

Now Is the Time

ALL the world watched with awe as the nation of Israel, regathered from many lands and established as a sovereign nation only twenty years ago, carried out a lightning six-day war and for the third time in twenty years overwhelmed its attackers. In June, 1967, Israel's outnumbered armies swept out of their besieged borders and swiftly captured the Sinai Desert to the Suez Canal, Jordanian lands west of the Jordan, including Old Jerusalem, the Gaza Strip, and the hills overlooking the Sea of Galilee. Israel seems determined to keep these new lands, with their shortened and more easily defendable borders.

The events which have electrified the world in these past few months are of great prophetic significance. The fast-paced movements of nations and the diplomatic struggle that has followed were foreseen by the Bible. They are indications that we are nearing the conclusion of this age, and may soon see the return of Jesus Christ to this earth and the establishment here of the eternal Kingdom of God.

The regathered nation of Israel is in itself one of the outstanding signs that this age nears its end. "The miracle of Israel" is a favorite phrase of writers who have visited this amazing state. Called back to its homeland in keeping with ancient prophecies, revived Israel is a sign of Jesus' soon coming. Fulfilling prophecies of Ezekiel 36 and 37, Israel is being regathered to await its Messiah.

The enmity of Israel's neighbors was predicted in Psalm 83, which anticipated that they would take "crafty counsel against thy people," and say, "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the

name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. As a result of this enmity and their ill-advised adventures against Israel, the words of Ezekiel are being fulfilled: "Surely the heathen that are about you, they shall bear their shame."

The desire of Russia to gain control over Israel has been brought to light as a result of the defeat of Russia's allies. In the diplomatic fencing which has resulted, it has become apparent to all the world that Russia covets the land of Israel and entertains an inbred hatred against her people. True to the ancient prediction of Ezekiel 38 and 39, Russia stands ready for a personal confrontation with Israel in the struggle that will end this age with the direct intervention of the Lord.

Of most significance, is the fact that now, after more than two thousand years under Gentile domination, Jerusalem is again an Israeli city. Controlled by one Gentile power after another since the days of Babylon (606 B.C.), Jerusalem was set free and claimed by Israel in June, 1967. One recalls the prophecy of Jesus: "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. . . . Then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things *begin to come to pass*, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:24-28).

In these awesome yet perilous times, we encourage you to look up. Look up to Jesus. Accept him as your Saviour. Live faithfully in his service. Watch and pray for his coming again. Now is the time to set your house in order, for the day of the Lord draws near.

A Completely
NEW IDEA
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The article, "Now Is the Time," will be printed in tract form. As a four-page tract, it is designed for widespread distribution within the next few weeks. Because of the importance of these times and the great significance of these events, we believe this message should go NOW to thousands of people. We can easily distribute 100,000 of these tracts.

Will you order and distribute 50 or 100 or more of these tracts before January 1, 1968? They can be given personally (the best way), enclosed in letters, mailed individually, enclosed with Christmas cards, left in public places, and distributed in ways you can devise.

Can we distribute this message to 100,000 people by the dawn of the New Year? Order your tracts now—deadline for orders is November 1—and your tracts will be mailed to you by the middle of November. Use the coupon below.

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General Conference Progress

THE SECRET IS VOLUME

Success in publishing depends upon volume. The more pieces that can be printed and distributed, the less each piece costs. In addition to this, the secret of success for published Church of God literature is volume because we are ambitious for the Lord and want his message of salvation known in all the world. Distribution of literature can help accomplish this goal.

On page one is a new project to reach out to thousands of lives with a message on the significance of these vital times. By rubber-stamping or placing a name sticker, with your name or the name of your church, on the back of these tracts, you may make new contacts for the Lord and be led to people who can be brought to Christ.

We urge you to support this project to get this message out, to open doors for witnessing, and to bring people to the Lord.

On page 5 is another presentation of a way in which you can support the publishing ministry of your General Conference. If every member family of the Church of God would subscribe to *The Restitution Herald* it would be a blessing to hundreds of homes, and would also help to increase the volume and efficiency of your magazine. As we begin monthly publication (you will receive a copy at the end of October dated November, to get the monthly issues properly dated) your support is especially needed.

Use the coupons on pages 1 and 5 to give an important boost to the publishing ministry of your church!

BOARDS MEET

The Mission Board will meet in October in Oregon, and the Board of Directors and the State Youth Leaders will meet in Oregon in November, Lord willing. Many individuals are active members of boards and committees of the General Conference and give much study, prayer, and time to the work of the Conference. We are thankful for the voluntary services of these members.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

We plan to print a directory of churches and state conferences in the December issue of the *PROGRESS JOURNAL*. The directory includes the name and address of the church, pastor, secretary, and Sunday school superin-

tendent. If there have been changes in any of these since the last directory was printed, please send the change to the *PROGRESS JOURNAL*, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, before November 1 so that the new directory will be accurate.

GOAL FOR THE PAST YEAR

Though we do not have the exact figures at the time of this writing (10 days before the end of the month) we are sure that we will have made the Goal for the past fiscal year by the end of September. We praise the Lord for his blessings and thank you for your faithfulness in contributions to the Lord's work.

NEW GOAL FOR GIVING

The Goal for Giving for the new fiscal year (October 1, 1967-September 30, 1968) is the largest ever to be approved by the General Conference delegates. The total Goal of \$79,215.00 needed in contributions reflects growth in missions, an enlargement of the staff to carry on the expanding work of the Conference, and the rising costs of materials and services required to operate the various departments of the Conference ministry. As has often been stated, there is no "padding" or "cushion" in the Goal. If anything, it is a conservative estimate of needs in view of the anticipated expenses for services that have been requested and approved.

The membership of the Church of God is to be highly commended for its faithful stewardship. When one realizes how many pastors, buildings, and programs are being supported by a comparatively small number of people, it is obvious that many are giving with genuine sacrifice.

While more and more people and churches each year are participating in the support of the General Conference, there are still many individuals and many churches who do not share in this opportunity for expanded service. We hope that many who have not been sharing in this work will do so in this new fiscal year.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

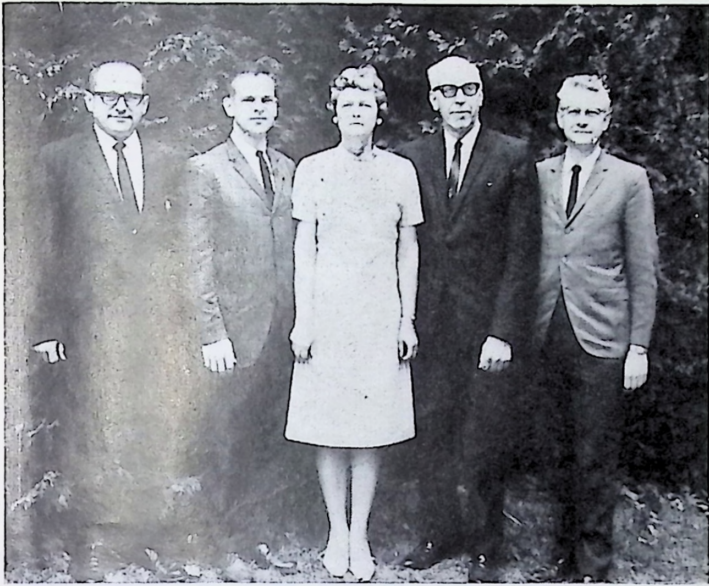
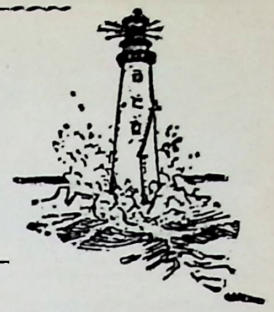
Goal for October

\$6,600.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



Pictured is the Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference: Charles Jones; Lee McQuinn; Edith Eades; Superintendent of Missions, S. O. Ross; and Warren Sorenson. Bro. Sorenson was re-elected to a four-year term by the delegates at the General Conference in August. This Board meets several times during the year to plan, evaluate, and promote the work of missions.

Each year the month of November is set aside as Mission Month. Each church is asked to set aside one Sunday of the month to especially emphasize missions. The first Sunday of November, which this year is November 5, is generally considered to be Mission Sunday throughout the Church of God.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

In the September PROGRESS JOURNAL it was noted that used clothing could no longer be shipped to the Philippine Islands due to new customs regulations. We are now assured by Bro. Eleodoro S. Ortiguero, supervisor of the work there, that this law does not apply to religious organizations and that used clothing can be mailed when addressed as follows:

Philippine Church of God (Abrahamic Faith)
Care Pastor Eleodoro S. Ortiguero
Uddiawan, Solano, Neuva Vizcaya
Philippine Islands

Bro. Santiago Somera of the Quezon Church of God recently assisted Alfredo dela Cruz and Carmelita Marcos in putting on Christ in baptism.

Bro. Ortiguero is now fully recovered from his motorcycle accident and is able to resume his full schedule of duties. The evangelistic team has resumed holding rallies in various churches and other places.

As a safeguard against further accidents, the Philippine Conference Board has voted to sell the motorcycle and use the sale price as a down payment on a bantam car for Bro. Ortiguero's use.

INDIA

Bro. S. S. Manoah reports a continued interest of new people at the services since the new building is in use. Six new families are coming to services regularly and some military people are coming from a nearby military colony. Bro. Manoah says, "Now that the building has been provided, it is our duty to work harder and harder, bringing more souls to Christ and to spread our truth and faith wider and wider, not only in our immediate area but even outside the city of Bangalore in other parts of India."

MISCELLANEOUS

Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and family are now settled in Digby, Nova Scotia, and have begun a full schedule of services with the Lighthouse Mission Church of God there.

Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore and their family and Sr. Rachel Krogh have returned to Mexico after attending General Conference. Bro. Moore and Sr. Krogh both worked at the Berean Youth Camp at Camp Mack also.

Because of the civil war being fought in Nigeria it is impossible to get mail in or out of Eastern Nigeria, so we are quite isolated from our new work there. Some mail can be delivered through a mutual contact in Lagos. Bro. I. U. Inyang of Nigeria had planned to begin school at Oregon Bible College this semester. He has not arrived as yet due to travel difficulties out of Nigeria. We trust he will be able to come at a later date.

PRAYER LIST FOR OCTOBER

1. Pray for the progress of missions and for an inspirational Mission Day in each church.
2. Pray for each missionary and his family.
3. Pray for the plans of Bro. S. S. Manoah's trip to visit our American and Canadian churches in the spring of 1968.
4. Pray for the progress and development of the new work in Nigeria.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



October 13-15—Centennial Celebration and Homecoming, Ripley, Ill.
October 21—Indiana Fall Conference, Kokomo
October 20, 21—Adult Retreat, Long Lake Camp, Minn.
October 28, 29—Illinois Fall Conference, Eldorado
November 5—Missionary Day in Churches of God
November 8-17—Special Meetings, Ripley, Ill., Richard Worley, guest speaker
November 9, 10—Church of God General Conference Board of Directors meeting
August 4-9—General Conference
August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference

BAPTISMS AT GUTHRIE GROVE, S.C.

At the close of the annual August meeting at the Guthrie Grove Church of God, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S. C., the following persons were baptized into Christ on August 27, 1967: Mrs. Jimmie (Sue) Capps, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S.C.; Mrs. Lois Chandler and Miss Carolyn Chandler, 319 Piedmont Park Rd., Greenville, S.C.; John H. Coker, 13 Belton Dr., Williamston, S.C.; Larry Kirkwood McMinn of Virginia; Mrs. Johnny (Janet) Pack, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S.C.; and Mrs. Dean (Pat) Smith, Rt. 1, Liberty, S.C. Five married couples were thus united in baptism, for which we praise God. Bro. John Coker is 79 years of age; evidence that one is never too old to begin serving God.

Not reported earlier were the baptisms of Miss Sheila Young, Rt. 1, Pelzer, S.C.; on Nov. 20, 1966; and J. Truman Durham, Rt. 1, Piedmont, S.C., on July 16, 1967.

On September 3, 1967, the following were baptized by Bro. M. O. Williamson: Mrs. Harold Cooper, Greenville, S.C.; and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Edge of Pickens, S.C.

May God grant his guidance and blessings on these new members of his family.

T. M. Ferrell, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT LENOIR, NORTH CAROLINA

We are happy to announce that Mike Smith, Jim Walker, Steve Walker, Rodney Clark, and Mrs. Dorothy Green came forward to be baptized at The Church of the Resurrection Hope. We pray the Lord's blessing on them as they start their new life in the service of the Lord.

Z. B. Duncan, pastor.

BAPTISM AT HEDRICK CHURCH

Maddonna England put on Jesus Christ in baptism at Redwood Creek on August 6, 1967. The Hedrick Church rejoices and prays God's richest blessing upon her as she begins her walk with him.

Larry Townsend, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

On June 25, 1967, Cheryl Diana Albert, Michael Keith Albert, and Jack Storts came forward at the close of Sunday evening services and were baptized by Pastor Carl Roth for the remission of sins.

While on vacation, Elder Adolph Moreczek preached the gospel to his family and had two accept Christ as their personal Saviour and request baptism. He took them to a creek at Lee Center, New York, and baptized Richard H. Lohr and Kathleen L. Lohr on August 6. These two are now conducting Bible study in their home.

On August 19, Charles Eugene Castle came forward at evening services and on August 22, Penny Louise Castle and Robert Wayne Smith requested baptism at the close of Bible study. They were baptized in Alum Creek in the saving name of Jesus Christ by Pastor Carl Roth.

May God strengthen and guide these new members as they walk in newness of life.

Verna Roth, secretary.

BAPTISMS AT MINNEAPOLIS

On Sunday, August 27, 1967, it was our privilege to baptize Brian Swanson, David Lawson, Jane and Cindy Rose, Bill Ryan and his son Danny and daughter Becky.

Five of these seven new members of the body of Christ have attended the services of Faith Community Church in Minneapolis for several years. The other two came in contact with the church about a year ago and have been regular in attendance since that time.

Our prayer is that each of these seven may serve the Lord faithfully, grow in grace and knowledge, and be fully prepared at all times to meet the Lord Jesus Christ when he returns.

Richard S. Dick, pastor.

BAPTISM AT HOPE CHAPEL

At the close of the morning service, Daniel Kiser, son of Don and Norma Kiser, Rt. 1, Plymouth, Ind. 46563, came forward and requested to be baptized. On the following Sunday, July 9, 1967, the writer immersed Daniel in the saving name of our Saviour, at Hope Chapel. We rejoice with Daniel's resolution to walk with Jesus through the rest of his life.

Austin Railton, pastor.

BAPTISM AT BROWNTOWN, VIRGINIA

We happily announce the baptism of a husband and father, which unites another family in faith in obedience to Jesus Christ. Robin B. Cary, 233 S. Royal Ave., Front Royal, Va. 22630, was baptized in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ on August 26, 1967, at Browntown. May God's blessings rest upon him in this new life in Christ. Robin is the husband of A. B. Cary, who attended General Conference this year. He and his family attend the Cool Spring Church. Mrs. Cary had the misfortune to sprain her ankle at Conference, but she reports the ankle is healing nicely, and she is thankful for the prayers of all on her behalf. May God bless this family in their united witness and use them for his glory.

Cecil A. Smend, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT EDEN VALLEY

On July 16, 1967, a number of the brethren gathered on the banks of the lake that surrounds our church camp and witnessed the baptism of Sharon, Alice, and Anita Edwards. We are happy for the step these girls have taken and our joy will be complete when we see them in Christ at his coming in glory.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

JOHN DENCHFIELD'S WORK

A short time ago at Lighthouse Mission in Digby, Nova Scotia, and now at the San Jose Church of God in California represents traveling east to west across the continent with a few additional north and south excursions for good measure.

My work with the Church of God at San Jose is that of pastor on a temporary basis (approximately two months) while they continue to endeavor to secure a regular pastor. Two months here will bring us to about the time of our Southwest Conference at Tempe, Ariz., November 17-19.

Our itinerary is now being developed through December and into 1968. Be sure to write soon for whatever special service you may desire so that satisfactory datings may be arranged for all concerned.

Address me at: The Church of God, 555 McGlincey Lane, Campbell, Cal. 95008; or: Trufant, Mich. 49347.

ADULT RETREAT

Now that the summer rush is over and all our young people have enjoyed fellowship with others for the third year, we in Minnesota invite you to our Adult Retreat. Bring a couple blankets; your Bibles; come for prayer and meditation, and then go home renewed and refreshed in spirit to serve and love one another. October 20, 8:00 p.m.—October 21, 9:00 p.m.

Let us know if you are coming. Some flew in to Paynesville, Minn., airport and we met them by car.

C. E. Lapp,
Box 235, Eden Valley, Minn.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor Ernest Graham has left his pastorate at Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, and has begun work as pastor of the Church of God at Dixon, Ill. Bro. Arnold Johns has begun his pastorate of the Church of God at Fredericktown, Mo. Bro. John Denchfield has begun an interim pastorate at the Church of God in San Jose, Calif. Other changes have been reported in earlier issues.

SPORNHAUER-HOKE

Miss DeeAnn Spornhauer became the bride of David Raymond Hoke on August 26, at the Phillipsburg Evangelical United Brethren Church in a double ring ceremony performed by the writer. David is a member of the Brush Creek Church of God and is the son of the late Samuel Hoke. We pray God's richest blessings upon these two fine young people as they begin their lives together.

Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., pastor.

Pastor Harry Gockler has reported that there has been considerable damage to the church and parsonage at Harlingen due to the hurricane and floods suffered there in late September. There has also been loss of work by several of the people, and some damage to personal property. No church member was injured.

Several churches and individuals have received special offerings for the brethren there. These gifts can be sent to Pastor Harry Gockler, 2001 Barcelona St., Harlingen, Texas. 78550.

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES

We are replacing our former baptismal certificates with a new type of certificate. There are 50 certificates bound in a book, with a stub to be retained as a record by the minister. The certificates are in three colors, six by eight inches, and will be supplied with white envelopes for presentation. The certificates and envelopes will sell for \$2.75 postage paid. (Certificates formerly offered were \$2.00 per doz.)

CONGER STREET CHURCH OF GOD

Waterloo, Iowa

Sunday, August 20, 1967, was a day of mixed emotions for the members and friends of the Conger Street Church of God at Waterloo, Iowa. There was sadness as we worshipped with Bro. Raymond Brown when he gave his final sermon of his three years of ministry here, but there was rejoicing that we have been permitted to have the Brown family with us for that time. Each member of the family has made a memorable contribution to the success of their ministry. Doris gave us one of her fine sermonettes, assisted by her daughter Laura. Dennis presided at the organ with his customary skill and enthusiasm. We were especially pleased that the final payment had been made on the loan for the purchase of our Conn organ and Bro. Brown could burn the note at the close of the dinner. There were about 90 in attendance at the service and about 70 who stayed for the cooperative dinner.

In the afternoon the young people who had been privileged to attend the National Berean Youth Conference at Camp Mack gave an inspiring program, with Dennis Clark master of ceremonies. Others who had attended and were present to participate in the program were Steven and Kent Fedde of Cedar Rapids, Kendra Taylor of Marshalltown, Donald Smith, Penelope Stetzer and Dennis Brown of Cedar Falls-Waterloo.

Still later in the afternoon Bro. Brown baptized Mr. and Mrs. Carl Erickson of St. Cloud, Minn., and Diana Smith, foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skillings of Waterloo. Mr. Erickson is a brother of Mrs. Mary Skillings and Mrs. Dolly Oettel and has known Bro. Brown for many years. Diana attended the Minnesota Senior Camp at Eden Valley and at that time made her decision for Christ.

We expect the Robin Hayse family from Fredericktown, Mo., to arrive in Waterloo about August 29 and to begin their ministry September 1. We are busy converting the first floor of the dormitory into a parsonage, as the Iowa State Conference gave permission for that remodeling to be done. We earnestly pray for the success and happiness of the Brown family in their Nova Scotia work and that the ministry of the Hayse family may be fruitful and satisfying in Waterloo. Blanche A. Harland, secretary.

The Virginia State Conference and Bible School was held at Maurertown, July 23-30, 1967, with Richard Smith the guest speaker. Classes were held morning and afternoon, and preaching services each evening. Sr. Jeanne Smith was director of the children's classes which were on "Missions." They presented an achievement program Friday evening.

Six young people accepted Christ and were baptized in the Shenandoah River. They are: Shirley Steward, 661 N.W. 191st Street, Miami, Fla. 33169; Teresa, Debborah, and Pamela Capps, 442 Burbank Court, Baltimore, Md. 21227; Joan Baird, 7841 St. Claire Lane, Baltimore, 21222; Steven Adams, Waterlick, Va. 22661.

Officers of the Conference Board for the coming year are: president, S. H. Boyer; vice-president, Cecil A. Smead; secretary, Ruth V. Fogle; assistant secretary; Audrey Jett; treasurer, W. E. Boyer.

Ruth V. Fogel, secretary.

CENTRAL HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE

The eighty-first annual meeting of the Central High Plains Conference convened at Holbrook, Neb., on August 13-20, 1967. Guest speaker, Pastor C. F. Pryor of the Oregon Church, presented the opening message in the morning worship service. The afternoon service was given by Bro. Clyde Long. Bro. Pryor spoke again in the evening. Bro. Clyde Long and Bro. Arlen Rankin each gave sermons.

Bro. C. F. Pryor and Bro. James Rencontre conducted the Bible classes. Sr. Gladys Stedman and Sr. Muriel Harbert taught the children. On Thursday the children presented a nice program.

Thursday afternoon was our annual business meeting. Bro. Clyde Long was elected president for a three-year term, replacing Bro. Otto Stinnette. Bro. Stinnette was elected as a member at large. Other officers elected were: vice-president: May Cross; treasurer: Lila Gardner; secretary; Ruth Wilson.

It was voted to shorten the Conference next year. The meetings will start on Thursday morning, August 15, and end Sunday afternoon, August 18, 1968.

Our thanks go to all who helped to make our 1967 Conference a success. It was indeed a joy and a spiritual inspiration to all who attended.

Ruth Wilson, secretary.

IOWA CONFERENCE

The eightieth annual conference of the Church of God in Iowa convened at Waterloo from July 21-30, 1967. It was a blessed time of fellowship, study, and consideration of the business of the Conference.

Our studies, with classes for all ages, were conducted under the leadership of our Iowa workers, assisted by Bro. Francis Burnett, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Bro. and Sr. R. J. Vadnais, of Champion, Mich.

Not the least of our joy was the fellowship in music and song with Pastor Raymond Brown directing, and assisted so ably by his family.

At our business meeting four members were elected to our board of directors; Louis Cronbaugh, Mae Sienknecht, Leroy Schaefer, and Arthur Johnson.

A so-called "Urban Renewal" district in the area of our Waterloo property is making many changes necessary in our church and dormitory building in order that they meet required building standards.

J. Arthur Johnson, cor. sec.

October 13-15, 1957, the Ripley Church of God will celebrate its Centennial. Speakers are: Friday, 8:00 p.m., Warren Sorenson; Saturday, 8:00 p.m., Arlen Marsh; Sunday, 11:00 a.m., C. E. Lapp; 2:00 p.m. Centennial Service; 7:30 p.m., Francis Burnett.

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course. We commend them for their diligence in study of the Word of God. Cecil Bankston, Ufford A. Umoren (Nigeria), Mrs. Lillian Beardsley, Kenneth Holsinger, Jessie E. Lewis.

ALBERT A. LOGSDON

Albert A. Logsdon, Oregon, Ill., died May 25, 1967, after a long illness. He was born in Brown County, Ill., January 4, 1889, the son of Aaron and Mary Bolliard Logsdon. He was married on July 15, 1925, to Vena Densmore. He moved to Oregon from Rushville, Ill., in 1944.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a sister. Survivors include his wife; two daughters; Mrs. Dean (Shirley) Urish, Oregon, Ill., Mrs. Royce (Juanita) Gilberts, Mt. Horeb, Wis., five grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Elmer Carrol, Harlingen, Texas; a brother, Lucian, Aleta, Cal.

Bro. and Sr. Logsdon served the General Conference of the Churches of God as caretaker and matron of Oregon Bible College in its earlier history. He was a member of the Oregon Church of God.

He was laid to rest in the Daysville Cemetery, where he will sleep until the Lord calls him to further duty. Comfort was spoken to the family by the writer as he gave assurance from God's Word concerning our hope in Jesus and the resurrection.

C. F. Pryor, pastor.

BOOKLETS

Junior Daily Bible Readings is a small booklet of daily Bible readings especially designed for use by children and young people. It is attractively printed and encourages daily reading of the Word. It may be ordered from: The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill., 61061, at 10 cents each, postpaid when payment accompanies order.

The Seventh Day Sabbath: Is It Still in Operation? A booklet containing a thorough study of the matter of the Sabbath day. (35 cents each.)

The Abrahamic and the Davidic Covenant, is a study booklet by Pastor James Mattison on these two important prophetic covenants. 20 cents each, postage paid when payment accompanies order.

Russia, Israel, Christ and You, by Percy Bilton, London industrialist, is a 42-page prophetic study of the nations and the part they are prophesied to play in last days' events. They are 15 cents each and may be ordered from The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, postage paid when payment accompanies order.

Concerning the Nations is an 18-page prophetic study setting forth some of the fulfillments of Bible prophecies in our times. It was printed in Australia and may be obtained from The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, at 15 cents each, postage paid when payment accompanies order.

YOUNG-HUDSON

On July 21, 1967, Miss Barbara Jean Young became the bride of Mr. Richard D. Hudson.

The bride and groom will be at home at 1128½ Farmers Ave., Tempe, Ariz. Both are believers in the Lord Jesus Christ. May God bless them as they go down life's pathway together. Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

MANUEL-SHOTWELL

Miss Patricia Manuel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Braden Manuel, Front Royal, Va., was married June 17, 1967, to William E. Shotwell, Jr., of the same city. The double ring ceremony was performed in the Cool Spring Church of God by the pastor before a background of palms, candelabra, snapdragons, and mums. J. Layton Mauze of the Presbyterian Church assisted. The young couple will reside in Blacksburg where the groom will continue his education at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. We wish them every happiness in this new home blessed of the Lord. Cecil Smead, pastor.

RALSTON-WESSEL

The Ripley Church of God was the scene of a wedding on Easter Sunday, March 26, 1967. In a sanctuary filled with friends, and made more beautiful by lilies, Brenda Ralston and Jon Wessel were united in marriage by the writer. They are now at home at 1000½ Clay St., Beardstown, Ill. 62618.

Brenda has long been active in local and state youth work, as well as in the musical ministry of the church. We rejoice to have this new family worshipping with us.

May the Lord's blessing rest upon them as they begin their life together.

John Hearp, pastor.

WOOD-ROSE

Elizabeth Helen Marie Wood of St. Catharines, Ont., and Robert Gerald Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rose of Fenwick, were married August 18, 1967, at the Church of God in Fonthill by Pastor Emory Macy. After a honeymoon they will reside at 40 Turner St., St. Catharines.

MRS. EMMA B. COLEMAN

Mrs. Emma B. Coleman, Pinecrest Manor, Mount Morris, Ill., died Thursday, July 13, 1967, following a long illness.

She was born June 16, 1886, at Chicago, the daughter of Martin and Mary Boddy Aslaksen. She married Charles Coleman in Chicago.

Sr. Coleman was active in the work of the Church of God in Chicago. In 1957 she moved to Florida, where she attended the newly organized Church of God in Miami. She returned to Illinois in 1963 to reside at Pinecrest Manor and to become an active member in the Oregon Church of God.

Funeral services were conducted from the Farrell Funeral Home in Oregon, with Bro. Harold Doan officiating, assisted by the writer. Interment was in the Adeline Cemetery, where Sr. Coleman was laid to rest with other members of her family to await the coming of her Lord who will reward all the faithful with immortality and a place of eternal happiness in the Kingdom of God. C. F. Pryor, pastor.

PARAN W. ANDERSON

Paran W. Anderson died on July 3, 1967. Having been subject to heart difficulties for several months, he could not rally from the final attack.

Bro. Anderson was a long-time member of Hope Chapel Church of God in South Bend, Ind. During the years, he had served in almost every one of its offices. The church and its people long enjoyed the results of Paran's special interest, photography.

Son of Elder J. H. Anderson, Paran was born September 3, 1905, in Pelzer, S.C. After several years in Virginia, he came to South Bend in 1921. On May 6, 1927, he married Fannie May Rogers who died July 12, 1959.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. William Heavner, North Little Rock, Ark.; and Mrs. Thomas Brewer, Little Rock, Ark.; five grandchildren; two brothers, Lonnie, Oregon, Ill., and Harold, Tempe, Ariz.; and three sisters, Mrs. Vadie Biggee, Goodland, Ind., Mrs. Mellie Trongeau, Mishawaka, and Mrs. Pearl Otterman, Frankfort, Ind.

Also surviving are many friends who have been encouraged by Bro. Anderson's staunch faith in our Maker and eye to the soon expected return of our Saviour.

After a message in which the writer brought forth the reassurances and comforts from God's Word, interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Mishawaka.

Austin Railton, pastor.

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SEPTEMBER CONTRIBUTORS

The following persons and groups, and all others who have contributed to the work of the Church of God General Conference in this past fiscal year, have made possible the work of missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing the gospel, Berean Youth Fellowship, and Sunday school development.

Steve Bolhaus	\$ 25.00
Mrs. F. L. Austin	5.00
Louisiana State Conf.	228.13
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Cool Spring S. S.	3.04
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Oregon Bible College Phase Two

Pictured below is the architect's preliminary conception of a new women's residence building for Oregon Bible College. The building will be about 46 x 100 feet in size, built on one and one-half floors. There will be a street-level entrance to the first half floor which will contain a lounge-canteen area, laundry and ironing rooms, and a boiler room. There will be a street-level entrance to the second full floor which will contain rooms for 24 women and a housemother's apartment. The building will be built on a high, sloping lot across from the present women's residence.

The present women's residence is the former Golden Rule Home. While it has been as well maintained as possible, the building is 109 years old and is not arranged for efficient or safe operation.

Included in the Phase Two development plan (Phase One was the construction of the new men's residence-library-cafeteria building) is the remodeling of the present Oregon Bible College administration and classroom

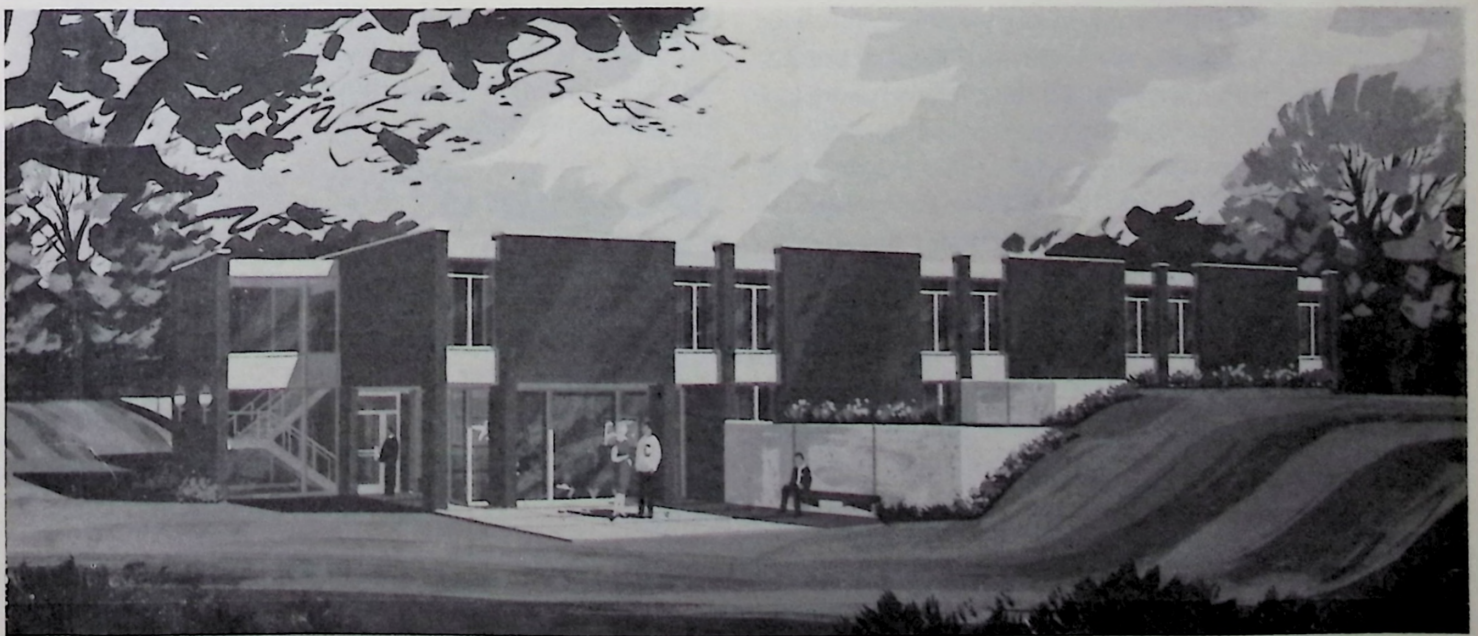
building to provide a new classroom for up to ninety people; a quiet study area; and a canteen-lounge area for between-class use.

It is hoped that these new facilities can be in use by the Golden Anniversary of the General Conference—the fall of 1970. If sufficient funds and commitments can be secured, construction could begin soon. In view of the need for space and the rising costs of construction this would be advisable.

The vast majority of present ministers of the Church of God received all or part of their education from Oregon Bible College. The majority increases each year. Many other leaders in the Church of God received at least part of their education from Oregon Bible College. As the need for leadership increases, provision must be made for expanded educational facilities at Oregon Bible College.

As the line of demarcation between the Church of God and the world grows wider and as secular colleges be-

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General Conference Progress

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of Church of God General Conference will meet in Oregon, Ill., Lord willing, November 9, 10. Members of the Board are: Robert Huddleston, chairman; Kenneth Vancil, vice-chairman; D. A. Jones, secretary; Cecil Smead, treasurer; Merle Patrick, T. M. Ferrell, and Dwaine Demmitt, directors. Any business to be brought to the attention of the Board at any time can be referred to one of these members or to Harold Doan, executive secretary.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The annual conference of the ministers of the Church of God is being planned for January 22-26. Daytime sessions will be held and meals will be served at Oregon Bible College as in years past. Each minister will find a blessing in attendance at the ministers' conference, and each church should plan to help its minister attend by participating in the expense pool.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

We plan to print an annual Church of God Directory in the December issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL. If there have been changes in pastors, secretaries, Sunday school superintendents, or Conference officers since last December, please inform us of these changes so the Directory will be accurate when printed.

MINISTERS' FUND AND RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

There appears to be some confusion about the Ministers' Fund and the proposed Ministers' Retirement Association.

