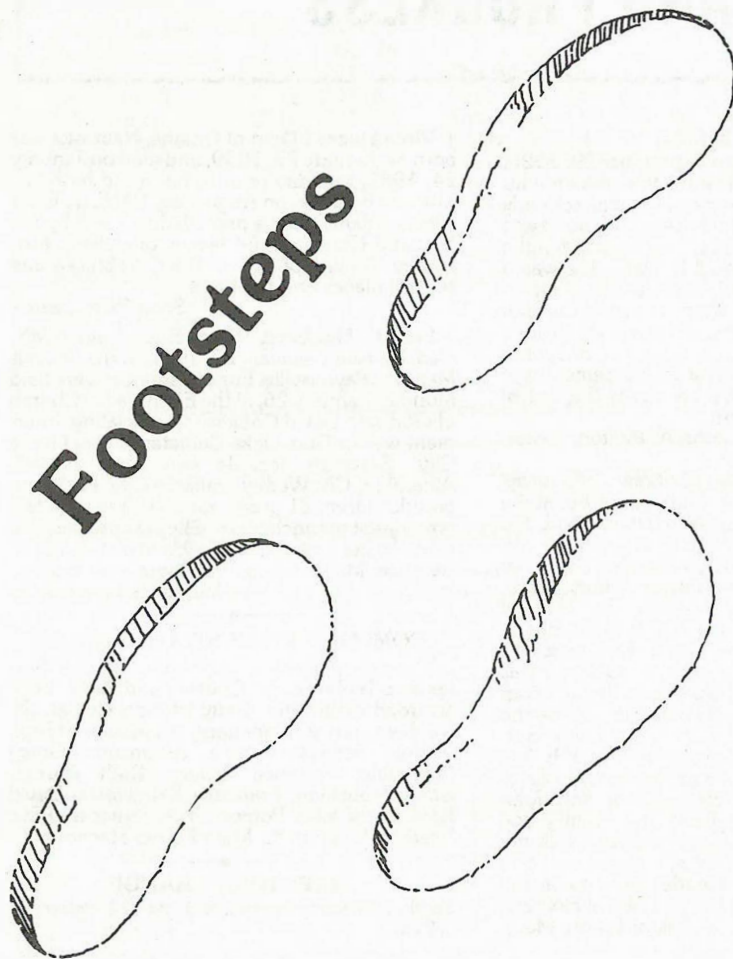
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# Footsteps



Did you ever want to be just like someone else? When you were young, was there a movie or television hero that you wanted to emulate? I have often wondered why young people so much want to be like these people.

by  
**Pastor  
Ron  
Macy**

There are many reasons, but I would like to share just one reason one person idolizes another. Our idols are the way we want to be. They face difficult situations with confidence and almost always overcome. The policeman always faces the danger and gets his man. The lawyer's mind is able to make all the right deductions and prove his client's innocence. We wish we could have the policeman's confidence or the lawyer's thinking ability. Probably one of the biggest things we want is to have people like us the way we and others like

them. Maybe if we were policemen or lawyers like them, people would like us, too.

Our admiration of others begins at an early age. The three-year-old looks up to his older brother, thinking, "My big brother gets to go to school. When I get older, I want to be just like my big brother and go to school, too." The gradeschool child looks up to the high schooler. The high schooler respects the collegiate. The first-year man on the job esteems the ten-year veteran.

Maybe we or our children shouldn't admire others like this, but it is done. It is a fact of life. It can be bad when the wrong heroes are chosen. But when the right heroes are followed, great things can happen.

Think of what Paul said in 1 Corinthians 4:16, 17. "Wherefore, I beseech you, be ye followers of me. For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach every where in every church."

Paul was a member of the body of Christ. He loved God and understood what God is like. He had accepted Jesus as God's Son and his Savior. Paul understood his personal duty in Christ's body. He knew he was to be a church starter, an evangelist. Paul also knew that not everyone was to be church starters. He knew some were called to be apostles and prophets and pastor-teachers. So what did he mean when he told others to follow his example?

I believe Paul recognized the importance of following in another's footsteps. Paul didn't want everyone to be evangelists; he wanted everyone to live godly lives. He wanted everyone to recognize their duty to the ones who followed in their footsteps—and to fulfill that duty. "Let others follow you even as you follow Christ."

Paul called for people to follow in his footsteps. That is up to us to do. Remember, though, someone is walking behind you. Someone is watching every move you make. Someone wants to live his life by what you are doing. What kind of life will he live? Will it be a life of which he will be proud? Will it be a life of which you would be proud? Will he do what God wants him to do or do your footsteps seek for excuses to get out of responsibility?

This is the challenge of discipleship: encouraging another to follow your footsteps. It is a challenge and a responsibility. Be a disciple-maker.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

## BAPTISMS

**Grand Rapids, MI.** We at Pennellwood Church of God gladly welcome into membership Wendy VanLoozenoord, Jennifer Brown, Gennette Whittemore and Mr. Jack Hickey. They were baptized by the writer on February 1, 1981. We pray that God will bless these people as they begin their new walk with God.

Joseph Myers, pastor.

**South Bend, IN.** Renee Carlson put on Jesus Christ as her Savior in the waters of baptism on Sunday, February 1, 1981. We welcome Renee into the fellowship of Hope Chapel Church of God, and it is our prayer that as a church we may minister to her and meet her needs.

John A. Railton, pastor.

## ATHEIST WORK IN KIROVOGRAD RECEIVES OFFICIAL PRAISE

LONDON (EWN)—*Agitator*, the journal of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, carries an article praising atheist work in the Kirovograd region (November 21, 1980). The journal states that a broad network of "atheist" clubs has been established throughout the region in factories, schools, institutes of higher education, cultural museums, and on collective farms. Special tribute is paid to the work of the atheist club in a tractor parts factory. There are frequent lectures on atheism. Visiting scientists inform the workers of the basic aims of the atheistic upbringing and give advice on methods in furthering atheistic work.

"Such lectures," writes *Agitator*, "are needed not only for the benefit of believers, but also for the wavering and unbelievers. A good lecture catches the interest of the audience, stimulates a critical appraisal of one's ideas, promotes the formation of a materialistic outlook on life."

The club chairman stresses the importance of giving the lectures titles which would attract believers. "For example," he says, "atheistic evenings could be publicized as 'The Truth About Religion,' 'Freedom of Conscience in the Soviet Union,' 'Science and Religion in Universal Development,' 'A Discussion of Old and New Festivals and Customs,' 'What Are the Holy Scriptures and Who Wrote Them?'" An invitation to attend an evening on "The Truth About Religion" states: "At this meeting you will hear about various religious trends in Christianity—Does religion teach goodness? The attitude of religion to women."

As a result of a recent questionnaire, the club arranged for a series of lectures about the ideology of contemporary Orthodox believers, Baptists and Adventists, and on the irreconcilability of communist and religious morality.

As well as lectures, the club organizes screenings of atheistic films followed by discussion and readings of atheistic literature. Most Soviet offices and factories have well-equipped atheistic "corners." The factory library usually organizes exhibitions of atheistic literature featuring such works as "Classics of Marxism-Leninism on Religion," "They Broke With Religion," and "Science Versus Superstition."

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Orland Barnes, Carla Ingram, Benoni McGinty, Aline Jones, and Bronnie Cardin, all of McGintytown, AR.

## OBITUARIES

**John Derbin** was born September 29, 1920, in Mishawaka, IN, and lived in the area until his death. He died in his sleep of a heart attack early January 17, 1981. On March 4, 1944, John was married to Jean Pickerl. He was baptized in the name of Jesus on June 11, 1944. He was a member of Hope Chapel, Sunday Schools superintendent, and church elder. He lived his faith and we will miss him. Family members include his wife Jean; a son, Jim; and a daughter, Janice. He was laid to rest in the cemetery at Edwardsburg, MI, where he awaits the call of Jesus Christ at his return.

John A. Railton, pastor.

**William Hubert Reeves** of Ebony Community, near Mullin, TX, died December 3, 1980, at the Cross Country Care Center in Brownwood, TX. Funeral services were held in Wilkins Funeral Chapel in Goldthwaite, TX, on Saturday, December 6, 1980, at 1:30 p.m. Pastor Emory Macy, Weiser, ID, officiated, assisted by Richard Worley, Gatesville, TX. Burial was in the Ebony cemetery. Mr. Reeves was born in Frederick, OK, February 5, 1908. On August 3, 1932, he was married to Mirla Elaine Guthrie in Brownwood. He was a faithful, dedicated member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. Survivors include his wife; two sons, Joe of Irving, and John of Mullin; one daughter, Nancy Williams of Hurst; six grandchildren—Cindy and John Luther Reeves, Irving; Todd and Stanley Joe Reeves, Mullin; and Stephanie and Tony Williams, Hurst—one sister, Mildred R. Crawford, of San Antonio; one nephew, Charles Roberts of San Antonio; and one niece, Evelyn Cobb of Houston.

Pastor Emory Macy.

**Viola Hazard Dein** of Omaha, Nebraska was born on January 25, 1899, and died on January 24, 1981, one day prior to her 82nd birthday. She was baptized on August 26, 1915, by Elder Almus Adams. She is preceded in death by her husband Christian and leaves one sister, Mrs. Harley (Amy) Appleby of Blair, Nebraska and several nieces and nephews.

Scott Ross, pastor.

**Lulu E. Hubbard**, 97, of Eden Valley, MN, died Thursday, January 22, 1981, at the Koronis Manor in Paynesville. Funeral services were held Monday, January 26, at the Eden Valley Church of God with David Cheatwood officiating. Interment was in Burr Oaks Cemetery, rural Grove City. Survivors include two sons: Newell, Alhambra, CA; Wesley, Panama City, FL; seven grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1969, and one daughter, Beatrice. May God comfort those who mourn.

Mildred Parks, reporter.

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The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Betty Woods, Culver, IN; Debbie Courser, Blanchard, MI; Maude Stilson, Madge Savage, Grace Adamson, Gregg Stockdale, Florence Emery, Ruth Barnes, Cindy Housman, Francisca Rainwaters, David Rainwaters, all of Pomona, CA; James and Eve Leather, Oregon, IL; Mary Pestle, Macomb, IL.

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## SCRIPTURE TRANSLATIONS REACH NEW PEAK OF 1,710 LANGUAGES

NEW YORK—Since the invention of the printing press, at least one book of the Bible had been published by the end of 1980 in 1,710 of the world's languages and distinct dialects, according to the American Bible Society.

The American Bible Society's annual language count revealed an increase of 27 languages over the 1979 figure of 1,683 and marks the first time the Bible or part thereof has been published in more than 1,700 languages.

Among the many new translations in which a whole book of the Bible appeared for the first time, eight were added in Latin America, three in Africa, five in Australia, three in the Philippines, and two in Guinea-Bissau.

Two complete Bibles were published for the first time: Kimbundu in Angola, and Kinandi in Zaire. Each was published by its own Bible Society under the auspices of the 66-member United Bible Societies, a federation of autonomous national Societies worldwide.

There were 24 languages in which complete New Testaments were reported published for the first time. New Testaments were the first Scriptures ever published in the languages of Ezaa, Ikwo and Izi. All are in Nigeria.

Geographically speaking, Africa has the largest number of languages (499) in which at least one book of the Bible has been translated. Asia ranks second with 434 languages and Latin America third with 283. In Australia and the South Pacific, Scriptures have been published in 251 languages, in Europe 179, and in North America 62.

The complete Bible has been published in 275 languages, New Testaments in 495, and portions in 940.

Esperanto and Volapuk, commonly called international languages, are also included in the total count of 1,710.

Seventy-five additional portions, (at least a single book of the Bible) were reported published for the first time in 1980. This represents 20 languages in the Philippines, 11 in Mexico, nine in Australia, four each in Brazil and Ethiopia and three each in Colombia and Guatemala.

The historic language tally, dating from the "first printed Bible in 1456," is compiled from copies of the new Scriptures received from various organizations by the ABS library, the largest collection of its kind in the world, with more than 39,000 volumes of Scripture, documents, and reference items.

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The theme is, "Developing Skills for Ministry." Registration will begin Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the Oregon Church.

Gayle Reye, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061, is in charge of lodging. Please let her know when you plan to arrive.

A nursery will be available for small children during the evening services and Sandi Withers will be in charge of it. Any questions about the nursery should be addressed to her: Route #1, Oregon, IL 61061, or phone (815) 732-7763.

Churches are encouraged to pay the full expense for their pastor since this is a good time of training and encouragement for him.

A program will be mailed to all pastors in the near future.

Program Committee:  
Hollis Partlowe, Chairman  
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## Contributors to the General Conference: January, 1981

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Golden Rule SS	15.00	Mr & Mrs Max Cronbaugh	200.00	Mr & Mrs Laurel Macy	10.00	Mr & Mrs Orville Driskill	20.00
S Bend Hope Chapel	227.52	Inez G Gordon	20.00	Mr & Mrs Dwaine Demmitt	100.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Young	20.00
Clair L Rice	20.00	Mr & Mrs Steve Leichter	20.00	Mr & Mrs Malcolm McLeod	150.00	Dayton Glad Tidings Chapel	102.00
Donna Ansehl	8.00	Lakeshore Christian Ladies	40.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	120.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Zobrist	20.00
Dickey DePue	3.00	Mr & Mrs Richard Conlan	10.00	Pauline Leithliter	25.00	Mr & Mrs Donald Needham	20.00
Ft Valley Church	750.02	Mr & Mrs Harry Goekler	40.00	In Memory of Harry Webb:		Mr & Mrs John Kinsey	50.00
Jean E O'Donnell	10.00	Mr & Mrs David Little	30.00	Harriet Webb	25.00	Mr & Mrs Wm E Shotwell	250.00
Mr & Mrs Willard Wood	12.00	Jordan Church	35.00	MN State Miss Soc	860.00	Bess L Kasper	60.00
James Klepinger	30.00	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	220.00	A Grace Adamson	10.00	Mr & Mrs Wayne Channell	356.00
David Onderdonk	85.00	Brush Creek Church	353.18	IN State Bereans	45.00	Mr & Mrs Ben Mattison	40.00
Mr & Mrs Robert Morrison	12.00	San Jose Church	12.50	Columbia Church	485.83	Mr & Mrs Robert Coverstone	10.00
Mrs Marion Erdmann	20.00	Althea E Rice	40.00	Mr & Mrs Gale Schaal	20.00	Washington Grove Church	100.00
Anonymous	75.00	Mr & Mrs John Friemuth	10.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Schaar	20.00	Mr & Mrs C F Patton	25.00
Mrs June Weaver	20.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Williams	30.00	Mrs Mae George	20.00	Mr & Mrs Claude Pitts	40.00
MI State Conference	78.89	Ripley Church	273.48	Bessie Stephenson	25.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	100.00
Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00	Happy Woods Church	540.12	Mr & Mrs Robert Wissman	25.00		

# ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

### October 1, 1979 - September 30, 1980

The Annual Financial Statement below is a portion of the detailed report of the firm of Ramsey Accounting, Warsaw, IN, accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, January 30, 1981.

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

##### September 30, 1980

	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Annuity Fund	Oregon Bible College	Trust & Endowment Funds	Student Funds	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash on Hand & in Banks or (Deficit)—							
Checking .....	\$ 2,374.85	\$ 16,636.33	\$ (66.67)	\$ (26,094.15)	\$ 10,282.08	\$ —	\$ 3,132.44
Savings .....	160.61	13,815.79	22,498.77	—	301,342.51	8,647.60	346,465.28
Petty Cash Fund .....	200.00	—	—	—	—	—	200.00
Accounts Receivable—							
Publications .....	564.02	—	—	—	—	—	564.02
Accounts Receivable—Other .....	310.75	—	—	—	—	—	310.75
Notes Receivable .....	—	4,657.21	—	—	24,002.60	750.16	29,409.97
Loans Receivable—Other Funds .....	—	—	—	—	85,220.03	—	85,220.03
Contracts Receivable—							
Real Estate .....	80,932.80	103,178.76	—	—	—	—	184,111.56
Inventories .....	55,092.72	—	—	15.63	—	—	55,108.35
Investments .....	15,000.00	—	10,000.00	—	—	2,000.00	27,000.00
Land .....	45,484.63	—	—	19,832.28	—	—	65,316.91
Improvements to Grounds .....	—	—	—	6,507.36	—	—	6,507.36
Buildings .....	101,278.48	—	—	483,434.61	—	—	584,713.09
Furniture & Equipment .....	49,463.65	—	—	121,629.30	—	—	171,092.95
Motor Vehicles .....	11,768.71	—	—	8,985.05	—	—	20,753.76
Accumulated Depreciation .....	(36,058.09)	—	—	(80,578.25)	—	—	(116,636.34)
Deferred Expense .....	6,000.00	—	—	—	—	—	6,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$332,573.13</b>	<b>\$138,288.09</b>	<b>\$32,432.10</b>	<b>\$533,731.83</b>	<b>\$420,847.22</b>	<b>\$11,397.76</b>	<b>\$1,469,270.13</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>							
Accounts Payable .....	\$ 5,302.17	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 8,731.40	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,033.57
Accrued Hospitalization							
Premiums .....	—	6,274.68	—	—	—	—	6,274.68
Accrued Payroll Taxes .....	2,817.52	—	—	—	—	—	2,817.52
Mortgage Payable—							
Real Estate .....	—	—	—	4,126.59	—	—	4,126.59
Loans Payable—Other Funds .....	46,720.03	—	—	38,500.00	—	—	85,220.03
Deposits & Fees .....	—	—	—	2,394.36	—	—	2,394.36
Memorial Funds .....	—	2,931.63	—	1,056.00	—	—	3,987.63
Annuities .....	—	—	30,000.00	—	—	—	30,000.00
<b>Total Liabilities .....</b>	<b>\$ 54,839.72</b>	<b>\$ 9,206.31</b>	<b>\$30,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 54,808.35</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 148,854.38</b>
Fund Balance .....	277,733.41	129,081.78	2,432.10	478,923.48	420,847.22	11,397.76	1,320,415.75
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE .....</b>	<b>\$332,573.13</b>	<b>\$138,288.09</b>	<b>\$32,432.10</b>	<b>\$533,731.83</b>	<b>\$420,847.22</b>	<b>\$11,397.76</b>	<b>\$1,469,270.13</b>

We have examined the Statement of Financial Position of the Church of God General Conference as of September 30, 1980, and the related Statement of Income & Expense (or Statement of Receipts & Expenditures) and Statement of Fund Balance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying Statements of Financial Position and the related Statements of Income & Expense (or Statements of Receipts & Expenditures) and Statements of Changes in Fund Balances present fairly the financial position of the Church of God General Conference at September 30, 1980, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles on the accrual basis consistently applied to that of the preceding year, except for changes in depreciation of certain buildings, and changes made under the plan of reorganization, which are explained in the attached notes to financial statements and statement of accounting policies, along with explanations of unusual items.

Allan M. Ramsey  
Public Accountant  
Warsaw, Indiana  
November 13, 1980

#### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### October 1, 1979 to September 30, 1980

#### ORGANIZATION

This organization is incorporated under the not-for-profit Illinois Corporation Act. It is exempt

from Federal Income Tax under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Annual "Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax," Form 990, is required to be filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

#### ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The books and records are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting. The bookkeeping system is divided into General Fund and Restricted Fund, with each fund being a complete and separate record. The receipts and expenditures of each fund are classified to the department to which they are applicable. All assets and income received which are restricted as to their use, either by stipulation of the donor or the Board of Directors, are recorded on the Restricted Fund books, including Annuities, Trust Funds, and Endowment Funds.

#### INVENTORIES

Inventories are listed at cost.

#### INVESTMENTS

Investments are listed at cost.

#### LAND, BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

The Land, Buildings, and Equipment are recorded on the accounting records at cost, except assets received as a gift in kind. Those assets are recorded at the established value when received, and continue to be carried at this substituted cost. All assets are titled in the name of the Church of God General Conference, and not in the name of any separate department.

#### DEPRECIATION

The Administration Building has not been depreciated since September 30, 1967. The Men's Residence Hall has not been depreciated since September 30, 1966. The Women's Residence

Hall, built more recently, has not been depreciated. The Golden Rule Building has been depreciated through September 30, 1979. All costs in church buildings outside the United States continue to be depreciated due to the limited control on these assets. All equipment is depreciated on a normal basis, but not at accelerated tax accounting rates. Normal rates for estimated actual usage is being used.

**INCOME & RECEIPTS**

All monies received and designated by the donor for restricted uses are reported as income in the year received in the Restricted Fund. The receipts and expenditures are identified by the specific fund within the Restricted Fund section. Individual fund balances are maintained at all times on a continuing basis in order to carry out the wishes of the donors.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE**  
**October 1, 1979 to September 30, 1980**

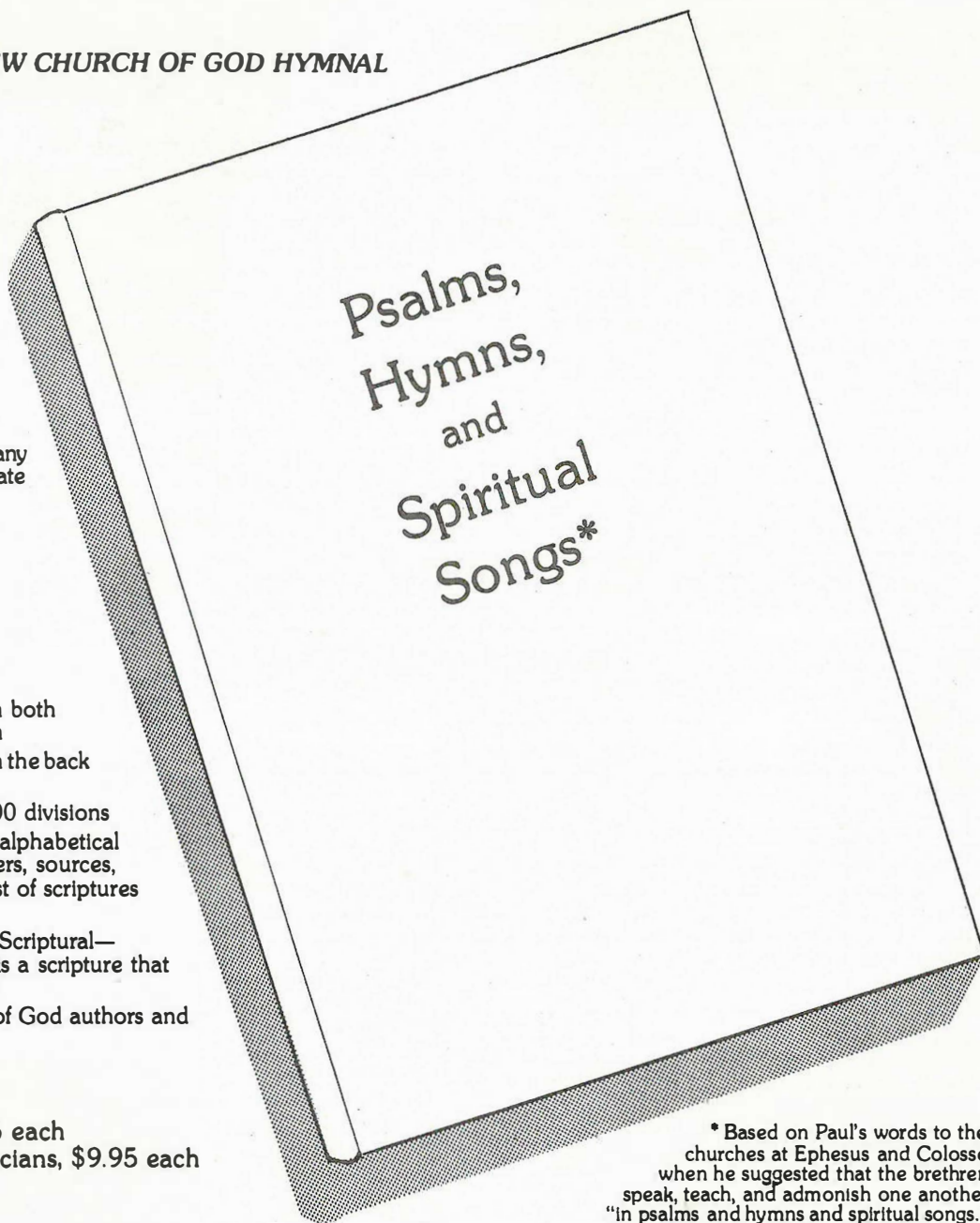
	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Annuity Fund	Oregon Bible College	Trust & Endowment Funds	Student Funds	Total
<b>INCOME &amp; RECEIPTS</b>							
Contributions—General	\$293,707.10	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,205.49	\$ —	\$ —	\$307,912.59
Contributions—Designated	35,884.90	27,988.00	—	70,783.52	—	—	134,656.42
Contributions—Bequests	2,119.76	—	—	—	177,427.85	—	179,547.61
Tuition, Room & Board	—	—	—	66,106.27	—	—	66,106.27
Interest	961.77	8,307.45	3,612.19	—	23,935.59	971.51	37,788.51
Laundry	—	—	—	1,273.54	—	—	1,273.54
Conferences, Camps, & Seminars	43,573.86	—	—	—	—	—	43,573.86
Other	1,273.26	73.66	—	804.78	—	—	2,151.70
<b>Total Income &amp; Receipts</b>	<b>\$377,520.65</b>	<b>\$36,369.11</b>	<b>\$3,612.19</b>	<b>\$153,173.60</b>	<b>\$201,363.44</b>	<b>\$971.51</b>	<b>\$773,010.50</b>
Gross Profit or (Loss) on Sales	(30,669.83)	—	—	437.71	—	—	(30,232.12)
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>\$346,850.82</b>	<b>\$36,369.11</b>	<b>\$3,612.19</b>	<b>\$153,611.31</b>	<b>\$201,363.44</b>	<b>\$971.51</b>	<b>\$742,778.38</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
Salaries & Wages	\$ 54,098.93	\$ —	\$ —	\$104,979.49	\$ —	\$ —	\$159,078.42
Electric & Fuel	1,232.74	—	—	17,355.25	—	—	18,587.99
Telephone	2,102.48	—	—	4,224.16	—	—	6,326.64
Insurance	7,721.15	—	—	9,794.31	—	—	17,515.46
Postage & Shipping	10,503.24	—	—	441.59	—	—	10,944.83
Office Supplies & Expense	2,290.00	—	—	439.93	—	—	2,729.93
Depreciation	4,438.71	—	—	11,734.15	—	—	16,172.86
Repairs & Maintenance	4,227.15	—	—	1,054.42	—	—	5,281.57
Travel	9,349.20	6,000.00	—	5,842.05	—	—	21,191.25
Films & Speakers	—	—	—	691.58	—	—	691.58
Conferences, Camps, & Seminars	47,970.77	89.04	—	—	—	—	48,059.81
Printing	9,338.12	—	—	1,275.15	—	—	10,613.27
Assistance to Mission Points	3,762.43	—	—	—	—	—	3,762.43
Assistance to Churches	6,100.00	8,903.00	—	—	—	—	15,003.00
Literature	21,168.70	—	—	—	—	—	21,168.70
Supplies & Expense	8,009.92	—	—	6,490.52	—	—	14,500.44
F.I.C.A. Tax	5,837.54	—	—	6,499.37	—	—	12,336.91
Dues & Subscriptions	203.50	—	—	271.50	—	—	475.00
Professional Services	1,806.60	—	—	1,806.60	—	—	3,613.20
Motor Vehicle Expense	1,977.96	—	—	1,033.27	—	—	3,011.23
Miscellaneous	4,127.79	—	—	2,456.24	—	—	6,584.03
Foreign Exchange	1,318.26	16.33	—	—	—	—	1,334.59
Staff Training	3,756.22	—	—	709.64	—	—	4,465.86
Special Missions Expense	5,660.00	7,461.70	—	—	—	—	13,121.70
Contributions	29,094.84	—	—	—	—	—	29,094.84
Assistance to Ministers	—	900.00	—	—	—	—	900.00
Assistance to Students	—	—	—	5,146.00	3,907.17	735.00	9,788.17
Annuity Payments	—	—	2,100.00	—	—	—	2,100.00
Food	—	—	—	19,160.91	—	—	19,160.91
Outside Instruction	—	—	—	3,408.00	—	—	3,408.00
Interest	—	—	—	519.57	—	—	519.57
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$246,096.25</b>	<b>\$23,370.07</b>	<b>\$2,100.00</b>	<b>\$205,333.70</b>	<b>\$ 3,907.17</b>	<b>\$735.00</b>	<b>\$481,542.19</b>
<b>Net Receipts over Expenditures or (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$100,754.57</b>	<b>\$12,999.04</b>	<b>\$1,512.19</b>	<b>\$(51,722.39)</b>	<b>\$197,456.27</b>	<b>\$236.51</b>	<b>\$261,236.19</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>							
Rental Income—Net	—	1,130.61	—	2,542.59	—	—	3,673.20
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$100,754.57</b>	<b>\$14,129.65</b>	<b>\$1,512.19</b>	<b>\$(49,179.80)</b>	<b>\$197,456.27</b>	<b>\$236.51</b>	<b>\$264,909.39</b>
<b>OTHER DEDUCTIONS</b>							
Property Tax—Utah Property	\$ 108.63	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 108.63
Annuity Benefits—Golden Rule Contract	2,868.87	—	—	—	—	—	2,868.87
Loss on Disposition of Assets	6,267.98	—	—	—	—	—	6,267.98
<b>Total Other Deductions</b>	<b>\$ 9,245.48</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 9,245.48</b>
<b>NET INCOME OR (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$ 91,509.09</b>	<b>\$14,129.65</b>	<b>\$1,512.19</b>	<b>\$(49,179.80)</b>	<b>\$197,456.27</b>	<b>\$236.51</b>	<b>\$255,663.91</b>



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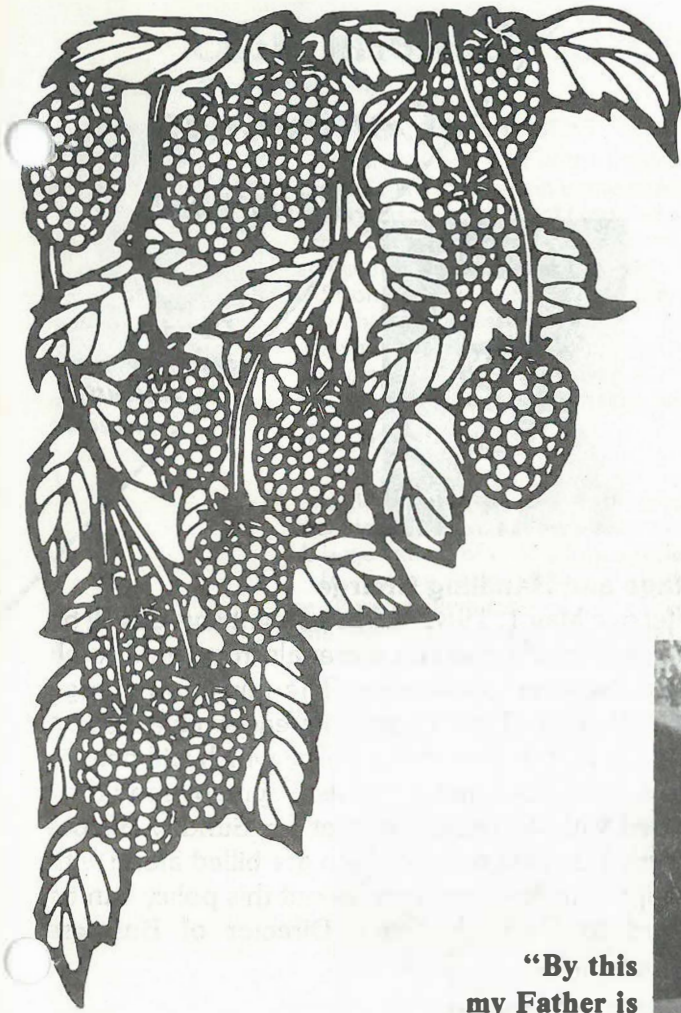
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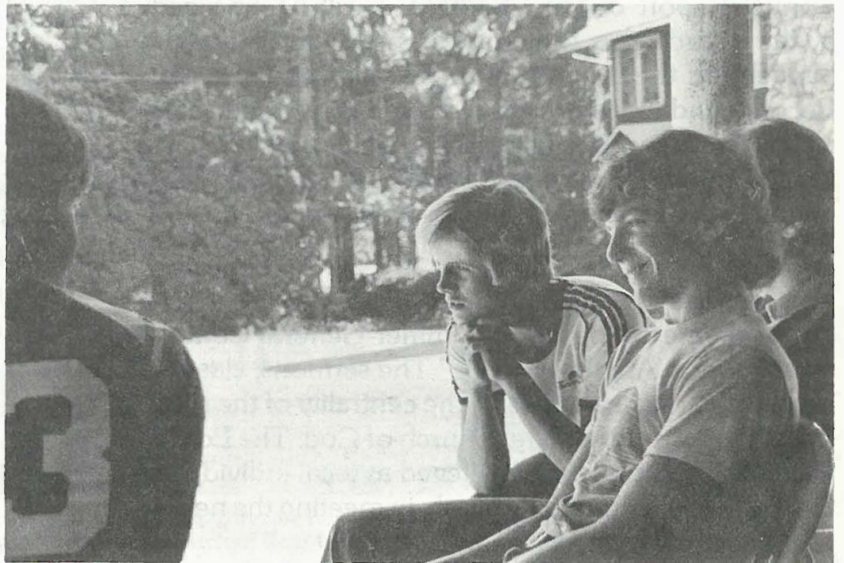
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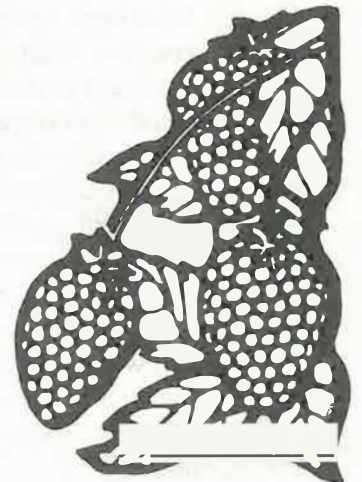
# Church of God Progress Journal

**“By this  
my Father is  
glorified, that you  
bear much fruit,  
and so prove to  
be my disciples”  
(John 15:8, RSV).**



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## Annual Ministerial Conference

The Church of God Ministerial Association will meet for its annual Conference in Oregon, Illinois, April 27 through May 1. The theme of the Conference is "Developing Skills for Ministry." Many excellent sessions have been planned.

I trust that each local church will make it possible for its pastor to attend by becoming a part of the Conference pool. The pool equalizes the expense for ministers all over the country, whether they live close to or far from Oregon.

Each local church will benefit greatly from the pastor's attendance.

## Board to Meet

The Board of Directors of the General Conference will meet in Oregon, Illinois, on April 30 and May 1. At this meeting the annual Conference program and Annual Report of the Conference will be finalized by the Board. Also, the salary schedule and tentative budget for the next fiscal year will be approved. Recommendations to be acted upon by the delegates will be discussed and prepared. Any items of business which should be brought to the Board should be submitted to the Executive Director or any member of the Board prior to April 30.

## You Are the Church

The theme of the 1981 summer General Conference is: "You Are the Church." The sermons, classes, and seminars will emphasize the centrality of the local church in the future of the Church of God. The Lord's work will be successfully achieved as local individuals take initiative in the local church, in meeting the needs of the local community.

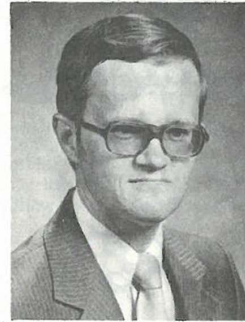
In order to make the Conference as practical as possible, each afternoon elective Seminar courses will be offered. Each Conference participant will be able to select one Seminar which will meet eight hours over a four-day period. The Seminar topics are:

1. Church Planting Principles
2. New Curriculum Instruction for Teen Teachers
3. New Curriculum Instruction for Junior Teachers
4. Audio Visual Techniques
5. Building More Effective Family Life
6. Discipleship Techniques

A full program for children and youth will be available during the Conference. All who are under 18 must be accompanied to Conference by a parent or adult guardian.

Registration will begin at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, at 9:30 a.m. Monday morning, August 3. The Conference will end after breakfast on Friday morning, August 7.

# General Conference Progress



*David  
Krogh  
Executive  
Director*

## Postage and Handling Charge

Effective May 1, 1981, a five percent charge will be made on all mail orders for materials from the Church of God General Conference. The minimum charge will be 50 cents. Recent postal increases have made it necessary to implement this policy which will help to cover some of our mailing costs. Payment should be included with all orders, except for Sunday School quarterly standing orders which are billed along with the shipment. Any questions about this policy can be directed to David McClain, Director of Business Administration.

## Conference Finances

Giving during February and the first few days of March was considerably below our needs for this period. Our Goal for Giving for the entire year could easily be met if each member family in the Church of God were to contribute \$100 to the Conference during the year. Naturally many of us will want to give more than \$100 during the year and this will help to make up for those families who may be unable to give that much.

Thanks for your help.

# GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981 **\$359,500**

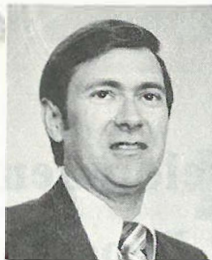
	<b>Needed</b>	<b>Given</b>
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10 - Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10 - Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10 - Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10 - Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00
Feb. 10 - Mar. 9	29,960.00	20,790.00

<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$158,652.00</b>	<b>\$148,499.00</b>
Deficit through Mar. 9		10,153.00
Needed Mar. 10 - Apr. 9		29,960.00
<b>GOAL for Mar. 10 - Apr. 9</b>		<b>\$40,113.00</b>

# OBC PROGRESS: DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Dr. Charles Pryor, President

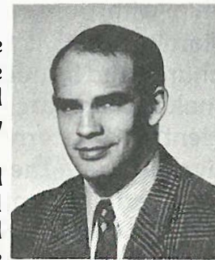
Dale F. Ramsey, M. A. Music Instructor



## THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Music is a vital part of the curriculum and outreach of Oregon Bible College. Most of the students are involved in some musical activity. Students use music as an avenue or vehicle to express their praise of God and also to share their faith with others. Through the musical activities at the college students can cultivate their special musical interests so that they may achieve this goal more effectively.

Strong emphasis is given to the equipping of students to minister in music at the local church level. Classes in church music, conducting, theory, worship, applied music, and ensemble participation help develop the skill of the individual in music. Through chapel services, local church participation, gospel teams, OBC Chorale, and other outlets, the student is able to put to practice his present studies.



## THE OBC CHORALE

The OBC Chorale offers specialized study and performance opportunities for vocally qualified students who are chosen by audition from the student body. The Chorale Repertoire includes unaccompanied and accompanied works of ancient and contemporary composers. A large variety of choral forms is performed.

In addition to concerts at the college, the Chorale travels extensively presenting concerts in churches, high schools, and various organizations. An annual tour is taken each spring to churches in Illinois and other states. The Chorale has concertized in 22 states and Canada. They've also produced four albums.

Dale Ramsey, an instructor in music at the college, has directed the Chorale since its inception 11 years ago. He is a graduate of Elizabethtown (PA) College and received a Masters Degree in Music from Northern Illinois University.



(L to R: Row 1, Moore, Emerick, Harrison, Walls, Director Ramsey; Row 2, Simpson, Roseberry; Row 3, Wyrick, Gallagher, Mattison, Fletcher; Row 4, Cardwell, Hall, Knapp, Burnham, Chapman, Demmitt.)

## CHORALE PERSONNEL

Gary Burnham . . . . . Berea, OH  
 Darrell Cardwell . . . . . Kokomo, IN  
 Tracy Chapman . . . . . Portland, OR  
 Alan Demmitt . . . . . Troy, OH  
 Darcey Emerick . . . . . Osceola, IN  
 Debra Fletcher . . . . . Burke, VA  
 Michael Gallagher . . . . . Troy, OH  
 Kerry Hall . . . . . Kentwood, MI  
 Beth Harrison . . . . . South Bend, IN  
 Janice Knapp . . . . . Wyoming, MI  
 Steve Mattison . . . . . Burr Oak, IN  
 Sharon Moore . . . . . Little Rock, AR  
 Peggy Rager . . . . . Oregon, IL  
 Becky Roseberry . . . . . Tempe, AZ  
 Joan Simpson . . . . . Urbana, OH  
 Kathy Walls . . . . . Springfield, LA  
 Vickie Wyrick . . . . . Michigantown, IN

## 1981 Concert Season

Feb. 19—Oregon Bible College, Oregon, IL  
 23—Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ  
 Latter-Day Saints, Rockford, IL  
 28—Litchfield Church of God, Litchfield, MN  
 Mar. 1—Hector Church of God, Hector, MN  
 1—Brookdale Christian Center  
 Assembly of God, Brooklyn Center, MN  
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# Outreach and Church Development Progress

*Warren  
Sorenson,  
Director*

**Does your church have Church Growth Eyes?** When a congregation turns its attention toward a ministry of reaching persons who do not have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, a growth pattern emerges. A starting point is to develop a sensitivity to seeing the church and its needs and seeing appropriate strategies to make the church efficient and effective. Being "efficient" is concerned with doing things right and "effective" is doing the right things.

A starting point for any congregation is to understand its focus of ministry and clearly define its purpose. Who is the church ministering to and what is it seeking to accomplish, are questions which must be answered by each congregation.

A part of the work of the Outreach Director is to provide assistance to pastors and churches in establishing a defined ministry which will lead to growth. This emphasis has motivated several meetings with pastors, church boards, and congregations. In these meetings, four objectives serve as a guideline: 1. to provide an introduction and overview of Church Growth principles; 2. to provide an opportunity for the evaluation of individual local churches; 3. to provide guidelines for future planning; 4. to assist in a goal-setting process. This format is potential-oriented rather than problem-oriented.