The Ministers' Fund is now in existence and has been for several years. By action of the General Conference it is administered by the executive secretary, the president of Oregon Bible College, and the ministers of the Oregon, Rockford, and Dixon Churches of God. The Fund is used to make loans (up to \$300.00, interest free for two years) or gifts (up to \$300.00 in any calendar year) to ministers or ministers' widows who have an emergency need. The Fund is maintained by contributions from individuals and churches.

There have been several cases in which the Fund has been used recently to great advantage. The Fund is now somewhat diminished, with a balance of about \$1,900.00.

Contributions for this Fund are welcomed and encouraged.

The Ministers' Retirement Association is not yet in operation. It will require the enrollments of several churches before this organization can be formed and the retirement program begun. To successfully conduct such a retirement program over the years will require the enlistment and support of all the ministers and churches of the Church of God. Several copies of the Prospectus and enrollment forms have been sent to the churches and to ministers in the past three years, but the required number of enrollments has not been reached.

THE RESTITUTION HERALD

Your church magazine, *The Restitution Herald*, is now a monthly publication. The December issue will appear with a four-color cover and special articles for the season.

To continue to fulfill its important purpose *The Herald* needs the support of every member of the Church of God. Each family should receive *The Herald*. In this way it can be an attractive paper that can be sent out at reasonable rates into member and non-member homes. The Lord has used *The Herald* to bring many people to a knowledge of the truth and into fellowship with the family of God.

The Herald also needs the help of the ministers of the Church of God who can provide excellent articles for the readers. Content is all-important and only good articles can justify the distribution of the magazine. Pray for, write for, subscribe to, and use your *Restitution Herald*.

GOAL FOR GIVING

In October, with a large Goal for Giving reflecting the expanded work of the General Conference, the Goal was surpassed. We are thankful to the people of the Lord for this faithful, sacrificial giving and know that the Lord will bless because of it.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for October	\$6,600.00
Given in October	6,699.00
To be given by September 30	72,516.00

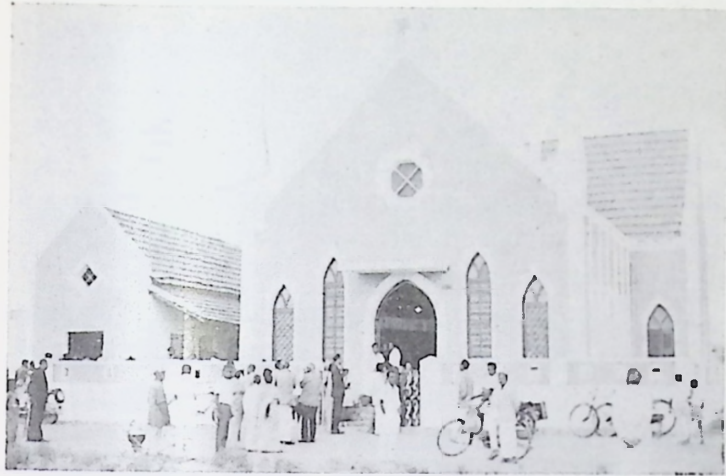
Goal for November \$6,592.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



The picture shows a front view of the Church of God in Bangalore, India, taken at the dedication on July 30, 1967. This building was constructed at a total cost of thirty-five hundred dollars, including a few furnishings within. The land cost five thousand dollars. Funds for this building accumulated by contributions from the membership of the General Conference through a special drive.

Attendance continues to grow, with new interest in the community. Bro. S. S. Manoah and his membership plan to begin holding more services in other areas of Bangalore.

Bro. Manoah writes, "Self, my wife, and my congregation members are sending our Christian love, good wishes, and regards to you and all the brothers and sisters of our noble mission. May God bless all of our ministry work to glorify his name."

Plans are now moving ahead for Bro. Manoah's trip to the United States and Canada in 1968. His plane fare and preparation costs will be provided by the Foreign Missions Fellowship of Oregon Bible College. Tentative plans call for him to be at Oregon Bible College the week of March 25 to 29 for special services, and also for him to take part in the Junior-Senior weekend program at the college on April 25, 26. Bro. Manoah will then tour and speak at as many churches as possible in the following few weeks under direction of the Mission Department.

NOVA SCOTIA

Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and the Digby brethren are making plans for a busy year in the Lord's service. A week of revival services has been held and a Sunday school attendance contest is being planned. They are also reviving the "Each One Reach One" campaign for a

special evangelistic emphasis. Other special events have been proposed and will be carried out over the coming year.

In a recent letter Bro. and Sr. Brown said, "We really do like it here. We find the people to be wonderful and we enjoy working with them. We count it a privilege to be here."

MEXICO

After returning from General Conference, Bro. Dean Moore visited the various villages in Mexico where services are held. Bro. Moore plans to return to Labor Vieja shortly to hold services and to work in the area for two or three weeks. A study is being made now of the possibility of carrying on a radio program. Radio time costs are quite reasonable and the station at Saltillo covers a vast area.

The Moore children have been withdrawn from the native school and are taking the Calvert Course of study under Sr. Rachel Krogh and Sr. Moore. Sr. Krogh also takes part in the services in Saltillo and some of the villages and continues translation work on Sunday school quarterlies and other materials.

Bro. Moore says, "We are challenged by the great needs of people here. We appreciate very much the prayers and financial support of the people of our churches. It is encouraging to work together with them in this work of missions."

HOME MISSIONS

The Pastoral Aid program gives financial assistance to small, growing churches that are not yet quite able to support a full-time pastor on their own. Eight churches are now receiving this help. The Denver, Colo., church, with Bro. Terry Dwyer as pastor, and Faith Chapel at Lafayette, Ind., with Bro. Russell Magaw as pastor, are the new ones begun this year.

The November Mission Builders Appeal will assist the Bible Church of God at Phoenix, Ariz.

PRAYER LIST FOR NOVEMBER

1. Pray for the home missions programs of the General Conference.
2. Pray for Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and their work in Nova Scotia.
3. Pray for Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore and their family and Sr. Rachel Krogh in Mexico.
4. Pray for Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero and his family and workers in their mission efforts in the Philippines.
5. Pray for Bro. S. S. Manoah and his family and the India mission field.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS WEEK

A time of great rejoicing and of spiritual rededication was experienced by the college family during the week of October 16-20. Bro. Z. B. Duncan, pastor of the Church of God at Whitnel, N.C., was the Lord's messenger to lead us in our Christian Emphasis Week. Devotional services were held each morning at the college chapel before the beginning of classes, and later in the morning a special chapel service was held each day. One evening service was held at the college chapel on Thursday, and Bro. Duncan also spoke for the Oregon Church of God on Wednesday evening, most of the college family being present at that service also. In addition, Bro. Duncan spent many hours in conversation and spiritual counseling with students and faculty. We rejoice to announce that during the services two young men of our student body came forward to confess Christ and his Kingdom gospel, and were baptized into his name. They were Joe Martin and Duane Helweg. (See further particulars elsewhere in this JOURNAL.)

We praise the Lord for the wonderful blessings he poured out upon us during the week, and we are grateful to Bro. Duncan for his zealous and deeply spiritual ministry among us. We were sad to see the end of the week come and to have to say good-bye to our beloved brother. We ask the prayers of brethren everywhere that the spirit of love and consecration that has been felt during our Christian Emphasis Week may not be dissipated, but may continue throughout the school year and be carried from here to churches in every part of the country!

CHAPEL SERVICES

Special chapel speakers have brought us much inspiration in recent weeks. Bro. Lee McQuinn conducted the service on September 18, telling about his trip to Africa last spring and showing his slides. This message contained a real missionary challenge. Bro. Ernest Graham, pastor of the Dixon Church of God, presented a unique visual-aid sermon on October 9. A number of visitors have attended chapel services recently, including Bro. and Sr. Harold Simpson of Grand Rapids, Mich., Sr. Mabel Andrew of Oregon; and Bro. Kent Ross of Dayton, Ohio. We welcome brethren and friends to visit our chapel services at any time.

SOCIAL EVENTS

The annual Fall Breakfast was held at Lowell Park, near Dixon, on September 29. Classes were dismissed for

the morning, and members of the college family gathered for recreation and fellowship amid the autumn beauties in God's handiwork of nature.

The first Faculty Fireside of the school year was held in the home of Bro. and Sr. Stanley Ross, in Golden Rule Dormitory, on October 21. A number of parlor games were played, followed by delicious refreshments. These times of social gathering not only provide fun and recreation, but also an opportunity for fellowship that draws us all closer together in the Lord.

The Home Missions Fellowship held its monthly meeting at the Men's Dormitory the evening of October 24. Fellowship and refreshments were enjoyed.

GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE

Since the last report on this page, books for the library have been donated by Bro. and Sr. Floyd Nedrow, Sr. Linda Stinnette, Bro. and Sr. Don Hightower, and Bro. and Sr. Raymond Werneke. The volumes given by the Wernekes are of unusual interest—a set of the Bible in Braille. These will be made available for loan to any blind person wishing to use them.

Bro. and Sr. Hightower have also donated a new billiard table to the recreational facilities of the college.

The Buckboard has been revived this year, thanks to a gift from the Michigan Berean Youth Fellowship. It is a board hung in the library, with dollar bills attached for quick loans to students.

HONOR ROLL FOR FIRST SIX WEEKS

High Honor: Mary Jo Brewer, 4.00; David Krogh, 4.00; Scott Ross, 4.00; Nancy Foster, 3.86; Patsy Holden, 3.60; Joe Martin, 3.53; Penny Stetzer, 3.50.

Honor: Delbert Rankin, 3.43; Stephen Bolhous, 3.40; Michael Hale, 3.40; Rex Shaw, 3.33; Maria Marino, 3.29; Ronald Sanders, 3.29; Debbie Thompson, 3.29; Roger Cupp, 3.14; David Cheatwood, 3.13; David Hall, 3.13; Don Hightower, 3.13; Jim Mickey, 3.13; Dale Swartz, 3.07.

ANNUAL SEMINAR POSTPONED

Every year during the past several years, a seminar conducted by a guest instructor has been held during the first week after ministerial conference, at the beginning of the second semester. Because Bro. S. S. Manoa, our missionary in India, will visit Oregon Bible College for meetings March 25-29 and during Junior-Senior Weekend in April, the usual seminar will not be held.



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YOUTH DIRECTORS TO MEET

Th state and district youth directors of all conferences of the Church of God are being invited to Oregon, Ill., November 17-18, for a two-day conference. Every conference is urged to have a representative present and to make plans to reimburse its youth director for his expenses in joining the transportation pool which all directors attending are asked to join. The amount of this pool expense is roughly estimated to be \$50.00.

OPERATION SOUTHWEST ENACTED

The delegates at the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference voted to carry out during the year a program of special emphasis, communication, and contact with the youth of the Southwest Conference. Although Operation Southwest will be explained in more detail later to the youth leaders and pastors, its major provisions are: 1) encouraging pen pals, 2) publishing a special issue of *Challenge*, with pictures and articles about and by the youth of the Southwest, 3) inviting the Southwest youth to present a special program at the 1968 International Youth Conference, 4) providing \$500.00 to be dispensed by the Southwest Youth Council to help with transportation costs of Southwest youth to the 1968 Youth Conference, 5) providing additional contact by including the Southwest Conference churches on the agenda of the Americana Youth Caravan which will travel next summer.

YOUTH SURPASS GIVING GOAL

When the General Conference fiscal year closed on September 30, it was clear that the young people of the Church of God had succeeded in handily surpassing their all-time high giving goal for the year of \$4,250.00. Total contributions for the year amounted to \$5,176.34.

It goes without saying that the \$8,500.00 giving goal adopted for 1967-68 provides a herculean challenge to the youth of the church. However, they have an enthusiastic start, high spirits, and firm dedication. Membership in the Mission Dollar Club, the league of young people agreeing to contribute at least \$12.00 each during the year, stands at an all-time high of 194.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT ADDRESS

Although the director of the Youth Department is now administering the work of the department from his office in Little Rock, Ark., we ask that all correspondence continue to be sent to the same address as previously, *Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061*. It will be forwarded.

come more and more prone to strife, turmoil, immorality, and rebellion, the facilities of Oregon Bible College must be enlarged to fill the needs of Church of God people.

Because it is not a college of the world but of the Lord, it must be built and developed by the Lord's people. To fulfill its function, it must be staffed by people of the Lord qualified to impart the faith as well as the facts. This places great responsibility upon us to provide the students the funds, the faculty, the loyalty, and the prayer that are necessary to proceed.

Costs and Commitments

The estimated cost of the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College is \$150,000.00. This money must come from contributions and commitments to be paid by 1970. This appears to be a large sum of money—and it is—but divided among the many member families of the Church of God it is a very feasible goal. If each one participates according to the way that the Lord has blessed him, these funds can be raised and we can complete this project as we completed Phase One, with the help of the Lord.

It is hoped that construction can begin immediately on the classroom and study area in the existing building, so they can be in use for the annual winter Ministers' Conference. Other construction can begin as soon as sufficient commitments and gifts have been assured to proceed with the work. About \$5,500.00 has already been given to begin the work.

The coupon below can be used to make your contribution or commitment to this project. We urge you to make this a matter of prayer and then to make your gift or commitment accordingly. The total amount of gifts and commitments will be reported regularly in the *JOURNAL*.



Believing in the value of Oregon Bible College, I am enclosing a gift of \$..... for the Phase Two building project.

Lord willing, it is my intention to give \$..... for the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College by August, 1970.

Name

Address

City

State Zip

(Mail this coupon to Oregon Bible College Building Fund, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.)

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



Churches IN THE News

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 8-17—Special Meetings, Ripley, Ill., Richard Worley, guest speaker
November 9, 10—Church of God General Conference Board of Directors meeting
August 4-9—General Conference

BAPTISMS AT OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE

During Christian Emphasis Week conducted at Oregon Bible College, October 16-20, Joe Martin was baptized by Michael Mattison, and Duane Helweg was baptized by S. O. Ross. These two new students are welcomed into the household of faith, with prayers for their continued faithful walk in Christ.

BAPTISM AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

John Henry Evans, Jr., was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins October 1, 1967. That God will lead him the rest of his days is our prayer.
Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY

We are pleased to welcome Linda Sharp, Rt. 2, Mt. Sterling, Ill., into the body of Christ and the Ripley Church of God. She was baptized in the LaMoine River Sunday, September 3, 1967, by the writer. Linda is an active member and dedicated worker in our church and youth group. May the Lord's blessing rest upon her as she continues her walk with him.
John Hearp, pastor.

BAPTISMS IN TEXAS

At the close of the Texas Conference, June 11, 1967, the following persons were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ: Terry and Nancy Gandy, 4312 Pleasant Dr., Midland, Tex.; and David McCorkle, Gatesville, Texas.
Richard Worley.

BAPTISM AT TROY VIEW

Debbie Stine made known her desire to be baptized into the name of Christ at National Youth Camp. She was baptized by the writer on Sunday, August 20, 1967. We pray the Lord's blessing upon her new chosen life.
John Lewis, pastor.

BAPTISM AT GARDEN PARK

Our hearts were gladdened Sunday morning, September 24, 1967, when Miss Lynne Knapp responded to the invitation to accept Christ. She is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Charles Knapp. Our Sunday evening service was dismissed for that night and the baptism was held during the evening service at Pennellwood. Following the worship service, the Knapps invited the members of Garden Park and of their families to be at their home for a fellowship honoring Lynne. May God bless you and use you, Lynne.
Francis E. Burnett, pastor.

CHRISTMAS TRACTS

We have on hand two Christmas tracts, "What Christmas Means to Me," and "Peace—Good Will." These are two-color tracts, especially made for insertion in Christmas cards. They may be ordered for \$.35 per doz., \$2.00 per hundred, postage-paid when payment accompanies order, from: The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

The Harlingen (Texas) Church of God pastor and members are humbly grateful for the contributions and offerings sent to us from all over the country by churches and individuals. We are truly thankful for the love and concern manifested for us by our brethren in regard to the damage to our church and parsonage caused by hurricane Beulah. We give thanks to God for those of like precious faith who were led to help in a time of need. May his blessing and guidance be with you all.
The Harlingen Church of God.

NEWS FROM THE CULMORE CHURCH OF GOD

We have voted on a new name for our church, which we hope to occupy before Christmas. Our new name will be the Eternal Hope Church of God, in keeping with the hope that some day we will inherit eternal life.

In an effort to increase Sunday school attendance, we are now recognizing individual perfect attendance. We plan to have a big attendance drive as soon as we are located in the new building. Our goal is to double the size of our congregation by next October.

We are happy to welcome three new members into the church family. Debbie Fletcher, Greg Thompson, and Paul Carrol were baptized into Christ shortly after the National Youth Conference.
Carolyn P. Kohn, corresponding secretary.

COMPLETE BIBLE STUDY COURSE

We extend congratulations to the following persons who have successfully completed the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Mrs. Alice Hueenkopf, Mrs. R. D. Smith, Steve Schroeder, Mrs. R. H. Hoffman, Mrs. Russell Conly.

ARKANSAS RALLY DAY

Another successful Rally Day was held by the Arkansas Churches of God at the New Hope Church of God on October 15, 1967. Attendance for the Rally was approximately 95. Churches represented were the New Hope, Twin Lakes, Cleveland, Forest Hills, and McGintytown.

A motion was passed to elect a state youth director, with the Board of Trustees appointing a camp director. Both positions were formerly a part of the Rally Day director's work.

Rally Day officers for the coming year are: director, Joe White; assistant director, Paul Shaw; sec.-treas., Margaret Holley; state youth director; Don Needham.

The Lord's presence was felt throughout the day and a great inspiration was taken back to the individual churches by those who attended.
Margaret Holley, secretary.

LeCRONES IN HOSPITAL

Pastor Richard LeCrone, Peoria, Ill., is recovering wonderfully from surgery at a Cape Girardeau, Mo., hospital. Sr. Jane LeCrone also submitted to surgery there at about the same time and is recovering well.

PASTOR JOHN DENCHFIELD

Our itinerary is still being arranged for some of the month of December and the first months of 1968. Is your church planning an intensive witness crusade, or a series of evangelistic meetings? Are you planning to enlarge your building facilities or start a Sunday school in a new area?

We will be pleased to arrange to assist in your special project upon your invitation. Our present address is: Church of God, 555 McGlinecy Lane, Campbell, Calif. 95008. Our permanent address is: Trufant, Mich. 49247.
John Denchfield.

BUILDING PROGRESS AT FONTHILL

The Fonthill, Ont., Church of God plans to build phase one of its new church plant in the spring of 1968. The church has owned a beautiful building site on Hillcrest Road for about six years. The first phase of building will be a new sanctuary and classrooms. The second phase, including additional classrooms, office, and fellowship hall will be built at a later date.

LOMBARD NEWS

The annual meeting of the congregation of the Lombard, Ill., church was held Sunday, October 8, 1967. The church officers for 1967-1968 are: elders: Walter Lay, Milo J. Jones; deacons: Wayne Thoms, Logan Pickerl, Jack Weyrauch; deaconesses: Dorothy Jones, Rosalie Weyrauch; treasurer: Vivian Lewis; secretary: R. Hall; and Sunday school superintendent: Logan Pickerl.

The most important church news is that the church has voted to build a parsonage and construction should begin this month; that is, if everything goes according to plans.
R. H. Hall, secretary.

"AGAPE" SOCIETY

The Bedford Church of God's "Agape" Society, organized over a year ago, has completed many worthwhile projects. Among these have been the making of slippers and "tote" bags for patients at Highland View Hospital. Good, used clothing has been collected, and distributed to several mental institutions and hospitals. Several grocery showers have been given to local needy families. A record player and radio in excellent condition, and costume jewelry were given to a mental institution requesting such items. The ladies have assisted in preparing materials and handcraft for vacation Bible school, cleaning and maintaining the church, planting tulips along the front walk, and have given financial help as much as possible to several worthwhile organizations or churches. They also gave a mother-daughter banquet, and have assisted in several socials. We are now completing hygiene kits for Vietnam. We hope to send baby clothes and diapers to an infant home in Mantua, Ohio, as one of several November projects. We also had devotions at the home of a shut-in, and hope to do more of this in the near future.
Hazel Cramer, secretary.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Pastor John Hearp reports that there was a large congregation present for the services of the day, October 15, 1967, when the Ripley Church of God celebrated its centennial.

NEW PARSONAGE

The Brush Creek Church of God has a fine new parsonage across the street from its church. Bro. and Sr. Harvey Krogh have moved into the parsonage at 6375 S. Kessler-Frederick Rd., Tipp City, Ohio 45371.

MINNESOTA STATE CONFERENCE

The members of the Minnesota Churches of God met at the Long Lake Campgrounds for their annual fall conference on October 6, 7, 8, 1967. The local pastors were in charge of the services, beginning on Friday evening and continuing through Sunday afternoon. Sr. Louise Lapp was music chairman and Hector was the host church.

Beautiful fall weather preceded the conference but rains of one and one-half inches, accompanied by the boom of duck hunters' guns became a part of the program. Regardless of the weather, there still prevailed the atmosphere of devotion, meditation, good music and sermons, quiet relaxation, and fine food. Those attending were enriched by the experience, and those absent were deprived of this blessing.

A short business meeting conducted by President Norvald Sogge resulted in the continued effort regarding radio work. The St. Cloud church announced the beginning of an evangelistic radio program in their area.

John Savage, state delegate, gave a report on the proceedings of the General Conference session at Camp Mack. Interesting plans were made for the Adult Retreat to be held October 20-21, and everyone was urged to attend.

Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, secretary.

NELLIE E. WILLIAMS

Mrs. Nellie E. Williams, of Rt. 2, Omaha, Ill., fell asleep in death October 8, 1967, at the age of 80. She was baptized into the body of Christ in 1962 by John Lewis.

She leaves to mourn two sons, Stanley and Herdis Williams; two daughters, Mrs. Mary McDaniel and Mrs. Nana Lee Barnett; a brother, Joe Barton; a sister, Mrs. Edna Ramsey; seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted for her by the writer at the Restitution Church of God in Eldorado, Ill., on October 10, 1967. She was laid to rest in the Old Cottonwood Cemetery to await the day of the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and the resurrection, when death's bonds shall be broken.

Edward D. Bender, pastor.

OLLIE MARIE ZELLER

Ollie Marie Zeller was born in Marysville, Mo., May 21, 1898. She was married to Morris Zeller, October 10, 1923, at St. Paul, Neb. Four years later she was united in faith with her husband, being baptized in November, 1927, by Bro. Almus Adams. One son, Robert, was born to the Zellers and lives at Vernal, Utah. For nearly a half century Alliance and Box Butte county have been the home of this couple. Sr. Zeller has been in failing health for several months and died August 25, 1967.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer in a local funeral home, after which Sr. Ollie was laid to rest in the Alliance cemetery to await the call of her Master, signs of which indicate it near at hand.

C. E. Randall.

KESSLER-MARSHALL

The Brush Creek Church of God was nearly filled on Saturday evening, September 23, 1967, when Miss Mary Esther Kessler became the bride of Mr. Charles L. Marshall in a double ring ceremony performed by the writer. The bride is the youngest daughter of Bro. Floyd Kessler of West Milton, Ohio. The newly married couple plan to make their home at 80 Ashwood Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45405. May God richly bless them as they serve him together.

Harvey U. Krogh, Jr.



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Mazel Marie Weis was born December 19, 1905, in Eden Lake Township to Henry M. Bennett and Mary Robins Bennett. At the age of 16 years, she was baptized and became a member of the Church of God.

On October 19, 1925, Mazel and Art Weis were married in Eden Valley, Minn. To this union were born three children: Bonnie Hanlon, Bill and Kae Weis.

She died suddenly October 6, 1967, leaving her husband Art, her children, and her brother Fred. She was buried in Eden Lake Cemetery to await the call of her Saviour.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

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The new church building of the St. Louis, Mo., Church of God was dedicated on Sunday, October 15, 1967. A good attendance of people was present for the day's activities. Harold Doan was dedicatory speaker.

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We are replacing our former baptismal certificates with a new type of certificate. There are 50 certificates bound in a book, with a stub to be retained as a record by the minister. The certificates are in three colors, six by eight inches, and will be supplied with white envelopes for presentation. The certificates and envelopes will sell for \$2.75 postage paid.

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The Search For Unity

By the Editor

ENGAGED in research in the historical archives of the Church of God General Conference, we rediscovered the truth that the history of the Church of God in North America has always involved a search for unity of faith as well as actions to share that faith with others. From its beginning, the Church of God in North America has been united in the basic fundamentals of doctrine still outlined in the By-Laws of the Church of God General Conference, and in most local church and state conference constitutions.

These basic principles were included in a recommendation by a committee headed by Bro. J. H. Willey, who was later elected as first president of the General Conference organized in 1888. The recommendation became the articles of faith. Bro. Willey wrote: "We are fully persuaded from the Scriptures given by inspiration of God through the Holy Spirit, that repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ are necessary in order to Salvation; and that faith worketh by love, thus proving its genuineness. We believe in and practice, as taught in the Scriptures, the ordinances (1) of Baptism, that is, immersion, in water of believers, into the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ; and (2) of the Lord's Supper.

"We are also fully persuaded that the Lord Jesus Christ will come personally and visibly to this earth a second time, and that it is God's purpose to give him the throne of his father David and establish the everlasting Kingdom of God upon the earth under the administration and kingly rule of his Son.

"Furthermore, we are as fully persuaded that man is mortal in his present condition, and that eternal life and immortality are only bestowed upon him through Jesus Christ and the resurrection from the dead at his coming.

"We are assured that the wages of sin is death, and not

eternal torment in excruciating agony, and that the wicked perish as a consequence of their persistent iniquity.

"We also look for the 'restitution of all things which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began,' and accordingly 'look for new heavens and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness' as the future abode of the people of God.

"We are convinced from the sure word of prophecy of the restoration of Judah and Israel to the land of their fathers.

"These and other kindred truths distinguish us as a people from the great religious bodies of our own time; and living as we believe near the close of this dispensation for taking out a people for God's name, we recommend our preachers, evangelists, and churches to place and keep these too-much-neglected doctrines of the Scriptures prominently before the people."

In details of belief, aside from those listed and adopted by the first General Conference delegates, there was considerable difference of opinion. In fact, in the early days of the church there appears to have been considerable latitude even in regard to some of the fundamentals of faith. The following year, 1889, delegates to the General Conference in Chicago cautiously recommended that each church be encouraged to adopt some articles of faith, but that they not be so detailed as to cause controversy or to hamper freedom of conscience or private interpretations of the Scriptures.

The struggle between protecting the faith from heresy and the right of individual believers to come to personal conclusions about the Scriptures, was evident and still persists. It should not be thought remarkable to us that each new church generation must wrestle with this matter and decide upon policies.

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General Conference Progress

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Many organizations, secular and religious, are identified in their advertising by an emblem, symbol, or trademark. The purpose of the emblem is to create a simple, attractive identifying mark that symbolizes the organization's purpose and work. Such emblems are used on road signs, letterheads, advertising pieces, buildings, and in other places, where a person seeing the emblem will immediately recognize it and associate it with the organization.

The Board of Directors is interested in receiving ideas for such an emblem for use in the Church of God. The emblem should be simple, symbolic, original, have only one or two basic elements (circle, triangle, candle, wheel, etc.), be sketched in black ink on white paper, and should be a design that could be used by the General Conference, state conferences, and local churches in their advertising.

Entries should be sent to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, by April 1, 1968. They will be judged by the Board of Directors and, if a design is selected, the design and name of the designer will be publicized.

STAFF AND STUDENT SERVICES

Since the beginning of August, staff members and Oregon Bible College students have conducted services in many places. Among the churches visited are: Casey, Marshall, Macomb, Eldorado, Ripley, Gethsemane Gardens, Oregon, Dixon, New Lenox, East Oregon, Lombard, and Rockford, Ill.; Indiana State Conference, South Bend, Lafayette, and Hillisburg, Ind.; Northeast Youth Conference and Cleveland, Ohio; Omaha and Fremont, Neb.; Monroe, Wis.; L'Anse, Southlawn, and Garden Park, Mich.; and St. Louis, Mo. We are thankful for the opportunities to serve at various churches and conferences and to maintain this personal contact with the work in the field.

RETIREMENT HOMESITES

Church of God General Conference has been given fifty acres of fine, wooded property between Hammond and Ponchatoula, La., by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bottolfs. The land is to be used by the Conference for church purposes and cannot be sold or used for any commercial ventures.

The Board of Directors is studying the possibility of offering low-cost or no-cost lifetime leases on homesites to

Church of God members who might be interested in retiring in Louisiana. Persons could erect retirement homes here for lifetime use. The homes would then eventually become part of the property held under the present contract agreement and could be used for low-cost rental retirement homes for ministers or other members.

Details have not been worked out, but we would be interested now in knowing if there are people in the Church of God interested in such a development. If you are interested, or have ideas on the matter, please write Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

ANNUAL MINISTERS' CONFERENCE, JAN. 22-26

The Annual Midwinter Ministers' Conference is being planned for January 22-26. Daytime sessions will be held in Oregon Bible College facilities and meals will be served in the College cafeteria.

Program committee chairman Pastor Lee McQuinn has mailed assignment requests and urges all ministers to be prompt in replying to the requests for participation in the program.

An interesting and varied program has been planned and the week of study and fellowship will be a blessing to every minister of the Church of God.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCES

In November contributions were just a few dollars short of the Goal for Giving for the month. As the program of the Conference grows and as costs rise, it is very commendable that the Lord's people keep pace with faithful stewardship.

The Goal for Giving below is for two months, December and January.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for Giving for November	\$6,592.00
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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The schedule of services of the evangelistic preaching team has been stopped for a time, due to the continuous heavy rains throughout northern Luzon where most of our Philippine churches are located. Attendance at the Sunday services in the churches holds up well, however, with Uddiawan having an average of one hundred twenty-five and San Nicolas with seventy-five. The team will resume services as soon as weather permits.

NIGERIA

The Nigerian brethren have submitted their membership list and it reveals that twenty-one hundred twenty-four have been baptized since the acceptance of the doctrines proclaimed by the Church of God. There are nine pastors shepherding this flock and, in accordance with the action taken at General Conference, temporary pastoral aid support was begun in November. The nine pastors receive a total of \$150.00 per month.

These brethren are in the process of securing a small printing press to provide tracts and literature in the Efik language.

The civil war continues in Nigeria, and many of the members have lost clothing and other personal items taken by the opposition forces. Mail service is still not available directly to the brethren. We do, however, correspond with the leader of the work, Bro. A. A. Obot, through a mutual contact in Lagos.

MEXICO

There is a possibility of starting services in the mountain village of Bisnaga, about thirty-five miles from Saltillo. This is near Sierra Hermosa, where services are being held from time to time. There is a small abandoned church in Bisnaga which they plan to use.

The new Church of God tract, "Now Is the Time," has been translated and will be printed in Spanish. Bro. Dean Moore has been working on the translation of this tract, visiting in many homes, surveying the field at Sierra Hermosa, and holding services in El Potosi and Labor Vieja.

NOVA SCOTIA

Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown are now putting out a monthly newsletter called "The Lighthouse Beacon." This

should be helpful in keeping the members and friends of the Digby church informed on the progress and plans of the church.

Bro. and Sr. Brown are now working with two choirs in the Lighthouse church, one a Berean choir and the other a combined choir. The membership is working on applying the second coat of paint on the new building.

INDIA

The youth activities of the Bangalore brethren have surged. The young people are assisting in hospital calling, distributing tracts there and other places, and holding special prayer services with the sick.

Bro. Manoah's eldest son, Vijayan, assisted in the evening "Sing Song" service recently by reading the Scripture lesson in the English language.

Bro. Manoah has set up a first-aid medical treatment station at the church for members and friends near the mission. There is a retired nurse in the congregation who is administering care for wounds, fever, colds, etc. "This is another good means of the propagation of our mission work," says Bro. Manoah.

The Bangalore church is in the process of installing a church bell. This is a great help, as most members do not have clocks, and this alerts the people that church is about to start. The Macomb church provided funds for the bell.

Bro. Manoah is translating several of our Church of God tracts to be printed in Tamil. Others are being reprinted for distribution in and around Bangalore. A man in Hyderabad, India, is also using many of our tracts since he has come to know of our doctrinal beliefs.

LEBANON

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a, who put on Christ in April, 1966, when Bro. S. O. Ross was on his world tour, has been granted his ministerial license. He reports one hundred thirty-seven children at Sunday school recently and thirty-seven adults at the morning and evening services on Sunday. Bro. Sunna'a was recently granted \$25.00 per month pastoral aid. His services are held in El Chibbak, a suburb of Beirut.

PRAYER LIST FOR DECEMBER

1. Pray for peace in Nigeria.
2. Pray for each missionary in the field.
3. Pray for Bro. Jamal Sunna'a and his ministry in Lebanon.
4. Pray for an outreach through home missions.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

ACCREDITING ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges held its annual meeting in Chicago, November 1-3. A number of valuable workshops were provided, from which many ideas for the improvement of our college program were received. Those attending from the faculty were Bros. Stanley Ross, Kenneth Milne, Eugene Stilson, and William Wachtel. In addition, Bro. Francis Burnett, vice-chairman of the Board of Education, attended, since there were special sessions for board members this year.

NEW FACULTY MEMBER NAMED

At their recent meeting the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference named Bro. Francis Burnett to become a full-time instructor at Oregon Bible College beginning in the fall of 1968. Bro. Burnett is at present pastor of the Garden Park Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich. He is an Oregon Bible College graduate and has been active for many years in the Alumni Association and Board of Education. He will bring many years of practical experience as a pastor to his new teaching responsibilities.

THE COLLEGE LIBRARY

The college library is under the direction of Miss Olive Stoffregen, formerly librarian of the Oregon city library. Miss Stoffregen teaches at a nearby school during the day and works at the college library in the evenings. She has been acquisitioning new books, rearranging old books, and setting up our files of periodicals for more efficient use. Sr. Edith Eades assists in the library in the mornings and evenings, and Sr. Elna Ross in the afternoons. The library is an essential part of our educational program and deserves the interest and support of all who are concerned about Oregon Bible College and the training provided here.

A recent gift to the library was a copy of *The New Testament from Twenty-Six Translations*, given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith in memory of Sr. Emma B. Coleman.

CHAPEL SERVICES

Recent chapel speakers have brought messages of challenge and blessing. Bro. Paul Shaw, pastor of the New Hope Church of God, Little Rock, Ark., spoke on the "Assurance of Salvation," pointing out that the child of God can be assured in his heart of present salvation. Bro. Warren Sorenson, pastor of the Macomb, Ill.,

Church of God and member of the Mission Board, was the guest speaker for the Foreign Mission Fellowship Chapel, telling of the "Joy of Christian Service." He emphasized the rewards of joy that are found in working for Christ—joy that triumphs over discouragements of every kind.

ATHLETIC AND SOCIAL EVENTS

The Student Council is sponsoring an athletic program this year involving intramural basketball teams for men and women. A local gymnasium is rented Saturday evening of each week for the games, and opportunity is also provided for everyone who wishes to play volleyball sometime during the evening.

The November Faculty Fireside was held at the Wachtel home. A number of students and staff members were present for an evening of fun and fellowship.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE ACTIVITIES

By Eugene Stilson, Director

This fall we have had a full schedule of gospel teams. In September, teams went to the Illinois Youth Retreat and to the Hillisburg Church. In October, teams went to the Oregon Rally Day, the Northeast Conference, Hedrick, and Eldorado. In November, teams went to Macomb, South Bend, and New Lenox. Plans are made to go to Peoria in December.

With the rest of the staff, I recently attended the meeting of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges. At a workshop of Christian service directors I learned what other Bible colleges are doing. One thing of interest was discussion of the *purpose* of the Christian service program. All Christians are called to do service for Christ. It is natural that a Bible college should provide a program through which the students can serve God. As the students advance in training, practical experience becomes a part of their training. Assignments are made that will supplement class learning.

There are several ideas that we might adapt to our program. One is a freshman course called "Orientation to Christian Service." This would explain the different kinds of service and give opportunity for discussion and observation of personal evangelism, tract distribution, song leading, teaching, and house visitation. Another idea is field work to enrich class work. Principles of teaching plus practice teaching, pastoral work plus hospital chaplaincy—these also are ideas that can be used. Musical gospel teams could be established on a year-long basis.

BYF NEWS



YOUTH WEEK IS FEBRUARY 19-25

February 19-25, 1968, are the dates chosen for the observance of Youth Week among Churches of God. February 25 will be observed as Youth Sunday. During this week, the youth of our churches are encouraged to plan special activities and projects and to present at least one of the church services on Youth Sunday. There will again be a contest held and a plaque awarded to the group which carries out the best observance of the week. Materials providing suggestions for activities are being mailed to the groups.

YOUTH GIVING BELOW PAR

Contributions by Bereans and Berean groups to the Youth Department budget will have to take a considerable upward swing in the months to come if this year's \$8,500.00 goal is to be reached. Giving for October, the first month in the new fiscal year, was \$131.36. This is only a few dollars more than the amount given during the same period last year, when the goal was only half as large.

SLIDE-SOUND SET TO BE RELEASED JANUARY 1

A new slide-sound set based on the 1967 Berean Youth Conference is being produced by Pastor Rex Cain, a member of last year's staff, and will be available for showing dates beginning January 1, 1968. A duplicate set is being made to provide more versatility in providing showing dates. A rental fee of \$2.00 is being charged to offset production costs. For showing dates, write Berean Youth Department, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Give a first and second choice of dates.

QUIZ, SPEECH CONTESTS BEGIN IN JANUARY

Many Bereans around the country and in Canada are anxiously awaiting the beginning of the new Berean contest season in January. The writer has heard from young people in several states of their avowed intentions to develop a powerful quizzing program in their states and to send a team to the championship at the Youth Conference which will bring home the first place trophy. We trust that there is similar enthusiasm developing for the Christian Speech Contest.

COIN CRUSADE SET FOR MARCH-APRIL

The Coins-for-Christ Crusade, the annual stewardship project-contest of the youth of the church, will be held during March and April. Last year's Crusade resulted in a winning contribution of \$312.90 (by the Oregon, Ill., Bereans), and total contributions of \$2,292.82.

THE SEARCH FOR UNITY

(Continued from front page)

Each church congregation as it adopts a constitution and determines standards for membership faces the issue. Each state conference, as it forms and administers its constitution and deals with member churches, faces the issue. The General Conference in its various programs, guided by its By-Laws, faces the issue.

To our knowledge, no church has ever completely solved the problem. Some authoritarian groups find themselves unable to apply their detailed rules of faith and overlook all but the most obvious and blatant heresies and wink at the presence among themselves of dissenters. Some liberal groups eliminate standards one by one or remain "willingly ignorant" of the fact that the constituency has departed from the faith. Some have devised elaborate articles of faith where dissent means disfellowship and the result has been a fracturing of the group into innumerable parts at issue over minor points.

Somewhere is the fine Biblical line between "contending for the faith" and "trying the spirits" which can result in "unity of the faith."

The writer has a natural vocational desire for unity. How wonderful it would be if we could speak as a people on all Biblical matters with "one mind and one mouth" (Rom. 15:6)! Such a miracle would cut our editorial decisions and correspondence in half. The fact is that in those matters of consequence on which we always have been agreed, we *do* speak with one mouth and we *are* of one mind! There are always new phases of truth coming to the surface through the diligent study of men and women of God. There are new points of emphasis and expanded understanding and new depths of appreciation reached by personal and group study and discussion, but essentials remain intact.

Perhaps George Fox was right in his slogan: "In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty," and perhaps we should be satisfied in our search for unity with essentials.

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Annual Financial Statement

October 1, 1966 - September 30, 1967

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES GENERAL FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in bank—Checking	\$ 303.63
Petty Cash Fund	200.00
Student Deposits—Room & Key	141.00
Accounts Receivable	1,342.74
Notes Receivable (Within one year)	2,055.58
Inventory	13,960.50
Total Current Assets	\$ 18,003.45
Other Assets	
Note Receivable	\$ 24,000.00
Less: Amount Classified as Current	1,805.58
Total Other Assets	22,194.42
Fixed Assets	
Construction in Progress—	
Womens Residence Hall	\$ 1,410.00
Land	22,941.91
Buildings	\$239,120.89
Allowance for Depreciation	25,003.14
	214,117.75
Furniture & Equipment	\$ 50,396.77
Allowance for Depreciation	22,421.30
	27,975.47
Auto	\$ 2,795.00
Allowance for Depreciation	776.53
	2,018.47
Total Fixed Assets	268,463.60
Total Assets	\$308,661.47
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,571.63
Withheld and Accrued Payroll Taxes	552.92
Withheld Hospitalization Insurance Premium	104.05
Deposits—Room & Key	141.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 2,369.60
Deferred Income	
Gain on Sale of Equipment	3,510.44
Net Worth	
Surplus	302,781.43
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$308,661.47

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Checking	\$ 5,303.22
Cash in Bank—Savings	20,590.83
Stocks & Bonds—At Cost	9,046.98
Notes Receivable	1,744.66
Total Current Assets	\$ 36,715.69
Other Assets	
Note Receivable—Anthon Property	\$ 2,777.28
Less: Amount Classified as Current	118.66
Total Other Assets	2,658.62
Total Assets	\$ 39,374.31
Current Liabilities	
Notes Payable	\$ 1,156.00
Net Worth	
Fund Balance	38,218.31
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$ 39,374.31

TRUST FUNDS

Current Assets	
Cash in Bank—Savings	\$ 3,562.56
Note Receivable (Within one year)	562.56
Total Current Assets	\$ 4,125.12
Other Assets	
Note Receivable	\$ 6,437.44
Less: Amount Classified as Current	562.56
Total Other Assets	5,874.88
Fixed Assets	
Land	39,075.00
Total Assets	\$ 49,075.00
Total Net Worth In All Funds	\$390,074.00

STATEMENT OF OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSES

Operating Income	
Contributions—General	\$ 68,844.95
Contributions—Devises & Bequests	4,904.79
Contributions—Other	16,784.84
Tuition, Room & Board	30,897.39
Services	122.30
Interest & Dividends	99.79
Camp	13,576.20
Miscellaneous	1,090.66
Gross Profit on Sales	28,697.82
Total Operating Gross Profit	\$165,018.24
Operating Expenses	
Salaries	\$ 64,539.76
Light & Fuel	5,257.36
Telephone	982.38
Insurance	2,240.22
Postage	3,038.25
Office Supplies & Expense	2,587.56
Depreciation	6,089.04
Advertising	475.70
Repairs & Maintenance	1,340.62
Travel	8,845.24
Towel & Laundry	404.75
Camp	13,209.28
Printing	8,619.16
Editorial	1,450.00
Speakers	100.00
Assistance to Mission Points	18,359.00
Assistance to Churches	8,731.26
Literature & Visual Education	501.62
Food	7,320.28
Supplies & Expense	2,636.22
Social Security Tax	3,261.04
Interest	60.82
Legal & Audit	746.85
Auto Expense	715.86
Miscellaneous	1,228.82
Youth Caravan	885.25
Total Operating Expenses	\$163,626.34
Net Operating Income	\$ 1,391.90

STATEMENT OF OTHER RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Net Operating Income (Forwarded)	\$ 1,391.90
Add: Other Receipts	
Contributions—Scholarship Funds	\$ 500.00
Contributions—Building Fund	4,905.83
Contributions—Ministerial Fund	439.08
Interest	1,850.41
Net Gain on Sale of Equipment	10.00
Total Other Receipts	\$ 7,705.32
Total Net Operating Income and Other Receipts	\$ 9,097.22
Deduct: Other Expenses	
Postage—Ministerial Fund	\$ 15.34
Assistance to Ministers	700.00
Scholarships Granted	485.00
Annuity Benefits	2,938.61
Total Other Expenses	\$ 4,138.95
Net Income From All Sources	\$ 4,958.27
Add: Non-Cash Expenses Deducted Above	
Depreciation	\$ 6,089.04
Net Cash Income	\$ 11,047.31
Deduct: Capital Expenditures	
Repayment of Indebtedness	\$ 470.75
Additions to Land	200.00
Additions to Buildings	3,300.00
Additions to Furniture & Equipment	1,593.16
Additions to Construction in Progress	1,410.00
Total Capital Expenditures	\$ 6,973.91
Net Cash Received in Excess of Expenditures	\$ 4,073.40

The Annual Financial Statement above is a portion of the report of the firm of Ramsey, King, McBride, Warsaw, Indiana, accepted by the Church of God General Conference Board of Directors, November 9, 1967.

CHURCH OF GOD DIRECTORY

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

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 J. Roy Humphreys and John Humphreys, Pastors, Royal 71968
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 Dixon Church, 221 W. Morgan St., Dixon 61021
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 Dudley Lippert, Supt., Eldena 61324
 East Oregon Chapel, Rt. 2, Oregon 61061
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Mrs. Marie Reinhard, Supt., Gladbrook 50635
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Gordon Smith, Pastor, Clarence 52216
Kenneth Hinkle, Sec., Rt. 2, Belle Plaine 52208
Merle Cronbaugh, Supt., Rt. 3, Ladora 52251
Stanhope Church, Stanhope
Esther Jenkins, Sec., Stanhope 50246
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Those whose names are followed by an asterisk (*) preached less than twenty sermons during the year ending July 15, 1967.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 13—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Burr Oak
- January 22-26—Annual Ministers' Conference, Oregon, Illinois.
- February 19-25—Youth Week
- April 20, 21—Northeast Conference, Columbia Church of God, Columbia Station, Ohio
- June 23-29—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp, Camp Mack
- August 4-9—General Conference
- August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference

JOHN DENCHFIELD'S SERVICES

"The Great Southwest" is definitely not an idle phrase. It is great in area, in beauty, and in population; and has a great need of the gospel of Christ.

Much is being done to supply that need. Much more needs to be done. More laborers are needed: some to labor more, more to labor some.

Here at Campbell (San Jose) we continue to seek a regular full-time pastor. Present plans are that I will continue as pastor pro tem until about January 15, 1968.

Allowing for a period of travel in Arizona, Texas, and New Mexico, we plan to be at Arkansas City, Kan., for meetings on January 21, 1968.

The following week we will be at Ministerial Conference, Oregon, Ill.

Beyond Ministerial Conference time we are now beginning to arrange our itinerary. Let us know of your needs and plans so that most effective arrangements can be made.

John Denchfield, Trufant, Mich.

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The following people have successfully completed the twenty-nine lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course: Albert Kwasi Myers (Ghana), Faye Graf.

THE BIBLE STUDENTS' FORUM

Two ministers, Kirby Davis and J. Ronald Rankin, along with four lay workers, David Opel, Von Corbaley, Charles Brisky and Ernest Dart, of the Wenatchee and Cashmere churches, have united in the effort to publish a paper for discussion of any Bible subject. This, as a forum for ministers and Bible students, is intended as a supplement to other Church of God publications which are more evangelistically oriented. It is currently being sent to all ministers and a few others. We request that the Church of God ministers keep the "Forum" notified of changes of address. Any interested Bible student may receive The Bible Students' Forum by writing to 309 N. Douglas, Cashmere, Wash. 98815.

FALL MEETINGS AT BRUSH CREEK Report of Baptism

We are happy to report that Dan H. Gallagher, son of Bro. and Sr. Harold Gallagher, 6950 Milton-Potsdam Rd., West Milton, Ohio 45383, was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins by Bro. Z. B. Duncan on Sunday afternoon, December 3, 1967, at the Miami River. We pray God's blessing to rest abundantly upon Dan as he grows to maturity in Christ.

Bro. Duncan brought us excellent messages from the Bible in a way that was inspiring and encouraging to everyone interested in the things of God and the promised return of Jesus Christ. The attendance was good, being over one hundred several times besides the Sunday services. We trust the seed sown will bring forth much fruit to the glory of God in the day to come.

Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., pastor.

BAPTISMS AT ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS

It was with joy that we baptized Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Naber, Rt. 1, Arkansas City, Kan., on November 14, 1967, in the name of Jesus Christ for the remissions of sins. We pray for our Lord to richly and abundantly bless them in their walk with him.

Clyde M. Long.

BAPTISMS AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

We are very happy to report the baptism of our daughter, Myra Lee Huffer, 1130 Laguna Dr., Tempe, Ariz., on Sunday evening, July 16, 1967, at the Tempe Church.

Mrs. Tommy (Rita) McCaw, 1423 Wilson Ave., Tempe, was baptized into Christ, Sunday, April 23, 1967. We pray that God will guide these believers as they live for him.

Alva G. Huffer, pastor.

IMMERSION AT HOPE CHAPEL

During the Berean Youth Conference, Linda Sue Gyorgyi, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Joseph Gyorgyi, 12366 Carleton Drive, Mishawaka, Ind. 46544, answered our Redeemer's call.

Linda was immersed on August 27, 1967, into Jesus' name by this writer. She was welcomed into the fellowship with the warmest hopes and assurances for her "walk in newness of life."
Austin Railton, pastor.

BAPTISM IN OHIO

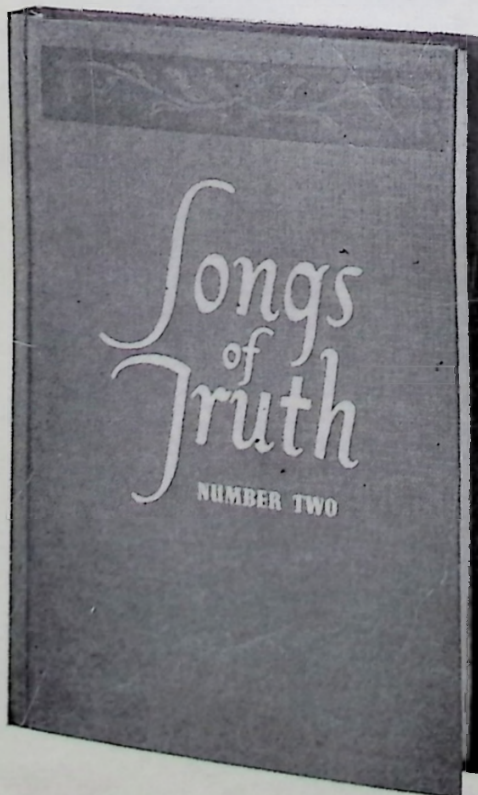
Jesse Arthur Maey, 401 N. Main St., Covington, Ohio 45318, recently confessed Christ as Saviour and was baptized by his son Bro. Emory Maey on Monday, November 27, 1967. We are very happy to add his name to the list of members of the Brush Creek Church of God who look for the glorious return of the Christ. May God strengthen and bless Bro. Maey in his life of service to the Master.
Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., pastor.

BAPTISMS AT BRUSH CREEK CHURCH OF GOD

We were made glad by the confession of faith and baptism of three persons on Sunday afternoon, November 19, 1967. They are: Miss Rebecca Lynne Stine, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Bill Stine of 257 N. Miami St., West Milton, Ohio 45383, who made her confession at the Glad Tidings Chapel the previous Sunday; Miss Denise Lea Pearson, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Paul Pearson, 680 E.ingham Rd., Rt. 2, Tipp City, Ohio 45371; and Mr. Ivan E. Seman of 217 Market St., West Milton, Ohio 45383.

May God richly bless them in their Christian life of service.

Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., pastor



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BAPTISM AT DIXON, ILLINOIS

On October 1, 1967, we were strengthened in our fellowship of faith by the addition of one newly baptized when, on the shore of Rock River, the congregation witnessed the baptism of Jon Lippert into the saving name of Jesus Christ for the remission of his sins. We are happy for the free grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and for the privilege of continued service in his name.

Ernest Graham, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT HILLISBURG

It was our happy privilege to baptize three young ladies of the Hillisburg Church of God into the saving name of Jesus. They were Marilyn Berkshire, Kathy Benge, and Nancy Carlson. We pray the Lord's richest blessing to rest upon them as they begin their new walk of life with him.

Harry S. Payne, pastor.

NEW CHURCH IN CINCINNATI

A new church has become a member of the Northeast Conference. Organized in Cincinnati, Ohio, the church meets each third Sunday of the month at the YWCA, 8234 Winton Rd., at 10:00 a.m. Officers are; Don Ballentine, chairman; Ivan Magaw, elder; Don Young, treasurer; and Virginia Young, secretary. The Northeast Conference is assisting the new church with services.

CHURCH OF GOD, EDEN VALLEY, MINNESOTA

With the beginning of our new church year in September we resumed evening services, having prayer meeting, Bible study and senior choir practice on Wednesday evening; junior choir practice on Friday after school and regular services on Sunday morning and evening. The music committee of Norvald Sogge, Louise Lapp, Shala Hamilton, and Shelly Gaspar made up a program for all services for a three-month period.

Sunday school activities continue, with the business meeting on July 6 when the following officers were elected: Robert Gaspar, superintendent; Wilmer Wendroth, assistant; Mary Otto, secretary; and Blanche Brossard, treasurer. There were teachers and assistants appointed for nine classes and Delores Sogge is Cradle Roll superintendent. Vacation Bible school was held in June, with Betty Coulter in charge. Attendance was very good.

The fall Berean Conference met at the Long Lake campgrounds on September 23-25, 1967. The young people all attended church in Eden Valley on Sunday morning and had dinner at the church before visitors from Nebraska and Iowa and the local state Bereans returned to their homes.

On Sunday, November 5, the choir wore new robes which were given by Bro. J. B. Gaspar as a memorial for his wife. The choir special chosen for this occasion was "How Great Thou Art."

The Ladies Aid continues active with the election of officers in September. Larry Gaspar is president, Lillian Mills is treasurer, Ida Bennett remains vice-president, and Rose Wendroth is secretary.

The elders of the church took care of services in October when the Lapps attended the centennial celebration at Ripley, Ill. Our minister also attended the Minister-Laymen meeting in Waterloo, Iowa, along with other state ministers, October 27, 28.

Our church joins with all others in watching with great interest the developments in Israel, knowing the fulfillment of prophecy is immediate. We remember the words in Luke 21:28, "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, reporter.

NEWS FROM POMONA

Greetings from the Church of the Open Bible in Pomona. We are happy to announce that Mrs. Carol Bodin has put on Christ in baptism. Pre-baptism classes are now being held for several other people who are considering baptism.

Sunday school attendance at our new location continues to increase. A contest to increase attendance was held early in the fall and ended on Rally Day. After the morning service a basket dinner was held for all who wished to have fellowship with us. In the near future we hope to have to make plans for more Sunday school rooms.

This year we had two young people, Dan Scholtes and Cynthia McLeod, who attended the Berean Youth Conference. Cynthia was awarded a citation for being an outstanding vice-president. Laureen Macy, secretary.

FOREIGN MISSION PRAYER BAND

Have you ever wondered what you personally can do for foreign missions? Have you ever desired the opportunity to be more active in our church's missionary work? The Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College has now prepared a way for you to take an active and important role in our mission work.

The Fellowship has organized a missionary prayer band, and you can be a part of it. This is how it will work. Every month the Foreign Mission Fellowship of O.B.C. will prepare a newsletter with a specific prayer request having to do with some phase of our missions and a specific thanksgiving, one for each day. This way hearts throughout the world will be uplifted in prayer to God, each with the same request and thanksgiving,

every day of the year. This newsletter will also contain the latest news and information about our mission work and short biographies of some of our missionaries, especially those with whom many of us are not personally acquainted.

This newsletter will not be sent out in mass! We want only those people who are vitally interested in our church's mission work and who will be faithful daily in this prayer mission. We all know the miracles and wonders that can be worked through prayer. Do you want to have a part in this mission of miracles?

If you do desire to be a part of the Foreign Mission Prayer Band, and if you will agree to petition God daily for these specific requests and to lift up praise for these specific thanksgivings, then show us you care. Show us you care enough to send us a post-card containing your name and address so that you can join other individuals throughout the world in this mission of prayer. Post cards should be addressed to "Missionary Prayer Band" Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061. Don't neglect this opportunity to serve your Lord!

NILES-FEIGER

Miss Dorothy Janell Niles became the bride of Frederick Harold Feiger on Saturday, October 14, 1967. The double ring ceremony was held at the Empire Methodist Church at Empire, Mich., with the writer officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Niles of the Southlawn Church. We pray God's blessing on Janell and Fred in the establishment of their home. May the Lord be ever present in their lives.

Darrell Maddock.



Mission Builders Appeal Number 19

Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona

The Bible Church of God at Phoenix, Ariz., was organized in 1965 with thirty-five members. The present membership of the church is seventy-seven. A fine building site has been purchased and construction will begin soon on the sanctuary building pictured above.

The church will be assisted by the Mission Builders League, and an appeal is in the mail to all Mission Builders.

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RIPLEY CENTENNIAL

The Centennial Celebration of the Ripley Church of God was a joyous occasion, as many friends, former resident members, and pastors gathered to enjoy the week-end. Attendance was very good at all services, with 150 present on Sunday. The inspiring messages concerning our church history, existence, and future were: Friday, "A Moment of Eternity," by Pastor Warren Sorenson; Saturday, "The People Perish," by Pastor J. Arlen Marsh; Sunday a.m., "The Joy of a Former Pastor," Pastor Clarence Lapp; and Sunday p.m., "The Ancient Landmark," Pastor Francis Burnett.

Greetings were brought in the afternoon by Evelyn Austin, Louise Lapp, Grace Marsh, Irene Sorenson, Paul Hatch, Paul Johnson, the above speakers and Pastor John Hearp. Many out-of-town guests were present to enjoy the fellowship with us, and several letters were received from friends who could not be present.

The historical display was well arranged and received, interesting highlights of our history were given during the afternoon service by Mary Burnett, Lorene Fey, and Tessa Laning. Beautiful floral arrangements were presented by the Macomb Church, the Darrell Maddock and Richard Worley families; and the Logsdon, Lynd and Urish families, in memory of William and Etta Densmore.

We are thankful to all who participated and helped to make the week-end a success. Margaret Porter, secretary.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES IN MISSOURI

The week-end of October 21 and 22, 1967, found the Missouri churches engaged in their Fall Quarterly Conference. Jordan Church of God was the scene. Attendance was 97 on Sunday morning. Brothers Don Ward, Kansas City, Arnold Johns, new pastor at Fredericktown, and Ted Armes, Morse Mill, gave excellent sermons. Bro. Richard Lee served at a Communion service in the afternoon. Bro. James Lippert conducted a lively business meeting.

Missouri State Conference Board Members are, at present: president, James Lippert, Bethalto, Ill.; first vice-president, George Sheeley, Kansas City, Mo.; second vice-president, Harry Lee, Cedar Hill, Mo.; treasurer, Marvin Cooper, Fredericktown, Mo.; and secretary, Alice Jennings, St. Louis, Mo.

Activity during the past year has been distributed state wide. Raymore was host to the 1966 Annual State Conference, with Bro. Dale Ward serving as guest speaker. Quarterly Conferences, were held at Lockwood, Doniphan, and Fredericktown, all with excellent attendance. Camp Orchard Crest began their week of study and worship on June 25. An increase of 5 campers brought attendance to 45 campers and 8 staff members. St. Louis Church of God was host to the 1967, "60th" Annual State Conference. Bro. James Mattison served as guest speaker. Sunday attendance was 128. Betsy Thibault accepted Christ and was baptized in his name.

St. Louis Church of God was the scene of a simple but eloquent dedication service on October 15. Bro. Harold Doan very graciously assisted in this service. We were honored by the presence of Leota Hanson, Oregon, Ill., a former member of the first Bible class in St. Louis. Space would not permit me to tell all that has gone into the building of this "House of God"—the boy who gave his first pay as a paper boy, the man who started it by creating a minister's salary and donating it to a building fund, the couples, the men, women and children who kept it going during the Depression of the 30's, the later people of dedication who reached out hands of help and faith, the ministers who worked

and served and prayed; the tears, hopes and heartaches that go into building a new church in a big city. Here, I can only express my personal thanks and the thanks of the present congregation to the many people who have been, in some way, involved.

Thanks go also to the Mission Builders who made it possible to take many steps forward at one time. We ask, very humbly, for your prayers that this church will become, not only a sanctuary for worship to this body of believers, but a tool in God's hand for bringing the Good News to those who pass and those who stay at this crossroads city, "The Gateway to the West."

Alice Jennings, secretary.

NEW BUILDING PLANNED

Since 1905, when it was built, the present building located in the city center of Cashmere has served as the place of worship for the Cashmere Church of God. In June, 1966, final decision was made to relocate near the Cashmere Cemetery and to build a new public meeting place. Steady progress has been made to that end. From the beginning, pledges insured the purchase of the one acre of land needed for \$2,500.00. The land has been purchased, some building materials already acquired, and the building fund has again reached nearly \$2,300.00, so that construction may begin in the spring of 1968. We thank the Lord for his continued blessings.

J. Ronald Rankin, pastor.

COSSAIRT—APPLEBY

The Omaha Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Sunday afternoon, October 8, 1967, when Marie Cossairt and Richard Appleby, Jr., were united in marriage. The sanctuary was filled with relatives and friends. Following the wedding services, a reception was held in the social hall. These young people are highly respected and active in the church. Following a short honeymoon in the Ozarks, they set up housekeeping in Omaha where they have always lived. Theirs will be a Christian home.

Clyde E. Randall, pastor.

FREDERICK J. DART

Frederick J. Dart of Cashmere, Wash., died October 26, 1967. He was born in Nebraska, April 25, 1889, and at the age of seven moved to Missouri with his family. In 1909, he moved to Billings, Mont., where he married Ruby Souders on July 16, 1915. They came to Cashmere in 1945. He was a member of the Church of God.

Surviving are: his widow; his sons and daughters, Ernest of Cashmere, Warren in California, Leonard Dart, Denver, Colo., a sister, Clara Sadler, Wenatchee; and 14 grandchildren.

He was laid to rest in the Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery, East Wenatchee, Wash., with the writer, minister of the Church of God, officiating. Words of comfort were expressed, using texts from the Psalms, Job, and the Apostle Paul.

J. Ronald Rankin, pastor.

DANIEL FYFE

Daniel Fyfe, son of James M. and Emily J. Fyfe, was born August 4, 1878, near Cedarville, Mo. On May 5, 1902, he married Zona Bays. To this union six children were born. There are two grandsons and three great-grandsons.

In early life he was baptized by Bro. W. H. Wilson and became a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith.

He died October 26, 1967, and was laid to rest in the Cedarville Cemetery, there to await the call of the Master.

Lyle Rankin, pastor.

ROSS DREW

Mr. Ross Drew of Dixon, Ill., died at the Orchard Glen Nursing Home, following a lengthy illness. He was eighty-six years of age.

Mr. Drew was the son of Storer and Annie Vandenberg Drew and lived his entire life in Lee County, Ill. His wife and two brothers preceded him in death. He is survived by four sons, Lyle and Elwin, Dixon; Dale, Rock Falls; and Leon, Franklin Grove; two sisters, Mrs. William Wagner, Dixon, and Mrs. George Schrock, Peru; a brother, Floyd, Dixon; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 30, 1967, in the Preston Funeral Home, after which he was laid to rest in Dixon's Chapel Hill Cemetery where he sleeps awaiting the call of resurrection.

Ernest Graham, pastor.

JESSIE MINGO SCROGGS

Jessie Mingo Scroggs, was born in Rochester, N. Y., in 1897, and died on October 28, 1967, after a long illness.

Jessie was nine years old when she moved into the E. C. Railsback home in South Bend, Ind. She lived with them until her marriage to Austin Scroggs who preceeded her in death in 1953.

She moved from Grants Pass, Ore., to Pomona, Calif., after serving the Pacific Bell Telephone Company for thirty years.

Bro. S. J. Lindsay baptized Jessie in 1909 at Plymouth, Ind.

MRS. LYDIA WILSON

Mrs. Lydia Wilson, formerly of Rushville, Ill., died at the Valley Nursing Home, Grand Junction, Colo., in November, 1967, at the age of eighty-nine. She was the last surviving daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Griffith. She was married February 25, 1903, to John W. Wilson, in Ripley, Ill. Her husband preceeded her in death in 1947.

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SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

The thirty-fourth semi-annual Southwest Conference was held in sunny Tempe, Ariz., November 17-19, 1967.

The conference was opened Friday night with a sermon entitled "In Times Like These" by Pastor Hollis Partlowe, following the theme of the Conference. Pastor Alva Huffer presented "In Times Like These We Need to Know That God Is" on Saturday morning.

The business meeting followed this, with President Malcolm McLeod presiding. The budget presented for the coming year is encouraging. The conference will continue sponsoring two scholarships—the Norman McLeod and the S. J. Lindsay—to be given to a student at Oregon Bible College. It was recommended by the delegates that these be given to David Hall, a member of the Phoenix Church. Dallas Demmitt was elected Southwest Youth Director for a two-year term. Bernedene Jones, secretary; Floyd Dimmick, vice-president; and Jerry Graham, board member at large were re-elected for two-year terms. Jerry Graham from the Phoenix Church showed and explained plans for their new church which will be started with ground breaking in early January.

On Saturday afternoon Dallas Demmitt led a panel of young people in discussion of "Church Youth in Times Like These." Robert See conducted a workshop on "Tool for Service." He showed us working equipment that churches need to instruct our youth today.

Pastor Delbert Jones spoke Saturday night on "In Times Like These—Our Doctrine Is

Important." Sunday morning, Pastor John Denchfield of San Jose presented a message, "In Times Like These We Should Stand." Gerald Cooper concluded the conference with a sermon Sunday afternoon.

This conference in Tempe will be remembered for the fellowship that the members had with each other and for the instructions that were given by the speakers.

Bernedene Jones, secretary.

NEWS FROM TWIN LAKES

Beginning with the new church year, September 3, 1967, the congregation of Twin Lakes Church, Little Rock, Ark., extended a joyful welcome to its new pastor, Bro. Donald Needham. Don is outgoing and friendly, a congenial personality who is also sincerely dedicated to the service of the Master and to the ideal of guiding persons toward a saving knowledge of Christ. Already the church members have been inspired by his young vitality and his devotion to work.

Attendance at church services is improving, and our schedule of services has been expanded. We now have a fellowship Sunday the first of each month. The new pastor presents the Bible message in challenging talks on Sunday mornings and evenings, and Wednesday evening Bible study allows opportunity for interesting individual participation.

Plans are now under way for steady improvement of the church plant and adequate provision for the pastor and his family. We are certainly well blessed in having the Don Needham family with us.

LaNell Compton, secretary.

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THE REAL PROBLEM

By Pastor Russell Dickerson, Hammond, Louisiana

DOCTORS tell us that there is no cure for the common cold. All we can do for a cold is to treat the symptoms. However, when many people get colds, they begin to gulp down huge quantities of pills, medicines, and Vitamin C, smear greasy ointments on themselves, use sprays, and do many other things designed to cure the cold. Man has a knack of attempting to solve his problems in the wrong way.

For instance, there have been wars on the face of the earth for thousands of years. Man has come to the conclusion that wars are caused by a lack of communications, the language barrier, and a lack of understanding. So he attempts to solve the problem of war by getting all nations of the world together in an organization called the United Nations. In the United Nations, men can overcome the communications problem, the language barrier, and even the understanding problem. The only difficulty encountered is that wars and "trouble spots" have increased by leaps and bounds instead of diminishing as they were supposed to once men sat down face to face to solve their differences.

Race troubles have plagued this country for many years. Nearly everyone was quite certain that the solution was integration of white and colored people. The solution seemed very simple. Send soldiers and force integration. No doubt, Negroes do have more opportunities now, but race relations, the original problem, is worse now than ever before.

American people deplore the senseless slaughter of fifty thousand people and the injuring of many more thousands on our highways each year. Since the blame has to be put somewhere, it is put on the "unsafe" auto-

mobile. The solution doesn't seem to be too difficult. Just build safer cars. This is like saying that, since germs are often passed by breathing contaminated air, we should try to keep people from breathing. This is just another example of how man tries to solve his problems in the wrong way.

Political scientists tell us that communism makes advances in many poor countries because it is easy to incite rebellion and riots. After all, when people are hungry, poor, and without the basic necessities of life, it is easy to get them to riot and revolt. Again the solution seems fairly obvious. Send economic assistance. Whether foreign aid prevents communist takeover is yet to be proven, but we do know that economic deprivation is not the reason for riot and rebellion. One only needs to look at the United States to see that this is not so. It seems that the more sophisticated, educated, and wealthy we become as a people, the more rebellious, riotous, and anarchistic we become as individuals.

Political leaders are trying to build a "great society." What is wrong with our society the way it is? Everyone can see that we have poverty, ignorance, disease, and crime. If these things can be eliminated, we will have a "great society." For the last few years, politicians have been declaring war on poverty, crime, etc., but crime rates are increasing, divorce rates soar, publications and movies become more obscene, cities are torn with riots and bloodshed, venereal disease is in epidemic proportions in some areas, drug addiction is becoming a very serious problem everywhere, many college students all over the country are restless and rebellious, and the "hippies" flourish.

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General Conference Progress

CHANGES IN CONFERENCE STAFF

Early in January, Executive Secretary Harold Doan submitted his resignation to the Board of Directors. Bro. S. O. Ross has been appointed Executive Secretary, beginning February 1, 1968. Bro. Doan will work with Bro. Ross and will continue to edit publications and teach at Oregon Bible College till May 31.

Bro. William Wachtel, president of Oregon Bible College, submitted his resignation, effective August 1, 1968. Bro. Alva G. Huffer has been appointed President of Oregon Bible College, effective September 1, 1968. Bro. Huffer will continue his doctoral program, however, and not move to Oregon until he has completed this program.

A full-time teacher, and a full-time editor will be employed by the Board to begin their duties by September 1, 1968.