The local church is the key to a successful ministry as the Church of God. It is with this awareness that several trips have been made by the Director of Outreach to make personal contact with the people involved in the local church.

In travel which has included Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Arkansas, Louisiana, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Arizona, Texas, and Illinois, a strategy of growth has been shared.

Pastors or churches interested in developing a growth ministry may contact the Department of Outreach and Development for assistance. Specific tools for evaluation and analysis provide a springboard for future planning and goal setting.

As Director of Outreach and Church Development, I am convinced that any church in a growth potential area can grow if the congregation is willing to make a commitment to growth principles. It is for this reason that we offer a consultation service to our churches.

The church grows when persons are converted and baptized. As these new members become actively involved Christians in the church, an air of excitement comes into the life of the church. Spiritual renewal often takes place in the church as new Christians spark new life in the congregation. One pastor recently wrote, "It's exciting." This can also be true for your church.

## **News from Abroad**

### **Australia**

A knock on the door of a home in Newcastle, Australia has opened the door of opportunity for the beginning of a church in Sydney, Australia. A Bible study group is

being formed using Systematic Theology as its text. An order for six Systematic Theology books and a request for prayer on the part of the entire Church of God General Conference reflects the faith and sincerity of the leader of this ministry.

Last year Irene and I met Ray and Bettye Jones, residents of Newcastle, Australia, while they were attending a leadership seminar in California. Returning home they have continued to study from their gift copy of Systematic Theology and have come to share our understanding of basic Bible truths. The drama continued to unfold when correspondence was received from a man in Sydney wanting names of any of our members in Australia. After receiving the name and address of Ray and Bettye he drove to Newcastle to meet them and discussed Scripture. After hours of discussion and the thrill of God's leadership in putting them together to share their faith, a Bible study effort was planned to begin in Sydney. Because of Ray's work (and the providential leadership of God) he will be in Sydney five days a week. Ray is very excited about sharing his new faith and starting a Church of God in Australia. In a letter received March 10, 1981, he writes, "This initial development (Bible study group) has an opportunity of a firm commencement (for planting a church). Please! Please! Please! circulate our need for prayer. Have the Conference pray for the Lord's blessing for this tiny seedling in Australia, that it might grow forth with great fruit to honor him and plant the flag of the Bible Church of God on our shores."

### **India**

Praise God! The internal struggle over the church building in Bangalore has been resolved and Pastor Noel has been officially recognized as the legal and rightful pastor of the church. With this behind them, efforts and time can now be put forth in the real purpose of the church.

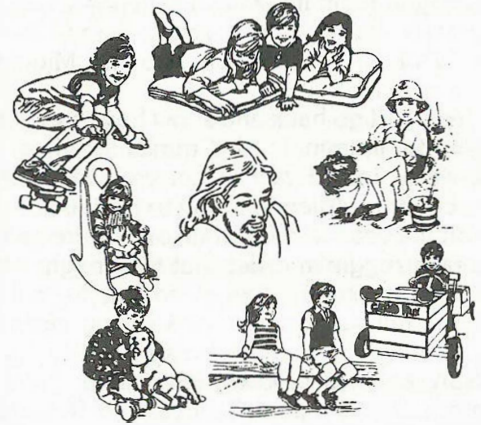
A near tragedy took place recently when Pastor Noel and a group of his friends were physically attacked upon leaving a home. At least one person received knife wounds; however, none were seriously injured.

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THE EARLY pioneers who so "earnestly contended for the faith which was once delivered to the saints" now sleep in Jesus, awaiting the coming King. I thought it may be of interest to many of like precious faith to learn the history of its introduction into the Midwestern states so long ago.

First, I will go back and show how the truth first began to illuminate the minds of those who afterwards introduced it. Let your minds follow me across the Atlantic ocean to Halifax, England. About the year 1839, certain ones were enduring a great struggle in order that they might emerge out of the gross darkness of old Babylon and back into the full sunlight of God's saving message of life. Among that number was my father, Joseph Wilson, and his brothers (Benjamin, John, and James); also Benjamin's boys, and Richard and William Appleyard.

At that time they were all members of the same Baptist church at Halifax. About this time, Alexander Campbell began preaching what he called the "reformation," urging people to get back to the primitive faith and practice. He started well but stopped short of ascertaining the primitive faith. He introduced baptism for the remission of sins, ignored all human creeds, and established weekly Communion.

A congregation was organized on this partial reformation, called "The Disciples of Christ" at Halifax, England. The group mentioned left the Baptist church and united with this organization. The light which they had received made them anxious for more light. The congregation then formed itself into an investigating class, with a firm determination to search carefully the Holy Scriptures. They resolved to begin with the first chapter of Genesis and go through the entire Word of God. They had not progressed very far in the study of Genesis before they came across the covenants of promise made to Abraham and repeated to Isaac and Jacob. An inquiry was made as to whether those promises had been fulfilled or not. You can imagine how like a golden cord they discovered that those promises permeated and ran through both the Old and New Testaments and constituted the basis of the gospel of the Kingdom. It was at this point that the true light began to shine, and as the investigation progressed, the light shone brighter and brighter until they were led into obedience of the one true faith and hope of the gospel.

While the investigation was in progress, my uncles, James and Benjamin Wilson, and Benjamin's boys emigrated to America in 1844, bringing with them what light they possessed. Later in 1849, my father Joseph Wilson, his brother John and William and Richard Appleyard, also sailed for Geneva, Illinois, where my Uncle Benjamin had previously located and entered the printing business. Uncle James had bought a farm a few miles west of Geneva. Later still came Joseph Cockroft, who became a partner with Uncle Benjamin in the

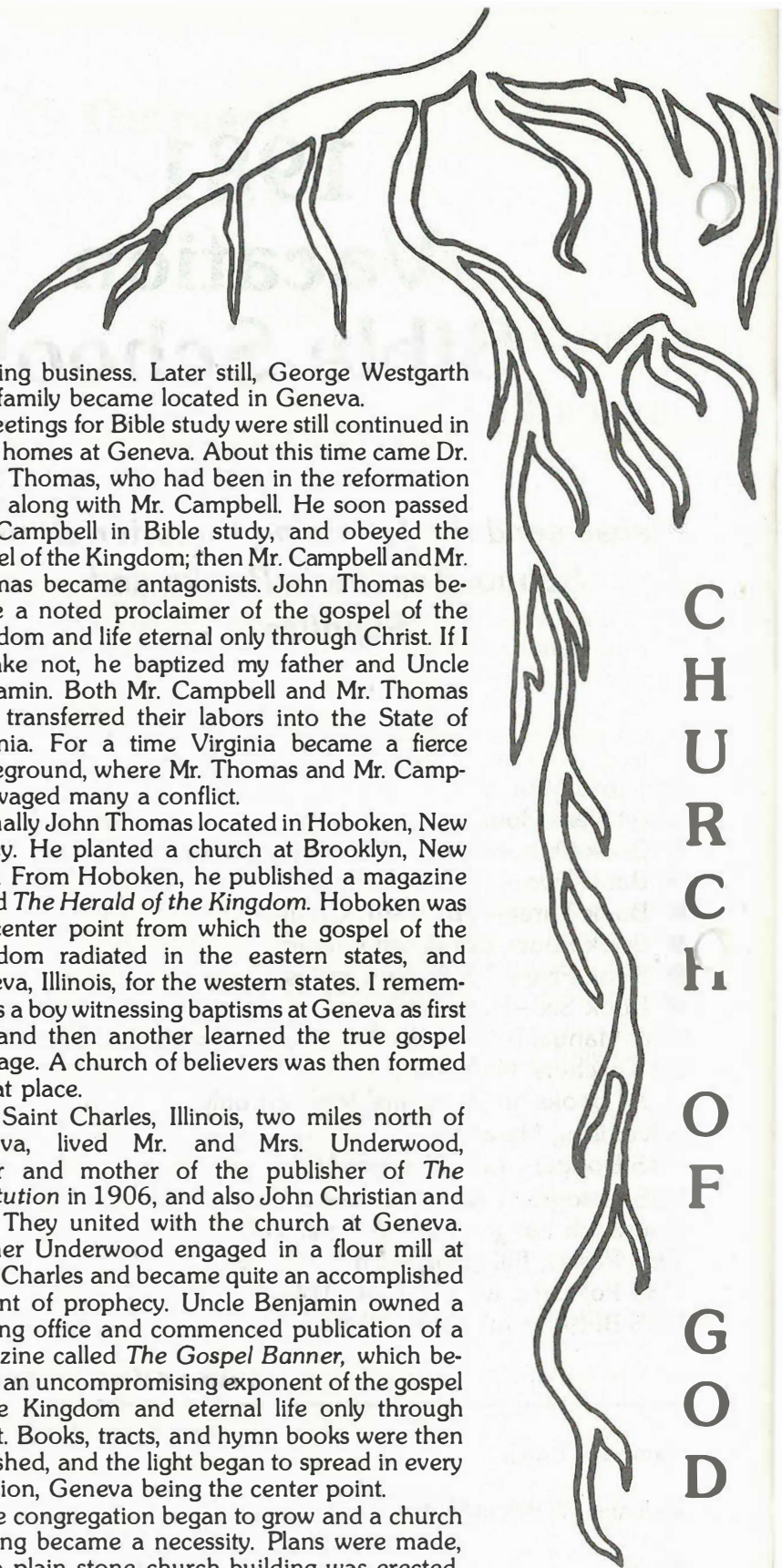
printing business. Later still, George Westgarth and family became located in Geneva.

Meetings for Bible study were still continued in their homes at Geneva. About this time came Dr. John Thomas, who had been in the reformation work along with Mr. Campbell. He soon passed Mr. Campbell in Bible study, and obeyed the gospel of the Kingdom; then Mr. Campbell and Mr. Thomas became antagonists. John Thomas became a noted proclaimer of the gospel of the Kingdom and life eternal only through Christ. If I mistake not, he baptized my father and Uncle Benjamin. Both Mr. Campbell and Mr. Thomas then transferred their labors into the State of Virginia. For a time Virginia became a fierce battleground, where Mr. Thomas and Mr. Campbell waged many a conflict.

Finally John Thomas located in Hoboken, New Jersey. He planted a church at Brooklyn, New York. From Hoboken, he published a magazine called *The Herald of the Kingdom*. Hoboken was the center point from which the gospel of the Kingdom radiated in the eastern states, and Geneva, Illinois, for the western states. I remember as a boy witnessing baptisms at Geneva as first one and then another learned the true gospel message. A church of believers was then formed at that place.

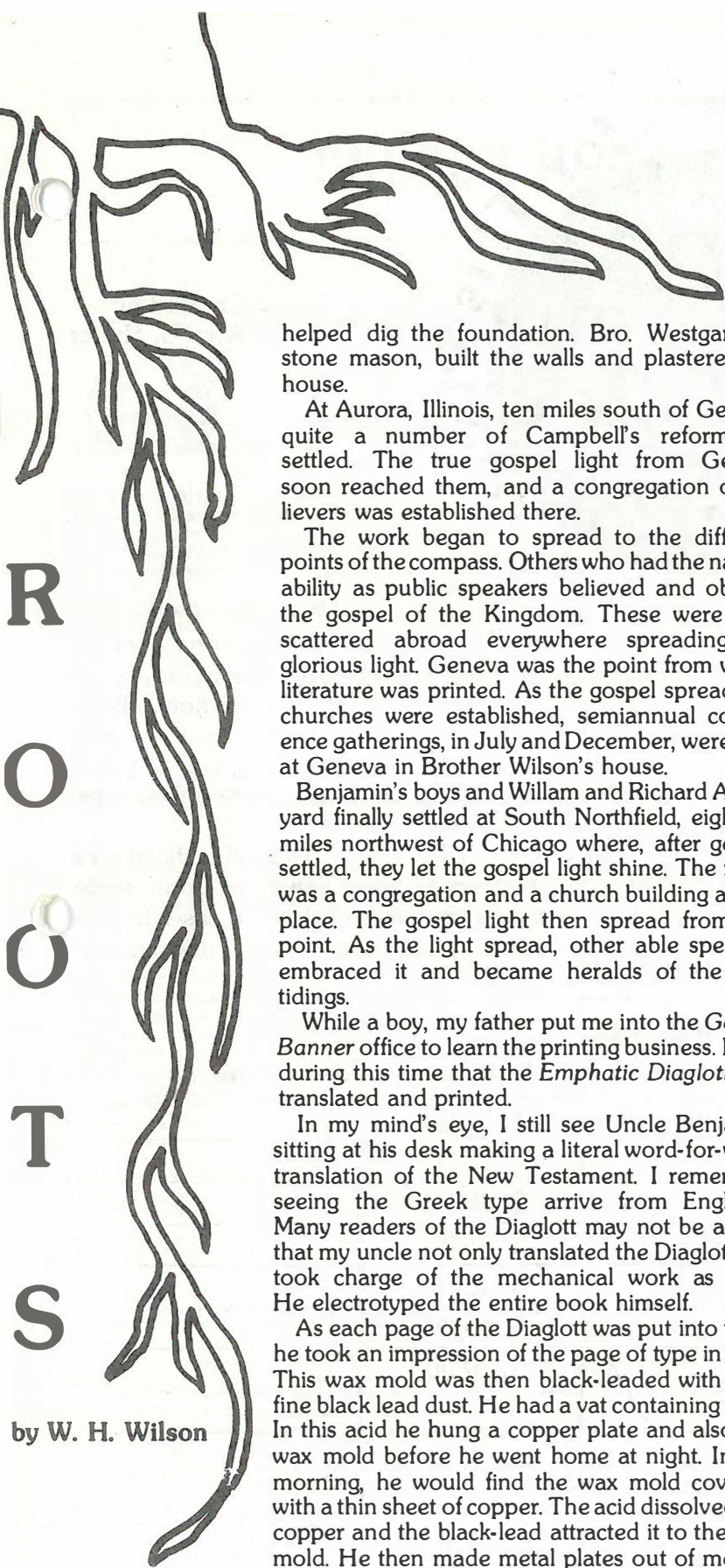
At Saint Charles, Illinois, two miles north of Geneva, lived Mr. and Mrs. Underwood, father and mother of the publisher of *The Restitution* in 1906, and also John Christian and wife. They united with the church at Geneva. Brother Underwood engaged in a flour mill at Saint Charles and became quite an accomplished student of prophecy. Uncle Benjamin owned a printing office and commenced publication of a magazine called *The Gospel Banner*, which became an uncompromising exponent of the gospel of the Kingdom and eternal life only through Christ. Books, tracts, and hymn books were then published, and the light began to spread in every direction, Geneva being the center point.

The congregation began to grow and a church building became a necessity. Plans were made, and a plain stone church building was erected. I well remember one moonlight night how the men and their sons met to dig the foundation, bringing with them lanterns and spades. I as a boy



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helped dig the foundation. Bro. Westgarth, a stone mason, built the walls and plastered the house.

At Aurora, Illinois, ten miles south of Geneva, quite a number of Campbell's reformation settled. The true gospel light from Geneva soon reached them, and a congregation of believers was established there.

The work began to spread to the different points of the compass. Others who had the natural ability as public speakers believed and obeyed the gospel of the Kingdom. These were then scattered abroad everywhere spreading the glorious light. Geneva was the point from which literature was printed. As the gospel spread and churches were established, semiannual conference gatherings, in July and December, were held at Geneva in Brother Wilson's house.

Benjamin's boys and Willam and Richard Appleyard finally settled at South Northfield, eighteen miles northwest of Chicago where, after getting settled, they let the gospel light shine. The result was a congregation and a church building at that place. The gospel light then spread from this point. As the light spread, other able speakers embraced it and became heralds of the glad tidings.

While a boy, my father put me into the *Gospel Banner* office to learn the printing business. It was during this time that the *Emphatic Diaglott* was translated and printed.

In my mind's eye, I still see Uncle Benjamin sitting at his desk making a literal word-for-word translation of the New Testament. I remember seeing the Greek type arrive from England. Many readers of the *Diaglott* may not be aware that my uncle not only translated the *Diaglott* but took charge of the mechanical work as well. He electrotyped the entire book himself.

As each page of the *Diaglott* was put into type, he took an impression of the page of type in wax. This wax mold was then black-leaded with very fine black lead dust. He had a vat containing acid. In this acid he hung a copper plate and also the wax mold before he went home at night. In the morning, he would find the wax mold covered with a thin sheet of copper. The acid dissolved the copper and the black-lead attracted it to the wax mold. He then made metal plates out of melted metal and fastened the copper upon it. He

printed the first edition of the book from these plates on a hand press. I used to ink the plate by a soft roller while he worked the press. Thus from Geneva, as the early gospel center, issued one of the most useful aids for Bible study that ever issued from the press, in any section of this country.

About this time, Joseph Marsh issued a magazine from Rochester, New York, called *The Prophetic Expositor*. This magazine published much truth, but as he held the gospel of the Kingdom in a rather loose manner, it provoked the hostility of Dr. John Thomas, who would not tolerate the least infringement of the glorious gospel of the Kingdom.

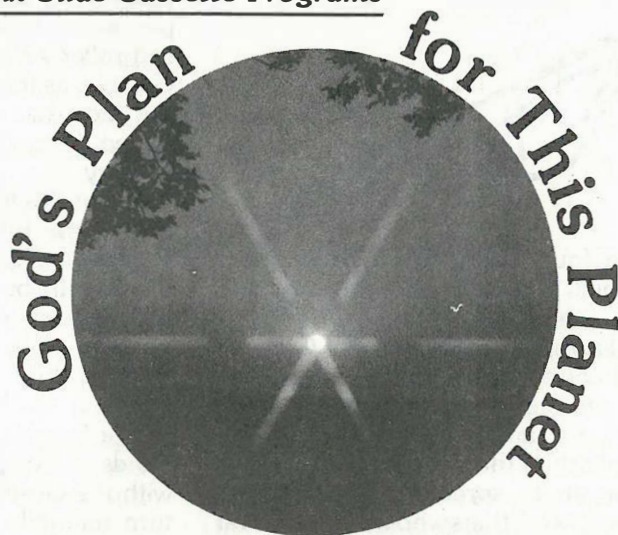
*The Prophetic Expositor* finally came into the hands of Thomas G. Newman. It finally merged with the *Gospel Banner*. The *Gospel Banner* in turn merged with *The Herald of the Kingdom* published by my oldest brother, Thomas Wilson of Chicago, Illinois. While in his hands, the name was changed to *The Restitution*. As time went on the contest for the gospel waxed hot. The worst foes we had to meet were the followers of Alexander Campbell and William Miller.

Indiana had a hard struggle with the Adventists, under the leadership of Joshua V. Himes, Dr. Field, and E. C. Andrus. These advent leaders put up a strong and bitter fight to capture the present conference of the Church of God in Indiana, but they failed. Brethren Corbaley, Wince, Wagoner, and Halstead were veterans in the struggle. Much interesting history may be given with regard to the great battle of the age of the supremacy of the Kingdom as against spurious gospels. I have been conversant with the contest from its early state in Geneva, and I felt that it might be of interest to many believers who know nothing about this memorable struggle.

I was a member of the Geneva Church and was baptized into the sacred name by Bro. Edwin Smith in the waters of the beautiful Fox River in 1857. Bro. Smith now rests in the graveyard where many old veterans lie buried. A few weeks ago, while I was filling an appointment, our much-esteemed Brother James Whitehead fell asleep. He was one of those who had learned the glad tidings at Geneva and was a member of that church. Sister Whitehead was, also. In the east, at Elizabeth, New Jersey, lived one of the old veterans, John O. Woodruff. This old veteran in his lifetime spent over thirty thousand dollars for printed literature in defense of the ancient faith of the gospel. Faithful believers have struggled hard to hand down to their descendants the pure gospel of the Kingdom unmixed with the traditions of men. Will you preserve it or will you suffer hobbies and liberalism to creep in and compromise it? I have placed these truths in book form, "The Pine Woods Bible Class," that it may find a place in your libraries, and through it shall still speak to you when I shall be unable to use either voice or pen.

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# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## BAPTISMS

**Hilliard, OH.** On Sunday morning, August 24, 1980, Heather Lynn Koppes came forward at the invitation for baptism. She was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins that afternoon by Pastor Carl F. Roth and Elders Duane Johnson and Ron Roth. We rejoice with her in this new beginning, and pray for her in her walk. Brenda Johnson, secretary.

**Columbia Station, OH.** We of Columbia Church of God are pleased to announce a list of new members and introduce them to the Church of God at large. Larry Schroth was immersed into Christ on August 31, 1980. During morning worship November 2, 1980, Mike Petonic was baptized for remission of sins. Jerry Simpson experienced baptism into Christ on January 25, 1981. Recently Jim and June May were accepted into membership having previously been baptized into Christ by immersion. On Saturday, February 28, 1981, Tim Trammell was baptized by the writer before the witness of our elders. We praise God for his decision. We rejoice that Dan Benton, having previously confessed his faith in Jesus and having been obedient into the waters of baptism by immersion, has desired to unite with this part of the body of Christ. He joined the fellowship here on Sunday, March 1, 1981, and was given the right hand of fellowship. May God bless and strengthen these new members in the body of Christ is our prayer. Steven Taylor, pastor.

**Fonthill, Ontario.** We rejoice with the angels in heaven as Earl and Helen Page requested immersion in the name of Jesus according to their understanding of the Scriptures. Their sister-in-law, Dorothy Bradley, shared with them the Biblical method of baptism. They were baptized during the morning worship service on November 2, 1980. May God bless this couple in their walk with the Lord. John Hearp, pastor.

**Fonthill, Ontario.** Our hearts rejoiced as David Cronmiller came forward to accept Christ as his Savior. He was baptized for the remission of sins on December 7, 1980. It is our prayer that God will richly bless you, David, as you walk with him. John Hearp, pastor.

**Glendale, CA.** Wayne Belloff accepted Pastor Joe Martin's gospel invitation and was baptized on December 7, 1980, at the Valley Bible Church. May the Lord lead and bless this young man. Berendene Jones, secretary.

**Macomb, IL.** On February 22, 1981, at the close of the morning worship service, Bob Fisher stepped forward and declared his need for a Savior from sin. Valerie Bean, age 18, also came forward, expressing her faith and desire to seal it in baptism. There were 100 people present that Sunday evening to witness these baptisms. Our prayers, love, and support go with our two new members of the body of Christ in the Macomb Church of God. Pam Davis, reporter.

**Oregon, IL.** The Oregon Church rejoiced as four persons were baptized in Christ March 15, 1981. They were as follows: Deborah Harrolle, Nina Vetrone, and William and Diane Irwin. We praise God for these additions to our local church family. We continue also to praise him for the gospel to teach and preach in these crucial days. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Phoenix, AZ.** The members of the Bible Church recently celebrated the following additions to their family. *By baptism:* Tracie Rappleyea, 9/7/80; April Robson, 9/7/80; James Connell, 12/17/80; Diana Spangle, 1/11/81; Bill Freese, 2/1/81. *By transfer:* Dan Ryan and Jim Bryant, having previously received Scriptural baptism.

James A. Graham, pastor.

## MARRIAGES

### LaMattina-Petonic

In a beautiful double-ring wedding ceremony on November 15, 1980, Jo Ann LaMattina and Michael Petonic were united in holy matrimony before God and many witnesses at Columbia Church of God. The couple enjoyed a wedding trip to Florida and New York and now reside in Olmsted Falls, Ohio. May God bless their marriage with his love and goodness.

Pastor Steven Taylor.

### Christenson-Allen

Ruth Christenson and Andy Allen, both of Litchfield, MN, were united in marriage in a beautiful ceremony at the Litchfield Church of God on February 14, 1981. Pastor Stan Ross performed the wedding assisted by Pastor Ron Onnen of the Zion Lutheran Church. Ruth and Andy both lost their former mates to the enemy death a few years ago. After a trip to Arizona and California, the newlyweds are making their home at Lake Ripley, RR, Litchfield, MN 55355. May God bless this newly married couple as they begin their walk of life together.

Stan Ross, pastor.

### Howard-Graham

On Saturday, November 29, 1980, Sherman Howard and Sheryl Graham were united in marriage by the writer at the Bible Church of God in Phoenix, AZ. Sheryl is the daughter of Jerry and Fredna Graham and granddaughter of Flora and the late Roy Graham. We ask that God will guide and bless them in their life together.

James A. Graham, pastor.

### Connell-Bond

On Saturday, February 14, 1981, Judy Bond became the bride of James Connell. They were united in marriage at the Phoenix Bible Church by the writer. Judy is the daughter of Ed and Margaret Bond. We ask that God will bless them in their marriage. James A. Graham, pastor.

### Hunter-Lawrence

On Saturday, February 21, 1981 at the Casas Adobes Congregational Community Church in Tucson, AZ, Dr. Glen Hunter of South Africa and Susan Lawrence were united by the writer in marriage. Susan is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Lawrence. We ask God's blessing upon them as they begin their married life in San Francisco, CA. James A. Graham, pastor.

## CONCERT TOUR

Linda Jones plans to tour the Midwest in June and July, presenting a vocal concert. She has

presented concerts in the Pomona Church of the Open Bible and the Glendale Valley Bible Church. A number of other concerts are pending including the Phoenix Bible Church on March 15. She may be contacted by writing her at 1295 West Orange Grove Avenue, Pomona, CA 91768.

## ATTENTION CHURCH OF GOD MINISTERS

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### OBITUARIES

**Mrs. Dorothy Adamson Prickett**, beloved wife of Willie Prickett, fell asleep in death on February 11, 1981. Dorothy was baptized in 1920 and was a member of the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, CA, 60 years. She was always willing to sing a solo, be a member of the choir, or play the organ. She was always willing to serve the Lord wherever and whenever needed. Dorothy accompanied her husband who was a career man in the United States Navy submarine service. She lived in the Philippines, China, and Hawaii, to name a few of the places. She and son Bruce, who survives, were two of the last evacuees from the Philippines during World War II. She was laid to rest in the Pomona Cemetery. May the Lord soon return and call the faithful from the graves.

Delbert Jones.

**Nettie Rhumphrey Guge** was born February 9, 1904, in Marshall County, IN. In the 1920's she married Arch Guge. There were no children, and he pre-deceased her, dying September 8, 1945, from a tractor accident. Nettie was baptized April 17, 1927, by Bro. J. H. Anderson, and was a member of the Burr Oak Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith from then till her

death (54 years). Surviving is a sister, Julia Rhumphrey, in St. Augustine Home, Indianapolis, IN, and many friends. In 1977, Nettie entered the Methodist Memorial Home in Warren, IN, where she fulfilled her Christian life by taking mail to others and helping others in any way possible. Some of us from the church went down to see her two or three times a year, and had communion with her. She died February 17, 1981, at the age of 77 years as the result of a stroke. Services were conducted February 19 at the Home and at the Burr Oak Church. Burial was made in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, by the side of her husband, where they sleep together until that great day of the resurrection to eternal life at Christ's second coming.

James Mattison, pastor.

**Lottie Mae Shearer**, 81, fell asleep in Christ at her home on December 31, 1980. She was preceded in death by her husband and daughter. A long-time member of Brush Creek, OH, her often-heard encouraging words, smiles, and constant cheerfulness will be greatly missed. Services were held at the Brush Creek Church with burial following at Curtis Cemetery next to the church. We look forward to the soon return of Christ and the victorious resurrection of those asleep in him.

Michael Hoffman, pastor.

**Dorothy (Elliott) Larsen** fell asleep in death on September 9, 1981, after a lengthy illness. She was born in Fonthill, Ontario, and later moved to Wenatchee, Washington. After attending Oregon Bible College she traveled with Verna C. Thayer doing child evangelism work. She is survived by her husband Walter; two daughters, Anne and Claudia; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Elliott; two sisters, Betty Anger and Marion High; three brothers: Douglas, Harold, and Ivan; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Kirby Davis on September 13, in Wenatchee, Washington. A memorial service, conducted by the writer, was held on September 14, in Fonthill, Ontario. The large attendance at both services, and memorial gifts presented to the glory of God in her honor, indicate the high esteem in which Dorothy was held by all who were privileged to know her. How wonderful to have the assurance that a time is coming when sickness and suffering will be no more!

Pastor John Hearp.

**Chris W. Rusaw**, age 71, of Lawrenceburg, TN, died December 31, 1980. He is survived by his wife Mabel, daughters Frances Houston of Columbia Station, OH, and Myrna Rigby of Lawrenceburg, TN; sisters Fanny Holcomb of Payson, AZ, Frances Helms of Newport Richey, FL, and Henrietta Carner of Flint, MI; a brother, Robert Rusaw of Union Lake, MI; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Services were held on January 3, with the writer officiating.

Pastor Steven Taylor.

### CHAPLAIN O. A. WESTLUND TO RETIRE

Chaplain O. A. Westlund, USN, the first military chaplain for the General Conference of the Church of God, will retire from active duty on June 1, 1981. Brother Westlund was commissioned a Lieutenant (junior grade) in the Chaplain Corps of the U.S. Navy during 1959 and served the General Conference on the following duty stations:

- 1959-1960—1st Marine Division Camp Pendleton, California
- 1960-1962—Escort Squadron Three (Pacific)
- 1962-1964—San Francisco Naval Shipyard
- 1964-1965—Post Graduate Studies, University of Chicago
- 1965-1967—USS Salisbury Sound (AV-13) (Flag Ship, Market Time, Viet Nam)
- 1967-1968—Navy Mine Defense Laboratory Panama City, Florida
- 1968-1970—Naval Station, Bermuda
- 1970-1971—Naval Air Station, Bermuda (Senior Chaplain)
- 1971-1972—Navy Chaplain Corps Advanced School Newport, Rhode Island
- 1972-1976—Coast Guard Training Center Cape May, New Jersey (Senior Chaplain)
- 1976-1977—1st Marine Air Wing Iwakuni, Japan (Spirit of '76 Operation, Korea)
- 1977-1981—Naval Station Los Angeles/Long Beach, California (Senior Chaplain)

Chaplain Westlund retires from active duty with the permanent rank of Commander and will make his new home on Whidbey Island, Washington.



Our beloved sister in the Lord, **Mae Mercer**, fell asleep in Jesus February 16, 1981, at the Americana Nursing Home. Mae was a charter member of Macomb Church of God and a key element in the establishment and growth of the church. Some of our present members sat at her feet as children while she read them Bible stories. Through nearly 100 years that she lived, her life was a testimony to the right, the good, and the Christian. Just three months before her death she was quizzing hospital nurses regarding their faith or lack of it. She was born October 9, 1885, in Vermont, IL, the daughter of Daniel and Mary Hauser VanAntwerp. She married G. Robert Mercer on September 11, 1904. He died in 1975. Surviving are four sons, Richard of Macomb, John of Santa Barbara, CA, Joe of Oklahoma City, OK, and Bill of Arlington Heights; two daughters, Mary Jarvis and Gladys Lucas, both of Macomb; two sisters, Grace Fisk of Rushville, IL, and Ruth Miller of Macomb; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her parents, her husband; a son, Robert D.; two daughters, Lillian and Dorothy; four sisters; and two brothers all preceded her in death. Sister Mae was baptized by Samuel Lindsay when she was 25 in 1910. On that occasion they rode by horse and buggy to Sugar Creek, near Vermont, IL, where the baptism took place. She was faithful to her commitment to the Lord until her death. During the funeral service Pastor Rex Cain read Psalm 8, her favorite, which she had committed to memory. "Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again" we grieve not as others (1 Thes. 4:14, 13, RSV).  
Pam Davis, reporter.

The enemy death recently touched our church family with the death of **Dennis Hudson**, a long-time member of the Church of God, who died on November 18, 1980, and was laid to rest in Prescott, AZ, to await the resurrection call of his Lord. Surviving in faith include his wife Margie; his mother Veta; and sons Richard, DeWayne, and Darrell.

James A. Graham, pastor.

**Florence P. Keller**, 88, formerly of Avon Lake, OH, died November 29, 1980, in Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Avon, OH, after a brief illness. Born in Independence, OH, Mrs. Keller was also formerly of Columbia Station, OH. She had lived in that area since 1935. Surviving are sons Raymond of Strongsville, OH, and Robert of Columbia Station; a daughter, Mrs. David Aslaksep, of Avon Lake; 14 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Anthony in 1976, and also by two brothers and a sister. Funeral services were held by the writer. Burial was in Columbia Cemetery.

Pastor Steven Taylor.

**Lorene Hendricks Wiggins** was born in Piggott, AR, on July 15, 1908, the daughter of Noah and Liddy (French) Hendricks, and died on March 10, 1981. On December 28, 1928, she was married to Marshall Wiggins. To this union were born Jack L. of Eldorado, James R. of Wood River, and Mrs. Lonnie (Loretta) Patton of Eldorado. She was immersed into Christ on November 6, 1932, by Bro. C. E. Lapp. She placed her membership in the Restitution Church of God, in which she worked faithfully for her Lord up to the time of her death. She is survived by her husband Marshall; her three children; two brothers—Chester of Rexana and John of East Alton; two half-sisters—Geraldine Pritchett of Sidney, IL, and Charlotte Rankin of Hopkins, KY; one half-brother—Melvin Hendricks Lubbock, TX; eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Preceding her in death were a brother, Gratton, and a sister, Mrs. Opal Allen. She leaves to mourn her death a great many relatives and a host of friends.  
V. E. Kirkpatrick, pastor.

## Distillers Must Be Happy at Prospect

### **Alcoholism Program Shouldn't Get Budget Ax**

It is unfortunate that the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism is slated for a virtual wipeout under the budget slashes now being presented to Congress by the present administration.

Ten years ago Harold Hughes, then U.S. Senator from Iowa, had a dream of a national alcoholism program. Primarily because of his influence and diligent efforts, it was passed by Congress and became known as the Hughes Act. On recommendation of Office and Management Budget Director David Stockman, its budget could be cut 70 per cent and its staff reduced 88 per cent. This comes at a time alcoholism is costing this country \$53 billion a year in lost production, health and medical costs, accidents, and violent crimes. No one can even dare to estimate the additional welfare load that is brought about by alcohol abuse. It must be at least 50 to 60 per cent of the total cost.

The cuts will come for the most part by making block grants to the states when, in reality, this is a national problem and is best dealt with on that level. A few states have done fairly well in their programs, but it is only from a national perspective that comprehensive information can be gathered.

For example, it is confirmed in studies by NIAAA that there is a growing problem of alcohol abuse among young people and women. This information could not be obtained in piece-meal surveys in 50 states even if individual states had any interest or demonstrated any interest in the problem. (Nevada is not likely to send out much information on its excessive consumption.)

Senator Hughes puts it best in these words:

"I am a recovering alcoholic and I know the huge cost of alcoholism. I have devoted much of my life to causes that seek to reduce the devastating human and economic impact of alcoholism. Would you help me to keep the national alcoholism program alive? If you will, write *now* to your Senators, Congressmen, and President Reagan to ask that the nation continue to fight against alcoholism.

"America's New Beginning' should not be the end of the beginning for our national alcoholism program."

It has taken 10 years to make America aware of this worsening problem. It would be disastrous for it to be crippled or wiped out. The distillers and distributors of whisky must be getting ready for a big party (with plenty of drinks, of course) as they anticipate the ax coming down on this program.

—J. Marse Grant, Editor, *Biblical Recorder*. Reprinted with permission.

## **TWO FORGOTTEN SOVIET PRISONERS**

**NEW YORK (EWNS)**—Members of the Soviet Jewish community are rejoicing at the release of Iosif Mendelevich from a labor camp in the Tatar Republic, USSR, and his subsequent emigration to Israel. Mendelevich, one of the defendants in the infamous 1970 "Leningrad Trials," served 11 years of his 12-year sentence under particularly harsh circumstances: as an Orthodox Jew he was selected for special harassment.

Mendelevich had to fulfill his weekly quota of work in six days to be able to observe the Sabbath. He had to fast during the Jewish holidays in order to keep the dietary laws of his faith. Frequently ridiculed and frustrated, he made a skull cap and a prayer shawl out of rags and insisted on wearing them. When these items were confiscated by the guards, he went on a hunger strike during which he lost more than 40 pounds, thus risking his health and life. Evidently Soviet authorities decided to get rid of the recalcitrant prisoner before he died, and permitted him to leave for Israel.

Two of his co-defendants in the "Leningrad Trials," however, are still imprisoned and their lives are in grave danger. Alexei Murzhenko and Yuri Fedorov, both Christians, had joined their Jewish friends in a plot to hijack a Soviet airplane. This event was not so much in hope of success as to express their protest against the Soviet system. Both of them are paying dearly for their gesture and for their courage.

Fedorov is serving his sentence in the dreaded Potma Labor Camp. Hard work, inadequate diet, and non-existent medical care have affected his health. During a particularly agonizing attack of pain caused by renal malfunction, Fedorov unsuccessfully sought admission to the camp infirmary. When refused, in desperation he chopped off his finger so as to get admitted to the emergency clinic. Fedorov's wife Natalia Buzyreva and daughter Maria emigrated to the USA, and thus he is quite alone in the USSR, but still clinging to his hope that one day he will be able to leave the Soviet Union and live in the Free World.

Alexei Murzhenko, a graduate of the Suvorov Military Academy, was sentenced to 14 years in labor camps where he contracted TB and chronic gastritis. He is not receiving adequate medical care, and if not released soon, he is doomed. His wife lives in the USSR in dire poverty, waiting for Alexei's return and hoping that they will be eventually able to emigrate.

These two prisoners were made an example to the others because of their involvement in a "Zionist conspiracy." Their co-defendant, Eduard Kuznetsov, released in 1979, said of them: "Their fate is a symbol. By their example and by the example of all those who are persecuted, the Soviet government wishes to show: This is what may be your fate if you are not satisfied with Soviet power and if you want to emigrate to Israel. This will be your fate and no one will help you! But the West must help them, so that others may be saved from this horror and may feel that they are not defenseless."

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

April 12-15—Spring meetings at Flagg Center, IL. Pastor Z. B. Duncan, guest speaker.  
 May 24-29 & 31—Annual May Meeting, Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ontario. Dr. Alva Huffer, Multi media presentation each evening, May 24-29, speaking May 24 & 31. Contact Glad Tidings Church of God for accommodations.

**STEVE GRANT—FEBRUARY'S AUTHOR**

The recent article which appeared on the outreach page of the February issue of the PROGRESS JOURNAL was written by Brother Steve Grant. During his schooling in India, Steve worked closely with our churches as well as with the clinic workers. Our apologies to Steve for omitting his name and our appreciation for the fine work he did while in India.

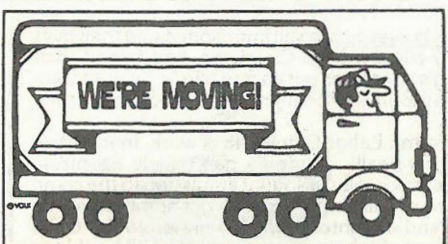
**COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE**

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Sue Wolford, Abingdon, IL; Sally Pestle, Alice Graber, Beth Vancil, all of Macomb, IL; Candi Plank, South Bend, IN; Flo Coverstone, Browntown, VA; Sue Mathis, Auburndale, FL; Seth Senyo Donkoh-Dotse, Ghana, West Africa.

**Contributors to the General Conference: February, 1981**

Mr & Mrs Isaac Chapman	15.00	Lawrenceville Church	596.11	Blood River Church	227.72	Eldorado Church	103.43
Robert L. Jones	30.00	Mr & Mrs William Cramer	20.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Jenkins	10.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Poe	25.00
Grace Fisk	200.00	Delia M Middleton	20.00	Mr & Mrs Herbert Huenerkopf	10.00	Cindy J Isenhoff	40.00
Royal Village Church	66.28	Macomb Church	210.98	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.00	MI State Conference	36.97
Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	80.00	Phoenix Bible Church	428.00	Mr & Mrs Rex Shaw	20.00	Mr & Mrs Rex Cain	85.00
NE Conference	265.00	Helen M Lewis	10.00	Esther Sprinkle	27.00	Mr & Mrs J H Overholser	15.00
Irma Metzger	20.00	Mr & Mrs E C Harvey	100.00	Macomb SS	18.37	Mr & Mrs Harold Gallagher	20.00
CA Member	100.00	Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	100.00	Julian Hazlewood	28.00	Kenny McCaffery	12.00
Mr & Mrs Monte Sandifer	25.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Hoffman	35.00	Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	20.00	S Bend Hope Chapel	135.74
Mrs Erma McChesney	200.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Danskin	25.00	James Klepinger	20.00	Mr & Mrs Steven Krug	125.00
Milo Magaw	300.00	St Louis Church	37.58	Clara Roach	25.00	Patrick M Landry	380.00
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Pleasant Hill Church	131.18	Cecil Smead	30.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	35.00	Blessed Hope Church	155.29
Gospel Miss Church	49.41	Pomona Church	345.00	S Bend Hope Chapel Bereans	2.00	Anonymous	50.00
Mr & Mrs John P Ward	25.00	A Grace Adamson	10.00	Clara Broberg	10.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	137.00
Mr & Mrs Clyde E Randall	25.00	Mr & Mrs Steve Leichter	25.00	D C Dovenbarger	150.00	Jewel Holt	1075.00
Blanchard Church	414.83	Happy Woods Dorcas	10.00	Katherine Tackett	189.00	Verne Learned	100.00
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Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	50.00	Brush Creek SS	173.16	Maude Rife	50.00	Eden Valley Church	181.10
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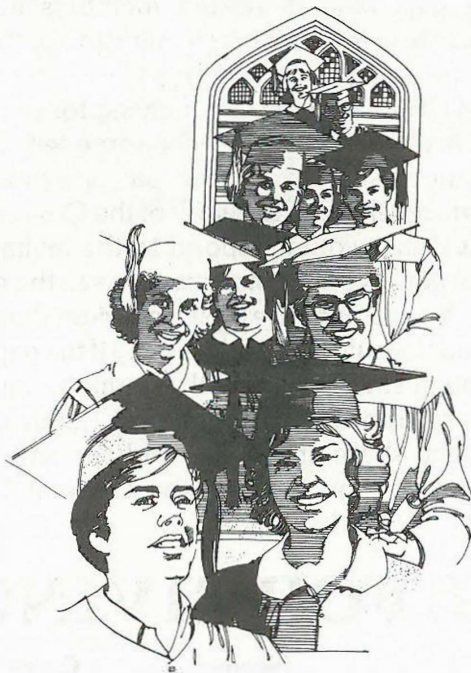
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# GENERAL

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**David Krogh,  
Executive Director**



## 1981 General Conference

The theme of the 1981 General Conference is "You Are the Church." The Conference will be held August 3-7 at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois.