BUILDING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Each family of the Church of God has received in the mail some detailed information about the Golden Anniversary Development Program for Oregon Bible College. We trust you will study this information and then participate as the Lord has blessed you. The development of Oregon Bible College is one important phase of the expanding work of your General Conference, and it depends upon the support of interested members and friends.

BOARDS MEET

Church of God General Conference Board of Directors met in Oregon, Ill., Friday, January 26, to consider many of the important facets of the work of the Conference. Preliminary plans for the 1968 General Conference were discussed, as well as plans for the next fiscal year.

The Mission Board met in Oregon, January 13, to discuss the mission work of the Church of God and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The Board of Education for Oregon Bible College met on January 22, to consider the work of the College, plans for the future, and recommendations for the Board of Directors.

The Board of License and Ordination, the Committee studying possible revisions for the General Conference Constitution and By-Laws, and the steering committee for the Council of Christian Education have met recently also.

Many people volunteer their talents for service on

Boards and Committees, to write for publications, and to carry out other important work for the General Conference. Their services are appreciated.

EMBLEM OR SYMBOL

Many organizations, secular and religious, are identified in their advertising by an emblem, symbol, or trademark. The purpose of the emblem is to create a simple, attractive identifying mark that symbolizes the organization's purpose and work. Such emblems are used on road signs, letterheads, advertising pieces, buildings, and in other places, where a person seeing the emblem will immediately recognize it and associate it with the organization.

The Board of Directors is interested in receiving ideas for such an emblem for use in the Church of God. The emblem should be simple, symbolic, original, have only one or two basic elements (circle, triangle, candle, wheel, etc.), be sketched in black ink on white paper, and should be a design that could be used by the General Conference, state conferences, and local churches in their advertising.

Entries should be sent to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, by April 1, 1968. They will be judged by the Board of Directors and, if a design is selected, the design and name of the designer will be publicized.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCES

The figures below represent the Goal for Giving and contributions for the months of December and January. You will notice that contributions are short of the Goal for Giving for the two months. This is unfortunate, because expenses are running higher than anticipated, due primarily to rising costs of goods and salaries, and unexpected repairs for buildings and equipment. We know this condition is temporary and will trust that the necessary funds will be forthcoming for the Lord's work.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for December-January	\$13,214.00
Given in December-January	12,083.00
To be given by September 30	54,915.00

Goal for February \$6,864.00

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Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



The picture shows a portion of one Sunday school class in the El Chibbak, Lebanon, congregation. This group is pastored by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a, a minister of the Church of God, and meets in his home. The attendance at Sunday school runs well over one hundred each week.

This is another open door for the proclamation of the gospel to people who are hungry to hear the truth. Recently Bro. Sunna'a immersed a young lady who had been a nun in a local convent for several years.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The Philippine Board of Directors and ministers met recently in their quarterly session. They have decided to resume the Evangelistic Team services, and meetings have already been held at Quezon and Minagbag. Radio broadcasting was begun in January over the station at Ilagan, Isabela. This is a powerful station and gives excellent coverage to Isabela and adjoining provinces.

Some painting and redecorating are being done on the church building at Uddiawan to put it in excellent condition.

INDIA

Special services were held at the new church in Bangalore on both Christmas and New Year's Eve. The church was full at both services. They held special prayer services of thanksgiving for all the brethren of the General Conference for all their help and kind deeds to them in the past. Coffee was served to all in attendance, as it was "very cold" those nights.

Many of the youth and ladies carried on a caroling program for several nights. One hundred fifty homes were visited.

Bro. S. S. Manoaah writes regarding New Year's Eve at midnight, "There is no other church bell in the area. At 12:00 o'clock our bell was loudly rung for two minutes and then the whole city was calm and silent as we were in prayer. Really, we are people blessed of God and he truly has heard our prayers."

MEXICO

Sr. Rachel Krogh was called home, due to the illness of her father, Pastor Harvey Krogh. Sr. Krogh continued to work on literature and Sunday school materials while here and returned to Mexico after attending the Ministerial Conference in Oregon.

Ezekiel Martinez, son of Pastor Francisco Martinez, has been extremely ill with tubercular meningitis, but is much better and slowly improving in health. Bro. and Sr. Martinez are so thankful for the many prayers that have been prayed and apparently answered on his behalf.

Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore now live near a Trailer Park, and many good contacts and much witness have been possible here.

NOVA SCOTIA

Weather has been rather severe in the Digby area. Attendance, however, has held up and been on the increase continually. Average attendance at services in September was thirty-four and in December was fifty-five. This does not include an attendance of ninety-one at the Christmas program which was held on a very stormy night.

Bro. Raymond Brown and his family are presently making a most happy home for a little blonde two-year-old girl through their local welfare agency.

NIGERIA

The civil war continues to cripple correspondence and travel and has caused hardship for many of the membership. Several of the young men have been forced into service in the conflict.

Bro. A. A. Obot has made several good contacts in the city of Lagos and hopes to begin a church work there.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FEBRUARY

1. Pray for the new opportunities in Lagos, Nigeria.
2. Pray for the plans for Bro. Manoaah's trip to the United States and Canada this spring.
3. Pray for each missionary and his family.
4. Pray for new doors of opportunity.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

SEMESTER TWO BEGINS

Semester Two has begun, and a full report of registration and enrollment will be included in next month's college page. Courses being taught this semester are: Bro. Eugene Stilson teaches English II, Public Speaking II, Preaching, General Psychology II, and Choir; Bro. William Wachtel teaches New Testament IV, Old Testament IV, and Biblical Hermeneutics; Bro. Harold Doan Teaches Introduction to Doctrine and Pastoral Work II; Bro. Kenneth Milne teaches Bible Survey II and Evangelism I; Sr. Jean Doan teaches the Teaching II course. The annual seminar is not being held this year; but Bro. S. S. Manoah, our missionary in India, will visit the college for a week during March.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Every year at the beginning of the second semester a number of scholarships and grants are awarded to students who have demonstrated academic excellence, outstanding Christian character, worthy leadership, and other qualities. These are mainly tuition scholarships in the amount of \$150.00. The Chester A. Ferrell Scholarship is for \$200.00, and was awarded this year to Stephen Bolhous. The S. E. Magaw Scholarship was awarded to David Cheatwood, the Booster Scholarship to Scott Ross, and James A. Patrick Scholarship to Michael Hale, the Leila Mae Doeden Scholarship to Nancy Foster, the Glen R. and Violet M. Booth Scholarship to Joe Martin, the Northeast Berean Scholarship to Roger Cupp, and scholarships from anonymous donors were awarded to Harold Wagganer and Patsy Holden. Three grants in the amount of \$50.00 each were awarded to Jim Mickey, Delbert Rankin, and Glenda Westbrook. David Hall received the S. J. Lindsay Scholarship the first semester and the Norman McLeod Scholarship the second semester—awarded directly by the Southwest Conference. Other grants and scholarships awarded directly by the donors were the Otto E. Dick Scholarship, from Indiana Conference, divided among the Indiana students, the Brush Creek Sewing Circle Scholarships, to Mary Jo Brewer and David Krogh; the BYF Scholarship, to Dale Swartz; the Iowa Berean Scholarship, to Penny Stetzer; the Hope Chapel Missionary Society Scholarship, to John Railton; the Texas Conference Scholarship, to Duane Helweg.

THE STUDENT VOICE *by Jim Mickey, Editor*

During the first semester, *The Student Voice* came under constructive criticism by its staff, and it will

be revised the second semester. No longer will the paper be aiming its contents toward those outside the college. Instead, it will publish articles and information concerned mainly with the college. The old mailing list is being completely discarded, and a new one will be formed from those who request the paper. If you would like to receive it, write to *The Student Voice*, Oregon Bible College, Oregon, Illinois 61061. Include your name, address, and zip code. The cost of the paper for those outside the college will be financed by contributions. The expense of receiving a paper every two weeks is 75 cents a semester.

FOREIGN MISSIONS FELLOWSHIP,

by Scott Ross, Chairman

The Foreign Missions Fellowship has been very active. We are busy with plans for Bro. Manoah's visit to the college and looking forward to it with great anticipation. We are also raising money to provide tracts and Bibles to our various mission fields and to assist them in other ways. For example, \$100.00 was sent to Nigeria for literature and an additional \$50.00 to help them buy their printing press. We are also sponsoring the Missionary Prayer Band. This is a group of people around the world who agree to remember in prayer daily the foreign mission work. We of the Fellowship provide them with daily petitions or praises regarding our mission work, through a monthly newsletter. (If you desire to be a member of this, just send a card with your name and address to "Missionary Prayer Band," Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061.) In addition, the Fellowship is studying the possibility of hosting a missionary conference sometime in the spring.

HOME MISSIONS FELLOWSHIP

by Don Hightower, Chairman

We have had several activities since the school year began. We have been sending speakers once a month to Pinecrest Manor, in Mt. Morris, Ill. Over four hundred letters were sent to prospective students for O.B.C. Other plans are being worked out to encourage young people to come to the college. There is a growing concern at the college regarding the importance of Christian witnessing, and we hope to sponsor a special chapel service soon emphasizing this need and how to meet it.

BULLETINS APPRECIATED

A number of Church of God pastors send their church bulletins to the college. Thank you!

BYF NEWS



YOUTH WEEK THIS MONTH

February 19-25, 1968, will be observed throughout the Church of God as Youth Week. Many churches plan a number of youth activities during the week and climax the week with Youth Sunday services, the young people taking complete charge of the service. Youth Week can be a great blessing both to the young people and the adults of your church if you will join in this year's observance.

Materials have been mailed to the churches suggesting ideas for observing the week and explaining the competition for the International Youth Week Award. The award is an engraved plaque given to the youth group which carries out the best observance of the week.

COIN CRUSADE BEGINS NEXT MONTH

The annual Coins-for-Christ Crusade will begin March 1 and will continue through the month of April. This is a stewardship project of the Berean Youth Fellowship in which nickles, dimes, and quarters are taped to special coin posters by the young people to support our general youth work budget of \$8,500.00. The Youth Advisory Council has set a goal for this year of \$3,500.00. Last year's Crusade raised \$2,292.82.

YOUTH GIVING PROGRESS

We wish we could give a better report regarding the progress of the youth of our church at large in raising their daring \$8,500.00 giving goal for this year. On December 31, the end of the first quarter, total youth giving amounted to \$465.00. Although we have faith that the young people will "come through," if this rate continued, the total youth giving for the year would be only about \$1,900.00, instead of \$8,500.00.

AMERICANA YOUTH CARAVAN PROGRESS

It is now clear that the Americana Youth Caravan will travel to the Southwest part of the United States this summer. Full details of the project along with an application blank are in the current issue of *Challenge*. Two carloads of young people and adult advisors will leave Oregon, Illinois, June 9 and make a large "horseshoe" trip out to the Great Southwest and conclude the caravan in Little Rock, Arkansas, on June 23. The cost will be approximately \$40.00 per person. (The Youth Department will be paying an additional \$65.00 per person to make the trip possible.)

ADVISORY COUNCIL MET IN DECEMBER

The National Youth Advisory Council, the group of

nine young people elected to assist the youth director in the administration of the Youth Department, met December 29, for a very productive all-day meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas. Eight members were present.

BEREAN CONTEST MANUALS PRINTED

Berean Contest Director Jim Mickey has announced that this year's Berean Contest Manuals are scheduled to be received by the churches in late January or early February. These manuals will give full procedures for the Berean Quiz Contest and the Christian Speech Contest.

CHALLENGE FEATURES SOUTHWEST YOUTH

The January-February issue of *Challenge*, the Church of God youth magazine, is a special issue featuring the youth of the Southwest Conference. The publishing of this issue is a part of the "Operation Southwest" program being carried on this year to help build a feeling of cooperation and fellowship between the Southwest youth and the youth of our other conferences.

SLIDE-SOUND SET AVAILABLE

Immediate showing dates are available for the set of 35mm full-color slides with narration on tape recording, based on the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference. The set, produced by Pastor Rex Cain of Bedford, Ohio, was released January 1 along with a duplicate set. Both sets have been in use by various churches almost every weekend since then. Churches or youth groups which write for showing dates should ask for dates at least a month in advance and give two alternate dates. Rental fee is \$2.00.

AGE LIMITS RAISED

The age limits for those eligible to attend the 1968 Berean Youth Conference will be entering *ninth* grade through age twenty-two. The lower age limit for the last several years has been the eighth grade. There are
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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- February 19-25—Youth Week
 March 18-22—Vacation Bible School, Font-hill, Ont.
 March 23—National Missionary Conference, Oregon, Ill.
 April 20, 21—Northeast Conference, Colum-bia Church of God, Columbia Station, Ohio
 April 25, 26—Junior-Senior Weekend, Oregon Bible College.
 April 26-28—Southwest Conference at Pomo-na. Bro. S. S. Manoah, guest speaker
 June 15-22—Southwest Youth Camp at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Cal.
 June 23-29—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp, Camp Mack
 August 4-9—General Conference

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Culmore Church of God (Washington, D.C.) is now called Eternal Hope Church of God, 3309 West Ox Road, Herndon, Va.
 Lockwood Church of God, Rt. 2, Lockwood, Mo. 65682; Lyle Rankin, Pastor, 102 Paton St., Cashmere, Wash. 98815; Ruby Fyfe, Sec., Rt. 2, Lockwood, Mo. 65682
 Columbus, Ohio, Church of God: Carl Roth, pastor, 804 Heyl Ave., Columbus 43206; Verna Roth, sec., 804 Heyl Ave., Columbus 43206.

Lombard, Church: Lee McQuinn, Pastor, 21W251 North Ave., Lombard, Ill. 60148

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Ministerial Association is Russell Dickerson, Box S-17-C, Hammond, La. 70401.

The new address of Francisco (Ibarra) Martinez is care of Dean Moore, Apartado 118, Saltillo, Coah., Mexico.

Burr Oak Church: Burton Feece, Supt., 1604 W. Jefferson, Plymouth, Ind. 46350

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Since September, 1967, the following persons have been baptized into Christ in the Church of God at Columbus, Ohio: Robert Storts, Dale Ware, Margaret Ware, Robert Ware, Oliver Cooper, Dianna Cooper, Ronald Parliament, Norma Herrin, Pamela Herren, Sandra Herren, Steven Moorehouse, James Ginley, Danny Byas, Steven Gibson, Paul Brewster, Barbara Haywood, Frederick Graessel, Nancy Smith, Ora Bush, Lonnie Herren, Anna Cooper, Gary Herren, Ronnie Writesel, and Rose Writesel. May the Lord bless each of them in their walk with him.
 C. F. Carl Roth, pastor.

FOREIGN MISSION PRAYER BAND

If you would like to be part of our Foreign Mission Prayer Band and missed our article in the last Journal, it is not too late! Each month the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College prepares a newsletter with a specific prayer request and a specific thanksgiving, one for each day. The newsletter also contains the latest news and information about our mission work and short biographies of some of our missionaries. All you need to do is to send your name, address, and zip code to Missionary Newsletter, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, and you will be put on the permanent mailing list.

NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Brethren, Words cannot express the fullness of my appreciation for your many cards and letters and especially for your prayers in my behalf. Truly, God is graciously answering your prayers and I am regaining my strength. I am sorry that I will be unable to answer each kind message of encouragement and hope, but I trust you will accept my thanks expressed in this way.

Yours in his service,
 Harvey U. Krogh, Jr.

FOREST HILLS CHURCH OF GOD

On December 24, 1967, at the close of the preaching service, Miss Pamela Mayberry came forward and requested baptism. Her address is Rt. 1, Box 42, Independence, Oregon 97351.

It was the minister's privilege to baptize her that afternoon. May God bless her as she walks the pathway that will lead her to life eternal.

John R. Humphreys, pastor.

HARTWIG-HUEY

Dr. Kenneth Howard Huey was united in marriage to Neva Sue Hartwig in a simple ceremony at the Tempe Church of God December 23, 1967. Henry Sargent, Jr., Mrs. Ruth Pyle, and Lisa Hartwig stood up with the bride and groom, and a few relatives and friends attended. The writer officiated.

That God will bless them richly in their life together is our prayer.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

OMPS-THORPE

Wednesday night, December 20, 1967, Miss Roxanne Omps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Omps, of Woodstock, Va., became the bride of Mr. Douglas Thorpe, Woodstock, who is now serving with the U.S. Army. The wedding took place in the Maurertown church, where Roxanne is a member. We pray that lasting happiness may await this young couple and that they will establish a Christian home.

James Mattison.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

I want to express my appreciation to all who sent greetings, letters, and gifts at Christmastime. It is certainly nice to be remembered by Christian friends. We are always thankful for your interest and your prayer support.

Rachel Krogh (Missionary to Mexico).

THEODORE ALONZO DRINKARD

Theodore Alonzo Drinkard was born in Van Zant County, Texas, July 17, 1888, and died in Arlington, Texas, December 31, 1967.

He was married to Nicy E. Ramfield, December 11, 1910, and to this union three children were born.

He is survived by his wife Nicy E.; his son Curtis; and two daughters, Annie Lee Vaughn, and Mrs. Dorothy Randall; one brother, Charles Roy; three sisters, Mrs. Lucy Mayo, Mrs. Carrie Lee Harrell, and Mrs. Annie Duke; and nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Bro. T. A. Drinkard was a long-time minister of the Church of God, having preached his first sermon at the age of twenty. In his early ministry he served as pastor of a number of churches, but in later years he did more the work of an evangelist, traveling in many different states and preaching in different churches in series of meetings. He was active in the work until about five years ago, when ill health forced him to retire. Even then he continued his ministry by the printed message each month. His strong faith in the Word of God, and the hope of the second coming of Jesus to establish his Kingdom on the earth, marked Bro. Drinkard's ministry and life. Now he sleeps in death, to await the morn of the resurrection.

Funeral services were conducted January 2, 1968, by the writer, assisted by Bro. John Hayse. May that day soon come when pain, sorrow, tears, and death shall be no more.

Harry Gockler.

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SCHMIDT-GRAESSEL

Miss Patsy Schmidt became the bride of Frederick William Graessel, December 9, 1967, at the Columbus Church of God, in a double ring ceremony performed by the writer. Both are members of the Columbus Church. After a short honeymoon, the groom returned to his ship, U.S.S. Saratoga, in Florida. The couple will make their home in Philadelphia. We pray God's blessing upon them as they walk together in the faith of Christ.

C. F. Carl Roth, pastor.

ELNORA GOCKLEY

Funeral services were conducted for Elnora Gockley, December 21, 1967, at the Church of God, Holbrook, Neb. The undersigned, assisted by Pastor Clyde Long, officiated at the services. Interment was in Edison Cemetery.

She was born December 7, 1879, and died at the home of her daughter, Evalyn Burns, at Wray, Col. She is survived by her daughter; her husband John; her son Ralph; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; a brother, Delbert Snyder; other relatives and friends.

James Rencontre, pastor.

LEO J. ELTON

Leo J. Elton, 72, was born in Missouri Valley, Iowa. He lived in Kostenai County, Idaho, for 46 years, the last 16 in Couer d' Alene. He died December 6, 1967.

He was a member of the Church of God (Faith of Abraham).

Following the presenting of God's word to enlighten those gathered for the funeral, he was laid to rest, there to await the resurrection.

Lyle Rankin.

LUTHER S. MILLER

Luther S. Miller was born October 16, 1895, and died November 29, 1967. His home was in Toms Brook, Va.

Words of comfort and the hope of the resurrection were spoken by Bro. Cecil Smead and the writer in the chapel of the Stover Funeral Home, Strasburg, Va. Burial was in Reliance Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Pauline; and eight children, Charles Miller, Mrs. Kathleen Barb, Mrs. Anna Strosnider, Mrs. Shirley Smead; and John, Hazel, George and Gaylon, all at home. We look forward to the day when death will cease and sorrow shall be no more.

James Mattison.

MRS. BERTHA LESH

Bertha Lesh was born in Greenville, Ohio, in November of 1875. She died at Midland, Mich., on December 25, 1967. She lived many years in Blanchard, Mich., and was a long-time member of the Blanchard church. She was baptized by Pastor Cecil Smead in 1934. Her husband, George Lesh, baptized in his later years, preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by two daughters, Sue (Mrs. Karl) Agricola and Mildred (Mrs. Cecil) Smead. She leaves a daughter Marie (Mrs. James) Harris of Midland, and a son Harry Lesh of Glendale, Cal.

She now awaits the call of the Master when he shall come to establish his Kingdom.

Services were conducted by the undersigned.

Darrell Maddock.

JOHN B. SAATZER

John B. Saatzer, Rockville, Minn., was born July 19, 1899, at St. Cloud, Minn., and died December 20, 1967. He was baptized by Pastor Raymond Brown.

He is survived by his widow, three sons and three daughters, and eleven grandchildren. Three brothers and one sister also remain. He was buried from the Church of God, St. Cloud, Minn., with this writer assisting the new pastor, Bro. Roger Denchfield, in the services. He now awaits the call of his Master, Jesus Christ.

C. E. Lapp.

Not included in this Journal are obituaries of John Clinton DeBusk, Mrs. Eva S. Johnson, and Louie A. Eckert.

BYF NEWS

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several reasons for taking this step: the program and emphasis of the Youth Conference has grown progressively older for the last several years; there are often discipline problems among the eighth graders who do not understand or appreciate the serious emphasis of the camp; and the size limitations of our camp grounds make it necessary to take a step to slow down our growth rate. (We had about 350 campers and staff there last summer.) We hope that this year's seventh graders are not too disappointed and will look forward with even more anticipation to the 1969 camp when they will be eligible to attend.

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following individuals have successfully completed the twenty-nine lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course. We congratulate them for their diligence in the study of God's Word: Glenn Edwards, Robert Annan (Ghana), William Quarshie Agbosu (Ghana), Becky Matthews, Paul Pearson.

MARANATHA YEARBOOK

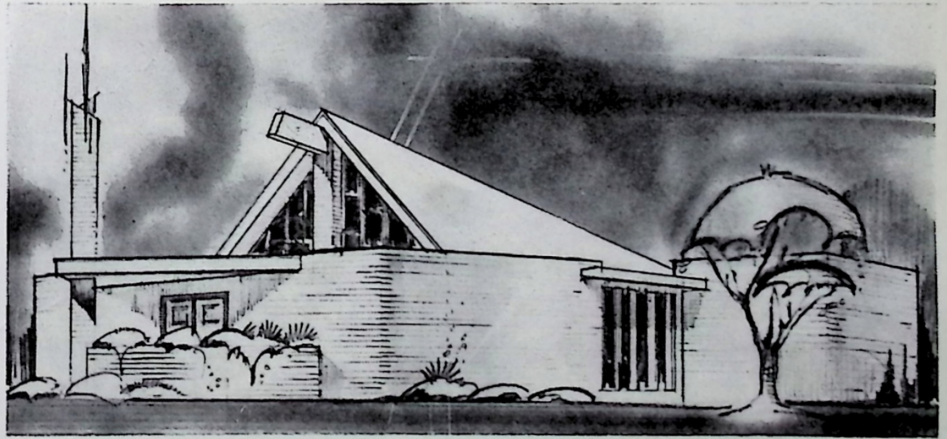
Again this year Oregon Bible College will be publishing the Maranatha yearbook. It will contain pictures of classes, athletic events, student organizations, social functions, and dormitory living. Life at Oregon Bible College will be presented in picture and in word. We are sure that you will want a copy of the Maranatha yearbook for your home. The cost is \$2.50 per copy. To receive your 1968 Maranatha simply fill out the coupon below and send it along with your payment to:

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Mission Builders Appeal Number 19

Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona

The Bible Church of God at Phoenix, Ariz., was organized in 1965 with thirty-five members. The present membership of the church is seventy-seven. A fine building site has been purchased and construction will begin soon on the sanctuary building pictured above.

The church will be assisted by the Mission Builders League, and an appeal is in the mail to all Mission Builders.

If you are not now a Mission Builder, and will agree to send at least \$5.00 for each new church designated for assistance by the League, we urge you to enroll now by sending the coupon.

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THE REAL PROBLEM

(Continued from page 1)

All of the foregoing examples are like the people who take pills for colds, but the pills just do not seem to help. The reason is that we are not getting to the bottom of the problem. We are just treating symptoms. This was evidently the case in the days of Isaiah. Israel was divided as a nation and had ignored the religion of their fathers. Many social problems faced them and they were evidently trying to solve their problems, but were going about it in the wrong way. This prompted Isaiah to ask, "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not?" (Isa. 55:2).

The real cause of trouble in everyone of the problems noted was sin. Wars are not caused by a lack of communications or the language barrier; they are caused by greed, lust, and pride. These are sins. Integration will not solve our race problems. Racial strife is caused by hatred and prejudice. This is sin. When hatred is removed from the hearts of men, they will live in peace. Unsafe automobiles are not the primary reason for the slaughter on our highways. We are told that at least fifty percent, and many authorities believe this to be as high as seventy-five percent, of all highway accidents are caused by drinking drivers. If a person has drunk enough alcoholic beverages that he cannot control his automobile, he is drunk. Drunkenness is sin. Hunger alone does not make

people riot. It is a sinful, rebellious nature. Man is in constant rebellion against authority, whether it be man's authority or God's. A "great society" can never be built when man is controlled by sin, no matter how much money and effort is spent to eliminate crime, poverty, disease, and ignorance.

If the real problem is sin and man's effort to solve his problems seem to fail, what is the real solution? or is there one? The Apostle Paul writes about man's failure and inability to solve the problem of sin in the seventh chapter of Romans. After much discussion of his inability to control or overcome sin, he says, "Miserable creature that I am, who is there to rescue me out of this body doomed to death? God alone, through Jesus Christ our Lord!" (Rom. 7:24, 25, N.E.B.).

DECEMBER-JANUARY CONTRIBUTORS

Contributions for the Lord's work through the Church of God General Conference were received from the following groups and individuals in December and January. We are grateful for the faithful giving of the Lord's people which makes possible the work of missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, the Berean Youth Fellowship, Sunday school development, and other services.

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Progress Is Change

By the Editor

PROGRESS of necessity implies change. Progress implies movement. Sometimes there is a change in direction, a change in methods, a change in purpose, a change in attitude, a change in outlook, or a change in leadership. All changes do not necessarily result in progress, but all progress involves changes.

Paul wrote, "Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one. . . . For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building" (1 Cor. 3:5-9). The changes which took place in the church in Corinth were for progress. The seed of the Word was planted, watered, and reaped by different leaders, each of whom was used of God to increase the fruit to the glory of God.

In all of the changes, God was unchanged and his work was still in his control. The laborers changed and the work grew, but God continued as the husbandman and the harvest was his.

In this season of the year, changes are being made in churches. Ministers and other leaders move from one place to another. New churches secure pastors for the first time. Work is organized in different ways. New ministers enter the field. Some men retire from the work. These changes are often difficult to make, and they do not always seem to immediately result in benefits. Such changes can be the forerunners of progress, of new ideas, of new ways to do things, of accomplishing goals that others thought impossible, of opening new doors, of mending broken fences. In all, it should be remembered that it is the Lord's work and we are but "labourers together with God."

It is possible, of course, to change too frequently. Churches which change ministers often, lose much time when the minister is learning the field and then bringing loose ends together to leave the field. Programs which are changed too frequently cause people to lose confidence and give the church a sense of instability. It is good to give leaders and programs time to prove themselves, and to give the Lord time to work before changes are made. There is a time for change and there is a time for perseverance.

There is an inbred human resistance to change. There is something comforting about the status quo, and there is often dismay at that which is unknown and untried. Thus changes are often met with opposition, rational and irrational. Emotions come into play as one comes to the fork in the road and sees before him an unknown way. Often the new road will lead to lands of opportunity one would have missed on the old path, but how difficult it sometimes seems to decide to change or to accept a change!

It was a good thing that the Apostle Paul moved on from Crete and left Titus to "set in order the things that are wanting" (Titus 1:5). It was a good thing that Apollos was in Ephesus long enough for Priscilla and Aquilla to strengthen his understanding of the gospel. It was good that he moved on to Corinth to follow up the work of Paul and to become one of the acknowledged great leaders of that church. It was even good that Paul and Barnabas had a falling out and went separate ways to double the effectiveness of their missionary endeavors. It was a good thing that the staid, settled old church at Jerusalem was shaken to its core and scattered, because its members "went every where preaching the word" (Acts 8:4).

Progress is change and movement. There can be no progress without change and movement.

General Conference Progress

GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF CHANGES

Bro. S. O. Ross is Executive Secretary and Superintendent of Missions of the Church of God General Conference, beginning February 1, 1968.

Bro. Alva Huffer will be president of Oregon Bible College, though continuing his residence in Tempe, Arizona, in September, 1968. Bros. Eugene Stilson, Francis Burnett, and John Lewis will be full-time resident teachers at Oregon Bible College in September, 1968.

Bro. T. M. Ferrell will succeed Bro. Harold Doan as editor and publisher in June, 1968.

THE RESTITUTION HERALD IN COLOR

The last four issues of *THE RESTITUTION HERALD* have appeared with full four-color covers. These attractive covers add much to the appearance of *THE HERALD*. The paper is larger, with much more copy in the new three-column format.

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MIDWINTER MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Many Church of God ministers from Canada, the United States, and Mexico enjoyed the annual Ministers' Conference in Oregon, Illinois, January 22-26. The week of worship, study, and fellowship is a retreat for ministers in the field. It helps revitalize the minister and broaden his horizons for more effective work in his pastorate.

Churches are encouraged to make it possible for their ministers to attend the Conference by paying their shares of the expense pool.

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED

The remodeling of the General Conference Administration building with a large new classroom seating 75-100 students, a canteen area, a large cloakroom, a study room with carrels, and storage and janitor rooms has been completed and is being used by Oregon Bible College. The remodeling doubles the amount of classroom and study

space for use by the students, and separates the College and General Conference offices. Pictures of the new area will appear in a later issue. The remodeling is part of the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College.

PLANS FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE

Plans are well under way for the 1968 General Conference meetings to be held at Camp Alexander Mack August 4-9. Any recommendations or motions for the business sessions should be referred to S. O. Ross, Box 231 Oregon, Ill. 61061. Any ideas or suggestions for the worship and teaching program should be referred to Pastor Cecil Smead, Browntown, Va. 22610.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCES

Contributions for the month of February are about \$1,000.00 short of the Goal for Giving for the month. This creates some problems for the staff, since expenses continue to be heavier than anticipated. For these first five months of the fiscal year, contributions are about \$3,000.00 behind the Goal.

It is necessary to replace the Conference automobile. With the Oregon Bible College choir trip, the travels of Bro. Manoah, and the planned Youth Caravan coming up in the near future, it is unsafe to trust the present auto. This will place an additional financial burden upon us. A new station wagon has been delivered and is in use for staff travels, deliveries to the post office, transfer of equipment between buildings, and other Conference uses. Additional contributions to meet the cost of this new vehicle will be most appreciated and the auto will be a valuable asset in carrying on the work.

We trust that in the weeks ahead we will not only meet the Goal but also be able to meet the added expense of the auto and travel expenses. The Lord will provide for these things through his people.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for February	\$6,864.00
Given in February	5,812.00
To be given by September 30	\$49,103.00

Goal for March \$7,015.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



March 31	Eden Valley, Minn.
April 1	Hector, Minn.
April 2	Kosza, Iowa
April 3	Omaha, Nebr.
April 4	Raymore, Mo.
April 5	New Hope Church, Little Rock, Ark.
April 6	Baton Rouge, La.
April 7 (a.m.)	Blood River, La.
April 7 (Afternoon)	Happy Woods, La.
April 8	Eldorado, Ill.
April 9	Ripley, Ill.
April 10	Macomb, Ill.
April 12	Lombard, Ill.
April 13	Garden Park, Mich.
April 14 (a.m.)	Pennellwood, Mich.
April 14 (a.m.)	Southlawn, Mich.
April 14	Blanchard, Mich.
April 15	Hope Chapel, So. Bend, Ind.
April 16	Burr Oak, Ind.
April 17	Kokomo, Ind.
April 18	Dayton, Ohio
April 19	Troyview, Ohio
April 20	Columbia Station, Ohio
April 21 (a.m.)	N.E. Conf. Columbia Station
April 22	Fonthill, Ont.
April 23	Bedford, Ohio
April 25, 26	Oregon Bible College (Junior-Senior Weekend)
April 28 (a.m.)	Phoenix, Ariz.
April 28	Tempe, Ariz.
April 30	Pomona, Calif.
May 1	San Jose, Calif.
May 2	Denver, Colo.
May 3	Service and Farewell Party Oregon Bible College
May 4	Eternal Hope, Wash. D.C.
May 5 (a.m.)	Cool Spring, Va.
May 5	Fort Valley, Va.
May 6	Depart for India

We are grateful to the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College for undertaking these ambitious programs and we would ask your prayers for them, for Bro. Manoah as he travels, and for the Lord's blessing on the Missionary Conference and on each service that is conducted during his visit here.

NEW DOORS FOR LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION

Recent correspondence with a group in Andhra Pradesh, India, has opened the way for distribution of our litera-

ture in many dialects of India. The Bible Truth Publishing Association is translating, printing, and distributing many Church of God tracts in these dialects.

NIGERIA

Nine pastors of the Nigerian Church of God have now been granted their ministerial license by the Church of God General Conference. We ask God's blessings upon these men as they lead their congregations, totaling over two thousand people. Those recently licensed are: Anietie Akpan Obot, Jimmy Udo Ekpo, Edet Akpan, Nelson Akpan Udo, Okon Umoh, Tommy Itieabang, Emmanuel Jacob Obot, Peter Iwok Johnson, and Okon John Udo.

NOVA SCOTIA

Several members and friends of the Lighthouse Church in Digby are now taking the Systematic Bible Study Course. Some families now live quite a distance from the church and some thought is being given to begin a work in about two of these other cities where members now reside. Pray for this new outreach planning in Nova Scotia.

MEXICO

Bro. Dean Moore spent some time in the village of Labor Vieja in January and held three preaching services. The attendance average was about forty. Francisco Martinez and Bro. Moore also spoke in the village of Bisnaga three times, with an average of thirty-five in attendance.

Sister Rachel Krogh reports, "It was good to fellowship and study with the ministers and students at the Ministers Conference and meet with the Mission Board."

PRAYER LIST FOR MARCH

1. On March 20 and 21 pray for Bro. Manoah as he travels.
2. Pray for strength for Bro. Manoah as he carries on a rigid agenda while among us.
3. Pray for each missionary and his family.
4. Pray for strength as a conference to be able to take full advantage of each door of opportunity.

Pastor S. S. Manoah, National Church of God Missionary in Bangalore, India, will arrive in Oregon, Illinois, on March 21. Bro. Manoah is being brought here by the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College. The Fellowship is also sponsoring a Missionary Conference at the College on Saturday, March 23, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be a variety of inspirational sessions throughout the day and it is the hope that many churches will send a carload of people or more to take part in this conference.