The theme of the Conference will be unfolded by the messages which will be delivered each evening as follows:

Monday Evening—The Ministry of the Word—Stephen Bolhous, speaker

Tuesday Evening—The Ministry of Prayer—C. E. Lapp, speaker

Wednesday Evening—The Ministry of Giving Yourself—Joe Martin, speaker

Thursday Evening—The Ministry of Building Up One Another—Rex Cain, speaker

A complete copy of the daily program, reports, and recommendations will appear in the June PROGRESS JOURNAL.

## Reservations

Reservation forms for the summer Conference have been sent to each pastor. Isolated members may secure forms from Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

Each person planning to attend Conference must complete a reservation form and mail it along with a \$10 nonrefundable deposit by July 25. Rooms will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis.

## Standing in the Gap

Ezekiel 22:30 says, "I sought for a man among them that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap

before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none."

The search for someone to stand in the gap is unending. Today, God is still seeking men who will stand in the gap for him. Many are responding to his call. I believe the 40 students enrolled in Oregon Bible College are some who have heard the call and have responded. I believe that our pastors are standing in the gap. And dedicated members in every church who are using their gifts in ministry for the Lord are filling many gaps.

If you will look at the chart of giving for our goals, you will notice that there have been some serious gaps in our financial support for the past six months. It would be most helpful to the work of the Conference if many individuals would respond to the invitation to stand in the gap. We are not anxious to see the gap between income and expense grow any wider than it currently is, and it would be a real blessing if the gap could become much smaller during the coming month.

We greatly appreciate the many Church of God members who share an interest and concern for the ministries carried on through the General Conference.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

	Needed	Given
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10-Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10-Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10-Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00
Feb. 10-Mar. 9	29,960.00	20,790.00
Mar. 10-Apr. 9	29,960.00	23,701.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>188,612.00</b>	<b>172,200.00</b>
Deficit through Apr. 9		16,412.00
Needed Apr. 10-May 9		29,960.00
<b>GOAL for Apr. 10-May 9 \$46,372.00</b>		

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# Christian Encounter Of the Third Kind

Five days at Gatlinburg, Tennessee, provided a Christian encounter of the third kind to one hundred fourteen representatives from various Churches of God. The local church and its activities provides one kind of Christian encounter. It is in this setting that the majority of service, study, worship, and Christian fellowship is experienced. Thus what happens here is extremely important.

A second Christian encounter is provided through regional and national

atmosphere of warmth and love, and an infilling of God's Spirit, creates spiritual aliveness. During the short time together at the Seminar this spiritual awareness is evident. The real blessings come upon returning home as this spirit is reflected through personal lives in local churches. What has happened in the Christian Worker's Seminar in recent years has resulted in significant changes in personal lives and in local churches.

This year some churches had group representation at the seminar. The Oregon and East Oregon Churches had

formation and tools for effective ministry as a Christian and as a church (picture #3). This year's sessions were: Lay Ministry Opportunities, Enriching Personal and Family Life, What Makes a Growing Church, and The Bible and the Early Church. Workshop sessions were also held. The topics covered were Vacation Bible School, Church Officers, Youth Ministry, and Sunday School Leadership Training.

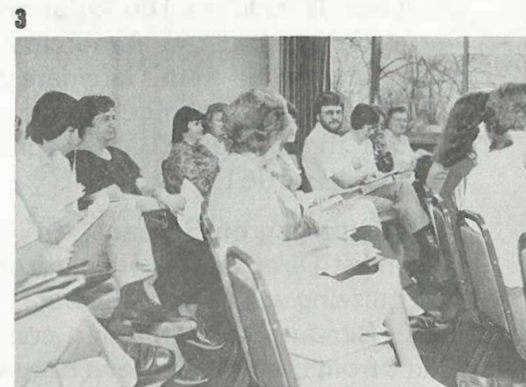
Small cell groups provide opportunity



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conferences. Through conference activities Christians are able to participate in an enlarged circle of service, study, worship, and fellowship. What happens in this setting is important to develop an awareness and participation beyond the local church.

A unique Christian encounter is experienced annually at the Christian Workers' Seminar. The combination of small cell groups sharing, a feeling of family fellowship within the whole groups, specialized training sessions, an

three vehicles taking 24 to the seminar. Other churches also were well represented. Some of the larger delegations were 14 from Lawrenceville, Ohio; 12 from Hope Chapel, South Bend, Indiana; 10 from Burr Oak, Indiana; 9 from Bethel, Pelzer, South Carolina; and 9 from Kokomo, Indiana (picture #1).

Each part of the seminar contributed to make it a very meaningful Christian encounter with the promise of lasting results.

Fellowship is a rich experience (picture #2).

Training sessions provide usable in-

formation for sharing which results in a close spiritual kinship and a deepened awareness of a personal part in God's ministry for the church (pictures #4 & 5).

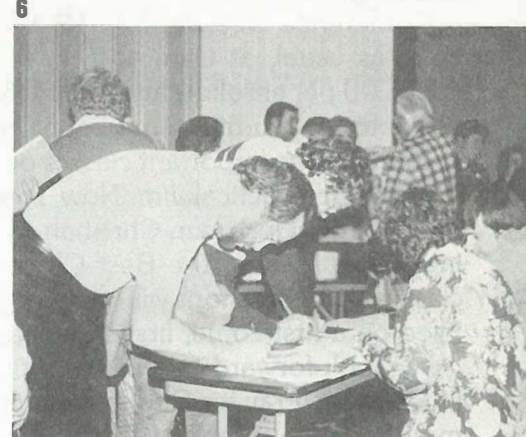
Several return year after year for another unique Christian encounter. It's the "I'll see you next year" feeling that testifies of the personal value of the Christian Workers' Seminar. We encourage you to start making your plans to attend Christian Workers' Seminar in 1982 and experience the excitement of fellow Christians (picture #6).



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Photos by David Krogh



# Berean Youth Fellowship

## News

by Hugh Harman, Youth Director

### 1981 Senior Berean Youth Caravan

We are excited about the upcoming 1981 Senior Berean Youth Caravan slated for this summer. A schedule has been established which calls for the caravan to begin on July 20 and end on August 1. We are tentatively planning to travel in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and on into Canada if arrangements can be made.

### Slide-Sound Set of Berean Youth Conference

The slide-sound set of the 1980 International Berean Youth Conference has been making the rounds of the churches. It includes 160 color slides along with a narrated cassette tape. A nominal \$3.00 charge is made for viewing. At this late date your church might make arrangements to get on the viewing schedule. Contact the Berean Youth Department, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

### 1981 Quizzing on Romans

Contest Director Neil Richardson has announced that quizzing will be from the book of Romans for the 1981 Berean Bible Quizzing competition. Already teams from many states have begun participation. All materials pertaining to this year's program have been sent to pastors and youth leaders.

We are looking for at least 12 teams in this year's competition at Berean Youth Conference, so help us by encouraging your young people to become involved.

### 1981 International Berean Youth Conference

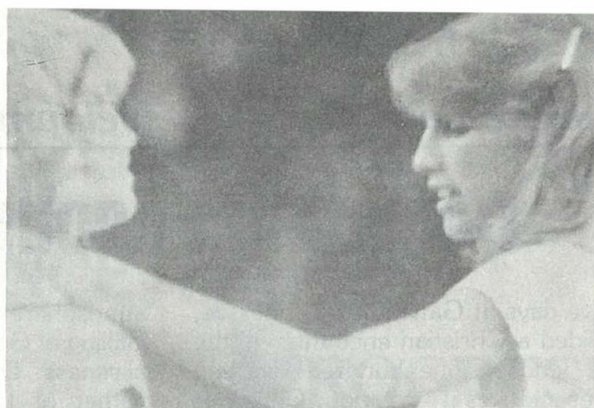
The staffs for both the post-high and high school camps have been chosen and enrollment blanks have been sent to pastors and youth leaders. Enrollment blanks also appear in the March/April and May/June *Challenge* magazine.

Conference week is July 12-18, 1981. It will be held, as usual, at Camp Mack, Milford, IN. Tuition is \$75.00 per enrollee; after July 1: \$85.00. Urge your youth to mail in their enrollment early.

Some of the important classes offered in this year's curriculum: Practical Jim, Now That You've Arrived, COG—Log, Upstream Christian, Survival Kit, Growing Edge, Making the Best Choice, Life Goals. All classes and workshops will be preregistered and will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We look forward to an exciting and spiritually uplifting week. Pray for God's power to be evident in this mountain peak week of spiritual opportunity.

Photo by Blair Johnson



## Sharing Christ With Your Friends

by Pastor S. O. Ross

There are many ways of sharing Christ. It may be by the example of living the Christian life. It may be done by distributing the written word (literature). It may be done by one-to-one witnessing—by discussing with the individual the plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. I believe there are “different strokes for different folks.”

We must have some understanding of the individual so we can begin to deal with him where he is. If he appears to be an ungodly person, we would certainly treat him much differently from one who attends a church and appears to already have high Christian principles. We must first gain some confidence with him. We first become friendly with him and we can then have opportunity to bring up the subject of salvation or the Christian life.

In bringing up the Scriptural or religious subject, we must do it in a positive manner. Do not be apologetic that our church is small, that the pastor is not too skilled in the pulpit, that our doctrines are peculiar, or any other such negative aspect.

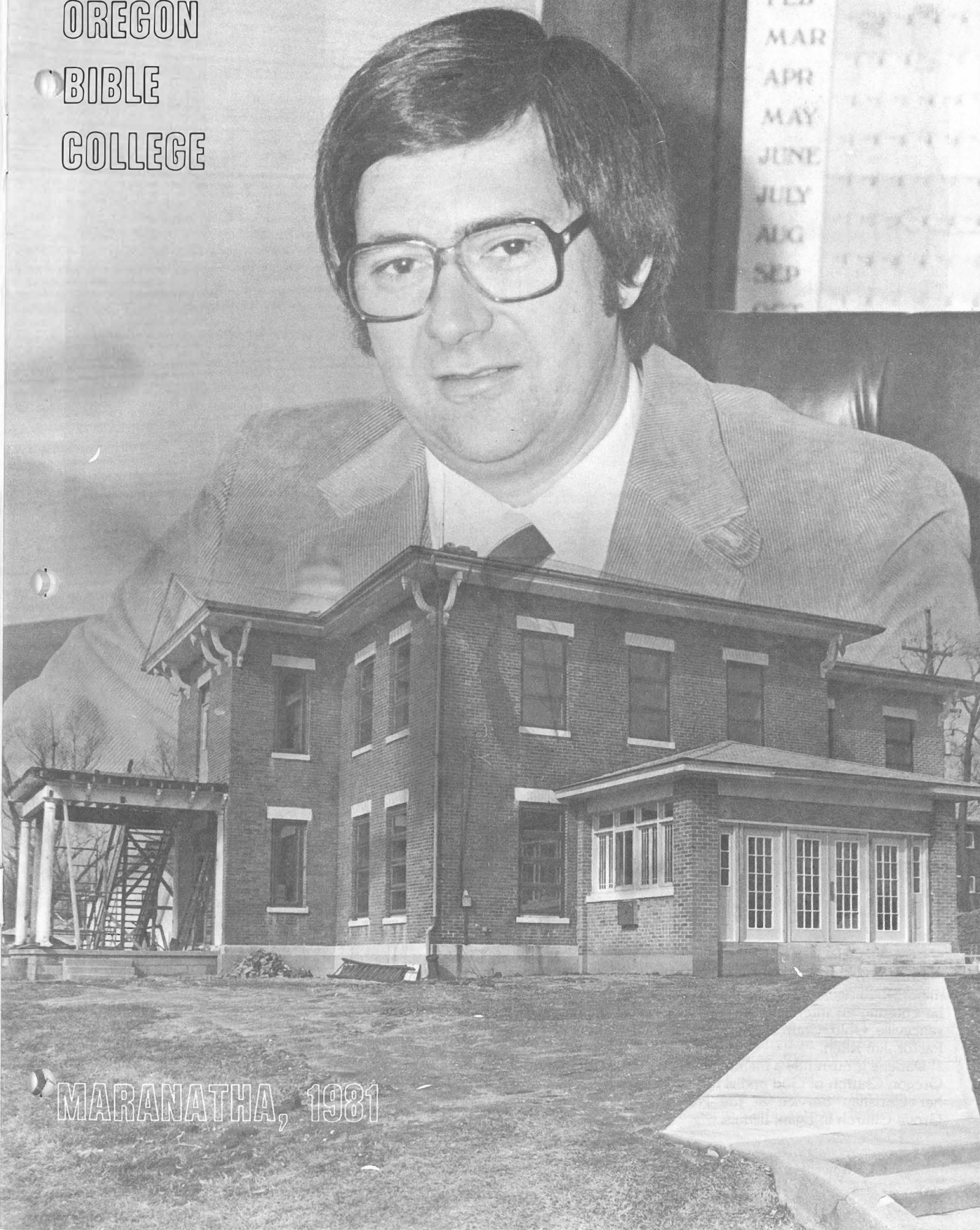
Be positive of the fact that we are all sinners (including self). Be positive of the fact that we all need forgiveness through Christ. Christ is the answer to most personal problems of the day. He is the only one who can bring us salvation: “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

Show love and concern to the individual. Share with him the simple gospel truths. The scriptures necessary for salvation are really very few—but they are very important. Let your friend know how much Christ and his plan of salvation mean to you. Live so that your life will evidence this fact.

The tract “Six Steps to a New Life” is very helpful in sharing the steps of salvation. May God bless each one as you continue to be an example and a witness to your friend.

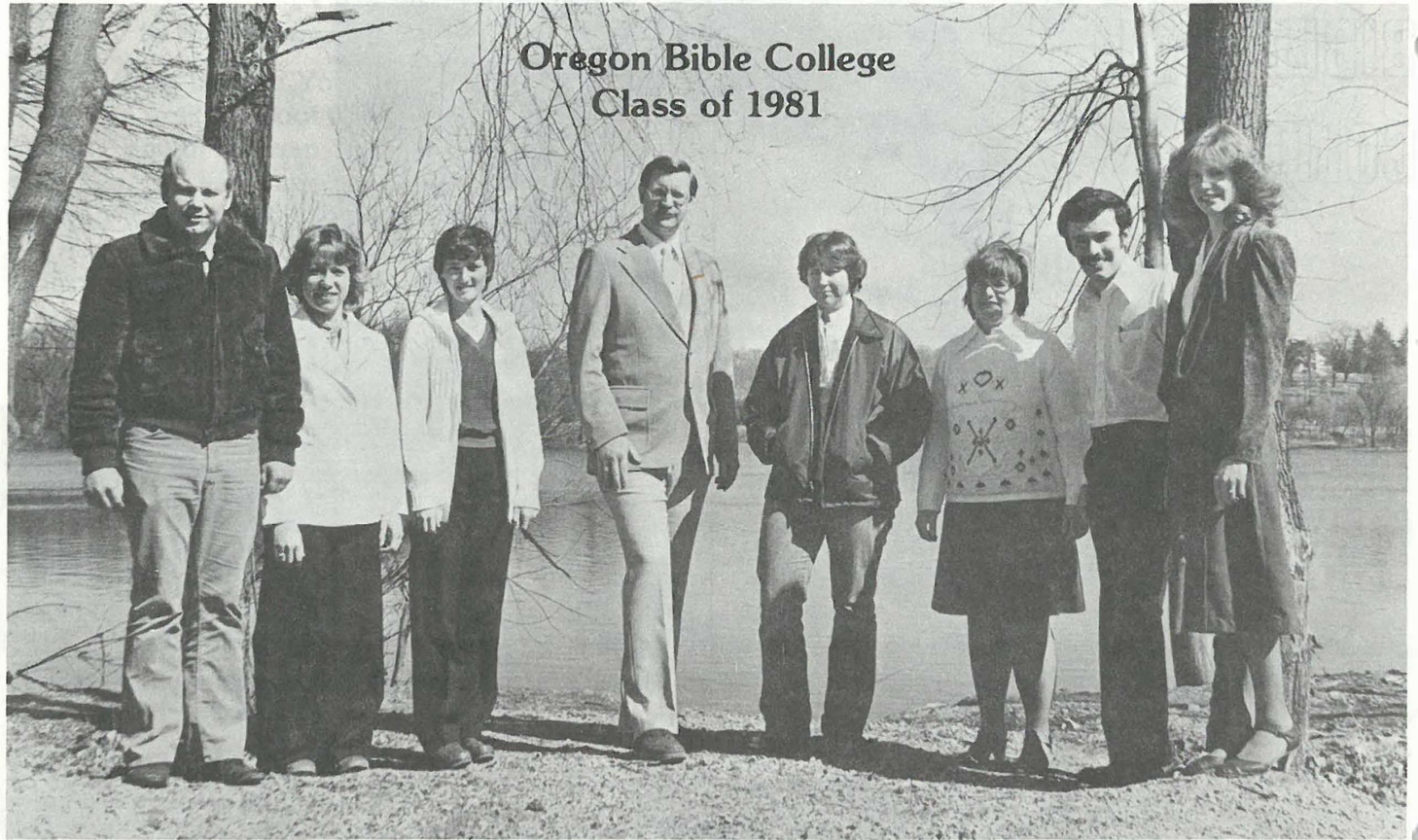
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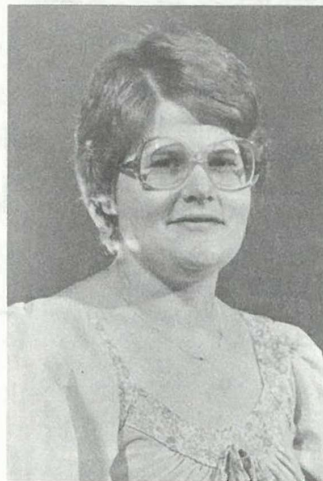
R. Joe Good, Darlene Burkhart, Vickie Wyrick, Cecil Rademachir, Cindy Jo Isenhoff, Deb Cook, Daniel Shaw, Karen Mitchell.



**Darlene Burkhart**

Darlene majored in Theology with a minor in Christian Education. She will be entering an internship in the Lawrenceville, Ohio, Church of God under Pastor Jim Ritch.

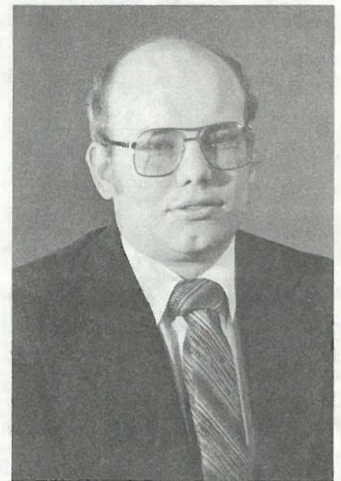
Darlene is currently a member of the Oregon Church of God and is fulfilling her Christian Service at the North Grove Church in Egan, Illinois.



**Deborah Cook**

Deb has a major in Theology with a minor in Music. She plans to continue being a good wife and mother, possibly continuing her education in the fall.

Deb is a member of the Oregon, Illinois, Church of God.



**R. Joseph Good**

Joe has a major in Theology and a minor in Pastoral Studies. He will be involved in an internship program with Pastor Joe Duncan at the North Hills Church of God, Springfield, Ohio.

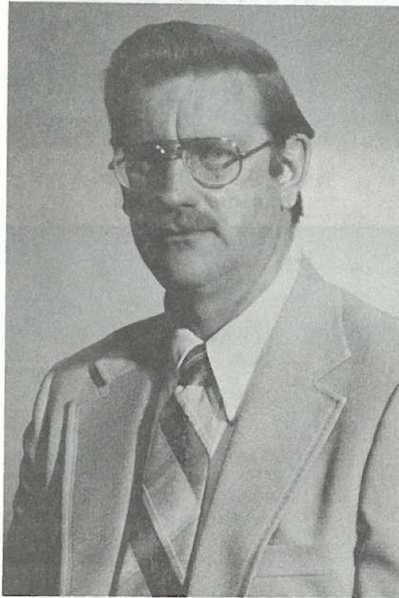
Joe is a member of the Oregon, Illinois, Church of God.



**Cindy Jo Isenhoff**

Cindy has a major in Theology with a minor in Christian Education. She will be continuing her work with the General Conference.

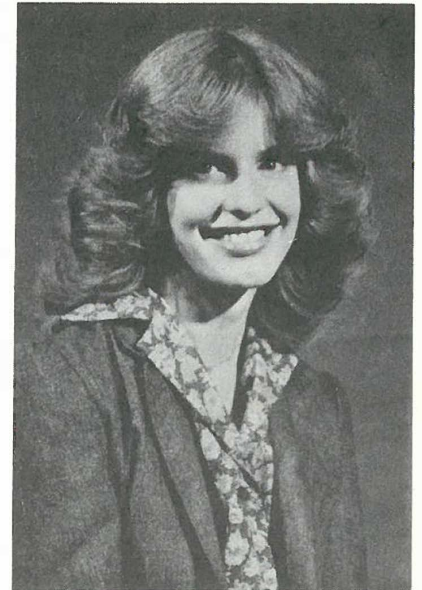
Cindy is a member of the Oregon, Illinois, Church of God.



**Cecil Rademachir**

Cecil majored in Theology with a minor in Pastoral Studies. He will be undertaking an internship program with the Dixon, Illinois, Church of God, under the direction of a support group centered in Oregon, Illinois.

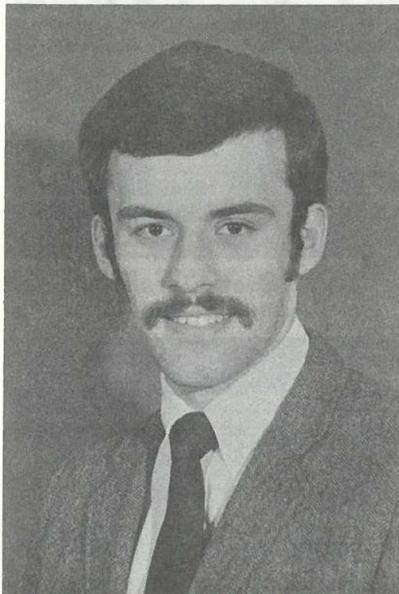
Cecil is a member of the Troy View, Ohio, Church of God.



**Karen Mitchell**

Karen has a major in Theology and her minor is in Christian Education. She will be taking an internship with the Columbia Station, Ohio, Church of God under Pastor Steven Taylor and Doris Brown.

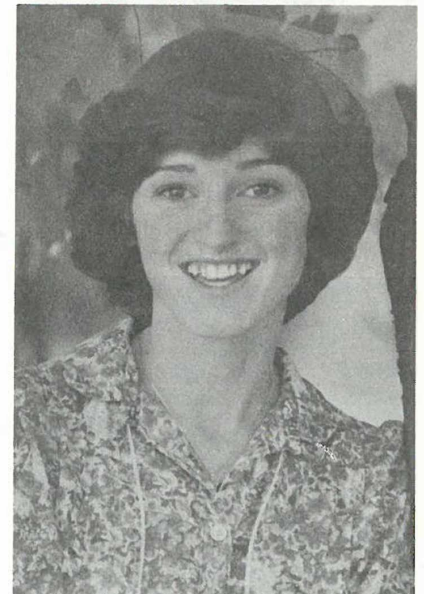
Karen is a member of the Blanchard, Michigan, Church of God.



**Daniel L. Shaw**

Dan has a major in Theology with a minor in Pastoral Studies. He will be involved in an internship with Pastor Don Needham in the Blanchard, Michigan, Church of God in the fall.

Dan is presently a member of the East Oregon Chapel in Oregon, Illinois.

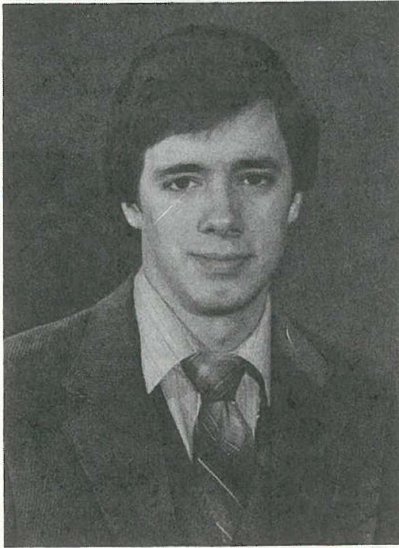


**Vickie Wyrick**

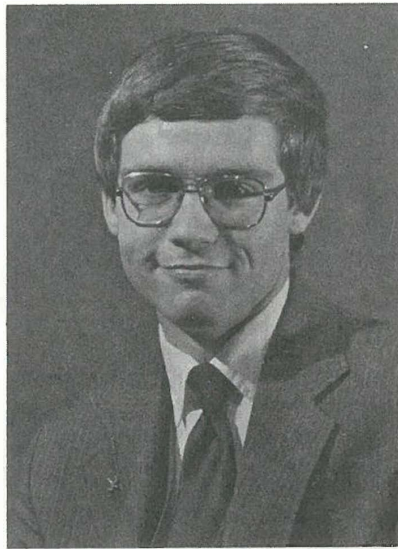
Vickie Majored in Theology with a minor in Music. She will be working in Oregon this summer.

She is a member of the Country Chapel in Michigantown, Indiana.

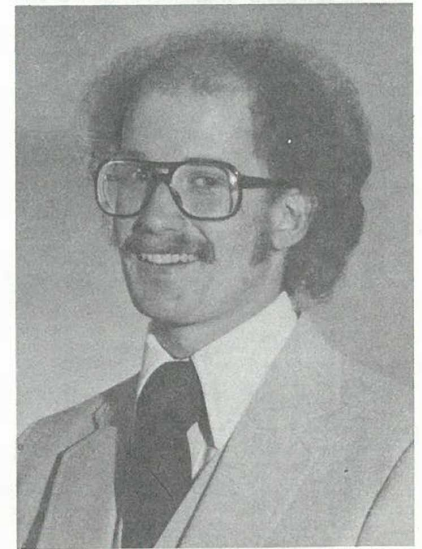
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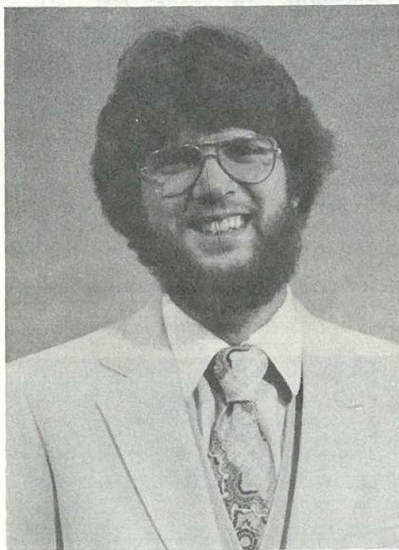
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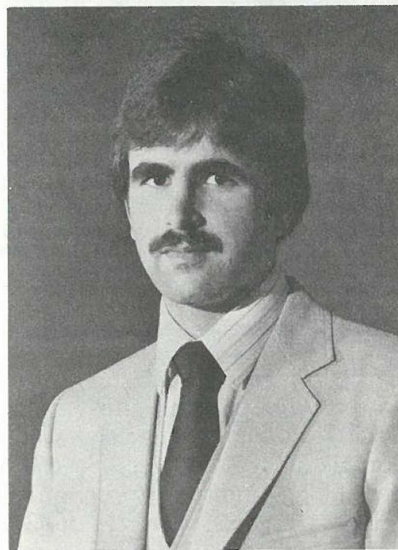
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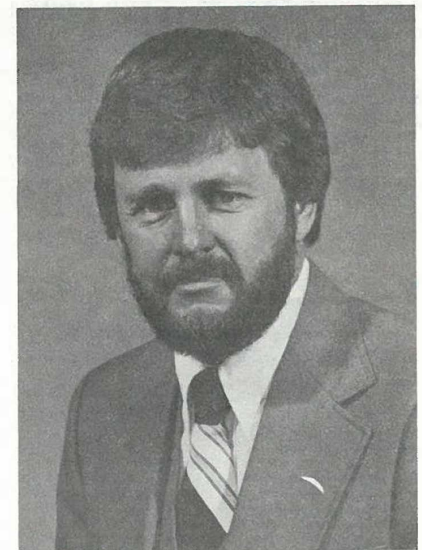
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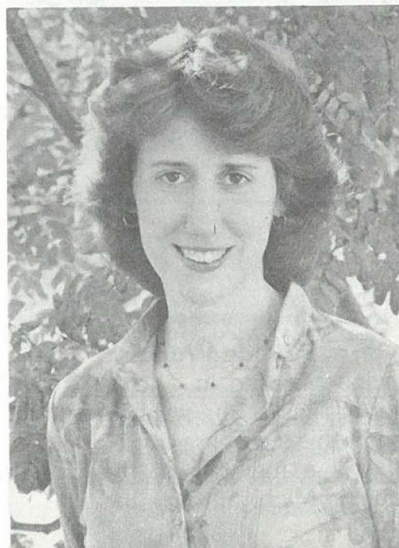
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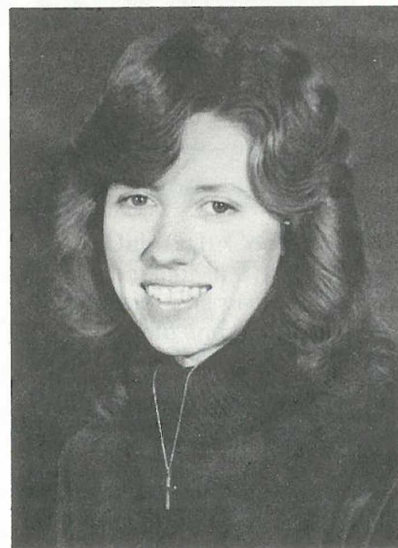
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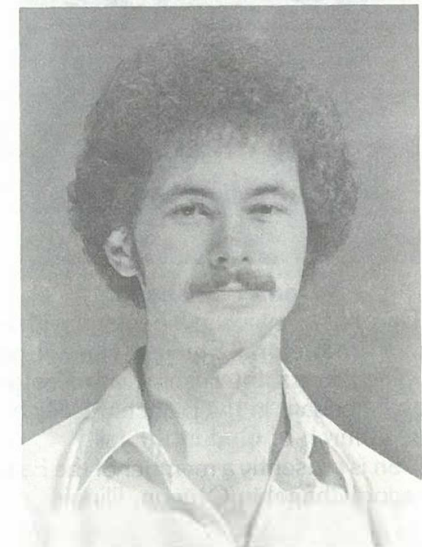
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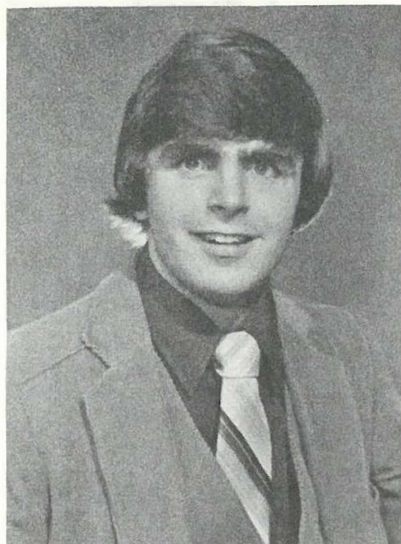


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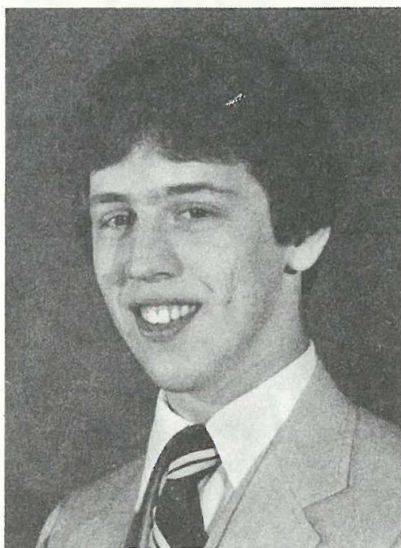


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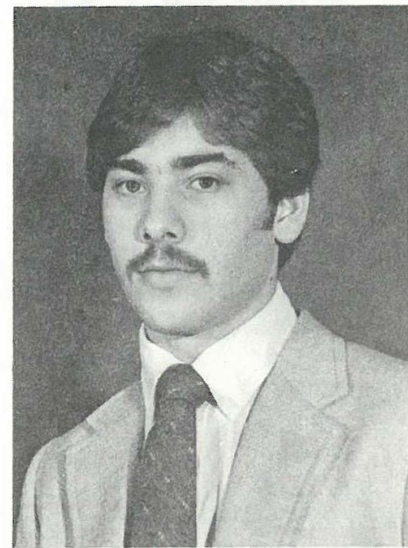
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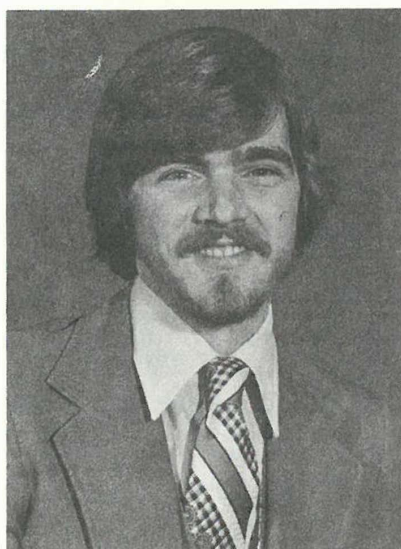
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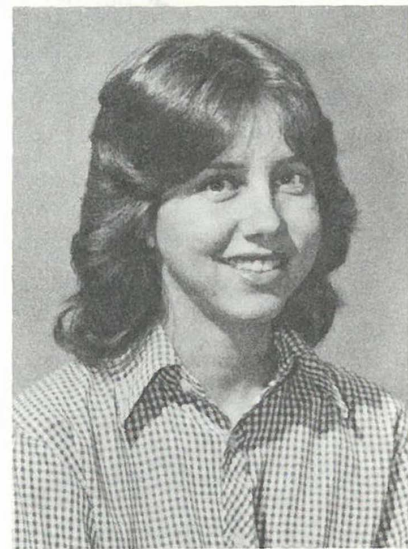
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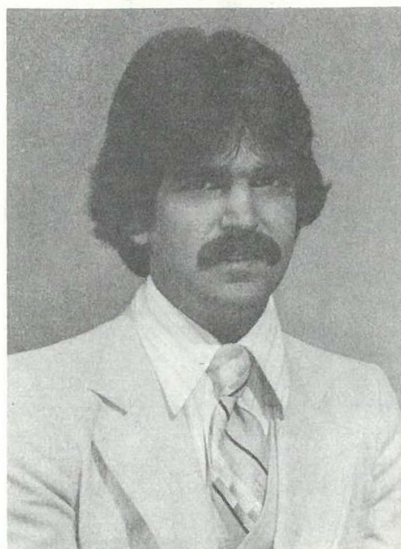
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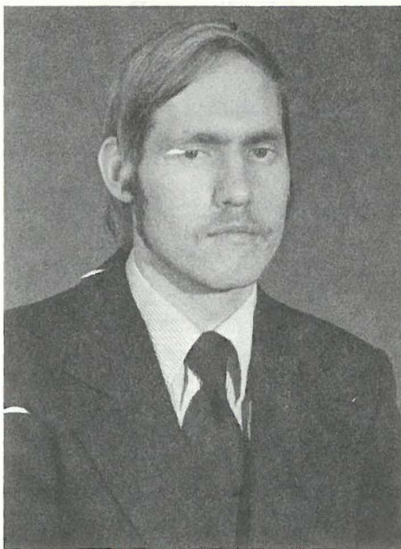
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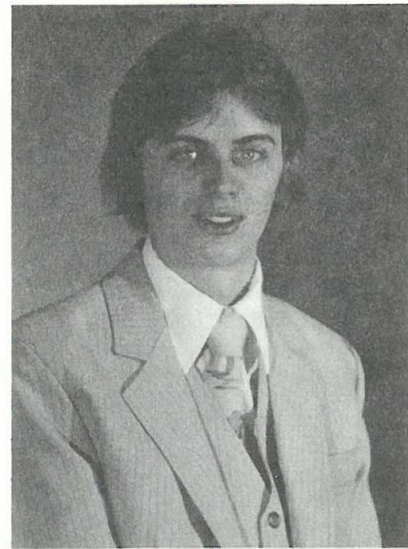
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**Jeff Smith**  
Pelzer, South Carolina

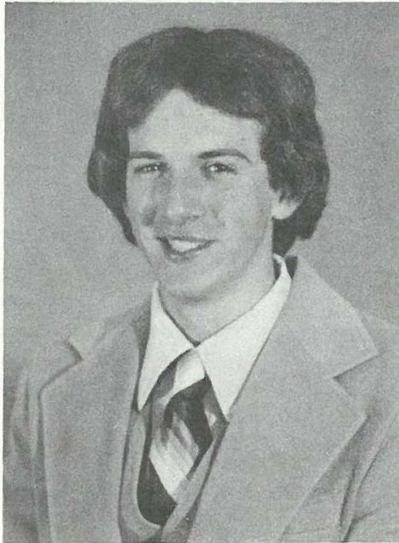


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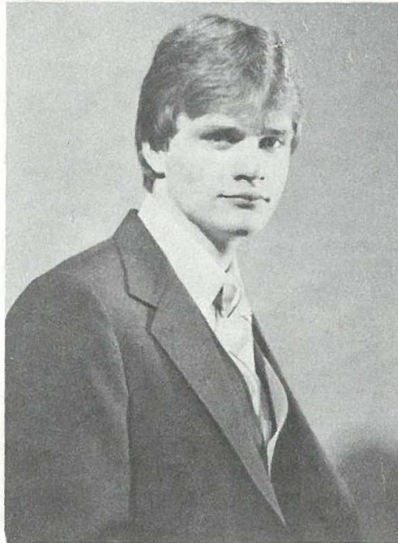


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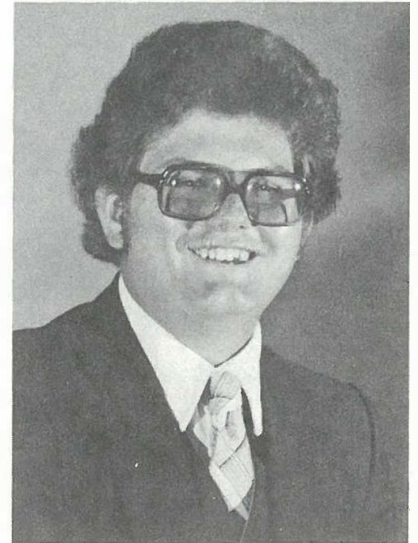
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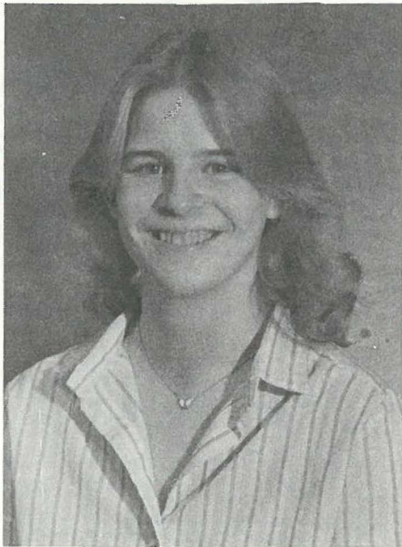
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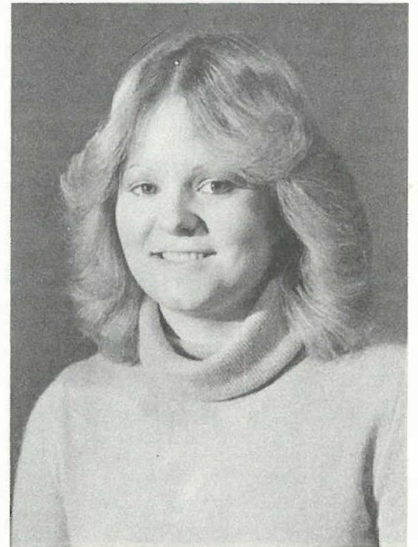
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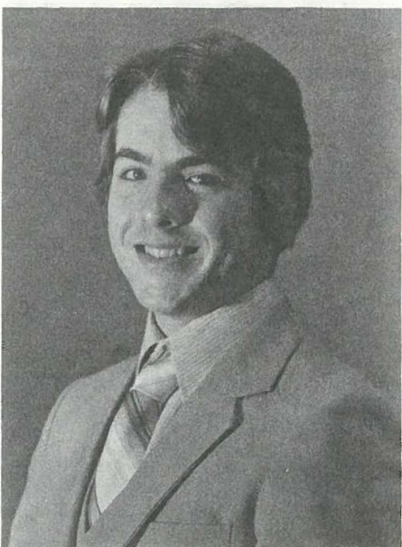
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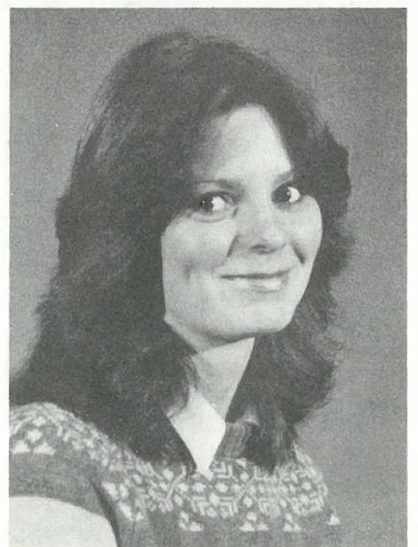
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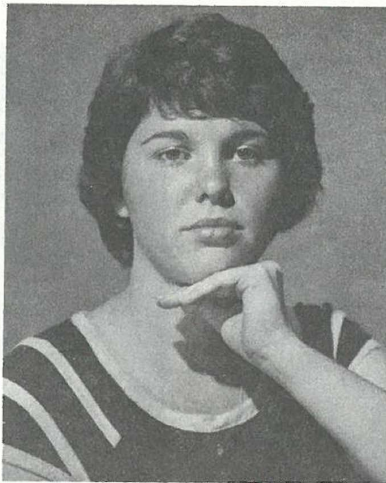


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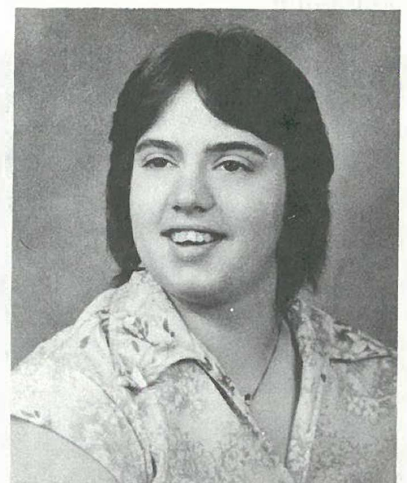
## First Semester Students



**Kathryn Walls**  
Springfield, Louisiana



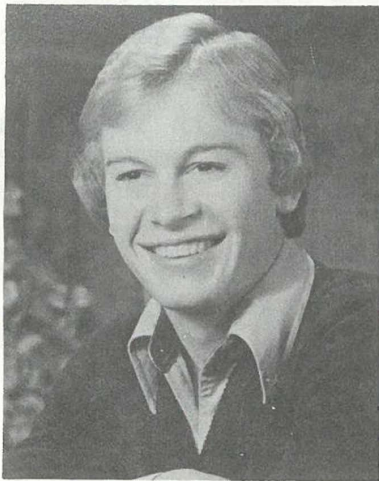
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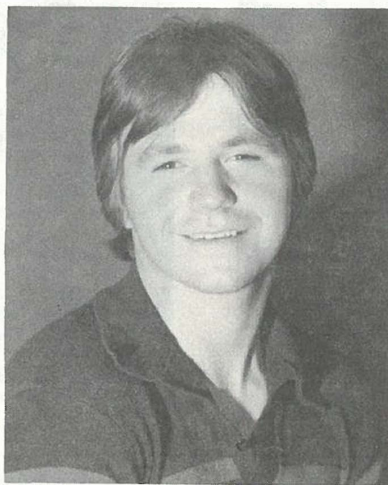
**Peggy Rager**  
Oregon, Illinois

Not Pictured: **Brad Wachtel, Cashmere, WA**  
**Russ Bird, Arlington, TX**  
**Brenda Lenox, Oregon, IL**

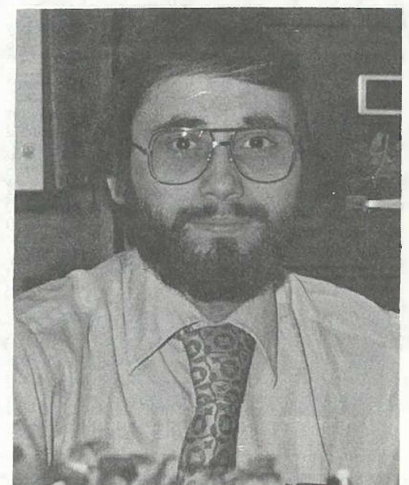
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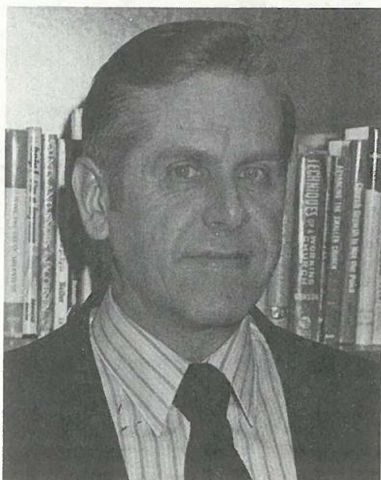
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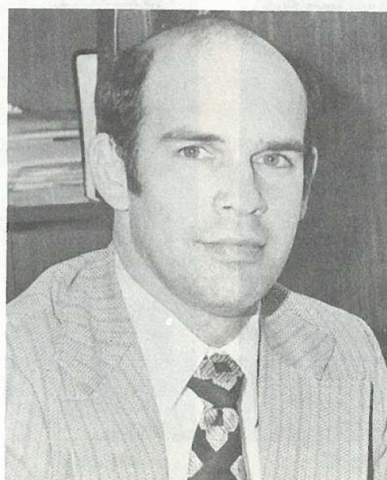
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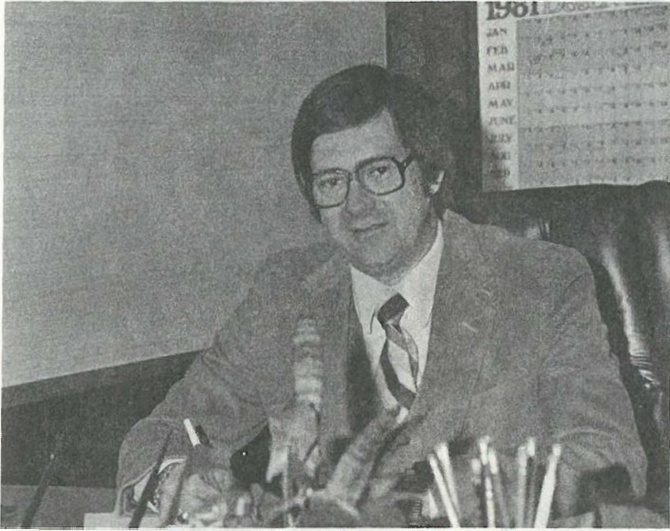
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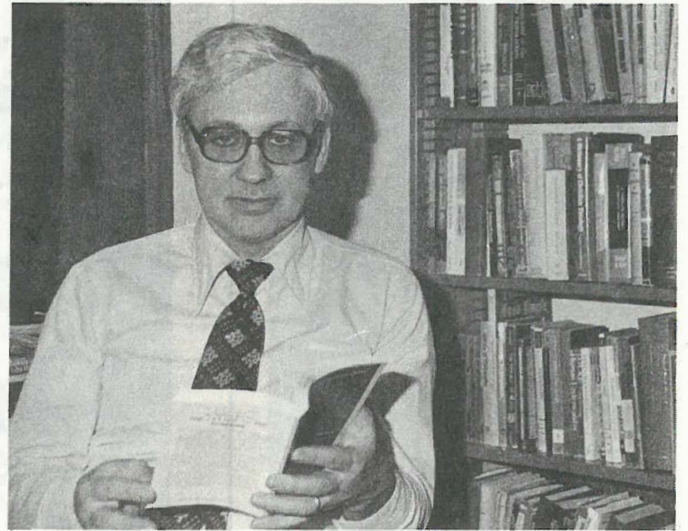
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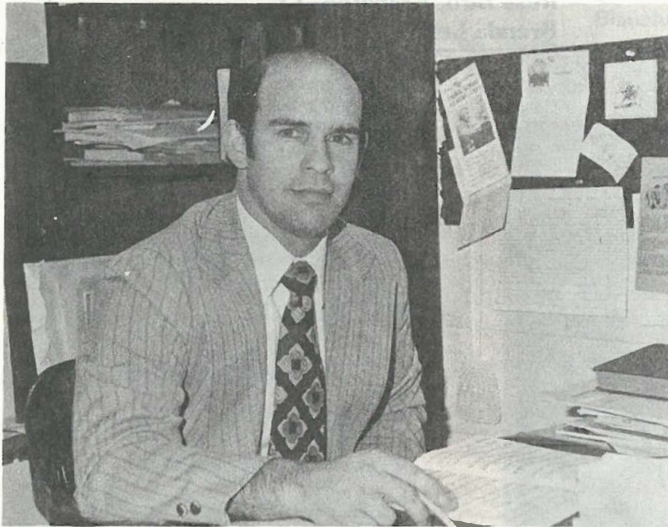
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**Charles V. Pryor, B.S., M.S., Ed.D.**  
President, Instructor



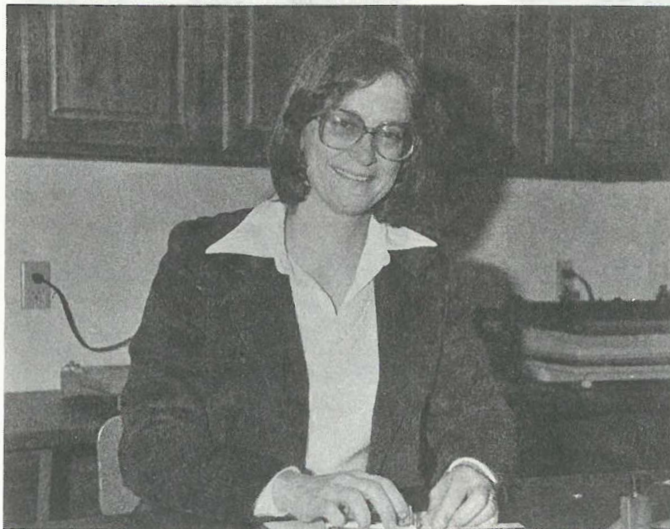
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Academic Dean, Director of Library, Instructor



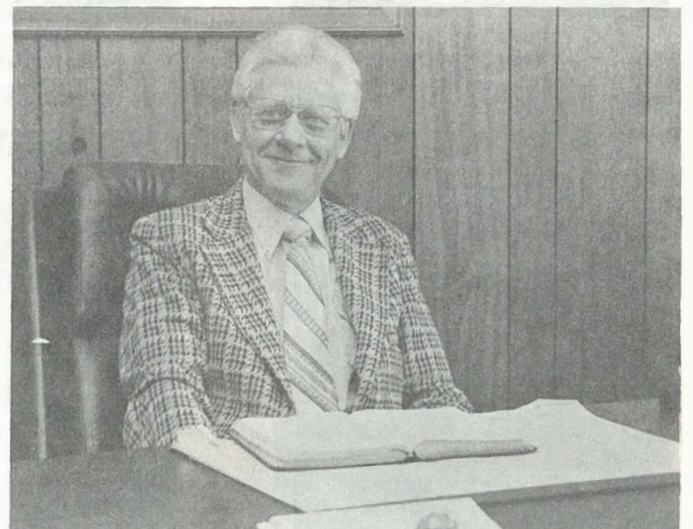
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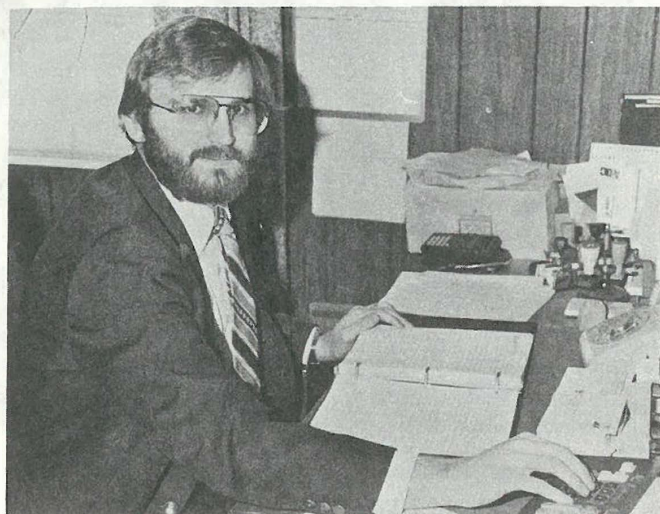


**Gayle Reye, B.S.**  
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**R. Warren Sorenson, B.Th.**  
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# STAFF



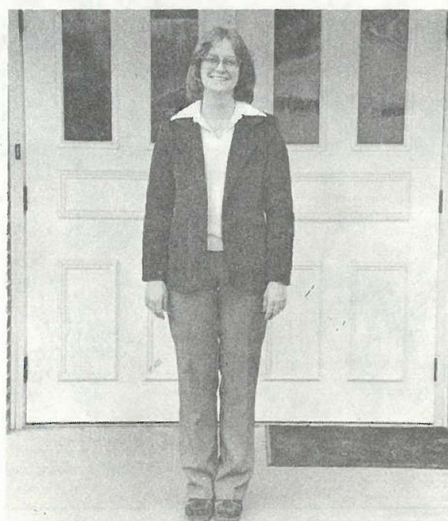
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**Rachel Newell**, Administrative Assistant

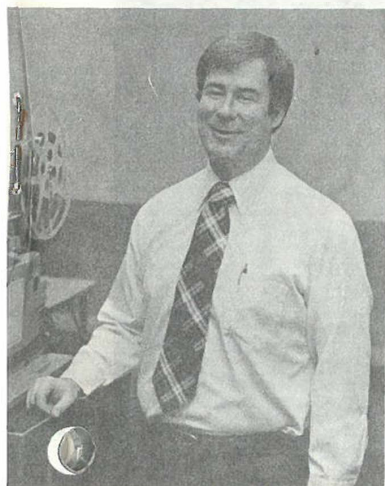


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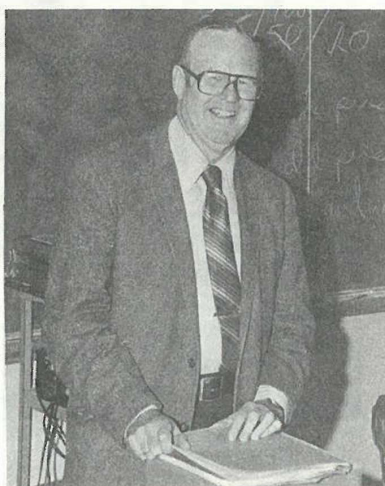


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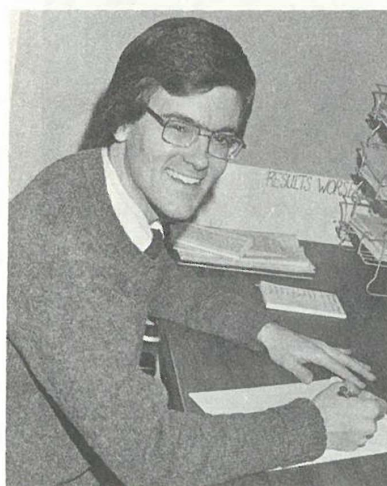
## ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE EVENING INSTRUCTORS



**Tony Alexander**, Psychology



**Leslie Kingsbury**, Philosophy



**David L. Ross**, Speech



**Jean Saghu**, Sociology

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Sharon Moore, Kathy Walls, Darcey Emerick

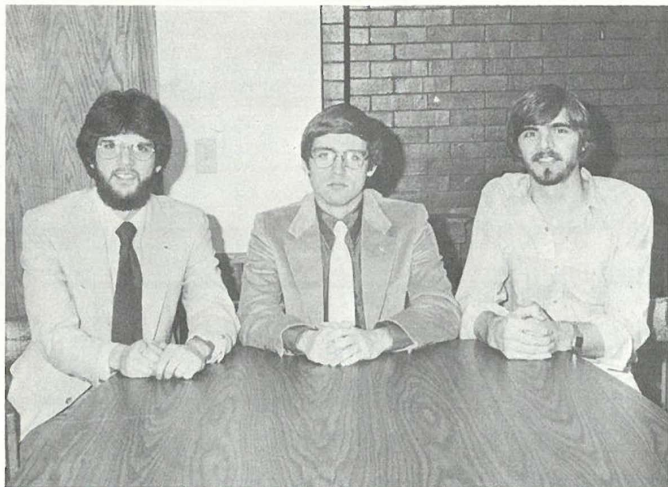


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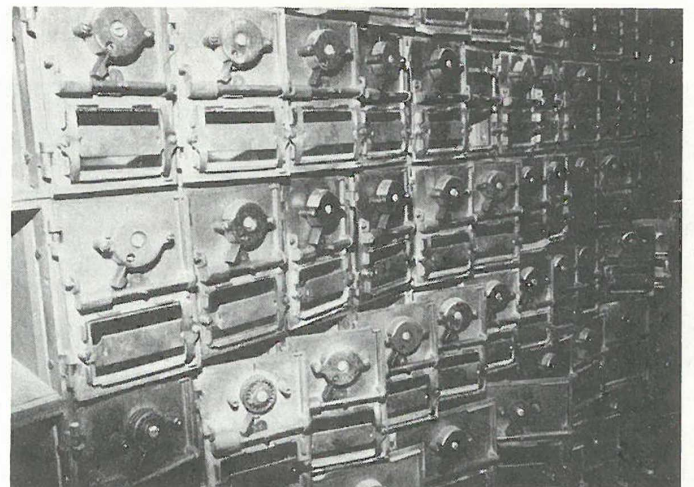
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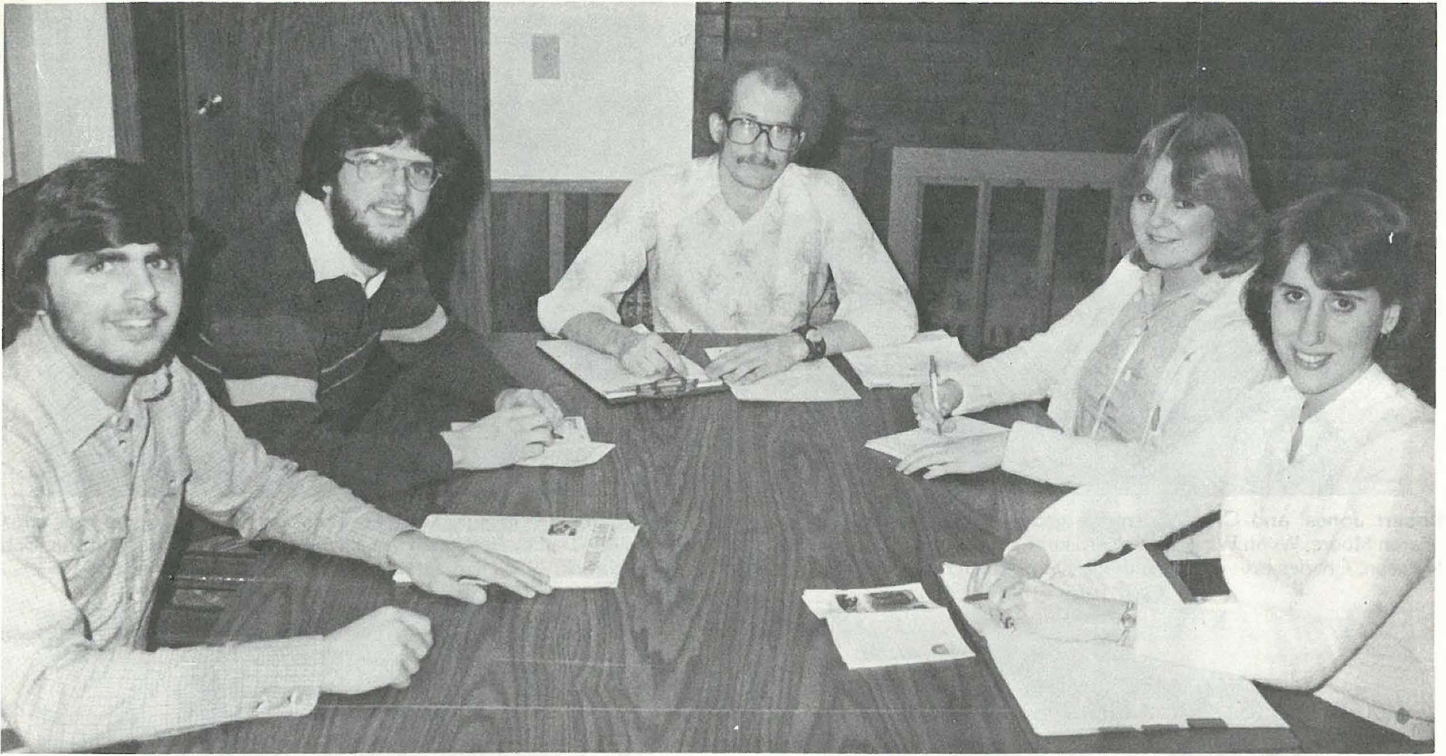
**Left to Right:**  
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**Brian J. Atra,**  
editor;

**Blair Johnson,**  
photographer,  
co-editor



# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS



**Student Government Officers:** Kevin Demmitt, Treasurer; Tracy Chapman, Vice President; Gary Burnham, President; Pam Holquist, Freshman Representative; and Debbie Fletcher, Secretary



**Missions Organization:** front row—Darcey Emerick, Beth Harrison, Debbie Fletcher, Darlene Burkhardt; back row—Darrell Cardwell, Eileen Moore, Bart Tackett, Sharon Moore



**Spring Semester Dorm Council:** seated—David Hall, Janice Knapp, Kerry Hall, Eileen Moore, Mike Gallagher; standing—Sharon Moore, Gary Burnham, Wynn Winner, Gayle Reye, Kathy Walls



**Sports Committee:** Jeff Smith, Kerry Hall, Kevin Demmitt, Eileen Moore

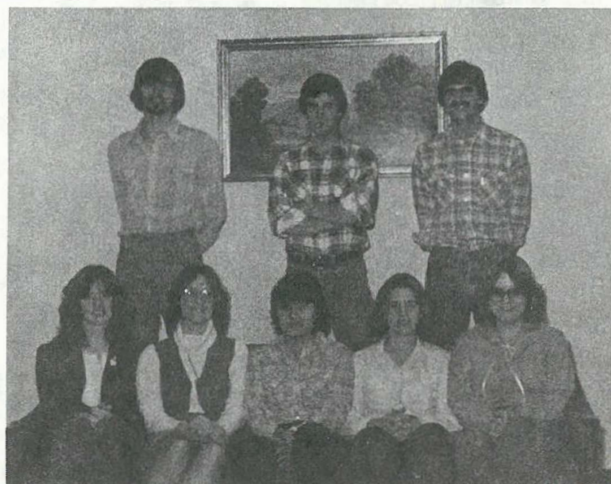


**Social Committee:** Vickie Wyrick, Sharon Moore, Karen Mitchell

# CHRISTIAN SERVICE GROUPS



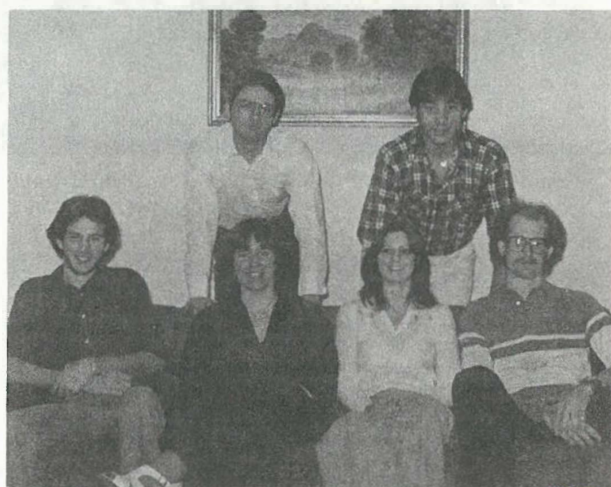
**Robert Jones' and Charles Pryor's group:** Jeff Smith, Bob Jones, Sharon Moore, Wynn Winner, Darlene Burkhart, Darrell Cardwell, Steve Mattison, Charles Pryor; not pictured—Debbie Fletcher



**Gayle Reye's group:** seated—Karen Mitchell, Gayle Reye, Donna Kennedy, Darcey Emerick, Pam Holquist; standing—Blair Johnson, Bob Alcumbrack, Alan Demmitt; not pictured—Tim Kaffenbarger



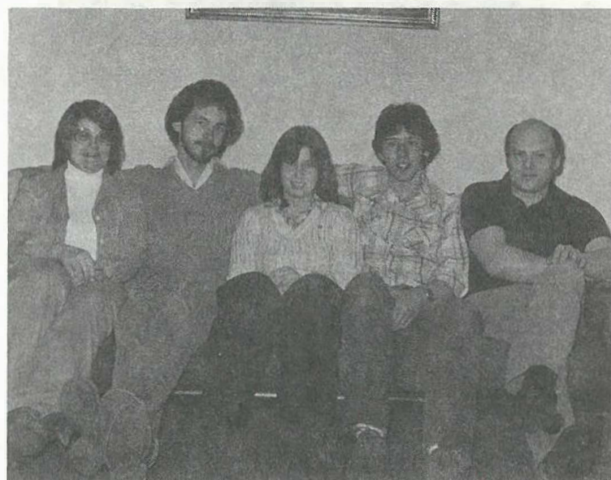
**Russell Magaw's group:** seated—Cecil Rademachir, Tracy Chapman, Russ Magaw, Dan Shaw; standing—Janice Knapp, Allen Wegener, Eileen Moore



**Joyce Magaw's group:** seated—Dan Bliss, Cindy Isenhoff, Joan Simpson, Gary Burnham; standing—Brian Atra, Kerry Hall; not pictured—Joyce Magaw and Susan Zimmerman



**Dale Ramsey's group;** seated—Becky Roseberry, Vickie Wyrick, Kathy Walls; standing—Darwin Bronson, Kevin Demmitt, Dick Eldred, Dale Ramsey

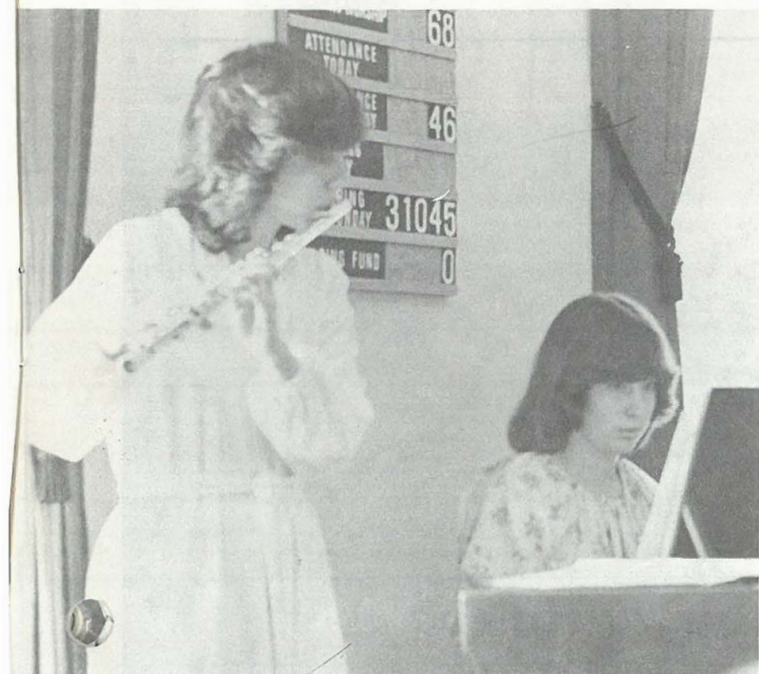


**Irene and Warren Sorenson's group:** Deb Cook, Bart Tackett, Beth Harrison, Joe Good; not pictured—Irene and Warren Sorenson

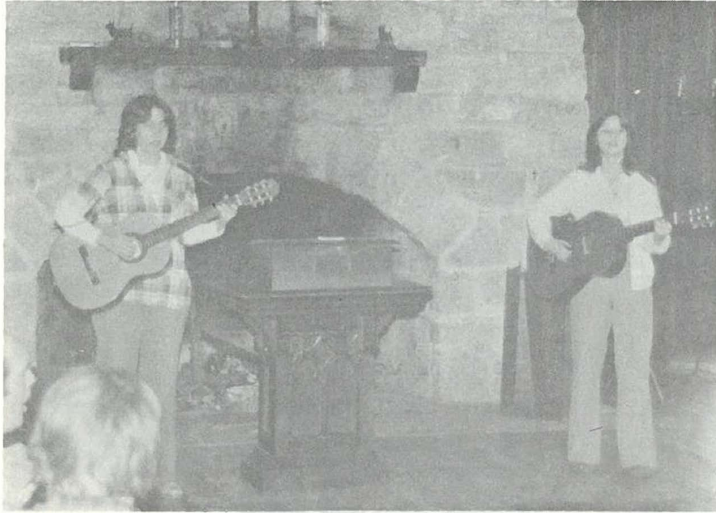


**The Oregon Bible College Chorale:** front row—Joan Simpson, Sharon Moore, Darcey Emerick, Beth Harrison, Kathy Walls, Dale Ramsey, conductor; second row—Vickie Wyrick, Mike Gallagher, Steve Mattison, Debbie Fletcher, Becky Roseberry; back row—Darrell Cardwell, Kerry Hall, Janice Knapp, Gary Burnham, Tracy Chapman, Alan Demmitt

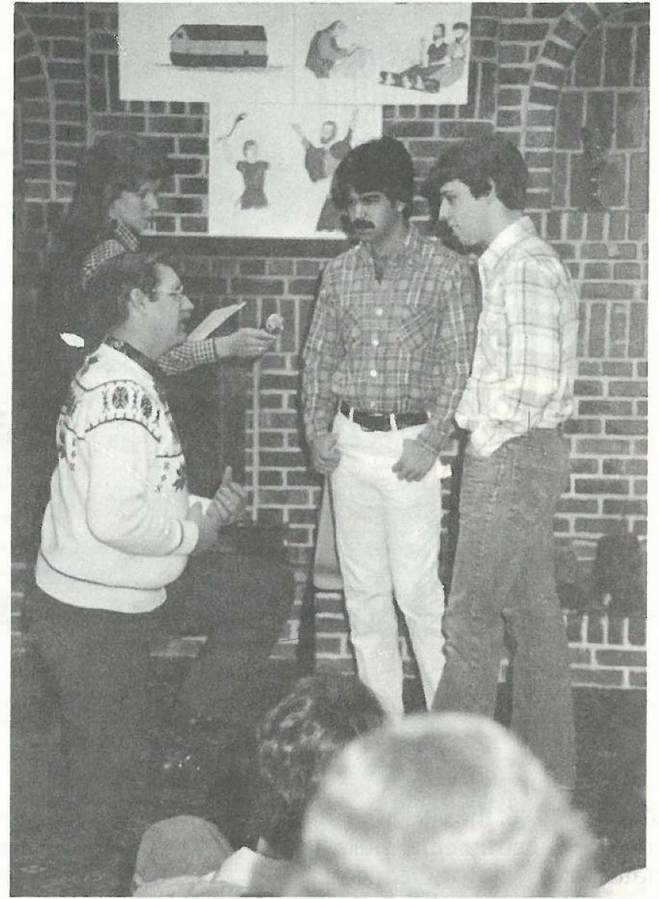
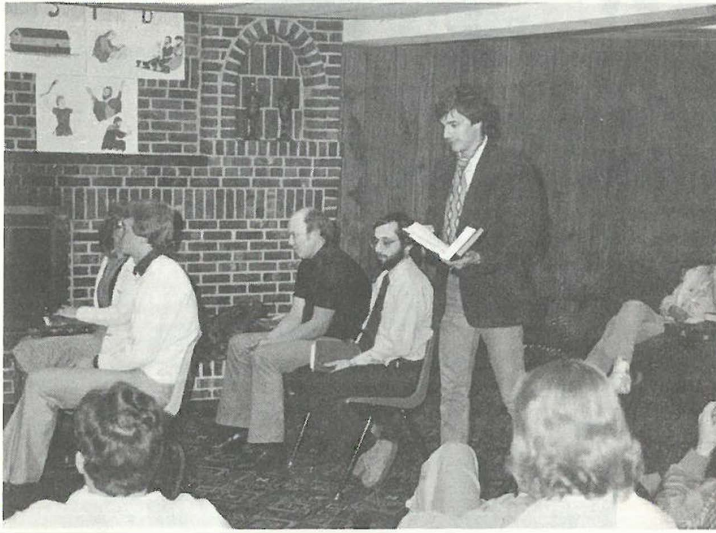
Music is one of the vital aspects of the Oregon Bible College curriculum. The music program gives students opportunities to learn vocal and instrumental skills and to share their talents with others. The Oregon Bible College Chorale travels across several states, giving 20 to 30 concerts each year. The gospel teams (pictured below) present the gospel message in word and song to many churches each fall.



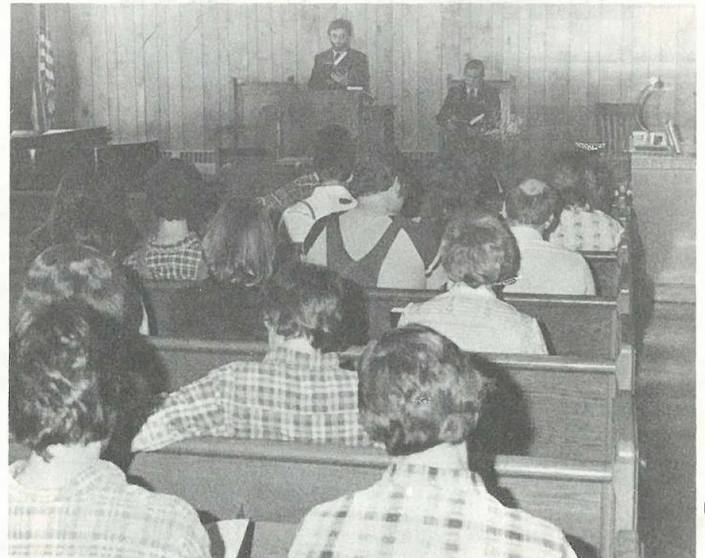
# PRAYER DAY



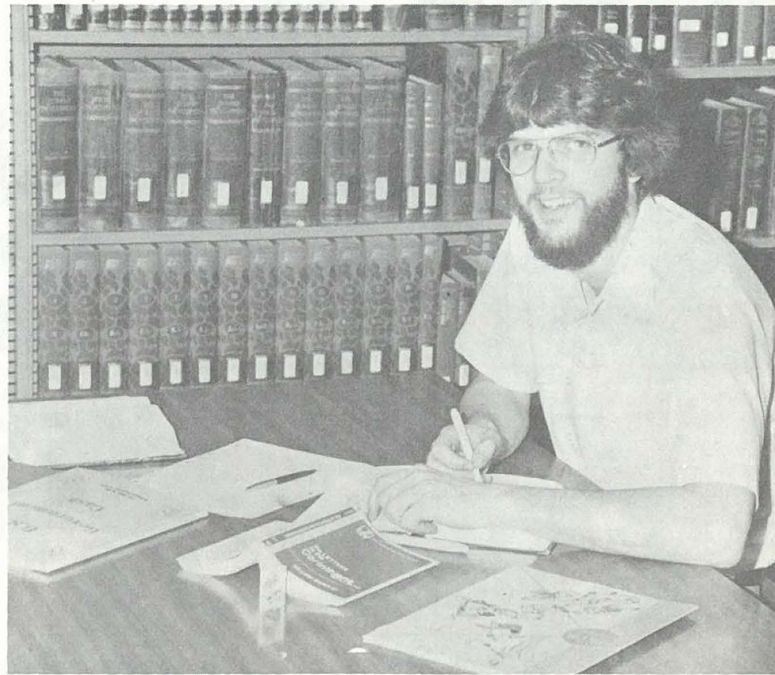
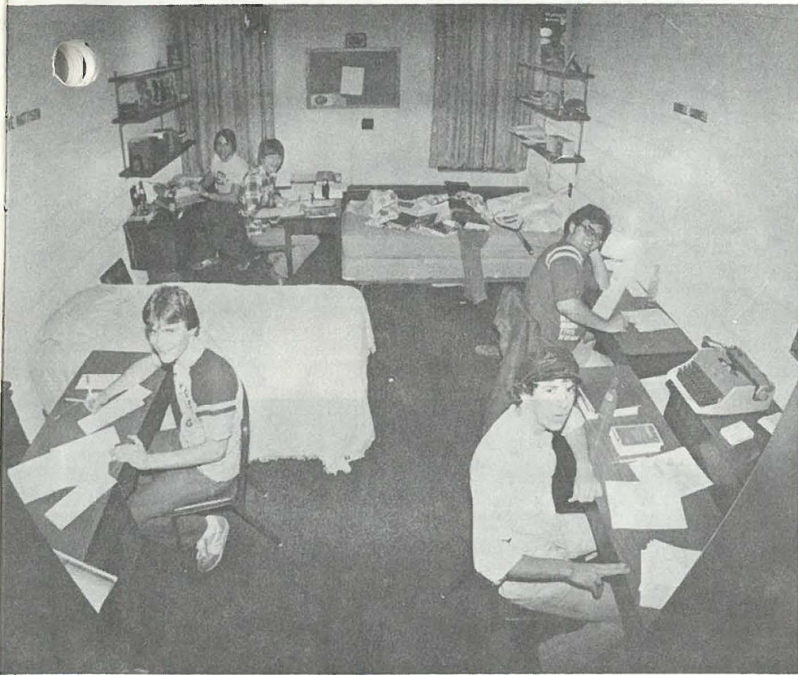
Once each semester, classes are canceled for an entire day. On each of these days, students gather for a time of prayer, praise, music, and testimony. Shown here are students during prayer days from the fall and spring semesters.



# CHAPEL

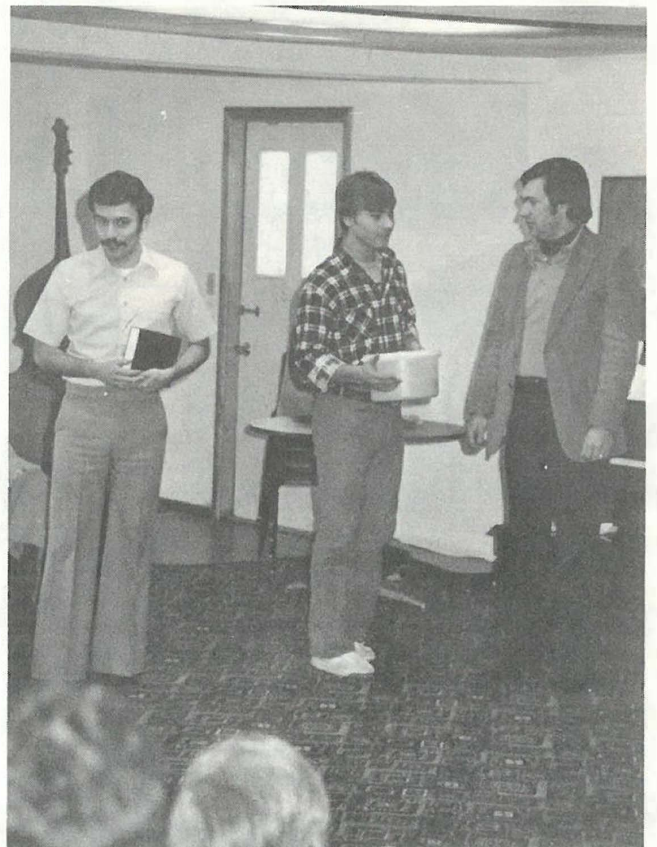


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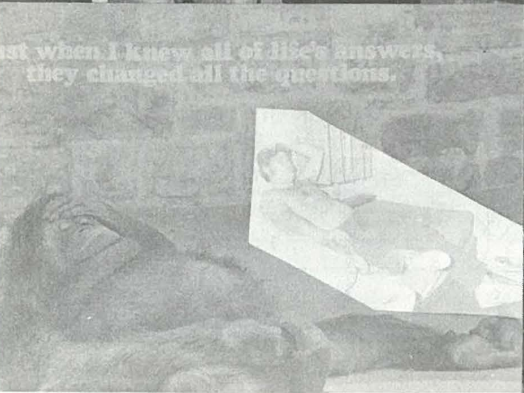
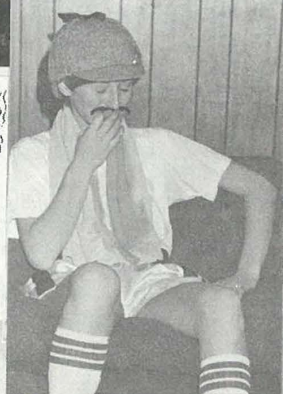
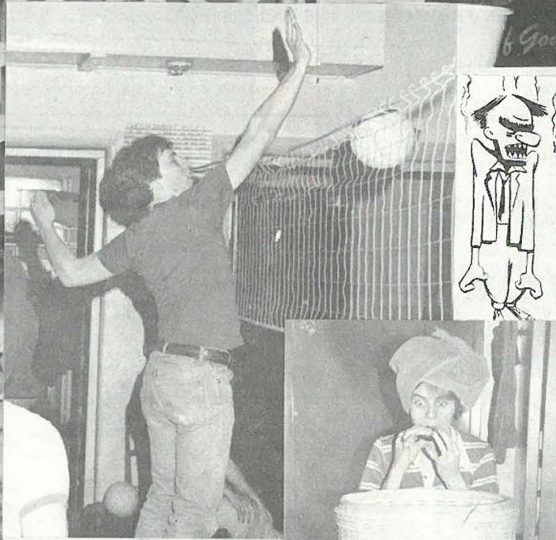
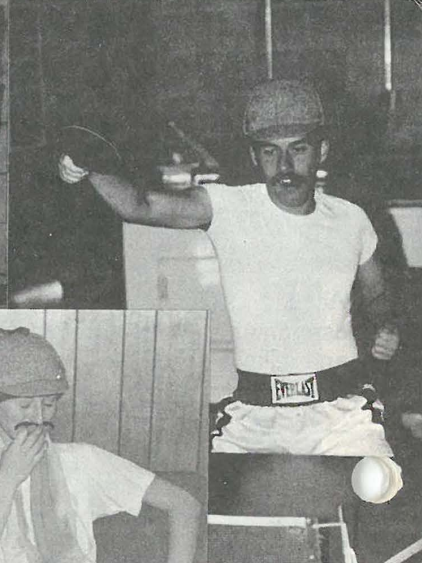
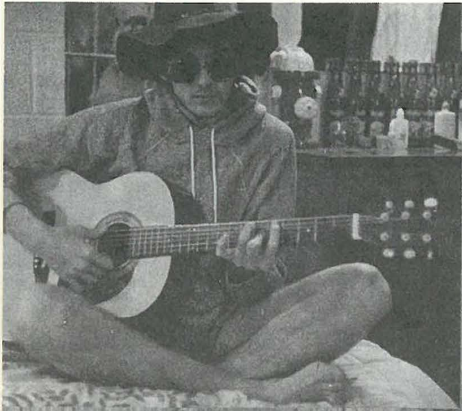
Academics is an integral part of life at Oregon Bible College. Students spend long, hard hours studying and preparing assignments. Most students have several morning classes as well as night classes. During spare time, however, there is relaxation and fellowship . . . and the "fun and games" of dormitory living.