Bro. Manoah will then be at the College the week of March 25 to 29, with special services each day.

The Mission Department of the General Conference will then conduct Bro. Manoah on a tour of many churches throughout the United States and Canada. The Mission Department regrets that we will not be able to visit every Church of God. We hope that you will closely view the agenda printed below and try to attend at least one of these services. All of the following will be evening services unless otherwise indicated:

March 23	Dixon, Ill.
March 24 (a.m.)	Oregon, Ill.
March 24	Rockford, Ill.
March 31 (a.m.)	Minneapolis, Minn.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

SUMMER COURSE IN LAYMAN LEADERSHIP

It has been decided to offer again this year a course in Layman Leadership, immediately following the close of the current school year. The dates are June 3-7. Twenty-one were enrolled last year, and all agreed that the course was helpful in many ways. We must have at least ten enrollments by April 1 in order to go ahead with final planning. If you are interested, please write to Bro. William Wachtel as soon as possible.

JUNIOR-SENIOR WEEKEND

The annual Junior-Senior Weekend will be held April 25, 26. High school juniors and seniors and their youth leaders are invited to visit Oregon Bible College at that time. An interesting program is planned. Questions regarding this event may be addressed to Bro. Wachtel, and we would appreciate receiving information as soon as possible from youth leaders telling us how many are coming from your area.

MAY IS BOOSTER MONTH

Oregon Bible College Booster Month will be May this year again, and Booster Sunday is set for May 26. (Some congregations may prefer to observe some other Sunday in May, and should feel free to do so.) Bro. Dallas Demmitt is in charge of Booster promotion this year. Watch the April and May issues of PROGRESS JOURNAL for important Booster information.

TUITION INCREASED

By action of the Board of Directors, tuition will be increased in September to \$175.00 per semester for students coming from member churches of the General Conference and \$250.00 per semester for students coming from non-member churches. The present board and room fee of \$325.00 per semester will remain in effect. Correspondence course tuition will be increased as of June 1 to \$10.00 per credit hour, whether or not the course is taken for credit. The first four courses listed among the correspondence courses will be available at \$1.00 a set for personal use.

FACULTY CHANGES

Several changes in faculty will take effect at the beginning of the new school year next fall. Bro. William Wachtel, president and instructor, has resigned. Bro. Alva G. Huffer will assume the office of president in September, continuing to reside in Arizona. Bro. Kenneth Milne, a

part-time instructor for several years and pastor at Rockford, Ill., has resigned his pastorate and will leave the faculty. Bro. and Sr. Harold Doan will also be leaving the faculty, as announced last month in PROGRESS JOURNAL. Bro. Francis Burnett will join the faculty as a full-time instructor, as already announced. Bro. John Lewis, pastor of the Church of God in Troy, Ohio, will also become a full-time member of the faculty. Bro. Eugene Stilson, who joined the faculty last September, will remain in his present position.

NEW STUDENTS

Several new students have come to join our college family during the second semester: Jane Cupp from Dayton, Ohio; Nola Hass from Rockford, Ill.; Philip Jones from Pomona, Cal., where his father serves as pastor; and Lynn Pestle from Macomb, Ill. In addition, Sr. Roslyn Berry and Sr. Edith Eades are taking a course this semester. Sr. Berry is the wife of Bro. Verne Berry, a full-time student. Sr. Eades serves as men's dormitory housemother.

FOUNDATION YEAR STRENGTHENED

The Freshman Foundation Year program will be improved next fall with the addition of two new courses. These are a one-hour course in Christian Service Orientation the first semester and a one-hour course in Church of God Missions and General Conference History the second semester. This will raise the required number of course hours for freshmen to twelve the first semester and ten the second semester, and will provide for increased understanding and skills. This change is the result of special study of our curriculum by the faculty and Board of Education. A continuing study of the curriculum is carried on with a view to constant improvement.

FIRST SEMESTER HONOR ROLL

High Honor: Mary Jo Brewer, 4.00; Nancy Foster, 4.00; Scott Ross, 4.00; Patsy Holden, 3.87; David Krogh, 3.87; Stephen Bolhous, 3.60; Michael Hale, 3.60; Delbert Rankin, 3.57.

Honor: Ronald Sanders, 3.36; Penny Stetzer, 3.29; David Hall, 3.27; Roger Cupp, 3.14; Debbie Thompson, 3.14; Jim Mickey, 3.13; Rex Shaw, 3.07; Dale Swartz, 3.07.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

The Board of Education met on January 24, and adopted several recommendations for presentation to the Board of Directors. The next meeting is scheduled for April 12. Bro. Alva Huffer hopes to attend the meeting.



COIN CRUSADE BEGINS THIS MONTH

The annual Coins-for-Christ Crusade began March 1 and will continue through the month of April. An all-time high goal of \$3,500.00 has been set for the Crusade, which is a stewardship project of the Berean Youth Department. This year's goal has been set at \$1,500.00 more than last year's goal of \$2,000.00 because this year's \$8,500.00 goal for overall youth giving is double that of the former year and the Coin Crusade must keep pace if the goal is to be reached. Church youth leaders were mailed packets of information for participation which included coin posters, an explanation brochure, a thermometer-type graph for charting progress, and a roll of scotch tape. In addition, we even taped the first dime on the coin posters so that no group need come up empty-handed at the end of the Crusade!

SUCCESSFUL YOUTH WEEK HELD

During February 19-25 young people all over the nation and in Canada carried on varied activities in observance of Church of God Youth Week. Although a full report of the activities has not been received at this writing, indications are that participation was widespread and enthusiastic. By the way, we want to dispel a rumor being circulated because of a misprint in the last *Challenge* that we are awarding a *plague* to the group carrying out the best Youth Week observance! One group wrote to find out how bad a plague it would be, because if it were too bad they wondered if they should try to win. That's a *plaque* that we're awarding.

CAMP SLIDES AVAILABLE

The set of color slides with taped narration of the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference continues to be available for showing dates for youth groups, ladies' and men's groups and congregations. At this writing both the original and duplicate sets are booked through the end of March. Please specify first and second date preference when writing. The rental fee is \$2.00 and the address to write is Berean Youth Department, Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

CARAVAN APPLICATIONS ARRIVING BUT MORE BOYS NEEDED

A number of young people have already applied to be a part of this summer's Americana Youth Caravan, a singing group of eight young people and two sponsors, which will travel to the West and Southwest June 11-26 to hold services in ten churches and at the Southwest

Youth Camp. However, at this writing we are short on boy applicants. To be eligible, an applicant must sing a musical part reasonably well, be entering eleventh grade through age 21, and be chosen from among the applicants on the basis of Christian character, experience in Christian service, musical ability, and ability to get along with people. The deadline for application is April 15, 1968.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY PROGRESS REPORT

Letters were recently mailed to all members of the Church of God explaining the Golden Anniversary goal for the development of Oregon Bible College. A goal of \$150,000.00 has been established, to be paid by August, 1970, the Golden Anniversary of the Church of God General Conference. The funds will be used for the construction of a dormitory for women at Oregon Bible College.

Development of Oregon Bible College must be carried forward on several fronts at the same time. There is a need for enlarging and strengthening the faculty with assistance for advanced education and adequate compensation for their time and skills. There is a need for continual enlargement of the curriculum to offer all the courses necessary for ministers and other religious leaders in a complex world. There is need for expansion of facilities to accommodate a larger student body and an accelerated teaching program.

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 18-22—Vacation Bible School, Font-hill, Ont.
- March 23—National Missionary Conference, Oregon, Ill.
- March 30, 31—Illinois Quarterly Conference at Lombard Community Church
- April 19-21—Southwest Conference, 440 W. LaVerne Ave., Pomona, Calif.
- April 20—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Lafayette Church of God
- April 20, 21—Northeast Conference, Columbia Church of God, Columbia Station, Ohio
- April 25, 26—Junior-Senior Weekend, Oregon Bible College.
- April 26-28—Southwest Conference at Pomona. Bro. S. S. Manoah, guest speaker
- June 6-9—Minnesota State Conference, Long Lake Campgrounds, John Denchfield, guest speaker.
- June 15-22—Southwest Youth Camp at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Cal.
- June 23-29—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp, Camp Mack
- July 7-13—Junior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds
- July 14-20—Senior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds
- August 4-9—General Conference

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE OFFERS USE OF CAMP

The beautiful campgrounds of the Minnesota State Conference at Long Lake near Eden Valley, is available for use by Church of God groups. For information about open dates and use of the camp contact Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, Eden Valley, Minn. 55329, secretary of the conference.

REMEMBER PHOENIX MISSION BUILDERS APPEAL

The current Mission Builders Appeal for construction of a new church building in Phoenix, Ariz., is drawing to a close. If you have not yet mailed your contribution for this appeal, now is the time.

The next Mission Builders Appeal has been approved for the Macomb, Ill., Church of God and notices will be sent in the spring.

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course. We compliment them for their diligence in study of the Word: Mrs. Barbara Sherley, Mrs. Wayne Wilson, Mr. Kenneth Fuller.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor John Lewis has resigned from his pastorate at the Troyview Church of God and will be a member of the Oregon Bible College teaching staff, September 1.

Pastor T. M. Ferrell has resigned from his pastorate at the Guthrie Grove Church of God and will become editor and publisher for the General Conference, beginning in May.

Pastor E. Richard Smith has resigned from his pastorate at the Lawrenceville Church of God. Pastor Billie Kennedy has resigned from his pastorate at Blanchard, Mich., and will become pastor at Lawrenceville in September.

Pastor Kenneth Milne has resigned from his pastorate at Rockford, Ill., and has accepted a call from the Guthrie Grove Church, Pelzer, S.C.

Pastor James Mickey, 1968 graduate from Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the Litchfield, Minn., Church of God. Pastor Rex Shaw, 1968 graduate from Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the newly organized Gethsemane Gardens Church of God in Rochelle, Ill.

Pastor David Krogh, 1968 graduate from Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the Garden Park Church of God, Grand Rapids, Mich.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Pastor Scott Ross, Oregon Bible College, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Pastor Michael Mattison, Oregon Bible College, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Pastor Don Hightower, Oregon Bible College, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE DIRECTORY

Blessed Hope Church of God, 616 S. Ramona Ave., San Gabriel, Cal. Mrs. Charles Hummel, Sec., 3726 Collis Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.

BAPTISMS AT DENVER, COLORADO

Everett Henry Lehman and his wife Marian Lehman were baptized into Christ for the remission of sins at the Denver, Colo., First Church of God, February 18, 1968, by Pastor Terry Dwyer, assisted by Bro. Roy Graham. Bro. and Sr. Lehman live at 231 Plainview Pl., Manitou Springs, Colo. We are most happy to welcome them and pray that they may continue to find abundant happiness in serving the Lord.

Sarah Beddow.

BAPTISMS AT DAYTON, OHIO

The brothers and sisters of Glad Tidings Chapel were very happy over the confessions by two ladies of our congregation who gave their lives to Christ. Mrs. David Stine was baptized on December 10, 1967, and Joanne Moore entered Christ on January 7, 1968. We hope that our Lord will watch and be with them as they seek to live the "abundant life" in Christ. Kent Ross, pastor.

BAPTISM AT BLOOD RIVER, LOUISIANA

On Sunday, February 4, 1968, Lawrence Bell was baptized into Christ. He joins his wife in Christian unity. May God guide him as he begins his new life in Christ.

Russell Dickerson, pastor.

HALL-WEAVER

Jack Weaver and Annette Hall were united in marriage at the Macomb Church of God, January 9, 1968. The ceremony was read by the writer before members of the family.

Realizing that the ordination of marriage is recorded in God's Word, we ask his blessing to crown the union of these two. May happiness be the result of their continually following the leadership of God in their lives.

Warren Sorenson, pastor.

OBITUARIES of Nancy Bradford Holderfield and Daniel W. Brown will appear in a later issue of Progress Journal.

VERNON EARL THAYER

Vernon Earl Thayer, a son of Andrew Jackson and Mary Catherine (Wiltfong) Thayer, was born March 17, 1893, in Marshall County, Ind. On March 16, 1942, he was married to Annabelle Ritenour, in Maysville, Ky. On Thursday, December 28, 1967, Bro. Thayer died suddenly of a heart condition that had bothered him for a period of time.

Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Jane) Gustafson; one son, Lyle Thayer; three grandchildren; one brother, Guy Thayer; and one sister, Mrs. Iva Boyd. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer as recorded in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, and other scriptures that point us to the resurrection of the dead and the life which is to come. After the delivery of the message, burial was in the Pine Lake Cemetery where he awaits the summons from the grave, and to eternal life.

A. Weldon McCoy, Sr.

MRS. PEARL FIELDS ROGERS

Funeral services for Mrs. Pearl Rogers were conducted by the writer February 16, 1968, at Phoenix, Ariz. She was laid to rest in Memory Lawn Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband Frank, two daughters, and four sons. That the God of all comfort will comfort them at this time of bereavement is our prayer.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

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GEORGE JONES

George Jones was born in Youngstown, Ohio, on April 9, 1889. He was baptized in 1907 by Bro. L. E. Conner in Cleveland, Ohio, at the home of Bro. McLaughlin.

He served the church work in many capacities, among them, as moderator, elder, and clerk at the Golden Rule Church of God. He was on the building committee when the church was built. He was a member of the Board of Education of Oregon Bible College and organized and promoted the College Booster Fund. He served as vice-president of the Ohio Conference one term.

Bro. Jones was a member of the Church of the Open Bible, Bedford, Ohio, at the time of his death. He was senior elder of the church. He was laid to rest on January 29, 1968, to await the Lord's return.

He is survived by his wife, Effie; a daughter, Evelyn Pennington; a son, Charles; and three grandchildren. Rex Cain, pastor.

JAMES SHELBY JENNINGS

James Shelby Jennings was born near De Witt, Mo., December 15, 1899, and died December 18, 1967, from a heart attack.

He was united in marriage to Glessie Williford on August 1, 1931. To this union two children were born: David H. Jennings and Mrs. Elloise Purdy. He is survived by his wife, two children, and five grandchildren.

He was a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer and he was laid to rest to await the resurrection call. Don Ward, pastor.

CECIL WILSON LOVETT

Cecil Wilson Lovett was born on February 9, 1899, at Blythedale, Mo., to Jesse Wilburn Lovett and Sabrey Ellen (Wilson). He fell asleep in death August 7, 1967.

On April 11, 1929, Cecil was united in marriage with Lola Mae Bell. He is survived by his wife; four children, Virginia Shain, Adene Louise, Cecil W., Jr., and Karl Wilburn; and ten grandchildren.

He was baptized into the body of Christ on September 30, 1934, by his uncle, Bro. J. C. Wilson and united with the Church of God of Abrahamic Faith.

He was laid to await the call of the resurrection at the second coming of Christ.

Don Ward, pastor.

JOHN CLINTON DE BUSK

Funeral services for John Clinton (Clint) De Busk were held Wednesday, November 22, 1967, at the Patterson Funeral Home Chapel of Memories.

He was born in Hunt County, Texas, April 28, 1894, and was baptized by E. O. Stewart of Sweetwater, into the Church of God Abrahamic Faith in 1932.

He left a well-marked Bible to be read and cherished by his only surviving daughter, Mrs. Mary Eva Wilson of Shreveport, La. To other survivors were many letters for them about the signs of our times, and the soon return of our Lord Jesus. These survivors include five brothers, Troy, Frank, Doe, Roy, and Weldon De Busk; two sisters, Mrs. Eva Montgomery, El Paso, and Mrs. Pauline Tidwell, Columbus, Ohio; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles who loved him as he loved and cherished his big family.

He fell asleep believing in the hope and joy of the resurrection through our Lord Jesus Christ. May we all find comfort in that hope and live to be worthy of it.

Pauline Tidwell.

BURTON GREENE

Burton Greene fell asleep in death on February 1, 1968, after a brief illness. He was born in Salem, Neb., on November 15, 1872. On April 30, 1899, he married Mauvine Hardin in Ripley, Ill. Last April they celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary. The Greens have remained faithful in their stewardship and prayer support of the Ripley Church of God, though isolated for over fifty years.

Mr. Greene was the oldest active barber in Quincy, Ill., and possibly Illinois, when he retired at the age of 87 in 1960.

Surviving are his wife, Mauvine; a daughter-in-law, a granddaughter, a grandson; and a great-grandson.

Words of comfort and our blessed hope for the future were spoken by the writer. He was laid to rest in Greenmont cemetery, Quincy, to await the resurrection call.

John Hearp, pastor.

VADA HARVEY

Vada Pearl Harvey, wife of D. G. Harvey of Kokomo, Ind., fell asleep in death at Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind., where she had been a patient for only one week. She had been in failing health the past ten years.

She will be remembered by many of the

brethren, for she served as matron at the Indiana Bible School at North Salem Church for a number of years.

Memorial services were held at the Eller Mortuary, Kokomo, with Pastor Dale Ward in charge. She was laid to rest beside her baby, Lois, who died in 1921. Near are her son, Robert Harvey and his wife, Elsie.

Remaining to mourn, after 59 years of marriage, are her husband, Deo Harvey; one son Edgar C. Harvey; and two daughters, Miss Naomi Harvey and Mrs. Fred (Helen Harvey) Snyder; and eight grandchildren.

We all await the coming of our Lord and his Kingdom, and the great reunion that will be everlasting.

Janet Snyder, secretary.

JESSE PESTLE

Jesse Pestle fell asleep in death following a sustained illness. Funeral services were conducted by the writer December 31, 1967. Mr. Pestle was laid to rest in Bushnell, Ill. He was the grandfather of Jesse Pestle, pastor of the Columbia Station Church of God, in Ohio.

The promise of resurrection is God's provision for the sorrow felt in the present. The reality of life at the coming of Jesus Christ will be the fulfillment of the promise of resurrection.

Warren Sorenson, pastor.

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MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

March 23, 1968, at Oregon, Illinois

The Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College is sponsoring a Missionary Conference for all Church of God pastors and members. The program will begin at 8:30 and end at 4:30 and it will include: a missionary film, workshops, a panel discussion, the first public appearance of Bro. S. S. Manoah, a question-and-answer period, a special guest speaker, and other interesting sessions.

There is a one dollar registration fee, which can be paid upon arrival at the conference. Please send in your name and address by March 15 if you plan to come, and please indicate if you will need Friday night accommodations.

See your pastor for more information or write to: Missionary Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

On January 14, 1968, Rickey Lee Loew and William Gerald Perry were baptized into the body of Christ.

On January 21, Raymond Junior Writesel, Ruth Ann Writesel, and Kathryn Louise Writesel were baptized into Christ.

On February 4, Carol Ann Ware, Diana Davis, Lloyd Lee Writesel, and Wilma Laureen Davis put on Christ in baptism.

On February 11, Gerald Lee Writesel, Patricia Louise Shaffer, William Oliver Cooper, Constance Lynn Cooper, Charles Vernon Davis, Jr., and Arthur Harry Cunningham were baptized.

May the Lord bless these his children in their new walk of life in him.

Cathy Schmidt, reporter.

MRS. EVA S. JOHNSON

Sr. Eva (Ben) Johnson was born in Chicago, October 5, 1890, and died at Stillwater, Minn., December 6, 1967. She and her husband were well known among conference people a few years back. Since his death, Sr. Johnson, who was a trained nurse, took care of 19 handicapped children. She was given recognition over WCCO for being a good neighbor.

She was buried from the First Baptist Church of Stillwater, Minn., with the Pastor H. Saunders officiating. It was my privilege to speak a few words, read of her hope in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, and offer a prayer. She now rests beside her husband to await the call of Jesus. She was a member of the Hector Church, Hector, Minn. Alden Johnson and family are the immediate survivors.

C. E. Lapp.

LOUIE A. ECKERT

Louie A. Eckert, son of Ed and Nola Eckert, was born April 1, 1915, at Lockwood, Mo. He died January 2, 1968, having lived in the same neighborhood all of his life.

He was a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith, Rt. 2, Lockwood, Mo.

Following the presenting of the word of God for the enlightening of the listeners concerning the true hope, and for the comforting of the bereaved, he was laid to rest to await the resurrection call.

Lyle Rankin.

RALLY DAY IN ARKANSAS

The Arkansas Churches of God held their quarterly Rally Day, February 11, 1968, at the Forest Hills Church of God, Royal, Ark. Bro. John Humphreys was the host pastor. Attendance was approximately 90. Churches represented were: New Hope, Twin Lakes, Cleveland, Forest Hills, and McGintytown.

A panel discussion was headed by Director Joe White in the morning session which discussed the purpose of Rally Day, ways to improve Rally Day programs, and ways to increase Rally Day attendance. Panel members were: Margaret Holley, John Cheek, J. W. McGinty, Don Needham, Roy Humphreys, as well as audience participants.

Individual programs were presented by attending churches, followed by a pot-luck dinner at the church.

The Arkansas churches are happy to announce the formation and great success of a Dollar-A-Month Club, similar to the Mission Dollar Club, to be used specifically in the development of Camp Bradford. The club, which has been in existence for a short two months, now has over \$300.00 in its fund.

Also recently established by the Arkansas Board of Trustees is the publication of state newsletter, the Messenger, to be sent to all members and church contacts bimonthly.

A youth meeting was also held, headed by State Youth Director Don Needham. The youth groups are now in process of exchanging gospel teams, and establishing Berean quiz and speech contests on a state level to be taken to National camp.

The business meeting was held in the afternoon. Primary business on the agenda were plans for the development of Camp Bradford.

Margaret Holley, sec.-treas.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN FEBRUARY

The following persons by their contributions to the work of the General Conference have helped to underwrite the programs of missions, Oregon Bible College, Berean Youth Fellowship, publishing, and other Conference activities. We are grateful for this sacrificial giving.	Indiana State Conference	55.00	Tempe Church	111.21	Debbie Ruemmler	4.00
Oregon Sunday School	Don & Marj Overmyer	150.00	Lila D. Guiles	10.00	St. Louis BYF	5.00
Donna Jennings	Holbrook Church	35.29	Fonthill Miss. Soc.	28.26	Maurertown Church	22.00
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Bible Church, Phoenix	Michael Brown	5.00	Brooke Richmond	3.00	Harold & Jean Doan	12.00
Southlawn Church	Valeria & Vicki Smith	2.00	Happy Woods Doreas Soc.	10.00	Benny Mattison	12.00
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Robert & Kathy Jones	Ch. of Open Bible, Bedford	20.25	Mr. Effie K. Jones (In Memory of George Jones)	25.00	Mr. & Mrs. Joe Hightower	10.00
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Eden Valley Ladies Aid	Columbia Ladies Circle	25.00	Everett S. Rogers	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. S. O. Ross	25.00
Maurertown Doreas Soc.	Mr. & Mrs. J. Plantner	200.00	Fonthill Church	60.64	Conrad & Etta M. Wetzel	30.00
Garden Park Church	Primary 1 Class, Columbia	5.32	Elaine Shute	1.00	Jan McPherson	10.00
Dorothy Boyer	Felida Church	2.20	Cecil A. Smead	30.00	Anonymous	20.00
Faith Chapel, Lafayette	Mrs. Thelma Ohm (In Memory of Lucian Murphy)	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Wm. G. Hicks	10.00	Myrtle M. Flink	5.00
Pennellwood Church	Happy Woods Church	101.72	Mr. & Mrs. C. McQuinn	10.00	Joyce Railton	7.00
Golden Rule S. S.	Mrs. F. L. Austin	5.00	Stephen & Paul Weaver	6.00	Ripley Bereans	7.50
Lawrenceville Church	Virda Sitler	5.00	Alice H. Bassett	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Lonnie Anderson	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Ballentine	Gethsemane Gardens Ch.	20.00	Kenneth Holsinger	3.00	Resurrection Hope Church	35.00
Laura M. Ferrell	Carol Coulter	2.00	Silas M. Claypool	50.00	Jennie Townsend	10.00
Debbie Thompson	Minnesota State Miss. Soc.	50.00	Ripley Miss. Soc.	25.00	Mr. & Mrs. Jay Brossard	29.00
Blessed Hope, Rkfd.	Kathie Owen	3.00	Leota Hanson	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Leon Larrington	3.00
The Earle Mogles	Mrs. C. C. Fuson	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Geo. McMurtrie	32.00	Mrs. Frank Hodnett	20.00
Harold & Esta Starbuck	Sam Voorhies	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. P. M. Landry	35.00	Happy Woods Bereans	9.00
Ruby Railton	La. Contributors	45.00	Kokomo Miss. Soc.	28.50	Mr. & Mrs. Chas. G. Jones	30.00
Troy View S. S.	Macomb Miss. Soc.	20.00	Western Sister	25.00	Glad Tidings Chapel	42.00
John W. Kugler	Litchfield Church	7.05	Becky Barnhill	5.00	Ruth Kennedy	12.00
Macomb Church	Sara Jane Peters	12.00	Marilyn Gyorgyi	12.00	La. State Conference	94.20
Lombard Com. Church	Hope Schwier	15.00	Harry & Mabel Payne	10.00	North Salem Church	6.50
Ch. of Open Bible, Pomona	Faith Chapel, Peoria	32.70	Pennellwood Miss. Soc.	110.00	Ruth Murphy	10.00
Lucile D. Ayres	The Braden Manuels	20.00	Cheryl McLain	1.00	Hillside Chapel, Niles	9.50
Lawrenceville Miss. Soc.	Cool Spring S. S.	4.60	LeAnn Appleby	2.00	Ken & Beth Vanail	458.75
Edith Eades	Columbia Sta. Jr. Bereans	12.00	Fort Valley Bereans	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Earl Beebe	100.00
Elizabeth Ordnung	Fonthill S. S.	10.30	Grace Holden Cir., Whitnel	50.00	Bible Study Miss. Group, Golden Rule	10.00
Sharon Guiles	Brush Creek Miss. Soc.	60.00	Fremont S. S.	7.00	Mr. & Mrs. David Cheatwood	7.00
	Hope Chapel Miss. Soc.	65.00	Illinois State Conference	50.00	Steve Moore	25.00
	Hope Chapel, S. Bend	28.00	Troy View Church	19.31	Lonny Ward	12.00
	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Ross	20.00	Mr. & Mrs. Dwaine Demmitt	45.00	Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wachtel	5.00
	Terri Driskill	1.00	Tempe Doreas Soc.	5.00	Maurertown Bereans	5.00
	Brush Creek Church	88.06	Lighthouse Mission, Digby	38.00	Mr. & Mrs. Carroll Bennett	25.00
	Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Lapp	10.00	David Krogh	10.00	Roscoe Halstead	2.00
	Denver First Church	50.00	Hope Chapel S.S., Ark. City	10.00	Jr. Bereans, Dayton	6.00
	Nola Hass	2.00	Northeast Conference	700.00	Dallas & David Zizert	2.00
	Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Lawrence	250.00	Blanchard Church	95.54	Mr. Eddie Lee Howell	5.00

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Are Small Churches Doomed?

By the Editor

IN THIS age of giant corporations, mergers of businesses, and consolidation of churches into larger and larger bodies which seem to be in a numbers race with one another, we may have become oriented to the idea that the small church, like the small grocery, is doomed to failure. Yet, in spite of this underlying pessimism, many new churches *are* springing up. Most have few members, few leaders, little funds, and dismal prospects of obtaining professional pastoral assistance. Underlying their efforts, however, is a sense of need on the part of the founders for more fellowship with others of like faith, greater knowledge of the Word, opportunity to rear their children in the faith, and an outlet for worship and service.

One of our Oregon Bible College class members, Bro. Michael Mattison, prepared an excellent survey of the Churches of God in North America. His survey reveals that there are ten churches with more than 100 members; sixteen with between 50 and 100 members; 36 with between 25 and 50 members; and 21 with fewer than 25 members. Also of interest in his survey is the fact that about one third of all these churches are in cities with more than 100,000 population, and the largest percentage of the total membership lives in large cities. The Church of God is no longer a predominantly rural church!

The facts show, however, that more than half of the organized churches reviewed have fewer than fifty members, and must be considered small churches. Leaders of these churches are the first to realize that their major need is to enlarge these churches—to gain in membership and in participation by the membership. It is true that if these smaller churches could develop in size there might be a corresponding increase in influence and potential for reaching out to others. There would also be a stronger base from which to carry out the international programs of the Church of God.

These facts, however, should not be allowed to detract from the great contributions being made by these churches

to the lives of men and women and to the work of the Lord. Nor should the struggles and problems that face the small church today deter others from making such beginnings in the many, many places in the world where there is no Church of God. Because at the moment there seems to be not enough pastors to fill the pulpits that already exist; because there is not an evangelist free to start new churches; because there is not enough money to subsidize each new church; this should not prevent those families in isolated places from banding together to fellowship and study and give one another comfort and aid in the gospel.

It would be difficult to assess the good which has been done by the little groups of people in diverse places who faithfully gather together in the name of the Lord. From some of the groups have come future pastors and evangelists. In some of these groups families have been held together; individuals touched by the Spirit of God and brought to the Lord; lives strengthened and kept from falling.

It seems to be a fact that in some cases these small groups have filled a need that could not have been filled by a larger, more formal, and perhaps more impersonal church body. In the intimacy of a home meeting questions may be answered and problems solved that would never have come to light in the formal church setting. In fact, some larger churches are finding it advantageous to break the congregation into smaller groups by geographical location for meetings in the homes on weekday evenings to gain the very atmosphere that the small church naturally affords.

No, the small church is not doomed! It is the hope for the future, should the Lord tarry. These groups should grow and, with the vitality and depth of spirit gained through the struggle for existence, be the backbone of the church of tomorrow. There is a challenge and an opportunity in the grass roots of the church where things can and must happen!

General Conference Progress

BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET

The Board of Directors of Church of God General Conference plans to meet in Oregon, Ill., May 10 and 11. Any matters of business to be discussed by the Board should be brought to the attention of any Board member or Executive Secretary S. O. Ross. Final plans for the 1968 General Conference, Camp Mack, August 4-9, will be the main order of business. The June issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL will carry the reports and recommendations for consideration at the Conference.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BOOKS

It is hoped that Vacation Bible School books for 1968 will be in the mail by April 22. These books are printed to order to eliminate waste of leftover books.

The new series (the ninth year in the cycle of books) will be about the "Laws of God." Sisters Iris Burnett and Lois Worley are editors and many others contribute articles and special features.

STAFF CHANGE

Sr. Dorothy Boyer has resigned her position as book-keeper for the General Conference and Sr. Mary Jo Brewer has been employed in this position.

NEW HERALDS

Many readers have written appreciatively about the new appearance of *The Restitution Herald*. With full-color covers and a larger, three-column format, *The Herald* is more attractive and easy to read.

Many Church of God people do not subscribe to *The Herald*. If every family did subscribe, the paper could be self-supporting and funds used to underwrite its circulation could be used for other mission purposes. You would enjoy *The Herald* and it should be in your home as a witness for you and your visitors. For \$3.00 per year or \$5.00 for two years you can enjoy this magazine and support your church in its publishing ministry.

The literature program of your General Conference has been one of the prime means of making new contacts, expanding missionary work, and spreading the gospel in all the world. It deserves your prayers and your support. The book "Systematic Theology," which has been widely distributed throughout the world, and its companion, the Systematic Bible Study Course, have also been excellent

means of stimulating Bible study and discovery of Bible truth. Many letters and inquiries arrive at the General Conference office as a result of persons desiring more information or wishing enrollment in this course. Some pastors have been diligent in using these tools for evangelism and their churches have received blessings from them.

MAY IS BOOSTER MONTH

Next month's PROGRESS JOURNAL will be the *Maranatha* issue of Oregon Bible College. May is Oregon Bible College Booster Month when your special prayers and participation are solicited. Be looking forward to this.

SPECIAL TRACT DISTRIBUTION

The special tract distribution which we undertook in December resulted in the mailing of 18,000 tracts "Now Is the Time." Late orders which could not be filled would have resulted in distribution of well over 22,000 tracts. We are thankful for this response and trust that the message will be used of the Lord to reach some hearts with the urgency of the times in which we live.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL REPORT

Contributions for the month of March are about \$1,623.00 short of the Goal for Giving for the month. For the first six months of this fiscal year (October 1-March 31) we are about \$4,003.00 short of the Goal.

The income and expenses for the operation of the General Conference are so closely estimated that at this writing we have had to borrow just over \$4,000.00 to meet operating expenses. We know that this problem will be solved before the fiscal year is over, and that the church will meet its commitments, but when we fall behind our monthly goals difficulties are presented in meeting fixed monthly expenses. We trust that you will make this a matter of prayer and that the deficit can soon be made up.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October, 1 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for March	\$7,015.00
Given in March	5,492.00
To be given by September 30	\$43,611.00

Goal for April \$7,269.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



The picture above is the Obotim congregation in Nigeria. This is one of twelve congregations which are affiliated with the Church of God General Conference, having a total membership of over two thousand. Nine of the ministers of these congregations are licensed by the General Conference, and three are now making applications for license.

Two of the Nigerian brethren, A. A. Obot and John E. Ukpong, are making plans to come in September to enroll in Oregon Bible College. It is their plan to study here and then return to teach their own people in a school they plan to open there. Pledges are being taken among the members of each of the twelve churches for the construction and support of this training school.

Bibles in the Efik dialect, communion sets, and a few *Songs of Truth* hymnals have been sent to Nigeria from General Conference contributions.

IPHILIPPINE ISLANDS

In a recent report Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero expresses thanks to the Moorefield, Neb., church for a box of used clothing and to the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College for their financial support of the Philippine radio broadcast. He has asked the Fellowship to prepare a thirty-minute tape to be used on one of the broadcasts.

MEXICO

Because of continued health problems and due to education difficulties of their children, Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore have elected to move out of Mexico. They are now residing in Edinburg, Texas, which is near the border.

Sr. Rachel Krogh has also decided to move to this same area, feeling it not wise to remain in Mexico alone. Bro. Moore and Sr. Krogh do plan to continue working with the Mexico missions on a part-time basis, traveling to Saltillo and other villages in Mexico as they are able. Both plan to secure some secular employment in Texas.

Bro. Francisco Martinez will continue as pastor at

Saltillo and work with the surrounding villages on a full-time basis.

NOVA SCOTIA

The Church of God at Digby is making plans for a "Maritime Conference and Bible School," to be held next August at the Digby Church. Bro. and Sr. C. E. Lapp are scheduled to be special workers at these sessions when isolated members and friends are being invited to come from various areas of the Maritime Provinces to fellowship and study together.

Bro. Raymond Brown reports that his family had the wonderful experience of watching a whale swim around in the basin in front of their house. It is unusual for whales to come into the basin, so all the townspeople were excited about it. Bro. Brown says, "Two different mornings it was out in front of the house and we watched it from the dining room window."

INDIA

Bro. Manoah's visit to General Conference headquarters, Oregon Bible College, and many of the churches has been a real inspiration to all. This dedicated man of God is doing a tremendous work in the Bangalore, India, area and we trust some of his great enthusiasm has rubbed off on all of us. Continue to pray for him as he travels to many churches and as he leaves for home on May 6.

A letter from Sr. Manoah reports that services are going on as usual, attendance remains about normal, and laymen are filling the pulpit in the absence of Bro. Manoah.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

The first Missionary Conference held on a General Conference level was a huge success. This conference, sponsored and planned by the Foreign Mission Fellowship students of Oregon Bible College, was attended by over one hundred fifty members and friends.

There were displays, panel discussions, workshops, mission lessons, prayer services, and messages by Bro. Billie Kennedy and Bro. S. S. Manoah. Having a Church of God missionary from India in our midst really made the Conference. Many thanks to all who attended and took part and especially to the students of Oregon Bible College who did such a fine job of planning and carrying out the program.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

BROTHER MANOAH VISITS COLLEGE

A long-held dream has finally come true! Bro. S. S. Manoah, our missionary in Bangalore, India, arrived in the United States on March 21 and was the guest of honor at a college social March 22. On March 23, an all-day missionary conference was held, attended by many visitors from Churches of God everywhere. (See report below.)

Missionary Emphasis Week was held at the college March 25-29, during which Bro. Manoah spoke each day in morning devotional services and in chapel. The challenge of Christian missions became very real to all of us through his ministry among us. Following the close of this special week, Bro. Manoah began his travels to the various churches and district conferences, accompanied by staff members and students.

BOOSTER MONTH WILL SOON BE HERE

The month of May is not far off. It has been designated again this year as Oregon Bible College Booster Month. The last full month of the school year seems an especially appropriate time to consider the college and its needs. Eight fine graduates will soon complete their college work and go forth into Christian service, and other young people will come to take their place in the school. The work of the college goes forward despite changes in the student body and faculty. You can have an important part in this work by your continued prayers for the college, your sustained financial support, and your contribution to the Booster Fund next month!

JUNIOR-SENIOR WEEKEND

Information about Junior-Senior Weekend was sent out recently to all youth leaders. Please let us know as soon as possible how many are coming from your area. Activities begin with a social in the basement of the men's dormitory, on Thursday evening, April 25, and conclude with a banquet and evening service at the Oregon Church of God, Friday, April 26. Bro. Z. B. Duncan will be guest speaker at the final service. Bro. S. S. Manoah will also be present at the college during Junior-Senior Weekend.

PRAYER DAY

The first Prayer Day of the semester was held February 21, planned by Vivian Kirkpatrick II and Joe Duncan. Lynn Pestle led the morning devotions in the dining hall, after which breakfast was served. The remaining services of prayer and inspiration were held in the college chapel.

NEW BOOK FOR LIBRARY

Bro. and Sr. Don Swartz have donated a copy of *Everyday Life in Bible Times* to the college library. This new publication of National Geographic Society should prove of real value to students of God's Word.

GRANT RECEIVED

A grant of \$50.00 toward college expenses was awarded by the Flagg Center Community Church to Scott Ross, a senior. A grant of \$100.00 was awarded to David Onderdonk by the Missionary Society of the Golden Rule Church.

NEW APPLICANTS

Four applications for September admission to Oregon Bible College have been received. The four applicants are Waldon Winner, Jr., Mt. Sterling, Ill.; Daniel E. Graham, Dixon, Ill.; A. A. Obot, Nigeria; and J. E. Ukpung, Nigeria. Those planning to make application are requested to do so as soon as possible.

HONOR ROLL FOR FIRST SIX WEEKS

High Honor: David Cheatwood, 4.00; Nancy Foster, 4.00; Patsy Holden, 4.00; David Krogh, 4.00; Delbert Rankin, 4.00; Scott Ross, 4.00; Rex Shaw, 4.00; David Onderdonk, 3.86; Glenda Westbrook, 3.86; Stephen Bolhous, 3.60; Michael Hale, 3.60; Roger Cupp, 3.57.

Honor: Dale Swartz, 3.38; Joe Duncan, 3.36; Vivian Kirkpatrick II, 3.33; Joyce Railton, 3.30; David Hall, 3.20; Joe Martin, 3.19; Jim Mickey, 3.14; John Railton, 3.07; Paul Weidensall, 3.07.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE, by Duane Helweg

With the hope of promoting foreign missions, the Foreign Mission Fellowship of Oregon Bible College held the first annual Missionary Conference on March 23, 1968. The conference took place at the Oregon Church of God and the college buildings.

Highlighting the conference was the presence of Bro. S. S. Manoah, our native missionary from Bangalore, India. His trip to America has been made possible by the F.M.F. students, who raised the necessary funds.

Events of the day included singspirations, prayer, workshops, a film, panel discussion, missionary displays, and a special worship service with Bro. Manoah. The purpose of the conference was to help build a greater missionary zeal among our churches and to inspire more members to dedicate themselves to the missionary tasks abroad.



YOUTH WEEK ACTIVITIES OUTSTANDING

Participation in observance of Youth Week this year was the most widespread and enthusiastic ever. Church after church is sending in reports of a complete week of varied activities, some of them involving every day of the week and all day Saturday and Sunday. A decision will be announced soon as to the winner of the International Youth Week Award for this year.

COIN CRUSADE IN LAST MONTH

April marks the second and final month of the Coins-for-Christ Crusade, the annual stewardship project-contest sponsored by the Berean Youth Department. The Crusade will have been a success if the young people learn to give generously and enthusiastically to the Lord's work. Proceeds of this project support the ministry of the Youth Department to Church of God youth, which includes *Challenge*, Berean Lesson Manuals, camps, conferences, travel, and other items. The goal for this year's Crusade is \$3,500.00.

AMERICANA CARAVAN PLANS DEVELOP

It has been established that the Americana Youth Caravan will hold services at the following churches and camps on their two-week tour this summer: Oregon, Ill.; Kansas City, Mo.; Denver, Colo.; San Jose, Calif.; Pomona, Calif.; the Southwest Youth Camp; Tempe, Ariz.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Gatesville, Texas; and the New Hope Church, Little Rock, Ark. The group, which will consist of an eight-voice singing ensemble, will have two days of practice and training in Oregon, Ill., before leaving on the trip. Sightseeing time is being planned for San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Phoenix.

CARAVAN DEADLINE THIS MONTH!

All young people, from those entering eleventh grade through age twenty-one, should be reminded that the deadline for applications for the Americana Youth Caravan is April 15, 1968. The dates are June 11-26 and the cost approximately \$40.00.

SLIDE SETS GETTING USE

Both sets of the slide-sound set of the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference continue to get constant use by various churches and Berean groups. The set, which was produced by Pastor Rex Cain, consists of colored slides with taped narration. The rental fee is \$2.00. When writing the Youth Department for a showing date, please specify two alternative dates.

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS MEET

In addition to the meeting of the Board of Directors in May; the Board of License and Ordination will meet in April with Oregon Bible College seniors; the steering committee for the Council of Christian Education met in March; the Board of Education for Oregon Bible College met in April; and the Mission Board also met in April. Much volunteer service is performed by members of these boards and committees.

The work of many writers and editors makes possible the various publications; hours of service by many persons contribute to the success of the summer General Conference and Youth Conference programs. These contributions of time are important to the progress of the General Conference, as is support by prayer and giving toward the Goals for Giving.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY REPORT

Part of the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College has now been completed at a cost of approximately \$11,500.00. A large new classroom, a canteen, a study room, and a cloakroom have been added, with new desks and study carrels. The carpeted, indirectly lighted rooms are an attractive, quiet addition, doubling the space available to the students.

The rest of the Phase Two development will be construction of a new women's residence to replace the present 110-year-old structure. The goal for this construction (and rapid inflation may have already made this goal unrealistic) is \$150,000.00. Of this amount we have received through February, \$9,292.00 in cash and commitments.

We know that you want to take part in this development program scheduled to be successfully concluded in 1970, the Golden Anniversary of your Church of God General Conference.



Believing in the value of Oregon Bible College, I am enclosing a gift of \$..... for the Phase Two building project. Lord willing, it is my intention to give \$..... for the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College by August, 1970.

Name
Address
City
State Zip

(Mail this coupon to Oregon Bible College Building Fund, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.)

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 19-21—Southwest Conference, 440 W. LaVerne Ave., Pomona, Calif.
- April 20—Indiana Quarterly Conference, Lafayette Church of God.
- April 20, 21—Northeast Conference, Columbia Church of God, Columbia Station, Ohio.
- April 25, 26—Junior-Senior Weekend, Oregon Bible College.
- June 6-9—Minnesota State Conference, Long Lake Campgrounds, John Denchfield, guest speaker.
- June 15-22—Southwest Youth Camp at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Cal.
- June 23-29—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- July 7-13—Junior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- July 14-20—Senior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- August 4-9—General Conference.
- August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference.

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

We congratulate the following persons for successfully completing the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Deloris Driskill, Lucille Parsons, Rose Patterson, Virginia Henninger, Geneva Morgan, James Praytor.

ETERNAL HOPE CHURCH OF GOD

We are pleased to announce that the Culmore Church membership held the first service in our church building on February 4, 1968. As of that date, we officially changed the name of our church to the Eternal Hope Church of God. Our address is 3309 W. Ox Rd., Herndon, Va.; located two and one half miles north of Rt. 50 on State Rt. 608.

We tentatively plan to have the dedication on May 19. We wish to extend an invitation to you to attend this and any of the services at the Eternal Hope Church. If you know of any friends or members of the Church of God living in the Washington, D.C., area, who are not attending church, we would like to have their names and addresses so that we can extend a special invitation to them to worship with us.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mission Builders League for the contributions which helped make it possible for us to acquire a church building. We ask for your prayers that we may be able to succeed in our work for the Lord.

Carolyn P. Koln, cor. sec.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor Roger Denchfield has resigned from his pastorate at St. Cloud, Minn.

Pastor J. R. LeCrone will be leaving his pastorate at Peoria, Ill., and has accepted the pastorate of Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio.

Pastor Leon Driskill has resigned from his pastorate at the New Lenox, Ill., Church of God.

Pastor Richard Dick has resigned from his pastorate at Minneapolis, Minn., and has accepted the pastorate of Jaynes Street Community Church of God, Omaha.

Pastor Harry Payne has resigned from his pastorate at Hillisburg, Ind.

Pastor Scott Ross, 1968 graduate of Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the Troyview Church of God, Troy, Ohio.

Pastor Michael Mattison, 1968 graduate of Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the Blanchard, Mich., Church of God.

Pastor Donald Hightower, 1968 graduate of Oregon Bible College, has accepted the pastorate of the San Jose, Calif., Church of God.

Pastor Louis Kump has resigned from his pastorate at New Orleans, La., and has accepted the pastorate of the Peoria, Ill., Church of God.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Roger Denchfield, 1525 Tenth Ave., S., St. Cloud, Minn. 56301.

V. E. Kirkpatrick, 704 Jefferson, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

Leon Driskill, 205 S. Cooper St., New Lenox Ill. 60451.

Churches desiring pastors should write directly to pastors being called, or to the Executive Secretary, Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for further information about ministers who may be available for a pastorate. Pastors available for pastorates should also inform the Executive Secretary if they desire their names listed in the Journal or suggested to churches seeking pastors. It is perfectly ethical for a church to call any minister, however, whether or not he has previously indicated a desire to change pastorates.

NOTES FROM BRO. JOHN DENCHFIELD

It is a pleasure to report that the Campbell (San Jose) Church of God has been successful in securing the services of Bro. Donald Hightower as pastor, beginning June 9, 1968.

Recognizing the need for special services among our churches everywhere (though not many have called to date) we want to continue with the Campbell congregation through June 2.

June 6-9 we are anticipating a joyful time with the Minnesota Conference at their Long Lake Camp.

September 9-15 we are looking forward to a Witness Crusade and their homecoming at the Hillisburg, Ind., Church of God.

Between June 9 and September 9, as well as after September 15, we have a lot of available time. May we hear concerning your vision and plans?

Address: John Denchfield, 555 McGlincey Lane, Campbell, Calif. 95008.



BIBLE CHURCH OF GOD GROUND BREAKING

The Bible Church of God in Phoenix, Ariz., which is about two and one half years old, had a ground-breaking ceremony February 18, 1968.

About one hundred people gathered at the building site after the morning worship service. Dr. William Lawrence gave the invocation, Dr. Eugene Davis gave the benediction, the pastor read appropriate passages of Scripture, after which Gerald Graham and Mardy Lawrence led the congregation in removal of dirt.

Following is a list of the Committees: Building: Gerald Graham (chairman), Mardy Lawrence, Hollis Partlowe; Finance: Dr. William Lawrence (chairman), Dr. Eugene Davis, Gerald Graham, and Dallas Demmitt; Interior Decorating: Mardy Lawrence (chairwoman), Jane Daniels, Marilyn Evans. Architects are Montgomery Green and Larry Freedlund of Phoenix.

NEW CHURCH FORMED IN REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

Six families in the Columbus, Gahama, and Lockbourne AFB area have formed a new church.

Robert Schrink, serves as pastor; Adolph Marezek, Sunday school superintendent; Leo Tawney and Eddie Moriath, deacons; Aileen Albert, treasurer; and Pauline Tidwell, secretary.

All persons in this area are invited to worship with this newly formed Church of God.

MARANATHA YEARBOOK

Again this year Oregon Bible College will be publishing the Maranatha yearbook. It will contain pictures of classes, athletic events, student organizations, social functions, and dormitory living. Life at Oregon Bible College will be presented in picture and in word. We are sure that you will want a copy of the Maranatha yearbook for your home. The cost is \$2.50 per copy. To receive your 1968 Maranatha simply fill out the coupon below and send it along with your payment to:

MARANATHA YEARBOOK

Box 231

Oregon, Illinois 61061

Name

Address

City State Zip

SHOLDERS-DREW

Two hearts and lives were united by marriage vows in the Dixon, Ill., Church of God in the afternoon of March 2, 1968, when, in the presence of closely related friends, Velma Sholders and Merle Drew were joined in holy wedlock by their pastor. Our wish for them is that their home may be ever graced with Christian love and happiness.

Ernest Graham, pastor.

ETHEL S. DAVENPORT

Mrs. Ethel S. Davenport, Rt. 1, Eldorado, Ill., fell asleep in death March 13, 1968, at the age of 80. She was baptized into Christ in 1922.

She leaves to mourn a daughter, Mrs. Madelin White; a son, Carl Davenport; a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Russell; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by the writer on March 15. She was laid to rest in the Wesley Cemetery to await the day of the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and the resurrection, when death's bonds shall be broken.

Edward D. Bender, pastor.

NAMES OF SERVICEMEN

A Military Personnel Committee has been appointed by the Board of Directors in keeping with a motion passed at the 1967 General Conference. Chairman of the Committee is Charles Jones, 7475 Country Lane, Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022.

The committee must first compile a list of all Church of God servicemen. Will church secretaries, or pastors, or parents, please send the names of men in service to Bro. Jones as soon as possible? The committee can then furnish the names to local churches desiring to carry out special projects of any kind for the servicemen.

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The Fonthill Church of God Sunday school completed a very successful five-day daily vacation Bible school, the week of winter holidays for the public schools, March 18-22, 1968. The weather was quite rainy, foggy, and overcast, but it did not dampen the spirits and enthusiasm of the teachers nor children. The theme, "In Training for Missions," was thoroughly carried through, even to the Gospel Mission Train that remained in the front of the church all week and each of the six cars was filled.

Classes convened each day, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mrs. Fred Jones, the Sunday school and church choir director led the choruses two days and illness prevented her to return. Eleanor Payne was her able assistant. 'Mitzi and Nipper (the pup)' were two little missionary puppets with us every day, by Janice Payne. Pastor Emory Macy traveled with our missionaries in India, Philippine Islands, Mexico, and Nova Scotia, and taught us how to be missionaries at home. Books of the Bible were reviewed daily by Ruby Shirton. Memory work and the lesson story were given on flannelgraph by Sr. Mildred Macy.

Total enrollment was 137 (118 students and 19 staff members). Average attendance was 100 and 3-5ths. Sixty-two perfect atten-

dance ribbons inscribed, "I attend Fonthill Daily Vacation Bible School, March 18-22, 1968," were given to 48 children and 14 staff members. Special awards were presented to Donna Shirton, Kim Howie, Patty Pots and Kathy Mierop for bringing the most visitors. The 7:30 p.m. Friday evening program was presented to an overflowing house.

Teachers and helpers were: pre-school: Jean Coverdale, Diane Shute, Ada Singer, Bonnie Coverdale; kindergarten: Elaine Shute, Emily Eggleton, Bonnie McArthur; grades 1 and 2: Eleanor Payne, Dolly Jones, Shelly Jones; grades 3 and 4: Ruby Shirton, Gladys Eggleton; grades 5 and 6: Mildred Macy, Leone Gracey; grades 7 and up: Pastor Emory Macy; pianist-secretary-treasurer: Blanche Dorsey, Deborah McArthur. Drivers were Georg Peterson, Joe Fletcher, and Pastor Macy. We pray our Sunday school will prosper in Christ through the efforts of our faithful workers.

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Bro. James Mattison has published a tract "Signs of Jesus' Coming and of the End of the World," and will send a copy or two to anyone requesting it. Write: Pastor James Mattison, Rt. 1, Box 87-A, Maurertown, Va. 22644.

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BLANCHARD PROGRESS

The Missionary Society has been having its regular monthly meetings, Sunday evening service, and coffee fellowships. Miss Cynthia Donald, C.M.U. student from India, was a guest February 6, 1968. She brought two Indian dishes to share with everyone. She showed slides of her homeland and told of newly discovered caves found by a shepherd boy. Due to this tourist interest, the economy is being helped. Most of the people of India have meager living and few luxuries.

Paneling has been completed in the church basement and makes for more room in the dining area. Bro. Mike Mattison and family visited with our church people in February. Many people attended and an enjoyable fellowship and getting acquainted time was had. Bro. Mattison gave the morning message.

Just a note, on one using his talents. One of our young people, Steve DeForest, has a flair for painting. He painted a picture of our recently purchased parsonage. A frame was made by Gary Smith, and this was presented to the church and is now displayed where all can enjoy it. How wonderful it is to serve and to give with gladness!

Verna Walkington.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell and Miss Charlotte Hudson were immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for remission of sins, March 24, 1968. We welcome them into the Bible Church of God in Phoenix and to the Church of God membership at large.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

IMMERSIONS AT SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

On March 3, 1968, these three teen-age people were immersed in obedience to Jesus our Saviour: Miss Rhonda Van Orman, 56665 Fairmont St., South Bend 46619; Mr. William Haselton, 1238 Catherwood Dr., South Bend 46614; Mr. Richard Standfield, 1313 E. Dubail, South Bend 46613. May their lives reflect the high resolutions of the day when they joined themselves to their Redeemer.

Austin Railton, pastor.

NANCY BRADFORD HOLDERFIELD

Mrs. Nancy Bradford Holderfield, Clinton, Ark., died January 16, 1968, having lived 103 years, 11 months and 3 days. Funeral services were conducted in the Church of God in Cleveland, Ark., January 17, 1968, by the undersigned. Burial was in the family cemetery.

In 1886, she married James Monroe Bradford. In 1889, she and her husband were baptized into Christ by Pastor Norman, an Advent minister. Her husband preached the gospel and upheld this faith until he died in 1896. She also continued in this faith until her death.

Some years after the death of her first husband, she married J. M. Holderfield. He preceded her in death.

Those who survive are: two sons: Fred and Howard Bradford; two daughters: Mrs. Edith Knighton Stewart and Mrs. Alene Hodge; two sisters: Mrs. Ida Heatley and Mrs. Agnes Austin; seventeen grandchildren; forty-three great-grandchildren; and forty-four great-great-grandchildren.

C. Alan McLain, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

On February 18, 1968, Charles Davis, Sr., 59 Hawkes, was baptized. On February 25, Elizabeth Belcher, 1639 Case Rd., and Lester Cooper, 114 Chicago Ave., were baptized. On March 3, Letitia Writesel, 6991 Rondelay Rd., was baptized. (All addresses are Columbus, Ohio.) May the Lord bless these new converts.

Carl F. Roth, pastor.

BLANCHE M. FARBEE SULLIVAN

Blanche M. Sullivan was born February 29, 1888, and died February 22, 1968. She was a member of the Hillside Chapel Church of God, Niles, Mich. Services were conducted from Bubb Chapel by Pastor Richard Worley on February 24, and burial was at the Fairview Cemetery where she awaits the call of the Lord.

DANIEL W. BROWN

Daniel W. Brown, 74, Niagara Falls, N.Y., died at his home January 5, 1968, after a lengthy illness.

Bro. Brown was born in Landrus, Pa., and was baptized by Bro. C. E. Randall at Niagara Falls, N.Y., June 23, 1946. Bro. Brown was an active member of the Fonthill Church of God and served on the new church building committee.

He is survived by his wife, Faye; one son, Jack E.; two granddaughters, and one great-grandchild.

Services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Bro. E. H. Goit, Sr., from the Cobler Funeral Home, Niagara Falls, N.Y. Burial was in the Hillside Cemetery, Ridgeville, Ont., where Bro. Brown awaits the call of the Master.

Emory Macy, pastor.

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COMMUTING PRESIDENT

By Duane Helweg

Next year, Oregon Bible College will experience what may well be a first as far as colleges go. We will have a commuting president. Bro. Alva Huffer, pastor of the Tempe, Ariz., Church, will remain there to complete his doctorate program before officially coming to the College to directly assume his role as president. He will be here for the first week or two of school and will conduct a seminar the second semester on Archaeology and the Bible.

Bro. Huffer made this statement concerning his new appointment: "I count it a privilege to serve as president of Oregon Bible College. The best days of the Church of God are yet to come. The Church of God has a mission to present the Bible to the whole world. Oregon Bible College is the key to fulfilling this mission."

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Nora Anderson, Helen Pryor, Margene Rager, food service

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

By Nola Hass

The students at Oregon Bible College would like to introduce the new faculty members of the College who will be joining us this fall.

Our first member to introduce is Bro. John Lewis, presently pastor at Troyview Church, Troy, Ohio. He and his wife, the former Ruth Savage, and their daughter Kathy, will be moving to Oregon sometime this summer.

Bro. Lewis was born in Brown County, Ill., near Ripley, in 1936. He graduated from Oregon Bible College in 1958. For two years following, he attended Southern Illinois University, then transferring to Miami University in Ohio. He graduated from there in August, 1967, with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Education. He majored in history and minored in speech. Bro. Lewis would like to teach speech and New Testament.

Another member added to the faculty this fall will be Bro. Francis Burnett. He is presently pastor at Garden Park Church in Grand Rapids, Mich. Bro. and Sr. Burnett will be arriving in Oregon in August. They will be bringing with them their only daughter at home, Michal.

He is an Oregon Bible College graduate and is an experienced teacher and pastor. He loves to teach the Bible and gets a real enjoyment out of it. He plans to further his education at a future time. Not only does he enjoy teaching, but he is looking forward to the fellowship with the students.

Bro. Burnett served as an evangelist for two years. He was at Cross Timbers, Mo., for eleven years and was Missouri state president for nine of those years. He then went to Tipp City, Ohio, for ten years before moving to his present church, where he has spent two years. He will teach a preaching class along with an Old Testament class.



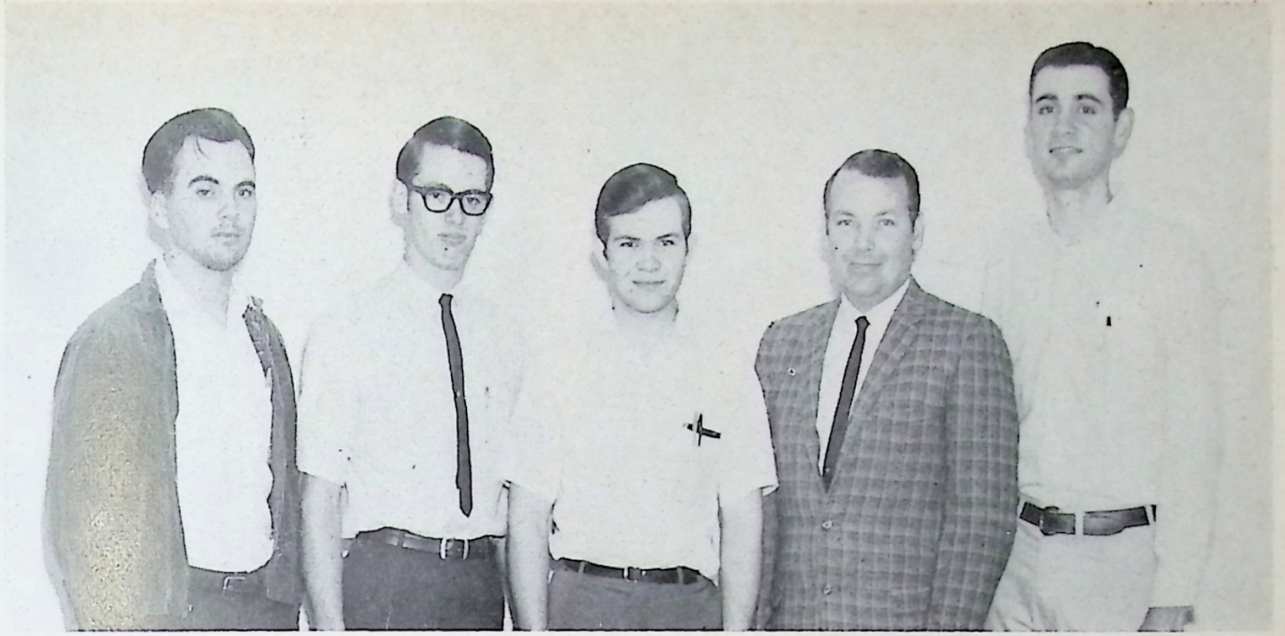
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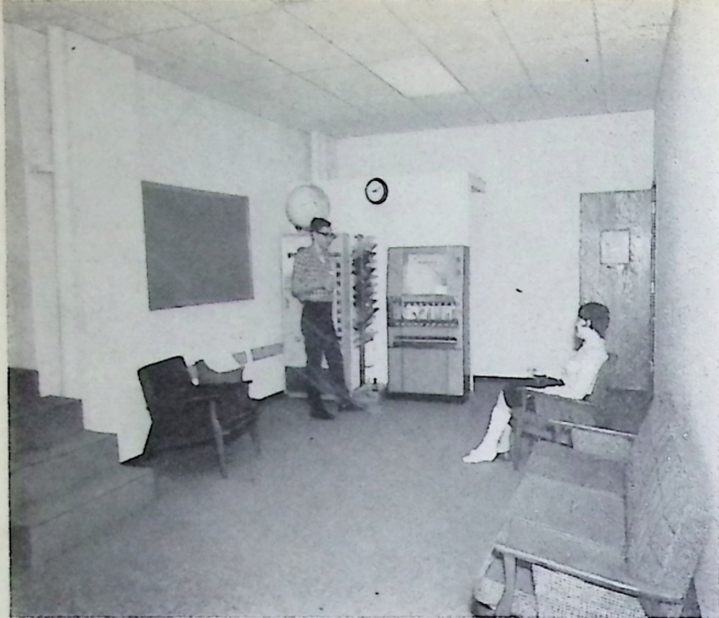
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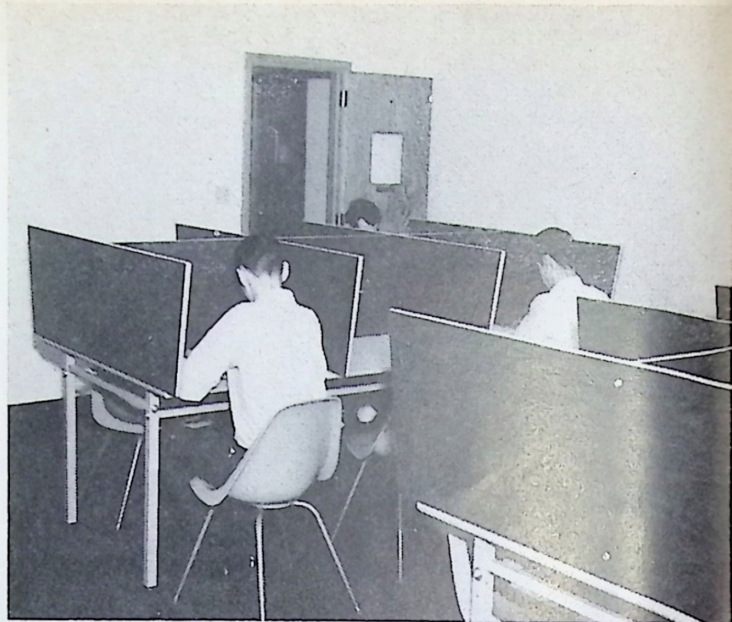
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GOSPEL TEAMS

By Joyce Railton

Gospel teams are important to Oregon Bible College, as well as to the churches. They provide a necessary means of practical Christian service for the students. Besides being able to see different parts of the United States and meeting fellow Christians, we become familiar with what planning a service involves and how to carry it through successfully.

In preparing to go on one of these trips, we are responsible for providing special music, Scripture readings, sermons, testimonies; in short, a well-rounded church service. Thus, we are put directly into the shoes of our church leaders so that we may by experience learn how to carry on regular church activities.

A definite benefit in having traveled on gospel team trips is the fellowship derived from working with other team members. We are truly happy in the service of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ when we are working with others to bring Christ's message of salvation to all.

Is this school year, gospel teams have visited Hillisburg, Hedrick, and South Bend in Indiana; Oregon rally day service, Eldorado, New Lenox, Peoria, Macomb, Illinois state youth retreat (Bloomington) in Illinois; the North-east youth retreat, and Brush Creek, Ohio; and Holbrook, Nebraska. Various members of the faculty serve as sponsors on these trips.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

By Michael Hale

The Christian Service Program at Oregon Bible College is perhaps one of the most beneficial offered to the students. It is through this service that students have opportunity to combine classroom knowledge with practical experience.

The program itself actually consists of two divisions. One concerns itself with assigning students to local churches for service. The other division sends groups of students to remote churches to lead and participate in services conducted there. In this article I will confine discussion to the first division described.

As stated, this segment of Christian Service is concerned with assigning students in a local church. Presently, students are serving as Sunday school teachers, pianists, pastors, assistant pastors, youth directors and teachers, etc. Usually, throughout a student's college career, he will work in several of these positions in order to develop a solid background for future Christian service.

There are a few requisites considered in this program which should be mentioned. First, it is offered only to upper classmen. Also, it is necessary for a student to participate in this program for six semesters in order to meet standards for graduation.

The Bible says, "grow in grace, and in the knowledge

of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). Through the Christian Service Program, each participant endeavors to grow in his ability to serve the Lord by practically applying that which he has grasped in the classroom.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

By Scott Ross

On March 23, 1968, Oregon Bible College hosted its first Missionary Conference. This Missionary Conference was sponsored by the Foreign Mission Fellowship, a group of students at Oregon Bible College vitally interested in promoting foreign missions of the Church of God General Conference.

The idea of the conference goes back to a conversation of several fellowship members in the summer of 1967. Since that time considerable changing and shaping has taken place with that original idea. At the first meeting of the F.M.F. in the fall of 1967 the idea was presented. It was met with considerable discussion. It was given over to several committees who studied it in detail and made several recommendations. Finally it was decided to hold the Conference on March 23, 1968, the first Saturday that Bro. S. S. Manoah would be in the United States.

Once the decision to hold the Conference was made, preparation was begun. Publicity had to be gotten out. Facilities had to be obtained. The program had to be planned. Posters and charts had to be made. People to help had to be contacted. And, most importantly, prayer had to be offered.

Then the applications began to come. The F.M.F. was hoping for as many as sixty or seventy people. But, God truly heard our prayers and more than one hundred and fifty people attended. Due to this increased size over what was anticipated, it was necessary to switch the Conference to the Oregon Church of God facilities.

The Conference began with a prayer session for God's power to be among us and in us. (A prayer that was answered!) After a singspiration and welcome by F.M.F. Chairman Scott Ross, Bro. Billie Kennedy challenged the delegates with a stirring keynote address. Then the Conference broke into seven smaller workshops. These workshops, under the fine leadership of Lorraine Gaspar, Charles Graham, Don Hightower, Joyce Knapp, James Lippert, Donald Needham, and Rex Shaw, were centers of stimulating discussion concerning missionary promotion in the local churches. Following the workshops was a period of fellowship, during which there was opportunity to view displays and charts depicting the work in the various mission fields and the progress our missions have made in recent years. The delegates then regathered to hear the reports of the workshop leaders on ideas that their group had discussed.

After the noon lunch was a singspiration and prayer

service led by Bro. Jim Mickey. Then David Krogh taught a class on local church missionary promotion, suggesting several positive programs a local congregation might adopt. After an inspiring program of special music led by Mary Mickey, was a panel discussion concerning Church of God mission work. The panel, consisting of S. O. Ross, Lee McQuinn, Warren Sorenson, S. S. Manoah, and Edith Eades, gave the delegates a chance to ask them questions concerning the work.

After a short break, David Hall led a singspiration. Then special delegate S. S. Manoah of Bangalore, India, spoke to the Conference. Everyone was thrilled to hear our missionary from India. A final prayer service concluded the day's activities.

Everyone present seemed to receive a great blessing from God for having been there. Truly God's spirit was present, making the Conference a time of revival and renewed interest and zeal toward missionary work.

STUDENT COUNCIL

By David Krogh

"Without counsel plans go wrong, but with many advisers they succeed" (Prov. 15:22, R.S.V.).

The Student Council of Oregon Bible College, following the wise advice of Solomon, has attempted during this school year to give counsel and direction to student activities. Recognizing that all things are to be done decently and in order, the Student Council has tried to coordinate the activities of the various college organizations and it has attempted to offer constructive suggestions to the Administration.

In order to carry out its work, the Council meets twice monthly to conduct its business. At its regular meetings, College organizations give reports of their activities and future plans. Student problems and grievances are brought to the attention of the Council and suggestions and remedies are offered. When necessary, policy changes are offered to the Administration for their consideration.

The Council is composed of each of the College organizations. Those who have served on the Council this year are: Joe Duncan and John Railton, freshmen; David Hall and Paul Weidensal, sophomores; Roger Cupp (vice president) and Joyce Railton (secretary), juniors; Jim Mickey (treasurer) and Rex Shaw, seniors; Scott Ross, Foreign Mission Fellowship chairman; Don Hightower, Home Mission Fellowship chairman; Stephen Bolhous, Maranatha editor; Jim Graham, Social Committee chairman; David Krogh, Council president; and faculty advisor, Bro. William Wachtel.

As this year draws to a close, a new Council president will be elected to serve next year. Two members of the junior class will serve as candidates in the election which will be held May 17. A popular vote of the student body will select the new president.