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# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

## BAPTISMS

**Flagg Center, IL.** Our hearts were gladdened Easter Sunday, April 19, 1981, when Kathy Foster was plunged beneath the waters of baptism, and came up a new creature in Christ. She had earlier expressed her desire for baptism, but wanted to wait until the day in which Christians commemorate the resurrection of their Lord. We welcome Kathy into the household of faith, and pray that God will keep her faithful to him until she is "clothed upon" with immortality.  
Gordon Landry, pastor.

**Greenbrier, AR.** Brethren at the McGinty-town Church of God are again greatly excited about the decision of one more for Christ. Larry Wood, originally from Morrilton, AR, came forward for baptism. Larry has done extensive study and has a very special interest in prophecy. It was through these studies under Bro. Alan McClain in his early life that Larry grew to know the Lord. But it wasn't until April 5, 1981, that Larry was baptized in a beautiful outdoor service. We thank God for Larry's decision and his enthusiasm for the Lord in these last days.  
Thomas M. New, pastor.

**Columbus, OH.** The Hilliard Bible Church of God announces the baptism of Gloria Writesel of Hilliard, OH. Gloria came forth to accept Jesus Christ as her personal Savior Sunday, March 15, 1981, during the invitation. She was baptized that same day by Pastor C. F. Roth, Bro. Joe Writesel, and Bro. Bob Ware. Our prayers are with her as she begins her walk with Christ. May God bless her and keep her.  
Brenda Johnson, secretary.

**Grand Rapids, MI.** Praise the Lord for the immersion of Tony and Kathy Brown during the Sunday morning service on March 15, 1981, when they were added to the body of Christ at Southlawn Church of God. May God bestow his great blessings on this young married couple as they walk in the new life of Christ!  
Michael Brown, pastor.

**Oregon, IL.** God's blessings on Easter Sunday climaxed with three persons being baptized into Christ during the evening service. Nancy Dirksen, Sarah Hall, and Mina Rocha sealed their faith by being immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins. We praise God for these three lovely additions to our church family.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Blanchard, MI.** Our congregation witnessed a very special and touching conversion on February 22, 1981. Bob Kaninsky came forward, giving his life to Jesus Christ. Not only was Bob unshackled from his sins as we all must be, but in Jesus he has found release from the monster of alcoholism. Bob has a ready testimony to share, and we encourage local churches to invite him for an informative and inspirational time.  
Don Needham, pastor.

**Omaha, NE.** On March 22, 1981, Nancy Rajca put on Jesus Christ as her Savior through baptism at the Jaynes Street Church of God.

**Cleveland, OH.** As part of the 1981 Easter Sunday morning worship service, Mrs. Regina Miller was baptized at Golden Rule Church of God. "Gina," mother of several small children, has attended the church for some time and is now taking the Systematic Bible Study course.  
J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

## OBITUARIES

**Mrs. William (Lila) Wagner, 94,** was claimed by the enemy death on April 3, 1981, after a short illness. Lila was a lifelong member of the Dixon Church of God, Dixon, IL. During her years at the church many can remember sitting in her Sunday School classes. She is now at rest awaiting the return of her Savior and the glorious resurrection. Funeral services were held at the Chapel Hill Funeral Home and a dinner was held in her honor at the church.  
Cecil Rademachir, pastor.

**Mr. John Edward Pidgen, aged 80 years,** of Wyoming, MI, succumbed to death on March 12, 1981, in Grand Rapids. Survivors include his wife, Lenna; daughter, Mrs. Warren (Marjorie) Culp; two granddaughters; two great grandchildren; one brother and one sister. May the Lord comfort the family through his blessed promises!  
Michael Brown, pastor.

**Albert E. Karnett** died March 8, 1981, at the age of 80. Bro. Karnett was baptized by Pastor Grover Gordon and was a faithful member of the Omaha Church of God for more than 40 years. Al served the Lord and the church in many ways, including Sunday School superintendent for many years. He was the retired chairman and president of two Omaha auto parts companies. He will be sadly missed by his wife Valura, daughters Loramae Vermehren and Shirley McNew, seven grandchildren, four great-grandsons, and his church family. We are encouraged by the hope of Christ's return and the resurrection of the dead, the same hope Bro. Karnett held so firmly.  
Scott Ross, pastor.

The last resident of the Golden Rule Home, **Elizabeth M. Ordnung,** fell asleep in Christ March 31, 1981. She was 95 and a faithful saint of God. She was born August 5, 1885 in Nodaway, MO, moved into the Golden Rule Home in 1942, and then to the Franklin Grove Health Care Center in 1972 where she died. Funeral services were conducted at the Oregon Church of God by the writer, after which she was laid to rest in Riverview Cemetery to await the call of him who has all authority in heaven and earth, even power to raise the dead. A memorial has been established for the church.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

Funeral services were held for **Joe N. Middleton** in Markwell Funeral Home, Casey, IL, on November 9, 1980, with Michael Hale officiating. Bro. Middleton was born March 16, 1912, and lived until November 7, 1980. Pastor Hale spoke words of comfort and hope. Mr. Middleton was laid to rest in Restitution Cemetery, south of Casey, near the Restitution Church of God.

**Mrs. Edna Hughes, 74,** died at Culbertson Memorial Hospital, Rushville, IL, April 13, 1981. She was born June 12, 1906, in Ripley, IL, to Wesley and Myrtilla O'Neal Cooper. She married Ivan S. Powers, April 20, 1940. He passed away May 16, 1967. On September 5, 1970, she married Harvey Hughes, who died March 6, 1981. Edna was a life-long member of the Ripley Church of God. She attended Oregon Bible College in Oregon, IL, in 1930-1931. She was a Sunday School teacher and for many years served as the church pianist and organist, until her health would no longer permit her to attend church. Edna is survived by one sister, Mrs. Margaret Ward of Canton, IL. One sister, Mrs. Mary Burnett, and one brother, Gerald Cooper, preceded her in death. Other survivors are

nephews and nieces whom she loved as her own children.

One of Edna's hobbies was writing verse. The following is one she requested be read at her funeral service:

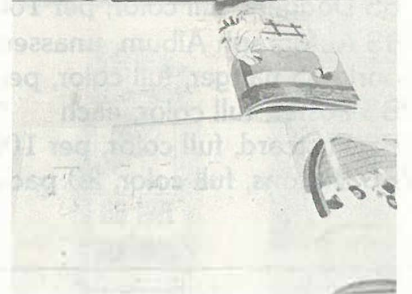
Just lay me to rest by my loved ones  
'Neath the bright and sunny sky—  
With hopes we will all be together  
When our Savior comes from on high.  
Because of loved ones, life has been sweet,  
And faith in our Savior  
Has made life complete.

Services were held at the Ripley Church of God on April 15, with Bros. Francis Burnett and Richard Young in charge.

Pastor Francis Burnett.

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Darrel and Cindy Etnyre, Egan, IL; Warren Wells, Norma Warmolts, Dale Harrolle, Deborah Harrolle, and Darcey Rager, all of Oregon, IL.



## SCRIPTURES FOR THE DISABLED

NEW YORK—1981 has been declared the Year of the Disabled. In the accompanying photo a hearing-impaired boy focuses on the story of the Birth of Jesus in Signed English. Signed English is a pictorial presentation of the narrator highlighting the signs and providing oral cues through facial expressions. The American Bible Society provides these Bible tools to hearing-impaired people throughout the United States. Signed English Scriptures were received by more than 7,000 people in 1980.

## MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

On Sunday, October 26, 1980, we were happy to welcome into our fellowship the family of Jim and Shelly Flesland along with their sons, Ron, Scott, and Christopher. They recently moved to Cedar, MN, and we are very pleased that they are involved with our group.

On Tuesday, November 4, the church took on a new and improved look as it received beautiful wall-to-wall carpeting. We are very thankful that this welcome addition to the physical part of our church has been installed and is completely paid for.

This year's 2nd Annual Harvest Supper & Praise Service was a tremendous success as 59 people enjoyed a bountiful Thanksgiving meal and then also shared in a very inspiring Praise Service afterward.

On November 14, the Ladies enjoyed a Wedding Shower for Kim (Leary) Yoroway; and then on December 5 also enjoyed a Wedding Shower for Becky Otto.

### NOTE OF EXPLANATION

I regret that a note of explanation failed to accompany the article by W. H. Wilson which ap-

peared in the April, 1981, issue of the *PROGRESS JOURNAL*. The article, "Church of God Roots," first appeared in *The Restitution* November 28, 1906, and was reprinted in the May 22, 1951, issue of *The Restitution Herald*. I chose to reprint it again to acquaint Church of God members with some of the struggles of our pioneers to establish gospel work. Of course, Bro. Wilson has long been deceased, and his book, "The Pine Woods Bible Class," has long been out of print. It's unfortunate I overlooked attaching this note to the article.

Russell Magaw, editor.



## Mission Builders League Appeal #46 MCGINTYTOWN, ARKANSAS, CHURCH OF GOD

The McGintytown Church of God is an active, growing church. Located near Greenbrier, Arkansas, a growing community, the potential for future growth is a positive indication that the building project which is underway is worthy of support.

The congregation has made several improvements on their original building and a major addition of a new sanctuary. The plans for which this appeal is sent provide for additional classrooms and a fellowship area.

The present pastor is Bro. Tom New. His excitement and vision are being rewarded with an increase in attendance and membership.

### Mother's Prayer

The pastor was making an afternoon call and 5-year-old Jane was entertaining him while her mother prepared refreshments. "Do you say your prayers every night, Jane?" he asked.

"Oh no," she replied. "Mommy says them for me."

"Is that so, and what does she say?"

"Thank God you're in bed."

—Rod and Staff.

### Not Contented

He who isn't contented with what he has wouldn't be contented if he had what he would like to have. —Selected.

### DIRECTORY CHANGES

#### Churches

Litchfield Church, 501 S Ramsey, Litchfield, MN 55355

S O Ross, Pastor, 425 E 4th St, Litchfield 55355

Mrs Gaye Dilley, Sec, 320 E 10th St, Litchfield 55355

Lowell Wegner, Supt, RR #3, Litchfield 55355

#### Pastors

Millard, Scott (Shelly), 122 Fairview Av, Front Royal, VA 22630 Ph Off 703-635-8843 Res 636-1425

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 12-16, 1981—Central High Plains Conference, Church of God, Holbrook, NE. Pastor Donald Needham, guest speaker.

August 3-7, 1981—Church of God General Conference at Rockford College, Rockford, IL.

### MISSION BUILDERS LEAGUE

If you are not currently a member of the Mission Builders League, you are invited to join by filling out the coupon on this page.

The Mission Builders League is a group of people, churches, and organizations which are prepared to offer assistance to churches that are in need of an adequate building for worship, Christian education, and fellowship. Two appeals are made each year, and members give at least \$20 to each appeal.

Listed below are the names of those who have recently joined the League:

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Mr and Mrs Henry Davis  
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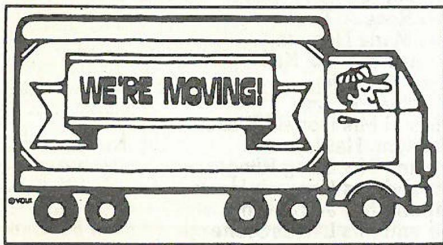
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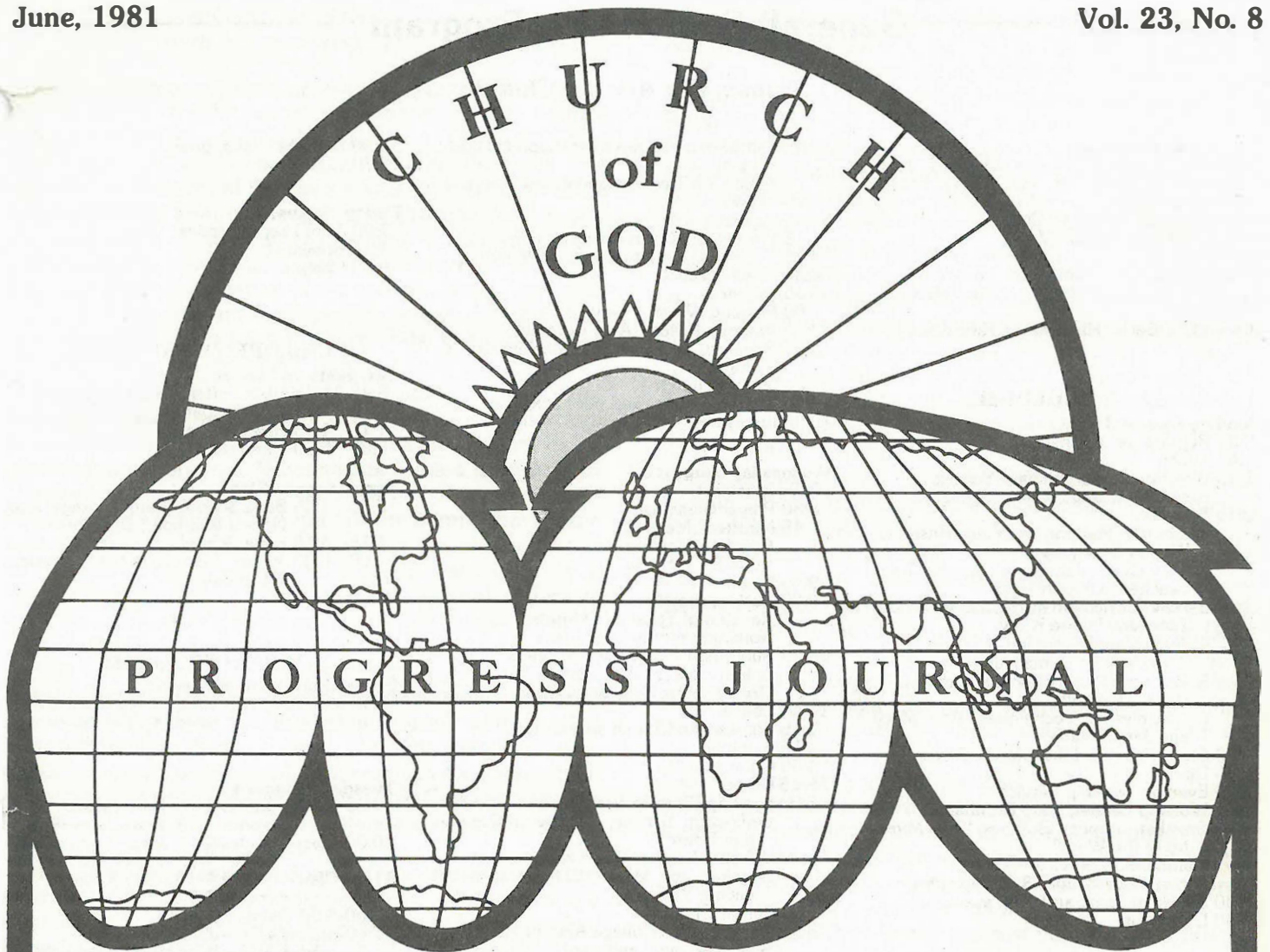
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## Annual Report of the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors



**Church of God General Conference Board of Directors**  
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This report of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference was approved by the Board on May 1, 1981. The report was prepared by the Executive Director, the President of Oregon Bible College, and the Directors of the Conference Departments.

This annual report is published in an effort to keep the membership of the Church of God informed regarding the work of the General Conference. It also serves as background information for delegates who will meet at the annual Conference, August 3-7, 1981, at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois. At the business sessions the Conference work will be discussed and decisions will be made regarding Conference activities in the next fiscal year. (turn to p. 3)

# General Conference Program

## Theme: You Are the Church

### Conference Workers:

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### DAILY SCHEDULE

#### Monday, August 3

9:30 Registration begins  
 11:45 Lunch  
 1:15 Worship Leader, Richard Young; Keynote Message, James Graham  
 2:15 Seminars:  
 1. Church Planting Is Your Business, Warren Sorenson  
 2. New Curriculum Instruction for Teen Teachers, Charles Pryor  
 3. New Curriculum Instruction for Junior Teachers, Lynne Krogh  
 4. Audiovisual Techniques, Gayle Reye There will be a small lab fee.  
 5. Building More Effective Family Life, Dallas Demmitt  
 6. Discipleship Techniques, Ron Macy and James Ritch  
 4:30 Choir Practice, Linda Jones, Director  
 5:15 Dinner  
 7:00 Evening Worship Service  
 Worship Leader, Gary Burnham  
 Speaker, Stephen Bolhous, "The Ministry of the Word"  
 Communion Service  
 Junior Church, ages 3 to 12 years  
 8:30 SnackBar, gym, and pool available  
 10:30 Lights out

#### Tuesday, August 4

7:15 Breakfast  
 8:30 Prayer sessions for Ministers, Priscillas, and Adults  
 Children's classes begin (see Children's Program schedule for more information)  
 Chapel service for youth (see Youth Program schedule for more information)  
 8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 Adult Bible Study  
 Nursery for children 2 and under (see Children's Program schedule for more information)  
 9:45 Break  
 10:00 Business session  
 Welcome by Chairman Harold Doan  
 Seating of the delegates  
 Chairman's Message  
 Introduction of new delegates and delegations  
 Communications  
 Question period on written reports of Committees and Boards  
 Report on Activities of the Board of Directors, Dwaine Demmitt  
 Financial Report

Outreach and Church Development business  
 Action on Recommendations One and Two  
 11:45 Lunch  
 1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
 2:15 Seminars: same topics as on Monday  
 4:30 Choir Practice  
 5:15 Dinner  
 7:00 Evening Worship Service  
 Worship Leader, Alan Demmitt  
 Speaker, C. E. Lapp, "The Ministry of Prayer"  
 Junior Church  
 8:30 SnackBar, gym, and pool available  
 10:30 Lights out

#### Wednesday, August 5

7:15 Breakfast  
 8:30 Prayer Sessions  
 8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 Adult Bible Study  
 9:45 Break  
 10:00 Business session  
 Reading of Tuesday's Minutes  
 Nomination of two Directors  
 Publishing Department business  
 Action on Recommendation Three  
 Oregon Bible College business  
 11:45 Lunch  
 1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
 2:15 Seminars  
 4:30 Choir practice  
 5:15 Dinner  
 7:00 Evening Worship Service  
 Ordination Service, License & Ordination Board  
 Worship Leader, David Kizer  
 Speaker, Joe Martin, "The Ministry of Giving Yourself"  
 Junior Church  
 8:30 Oregon Bible College Alumni Meeting  
 SnackBar, gym, and pool  
 10:30 Lights out

#### Thursday, August 6

7:15 Breakfast  
 8:30 Prayer sessions  
 8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
 Priscillas' Meeting  
 Adult Bible Study  
 9:45 Break  
 10:00 Business session  
 Reading of Wednesday's Minutes  
 Election of two Directors  
 Action on Recommendation Four  
 General business  
 Adoption of a budget  
 11:45 Lunch  
 1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
 2:15 Seminars  
 4:30 Choir practice  
 5:15 Dinner  
 7:00 Evening Worship Service  
 Worship Leader, Greg Demmitt  
 Installation of General Conference Officers, Scott Ross  
 Speaker: Rex Cain, "The Ministry of Building Up One Another"  
 Junior Church

8:30 SnackBar, gym, pool  
 10:30 Lights out

#### Friday, August 7

7:00 Joint Prayer Service  
 7:15 Breakfast  
 9:00 Campus vacated

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

#### Two years and under

8:45-11:45 Hired sitters, Sharryn Mattus & Dee Kirkpatrick  
 1:15- 4:15 Hired sitters  
 7:00- 8:30 Hired sitters

#### Ages Three to Eight

8:30-11:45 Bible School, Margene Rager and Norma Warmolts, Directors  
 1:15- 4:15 Bible School  
 7:00- 8:30 Junior Church, Allen Wegener, Director

### YOUTH PROGRAM

#### Grades Four through Twelve

8:30 a.m. Chapel Tuesday, Greg Demmitt  
 Wednesday, Rex Shaw  
 Thursday, Ray Hall

#### Tuesday, August 4

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Bart Tackett  
 grades 7-12, Russell Fewell  
 10:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Dee Kirkpatrick  
 grades 7-12, Robert Coverstone  
 11:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Judy Myers  
 grades 7-12  
 2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
 7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
 grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

#### Wednesday, August 5

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6  
 grades 7-12  
 10:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Donna Cooper  
 grades 7-12, Alan Shaw  
 11:00 Class—grades 4- 6  
 grades 7-12, Tim Kaffenbarger  
 2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
 7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
 grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

#### Thursday, August 6

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6, James Hill  
 grades 7-12, Dick Young  
 10:00 Class—grades 4- 6  
 grades 7-12, Charles Durham  
 11:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Alice Railton  
 grades 7-12, Richard Alcumbrack  
 2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
 7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
 grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

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### Business Administration Department

The Business Administration Department has seen a number of changes during the past year. One change that will enable us to more accurately evaluate costs and benefits of individual programs was the creation of a separate set of financial ledgers and journals for Oregon Bible College. These records, which in the past were combined with those of the General Conference, allow for more detailed presentation of the cost of different activities of the Conference and College. The system was set up in such a way as to allow for a smooth transfer to an automated system, if one becomes necessary in the future.

The arrival of the new hymnal, *Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*, has caused us to utilize a classroom vacated by OBC when it moved to the newly remodeled offices and classrooms. What seemed like a mountain of boxes of hymnals is quickly becoming an organized store-room as more than 5,000 copies of the hymnal have been sold in less than eight months. This represents about one half of the total printed. We are grateful that a number of churches were able to pick up their hymnal orders at Conference time or during visits to Oregon to save on ever-rising postage costs.

I am glad to report that the financial position of the Conference is stable and strong. We have assets of nearly one and a half million dollars and liabilities of just under one hundred fifty thousand dollars. Through wills, bequests, trusts, annuities, and special gifts, reserves have been built to provide scholarships for Oregon Bible College students, loan funds for churches, and assistance to mission projects and other Conference programs.

The General Conference Board of Directors and the staff members appreciate the dedicated financial giving of the membership, churches, and state conferences. Contributions, however, during the first half of the 1980-81 fiscal year have been only 87 percent of those needed during the same period according to the budget adopted at General Conference last August. This has caused us to limit expenditures and to carefully study each program that we have to allow us to meet day-to-day operating expenses. Giving patterns are being studied to allow us to more precisely predict cashflow requirements. Every effort is being made to obtain maximum utilization of each dollar we spend.

It has been a blessing to me to serve as Director of this Department during the past year. It is exciting to see the work of God in the Church of God churches and members. I am eagerly anticipating the plans God has in store for me in the coming months and years.

### Publishing Department

God has blessed the Publishing Department with important contributions to the work of the General Conference in this last fiscal year. Briefly, take a look at some specifics to get an idea of what is involved in spreading the gospel through the printed word.

Periodicals head up the main thrust of our day-by-day existence. Ten issues per year of *The Restitution Herald* and the PROGRESS JOURNAL keep us very active writing, editing, and searching for copy. Several outstanding articles produced by interested Church of God writers appeared in

*The Herald*, plus the regular features written by contributing editors Hollis Partlowe, Carol Daniels, Rachel Carr, Shirley McQuinn, and Edward Goit. General Conference staff members David Krogh, Warren Sorenson, Charles Pryor, Russell Magaw, and Hugh Harman continue to supply copy for reports in the JOURNAL. Our youth magazine, *Challenge*, published six times a year, provides information to Church of God teens regarding their activities. In its pages this past year the results of a Creative Arts Contest were published. The response from our youth was excellent.

Sunday School curricula comprise a large amount of our expenditure of time and effort. However, without the fine work of many writers and editors, Christian education in the Church of God would suffer greatly. During the year, C. Jesse Pestle and Michael Mattison did excellent work with the adult curriculum, for which they are to be commended. Both resigned from their posts during the year and Scott Ross assumed the editorship of the Adult Quarterly and Adult Teacher's Guide. His staff of 22 writers will continue to expound the Word of God in the finest tradition of Church of God adult material.

Our educational curricula also include quarterlies and teachers' guides for Teens (Russell Magaw, editor), Juniors (Lynne Krogh, editor), Primaries (Ruth Overholser, editor), and Beginners (Sue Hall, editor). The 1981 Vacation Bible School materials—theme, "Jesus, My Special Friend"—were written by Joyce Knapp, Doris Brown, Myra Hamilton, Mary Mickey, Lynette Campbell, Carol Daniels, and Mike Montgomery. Each one of these editors and writers deserves much thanks and appreciation for countless hours spent in producing quality material.

The Publishing Department also handles, in one way or another, all printed matter done for other departments of the General Conference. Mission Builders appeals, advertising materials, order blanks, letterheads, envelopes, and forms are some services maintained on a continuing basis.

In publishing *The Herald* this past year we have offered writers a "Writer's Guide" which provided ideas, goals, and how to's in conjunction with our 1980-81 publishing goal for the magazine. We endeavored to publish ideas, concepts, and stories which Biblically and spiritually encourage the reader so he will rejoice with those who live the Christian life.

Several projects have been completed during the year. A partial list includes:

- The publishing of "Triumph of the Resurrection," a 132-page paperback by Dr. Alva G. Huffer on the important Christian doctrine of the resurrection of Christ. Difficult texts in the subject area are also treated in the book. Initial copies of this book will be available at General Conference.

- Implementation of a new Teen-Age Lessons Truth Seeker's Quarterly, a Teen-Age Teacher's Guide, and a Teen-Age Teacher's Creative Teaching Aid packet. The quarterly is in lesson-size take-home pages and has proven to be an excellent tool for many of our churches.

- Conducting a Creative Arts Contest in the pages of *Challenge* magazine and Teen-Age Lessons Truth Seeker's Quarterly. The response has been gratifying.

- Laying plans for 1982 Vacation Bible School materials centered on the theme, "A Walk Through the Land of Promise."

You will gain insight into the work of the Publishing



Department by taking an imaginary trip with a manuscript for one of our products (an article for *The Herald*, or a news item for the JOURNAL, or a lesson for one of the quarterlies, etc.) from the raw copy to its final printed form. Here are the steps:

1. The Director of Publishing, in conjunction with the product editor, reads the article and rewrites if necessary. Some copy-fitting preliminaries are done, then the article's style is meshed with photos/graphics used to illustrate it. It is then laid out on "dummy" page(s) and delivered to

2. The office of the Managing Editor. Here a copy editor checks spelling, punctuation, some grammar, and checks Scripture used. Then the Managing Editor does final editing and marking of the manuscript for the typesetter.

3. The typesetter sets the manuscript into type, using the Itek 1200 phototypesetting system. She then develops the work by sending it through the processor.

4. The typeset copy is returned to the Managing Editor where a proofreader makes two photocopies, reads the work, and notes corrections on one of the photocopies. The typeset copy, one photocopy, and the dummy pages are delivered to

5. The Keyline Art Department. Here skilled hands paste up the art work with the typeset copy onto layout sheets for the printer according to directions from the dummy pages. The complete job is returned to

6. The Managing Editor's office where a proofreader reads all and notes corrections, marking them up for the

7. Typesetter. She sets the corrections and processes them. Now all the work returns to

8. The Keyline Art Department where final corrections are stripped in. The proofreader and the Director of Publishing do final readings, a dummy is made, a purchase order is written for the printer, and the whole job is sent to him.

9. The printer shoots the camera-ready copy, strips the resultant line-shot negative onto a flat, screens photos for halftones, strips halftone negatives into windows in the flats, burns negatives onto plates, prints the job, folds, collates, staples, trims, and Conference personnel return the job to Oregon. The mailing department then fills orders for the product.

We continue to solicit your prayers and financial support of the Lord's work through the Publishing Department.

## **Outreach and Church Development Department**

### ***Church Development***

Some exciting opportunities in relation to the growth potential of local churches has made 1980-81 a busy and rewarding year in the Outreach and Church Development Department.

The major emphasis this year has been toward providing assistance to the local church in discovering its growth potential, and working with pastors in growth-oriented leadership. A basic purpose, upon which the activities of the department have been established, is that of assisting churches and individuals to become effective in achieving results in their Christian service. The desired results can best be measured by clearly defined purposes and objectives. Thus local churches have been encouraged to define their statement of purpose and to determine operational goals.

A growth pattern begins with a growth strategy which focuses on the right goal and purpose. This fact has been the

springboard for much of the activity this past year and for planning for the future. Visitation trips were made to many churches for the purpose of stimulating them to develop a growth strategy defined by a specific purpose. Consultation clinics were conducted for a few churches.

Four objectives have served as the basis for a ministry to pastors and local churches:

1. To provide an introduction and overview of church growth principles.

2. To provide opportunity for evaluation of individual churches.

3. To give assistance in planning for the future.

4. To give assistance in a goal-setting process.

We are all concerned with results. It is recognized that attitudinal changes precede changes in activities and results. As negative attitudes are replaced with faith attitudes which expect God to work in a positive way, the real purpose of the church comes alive. As unchurched persons are brought to Christ, a new excitement surges through members of a congregation.

While this past year has been one of stimulating a focus on growth with faith that God wants the church to grow, and anticipation that it will be experienced, we must also look to our intentions for the future.

Our expectations for this coming year include:

1. Providing consultation services to pastors and churches for an extended period of time. We realize that lessons and seminars share information, but it is by the implementation of plans that results are achieved. It is invalid to expect that the presentation of information will result in growth of the local church. Information is the first phase. Working with a pastor and local church through steps of implementation is the action phase.

2. To continue gathering statistics and information regarding each local church in the process of developing an accurate picture of each church. An on-site evaluation will be an important step in achieving this objective. Through a clear understanding of the specific and unique situation of each church, recommendations toward growth can be determined.

3. To assist local congregations in defining their statement of purpose and developing an effective ministry to accomplish this. The local church can more clearly understand its ministry needs as it understands its purpose.

4. To offer direction in determining operational objectives by which the church can more clearly define and plan for an effective ministry. These operational objectives are to be based upon the church's understanding of its purpose.

5. To offer assistance to the local church in a process of increasing the involvement of its members in the work of the church's ministry. The mobilization of the lay members of the congregation is vital for a growing church.

6. To offer assistance to a local congregation gaining an understanding of the community and the church's location potential. The community in which the

church exists is an important factor which affects growth potential. By working with a local church in this area, the congregation can become aware of its ministry potential in its present location.

7. We are in the process of developing a strategy for church planting. In addition to the development of existing churches, it is imperative that we embark upon a program of starting new churches. As this develops we are expecting opportunities and resource persons to emerge in various regions and conferences.
8. We are planning to develop a system of small group ministry opportunities which can be used in local churches. This will probably be ready for implementation following General Conference of 1982.

Our overall philosophy regarding the ministry of the local church is as follows: The Word of God provides the message which is proclaimed through the ministry of the local church. The conversion to Christ and baptism in Christ is the goal desired as a result of this ministry. The ultimate goal is that these persons will experience the gathering of those in Christ at his return and share in immortal life in the kingdom of God. Anything less is unworthy of the true church.

#### *Foreign Missions*

In relation to our Foreign Missions program, we have employed Steve Grant as an in-training part-time missions consultant. His responsibilities include giving assistance in missions awareness and education in the local church and assisting in the recruitment of missionary candidates. He will also aid in developing a process of training for these persons.

It is our philosophy that we must send missionaries from our home base that we might develop a more effective foreign missions ministry.

#### Present mission fields:

**India.** We are supporting three missionaries in India. Of major concern this year has been an internal dispute regarding control of the church building. Brother Noel has been recognized as the official pastor and the efforts of the congregation can now be turned to reaching people for Christ.

**Ghana.** A recent report from Brother Amani shows that he has had 32 baptisms since last October, bringing his membership to 413. He has 22 house churches and two chapels. One of these house churches is in Togo.

**Nigeria.** We are financially supporting four mission workers in this country. In addition we have another Church of God of around 600 members. While we are not providing financial support for Pastor Adum, we are sending literature to be used. We are in the process of assisting our Nigerian pastors in becoming ordained and having the churches officially registered with the government (a necessity in their country).

**Philippine Islands.** We are supporting eight workers. We have had communications from other pastors there inquiring about the Church of God.

**Australia.** A Bible study group has started using Systematic Theology as a study text. It is the intention of the leaders to start a Church of God.

#### *Youth Work*

In addition to the work being done by Hugh Harman as part-time youth ministries coordinator, Eugene Stilson has been leading youth ministry studies involving General Conference and Oregon Bible College staff members. These studies place emphasis on looking at youth culture and an appropriate ministry to our young people.

Youth-related programs sponsored by the Berean Youth Fellowship include the following: International Berean Youth Conference, Post-High Midwinter Retreat, and the Senior Berean Youth Caravan. Participation is also encouraged in the "Dollar-a-Month Club" and the "Coins for Christ Crusade" which are both fund-raising activities. The annual "Youth Week" competition is promoted to encourage participation of our young people in the activities of their local churches. One publication, *Challenge*, continues to serve as the source of communication to the youth of the Church of God. The information which follows concerns these programs for the year 1980-1981.

International Berean Youth Conference was again held at Camp Alexander Mack, near Milford, Indiana, on July 12-19, 1980. It proved to be quite a rewarding experience for those who attended. Again two separate programs were conducted on the same facility, one oriented toward the high school student and the other toward the post-high. Bro. Jim Graham directed the high school program while Bro. Don Needham directed the post-high program.

Attendance was good at both camps, with 169 attending at the high school and 87 attending at the post-high. These young people represented 14 states and conferences. Staff to supervise and carry out the extensive planned program of activities numbered 41, for a grand total of 297 in attendance.

Highlights of the week were many but none overshadowed the thrill of seeing eleven young people turn their lives over to Jesus on "Decision Night." Second in line would have to be watching the young people display their God-given abilities on "Talent Night." It is truly a sight to see.

The annual Post-High Midwinter Retreat was held this year on January 2-4, 1981 at Look-Up-Lodge, a facility which is located near Greenville, South Carolina. Thirty-six young people were in attendance at this event. A staff of four carried out the planned activities and a positive experience was reported by those who attended. Tentative arrangements have been made to use the same facility for the 1982 retreat.

The newly reinstated Senior Berean Youth Caravan proved to be a highly successful program. Nine young people, selected from some 27 applicants, and their two sponsors toured seven states and presented a musically oriented program to 10 churches.

Programs were presented in Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington, DC, and Ohio. The caravan was also given the opportunity to present part of their program at one evening service during General Conference. Based on its being so well received, another caravan will be sent out this year.

The fund-raising programs sponsored by the BYF are all still in progress, so no figures are available. However, it can be reported that the young people, through their efforts in these two programs, contributed approximately \$6000 during the 1979-80 year.

We truly thank all of you people who have so diligently supported the youth work through your time and efforts, and we truly thank God for the numerous blessings experienced during this past year.

### Oregon Bible College

The 1980-81 school year has been a year of transition in administration and physical plant. Dr. Charles Pryor began his work as President of the College in July, 1980. In November, 1980, the Golden Rule Building was reopened after a complete renovation. It now serves as administration center and classroom building, including an audiovisual laboratory. The centralized campus has proven to be a blessing as the College continues to prepare Christian workers for the Lord's service.

College operations moved into the new campus center on Tuesday, November 4, 1980. A service of dedication held on November 18 was attended by over 150 local persons and out-of-town guests.

Bobby Lee Partain of Pelzer, South Carolina, completed an internship in Phoenix, Arizona, with James Graham serving as his cooperating pastor. Charles Durham, also of Pelzer, South Carolina, completed an internship in Rockford, Illinois, with Sydney Kirkpatrick serving as cooperating pastor.

Dallas and Nancy Demmitt of Phoenix, Arizona, led a Christian Emphasis Week in early November. The concepts and communications skills developed during that week are evident in many ongoing campus activities. The week also brought spiritual renewal and strengthened working relationships among members of the College and Conference staffs.

The Alumni Association adopted the project of outfitting the conference room in the administration center. Funds are still being received in support of that effort. Alumni have also taken a more active part in recruitment efforts.

Approximately 55 persons attended two Junior-Senior Weekends to become better acquainted with OBC. Persons interested in attending College here are welcome to visit the campus during those special designated times or by contacting the Director of Admissions to arrange for a visit.

The officers of the Student Government for the year were: Gary Burnham, President; Tracy Chapman, Vice President; Debra Fletcher, Secretary; Kevin Demmitt, Treasurer. The *Maranatha* staff consisted of: Brian Atra, editor; Tracy Chapman and Blair Johnson, co-editors.

Presently, the College Administration is developing a comprehensive financial aid program to provide assistance throughout the school year. During the months ahead, both current providers and prospective providers of financial aid and scholarships will be contacted to review criteria for awarding funds. Persons, churches, and/or conferences interested in providing ongoing student financial assistance funds should contact Dr. Charles Pryor.

Forty students were enrolled for the fall semester and 38 for the spring, 1981, period. Twenty-two churches are represented by the student body. Eight seniors graduated on May 8: Darlene Burkhart, Deborah Cook, R. Joe Good, Cynthia Isenhoff, Karen Mitchell, Cecil Rademachir, Daniel Shaw, and Vickie Wyrick. New internship assignments after graduation include: Darlene Burkhart at Lawrenceville, Ohio, with Pastor James Ritch and members of the Christian Education Committee; R. Joe Good at North Hills, Ohio,

with Pastor Joseph Duncan and Russell Dickerson; Karen Mitchell at Columbia Station, Ohio, with Pastor Steve Taylor and Mrs. Doris Brown; Cecil Rademachir at Dixon, Illinois, with Pastor Eugene Stilson; Daniel Shaw at Blanchard, Michigan, with Pastor Donald Needham.

The continuing support of the Church of God membership is a necessary part of Oregon Bible College's success and is appreciated, as are the direction and support provided by the Board of Trustees.

### General Services

In addition to the work of each of the Departments mentioned above, the staff of the General Conference performs services for local churches and individual members such as the following:

1. Correspondence with churches or individuals who have questions regarding doctrine, spiritual matters, or methods of carrying on the Lord's work.
2. Preaching for special meetings, dedications, state conferences, churches without pastors, or when a local pastor is ill or on vacation.
3. Administration of life and health insurance program for Church of God pastors and their families.
4. Provide personnel for the maintenance of the retirement association for pastors.
5. Assistance to churches who are seeking pastors, and pastors who are searching for churches.
6. Communication with agencies and individuals who desire information regarding the Church of God.
7. Assistance and counsel for individuals in estate planning and deferred investments through annuities, trusts, and life insurance.

Our staff is happy to serve in any way that will further the work of local churches, and which will help individual members in the performance of their ministry. Requests for assistance can be directed to the Executive Director or to Department heads.

### Looking to the Future

I believe that the Church of God has a heritage of which we can be justifiably proud. Church of God people have been diligent in studying the Scriptures, and for more than 150 years we have staunchly upheld the truths of the Scriptures. We are living in a day when orthodox churches are turning to many of the truths which we have emphasized for years. The second coming of Christ is widely believed; conditional immortality is becoming more widely accepted; and even the nature of Jesus as clearly taught in Scripture is understood by many people. We of the Bible Church of God stand in an enviable position today, with a solid foundation on the Bible, a proud history, and a bright future.

As we look ahead, there are several things which I believe the Church of God must give attention to:

1. *Rethinking, renewal, and revitalization.* As churches and individuals, we need to rethink our attitudes and responses to those who are lost. We need to change from thinking about what will make us comfortable in the church, to what will meet the needs of those who are lost. There is an urgent need for many members to exhibit greater dedication and commitment to God and to the Lord Jesus. And our churches need to be injected with new life. Services and programs must be vibrant, exciting, and need-fulfilling.
2. *Strengthening of local churches.* Each of our local

churches needs to have its health checked, diagnosed, and a prescription written as necessary. It would be beneficial for each of our churches to have clearly written goals and effective programs that would achieve the goals.

3. *Planting of new churches.* The Church of God must not limit its witness to communities where our churches now exist. Countless opportunities exist to plant churches, and we must pray, plan, and proceed to accomplish the task.

4. *Individual initiative.* God has given to each member of the body of Christ abilities which are to be used in ministry for him. It is only as each member of the body functions that God can be glorified and his will accomplished.

5. *Consecrated pragmatism.* We need to get in the habit of evaluating the results of our efforts. Once we know our purpose, we need to evaluate everything we do in terms of that purpose. Things that are not contributing toward reaching our goals should be eliminated. Strategies must be found that will give us the results we are trying to achieve. We cannot afford to waste precious resources on things that are unproductive. Our pragmatism must be based on our understanding of what God wants us to do.

6. *Attitude of optimism and faith.* God is able "to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think" by working through us. (Eph. 3:20.) God is committed to building the church of his Son and, as we look to the future, we must do so with confidence that God will bless our efforts.

We sincerely appreciate the prayers, suggestions, and financial support which hundreds of Church of God members offer regularly. The combined efforts of many individuals is a powerful force in the Lord's service.

#### **MINISTERS VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

The Church of God Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association was organized at the 1968 General Conference, and ministers and churches who enrolled in the association began making contributions January 1, 1969. The Association started with no funds. Today the total assets are nearly \$180,000.

Eleven ministers and one minister's widow are now receiving retirement benefits from the association. This is a very real blessing to our ministry when they come to retirement age. Often their social security benefits are not large and the retirement check is a fine supplement.

The funds of the association are invested and supervised by the expertise of the Aetna Life Insurance Company. The Association is on a sound financial basis and will remain strong as the young men entering the ministry enroll and become active participants when they enter a pastorate.

The Board of Trustees is working on a number of proposals which will be presented to the membership at the next Bi-Annual meeting in August, 1982. One of these proposals, if passed, will increase the benefits, especially for the younger members when they reach retirement age. Other proposals will strengthen and broaden the association as a whole. The membership will be notified of these proposals at least six months before the meeting.

The Rules and Regulations of the association provides for a Board of Trustees. The Chairman shall be a minister appointed by the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference. The Executive Director of the General Conference is automatically the Secretary-Treasurer. The

membership of the association elects a Vice-Chairman. Bro. Clyde E. Randall has been Chairman of the Association since it began, but last August chose not to be reappointed to that office.

The Board of Trustees does encourage contributions and bequests to further strengthen the fund.

S. O. Ross, Chairman  
Dean Urish, Vice-Chairman  
David Krogh, Secretary-Treasurer

#### **COUNSELING AND ARBITRATION BOARD**

The services of the Board of Counseling and Arbitration have not been called upon this year. Since the government of our churches is congregational in form, and the Board being an agency of the General Conference and empowered only to act and serve "at the call of the church which may be having serious internal difficulties," the Board is limited in its work. Further, the Board as a neutral party after hearing both sides can only "suggest a solution."

The counseling work of the Board before problems develop to a crisis stage has not been used; although when the Board was first set up, it was authorized to "provide counseling for pastors and elders seeking guidance in solving church problems." If the Board had been empowered to bring about solutions to vexing situations before they developed to divisive proportions, several churches and pastors would have been spared the unhappy and unfortunate experiences that followed.

A committee was appointed by the Board of Directors to study ways of making this Board more effective. A recommendation regarding changes in this Board is contained in this issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Clyde E. Randall, Chairman  
S. O. Ross, Secretary  
Wayne Laning, Member

#### **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. Since the last report, gifts in the amount of \$600 have been given to two ministers. One is receiving monthly assistance from this fund in the amount of \$300 per year.

This fund is administered by the pastors of the Oregon, Rockford, and Dixon, Illinois, churches, the Director of Student Services of Oregon Bible College, and the Executive Director of the Church of God General Conference.

This fund is supported solely by contributions from the membership and churches. During the year a special gift was given to this fund in memory of the parents of Louise Delap Hearp. As of March 31, 1981, the fund balance was \$2,491.49.

David Krogh, Secretary

#### **LICENSE AND ORDINATION REPORT**

We are thankful for the untiring dedicated services offered by the ministers of the Church of God General Conference. They are a vital part of the programs in our churches and conferences.

The License and Ordination Board is available for any encouragement and help we can give.

This board spends many hours in study and discussions about the continual updating of our policy. We covet your prayers and ideas.

We met with the sophomores of Oregon Bible College in April. We felt this a worthwhile meeting to give some insights and to encourage the students into full-time service.

Three of the ministers were ordained in a very impressive service last General Conference. They were: Sydney Kirkpatrick, Rockford, Illinois; Stanley Lawrence, Waterloo, Iowa; Gary Smith, Troy, Ohio.

Our records show we now have 38 ordained ministers of those listed in the PROGRESS JOURNAL.

The License and Ordination Board would like to take this means to encourage the ministers to consider ordination.

The Board is studying procedures to be used for ordination services to be held before a local church if the minister

and church request it.

Thank you for your response to the annual renewal of applications. Application blanks are mailed from headquarters about July 1. If you did not receive an application form and have previously been licensed, write to the Executive Director, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

License recognition cards will be issued from applications received and will be presented, if possible, during conference.

Ordained ministers do not need to renew their cards annually.

Billie Kennedy, Chairman  
Kenneth Milne  
Francis Burnett

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## Recommendations

### RECOMMENDATION NUMBER ONE

We recommend that the present standards for the administration of the Mission Builders Assistance Program be replaced by the following standards:

- I. Organization
  - A. The congregation requesting the assistance must be organized with a Board of Officers and Trustees for church property. Where necessary, the congregation must be incorporated to own church property.
  - B. Churches receiving Mission Builders League assistance must be member churches of the Church of God General Conference.
- II. Leadership
  - A. The congregation should have a full-time or nearly full-time pastor who has been licensed or ordained by the General Conference. Consideration will be given in the event the pastor is in the process of being licensed.
  - B. The congregation should have qualified spiritual leaders who have a vision for the growth and expansion of the church.
- III. Stability
  - A. The congregation should have a record of doctrinal and spiritual stability proved by a period of time in which services are conducted regularly and with reasonably consistent attendance.
  - B. The doctrinal standards of the congregation must be in accord with those listed in the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference (headquarters at Oregon, Illinois.) Article 1, Section 2.
- IV. Property
  - A. The congregation should own a building site and have a building fund, unless buying an established facility.
- B. The congregation should have the approval of the State Conference with which it is associated.
- C. In the event the recipient church should cease operations, the funds received from Mission Builders should be returned to the General Conference.
- V. Location
  - A. The location should be one where there is potential for growth and expansion.
  - B. Changes taking place in the area should reflect trends which indicate a positive future for the church.
- VI. Building
  - A. The congregation should have building plans that are in accord with local zoning laws, that are within the financial possibility of the group that will provide an adequate and attractive building; and that have been approved by the Board of Trustees of the congregation.
  - B. Building plans should reflect a vision for growth and provide for increased membership and attendance.
- VII. Finances
  - A. The total cost of the building project should require, from the congregation, at least matching funds of the expected proceeds from the Mission Builders Appeal. (Special consideration will be given to a new church which would be considered a "Mission Church.")
  - B. The financial stability of the congregation should be such as to be able to properly complete and maintain the property.
- VIII. Purpose
  - A. The congregation should agree in purpose and in spirit with the Church of God General Conference.

B. The congregation should demonstrate an active zeal for growth by consistent community outreach.

IX. Priority

A. Mission Builders assistance will be used primarily for these congregations

1. buying or constructing church buildings which have not owned a building previously.
2. which are meeting in a building of their own that is not specifically suitable for worship and are buying or constructing church buildings.
3. relocating to a more desirable site.

B. Mission Builders assistance will be used secondarily for congregations

1. which are remodeling, repairing, or enlarging their present building.
2. which have outgrown their present facilities and are buying or rebuilding.

(The order in which listing appears does not necessarily indicate priority.)

C. In event that no church request is approved for Mission Builders League assistance, the Appeal will be used for capital expenditures for the Church of God General Conference and/or Oregon Bible College. At the time the Appeal is mailed, a full explanation of how the funds will be used will be included.

X. On-site Review

A. An on-site review will be conducted by a qualified person or persons to evaluate the church in relation to the above conditions.

B. Personal interview with the pastor shall be conducted by the person or persons making the on-site review.

XI. General Conference Support

A. The congregation should promote membership in the Mission Builders assistance program.

B. The congregation should be supportive of the General Conference in contributions, attitude, and prayers.

**Explanation:**

These proposed changes in the standards will bring this valuable program more into line with the strategy and philosophy of the Outreach and Church Development Department which currently administers the Mission Builders League.

**RECOMMENDATION NUMBER TWO**

We recommend that both the pastoral aid and special church aid programs be replaced with a Church Development Assistance Program which would be administered through the Department of Outreach and Church Development as follows:

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the Church Development Assistance Program of the Church of God General Conference is to provide financial assistance, consultation, and training where needed, to churches which are unable to support a full-time ministry. It is the intention that the recipient church grow and become self-supporting.

**Amount of Financial Assistance:**

Financial assistance would be given up to a maximum of

one half of the salary cost of a full-time pastor—not to exceed \$500 (this ceiling may be adjusted in relation to cost of living increases) for a period of three years.

The specific amount will be determined in accordance with the church's financial base and current living costs. The amount granted will be reviewed each year.

**Consultation and Training:**

The Department of Outreach and Church Development will be available to assist the church with consultation and on-site assistance as deemed necessary. The recipient church is expected to cooperate with the General Conference Outreach and Church Development Department.

**Procedure for Granting Financial Assistance:**

Application for Church Development aid would be made through the Outreach and Church Development 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 Church Development assistance. Assistance will be granted to churches on the basis of need and growth potential.

The number of churches eligible will be determined by budget allocations for this financial assistance, with provision made for additional churches which have a significant opportunity and growth potential as funds are available. All other conditions being equal, financial assistance will be granted to churches in the order in which applications are received.

**Conditions to Be Considered in Granting Church Development Financial Assistance:**

- 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 church should agree in purpose and spirit with the Church of God General Conference.
- 3) 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 church in the Church of God General Conference. He shall have demonstrated a spirit of cooperation and unity and a quality of leadership which includes the growth and development of the local church.
- 4) The location of the church should be one where there is reasonable potential for growth and expansion.
- 5) The congregation should demonstrate an active zeal for growth by consistent community outreach. The church and the pastor must have and implement programs of evangelism.
- 6) The spiritual conditions of the congregation shall be such that growth can be expected. A history of internal difficulties is an indication of a lack of spirituality and may be a growth-restricting obstacle.
- 7) The pastor will be expected to give full time to the ministry of the development of the local church and programs of evangelism.
- 8) The membership of the church receiving Church Development assistance 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.

- 9) Reporting: The pastor of the recipient church will make a monthly report to the Department of Outreach and Church Development of the Church of God General Conference. He will keep in communication with the Director of Outreach and Church Development.
- 10) Review: A review will be made near the end of the first year of receiving aid. During this review, the Director of Outreach and Church Development will consult with the pastor, the church board, and congregation as deemed necessary relative to the development of the church. If it is apparent that there is a lack of cooperation within the church or on the part of the pastor relative to the purpose and intention of the development program, counsel will be given. Failure to improve may result in discontinuing the financial assistance.
- 11) The church receiving Development 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.)
- 12) The Church Development Assistance Program will go into effect September 1, 1981.

**Explanation:**

This recommendation is being made in keeping with:

1. An emphasis on a balanced ministry of edifying the believers, evangelism and church growth, and worship and faithfulness to God.

2. The purpose of the General Conference is stated in the Constitution: "The purpose for which the Church of God General Conference is incorporated is to assist Church of God members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission to feed the Church of God and preach the gospel to all the world, by providing trained personnel, services, and materials."

3. The local congregation, at home and abroad, is where Church of God members are fed and matured, and it is the place where most people are brought to Christ and his salvation. The responsibility for evangelism and church growth is primarily upon the local congregation.

**RECOMMENDATION NUMBER THREE**

We recommend that *The Restitution Herald* be returned to a subscription basis beginning in January, 1982, and that a charge be made for tracts.

**Explanation:**

The free literature campaign was started by action of the delegates at the August, 1972, General Conference. Since that time, hundreds of thousands of *Heralds* and tracts have been distributed without charge to those who received them. We have spent in excess of \$225,000 for the literature campaign.

In considering the mission of *The Herald*, we believe it continues to be a valuable tool in building up our membership. *The Herald* also is an attractive tool to be used in making people aware of the Church of God and its message, when it is accompanied by personal contact.

However, as a tool of mass evangelism, it is apparent that other methods are more effective.

Therefore, if this recommendation is approved by the delegates, a subscription campaign will begin this fall and the December-January *Herald* will be the last one sent without charge. Beginning with the February, 1982, issue a regular one-year's subscription will cost \$8.00. More than three *Heralds* sent to one address for use in *Herald* racks and other distribution will be \$4.00 each for a one-year's subscription.

Tracts will cost \$1.00 per 100, beginning January 1, 1982.

**RECOMMENDATION NUMBER FOUR**

We recommend that the Board of Counseling and Arbitration be dissolved and that it be replaced with a Christian Conciliation Board.

This Board will be staffed by three members appointed by the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference, consisting of one pastor and two lay persons. When this recommendation is fully operational, the members will be appointed for a six-year term, with an appointment being made every two years. A chairman will be selected by the Board of Directors. The Board will normally make the appointment at its spring meeting, with the appointee assuming his position the following September 1. Appointees will be selected on the basis of their spiritual qualifications and their ability to work well with people. The spiritual gifts of wisdom, exhortation, discernment, and a manifestation of the fruit of the Spirit will be especially important.

If a member cannot serve because of illness, conflict of interest, or other reason, the two remaining members and the Executive Director will select an alternate to serve temporarily.

Expenses of the Board will be paid by the General Conference. It is recommended that the local church contribute to the expenses of the Board when possible.

**Services:**

I. The Christian Conciliation Board will provide educational materials which will: encourage Christians to use the three-step process for reconciling disputes explained by Jesus in Matthew 18:15-17; clearly explain the services of the Christian Conciliation Board and encourage the use of this Board before problems become irreconcilable.

II. The Christian Conciliation Board will present seminars to pastors and lay members, explaining the means of resolving disputes by using the three-step Biblical process, and the services of mediation and arbitration.

III. Members of the Christian Conciliation Board will be available as individuals for consultation over the phone. Persons interested in receiving help in dealing with difficult church situations can receive help without calling in the whole Board.

IV. In specific disputes involving a church which is having internal difficulties, the Christian Conciliation Board will follow a standard operating procedure which has been approved by the Board of Directors.

**Explanation:**

This recommendation helps to clarify and expand the guidelines which were adopted when the Board of Counseling and Arbitration was created at the 1961 General Conference.

## Additional Conference Information

**Site:** The 1981 Church of God General Conference will be held at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, August 3-7. Rockford College is located on East State Street (U.S. Highway Business 20).

If one is traveling on Interstate 90 he would take the Rockford Exit, which is marked "Business 20" and "State Street" (the Henrici Clock Tower Inn is on the East side of the interstate at the interchange.) One would travel from the interstate west on State Street about 3 miles. One would pass a large Ward's Store, St. Anthony Hospital, and next is Rockford College on the right. There is a large sign at the entrance.

If one is coming in from the south or west, he would come on bypass highway 20, which goes around the city of Rockford on the south side. At the Alpine interchange (on the southeast side of Rockford) one would go north on Alpine for about three miles to the intersection of State Street. Turn right (east) on State Street about one half mile and Rockford College will be on the left.

If one is flying to the General Conference, he can come into O'Hare Field in Chicago. There is a shuttle bus leaving O'Hare every hour (on the half hour) which comes directly to Rockford. The bus can be boarded on the lower level in front of Carson's Circle Restaurant. This is located between United and American Airlines. One would get off the bus at the Sweden House (the second stop) in Rockford. A Conference vehicle will meet each bus from O'Hare at Sweden House on Monday, August 3 (registration day) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Other arrivals will be met if we are notified. There are a few flights that come directly to Rockford Airport. We will make arrangements for transportation from the Rockford Airport if we are notified of arrival data.

**Registration:** Registration begins on August 3, at 9:30 a.m. in Burpee Center. At the end of the main entrance to Rockford College is a parking lot marked "A." Please leave your car in parking lot "A" and walk across the street to Burpee Center for registration. At registration your housing assignment will be made. You will then move your automobile to the parking lot assigned for the dormitory in which you will be located.

**Reservations and Conference Costs:** Reservations for General Conference must be made prior to July 25. Registration forms are available in each local church. Isolated members may write to: Reservations, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061 for the reservation forms.

The cost of the Conference this year is Adults (over 12 years of age) \$65; Children (4-12) \$55; Children under 4 years if college bed is used \$15; commuters \$12. There is a \$10 nonrefundable deposit required with each application. These costs include room, board, use of the grounds and buildings, insurance, recreation facilities, bed linens, blanket, pillow, and towel.

The \$12 per person for commuters is for those staying off campus and commuting to the meetings. This charge is for the use of the facilities, insurance, and miscellaneous costs. Should the commuter wish to take the meals, a total cost for the Conference would be \$40 for each individual 4 years and older. There is no charge for those under 3 years. There

is no charge for one attending the evening services only.

**Youth:** Youth must be accompanied to the Conference by a parent or a responsible guardian. A full schedule of activities is planned for the youth. (See program in this issue.) All youth attending the Conference will be expected to attend all of the planned services and activities.

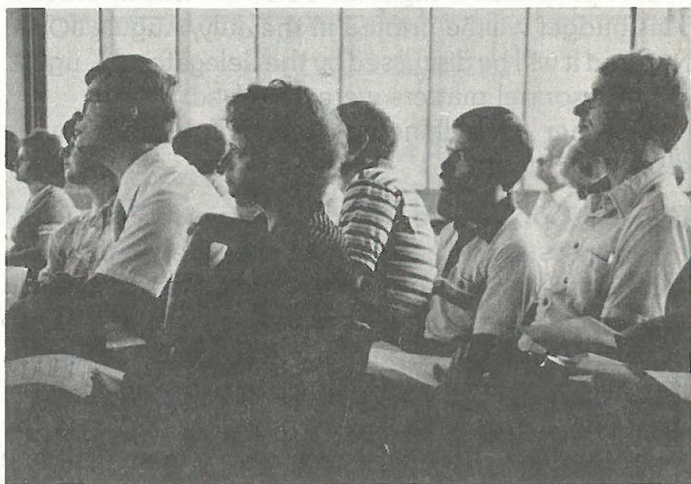
**Children's Classes:** A full schedule of activities is planned for all children 8 years and under (See program in this issue.)

Hired sitters are being provided to attend the children 2 years and under.

Junior Church will be conducted each evening at 7:00 p.m. for those 3 to 12 years of age.

**Gymnasium and Pool:** The gymnasium and pool will be open each evening from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Anyone who plans to use the gym must bring gym shoes and proper gym clothing. Anyone planning to use the pool must bring bathing suit (bikinis not allowed) and girls or fellows with longer hair must have a bathing cap.

**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 of those from far away and those who live nearby. Delegate Expense Pool forms have been mailed to each church and conference secretary and each is urged to enter the pool. This is a fair means of assuring general delegate representation.



### ELECTIONS DURING GENERAL CONFERENCE

**Board of Directors:** Two members will be elected to the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors for four-year terms. These Directors also serve as Board of Trustees of Oregon Bible College. The terms of Harold Doan and Dwaine Demmitt expire at this Conference (these cannot be reelected).

This information is given so churches and State Conferences can instruct their delegates to be prepared to make nominations. Proposed nominees for any of these offices should be contacted beforehand to be sure they will serve if elected and to be sure they are free and able to attend the meetings of this important Board.



# General Conference Progress

by David Krogh

## Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the General Conference met in Oregon April 30 and May 1 to discuss the work of the Conference and Oregon Bible College. Among the items discussed were the following:

1. The Annual Report of the Conference was discussed and approved. This report is printed in this issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL.
2. Pastor David Cheatwood was appointed to the Board of License and Ordination to replace Pastor Kenneth Milne, whose term expired. Our thanks is extended to Bro. Milne for his many years of service on this important Board.
3. A special committee was appointed to study the matter of License and Ordination. The study will include a thorough study of the Bible teaching in this area, as well as the role that the General Conference should play in licensing and ordaining ministers. Pastor James Graham will be the chairman of this study committee.
4. Four Recommendations were approved which will be presented to the delegates in August for consideration. See page 8.
5. A salary schedule for 1981-82 was approved.
6. A proposed budget for 1981-82 was approved. This budget will be printed in the July/August JOURNAL and it will be discussed by the delegates in August.
7. Personnel matters were reviewed.
8. Other miscellaneous items of business were discussed.

## General Conference Delegate Expense Pool

Expenses for delegate travel expenses to the summer Conference will be pooled again this year. I would urge each church and Conference near and far to participate, in order to equalize expenses for delegates from all Churches of God. By action of the delegates at the 1980 Conference, a new means of figuring the mileage rate will go into effect this summer. The rate will be determined by taking the average price of gasoline per gallon and dividing it by 10 and rounding it off to the nearest penny. The rate for this year has been set at 14¢.

Application forms for participation in the pool have been mailed to all secretaries, along with delegate forms and statistical forms. Secretaries are urged to complete these forms and return them promptly in the envelope provided.

## Conference Reservations

Reservation forms are being received for the summer Conference. Each person planning to attend

Conference should complete a reservation form and send it along with a \$10 nonrefundable deposit fee to Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061. Forms have been sent to each church. Reservations must be received by July 25.

## Financial Need

Youth contributions to the Church of God General Conference make it possible for many important ministries to be carried on regularly. As I write this page today, Bro. Warren Sorenson is meeting with ministers in Ohio to encourage them and assist them in their church ministries. Work is being done in the Publishing Department on Sunday School quarterlies and the paste-up of Dr. Alva Huffer's new book, "The Triumph of the Resurrection." The instructors and staff of Oregon Bible College are preparing final grades for the second semester and they are beginning to make plans for the fall semester. Missionaries whom we support are spreading the gospel in their native lands. And Steve Grant is preparing for work in missions.

These programs and projects are only a few of the activities that are made possible by the support of hundreds of Church of God people. Without contributions these things could not be accomplished.

As you can see in the chart below, contributions for the past 30 days have again been far short of our needs. In looking back at the records for last year, I observed that our deficit was over \$26,000 at this point in 1980. You responded to the need a year ago, and I have confidence that you will respond again this year and help us repay the loan that has been necessary to pay our bills.

Thanks for caring and responding to this need.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981 **\$359,500**

	<b>Needed</b>	<b>Given</b>
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10-Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10-Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10-Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00
Feb. 10-Mar. 9	29,960.00	20,790.00
Mar. 10-Apr. 9	29,960.00	23,701.00
Apr. 10-May 9	29,960.00	20,558.00
Totals	218,572.00	192,758.00
Deficit through May 9		25,814.00
Needed May 10-June 9		29,960.00

**GOAL for May 10-June 9 \$55,774.00**

### Berean Youth Conference Class Descriptions

Each year we have numerous requests from young people and parents alike concerning the content of the classes to be taught at International Berean Youth Conference. The following are short descriptions of each class.

#### *"Upstream Christian in a Downstream World"*

What is right to do and what is wrong. Our world changes daily in its ethic of right and wrong. This is a study of the criteria of right and wrong. It will cover the processes for making these moral decisions and the means of carrying them out. While it may appear we are swimming upstream, God provides us with the strength to overcome.

#### *"Practical Jim"*

Problems and how to cope . . . Listening to and doing God's Will . . . faith and deeds . . . controlling the tongue . . . wisdom and submission . . . love of riches . . . patience and suffering . . . prayer.

All of these important subjects are in one book of God's Word—James. This class will study the five practical chapters of James and make application to Christian youth.

#### *"Making the Best Choice"*

The main concern of this class is preparation for marriage. The divorce rate is at an all-time high. One out of every two marriages ends in divorce. With these dim prospects, it is important that the Christian youth be spiritually prepared for the most important decision he or she must make after accepting Christ. What is marriage? Can there be a reason for divorce? Who should I marry? What can I do to make sure that it works out? This class will search out God's will on this important subject.

#### *"The Growing Edge"*

The main concern of this class is discipleship and is designed to go beyond grace and forgiveness. After we accept Christ as our personal Savior, we are expected to grow. This growth should lead us to be like Jesus and to be his disciple. The Greek word for disciple has no equivalent in the English. It is more of a process of education to become like another person by association, learning, following, and adhering. The Christian walk is a growth walk. If it fails to be, we fail to be a disciple. This class is about growing to be Christ's disciple.

#### *"COG-Log"*

The Church of God believes and advocates God's Word and his teachings. In this world of diversified religious thought it is important to know what God teaches. This class will cover the teachings of God in an organized and systemized way. While it is impossible to take five lessons and exhaust the teachings of God, it is the intent of this class to give each student a logbook to help in their equipping.

#### *"Survival Kit"*

A prominent TV and radio preacher has "predicted" 1981 as the year of the coming of our Lord. Whether he is right or wrong, it is apparent that we are living in the time the Bible predicts as the end of time. We are admonished to be prepared to be God's church at Christ's coming. This class will deal with the end of time and what we must do to survive and be ready when our Lord comes.


#### *"Now That You've Arrived"*

A little girl was once overheard to say, "It ain't no fun being little." The truth of this statement becomes quite apparent. It is not easy growing up. This class will deal with being a Christian teen-ager in today's world. It will give practical help with the problems, feelings, and needs that are unique to Christian youth.

*Free* **SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE**

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

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OREGON, ILLINOIS 61061

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

## BAPTISMS

**Front Royal, VA.** On April 19, 1981, Easter Sunday, the Royal Village Church of God rejoiced in the baptism of Wanda Grove. Wanda came forward at the conclusion of the worship service on Palm Sunday and expressed her desire to accept Christ as her Lord and Savior. We pray that God will richly bless her life as she dedicates herself in his service. We of the Royal Village Church pledge our support and encouragement to her as she grows in the faith.

Scott Millard, pastor.

**Macomb, IL.** On Sunday, April 26, 1981, Lana Gaddis was baptized by Bro. Rex Cain in the name of Jesus. Members and friends of the Macomb Church of God rejoice with her and her family, and with our Lord. Because she made this important decision, we pray that God may continue to bless her as she grows in the Lord.

Mary Pestle, reporter.

**Omaha, NE.** On April 19, 1981, Ken and Brian McEwen were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ at the Jaynes Street Community Church of God. It was a blessing to the congregation to see this father and son united as brothers in Christ on Easter Sunday. Scott Ross, pastor.

**Springfield, OH.** Easter is a special time for Christians as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior. It was also especially wonderful for us at Lawrenceville Church of God as Tonya Hall and Sandy Duckwall came forward at the close of the service expressing their desire to put on Christ. Tonya and Sandy were baptized on Sunday, April 26, 1981, and received the right hand of fellowship on May 3. We pray God's blessings on these two as they begin their walk anew.

James D. Ritch, pastor.

**Springfield, OH.** The North Hills Church of God proudly announces the recent baptisms of Mrs. Josephine Erskine and Miss Kim Macy. We thank God for their decision and their faith. The body of Christ is stronger because of their testimony.

Joseph Duncan, pastor.

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Scott Radle, Fredericktown, MO; Debbie J. New, McGintytown, AR; Sherry A. Bennett, Greenbrier, TN.

## ATTENTION ALL AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS

We are interested in starting a Church of God amateur radio net in the near future. If you are interested contact: WB9HVD--Rolla Hightower, 827 W. McDonough, Macomb, IL 61455; or KA9JOG--Richard L. Young, Rt. 3, Box 44R, Mt. Sterling, IL 62353.

## PLYMOUTH, INDIANA, CHURCH CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

The North Salem Church of God is most pleased to invite one and all to the celebration of our 100th anniversary. This special event will be held at the church on July 26, 1981, from morning through the afternoon hours. We will enjoy guest speakers, special music, and many old friends who have blessed and been blessed by this church. We are thankful for our affiliation with the Church of God General Conference and hope that all of you will be present with us on

this special day--if not in person, then surely in prayer. May God bless you.

## MARRIAGE

### Potts-Knupp

On April 4, 1981, Cindy Potts was married to John Knupp at the Wesley Methodist Church. They will make their home in Marshalltown, IA. Best wishes go with this couple.

Mary Pestle, reporter.

## DIRECTORY CHANGES

### Ministers

Wolfe, Vernis D (Iris), 27035 Range Rd, Hammond, LA 70401 Ph Off 504-345-1889 Res 345-4903

### Churches

**Eldorado Church (Restitution)**, Rt 1, Seagraves Rd, Eldorado, IL 62930  
V E Kirkpatrick, Sr, Pastor, Rt 2, Bx 261A, Douglas Av, Eldorado 62930  
Mrs Bill (Connie) Collins, Sec, RR3, Eldorado 62930  
Carlis Medley, Supt, RR2, Eldorado 62930

## MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL

### Number Forty-Six

This is the forty-sixth appeal made for Mission Builders assistance.

By action of the delegates at the 1980 General Conference, members of the Mission Builders League are asked to contribute \$20 or more to each Appeal approved by the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference (limit of two appeals per year).

Please send your contribution to **Mission Builders League, Church of God General Conference, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.**



## McGintytown, Arkansas, Church of God

The McGintytown Church of God is an active, growing church. Located near Greenbrier, Arkansas, a growing community, the potential for future growth is a positive indication that the building project which is underway is worthy of support.

The congregation has made several improvements on its original building and a major addition of a new sanctuary. The plans for which this appeal is sent provide for additional classrooms and a fellowship area.

The present pastor is Bro. Tom New. His excitement and vision are being rewarded with an increase in attendance and membership.

## Beat the Price Increase

You have only the three summer months to get a jump on the price increase for *Systematic Theology*, the 600-page study by Alva Huffer in the seven divisions of theology. Serving as a standard work for 21 years and still up-to-date since the first edition, you will want to buy up several copies before the price increase on September 1, 1981.

Currently the price for the hardcover edition is only \$6.95, but because of increased costs of paper, printing, postage, and handling, we are forced to raise the price to \$9.95 each.

The same problem applies to the softcover edition of *Systematic Theology*. Currently the edition sells for \$3.95, but on September 1 the price increases to \$6.95.

To take advantage of the old price for three months, please send in your order today.

## Systematic Theology

### Order Form

	Quantity	Cost
Systematic Theology, hardcover, \$6.95 ea.	_____	_____
Systematic Theology, softcover, \$3.95 ea.	_____	_____
Postage (5 percent of order, 50¢ min.)		
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Name _____		
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City _____	State _____	Zip _____

**The Restitution Herald**  
**Box 100**  
**Oregon, IL 61061**

## Contributors to the General Conference: April, 1981

Mr & Mrs Jack Brown	10.00	Robert L Jones	150.00	E Oregon Chapel	94.33	Mrs J F Paustian	20.00
Mr & Mrs Richard Grim	20.00	Mr & Mrs Lester Hollenback	150.00	A Grace Adamson	10.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	20.00
North Salem Church	338.22	Anonymous	100.00	Garden Park Church	509.61	Mr & Mrs Herman Lewis	40.00
Mr & Mrs James Mattison	10.00	Miss E Dorothy Magaw	65.00	Lois Blakely	50.00	North Hills Church	252.03
Mrs Howard Burns	3.00	Mr & Mrs S O Ross	35.00	Patricia H Jones	30.00	Anonymous	500.00
Mr & Mrs John Huston	50.00	Truth Seekers SS	17.16	IL State Conference	165.00	Jack Cooper	35.00
Mr & Mrs Jess Williams	110.30	Erma VanBlaricom	20.00	Mr & Mrs David Cheatwood	46.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Reid	40.00
Pleasant Hill Church	145.90	James Klepinger	30.00	Mr & Mrs Russell Magaw	65.00	Mr & Mrs Jay Ramsey	35.00
Mr & Mrs David Krogh	55.00	Audrey Densmore	25.00	Lakeshore Christian Ladies		Pomona Church	75.00
Ripley Church	171.36	Mr & Mrs Edward Dykstra	200.00	League	40.00	Lauren E Steiner	10.00
Milo Magaw	320.00	Mr & Mrs Joe Loggins	3.00	Mr & Mrs Ernest Lingle	50.00	Mr & Mrs Dallas Demmitt	300.00
SE Conference	135.00	McGintytown Church	208.44	Anonymous	7.00	Mr & Mrs L K Punter	19.00
Gospel Mission Church	48.90	Hedrick Church	105.43	Holbrook Church	263.90	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	157.00
Lawrenceville Church	627.49	Phoenix Bible Church	541.45	Bedford Bereans	238.35	Blessed Hope Church	176.27
Mr & Mrs Robert Hardesty	200.00	Fredericktown Church	87.78	Cindy J Isenhoff	20.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	615.00
Glenn D Williamson	3.00	Columbia Church	432.40	Donna L Hosea	157.50	Doris Reye	10.00
Burr Oak Church	502.92	Everett S Rogers	40.00	Mr & Mrs Roy Humphreys	10.00	Mr & Mrs Robert Follin	52.00
Edith Eades	10.00	Mr & Mrs Dan Dovenbarger	140.00	Mrs William Hanson	200.00	Mr & Mrs Rolla Hightower Jr	100.00
Mrs Joe D Shelly	50.00	Mr & Mrs Gary Ramsey	40.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	20.00	LA State Conference	400.00
Erma L McChesney	200.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.00	Mr & Mrs David McClain	78.00	Mr & Mrs Steven Krug	121.65
Valley Church	485.72	Eternal Hope Church	192.30	Etola M Seaman	5.00	Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	400.00
Julian W Hazlewood	28.00	Delia Middleton	20.00	Fonthill Church	294.50	Mr & Mrs Alvin Jefferies	20.00
Blood River Church	255.13	Fonthill SS	32.33	Mr & Mrs Ross Anger	15.00	Mr & Mrs Don Adkins	25.00
Mr & Mrs James Ring	20.00	Brush Creek Church	477.36	Mrs Dorothy Napper	6.00	Lakeshore Bible Church	1,058.25
Mr & Mrs G C Guiles	15.00	Fonthill Miss Soc	258.68	Mary Bailey	2.00	Mr & Mrs John Friemuth	10.00
VA State Conference	91.12	Paul M Hatch	23.24	Maude Rife	50.00	Wilda Hammer	25.00
Katherine Tackett	80.00	Anonymous	75.00	Mr & Mrs Frank Johnson	40.00	Mrs Cora Munshaw	25.00
Elizabeth Lemak	70.00	NE Conference	265.00	Mary Dickerson	5.00	Jay St Church	122.82
Mrs Ed Walver	1.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	80.00	Blanchard Miss Soc	75.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	400.00
Bedford Church	176.98	Royal Village Church	98.57	Litchfield Church	168.66	Oregon Church	1,170.97
Mr & Mrs George Wise	5.00	Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00	Litchfield SS	13.80	Mr & Mrs Arthur Zobrist	40.00
Flagg Center Com Church	179.90	Anonymous	15.00	Mary Krogh	25.00	Pennellwood Church	725.18
Mr & Mrs Willis Turner	50.00	Happy Woods Church Dorcas	10.00	Mr & Mrs Quentin York	35.00	Mr & Mrs Ben Mattison	40.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	100.00	Raymore Church	90.30	Eden Valley Church	191.18	Maurertown Church	108.25
St Louis Church	57.88	Mrs D D Lawrence	10.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	175.00	Southlawn Church	909.54
MI State Conference	54.53	Mr & Mrs Wm Poland	50.00	Mr & Mrs Albert Hollinshead	100.00	Brush Creek Sewing Circle	55.20
Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	S Bend Hope Chapel Bereans	2.00	Althea Rice	30.00	San Jose Church	35.00
Forest Hills Church	108.18	Sidney, Cunningham	10.00	Mr & Mrs Donald Overmyer	100.00	Blanchard Church	1,220.98
S Bend Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00	SW Conference	99.17	Mr & Mrs Wm Shotwell	75.00	Patrick M Landry	320.00
Bess L Kasper	60.00	Mr & Mrs Harry Sheets	50.00	J Arthur Johnson	30.00	Mr & Mrs Clyde Shaw	20.00
Don Reece	3.00	Anonymous	20.00	Mr & Mrs Mansel Rogers	20.00	Ann Hamilton	5.00
IN State Conference	852.40	Roy Joe Fobes	6.00	Cecil A Smead	80.00	Clair Rice	40.00
Frank Perkins	20.00	Lorene Orr	100.00	Anonymous MI	5.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Bollinger	28.98
Mr & Mrs T E Martin	132.20	Eunice Cleo Orr	100.00	MN State Conference	102.98	Miss Becky Roseberry	12.00
Marjorie Mogle	50.00	Clara Lamb	40.00	Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	35.00	Mr Otto Graf	25.00
Happy Woods Church	443.82	Mr & Mrs Howard Cramer	50.00	Mr & Mrs Keith Baird	75.00	Chorale Offerings	540.72
Helen M Lewis	10.00	S Bend Hope Chapel	245.38	Mr & Mrs Leo Rager	80.00	Dean Hay	20.00
Anonymous	175.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	150.00	Yvonne Reigelsperger	135.00	Anonymous	2.00
Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Carlisle	50.00	Macomb Miss Soc	25.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Johns	100.00
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Macomb Church	362.48	Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	45.00	Mr & Mrs John Carr	100.00	Paul Carl	2.00
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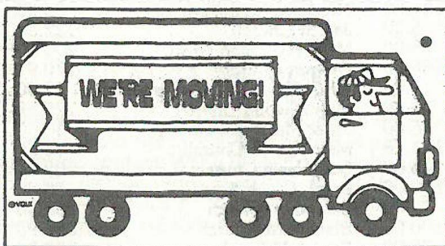
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# General Conference Program

## Theme: You Are the Church

### Conference Workers:

Program Committee: Dwaine Demmitt, John Hearp, Charles Pryor, and David Krogh, Chairman  
Office Manager: David McClain  
Music Coordinator: Beth Vancil  
Credentials Committee: Ruth Overholser  
Ministers' Meetings: Scott Ross, President  
Priscillas' Meetings: Mary Helen Mattison, President  
Office Staff: Becky Hall, Donna Kirkpatrick

### DAILY SCHEDULE

#### Monday, August 3

9:30 Registration begins  
11:45 Lunch  
1:15 Worship Leader, Richard Young;  
Keynote Message, James Graham  
2:15 Seminars:  
1. Church Planting Is Your Business, Warren Sorenson  
2. New Curriculum Instruction for Teen Teachers, Charles Pryor  
3. New Curriculum Instruction for Junior Teachers, Lynne Krogh  
4. Audiovisual Techniques, Gayle Reye  
There will be a small lab fee.  
5. Building More Effective Family Life, Dallas Demmitt  
6. Discipleship Techniques, Ron Macy and James Ritch  
4:30 Choir Practice, Linda Jones, Director  
5:15 Dinner  
7:00 Evening Worship Service  
Worship Leader, Gary Burnham  
Speaker, Stephen Bolhaus, "The Ministry of the Word"  
Communion Service  
Junior Church, ages 3 to 12 years  
8:30 SnackBar, gym, and pool available  
10:30 Lights out

#### Tuesday, August 4

7:15 Breakfast  
8:30 Prayer sessions for Ministers, Priscillas, and Adults  
Children's classes begin (see Children's Program schedule for more information)  
Chapel service for youth (see Youth Program schedule for more information)  
8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
Priscillas' Meeting  
Adult Bible Study  
Nursery for children 2 and under (see Children's Program schedule for more information)  
9:45 Break  
10:00 Business session  
Welcome by Chairman Harold Doan  
Seating of the delegates  
Chairman's Message  
Introduction of new delegates and delegations  
Communications  
Question period on written reports of Committees and Boards  
Report on Activities of the Board of Directors, Dwaine Demmitt  
Financial Report

Outreach and Church Development business  
Action on Recommendations One and Two  
11:45 Lunch  
1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
2:15 Seminars: same topics as on Monday  
4:30 Choir Practice  
5:15 Dinner  
7:00 Evening Worship Service  
Worship Leader, Alan Demmitt  
Speaker, C. E. Lapp, "The Ministry of Prayer"  
Junior Church  
8:30 SnackBar, gym, and pool available  
10:30 Lights out

#### Wednesday, August 5

7:15 Breakfast  
8:30 Prayer Sessions  
8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
Priscillas' Meeting  
Adult Bible Study  
9:45 Break  
10:00 Business session  
Reading of Tuesday's Minutes  
Nomination of two Directors  
Publishing Department business  
Action on Recommendation Three  
Oregon Bible College business  
11:45 Lunch  
1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
2:15 Seminars  
4:30 Choir practice  
5:15 Dinner  
7:00 Evening Worship Service  
Ordination Service, License & Ordination Board  
Worship Leader, David Kizer  
Speaker, Joe Martin, "The Ministry of Giving Yourself"  
Junior Church  
8:30 Oregon Bible College Alumni Meeting  
SnackBar, gym, and pool  
10:30 Lights out

#### Thursday, August 6

7:15 Breakfast  
8:30 Prayer sessions  
8:45 Ministers' Meeting  
Priscillas' Meeting  
Adult Bible Study  
9:45 Break  
10:00 Business session  
Reading of Wednesday's Minutes  
Election of two Directors  
Action on Recommendation Four  
General business  
Adoption of a budget  
11:45 Lunch  
1:15 We Are the Church sharing rally  
2:15 Seminars  
4:30 Choir practice  
5:15 Dinner  
7:00 Evening Worship Service  
Worship Leader, Greg Demmitt  
Installation of General Conference Officers, Scott Ross  
Speaker: Rex Cain, "The Ministry of Building Up One Another"  
Junior Church

8:30 SnackBar, gym, pool  
10:30 Lights out

#### Friday, August 7

7:00 Joint Prayer Service  
7:15 Breakfast  
9:00 Campus vacated

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

#### Two years and under

8:45-11:45 Hired sitters, Sharryn Mattus & Dee Kirkpatrick  
1:15- 4:15 Hired sitters  
7:00- 8:30 Hired sitters

#### Ages Three to Eight

8:30-11:45 Bible School, Margene Rager and Norma Warmolts, Directors  
1:15- 4:15 Bible School  
7:00- 8:30 Junior Church, Allen Wegener, Director

### YOUTH PROGRAM

#### Grades Four through Twelve

8:30 a.m. Chapel Tuesday, Greg Demmitt  
Wednesday, Rex Shaw  
Thursday, Ray Hall

#### Tuesday, August 4

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Bart Tackett  
grades 7-12, Russell Fewell  
10:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Dee Kirkpatrick  
grades 7-12, Robert Coverstone  
11:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Judy Myers  
grades 7-12, Ed Bender  
2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

#### Wednesday, August 5

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Gary Burnham  
grades 7-12, Mary Harman  
10:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Donna Cooper  
grades 7-12, Alan Shaw  
11:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Michael Hoffman  
grades 7-12, Tim Kaffenbarger  
2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

#### Thursday, August 6

9:00 Class—grades 4- 6, James Hill  
grades 7-12, Dick Young  
10:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Wanda Cheatwood  
grades 7-12, Charles Durham  
11:00 Class—grades 4- 6, Alice Railton  
grades 7-12, Richard Alcumbrack  
2:00-5:00 Swim and gym  
7:00-grades 4- 6—Junior Church  
grades 7-12—Worship Service with adults

# General Conference Progress

by David Krogh

## General Conference Youth Coordinator

I am happy to announce that during the next fiscal year, Brother Hugh Harman's duties have been increased in the area of Youth Ministries. Hugh has been Director of Youth since 1974; however, since 1978 he has served in a limited part-time position. During the summer of 1982, Hugh will begin conducting training seminars for youth workers, and he will be available to visit churches to provide on-site assistance in developing local youth programs. Hugh and his family will continue to reside in Arizona.