The successful completion of many projects and programs this year has been the result of wise counsel, hard working students, and the Lord's blessing. We pray that these three factors will continue to make college activities function successfully in the coming year.

NEW ADDITION

By Jane Peters

In 1939, the students of Oregon Bible College gathered in the second story of the conference building, where they had one room to receive their class instruction. However, this became inadequate and additional space was provided for the students. Due to the increase of enrollment, an answer to many prayers, additional space was necessary to better instruct and meet the student academic needs as well as their social needs.

Oregon Bible College has recently completed a large project that will provide better physical facilities for the students. A large classroom with a seating capacity of seventy-five has been designed in the main floor of the conference building. A study room has also been supplied for the students. The new classroom has an overhead projector, which is very helpful to the instructor. The floors are carpeted, the walls are painted in attractive colors, and many other features that make studying more enjoyable. The students all agree that these rooms have been a vital asset in improvement of the College building and in creating a better atmosphere conducive to learning.

College students have had a need for some time for a place where they could spend leisure moments. The students have been supplied with a new lounge to meet this need. Now they can "collapse" after that rough exam or just enjoy Christian fellowship with other students. The lounge also contains a pop machine and a candy machine for breakfast skippers or those who require extra nourishment to make it through the next class.

We, the students, wish to thank all of you who are responsible in making these facilities available to us.

COMMUTING PRESIDENT

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He has added a great deal of education and experience in the ministry since his graduation from Oregon Bible College in 1946. He has held several pastorates since then and has been in his present one since 1961. While there, he has attended Arizona State University, having completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology in 1966 and a Master of Arts in History in 1967. Bro. Huffer will soon complete a Doctor of Philosophy degree in the Administration of Higher Education.

Along the way to his present status, Bro. Huffer has found time to become the author of the book *Systematic Theology*, from which has been derived a Bible study course.

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"Of the approximately nine years I've spent in four different colleges, I value most highly my years at Oregon Bible College. This Christ-centered college program gives you an opportunity to know yourself as you become better acquainted with God's Word and his plan for you personally and for the whole world."—Dallas R. Demmitt, M.S.W., Phoenix, Arizona.

"In a world filled with crises and instability, the Bible-based educational program of Oregon Bible College provides a favorable environment for young people to find purpose and stability in their lives."—David Krogh, president of the Student Council, Oregon Bible College.

"A Christian education, such as offered at Oregon Bible College, teaches students kindness, love, consideration, and hope for the future: qualities all found in Christ, yet usually lacking from the normal, secular education."—Charles Jones, high school teacher, Mission Board Director, Cleveland, Ohio.



"Our role as a witness for Jesus is the most important aspect of our life. Therefore our preparation for this is more important than our preparation for a profession or occupation. Oregon Bible College has been established to fulfill this purpose."—William D. Lawrence, M.D., Phoenix, Arizona.

"I believe that the education one receives at Oregon Bible College is profitable in three dimensions. It benefits the student socially by helping him to stand morally erect in a bent society; spiritually by standing upright on God's Word, among the uninspired teachings in the world; and personally by standing, not in the weakness of man, but in the strength of the indwelling Christ."—Lee McQuinn, pastor, Mission Board Director.

"It was good for me to attend Oregon Bible College for several reasons. One of the things I remember best was the fellowship with Christian young people and Christian teachers. The courses in Bible study help one cement his faith, while the courses in teaching help one understand how to approach others with the Lord's glorious gospel of salvation. We recommend Oregon Bible College to all who seek God's direction for their lives."—James Mattison, pastor, Maurertown, Virginia.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE, Oregon, Illinois 61061

General Conference Progress

STAFF TRAVELS

Members of the staff and students from Oregon Bible College have visited many churches and conferences in the past few weeks. Traveling with Bro. Manoah has taken us into many parts of the United States and Canada. In addition, gospel teams and the Oregon Bible College choir have visited other churches, and staff members have been in various places for special board and committee meetings and to attend conferences. Members of the Conference staff and students travel many thousands of miles each year performing various services.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BOOKS MAILED

The 1968 Vacation Bible School books have been mailed to those who placed orders. This excellent series of lessons should prove to be a good basis for study and activity in the Church of God vacation Bible schools. This is the ninth year in a ten-year cycle of lesson prepared under the editorship of Sr. Iris Burnett. Vacation Bible school can be a vital source of new contacts for the Sunday school and church, as well as an excellent teaching opportunity.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE STAFF MEETING

Bro. Alva Huffer, who will become President of Oregon Bible College in September, met in Oregon in April with Bros. Ross, Lewis, Burnett, and Stilson to formulate plans for the 1968-69 Oregon Bible College year. The Board of Education also met in April on the same weekend to advise in the matter of reorganization. Members of the Board of Education are: William Wachtel, Ruth Halls, Francis Burnett, Dallas Demmitt, and Donald Overmyer. Bro. Huffer also met with the Board.

Solid plans have been formulated for the work of the College in the new year, and also for future years, and returning and new students will enjoy and be blessed in the new program.

THE RESTITUTION HERALD WELL RECEIVED

Several readers have commented on the new appearance of *The Restitution Herald*. With a full-color cover and new interior format, *The Herald* is attractive to the eye. Writers have supplied us with excellent articles and we can all be proud of the official Church of God publication.

Many members do not subscribe to *The Herald*. If you are not now a subscriber, your enrollment in *The Herald* family of readers will bring you its messages each month, will help you to witness to others, and will help your

General Conference to publish better literature at more reasonable costs. You can receive *The Herald* for one year for \$3.00 or two years for \$5.00. Write *The Restitution Herald*, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET THIS MONTH

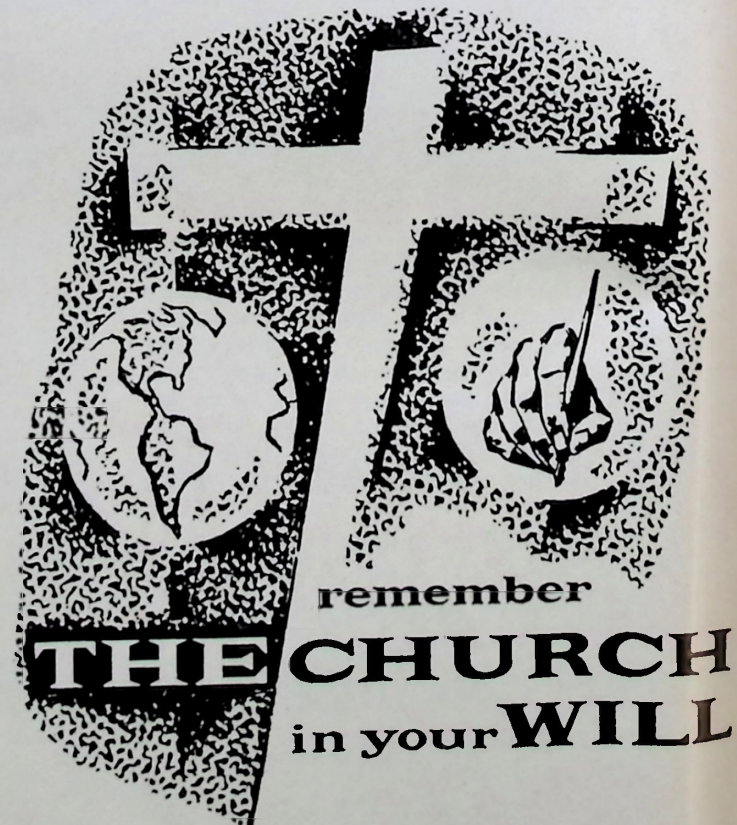
The Board of Directors of Church of God General Conference plans to meet in Oregon May 10 and 11. The General Conference program and plans for the next fiscal year will be the principal business of the meeting.

BRO. FERRELL BEGINS WORK

Bro. T. M. Ferrell plans to move to Oregon in May and will begin his editorial and publishing work. He will work with Bro. Harold Doan on the June *Journal* and July *Herald* and become familiar with other publications before he leaves the first of June.

NEW BUILDING FUND PROGRESS

As of this date (April 24) a total of \$14,915.00 in commitments and cash gifts has been received in the Oregon Bible College Development Fund for the Golden Anniversary expansion of Oregon Bible College. The Goal for this phase of Oregon Bible College Development is \$150,000.00.



Over their years of use, the book *Systematic Theology* and the twenty-nine lesson Bible study course based upon it have proven to be invaluable tools in the teaching of the gospel. Many books have been distributed over the world by missionary societies, purchased by individuals, and given as gifts. Many people have been enrolled and have successfully completed the Bible study course. This study of Bible doctrine can only lead to knowledge of truth and strengthening of faith. We encourage you to use these tools in your personal evangelism and in your church evangelistic program. You can order the book and lessons from The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.

GRADUATES

The eight 1968 graduates from Oregon Bible College will soon be engaged in their career work. Sr. Janie Peters will continue her nursing career. Bro. and Sr. James Mickey, both graduating, will go to the pastorate in Litchfield, Minn. Bro. Michael Mattison will serve in Blanchard, Mich. Bro. David Krogh will be pastor at Garden Park, Mich. Bro. Rex Shaw has accepted the pastorate of the new church in Rochelle, Ill. Bro. Scott Ross will be pastor at Troyview Church, Ohio. Bro. Donald Hightower will become pastor of the San Jose, Calif., Church in June. We pray the Lord's blessing upon each of these dedicated young people in their service.

THE FINANCIAL PICTURE

The response was inspiring when we let it be known in our last issue that giving has been falling behind the goals. This month we are over the goal by about \$300.00. Though there is still a deficit for the seven months of this fiscal year, we know that the goals will be met and that the Lord's work will be supported by his people.

Everyone is subject to the squeeze of inflation and rising costs of goods and services, including your General Conference. The Goals for Giving are always closely estimated and when we fall behind, the deficit is immediately felt. We are thankful to those individuals and groups who do faithfully support the work of missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, Berean Youth Fellowship, and other services through the General Conference.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October, 1 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for April	\$7,269.00
Given in April	7,572.00
To be given by September 30	\$36,039.00

Goal for May \$7,208.00

BYF NEWS



PEORIA WINS YOUTH WEEK AWARD

The Bereans of the Faith Chapel Church of God in East Peoria, Ill., have won the 1968 International Youth Week Award with a truly outstanding Youth Week observance in their church. They have been mailed the first place plaque from Blood River, La., last year's winners. The Blood River Bereans won second place this year. Special congratulations are due the Peoria Berean president, Monte Salzman, youth leaders Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ring and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schaer, and Pastor and Mrs. J. R. LeCrone. Ranking third place was Macomb, Ill., and fourth were the Golden Rule Bereans of Cleveland, Ohio.

Since some smaller groups think they don't have a chance in the competition, we want to point out that the Golden Rule Bereans ranked fourth in the entire competition with a Berean membership of *seven*.

COIN CRUSADE CONCLUDED

The end of April marked the end of the two-month Coins-for-Christ Crusade for this year. While at this writing sufficient information is not available to announce winners or give totals, the evidence is that there was widespread and enthusiastic participation by Berean groups. A goal of \$3,500.00 has been set for total contributions.

BEREAN PARTICIPATION IN BOOSTER CAMPAIGN

This year we are urging churches to plan to involve their young people as much as possible in the observance of Booster Month and Booster Sunday for Oregon Bible College. May is Booster Month and May 26 is Booster Sunday. A page in the current issue of *Challenge* is devoted to encouragement of youth participation in Booster activities.

REMEMBER YOUTH CONFERENCE POOL

Churches and youth groups should keep in mind that a transportation expense pool open to all chartered Berean groups will again be used in connection with the International Berean Youth Conference this summer. Last year participation was moderate. The adult leadership of churches should encourage their youth groups to participate in this responsible and reasonable method of partially alleviating the excessive transportation expenses of groups at great distances from the camp. Some churches in Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Ohio may want to stand behind the groups financially if needed as an added encouragement.

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Severe drouth in the area of the Abut Church has caused several families to move from that area. Due to this situation, and because the building there was severely damaged by a typhoon last winter, it was decided to discontinue services in Abut. The members there will attend either the Minagbag or Quezon Churches, which are quite near.

Bro. Eleodoro O. Javar and his family, who have been pastoring the Abut Church, have moved to Mangandingay to begin a new work there. Several church families have located in this area.

The evangelistic team held a series of services in the village of Villaros recently. This is the place Bro. S. O. Ross was unable to visit in 1966, due to the impassable jungle roads. Bro. Eleodoro Ortiguero says, "Due to the dry season, we were fortunate to be able to drive over the road with the jeep." The Sunday attendance has shown an increase since the rally.

The Uddiawan Church continues to lead the Philippine Conference in attendance, with the average running about one hundred twenty-five.

LEBANON

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a reports that they have completely outgrown their home meeting place and have been forced to rent a room. They now are attempting to find some kind of seating to use.

The Sunday school has reached one hundred seventy children. Fifty adults attended the morning service, forty eight the evening, and forty-seven the midweek service recently. Two came forward to accept Christ and will be baptized as soon as weather permits.

NIGERIA

The civil war continues to rage in the area where the Churches of God are located. Bro. A. A. Obot reports that four church buildings have been "lost," his own house severely damaged and his brother Joseph has been killed. One of the faithful workers, J. E. Eyo, has been "detained" (we assume captured), and his whereabouts is not known. Things are very difficult for many of the members, as their houses have been looted and damaged and the families often harrassed and caused much suffering.

Bro. Obot says, "Kindly give our love to all. Remember to pray for us, and may God bless you and the work of the Church of God."

INDIA

The work in India carried on rather well while Bro. S. S. Manoah was away from it visiting here. The membership, however, did miss him and his messages a great deal and were most anxious for his return. One of the young men who was to fill the pulpit part of the time became ill and had to enter a hospital for surgery. Sr. Manoah reports that he is doing well and hopes to be back in the services soon.

Bro. Manoah upon his return will be starting to hold services regularly at villages surrounding Bangalore. These groups will meet in homes at the start and will be pastored by young men who Bro. Manoah is now training for this work.

MEXICO

Late in February Bro. Dean Moore advised the Mission Board that he was moving his family to Texas due to the adverse health and education problems they were encountering in Mexico. He suggested that support to him would stop. He was, however, supported fully until April first. He was also offered mileage and some subsistence for the trips he would make to Mexico to continue to supervise the work there.

On April 24, by letter to the Superintendent of Missions, Bro. Moore has resigned from his position as missionary to Mexico for the Church of God General Conference. We commend Bro. and Sr. Moore for the fine work they have done and pray God's richest blessings on them in the days ahead.

Sr. Rachel Krogh has returned to Mexico and is carrying on the work of preparing materials, teaching, and other service to the missions there. Sr. Alice Aldrich, a graduate of Oregon Bible College, has gone to Mexico at her own expense to live with Sr. Krogh for the summer.

PRAYER LIST FOR MAY

1. Pray for peace in Nigeria and for safety of people there.
2. Pray for the new work being started in Mangandingay, Philippine Islands.
3. Pray for Bro. S. S. Manoah as he returns to his people in India and begins to establish new congregations near Bangalore.
4. Pray for each missionary and his family.

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS

Churches IN THE News



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 24-26—Annual May Meetings at Fonthill, Ontario.
- June 6-9—Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference at Magazine, Ark.
- June 6-9—Minnesota State Conference, Long Lake Campgrounds, John Denchfield, guest speaker.
- June 15-22—Southwest Youth Camp at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Cal.
- June 21-23—Annual Illinois Conference at Macomb.
- June 23-29—Annual Indiana Conference and Family Camp, Camp Mack.
- July 7-13—Junior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- July 14-20—Senior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- August 4-9—General Conference.
- August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference.

BAPTISM AT COOL SPRING

Upon confession of faith in God and upon taking Jesus as his Lord and Saviour, Jackie Cooper was baptized February 25, 1968, in Gooney Creek at Browntown, Va. The congregation of Cool Spring Church witnessed this dedication immediately after the morning worship service. The young people had conducted the worship service as part of Youth Week. We pray God's rich blessings on Jackie as he walks and witnesses for his Lord. Cecil A. Smead, pastor.

BAPTISM HOPE CHAPEL Reynoldsburg, Ohio

On March 24, 1968, Mrs. Jeanette Mariath made her confession for Christ Jesus at our Sunday morning services and requested baptism by Bro. Richard Smith Sunday night.

Our group drove to Lawrenceville for the evening church service, and after church we were, along with the Lawrenceville brethren, witnesses to Jeanette's baptism into the saving name of Jesus.

We pray God's richest blessings and guidance in her new walk of life, and that God, through his Son Jesus, will give her courage and strength to grow in faith and that she and her children will continue to look "for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ" (Titus 2:13).

Pauline Tidwell, secretary.

FREE BOOK OFFER

Creationist Books, P. O. Box 11294, Denver, Colo. 80211, is offering a free copy of "Did Man Get Here by Evolution or by Creation" to any Church of God pastor requesting it.

BAPTISM AT FONTHILL

Miss Deborah Lynn McArthur was baptized during the Easter sunrise service, April 14, 1968. May the Lord bless her new life in him. Emory Macy, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT BURR OAK

Members of the Burr Oak Church of God rejoiced on Easter Sunday when six people came forth for baptism following the morning service. They are Mrs. Larry Davis, Mrs. Ruth Zechiel, Stanley Reinholt, John Drang, Steve Kelly and Norman Kelly. May each one find peace and joy in his new walk in life. May we strengthen them as we become the right example.

Ellsworth Routson, pastor.

BAPTISM AT SOUTHLAWN

On Easter Sunday following Bro. Manoah's talk to us, the invitation was given to accept Jesus as Saviour. To this invitation, Karen Wensink responded and came forward to give her life to the Lord. On Wednesday evening, April 24, 1968, she was immersed in the waters of baptism in the saving name of Jesus by the writer. We praise the Lord for this step that Karen has taken and we pray her joys in the life she has chosen will ever increase. May God bless her way before him.

Darrell Maddock, pastor.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor E. Richard Smith has accepted the pastorate of the Hillisburg, Ind., Church of God.

Pastor Harold Doan has accepted the pastorate of the San Fernando Valley, Calif., Church of God.

Pastor Robin Hayse has resigned from his pastorate at Waterloo, Iowa.

Pastor E. Milton Hall will be leaving his pastorate at Pennellwood Church of God, Grand Rapids, in September.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Pastor V. E. Kirkpatrick, 704 Jefferson, Oregon, Illinois. 61061

Pastor Roger Denchfield, c.o. Pastor John Denchfield, 555 McGliney Lane, Campbell, California.

Pastor Leon Driskill, 205 S. Cooper St., New Lenox, Illinois 60451.

STUDENT SUPPORT IN INDIA

About a year ago, in correspondence with Bro. S. S. Manoah, we asked him what was most needed for the work of the Lord in Bangalore, India.

We learned that education, or lack of it, was one of the greatest drawbacks of the work. He informed us that they do not have public schools and compulsory education as we have. To receive even an elementary education a child must be sent to boarding school. There one must pay not only tuition and board, but must buy books, uniforms, and all supplies. This is too expensive for most of the church people.

Bro. Manoah stated that if even a few children could get some education it would be a great help in reading the Bible, teaching, and preaching the gospel. This would assure teachers and preachers for the future church.

This was discussed at the Northeast Conference, and it was voted for the conference to support at least two boys in English schools, and individuals were encouraged to do the same. Three families, one Sunday school, one Sunday school class, and one missionary board pledged to support one student each. This makes ten boys being supported in English schools.

There are two types of schools; the local dialect and the English schools. These cost approximately \$8.00 and \$10.00 respectively (in American money) per month, twelve months each year.

It was deemed best to enroll the boys in English schools so they might be prepared to come to North America for college work, which is not available there.

Much appreciation for this support has been shown by the students, their parents, and Bro. Manoah, who says all of the boys have the potential for ministers of the gospel.

This work was not publicized outside of the Northeast Conference because it was a new venture and was being tested. Then, too, we did not want money used for this purpose which would otherwise be sent to the General Conference. This was to be over and above that given regularly to the Lord's work.

We feel that the Lord has blessed this project. We know we have been blessed by it and feel that it should be continued and enlarged. All the money for the support has gone through the General Conference office.

Eunice M. Pearson.



The church of God at Macomb, Ill., has constructed a new building. It will receive appeal number twenty. This progressive church, with a growing membership is now using its new building, which seats 250 people and has seventeen Sunday school rooms. Mission Builders appeal number twenty is in the mail to members of the League.

MACOMB CHURCH OF GOD

NEW MISSION BUILDERS

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- 1109. S. P. Dismukes
- 1110. Gary Sogge
- 1111. Doreas Society, Bible Church of God
- 1112. Ladies Guild, Golden Rule Church

If you are not now a Mission Builder, send your name and address to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, asking to be enrolled. Mission Builders agree to contribute at least \$5.00 to each new Church of God approved for League assistance.

GROUND BREAKING AT FONTHILL, ONTARIO

Under beautiful sunny skies, more than 140 members, relatives, and friends gathered for an impressive ground-breaking ceremony. Bro. Emory Macy conducted the ceremony, assisted by Elders David Elliott and Edward Goit, who gave the invocation and declaration. A large white-lined cross was marked out in the center of where the new church will be. Bro. Velmar Bousefield, the oldest member, had the honor of taking the first spadeful, which was an antique shovel that belonged to the late Bro. Charles (Cammy) Elliott, who donated the land on which our present church stands. The church officers, followed by the heads of various church and Sunday school departments, took their respective turns at the spading, followed by the entire congregation, until the cross was completely turned.

Bro. Joe Fletcher, Sunday school superintendent, welcomed the various dignitaries, which included the Reeve and Warden of the township and the clergy of the other churches in the town. A fellowship followed in the church basement.

The site is a beautifully located 3¼ acre lot on Hillcrest Rd., with plenty of room for parking and a future parsonage. The church building, to be known as Glad Tidings, will be of timber construction with brick and stone exterior. It will have a seating capacity of 200 in the auditorium, and education wing with classrooms and pastor's study on the top level. In the basement will be classrooms and kitchen and a dining area. It is hoped the cornerstone may be laid at our annual May meeting, and dedication to take place at Thanksgiving.

C. D. Dilamarter, reporter.

CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

Eleven people were baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ on April 7, and 14, 1968.

Miss Christy Brandon, Mr. Bill Davis, Misses Carol Davis, Susan Davis, Anna Duncan, and Master Robert See were baptized at a special service on April 7. Mr. Davis is the father of Susan and Carol.

Misses Kim Clabaugh, Julie Cooley, Laurel Cooley, and Master Robert Cooley were baptized as a part of the worship service on Easter Sunday. Four of these are children from the neighborhood who have been attending since the church was relocated.

A record attendance of the church was set when 181 worshipers rejoiced that Christ came forth from the tomb, the first fruits of them that slept. Earlier in the day group met for a sunrise service which was held in the patio, followed by a continental breakfast.

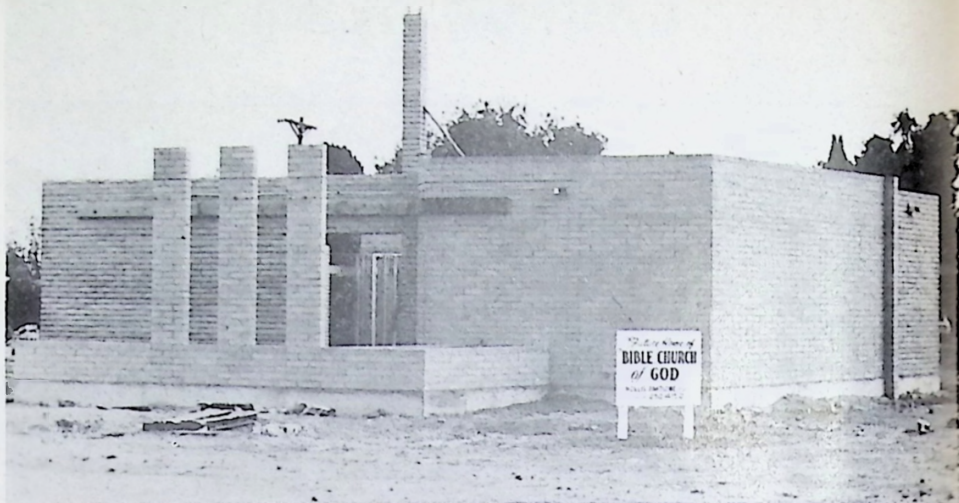
Miss Willie Mae Toney and Mr. Joe Wilson, a negro couple, were married in the chapel on April 6 at 7:00 p.m. The service was conducted by the writer in the presence of a large group of friends and relatives of the couple. A reception was held following the service. Mrs. Wilson was a former high school student of the pastor.

The Bereans, under the leadership of Bro. Larry McIntyre, took over the service on Youth Sunday. We can be proud of the young people. D. A. Jones, Pastor.

ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

The Arkansas-Oklahoma Conference will convene on June 6-9, 1968. Services will be held on Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday and Saturday night, and will end on Sunday, June 9.

Everyone is invited to come and attend.
E. O. Cox.



Construction has begun on the new Bible Church of God building, Phoenix, Ariz. The building is scheduled to be under roof within the month, and it is hoped that it will be finished by September. This church is one being assisted by the Mission Builders League. Hollis Partlowe is pastor.

HELEN VANCE

Sr. Vance, Vandalia, Ohio, fell asleep in Christ on February 25, 1968. She was born on November 24, 1900, and united in marriage to James Vance on June 17, 1919. To this union were born: Dovillo James, Marian Arlene Burke, Edna Marie Minkner, Anna Elizabeth Meicher, Paul Lynn, and Dale Raymond. She also leaves twenty-three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

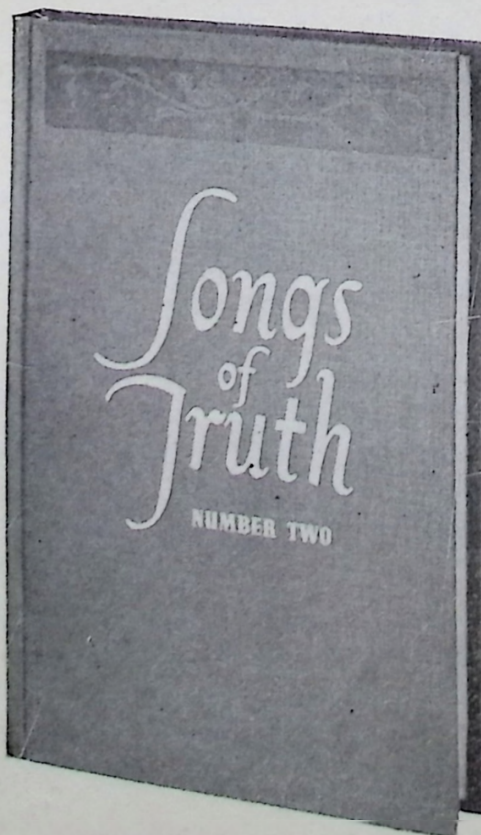
She and her husband James, who preceded her in death on February 15, 1966, became members of the Brush Creek Church of God many years ago. Services were conducted by Bro. E. Richard Smith and she was laid to rest to await the call of the Master at his return.

RUSSELL W. SHELLHAAS

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, March 15, 1968, in the Hale-Sarver Funeral Home for Russell W. Shellhaas, 4855 W. Kessler-Cowlesville Rd., West Milton, Ohio, who died Tuesday morning, March 12. He was seventy-nine years of age.

Surviving are his wife Pearl Knife Shellhaas; son, Russell Dale of West Milton; and a daughter, Mrs. Vivian Magaw (Ruth) of Tipp City, Ohio; one brother Joe, Wayne, Mich.; three sisters in Mich.; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Pastor John Lewis of Troyview Church of God officiated at the services. Burial was in Curtis Cemetery near Brush Creek Church of God.



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FORT VALLEY REVIVAL

April 1-8, 1968, Bro. Darrell Maddock offered the Word of God to all who attended the eight services at the Fort Valley Church of God. Attendance was good, with many visitors attending. The sermons were relevant to the problems of today, and edifying. Considerable time was devoted to prophecy the first of the week, while the later sermons dealt more with consecration.

Bro. Maddock has a warm place in the hearts of all in Virginia and we commend him to the brotherhood at large as a mature thinker and an interesting speaker.

James Mattison, pastor.

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The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine lessons of the Systematic Bible Study Course. We offer our congratulations for their work: Mrs. Ona Branson, Mrs. Robert Steele, Anna Cooper, Mrs. Dean Perrin. (See the ad on this page telling how you can enroll in this course.)

ELSIE DOLL

Sr. Doll, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Rufus Curtis, fell asleep in Christ on March 20, 1968, at the age of more than eighty years. She and her husband Charles, who preceded her in death May 30, 1958, were long-time members of the Brush Creek Church of God. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Doris Paffenback, Phoenix, Ariz.; one sister, Mrs. Helen Doll, Medway, Ohio; Arthur Curtis of Dayton, Ohio; Phillip, Spiceland, Ind.; and two grandchildren.

Comforting words were spoken by Bro. E. Richard Smith and she was laid to rest in the Curtis Cemetery beside the Brush Creek Church of God until Jesus comes to raise the dead.

MARY NEWLUN

Mrs. Earl (Mary) Newlun was a long-time member of the Los Angeles Church of God, and later transferred her membership to the Church of the Open Bible of Pomona.

Sr. Newlun was a resident of Sun City, Calif., at the time of her death, March 21, 1968. Her outlook on life, her activity, and her willingness to help others were of such a nature that people were amazed to learn that she was 74 years of age.

Sr. Newlun leaves to mourn her death her husband Earl; a son William T. Davis, Oregon; daughters, Virginia Hutchinson and June Reynolds, San Diego; Betty Ayres, Oregon; Marianne Weins, Hawaii; Janet Mollica, LaPalma; and a brother, Thomas Gould, Minnesota; 16 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was laid to rest in Westminster Memorial Park to await the coming of the Lord. The services were conducted by the writer. D. A. Jones

MRS. OLIVE BURNHAM

Mrs. Olive Burnham fell asleep on February 24, 1968, in Ft. Dodge, Iowa. She had been ill about four weeks. She was a member of the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Calif. She is survived by her step-mother Mrs. Mayme Jones and by her brother, the writer. Pastor J. Arthur Johnson conducted the funeral service. She was laid to rest beside the late Bro. and Sr. Greenleaf Allard, who were active in the early work of the Iowa Church of God Conference. D. A. Jones, pastor.

MRS. LOUISA EDWARDS

Anna Louisa Johnson was born April 26, 1891, at St. Paul, Minn., to Charles and Mary Johnson. She was married to Leslie Edwards on June 29, 1910. To this union three children were born: Wilford, Hector, Minn.; Edna (Mrs. Roger Swanson) Hector, and Warren, Watkins.

She became a member of the Church of God shortly after her marriage and remained so until her death March 28, 1968. Her husband Leslie preceded her in death.

She leaves to mourn her death her three children and their families.

She was laid to rest and awaits the call of her Saviour from the Eden Lake cemetery. Harry Sheets, pastor.

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Theme: In Times Like These

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 4

2:00 Registration Begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Worship, special service of song and praise, Jesse and Sally Pestle, leaders.
 8:45 Chairman's Reception
 10:30 Lights out

Monday, August 5

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Leon Driskill; Youth: Jodi Lawrence; Priscillas: Mildred Macy)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class (Theme: "In Times Like These.") "We Need a Saviour," Dale Ward
 Youth Class, "The Personal Return of Christ for You," Darrell Maddock
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Our Guide—Faith or Feeling?" Vivian Kirkpatrick
 10:00 First Business Session
 Welcome by the Chairman
 Seating of the Delegates
 Introduction of new delegates and delegations
 Communications
 Chairman's message to the delegates
 Question period on written reports of Committees and Boards
 Report on Activities of the Board of Directors
 Treasurer's Report
 11:45 Recess for Lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "The Dream of Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 2," Warren Sorenson
 2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions
 1) Promoting Better Fellowship in the Church, J. Don Swartz
 2) Total Involvement of the Total Membership, John Hearp
 3) New Equipment for Churches, J. Arlen Marsh

4) How to Call a Pastor, Ellsworth Routson and Dwaine Demmitt
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Eugene Stilson, song leader; "Israel in These Times," sermon by C. E. Randall
 10:30 Lights out

Tuesday, August 6

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Dwaine Demmitt; Ministers: Ed Bender; Youth: Mike Huddleston; Priscillas: Bernedene Jones)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "We Need an Anchor," T. M. Ferrell
 Youth Class, "You Can Know the Times and the Seasons," Kent Ross
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Our Hope—in God or Man?" Oral Miller
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the minutes from Monday
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday School Directors
 Publishing Department business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Jesus' Prophecy of Matthew 24," Rex Cain
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
 1) Total Involvement of the Total Membership, John Hearp
 2) Vacation Bible Schools for 1969, Iris Burnett
 3) Developing a Training Program for Laymen, Emory Macy
 4) How Everyone Can Participate in Missions, Lee McQuinn
 5) Is Sunday School Education Sufficient? Charles Pryor
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Richard Dick, song leader; "The Nations in These Times," sermon by Harry Sheets
 10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, August 7

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Willis Turner; Ministers: Dean Moore; Youth: Mary Jo Brewer; Priscillas: Enid Maddock)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "We Need the Bible," Kenneth Milne
 Youth Class, "Your Two Choices," John Denchfield
 Children's Class and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Love, Love, or Love?" Eugene Stilson
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the Tuesday minutes
 Action on Constitutional Amendment

Nomination for two directors, full term
 Nomination for one director to fill the unexpired term of T. M. Ferrell
 Consideration of Mission Business and Recommendations
 Election of a Mission Board Director
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Zedekiah's Prophecy Concerning Jerusalem," J. R. LeCrone
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
 1) Putting New Life in the Midweek Service, Billie Kennedy
 2) Christian Education Council Progress, Warren Sorenson
 3) How Everyone Can Participate in Missions, Lee McQuinn
 4) How to Call a Pastor, Ellsworth Routson and Dwaine Demmitt
 5) The Bible College and Christian Leadership, Francis E. Burnett
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Ed Graham, song leader; "The Church in These Times," sermon by Vernis Wolfe
 9:00 Preachers and Priscillas Fellowship
 10:30 Lights out

Thursday, August 8

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: William Naylor; Ministers: Austin Railton; Youth: Wanda Duncan; Priscillas: Marti Dick)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "Oh Be Not Idle," Emory Macy
 Youth Class, "Let No Man Deceive You," Russell Dickerson
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "The Two-Beat Rhythm of Worship," Ellsworth Routson
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the Minutes
 Election of Directors
 Consideration of Oregon Bible College Business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Paul's Prophecy of the Peace and Safety Cry," C. F. Pryor
 2:15 Continuation of Business Sessions
 General Business
 Adoption of a Goal for Giving
 3:30 Adjournment
 5:30 Supper
 7:00 Evening Service, Raymond Brown, song leader; Communion, C. E. Lay and Milon Hall; Installation of the New Directors; sermon by Z. I. Duncan, "Social Changes in These Times"
 10:30 Lights out

Friday, August 9

7:00 United Prayer Service
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated except for those staying for Youth Conference

Annual Report of the Church of God

General Conference Board of Directors

This report of the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference was approved at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors in Oregon, Illinois, May 10, 1968. The report is presented in this form so that delegates to the 1968 General Conference business sessions (August 4-9, Camp Alexander Mack) will have opportunity to study it and form opinions and seek suggestions from the groups whom they will represent.