We are pleased that Hugh has agreed to become more involved in assisting our churches in the important area of youth work. Hugh's availability to the churches is an important step forward in our efforts to assist local churches in their work for the Lord.

## Triumph of the Resurrection

I am glad to report that final work is being done on the publication of Dr. Alva Huffer's new book, "Triumph of the Resurrection." Copies will be available at General Conference next month for \$4.95. If you are ordering by mail, postage and handling will be paid by us through August 10. Orders received after August 10 will require a 50 cents postage and handling payment. Dr. Huffer will be at Conference and will be available to autograph copies of his book.

## August Conference

In preparation for the annual Conference which will be held August 3-7 at Rockford College, I would encourage the entire membership to pray earnestly for the Conference. Two members will be elected to the Board of Directors, four Recommendations will be considered, a budget for 1981-82 will be adopted, and other business will come before the delegates. Please pray that an attitude of submission and obedience to the will of God will prevail among the delegates. Pray too, that the theme of the Conference, "You Are the Church," will be clearly communicated and that it will cause renewed commitment and involvement of all Church of God members.

## 1981-82 Budget Proposal

The proposed budget for the coming year appears in this issue. The proposed increases in the budget reflect several major steps forward for the work of the Conference:

1. Funding for church planting efforts.
2. Distribution of additional special church aid funds.
3. The addition of Steve Grant as a missions employee beginning in January, 1982.

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4. The employment of a full-time librarian, Janet Stilson, to replace our part-time librarian, Olive Stoffregen, who has retired.

5. Additional employment and travel expenses for our Youth Coordinator, Hugh Harman.

In addition to these increases, salary increases averaging about 8% have been provided for present employees, and an inflation adjustment has been made for most items in the budget.

The staff has cut many operating expenses in order to make it possible to move ahead in several new areas. We believe that the programs and activities which the budget will make possible will provide necessary services to our members and churches. Our programs are designed to strengthen and build up our local congregations.

The proposed budget will require nearly \$36,000 in additional contributions over this year's budget. This reflects a 10% increase in needed giving.

## Present Giving Needs

Giving from May 10 to June 9 was much improved over the previous 30-day period; however, we still have substantial needs. With the fiscal year ending on September 30, it is imperative that additional contributions be received during the summer months to make up our current deficit. If you are one of the 2,500 Church of God families which have not yet given to the work of the General Conference this year, I would invite you to send your gift today. For all of you who have remembered our work this year, we extend our special thanks for your help.

## GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981 **\$359,500**

	Needed	Given
Oct. 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct. 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10-Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10-Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10-Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00
Feb. 10-Mar. 9	29,960.00	20,790.00
Mar. 10-Apr. 9	29,960.00	23,701.00
Apr. 10-May 9	29,960.00	20,558.00
May 10-June 9	29,960.00	28,813.00
Totals	248,532.00	221,571.00
Deficit through June 9		\$ 26,961.00
Needs for two months		59,920.00
<b>GOAL for June 10-August 10</b>		<b>\$ 86,881.00</b>



## OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE ACADEMIC CALENDAR

1981 - 82

### Fall Semester

Dorms Open for New Students, 1:00 p.m.	Thursday, August 20
New Students Orientation and Registration, 8:00 a.m.	Friday, August 21
Dorms Open for All Students, 1:00 p.m.	Saturday, August 22
Orientation and Registration, 8:00 a.m.	Monday, August 24
Beginning of Classes	Tuesday, August 25
Labor Day Holiday (No Classes)	Monday, September 7
Theological School Inventory/School Pictures	Thursday, September 17
Last Day to Drop Classes for First Semester	Tuesday, October 6
Junior-Senior Weekend	Thursday through Saturday, October 8-10
Fall Breakfast	Thursday, October 15
AABC Convention (No Classes)	Friday, October 30
Christian Emphasis Week	Monday through Friday, November 2-6
OBC Day of Prayer	Friday, November 6
Thanksgiving Vacation	Thursday through Sunday, November 26-29
Final Examinations	Monday through Thursday, December 14-17
End of Fall Semester	Friday, December 18

### Spring Semester

Dorms Open for Students, 1:00 p.m.	Sunday, January 17
Student/Faculty Seminar/ Registration, 8:00 a.m.	Monday, January 18
Beginning of Classes, 6:30 p.m.	Monday, January 18
College Day of Prayer	Tuesday, February 2
Last Day to Drop Classes for Second Semester	Tuesday, March 2
Junior-Senior Weekend	Thursday through Saturday, April 1, 2, 3
Spring Recess	April 5-12
Classes Resume	Tuesday, April 13
Ministers' Conference Seminar	April 27, 28, 29
Final Examinations (M-Th)	May 10-13
End of Spring Semester	May 14
Graduation, 7:30 p.m.	May 14
Dormitories Closed, 1:00 p.m.	Saturday, May 15

### Enroll in OBC

There is still time to enroll for the Fall Semester. To reserve your place in the freshman class or to be considered for advanced standing based upon college credits elsewhere, write:

Mrs. Rachel Newell  
Box 100  
Oregon, IL 61061

or phone Mrs. Newell at 732-7991 ext. 117. Application forms will be mailed the same day your request is received.

# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

## BAPTISMS

**Oregon, IL.** Kathy Coy responded to the Lord's invitation and on May 31, 1981, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins. It's a joy to have her as a part of our church family.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Magazine, AR.** On March 29, 1981, it was a privilege for the congregation of the Clark Chapel Church to gather at the water's edge to witness the baptism of four young men. James Stephen Bynum, Michael Anthony Hice, Martin Dewayne Hice, and Clifton O'Neal Hice confessed Jesus as their Savior and took this very important step with the writer's assistance.

J. Roy Humphreys, pastor.

**Royal, AR.** April 5, 1981, was a day of rejoicing as the Forest Hills Church of God witnessed the baptism of three young people. David Howell, Amy Chandler, and Joel Davis were assisted by Pastor Larry Mayberry in putting on Christ. We met again that evening to celebrate the communion of our Lord and to give them the right hand of fellowship. There were four others that came forward to rededicate their lives at the same time. We rejoice with the angels and sincerely pray that their lives will be a witness to all that Christ lives in their hearts. One young man, Jerry Don Smith, was baptized later because he had to postpone his baptism due to injuries received in a motorcycle accident. We pray for all who came forward. May we all meet in the kingdom of God without the loss of one.

Anita Howell, reporter.

**Royal, AR.** Jerry Don Smith was immersed in the waters of baptism on May 22, 1981, as the Forest Hills family of God watched once again this washing away of sins. It is with great rejoicing that we assist in helping one to come into the body of Christ.  
Pastor J. Roy Humphreys.

**Litchfield, MN.** It was the privilege and pleasure of this writer to assist Ruth Allen and her son David Christenson in putting on Christ in baptism on June 14, 1981, at the Long Lake Bible Campgrounds during the Annual Minnesota State Conference. They had both come forward previously during worship services at the Litchfield Church of God and confessed Christ as their Savior. We welcome Ruth and David into the membership and fellowship of the Litchfield Church of God and more importantly into the body of Christ. May God bless and lead them in their Christian walk.  
Stan Ross, pastor.

**Ripley, IL.** The brethren at the Ripley Church of God rejoiced in the decision of two young people, Julie Reische and Kevin Butler, who accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior on May 24, 1981. It is truly a joyous occasion when young people see the need to accept Christ as their Savior in their lives. Our prayers go with both of them on their new journey.

Richard Young, pastor.

**Fredericktown, MO.** Miss Heidi Cooper confessed her need of Jesus and was immersed in the waters of baptism on May 31, 1981, in a beautiful outdoor setting. We are thankful for Heidi's decision and pray God's guidance upon her daily walk with him.

Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

**Omaha, NE.** On June 21, 1981, Travis Tyler was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ at the Jaynes Street Community Church of God in Omaha. Travis is the son of Steve and LeAnn Tyler.  
Scott Ross, pastor.

**Hendersonville, NC.** We at Anderson Chapel Church of God are happy to announce the baptism of the following: Charles T. Lanning, Jr., March 5, 1981, and Joy Rhodes Cole and Randall H. Hampton, April 26, 1981. They were baptized by Pastor Daniel Fyfe.

Linda Honeycutt, secretary.

**Macomb, IL.** The Church of God announces the baptism of Mrs. Jim (Marcie) Lewis. Marcie came forward to accept Jesus Christ as her personal Savior on May 17, 1981, during the invitation at morning worship. She was baptized that evening by Pastor Rex Cain. Our prayers are with her as she begins her walk with Christ. May God bless and keep her.  
Mary Pestle, reporter.

**Raymore, MO.** It was a joyous occasion when Erica Koder, daughter of Jack and Alice Koder, sealed her faith in baptism into the body of Christ, Sunday, February 1, 1981, at the Raymore Church of God. We are happy to see her faith grow and to witness her obedience to the teachings of our Lord.  
Don Ward, pastor.

**Tipp City, OH.** Easter morning, 1981, was joyously climaxed for us at Brush Creek Church of God, OH, as Mark Herkins was immersed into Christ on that very special day. Mark is now united in Christ with his wife Cheryl, which gives us further reason to praise God as their home is led by Christ. We pray God's richest blessings upon this family as they serve Christ together.

Many tears of joy were shed on May 17, 1981, as Mark and Debbie Bell accepted Christ as their Savior that day. Their baptisms immediately followed the morning service. God's love and power to change lives was felt in an awesome way as we witnessed this couple become one in Christ as well as in marriage. May they together enjoy the abundant life Christ has to offer.

Michael Hoffman, pastor.

**Phoenix, AZ.** Our congregation in Phoenix has rejoiced in the recent additions to the family of God. Paulette Cutherell was immersed April 12, 1981, Darris Mikl on May 10, 1981 and Marilyn Bennett on June 3, 1981. They, along with Mrs. Jean Bragg, having been previously immersed, joined our fellowship on May 24, 1981. These four become the newest members of the Phoenix Bible Church of God.

James Graham, pastor.

**Litchfield, MN.** Mary McCoy came forward in a recent service to accept Jesus as her personal Savior. She was immersed in the waters of baptism for the remission of sins at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 24, 1981, at Little Swan Lake assisted by the writer. Mary lives in Litchfield, MN, and is employed at the Emmanuel Nursing Center. May God bless this young lady as she begins her Christian walk of life in Christ.

Stan Ross, pastor.

## MARRIAGES

### Sorenson-Culver

On Saturday, May 16, 1981, Diane Sorenson became the bride of Steve Culver. They were united at the Bible Church of God, Phoenix, AZ. We rejoice in their celebration of marriage and ask God's blessing upon them as they begin their life together.

James Graham, pastor.

### Davis-Grant

On Saturday, May 30, 1981, in the beautiful outdoor setting of Sedona, AZ, Pam Davis became the bride of Steve Grant. We rejoice with them as they now become united in marriage

and in their preparation for the ministry of the gospel in missions.  
James Graham, pastor.

### Ross-Sorn

Connie Ross and Steven Sorn were married in a beautiful ceremony at the Oregon Church of God, Oregon, IL on Saturday, May 2, 1981, at 6:00 p.m. Pastors Kent Ross and Scott Ross, brothers of the bride, conducted the opening of the service and her father, Stan Ross, gave the bride in marriage and then took the marriage vows in the ceremony. A reception was held at the "Seasons" in Freeport for 175 guests. The newlyweds will make their home in Crestwood, IL, a suburb of Chicago, where Steven is employed with the commuter railroad system. We invoke God's rich blessing upon them as they begin their new home together.

Pastor Stan Ross.

### Luckey-Mathis

David Lee Mathis and Sue Shipley Luckey were united in marriage on May 16, 1981, at the Gospel Mission Church of the Abrahamic Faith, Winter Haven, FL, by the writer. The couple will make their home in Auburndale, Florida. May God bless this union.  
Byron G. Jay, pastor.

### Hill-Diggs

Forest Hills Church of God at Royal, AR, was the scene of a wedding uniting Linda Hill and Donnie Diggs in holy matrimony. Friends and relatives gathered to watch this joyous occasion March 7, 1981. Pastor James Hill, the bride's brother and pastor of the Jay St Church of God, Kokomo, IN, performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Clyde and Lois Hill of Royal. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Diggs of Hot Springs, AR. A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the dining room of the church. We pray God's blessing on these young people as they start their lives together.  
Anita Howell, reporter.

### Chambers-Motley

On April 25, 1981, Laurie Chambers and Richard Motley exchanged vows in the Forest Hills Church of God at Royal, AR. The bride's grandfather, Pastor John Humphreys, performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Nell Chambers of Royal and Lenord Chambers of Pearcy. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Motley of Pearcy. A reception in the church dining hall was held immediately after the ceremony. Friends and relatives wished them well as they started their lives together. May God guide them is the prayer in our hearts.

Anita Howell, reporter.

## ATTENTION ALL AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS

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## THINK KINDLY

When I was grown, and started out to face this world of strife, my mother called and gave me this formula for life: "Think kindly, Son, and kindly be, in all you say and do. If you be kind to other folk, they will be kind to you. Think kindly of your fellow man, no matter race or creed. And never let the sun go down on unkind word or deed." This happened many years ago, but it still stands today; the kindly folk are happy folk—what more is there to say?  
—Charles H. Smith.

## CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

(Continued)

### OBITUARIES

**Charles Wilsterman** of Phoenix, AZ, fell asleep in death on May 4, 1981. Charles was the father of Pastor David Wilsterman of the Church of The Open Bible in Pomona, CA. He was 59. May our God of mercy comfort Charles's wife Barbara, and his sons Randall and David during this time of loss. James Graham, pastor.

**James Bullard**, age 63 of Phoenix, AZ, died February 25, 1981. James was the father of Jim Bullard, member of the Phoenix Bible Church. It is with anticipation that we look for the day when the sting of death is removed and no longer reigns over us. May God comfort James's wife Elizabeth and son Jim and their family in this time of loss. James Graham, pastor.

**Claire Latchum** was buried on May 13, 1981, after a year-long illness which culminated in death. Claire was the grandfather of Tracey Christy, a member of the Phoenix Bible Church. The illness and death of Claire serves as a constant reminder of the sorrow of the present and the glory of the future. James Graham, pastor.

**Ruth Swan** of Quincy, IL, fell asleep in death on May 16, 1981. She was born on September 6, 1895, and was 85 years of age at her death. She was a life-long member of the Ripley Church of God. She had been ill and hospitalized for the past three months prior to her death. She is survived by several nieces, closest being Helen Lewis, Hildreth Weber, and Mildred Hetrick. We know that Ruth Swan had the glorious hope of the resurrection at the second coming of Christ. Burial was in the Ripley Cemetery. The writer officiated the service. "If we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him" (1 Thes. 4:14). Richard L. Young, pastor.

**Olive Humphreys Stephenson** was born September 3, 1912, at Bear, AR, and died May 13, 1981. She was baptized at an early age by Brother Shelton at the Church of God at Bear. She was a faithful member and even though she married and moved to Vidor, TX, she continued to tithe to the church for there were no churches of the faith in Vidor. Through the years she has had church services at her home when some of the ministers of the faith would visit or lived close by. Her faith never wavered when she developed arthritis, but seemed to grow stronger. She always had a smile and a kind word. All who knew her loved her and she had many friends. Her stepson praised her for the influence she had on his life. A fitting epitaph is found in Proverbs 31:29, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all." Her husband Merlin and a son, Billy Lynn, both of Vidor; a daughter, Nancy Carol Reed of Kirbyville, TX; a brother, John Humphreys of Royal, AR; three sisters—Esther Sprinkle and Mary Kinsey, both of San Jose, CA, and Rachel Morris of Sedro Wooley, WA; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews, all mourn her death. But we look forward to the day we will see her again in the kingdom. Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus. Anita Howell, reporter.

**Melvin E. Partlowe**, a member of the Cool Spring Church, Browntown, VA, fell asleep in death May 13, 1981, at the age of 81 years. He is survived by his sons, Hollis and Lloyd; his daughters, Leona Taylor, Verlie Partlowe, Phyllis Manuel, and Alta Steele; 12 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife and two children. Words of comfort regarding the second coming of Jesus and the resurrection of believers were spoken by the writer in the funeral message. Stephen Bolhaus, pastor.

## Proposed Church of God Annual Budget

Below is a proposed annual budget for the Church of God General Conference which will be discussed at the Conference Business Session on August 6, 1981, at Rockford College. This proposed budget calls for contributions of \$395,225, which is \$35,725 more than contributions needed in this current fiscal year. This is an increase of 10% over this year's Goal for Giving. The Administration and Board propose this budget as realistic and if the delegates choose to adopt it, we believe it is attainable with the Lord's help and the faithful support of each member of the Church of God.

**Strother L. (D. D.) Lawrence**, 77, Raymore, MO, died March 24, 1981. D. D. was a life-long member of the Raymore (Kansas City) Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. He and his wife Blanchewere baptized the same day, November 25, 1928, by Bro. Almus Adams. He was an elder of the Raymore Church at the time of his death. He had retired in 1970 from 41 years with a Kansas City Bank, the last 10 years as vice-president. Survivors include his wife Blanche, Raymore; a son, Jack R., Palm Harbor, FL; two daughters—Mrs. Doris Elkins, Raymore, and Mrs. Connie Busch, Kansas City, MO; a brother, Richard, Fort Worth, TX; a sister, Mrs. Adeline Clodfelter, Lancaster, PA; eight grandchildren and a great granddaughter. Another brother, the late Joe Lawrence, had been president of the General Conference. After services in which Pastor Don Ward spoke words of comfort from the Bible, Bro. Lawrence was laid to rest in Raymore Cemetery to await the resurrection call of his Lord. Pastor Don Ward.

Funeral services were held on May 19, 1981, from the Eden Valley Church of God for **Grace Ruhn**, 90, who died at the Koronis Manor Nursing Home in Paynesville, MN. Pastors David Cheatwood and Stan Ross officiated at the service. Sr. Ruhn was born August 28, 1890, in St. Cloud to the late George and Lillian (Chadwick) Randall. She married William A. Ruhn October 20, 1910, in Eden Valley. A lifetime resident of the community, she was a member of the Eden Valley Church of God and the Ladies Aid. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Leone Flesland, Little Falls, MN; and a son, Norman of Eden Valley; one brother, Clyde, Oregon, IL; six grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, two infant daughters, Carol and Ruth, and four brothers. Interment was in Eden Lake Cemetery. She rests in sleep, awaiting the call to eternal life at the return of Jesus Christ her Lord. Mildred Parks, reporter.

On April 16, 1981, **Lester A. Mills** succumbed to death at St. Cloud Veterans Administration Hospital. Pastor David Cheatwood conducted funeral services from Eden Valley Church of God on April 18; Darlene and Wally Thyen provided special music. Lester Mills was born October 9, 1908, in Eden Valley, MN, the son of the late Alto and Mary (Wilson) Mills. He married Bernice Theis on June 23, 1947. The couple farmed in the Eden Valley area since that time. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps during World War II and was a member of the American Legion and the Eden Valley Church of God. He is survived by his wife, Bernice; daughters and sons—Cleo, Medford, OR; Mrs. Peter (Laurel) Malherek, Plymouth, MN; Darcy, Eden Valley; Anthony and Melanie at home. Also surviving are two sisters: Mrs. William (Eva) Driver, Paynesville, MN, and Mrs. Golda Thul, Eden Valley; a brother, Marvin Mills of Avon, MN, and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a sister, Mrs. Charles Driver, an infant brother, and a half brother, Fred Cook. Interment was in Eden Lake Cemetery. May God grant comfort and hope to friends and relatives. Bro. Mills sleeps until the call of the Lord Jesus at his return. Mildred Parks, reporter.

### PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET

#### CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

October 1, 1981, to September 30, 1982

#### ANTICIPATED INCOME:

Tuition, Room, and Board (OBC)	\$ 96,500
Auxiliary Enterprises (OBC)	1,500
Gross Sales	62,000
Miscellaneous	3,000
	<u>\$163,000</u>

#### ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Payroll & Employee Benefits	
Salaries & Wages	\$261,025
Social Security	17,975
Employee Benefits	17,650
Outside Instruction	4,500

General Operations	
Advertising	500
Films & Speakers	1,500
Foreign Exchange	1,400
Insurance-Autos	900
Auto Expense	3,500

Office Supplies	3,000
Misc.	1,300
Royalties	1,400
Typesetting Expense	1,100
Editorial	2,500

Periodicals, Books	3,125
Postage & Shipping	15,300
Printing & Binding	42,800
Professional Services	4,500
Repairs & Maintenance other than plant	3,600

Staff Training	3,400
Mailing Supplies	1,500
Supplies & Expense	7,000
Telephone	11,900
Travel	22,400

Literature	7,500
Assistance to Mission Points	1,650
Assistance to Churches	13,200
Missions Education	3,100
Assistance for Church Planting	1,000

Plant Operations	
Property Insurance	2,700
Repairs & Maintenance	3,800
Supplies & Expense	2,150
Utilities	22,900

Additions to Plant & Equipment	
Buildings	3,000
Furniture & Equipment	11,950
Library Books	5,000
Vehicle Replacement	4,500

Purchases	
Food	30,000
Resale Items	12,000

Total Anticipated Expenses \$558,225

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED  
(Goal for Giving)

\$395,225

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 28-30, 1981—Fall Northeast Conference, Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Ontario, Warren Sorenson, guest speaker.

### COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Randy Townsend, Gurnee, IL; Ruth Allen, Litchfield, MN; Diane Irwin, Oregon, IL; Earl Poland, Baltimore, MD; Dennis Burton, Sterling Park, VA; Verna Kelly, Baltimore, MD.

### DIRECTORY CHANGES

Southwest Conference

**Phoenix Church (Bible)**, 4222 East Lincoln Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85253

Illinois Churches

**Flagg Center Community Church**, Rt 4, Rochelle 61068

Gordon Landry, Pastor, 1010 S 5th St, Oregon 61061

Mrs Barbara Landry, Sec, 1010 S 5th St, Oregon 61061

Dan Foster, Supt, 4203 Beach St, Apt 6, Rockford 61108

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New, Timothy (Sandra), Rt 1, Bx 1609, Alexandria, AL 36250

Moore, Dean H (Virginia), 8223 Scott Hamilton Dr, Apt K-26, Little Rock, AR 72209

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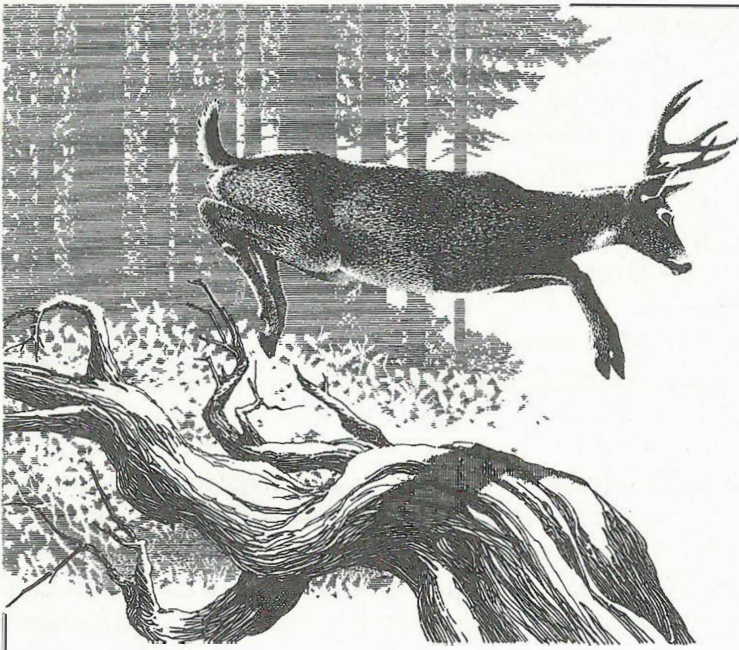
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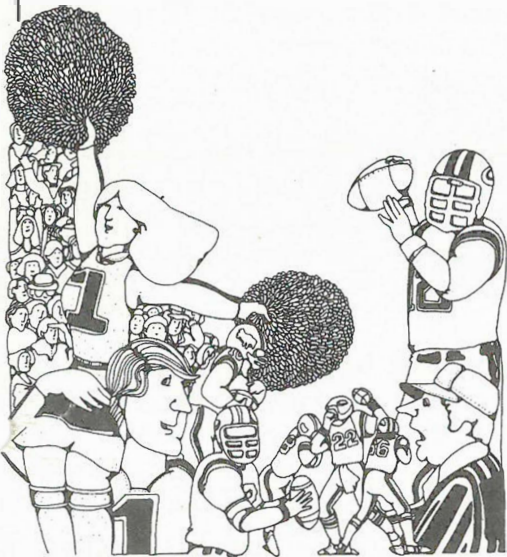


# Church of God

## Progress Journal



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### Oregon Bible College Instructor

Pastor Kent Ross has joined the Faculty of Oregon Bible College beginning in the Fall of 1981. He brings strength and experience to the pastoral studies curriculum. In addition to Pastoral Theology and Preaching, Kent will be teaching Bible Survey courses.

Kent has 15 years experience in the pastoral ministry. Most recently, he has held a pastorate at the Lakeshore Church of God, Tempe, Arizona. Previously, he held pastorates in Grand Rapids, Michigan; Dayton, Ohio; and Moorefield, Nebraska.

Bro. Ross has studied at the University of Minnesota and Arizona State University majoring in the Social Sciences. In addition, he holds a Bachelor of Theology degree from Oregon Bible College. He plans to continue in his academic development.

Throughout his ministry, Kent has been active in writing and editing Church of God publications. For six years he edited *Challenge*. Under his leadership, the magazine sponsored several creative writing and art contests among the readers. Several promising talents have been discovered.

For the past two years Pastor Ross has edited *Pastor to Pastor*, a newsletter for Church of God ministers. The newsletter has featured pertinent reprints, professional articles, and conference business reports and news. Kent plans to continue his editorial work. He recently joined the staff of writers furnishing materials for the Adult Truth Seeker's quarterly.

A native of Minnesota, Kent is the son of Brother and Sister Stanley O. Ross, former Oregon residents now residing in Litchfield, Minnesota. S. O. Ross is a former Executive Director of the Church of God General Conference, now retired. Kent is married to the former Cheryl Macy. They have three sons: Seth, 10; Kirk, 7; and Zachary, 3. They reside at 706 Washington St., where they look forward to meeting old Oregon friends and making many new friends in the community.



Kent Ross

### Oregon Bible College Support of Instruction



Janet Stilson

Janet Stilson has joined the Oregon Bible College staff as Director of Library and Instructional Support. Her employment fulfills a commitment made in 1977 when conference offerings were designated to equip a person educationally and practically for such a position. She is a 1963 graduate of Oregon Bible College. She also holds a B.A. degree in social sciences and a Master of Science degree in library science from Northern Illinois University.

Janet's library experience includes serving as a student worker in the OBC library, employment in the library and audio-visual departments at Sauk Valley College, and employment as librarian in charge at the Taft Field Campus Library of Northern Illinois University.

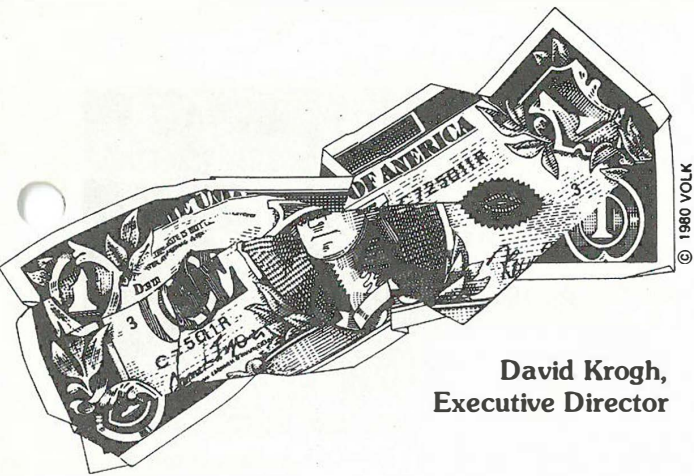
Janet's hobby is history. She is a feature writer for a Rockford Newspaper, specializing in Illinois History. Her account of the 122-year history of the college administration and classroom building was published in the dedication program and in the November, 1980, edition of PROGRESS JOURNAL. Her articles have been published in professional journals in history and in education.

An adequate college library is a center of reference, study, and research materials for students, faculty, and the entire college community. It is also a point of access to libraries and sources of information around the world through interlibrary loan. At Oregon Bible College, Instructional Support Services maintains a library, television production equipment, and an audiovisual laboratory.

Welcome Janet Stilson, Instructional Support Director, author, historian, and qualified teacher.

### Additional Staff

Cynthia Jo Isenhoff assumed a full-time position on the staff of the Church of God General Conference following her graduating from Oregon Bible College last May. While attending college, Cindy worked part time as a custodian and as an assistant in the Publishing Department doing paste-up work. She is continuing with both of these responsibilities on a full-time basis. Cindy was a member of the Southlawn Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan, prior to coming to OBC.



**David Krogh,  
Executive Director**

**Conference Finances**

We extend special appreciation to the many individuals who responded to the membership mailing requesting contributions to meet our current deficit. However, giving from June 10 to August 9 was short of our goal by over \$10,000. This has increased our deficit for this fiscal year to over \$37,000. Your contribution is needed NOW to help support our missionaries, to provide pastoral aid to several churches, to make it possible for Oregon Bible College to begin the fall semester, and to provide the free literature which will be mailed during the next four months. I must ask each of you to pray about this Conference need and then determine what you are able to do to help.

**1981 General Conference**

The 61st Annual Church of God General Conference was held at Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, August 3-7. The Conference theme, "You Are the Church," was clearly communicated by each speaker and teacher. There were over 500 persons present for one or more sessions during the week. There were 161 voting delegates compared to 160 at the 1980 Conference.

The new Board members elected were: William Burnham from the Columbia Church at Columbia Station, Ohio, and Dallas Demmitt from the Lakeview Bible Church in Scottsdale, Arizona. We wish to thank Bro. Harold Doan and Bro. Dwaine Demmitt, retiring Board members, for their years of faithful service on the Board of Directors.

The seven directors elect their own officers. For the next Conference year the officers are: Joe James, Chairman; John Hearp, Vice-Chairman; Shirley Urish, Secretary; Bill Burnham, Treasurer; and Dallas Demmitt, James Graham, and Maurice Robinson, Jr., Directors.

The four recommendations printed in the June PROGRESS JOURNAL were adopted with several amendments by the delegates. A budget

was approved that will require \$406,625 in contributions during the next fiscal year which begins October 1.

The minutes of the 1981 General Conference and the 1981-82 Budget will be published in the October issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL.

As a part of the Wednesday evening service, two ministerial candidates received their licenses from the License and Ordination Board. The two candidates were Bro. Charles Durham and Bro. Bobby Lee Partain. Both young men are from the Guthrie Grove Church in South Carolina, and both recently completed their internship programs. Bro. Durham is serving as pastor of the Greenville, SC, Church, and Bro. Partain is pastor of the Church of the Open Bible in Pomona, CA. Our prayers are with these two dedicated young men and their wives as they begin their pastoral ministry.

**Board of Directors Meeting**

The Board of Directors of the General Conference met each day during Conference at Rockford College. In addition to dealing with business matters being discussed by the delegates, the Board appointed the 1982 General Conference Program Committee. The members will be the Conference Executive Council consisting of David McClain, Russell Magaw, Warren Sorenson, Charles Pryor, and David Krogh; Shirley Urish, and Pastor Sydney Kirkpatrick.

The Board set its next regular meeting for November 9 and 10 at Oregon, Illinois. Any items of business that should be brought to the attention of the Board should be presented to the Executive Director or one of the Board members prior to that date.

**GOAL FOR GIVING**

October 1, 1980 - September 30, 1981 **\$359,500**

	<b>Needed</b>	<b>Given</b>
Oct 1-9	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 12,277.00
Oct 10-Nov. 9	29,960.00	23,408.00
Nov. 10-Dec. 9	29,960.00	24,520.00
Dec. 10-Jan. 9	29,960.00	29,009.00
Jan. 10-Feb. 9	29,960.00	38,495.00
Feb. 10-Mar. 9	29,960.00	20,790.00
Mar. 10-Apr. 9	29,960.00	23,701.00
Apr. 10-May 9	29,960.00	20,558.00
May 10-June 9	29,960.00	28,813.00
June 10-Aug. 9	59,920.00	49,180.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$308,452.00</b>	<b>\$270,751.00</b>
Deficit through Aug. 9		\$ 37,701.00
Needed Aug. 10-Sept. 9		29,960.00

**GOAL for Aug. 10-Sept. 9 \$67,661.00**



### Greetings From the President

Just one year ago I wrote about the parallels between my move to Oregon, Illinois, and Jonah's eventful journey to Nineveh. Now as school begins for the forty-third term, enrollment has dropped from the low 40's to the mid-30's. Exact information will be provided next month since enrollment was not complete at press time. The campus is filled with the sounds of workers and staff busily putting the finishing touches on buildings, course outlines, and schedules. Cool nights and bright, dry days signal the coming of autumn.

This autumn finds Oregon Bible College on the threshold of exciting but crucial times. As the American economy continues its inflationary trend, Oregon Bible College costs escalate proportionately. A decrease in enrollment diminishes the efficiency of operation, thus raising per-capita costs at a disproportionate rate. Many of the operating expenses are fixed costs—costs that would not change significantly until enrollment exceeded 60 plus. The solution is increased enrollment—increased demonstration of confidence in Oregon Bible College.

A Bible college should be on the growing edge, providing leadership training for the churches. OBC is in such a position. This year we have seven persons in internships. Karen Mitchell and Darlene Burkhart are pioneering internships in Christian Education Ministry. Ministers are beginning to take advantage of continuing education opportunities by taking courses such as audiovisual methods, counseling, and advanced Christian Education.

At their recent annual meeting the members of the Alumni Association expressed a renewed awareness of their responsibility to recruit and to encourage students to attend the Bible College. Such awareness must be followed by positive action. To assist alumni efforts in recruitment, College personnel and/or student representatives are available to meet potential students at state conferences, local churches, or at central locations where a meeting might be set up with two or more churches participating.

As Christians continue to monitor world events, the truth contained in the following statement becomes an ever-nearer reality:

“The day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up” (2 Peter 3:10).



Charles  
Pryor,  
President

How brief is our time to minister? How much time do we have to reach the lost with the gospel? The next verses (11-13) provide Scriptural insight into what manner of persons we ought to be and requires diligence in our preparation for Christ's coming:

“Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.”

**OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE BOOSTERS SET RECORD—\$12,507.51.** Five thousand dollars was specifically designated for reducing the balance on the Renovation of the Golden Rule Building Project.

### Junior-Senior Weekend

Two Junior-Senior Weekends will be held this year. The first will be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, October 8, 9, 10. High school juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend. By attending classes and staying in the dormitories, visitors have a first-hand view of life at our college. For information and to make arrangements to attend a Junior-Senior Weekend, contact your pastor or youth leader.

### Spiritual Growth

The OBC staff and student leaders have adopted the goal of making this year of small enrollment a year of spiritual enrichment. We will spend added time in prayer and planning to assure that this campus is a place where God's presence and power are apparent to all. Please pray for each student and staff member that we may accomplish our goal.

## Mission Play

To help you in your special missions emphasis during November (Missions Month), the Outreach Department has available a play entitled "The Undelivered Letter." It has an important message about the responsibility of each of us in getting out the good news. The play calls for nine characters and could easily be presented by people in your church. For a copy of the script write to Outreach Department, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

Several years ago the Missions Department recommended the play "For This Cause." It is a reader's theater play (participants may read their parts) and tells the story of the ministry and martyrdom of John and Betty Stam, missionaries to China.

If you are interested in using this play, we have eight copies to loan, which would be enough for each participant to have one. All we ask is that you pay the postage both ways.

Perhaps you will wish to buy your own copies to keep. At the time our copies were purchased, the price was \$2.25 each.

Address all inquiries to John Carr, 4542 E. Pecan Road, Phoenix, AZ 85040.

## News From Nigeria

Mrs. Virginia Blair recently spent a week in Oregon, IL, sharing with us her impressions of our mission work in Nigeria. An automobile accident a few years ago resulted in permanent injury to her leg and hip. She refuses to allow this handicap to deter her from actively working in missions.

She has made two extended visits to our churches in Nigeria, during which time she worked with Pastor Ephraim Udo, Solomon Idiong, and John Obott. Her first visit, January through March of 1979, was unintended. Her plans were to visit a different mission work in Nigeria. Pastor Ephraim was to meet her and transport her to another church. However, he took her to his church and she decided the Lord must have a purpose for her at Ephraim's church. After spending three months in Nigeria she returned to the States and contacted Bro. S. O. Ross with a first-hand report of our mission there.

Her second visit, March through May of this year, was spent working with our pastors and people giving them Bible teaching, suggestions for their building needs, teaching arts and crafts, helping them organize their church program, and instructing them in gardening and planting techniques.

Mrs. Blair plans to make another trip next January. When asked what we could send with her she responded, "communion sets." They need four more sets due to the number of members in the church. Another factor is that the sets they do have must be carried from church to church. In addition to communion sets, they need Bible-teaching materials, lessons from OBC, Sunday School materials, VBS material, and hymn books. Virginia mentioned that each of the pastors—Ephraim, Solomon, and John has asked for a suit of clothes. She also stated that the people can use summer clothing.

In response to the question, "What is the greatest need of our churches in Nigeria which we could supply?" she said, "The greatest need is for educational books for Christian training. They need books to give them information on how to organize and conduct their ministry effectively. Sunday School Superintendents need materials, they need literature, including tracts. A major need is for someone to go to Nigeria to conduct training courses in a Bible college setting." She stated that the door is wide open and they are eagerly waiting for us to send people to provide training for them.

I asked Virginia about the potential of our churches in Nigeria. To this question she answered, "The churches there can be very fruitful. The field is wide open and if you develop it for the glory of God you will never be disappointed." She also responded that, among the 40,000 people in the area, a significant number are not participating in any church and are responsive to the gospel.

The pastors are interested in their work and dedicated to the Lord. There may also be other churches in the area that may wish to unite with the Church of God General Conference.

My personal reaction to this is, we have a wide-open field which represents an opportunity and a challenge. God opens doors and calls for workers. The voice of the Lord to Isaiah echoes in our ears: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" May we also hear the response, "Here am I; send me."

## Are You Interested in Urbana 81?

Urbana 81 is a student mission convention to be held at the University of Illinois Urbana/Champaign on December 27-31. Students, pastors, and all who are interested in missions can attend. The purpose is to gain an awareness of the call to world evangelization. Anyone interested can write for details to the Department of Outreach, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

# OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

## NEWS

Warren  
Sorenson,  
Director

# Sowing

In a recent session at the 1981 General Conference a point was made that 40 years ago the Church of God had 5,000 members and today the number has changed very little. This alarming problem caused some questions to arise in my mind as to why this fact is true and what remedies are needed to change this situation.

As Bro. Warren Sorenson pointed out, truth in doctrine contains within it the necessity of declaring it to others. If we do have the concept of Bible truth and do not diffuse it, do we really have it? Possibly we should examine our church family to see what general characteristics we tend to possess, what kinds of people our forefathers were, and what is the nature of our contemporary world. With this information in mind, we should be able to become a growth-oriented body of believers.

Personal observation clearly indicates that we are an extended family of many interrelated families. It is possible to know personally nearly every member of our church. Families become interlinked with other families through intermarriage, within the church group. However, when we marry outside the church, or if we move to a non-church locale, we tend to lose our church family connection. Selection of a mate within the group is not very wide. Statistics indicate that most people marry someone who lives within a mile of their homes.

If our churches were larger, therefore, there would be a greater tendency to marry someone of our own faith. If

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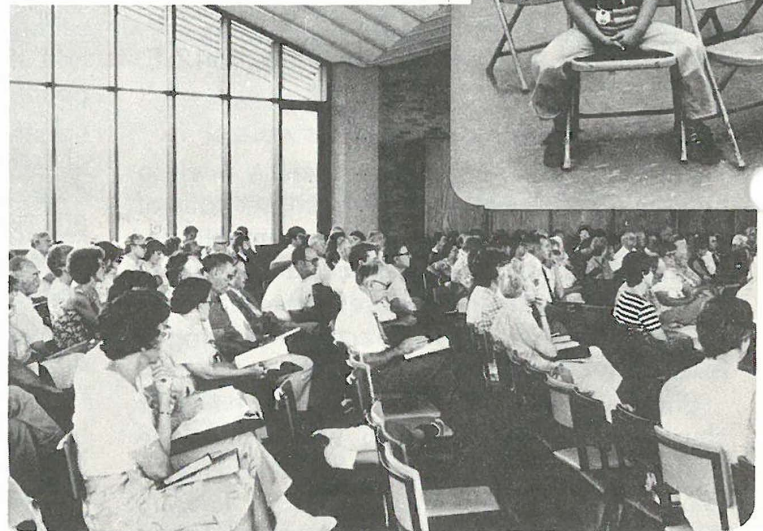
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we marry outside our church or if we move to another locale, normally we will become content to worship in a similar church, or become inert spiritually, depending upon the circumstances. Unlike many other groups, we do not use marriage as the occasion to proselyte or convert someone to our ways. Up to now we have not attempted to organize new groups in the community to which we move. If we were to do so, our numbers would expand by natural processes. However, since we lose our naturally growing numbers, the new converts just about equal our losses. Attracting new members to a non-expanding base keeps the membership about constant. If migrating members were to start new groups, and if our children and their families were to remain loyal, we would either double or even triple our base about every thirty years. The group of 5,000 of 1940 should be about 15,000 by 1970 and 25,000 by 1980. As Malthus, a nineteenth century clergyman turned economist, pointed out, population expands geometrically. If we remain stable in number, in reality we are fast losing ground. The

5,000 members of 1980 may well represent a net loss of 20,000 members since 1940.

Our church has a definite personality. We were founded by non-conformist Englishmen who were courageous truth-seekers outside the mainstream of their society. When they moved overseas they carried this love for truth and love for the Scriptures with them. Since they were unusual and different, they were often not accepted and easily became introverted and kept to themselves. If their children wished to conform to society, the tendency was to drop out of the group and not perpetuate the ideas of their parents. Other truth-seekers would join them but losses of the next generation made

by Art Fletcher



expansion difficult. They were interested in quality and not quantity. Their views seemed strange to others, which could easily inhibit those seeking protection within the group. When threatened from without, human beings tend to desire the comfort and safety of their group. A tendency to distrust other people is natural in this situation and the desire to expand is easily thwarted. Because they were not readily accepted, they may have become reticent to publicize who they were.

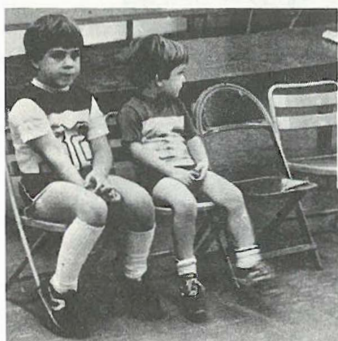
Where do we find ourselves now in the contemporary world? Our society has evolved from an overtly church-oriented, spiritually controlled organization to a scientifically materialistic and depersonalized one.

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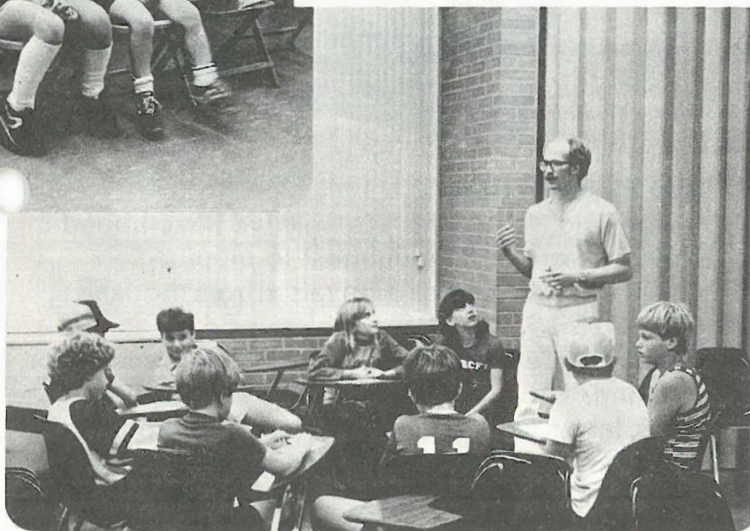
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# he Seed

The authority of the Lord, his Word, and his Son, the living word, has been usurped by the authority of Freud, Marx, Darwin, behaviorism, situation ethics, or self. Man has often placed himself in the role of the Creator responsible for no one but himself. In this climate it is difficult to approach mankind with a criteria featuring the authority of God and his Word and the need for deep personal responsibility. It is not hard to see why cults are the rage today. They are a response to the de-personalized man caught between the humdrum and modern technology. The charismatic movement found in all groups today is also not accidental. It is an unfortunate departure from reason by people seeking emotional re-



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lease in a coldly logical world of affluence. It is excitement and magic in an unimaginative world. Is it not also indicative of conditions within the spiritual organizations during the last days? In our age of so-called scientific reason, such a flourishing of unreasonable emotional reactions in spiritual matters is indeed a paradox.

If spiritual and numerical growth is part of Scriptural truth, how then can we prove it by increasing our numbers dramatically? Why are we losing our young people to less spiritually enlightened groups through marriage and other means? Why can't we retain those who have been exposed to accurate knowledge? Why is truth secondary in so many lives? We need to know what are the forces we have to overcome to make our people committed to truth. We cannot afford to lose these valuable resources vital to our growth.

Those of us who migrate tend to seek out a church similar to our faith and attend there. Some of us find this very unsatisfactory and our spiritual life begins to decline. These migrants should be contacted and encouraged to start a cell group in their home much like the Apostolic church did. Our children, not reinforced by the larger family, usually fall by the wayside and another generation of church growth is lost. My father had this insight and wisdom. He remained in Fonthill, Ontario, Canada, at some inconvenience to his job so that our family could have the benefit of our church. As a result, all of us have retained our church connection and his faith has been perpetuated in many of his grandchildren. He envisioned also the need for a new church locale and the church plant at Fonthill is second to none in our whole family of churches because of such foresight. If our migrant members were to have a vision of a church in their new communities, our growth would be perpetuated naturally as well as in new members drawn by our zeal for their welfare. Growth would be geometric and dramatic.

The character of a truth-seeker has many desirable traits. He or she is a student seeking answers which lead to self-improvement and a better life. God has ingrained this instinct into human nature in part so we will seek him as he is the truth and the source of all truth. However, it is very easy for the means to become the end in this process. We can so intensely focus on obtaining the truth



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that we lose sight of the fact that using it is the ultimate goal. Our vision should contain a dynamic truth, truth in action obtaining positive results. We should not fear rejection. Our Master was rejected by his society at large, but his message has transformed the world in spiritual matters. As God informed Moses, "They have not rejected you. They have rejected me." Visualize the completed picture first and God will build the material structure. This principle is as true as any law of physics.

The world today is hungry for truth, hope, love, acceptance, and individual worth, in spite of its overt cynicism and sophistication. The Word of God satisfies all hungers. However, many are falling prey and are vulnerable to false answers—cults, magic, drugs, charisma, etc. Our world is in a state of perpetual bomb scare. God's message of hope of eternal life for mortal man is irresistible. If we believe the Second Coming is near, we have the responsibility to shout it at the top of our lungs. This message alone should get the world's attention. All we need to do is publicize God's Word by our words and actions. Our church family has the quality. Let us add to quality quantity without diluting the message. If we plant and water, God will provide the increase to his honor.


**BYF NEWS**
  
 Hugh Harman, Youth Director

**Coins-for-Christ Contest**

Only seven BYF groups entered the contest this year, but they averaged \$816.55 in contributions. For the sixth year in a row the Guthrie Grove youth topped the chart. Their winning total contributions reached the fantastic sum of **THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS AND SIXTY-EIGHT CENTS.**

We commend the Guthrie Grove youth, their leaders, and their church in another fine effort of supporting the work of the Berean Youth Fellowship. We challenge another youth group to top their effort in this next year. Two Minnesota BYF groups finished second and third in the competition. The youth of Eden Valley raised \$1,266.32. They were followed closely by the Hector youth and their \$971.51 figure.

The youth of Bedford, Ohio, made their first appearance in the top four by netting \$221.25 in the drive.

The other three groups in the competition were the youth of Burr Oak, Indiana, Cool Spring (Browntown), Virginia, and Hope Chapel (South Bend), Indiana.

In all, the seven groups contributed \$5,715.84 to make Coins-for-Christ 1980-1981 a very successful campaign. Our thanks are extended to all of the groups which participated this year. May God bless you all.

Special award plaques were given to representatives of the top three groups in the contest at this summer's Youth Conference.

**1981 International Berean Youth Conference**

Our theme, "Be Ready for Action," typified the whole Conference, from programming to activities. Each class and evening service, campfire and morning devotional, workshop and cabin devotional, all pointed the camper to action in light of the times.

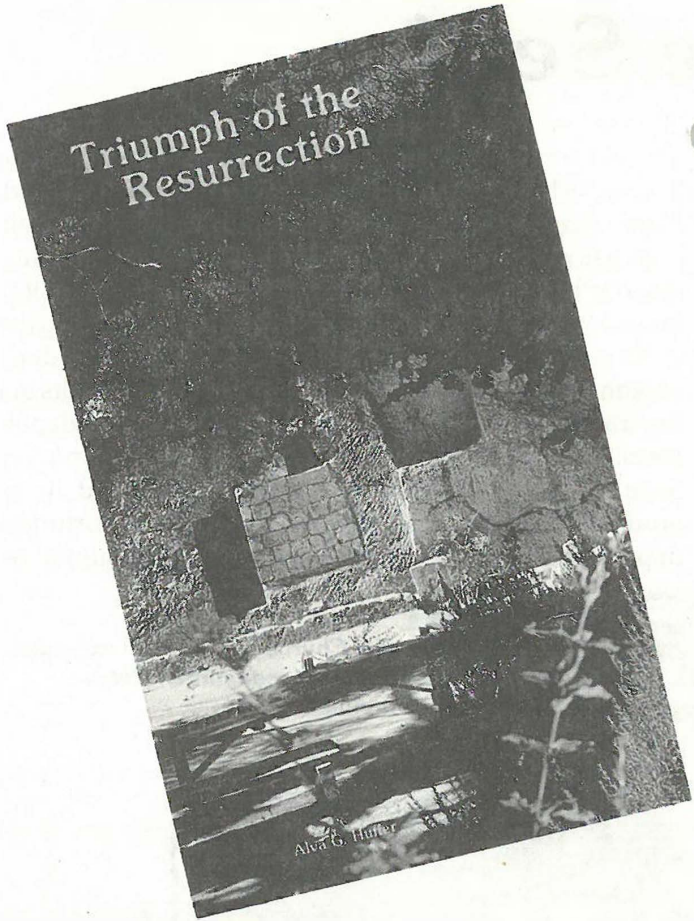
Because of this theme and the interaction of staff and campers—and the Lord's presence throughout the week—this year's Youth Conference was most helpful spiritually. On decision night, 21 persons responded to the call for conversion and baptism. Many more rededicated their lives to the Lord. And dozens of campers and staff left camp with a determination to put into action this year their new-found faith. If the Lord comes before Youth Conference next year, I'm sure that many persons will have been prepared because of the help they received in this week.

Statistically, the Youth Conference rebounded from the lower numbers of recent years. Our high school camp under the direction of Bro. Jim Graham had a total enrollment of 197. The post-high camp under the direction of Bro. Don Needham had a total enrollment of 85. With the addition of 42 staff, the overall attendance at the 1981 Berean Youth Conference reached 324.

The fantastic success of the Youth Conference is due to God's blessing, the cooperation of all the youth, and the dedication of a fine staff. I express my deep appreciation to God, Jesus, and to all the staff at both camps.

**Newly Elected Youth Conference President**

Congratulations to Brad Eldred of Oregon, IL, for having been elected to serve as President of the Berean Youth Conference. Brad is attending Oregon Bible College.



**Why Resurrection?**

Paul said, "If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied.

"But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead . . ." (1 Cor. 15:19, 20a, RSV, Holman Ed.).

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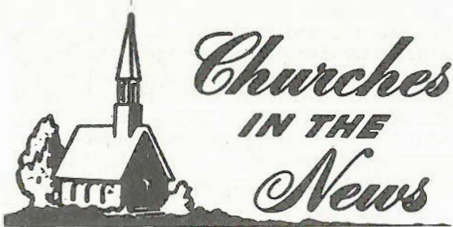
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# CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



## BAPTISMS

**Columbus, OH.** The Hilliard Bible Church of God would like to announce the baptism of Harold Looney. Harold came forth Sunday, May 17, 1981, during the invitation. He was baptized that same day by Pastor C. F. Roth and Elders Duane Johnson and Ron Roth. Our prayers are with him as he starts his new walk in life with Jesus Christ. May God bless him and keep him.

The Hilliard Bible Church of God would also like to announce the baptism of Patricia Farmer of Lancaster, OH. Patricia came forward during the invitation on Sunday, June 21, 1981. She was buried in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins that same day by Pastor C. F. Roth and Elders Duane Johnson and Ron Roth. Our love and our prayers are with her always. May God bless her and keep her.

Brenda Johnson, secretary.

**Winter Haven, FL.** The Gospel Mission Church of the Abrahamic Faith announces the baptism of Sue Mathis of Auburndale, Florida. Sue came forward to accept Jesus Christ as her personal Savior Sunday, May 24, 1981, during the invitation. She was baptized the following Sunday in Lake Ariana in Auburndale by Pastor Byron G. Jay. Our prayers are with her as she begins her walk with Christ. May God bless her and keep her.

Audrey E. Jay, secretary.

**Pomona, CA.** On May 26, 1981, it was a distinct pleasure to baptize Dr. Walter Attwell. Dr. and Mrs. Thelma Moore-Attwell reside in Trinidad, California. May our God bless Walter according to his baptismal commitment.

The Church of the Open Bible rejoiced with David Humphrey as he was immersed in baptismal waters in compliance with our Savior's command. His baptism took place after our regular morning worship service on Sunday, June 21, 1981. Our prayer is that David will continue to grow in the Lord and develop fully in his grace. David L. Wilsterman, pastor.

**Oregon, IL.** June 28, 1981, was a special day for all of us at the East Oregon Chapel. We held a beautiful outdoor service on the banks of the Kyte creek near Oregon. We celebrated with special music, congregational singing, and the morning message. We had a record attendance for the year as many friends and loved ones came to witness the baptism of three of our ladies. Those baptized were Eva Seyster, Marcella Miles, and Pansy Sarver. We rejoice with the angels in heaven as we welcome these three new sisters into the body of Christ.

Richard Eldred, pastor.

**Tippecanoe, OH.** On May 31, 1981, the body of Christ was thrilled to see Kim Lippincott respond to the gospel invitation accepting Christ as her personal Savior. Kim was aided in recognizing her need of Christ by two friends who had recently accepted Christ also. Kim's baptism was on June 14 during a full and exciting day of events on June Meeting Sunday at Brush Creek

Church of God. May Kim be richly blessed and lead a fruitful and abundant life in service to God.

On June 21, 1981, we were deeply moved to see God once again change lives. Kim Moore and Angela Gaessler responded to the invitation accepting Christ as their personal Savior. Both were baptized on June 28 immediately following the morning worship service at Brush Creek Church of God. Kim's baptism unites her in Christ with her husband Dave. Angela's decision as a 12-year-old gives her a lifetime to serve her Lord. May both find true joy and fulfillment in their new Christian walk. We praise God for the way he is working among us. Michael Hoffman, pastor.

**Minneapolis, MN.** We are very pleased to have welcomed a new couple into our fellowship. They are Larry and Sherry Kowal. They gave their lives to Christ and wanted to go down to the river to be baptized. They were baptized by the writer on Wednesday, June 10, 1981, before a gathering of our people at the riverside of the Mississippi River. We thank God for their excitement and enthusiasm, and pray that they and we will continue to grow and mature in Christ. Rex L. Shaw, pastor.

**Michigantown, IN.** Country Chapel Church of God rejoices that Carl Nern and Charlotte Howe accepted Jesus Christ as Savior in the waters of baptism on June 13, 1981. The service was performed by Pastor Ken Howe, son of Charlotte, with this writer assisting. They, along with Rosalie Nern, wife of Carl, who previously had been baptized, were received into membership at the Country Chapel on the following Sunday.

The Country Chapel Church of God is also pleased to introduce four new Christians who were baptized during the month of July, 1981. Woody and Evelyn Corwin and their grandson, Andy Myers, were baptized on July 12. On July 26, we welcomed Dennis Davey into the body of Christ through the rite of baptism.

Greg Demmitt, pastor.

**Pelzer, SC.** There has been much to rejoice about at the Guthrie Grove Church of God this past year as there have been 22 who accepted the Lord Jesus Christ through the waters of baptism. Those not previously reported to you are: February 22, Thompson Smith; April 26, Linda Chad and Charles Kay; May 17, Barry Pack; May 24, Jerry and Linda Emory; May 30 Pastor Bender was assisted by Loie Jones as they immersed Ralph Broach in the waters of baptism. On June 21, Deborah Guthrie and P. M. (Junior) Farr accepted Christ; and during a Wednesday evening service Jean and Bobby Ashley came forward and were immersed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

A very special privilege was given to Pastor Bender when his daughter Annette was baptized at the Hope Chapel Church of God in South Bend, while he was guest speaker there. He also assisted Jeffrey Smith in putting on Christ.

At Berean Youth Camp this year Dean McCombs, Robert Scott Ballard, Scott Hughes, Linda James, and Lee Ann Chandler from Guthrie Grove and Billie Finch from Hendersonville, NC, came forward to give their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ. On August 9, they joined Pamala Rene Burris and Joan McKee in putting on Christ through the waters of baptism.

We praise God for these who have made lifelong commitments to the Lord Jesus Christ, and pray that God will bless them and his church richly. Edward Bender, pastor.

**Sycamore, IL.** Judith Lynn Foster, daughter of Ray and Margaret Foster, went forward at national camp to indicate her desire to begin to walk in the steps "of the faith of Abraham." Upon confession of faith, she was immersed by the writer in the Wenatchee River near Cashmere, WA, on August 2, 1981. Her membership will be with the Flagg Center, IL, congregation. May the Lord's strength abide with her in truth always. Pastor Delbert Rankin.

**Royal, AR.** We, the Forest Hills Church of God, are very happy to welcome into the body of Christ Debbie Shelton, Sandra Hill, Russell Hill, and Angela McCall. They accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior and committed their lives to him through the waters of baptism on July 26, 1981. Each received the right hand of fellowship and joined with us in the Lord's supper Sunday, August 2. We pray God's guidance and rich blessing upon them in their new walk in a life with Christ. Larry W. Mayberry, pastor.

**Flagg Center, IL.** Three of our teen-agers attended the 1981 International Berean Youth Conference at Camp Alexander Mack this year, and all three went forward to accept Christ as their Savior on Decision Night. Monty Mickey was subsequently baptized by the writer at King's Camp near Rochelle, IL, on Sunday, July 26; Judy Foster was baptized at the Washington State Family Camp by Pastor Delbert Rankin of Ladora, IA, on Sunday, August 2; and Steve Beach was immersed by the writer in Kyte Creek near Rochelle, IL, on Sunday, August 2. May God keep these young people in his care as the congregation of believers supports them by example and prayer. Gordon Landry, pastor.

**Pomona, CA.** The Church of the Open Bible rejoices with the angels of heaven as four new members were added recently to our body of fellowship. Karen Steiner sealed her commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ in baptism on Sunday, July 23, 1981, during the morning worship service. Then on Sunday, August 2, 1981, Brenda Bass, Russell Pinkerton, and Byron Caldwell were all immersed confirming their commitment to Christ as Lord. We pray that God will guide them as they mature in the Lord, and that he will use us, the congregation, in godly counsel. Dorothy Butler, secretary.

**Pleasant Hill, OH.** At the close of the morning worship service on July 26, 1981, Ronald Mullins responded to the invitation to accept Jesus Christ as his Savior. He was baptized immediately after church service at the Dean Vance pond. On August 2, Ronald was given his baptismal certificate and the right hand of fellowship. Our prayer is that God will bless Ronald in his new walk in Christ. Fred A. Pensyl, pastor.

**Plymouth, IN.** On July 6, 1981, Scott Huffman was baptized into Christ's body at North Salem Church of God in the DeMien Pond. May his new birth be blessed and his new life's fellowship be sweet. We love him and rejoice with him and will continue to do so till Christ comes, Lord willing. Ken Howe, pastor.

**Harlingen, TX.** The entire congregation was gladdened when three young people went forward for baptism after an inspiring sermon. Matthew Eckerson, Casey Hayse, and Carey Hayse were immersed in the waters of baptism the following Sunday, June 21, 1981—Father's Day. Robin Hayse assisted in the baptism service. We pray God's blessings on these three,

that under the saving blood of Jesus Christ they will put him first in their lives and be an example for others in their walk through life and service.  
Austin Railton, pastor.

**South Bend, IN.** We are pleased to welcome into Hope Chapel Church of God Shelly Higbee, Cheryl Osborn, and Jeff Smith. Shelly and Cheryl were baptized in the name of Jesus on July 5, 1981. Jeff was baptized by former Pastor Ed Bender on July 12. Ed also had the privilege of baptizing his oldest daughter Annette on that same day. We rejoice with the angels in heaven over these four young people who have dedicated their lives to the Lord.  
John A. Railton, pastor.

**Scottsdale, AZ.** Our congregation, The Bible Church of God, recently rejoiced in our first baptisms in our new facilities. It was an inspiring and moving service as Ginger Lee Schoonover, Cindy L. Churchill, Lori Ann Campbell, Felicia Mary Cooley, Roy A. Rider, Stephanie Colleen Fannon, and Travis Lee Rappleyea were immersed into the waters of baptism.  
James A. Graham, pastor.

**Glendale, CA.** Pastor Joe Martin baptized Mrs. Veronica Hazlip and Miss Kim Bennett on Sunday, July 5, 1981. We rejoice that they accepted the call to be baptized in his saving name. May they walk faithfully in his pathway.  
Bernedene Jones, secretary.

**Greenbrier, AR.** July 5, 1981, was a very exciting day at McGintytown Church of God. The Lord has blessed us tremendously with the physical things of our new building, an organ, and now a bus. This day God blessed us in a very spiritual way. We witnessed the baptisms of three that day along with four more who requested to move their membership. Those that were baptized were James Coker, Lisa Coker, and Tammy Ingram. Those who were welcomed into our fellowship were Gail Coker, Vonna Dean Coker, Teresa Coker, and Helen Ingram. We praise God for these decisions and the way we have been richly blessed these past few months.

"And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:46, 47).  
Thomas New, pastor.

**Springfield, OH.** The North Hills Church of God is pleased to announce the baptisms of Mitzzy Williams on July 5, 1981, and Katy Heeg on August 2. We praise God for these new additions to the body of Christ.  
Joseph Duncan, pastor.

**Minneapolis, MN.** We greatly rejoiced with the four young ladies who recently made their decision to accept Christ and be baptized in his name. The writer had the privilege of baptizing Kelly Hammer, Stacia Hammer, and Julie Hammer on Sunday, July 19, 1981, and also Cheri Hansen on Sunday, July 26. The services were conducted at the Mississippi River. We thank God for these young people and their decision, praying that they will grow in Christ and be blessed in their new walk with him.  
Rex Shaw, pastor.

**Fredericktown, MO.** On July 26, 1981, four young people were immersed into the saving name of Jesus in an early-morning outdoor service. We welcome into the body of Christ and church fellowship Eddie Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cooper; Donna Jane Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cooper; Brad Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin (Buddie) Cooper; and Kathy Conrad, daughter of Ed Conrad and Rose Lydy. We pray God's blessings upon them as they daily walk with him.  
Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

**Oregon, IL.** Julie Dirksen and Michael Welch were baptized into Christ at the Oregon Church, July 26, 1981. We praise God for their confession of faith and pray that God will use these two young people for his glory and honor.  
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

**Blanchard, MI.** The Blanchard congregation rejoiced with the commitments and baptisms of Kellee and Tracy Thrush on June 21, 1981, Patty Foster on July 21, and Mary Moralez on August 23. We welcome them into local membership.  
Don Needham, pastor.

**Litchfield, MN.** We at the Litchfield Church of God rejoiced with the angels in heaven as three of our youth were immersed in the waters of baptism on Sunday, August 16, 1981, at Little Swan Lake. Kim Wegner, Tom Housman, and David Housman confessed Christ as their personal Savior and it was the pleasure of this writer to assist them in putting on Christ. Kim is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Lowell Wegner, and Tom and David are the sons of Milton and Joyce Housman. May God bless these young people as they walk in newness of life.  
Stan Ross, pastor.

**Burr Oak, IN.** Upon confession of faith in the gospel, Angel Smoroske was baptized into Christ June 21, 1981, and became a member of the Burr Oak Church of God. We pray God's blessings on Angel as she grows in faith.  
James Mattison, pastor.

#### CELEBRATE DOUBLE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Lives of sharing and caring, and a love of endless giving together, were celebrated by the children of Almus and Hattie Dimmick, and Clarence and Edith Dimmick, as they rejoiced in the sixtieth anniversary of their parents' wedding vows. A reception was held in honor of this occasion Sunday, the 24th day of May, in the fellowship hall of the Lakeshore Bible Church of God, Tempe, AZ. The couples were married in the family home by Bro. Almus Adams in Laird, CO, 1921. All of Hattie and Almus's five children, three sons-in-law, one daughter-in-law, some grandchildren, and also some great-grandchildren, attended. Clarence and Edith's daughter and grandchildren also attended. All four sisters of

Almus and Clarence, one sister-in-law, one brother, and two brothers-in-law attended. One brother was unable to attend because of illness. Many of their friends and church family shared this special occasion with them.

#### MARRIAGES

##### Hall-Dummer

In a beautiful double-ring wedding ceremony on May 16, 1981, Sarah Hall and Randy Dummer were united in marriage at the Oregon Church of God. The writer performed the ceremony in the absence of Pastor Hollis Partlowe who was called to the funeral of his father. We ask God's blessing upon this couple as they begin their married life.  
David Krogh.

##### Tranchita-Phillis

On June 27, 1981, Carol Tranchita and Richard T. Phillis were married in St. Jerome's church. Both the bride and groom have been attending Golden Rule Church of God in Cleveland, OH, for some time and intend to continue.  
J. Arlen Marsh, pastor.

##### Wilfong-Cooper

On July 18, 1981, Richard Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cooper, and Vickie Wilfong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Elders, were united in a lovely afternoon ceremony at the Fredericktown Church of God. The ceremony and vows were written by the bridegroom's grandfather, Brother J. R. LeCrone. The happy couple is making their first home in Farmington, MO. May God richly bless their life together.  
Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

#### NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Relatives, Friends, and Acquaintances,  
We wish to thank everyone for all their prayers, letters, and thoughts while Jim was ill and hospitalized for surgery. We know that prayers were answered, as no further cancer was discovered, and since surgery he is recovering nicely. He has been home since June 10, and at this writing plans to return to work by July 13, 1981. Our doctors are most pleased with the results of tests and of the surgery. Every day is a new day for us, and we most humbly thank God for each and every one.  
Jim and Jean Rencontre and Family.

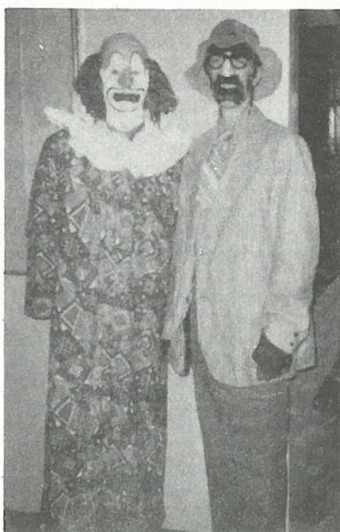
#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLOWNS

Peek into the fellowship hall at Columbia Church of God in Columbia Station, OH, a full hour before Sunday School and you'll see the strangest sight. Two grown men are putting on makeup, painting their faces, and climbing into outlandish outfits. Quickly they go through a wild routine and are on hand to greet Sunday School students at 9:30 a.m.

Jerry Simpson and Dan Benton then do a clown act in the Sunday School opening which has drawn the attention of the community during the last six months. Simpson plays the part of "Holey" while Benton imitates "Sad Sack." Some of the imaginative skits they've performed include:

- The Church Board Meeting
- Israelites being chased by the Egyptians
- Let's Karate Sin
- The Flea
- The Preacher
- Revenge and Selfishness

For more information on how to use clown skits in your Sunday School, contact the pair at Columbia Church of God, 11388 Root Road, Columbia Station, OH 44028.



Merle Patrick Photo

Jerry Simpson and Dan Benton

## COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the free Systematic Bible Study Course, and have been awarded certificates: Karen Burnham, Berea, OH; Maudie Wilkins, Greenbrier, AR; Cele Mercer, Oregon, IL; Regina Miller, Cleveland, OH; Diana Gilberts, Mt. Horeb, WI.

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## OBITUARIES

**Verna Rahn** died on March 15, 1981, at the age of 86. Verna was a most faithful member of the Pomona Church of the Open Bible. Verna had three great interests: service to her Lord through her church, her family, and her home. She leaves her sons Richard of Cathedral City and David of Upland, and a daughter, Lois Davis of Pomona. She also leaves two sisters, Mildred Stantal of San Dimas and Thelma Attwell of Trinidad, CA. May he soon come, he who will open the graves and reward those who have loved him and served him faithfully.

**Russell L. Currens**, 78, of Burr Oak, IN, was born April 12, 1903, and died July 28, 1981. He and his wife Goldie owned and operated Currens' General Store in Burr Oak. Russell was baptized into Christ at the age of nine and remained faithful to the Lord the rest of his life. He was a member of the Burr Oak Church of God. In 1925, he was married to Goldie Overmyer. To this union were born two children: Joseph Lee of Burr Oak, and Norma Jean of Rushville, IN. Also surviving are five grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Maxine Bryant of LaPorte; and one brother, Gerald of Argos. Russell believed strongly in prayer and living by the spirit of God. He was an optimistic man, believing everything would eventually turn out well. He never complained, even when death approached. He made a point of coming to church to take communion just a few days before entering the hospital for the last time. He died in faith, looking forward to the

day of the first resurrection, and for Jesus to raise him from the dead. Funeral services were conducted at the Burr Oak Church of God by the pastor, and he was laid to rest in Burr Oak Cemetery. A poem he selected shows his attitude toward life:

Count your garden by the flowers,  
Never by the leaves that fall.

Count your days by sunny hours,  
Not remembering clouds at all.

Count your nights by stars,  
Not shadows.

Count your life with smiles,  
Not tears.

And when your life has reached its autumn,  
Count your age by friends, not years.

James Mattison, pastor.

**Estella O. Halley**, of Wray, CO, died on May 29, 1981, at the age of 94. She was a believer in Jesus and the gospel and was baptized by Bro. Almus Adams in the first decade of this century. She remained faithful to the gospel of salvation throughout her life. This beautiful tribute to her faith was given by a neighbor: "She exemplified courage, fortitude, patience, and faith in God throughout her entire life." Funeral services for Estella were held June 1 at Spellman-Schmidt Mortuary; interment was made in Granview Cemetery. Being a member where there was no Church of God to attend, her faithfulness and witness until her death is a great example to all members to "Be . . . faithful unto death."

Pastor Leon Driskill.

The Holbrook, NE, Church of God was saddened by the sudden death of **John Raphael (Raph) Gardner**, who died July 3, 1981, at Lake Louise, Canada, while on vacation with his wife Lila (Lathrop) Gardner. Raph was 71 years of age at the time of his death. He was a regular attendant of the Holbrook Church of God. He is survived by his wife, a brother, Richard; nieces, nephews, and many friends. He was laid to rest in the Cambridge, NE, Fairview Cemetery.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

**Robert Loie Jones** fell asleep in death on June 5, 1981. He was born in Oklahoma City, OK. He moved to Pelzer, SC, where he raised his family and worked diligently for his Lord. Loie

was a member of the Guthrie Grove Church of God, elder, Sunday School teacher, assistant pastor, and pastor while the church was without a full-time pastor for a year. He was employed by the Greenville County school system for 38 years. He taught at Ellen Woodside, and was a math teacher at Woodmont High School. Loie's family consists of his wife Martha, daughters Melody and Rebecca, and son Timothy, all still at home; and two sisters, Mrs. Mollie J. White of Pelzer and Mrs. Emmie Lee Chandler of Rock Hill. Services were conducted by the writer assisted by Richard Smith at the Guthrie Grove Church of God on June 7.

Edward Bender, pastor.

**Marjorie E. Finney** of Michigantown, IN, was born August 2, 1918, and died May 14, 1981, shortly after it was discovered that she had cancer. Marj was a member of the Country Chapel Church of God. She was baptized September 19, 1937, and she served faithfully in various offices of the church, Sunday School, and Missionary Society. Marj lived a life that was a shining testimony to her Savior, Jesus Christ, and she was an inspiration to us all as she faced her illness. Surviving Marj are her husband Roscoe, her son Paul, her daughter Betty Townsend, and six grandchildren.

Greg Demmitt, pastor.

**Curtis Leon Bailey** was born in Fredericktown, MO, on August 23, 1928, and died at his home in Endicott, NY, on July 16, 1981, at the age of 52 years. Surviving are his wife Celina; his parents, Floyd and Goldie Bailey; one daughter, Cynthia Byrd of Greensburg, IN; two sons, Richard of Houston, TX, and David of Endicott, NY; one sister, June McCoy of Brazoria, TX; three brothers, Victor and Maurice of Fredericktown, and Floyd Dale Bailey of Auburn, WA; and two grandsons. Bro. Bailey served in the U.S. Air Force from 1946 to 1966 and retired as a master sergeant. He was a member of the Fredericktown Church of God. Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Wilson Funeral Home on July 22, 1981. We pray for that day of days when death will be overcome by the victory of Christ's return.

Vivian Kirkpatrick II, pastor.

## Contributors to the General Conference: June, 1981

Happy Woods Dorcas Soc	10.00	Brush Creek Miss Soc	60.00	Mr & Mrs William Cramer	40.00	Pomona Church	75.00
Blood River Church	218.47	Ripley Miss Soc	50.00	Mr & Mrs Emory Macy	25.00	MN State Miss Soc	682.41
Anonymous	150.00	Mr & Mrs William Poland	50.00	Mr & Mrs Orville Driskill	50.00	Garden Park Church	459.62
Anonymous	1.00	Frank A Perkins	10.00	Fonthill SS	32.43	Litchfield Church	101.39
Anonymous	20.00	Anonymous	971.51	IL State Conference	330.00	MN State Conference	435.00
Mr & Mrs Ric Landry	550.00	Mr & Mrs Walter Reid	20.00	Eldorado Church	235.30	Fort Valley SS	170.98
A Grace Adamson	10.00	Paul M Hatch	26.46	Jewell Holt-Fine	200.00	Mr & Mrs George Sheeley	120.00
Mr & Mrs Ernest Ransom	100.00	Mr & Mrs Dan C Dovenbarger	150.00	Gospel Miss Church	40.70	Mr & Mrs Keith Baird	75.00
Cecil A Smead	30.00	Country Chapel	19.55	Mr & Mrs V Cunningham	20.00	Royal Village Church	114.65
Maurertown Church	55.12	Rachel E Pumphrey	50.00	Mr & Mrs John Huston Sr	50.00	Ina Galeener	10.00
Hattie Westbrook	5.00	Mr & Mrs David Cheatwood	48.00	Lawrenceville Miss Soc	157.00	Mr & Mrs Cliff Ring	10.00
Phoenix Bible Church	568.40	Mr & Mrs Harold Simpson	20.00	E Oregon Chapel	105.56	Patrick Landry	172.00
Michigan State Conference	77.52	Mr & Mrs Ross Anger	15.00	S Bend Hope Chapel	189.26	Mr & Mrs E Fletcher	10.84
Everett S Rogers	40.00	Mrs Dorothy Napper	7.00	Fredericktown Church	101.75	Ellen E Toney	33.00
Forest Hills Church	67.69	Fonthill Church	418.60	Mr & Mrs Don Swartz	50.00	Brush Creek Church	486.90
James Klepinger	30.00	Bedford Church	214.57	Anonymous	80.08	Mr & Mrs J E Waterman	40.00
Brush Creek Gospel Gleaners	40.00	Troy View SS	28.67	Anonymous	25.00	Mr & Mrs Rolla Hightower, Jr	100.00
Happy Woods Church	296.04	Avondale Church	14.15	Eternal Hope Church	157.22	June Weaver	20.00
Southwest Conference	79.42	Mr & Mrs William E Shotwell	100.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	20.00	Mr & Mrs Willard Naylor	200.00
Mrs G C Guiles	15.00	Mr & Mrs Bert Decker	30.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	247.00	Mr & Mrs Ralph Lutton	10.00
Anonymous	38.00	Eden Valley Church	198.02	Lakeshore Dorcas Soc	40.00	Mr & Mrs Fulton Ramsey	75.00
Mr & Mrs S O Ross	30.00	Happy Woods VBS	78.64	Mr & Mrs Kendall A Coats	300.00	Mr & Mrs Charles Hummel	175.00
Southlawn Church	531.10	Mr & Mrs John Carr	100.00	Mr & Mrs Harold Doan	175.00	Ruth Whitacre	130.00
Mr & Mrs Gerald Miller	45.00	Mr & Mrs Clark Ballentine	50.00	Mr & Mrs Arthur Poe	25.00	Mr & Mrs David McClain	80.00
Mr & Mrs Isaac Chapman	10.00	Dorothy Siple	50.00	North Hills Church	253.55	Guthrie Grove Church	1,219.16
Irena Margrave	20.00	Mr & Mrs J R LeCrone	25.00	Jay St Church	111.07	Mr & Mrs David Krogh	145.20
Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	30.00	Oregon Church	707.15	E Dorothy Magaw	65.00	Mr & Mrs Paul Overholser	80.00
Mr & Mrs Ivan M Mills	1,000.00	Mr & Mrs Dean Urish	200.00	Hope Chapel Miss Soc	65.00	Northeast Conference	265.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Blomker	25.00	In Memory of Russell & Paul		Delia Middleton	20.00	Mildred Somers	35.00
Mr & Mrs Russell Johns	100.00	Shellhaas		Blanchard Church	664.01	Marjorie Mogle	50.00
Mr & Mrs Wayne Yows	50.00	Vivian & Ruth Magaw	100.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Dayton	10.00	Glad Tidings Miss Soc	25.00
Burr Oak Church	448.58	Mr & Mrs Don Hufter	300.00	St Louis Church	72.53	Lucille Bradley	14.00
Lawrenceville Church	485.80	Anonymous	3,113.68	Lakeshore Bible Church	500.90	Blanchard Miss Soc	150.00
Lowell E Holt	180.00	Mr & Mrs Dale Harshman	60.00	Mr & Mrs C E Lapp	40.00	Frances Stadden	10.00
Grace Lippincott	20.00	Donna Hosea	270.00	McGintytown Church	120.51	Frances R Shelly	35.00
Milo Magaw	340.00	Mr & Mrs David Little	30.00	Erma McChesney	200.00	Anonymous	20.00
Macomb Church	209.68	Golden Rule SS	10.00	Julian Hazlewood	30.00	Elizabeth Lemak	70.00
Macomb SS	34.10	Pleasant Hill Church	181.90	San Jose Church	19.00	Katherine Tackett	130.00



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Dayton Glad Tidings	140.00	Lakeshore Bible Church	533.33	Pleasant Hill Church	116.01	Yvonne Reigelsperger	140.00
Clara Lamb	30.00	Country Chapel Church	45.60	Mr & Mrs T E Martin	100.00	Morris Zeller	20.00
Mr & Mrs Wm Lawrence	55.48	Mr & Mrs Ellsworth Frederick	100.00	Delia Middleton	20.00	Mary Krogh	75.00
Mr & Mrs Preston Landry	400.00	J Anon	40.00	Mr & Mrs Larry Shaw	20.00	Mr & Mrs Howard Mowrer	25.00
Mr & Mrs Michael Hoffman	140.00	Mr & Mrs D D Lawrence	10.00	Royal Village Church	94.94	Dale & Beulah Dunbar	100.00
Blessed Hope Church	231.16	Raymore Church	77.17	Fort Valley Church	863.00	Mr & Mrs David Jones	15.00
Brian A Atra	15.00	Brush Creek Berean Soc	25.32	Ellen Toney	30.00	Grace Reighard	10.00
Mary Krogh	65.00	Brush Creek SS	31.10	Blood River Church	183.07	Mary M Hanson	500.00
Hazel M Shaw	100.00	Mr & Mrs Isaac Chapman	10.00	Jaynes St Comm Church	931.00	Mr & Mrs Ronald Lee Rocky	25.00
Mr & Mrs Steven Krug	171.70	Althea Rice	50.00	Michigan State Conf	38.07	Mr & Mrs Russell Young	20.00
Mr & Mrs Steven Todd	500.00	Valley Church	427.80	Truth Seekers SS	10.65	Mr & Mrs Albert Hollinshead	100.00
Mr & Mrs Quentin York	30.00	Milo Magaw	350.00	Pennellwood Miss Dept	125.00	Karen Mitchell	30.00
Ripley Church	359.98	Maurertown Church	44.46	Brush Creek Church	452.90	Erma VanBlaricom	25.00
Mr & Mrs W R Burnham	15.00	Oregon Mary & Martha Soc	50.00	Earl Lewis	5.00	Mr & Mrs Ward Countryman	20.00
Mr & Mrs Clyde E Randall	75.00	Mr & Mrs Lyle Walkington	100.00	Audrey Densmore	25.00	Mary Burdick	2.00
Hedrick Church	100.00	Mr & Mrs Jess Williams	143.00	Forest Hills Church	49.10	L Anderson	20.00
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Cora Munshaw	25.00	Blanchard Church	516.23	Mr & Mrs Cecil Patrick	100.00	Mr & Mrs James H Slusser	100.00
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