This report covers only the first eight months of the fiscal year, therefore programs inaugurated since last Conference have not run their full course. Those activities which occur between now and General Conference will be reported orally at Conference. The report includes some general observations of the work of the Church of God as a whole as well as reporting the activities and accomplishments of the various departments of the General Conference.

Several resignations have caused a number of personnel changes. We feel that these transitions will be made smoothly with your prayers and the Lord's blessings and guidance. We praise God for his many blessings upon the work of the Church of God in this past year and we thank him for the progress that has been made and for opportunities that have come to his people.

Youth Department

The director of the Berean Youth Department is Bro. Paul Shaw. Since September 1, 1967, the work of the Berean Youth Department has been administered by Bro. Shaw from Little Rock, Arkansas, where he is pastoring the New Hope Church of God. A cooperative arrangement has been worked out between the General Conference and the local church which provides for a division of Bro. Shaw's time between the youth department and the church work.

During the year, *Challenge* and *Youth Workers' Memo* have been published regularly. *Youth Workers' Memo* has been changed to a bi-monthly publication, rather than monthly, and from a lithographed to a mimeographed paper. On January 1, 1968, the Berean Lesson Manuals were revised as to form of printing. They are currently being distributed as a free, mimeographed publication distributed only to youth leaders, pastors, and those who request them, rather than as a lithographed publication on a purchase basis with copies for individual class members. This action was taken by the delegates at the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference because the manuals were being purchased in insufficient numbers and a loss of more than \$2,000.00 per year was being realized.

Contact continues to be maintained with state and district youth directors in an effort to improve the total youth program. The third annual meeting of conference youth directors was held in Oregon, Illinois, November 17, 18, 1967.

A slide set with taped narration based on the 1967 Youth Conference was produced by Pastor Rex Cain. The set has been viewed by more than forty churches since its release in January.

The program of Berean contests, under the direction of Bro. Jim Mickey, experienced another successful year, with a number of churches participating in the Berean Bible Quiz Contest and the Christian Speech Contest.

The annual Berean scholarship to Oregon Bible College was increased to \$150.00 this year and was awarded to Dale Swartz on the basis of competitive testing at the Berean Youth Conference.

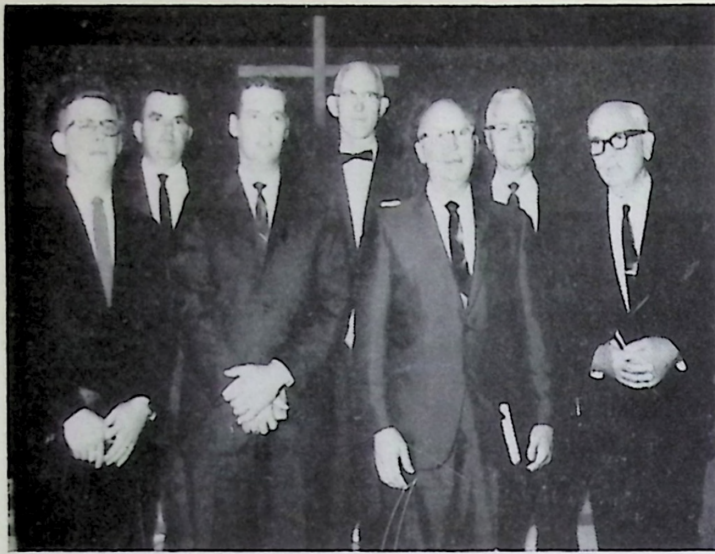
Enthusiasm and participation in Youth Week observances were at an all-time high. The second annual International Youth Week Award plaque for excellence in carrying out an observance of Youth Week was awarded to the Bereans of the Faith Chapel Church of God, East Peoria, Illinois.

A traveling, singing ensemble and gospel team called the Americana Youth Caravan is scheduled to tour churches and youth camps in the Midwest, Plains, Southwest, and Southern states during June. The decision to take the Caravan to the Southwest was part of a five-point program of contact and increased interaction with the Southwest Conference called "Operation Southwest," enacted last summer by the youth delegates. Operation Southwest included setting up a pen pal program between Bereans of the Southwest Conference and Bereans of other conferences, publishing a special issue of *Challenge* which would feature Southwest young people, giving \$500.00 toward the transportation costs of Southwest Conference youth attending the 1968 International Berean Youth Conference, inviting Southwest Conference youth to present a special program at the Youth Conference, and establishing the Southwest as the destination of the Americana Youth Caravan. Each of these items has been carried out.

The young people of the Church of God took a bold and daring step, by their standards, during the delegate sessions of the 1967 International Berean Youth Conference. Having reached their all-time high giving goal for 1966-67 of \$4,250.00 almost two months early, they decided to *double* their giving goal for 1967-68 and set it at \$8,500.00. The young people are to be commended as they take on more responsibility each year in financial support of the youth work. The youth budget and giving goal are maintained within the framework of the budget and goals for giving of the General Conference.

Two stewardship projects were carried on to aid in the raising of these funds, as well as to teach good stewardship. The Coins-for-Christ Crusade was held for the fifth consecutive year, with a large number of Berean groups participating. The Mission Dollar Club had its most active year, with a membership of 204, compared with last year's membership of 175. These Bereans agree to contribute \$1.00 per month during the year.

The International Berean Youth Conference held last summer was a source of great inspiration to those who attended. The attendance was again at a record high for the eighth straight year, with an attendance of 303 campers. Plans for the 1968 Youth Conference anticipate an attendance of about the same, or a slightly larger, number.



Church of God General Conference Board of Directors: Robert Hudlestun, chairman; Dwaine Demmitt, Kenneth Vancil, T. M. Ferrell, D. A. Jones, secretary; Merle Patrick, Cecil Smead, treasurer.

Tuition is being raised to \$30.00 per camper. Due to overcrowding and other reasons, the lower age limit for attendance has been raised from entering eighth grade to entering ninth grade.

The young people of the Church of God are to be highly commended for their enthusiastic participation in the local, state, and international youth programs of the church. It is for their benefit the programs are planned and it is their participation and support which make them successful.

Publishing Department.

The Publishing Department of the Church of God General Conference is responsible for publishing *The Restitution Herald*, *Progress Journal*, *Truth Seeker's Quarterlies*, *Songs of Truth*, *Systematic Theology*, Vacation Bible School books, and many tracts, booklets, and other literature.

During the year *The Restitution Herald* became a monthly publication. It appears now with a full-color cover, and nineteen three-column pages of type. Many appreciative comments on the new covers and format have been received. Unfortunately, almost half of the membership of the Church of God does not subscribe to *The Herald*.

About 7,000 *Truth Seeker's Quarterlies* are mailed each quarter. During the year some changes in cover layout and interior format improved the appearance and readability of the quarterlies. Nearly every Church of God Sunday school uses some or all of the quarterlies. The editors and writers deserve much appreciation from the Conference for their diligent service.

The free *Systematic Bible Study Course* continues to be circulated widely. Many people in various parts of the world have been enrolled and have completed the course.

In December and January a tract, "Now Is the Time," was distributed. More than 18,000 copies were mailed during those months.

The 1967 General Conference moved to create a Christian Education Council to advise in matters of curriculum and content of all teaching materials of the Church of God General Conference. A steering committee was appointed to work out further details in regard to membership on the permanent Council. It has met and has established guidelines for this Council.

Printing of Church of God publications is now done by

commercial printers. Until June, Bro. Harold Doan was editor of *The Restitution Herald* and *Progress Journal* and general publisher. He was succeeded in June by Bro. T. M. Ferrell. Bro. Paul Johnson serves as managing editor of all publications, handling all technical preparations.

Missions Department

The Superintendent of Missions is Bro. S. O. Ross. The Mission Board of the Church of God General Conference is made up of the Superintendent of Missions, chairman; Charles Jones, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, secretary; Warren Sorenson, Macomb, Ill.; Edith Eades, Oregon, Ill.; and Lee McQuinn, Lombard, Ill. The Board has met several times the past year, including one business meeting by telephone.

The mission work of the General Conference has progressed and new doors of service have been opened. *Tracts*, *Restitution Heralds*, *Systematic Theology*, and the *Systematic Bible Study Course* have all served to spread the gospel via the written word in many countries of the world. This literature distribution continues to bring inquiries and correspondence and opens avenues to explain the teachings and beliefs of the Church of God (Abrahamic Faith). Colombia, Belgium, Finland, Denmark, Norway, England and Ghana are a few of the countries heard from the past year. A tract distributing group in Hyderabad, India, is translating, printing, and distributing many of our tracts in several of the Indian dialects.

The twelve churches of the Nigerian Church of God have been somewhat handicapped due to the civil war that has raged there the past year. Progress is being made however, and two of the leaders of the work have enrolled to begin their studies in Oregon Bible College next September. Nine of the ministers have been licensed by the General Conference.

The work in Lebanon led by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a is growing rapidly. Sunday school attendance has exceeded one hundred seventy children, and adult attendance at the services is about fifty. A suitable place to meet is a great need here.

The work in the Philippine Islands is growing stronger and has been enhanced by the weekly radio program. The church at Abut has been discontinued, due to many moving away because of the severe drought and because a typhoon greatly damaged the building. These members have been absorbed into the Quezon and Minagbag churches and Bro. Javar, the former pastor, has begun a new work in Marandingay.

Bro. S. S. Manoah, the national missionary in India, visited here this year and many of you had the opportunity to meet him either at the first Missionary Conference ever held on a General Conference level or at one of the thirty-six churches that he visited while on tour. He is now making plans to expand the work in India by starting many more churches in suburbs of Bangalore. His zeal, enthusiasm, and prayer life were a very real inspiration to all who came in contact with him.

The Lighthouse Mission at Digby, Nova Scotia, continues to show strength. They are beginning to assume more financial responsibility and show general stability as time goes on. They are planning a "Maritime Conference" for August, 1968, when Bro. and Sr. C. E. Lapp will be with them for special services.

Bro. and Sr. Dean Moore have found it necessary to leave Mexico, due to recurring health problems and lack of proper education for their two daughters. They advised the Mission Board of their decision to do this late in February and the Board felt compelled to regretfully accept their decision, and full support was continued until April 1. Mileage and some subsistence were offered to Bro. Moore for trips he would make to Mexico to continue to supervise the work. On April 24, by letter, Bro. Moore resigned his position as missionary to Mexico. We are sorry for this decision and we do commend Bro. and Sr. Moore for the fine work they have carried on there for the past four-and-one-half years.

Sr. Rachel Krogh continues to work in Mexico. Sr. Alice Aldrich, a graduate of Oregon Bible College, has gone to live with her for the summer. Bro. Francisco Martinez continues to pastor the Saltillo Church and to go to the surrounding villages for services.

Two churches have received Mission Builders assistance this year: Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona; and the Macomb, Illinois, Church of God. Eight churches are on the Pastoral Aid program and receive support varying from thirty to seventy-five dollars per month. Staff members and gospel teams travel thousands of miles each year and conduct several hundred services in local churches, state conferences, and youth meetings.

The General Conference staff stands ready to assist as they are able in the general work of the Church of God everywhere. We are thankful to God for the many doors of opportunity that have been presented to the Conference and we continue to express our thanks to the membership for the support and response you exhibit in your prayers, concern, and financial giving that God's work might continue to go forward.

Oregon Bible College

The 1967-68 school year began last September with an enrollment of forty-six students. Of these, forty were full-time students (a course load of twelve hours or more), two were part-time (a course load of five to eleven hours), and four were special students (less than five hours). Forty-five students enrolled for the second semester, of whom thirty-nine were full-time, three were part-time, and three were special. Eight seniors were graduated on May 31: Don Hightower, David Krogh, Michael Mattison, Jim Mickey, Mary Mickey, Sara Jane Peters, Scott Ross, and Rex Shaw. Each of the men graduating has accepted a pastorate.

The staff included William M. Wachtel, President and Instructor; Eugene Stilson, Instructor and Christian Service Director; Kenneth Milne, Instructor; Harold Doan, Instructor; Stanley O. Ross, Instructor; Jean Doan, Instructor; Edith Eades, Men's Housemother; Elna Ross, Women's Housemother; and Nora Anderson, Cafeteria Director. Other staff members working on a part-time basis were Linda Cupp, Margene Rager, Helen Pryor, Olive Stoffregen, Joe Duncan, Joe Martin, Joyce Railton, Nancy Foster, and Maria Marino.

Bro. Z. B. Duncan, pastor of the Church of God at Whitnel, N.C., conducted the annual Christian Emphasis Week, October 16-20. The annual seminar scheduled the first week of the second semester was not held this year, but a Missionary Emphasis Week was held March 25-29, with Bro. S. S. Manoah as guest speaker.

The Freshman Foundation Year, begun in 1964-65, was continued without change. Certificates of recognition will be awarded during Orientation in September to all who have successfully completed the required freshman courses and elective hours during the past school year. The Foundation Year program will be enlarged during the coming school year by the addition of two new courses—Christian Service Orientation, and Church of God Missions and General Conference History.

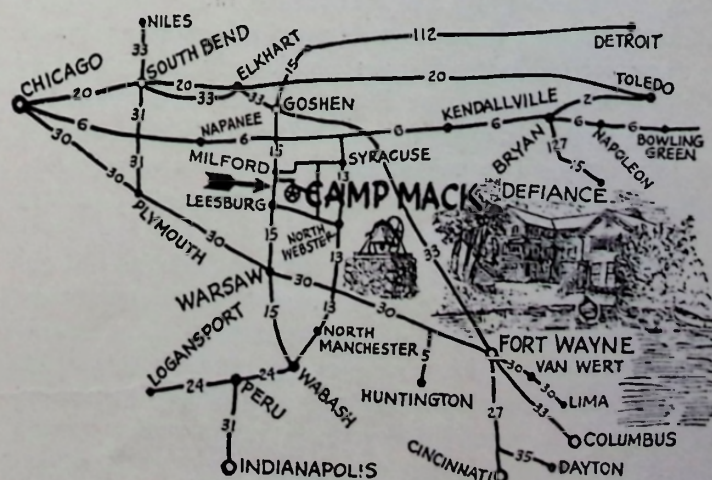
The Board of Education met in August and twice during the school year. Out of these meetings came a number of recommendations to the Board of Directors and also suggestions and guidelines for the work and future expansion of the college. (Please see Board of Education report.) A Golden Anniversary program has been adopted to raise funds for the erection of a new women's residence. The goal of \$150,000.00 has been set, with a target date of August, 1970—the fiftieth anniversary of the Church of God General Conference.

Promotion of the college continues through the sending of letters, brochures, catalogs, the Junior-Senior Weekend, Booster Program, and Student Recruitment Committee of the Home Missions Fellowship. The latter will send out college students this summer, as last summer, to contact prospective students in various parts of the country. The Junior-Senior Weekend, held April 25, 26, has now been featured four years in succession. It draws many young people and their leaders to visit the college and provides them a glimpse of life here. The annual Booster campaign focuses attention on the college among the local churches and results in raising a sizable fund for the support of special needs.

The Layman Leadership Course, scheduled for June 3-7, had to be cancelled because of insufficient enrollment. A restudy of this course is planned, with the possibility of offering it in future years at a different time during the summer to make it possible for more to attend.

Curriculum study has been carried on during the school year, and with the change in faculty there will be further study and revision of the curriculum. Bro. Alva G. Huffer, who becomes president of Oregon Bible College in September, is engaged in a doctoral program in education at Arizona State University. Bro. Huffer will have many constructive ideas for the improvement of the curriculum and total college program.

Faculty changes involve not only the naming of a new



president, but also the addition of two new full-time faculty members this fall—Bro. Francis E. Burnett and Bro. John Lewis. Bro. Eugene Stilson will continue as a full-time faculty member. Those leaving the faculty are Bro. William M. Wachtel, Bro. Kenneth Milne, and Bro. and Sr. Harold Doan.

Costs of college operation continue to rise, necessitating an increase in tuition. Tuition was raised to \$150.00 per semester for students from member churches and \$200.00 for students from non-member churches for 1967-68, and will be raised to \$175.00 per semester for students from member churches and \$250.00 per semester for students from non-member churches for 1968-69. The rate for board and room will remain at \$325.00 per semester. A number of scholarships and grants were provided to help students offset the rising cost of college education, and it is hoped that the program of scholarships and grants can be greatly expanded in coming years.

The Christian Service department maintained an active program, with gospel teams going out to various points during the school year, and a choir tour to churches in Indiana and Ohio at the end of March. Student organizations worked hard to carry out their objectives and programs—the Student Council, Foreign Missions Fellowship, Home Missions Fellowship, and Social Committee. A successful intramural basketball program with three teams was held again this year.

This report would be incomplete without a note of praise and thanksgiving to God for his blessing upon Oregon Bible College, for his presence and guidance in the work here, and the many prayers he has answered. Thanks are also due all those who have so faithfully supported the college with their prayers, good will, financial help, and with the gift of their own young people to be students here. The staff senses a heavy burden of responsibility resting upon us as stewards of the trusts committed to our hands. Please continue to pray faithfully for your college!

General Services

The Church of God General Conference staff performs a multitude of services for churches, conferences, ministers and individual members and friends, in addition to the specific departmental functions. It would be impossible to list all of these services; however they do include handling ministers insurance; maintaining the physical properties of the conference; traveling to and speaking at state conferences, dedications, and special meetings; attending and speaking at various community affairs for public relations and providing information for various questionnaires from members and nonmembers as well.

There is a great deal of correspondence and counseling by mail on various matters pertaining to the conference work. There are many more such items of service that may seem minute and insignificant taken alone, however they are very time consuming and are of much import to the over-all functions of the General Conference.

General Conference Finances

The annual Goals for Giving of the General Conference has steadily increased each year, due to increases in costs of goods, Social Security, costs of all services, and cost of living. The General Conference Board of Directors and staff appreciate the sacrificial giving of the membership.

Many local churches have reached out in building programs, in evangelistic efforts, and in general services. State conferences are taking on more ambitious programs. The General Conference has increased the Mission program and other services. Yet the goals are met each year. We have fallen a little behind at the midyear point, however we know that the dedicated membership of the Church of God will provide the funds that all services that have been undertaken will be successfully completed and supported before September 30, 1968, the end of the fiscal year. May God bless and direct to the end that his work might move forward in even a greater way in the years ahead.

Recommendations for 1968

1) We recommend that a Youth Caravan be planned for the summer of 1969 which will consist of a gospel team of young people and adult supervisors traveling for about two weeks within the United States, provided that it is deemed advisable by the Delegates at the 1968 International Berean Youth Conference and provided sufficient funds are appropriated in the Berean Youth budget.

2) We recommend that Berean Youth Fellowships be encouraged to sell subscriptions to *The Restitution Herald* and that during November, 1968, the local group be permitted to retain 75 cents for each new subscription sold to be used for their projects.

3) We recommend that a Director of Christian Education be hired, as funds and the person become available. This position should be filled by a person with the following qualifications: a knowledge of and experience in education regarding curriculum planning, methods of teaching, and one who is sound in doctrinal understanding of the Bible. Selection of the director is to be made by the Board of Directors.

4) We recommend that the constitution of the Church

of God General Conference, Article IV, Section 6, be amended to read; "The terms of office for all General Conference directors shall be for four years. No director shall succeed himself for a second term."

(*Explanation:* The only change that this amendment would make, is that the term of office of directors would be for four years instead of the present three-year term. To implement this change directors shall be elected in this order: two directors in 1968, two directors in 1969, and in 1970 two directors for four years and one director for one year. Directors shall then be elected for four-year terms in the order in which their terms expire.)

5) We recommend that the mission work being carried on by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a at El-Chibbak, Lebanon, be accepted as a mission project for the Church of God General Conference, and that we accept into fellowship those members baptized since April, 1966.

6) Recognizing the necessity of additional degrees and education for our Oregon Bible College instructors, we recommend that the Church of God General Conference establish a scholarship fund for this purpose.

SPECIAL REPORTS

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

The Youth Advisory Council of the Berean Youth Department is a board of nine young people which serves in an advisory capacity in regard to the youth work. The Council meets once each year at a central location during the Christmas holidays and daily during the International Berean Youth Conference. Recommendations are formulated which are submitted both to the General Conference Board of Directors and to the delegate body at the Berean Youth Conference.

Members of this year's Youth Advisory Council are LeAnn Appleby, Barbara Sheeley, Jodi Lawrence, Lois Anthon, Mary Jo Brewer, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, Jim Graham, Paul Duncan, and Robert Laning. Vivian Kirkpatrick II is chairman.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

The Board of Education has met three times since our last annual report—at General Conference last August; on January 25, 1968; and on April 12, 1968. The next meeting will be held in August, during General Conference, with Bro. Alva G. Huffer as the new chairman. Bro. Huffer attended the last board meeting. Bro. Francis Burnett will leave the board when he becomes a faculty member in September, and Bro. Charles Pryor has been named to replace him at that time. The other members of the board are Sr. Ruth Halls, Secretary; and Bros. Don Overmyer and Dallas Demmitt. Each board member serves a two-year term, by appointment of the Board of Directors.

Meetings of the Board of Education are given over to study and discussion of the needs of Oregon Bible College, proposed improvements in program and procedures, and specific recommendations to be presented to the General Conference Board of Directors. Many of the distinctive features of our college program have originated in the thinking and planning of the Board of Education.

During this past year, planning has included promotion and student recruitment, faculty and staff recruitment, the summer course in Layman Leadership, the college library, the Booster program and budget, study of scholar-short six churches, and until the minimum number of ships and loan funds, curriculum revision, tuition charges, recreational program, student grades and discipline, and admissions policy.

The writer has been grateful for the opportunity of working with the Board of Education, serving as chairman for the past five years. Our prayers and best wishes are with the new chairman, Bro. Huffer, and with the Board of Education as they carry on the essential task of helping to guide the destiny of the college in years to come.

William M. Wachtel, chairman.

RETIREMENT COMMITTEE

For several years the Committee on a Retirement Plan for the ministers has worked to bring into being a workable Plan tailored to the size of the denomination. The goal set for the number of ministers that must participate before the Plan could become operative has been reached. We are

churches willing to participate join in the program the plan cannot be put into operation.

The disappointing part of the effort is that the churches most able to share in the program have stayed out. The retirement plan is a modest one, and anything more than that would be doomed to failure due to the smallness of our churches and the conference in general. No denominational retirement plan for ministers started out with benefits anywhere comparable to that provided by industry. A denomination much larger by many times has, for years, had a smaller retirement plan than the one offered for our ministers.

One thing hard to understand is that individuals who have objected to the plan were either themselves under comfortable retirement plans or financially well-to-do. An earnest appeal is made to the noncooperating churches to come forward and help in bringing into being an honorable plan for the ministers. The only fund in existence to help our ministers in time of need is a meager one supported by birthday offerings and pennies collected from children in some of our Sunday schools, along with an occasional gift.

Clyde E. Randall, chairman.

BOARD OF ARBITRATION AND COUNSELING

For several years this committee has been in existence, but this past year is the first time its services have been used. One of our churches called upon the committee to give assistance, which it did, and found that the officers and members of the church were most willing to allow the spirit of Christ to lead in bringing about the "unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." It is doubtful if any problems ever confront a church that cannot be settled in amity and goodwill if brethren are willing to be led of the spirit. The Committee urges our churches everywhere to give out the testimony that Christ is declared to the world through their oneness. Jesus prayed that his followers "all may be one . . . that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:21).

Clyde E. Randall, acting chairman.

BOARD OF LICENSE AND ORDINATION REPORT

Since the report made a year ago, Bro. Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., has resigned from the committee and has been replaced by Bro. C. E. Lapp. Bro. C. E. Randall has resigned also, and Bro. C. F. Pryor has been appointed to take his place on the committee.

A Service of Ordination was held at the 1967 General Conference session at which the following were ordained: Bro. Rex Cain, Bro. Ernest Graham, Bro. Milton Hall, Bro. James Rencontre, Bro. Stanley O. Ross, Bro. C. A. Smead, and Bro. Dale Ward.

Several graduates of Oregon Bible College were interviewed by the Committee on May 13 and 14. The names of those to whom licenses will be granted as a result of these interviews will be announced later. In addition to the licenses to be granted to graduating students, nine licenses have been granted to applicants from Nigeria, West Africa, and one to an applicant from Lebanon.

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BLOOD RIVER WINS COIN CRUSADE

The Bereans of the Blood River Church of God of Hammond, La., won the 1968 Coins-for-Christ Crusade competition with a gigantic contribution of \$777.77. Congratulations to the young people and youth leaders who worked so hard for this accomplishment!

The remainder of the "top ten" groups, which are announced every year after the competition, are as follows: 2) Guthrie Grove, S.C., \$557.37; 3) Southlawn, Grand Rapids, Mich., \$509.43; 4) Kokomo, Ind., \$460.25; 5) Golden Rule, Cleveland, Ohio, \$453.20; 6) Oregon, Ill., \$284.22; 7) Brush Creek, Ohio, \$244.74; 8) Eden Valley, Minn., \$165.34; 9) Columbia Station, Ohio, \$163.00; 10) Lawrenceville, Ohio, \$158.00. As of this writing, proceeds had been received from fifty-two Berean groups, throughout North America.

CRUSADE GIVING TOPS \$5,000.00!

Total giving in connection with the Coins-for-Christ Crusade has far outstripped the "daring" goal of \$3,500.00 set for the project. The total will surpass \$5,000.00! Last year's Crusade raised \$2,351.82. This outstanding, inspiring giving, along with previous givings, places the Bereans of the church within "shooting range" of their \$8,500.00 overall goal for the fiscal year, which has been set at double last year's goal. About \$1,300.00 remains to be raised.

AMERICANA CARAVAN THIS MONTH

We ask your prayers for the Americana Youth Caravan, which will be touring churches in the western half of the country June 11-26. The members of the caravan team are Kathy Canfield, Valerie Smith, Vicki Miller, Alice Dochstader, Gary Bormes, Dennis Clark, Steve Moore, and Robert Laning, with Dolena Shaw and Paul Shaw as adult leaders.

BEREAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are anticipating an attendance of about 300 campers for the 1968 International Berean Youth Conference, to be held August 9-15, 1968, at Camp Mack, Milford, Indiana. The camp is planned for all Church of God young people, from those entering ninth grade through age twenty-two. The tuition charge is \$30.00, including meals and lodging. We urge every eligible Church of God young person to make plans to be present. Application blanks may be secured from the local youth leader or by writing: Youth Department, Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

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9.	Death	26.	The Kingdom of God
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11.	Sin	28.	Judgment
12.	Results of Sin	29.	The New Earth
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14.	Nature of Jesus		
15.	The Cross		
16.	The Empty Tomb		
17.	Christ's Threefold Work		

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- Enclosed please find \$..... for dozen of each of the lessons checked above, at 35 cents per dozen, postage paid. (Minimum order, one dozen, which may be assorted.)

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OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE!

"Of the approximately nine years I've spent in four different colleges, I value most highly my years at Oregon Bible College. This Christ-centered college program gives you an opportunity to know yourself as you become better acquainted with God's Word and his plan for you personally and for the whole world."—Dallas R. Demmitt, M.S.W., Phoenix, Arizona.

"In a world filled with crises and instability, the Bible-based educational program of Oregon Bible College provides a favorable environment for young people to find purpose and stability in their lives."—David Krogh, president of the Student Council, Oregon Bible College.

"A Christian education, such as offered at Oregon Bible College, teaches students kindness, love, consideration, and hope for the future: qualities all found in Christ, yet usually lacking from the normal, secular education."—Charles Jones, high school teacher, Mission Board Director, Cleveland, Ohio.



"Our role as a witness for Jesus is the most important aspect of our life. Therefore our preparation for this is more important than our preparation for a profession or occupation. Oregon Bible College has been established to fulfill this purpose."—William D. Lawrence, M.D., Phoenix, Arizona.

"I believe that the education one receives at Oregon Bible College is profitable in three dimensions. It benefits the student socially by helping him to stand morally erect in a bent society; spiritually by standing upright on God's Word, among the uninspired teachings in the world; and personally by standing, not in the weakness of man, but in the strength of the indwelling Christ."—Lee McQuinn, pastor, Mission Board Director.

"It was good for me to attend Oregon Bible College for several reasons. One of the things I remember best was the fellowship with Christian young people and Christian teachers. The courses in Bible study help one cement his faith, while the courses in teaching help one understand how to approach others with the Lord's glorious gospel of salvation. We recommend Oregon Bible College to all who seek God's direction for their lives."—James Mattison, pastor, Maurertown, Virginia.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE, Oregon, Illinois 61061

General Conference Progress

GENERAL CONFERENCE ISSUE

This issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL contains the annual reports and recommendations of the Board of Directors. The churches and state and district conferences should study these and direct their delegates regarding action on the recommendations. The Conference program and various committee reports and much additional information are included and should be thoroughly read by all, but especially by those who plan to attend General Conference. The Forty-eighth Annual General Conference meetings will be held at Camp Alexander Mack near Milford, Indiana, August 4-9.

CHURCH OF GOD EMBLEM

Much discussion has been had regarding the need for a Church of God emblem that would on sight designate the organization with headquarters in Oregon, Illinois. Many persons did contribute drawings and suggestions for such an emblem. After prayerful consideration, the Board of Directors made a decision to use the same emblem as Oregon Bible College, which is an open Bible within a dark circle (see page eleven). The words, "Church of God" will be substituted for "Oregon Bible College" and the year removed, otherwise it will be the same. This will make one common emblem, except for wording, for both the Conference and the College.

We are thankful to those who did give their time and energies to prepare sample emblems for consideration.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors met in Oregon, Illinois, on May 10 and 11. Part of the day of the 10th was spent viewing a campsite near Bloomington, Illinois, for possible use for General Conference sessions in future years. The program for General Conference was finalized, reports and recommendations approved, and many other items of business disposed of during the two days. These men are to be commended for giving so generously of their time and abilities to carry on the business of the Conference.

CHANGE IN EDITOR

Bro. Harold Doan left the editorship of Church of God publications on June first after thirteen years of outstanding work in this capacity. Bro. Doan and his family are moving to California, where he will pastor the San Fernando Valley Church of God and join his brother in an advertising business there. He had resigned from the position of Executive Secretary of the General Confer-

ence effective February first. The Board of Directors, the staff, and the membership as a whole, owe a great debt of gratitude to Bro. Doan for the strong and able leadership given to the Conference work over the years. We all join in wishing him and his family the Lord's richest blessings in their new surroundings.

Bro. T. M. Ferrell began his duties as the new editor on May 15, working with Bro. Doan for the two weeks.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE GRADUATION

Oregon Bible College commencement exercises were held at the Oregon Church of God, Friday evening, May 31, 1968. William Wachtel, retiring president of the college, was the commencement speaker. The graduates were: Don Hightower, David Krogh, Michael Mattison, Jim Mickey, Mary Mickey, Sara Jane Peters, Scott Ross, and Rex Shaw. A reception was held at the college dining room, sponsored by the social committee of the Student Council.

GOALS FOR GIVING

Early in the year our contributions were lagging, however, the past two months the Lord has blessed in a wonderful way and the goals have been reached. The Coins-for-Christ funds have made it possible to make up the shortages in the Berean Youth budget, and the faithful giving of the churches, state conferences, and individual members, has met the needs. We praise God for these blessings and thank all those who do regularly share in this important part of the Lord's service.

A tentative budget, and goals for giving, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1968, is now being prepared. Pray for the Executive Secretary and the Board of Directors as they make these plans and proposals that God may direct and bless in the growth and stability of the whole General Conference program.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October, 1 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for May	\$ 7,208.00
Given in May	\$10,156.00
To be given by September 30	\$25,883.00

Goal for June \$6,471.00

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 30—Southeast Conference, Hendersonville, N.C.
- June 30-July 6—Southeast Youth Camp at Camp Parker, Cleveland, S.C.
- July 7-13—Junior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- July 14-20—Senior Bible Camp, Long Lake Campgrounds.
- July 21-28—Virginia State Conference and Bible School at Maurertown. Gordon Landry, guest speaker.
- July 27-August 4—Iowa Conference, Waterloo.
- August 4-9—General Conference.
- August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference.
- August 21-25—Northeast Conference, Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, Warren Sorenson, guest speaker.
- August 25-September 1—Maritime Conference and Vacation Bible School, Digby, Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lapp, guest workers.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor E. Milton Hall has accepted the pastorate of the Blessed Hope Church of God, Rockford, Ill.

Pastor Harry Payne has accepted the pastorate at Waterloo, Iowa, this fall.

Pastor Walter Wiggins is again working with the Church of God at St. Cloud, Minn.

PASTORS AVAILABLE

Pastor Roger Denchfield, c.o. Pastor John Denchfield, 555 McGliney Lane, Campbell, California.

Pastor Leon Driskill, 205 S. Cooper St., New Lenox, Illinois 60451.

BAPTISM AT OREGON, ILLINOIS

On Sunday afternoon, May 5, 1968, the writer had the privilege of assisting in baptism Kristine Opel, his cousin, in the baptism of the Oregon Church. Kristine is the daughter of Bro. and Sr. Paul Opel, of Monroe, Wis. May the Lord bless her as she seeks to serve him and live in hope of the Kingdom of God.

William M. Wachtel.

BAPTISMS AT DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA

On Sunday, May 26, 1968, Mrs. Ruby Me Cornick of Rt. 2, Digby, Nova Scotia, and Miss Laura Brown of Rt. 3, Digby, were baptized in the name of Christ.

Raymond Brown, pastor.

BAPTISM AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

F. B. Roberts, who is 83, was baptized into the saving name of Jesus Christ April 25, 1968. Few people at his age yield themselves to the Saviour. God be praised for the gospel that is "the power of God unto salvation."

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISM AT FONTHILL

At the Easter sunrise service, Deborah Lynn McArthur of Welland, Ont., was baptized into the all-saving name of Christ. The hand of fellowship was extended at a later service.

Emory Macy, pastor.

BAPTISM AT COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

Linda Wendling came forward at the close of the May 5, 1968, worship hour, and was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins during the evening service. She was welcomed into the fellowship of the church the following Sunday. We pray that God will bless Linda and that the Lord Jesus Christ will be her Lord and Master throughout life.

C. Jesse Pestle, pastor.

BAPTISM AT SALEM, MARSHALL, ILLINOIS

The brethren of Salem are overjoyed to announce to the church that Larry D. Galeener, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Galeener, was, on March 10, 1968, baptized into the body of Christ on confession of his faith, having come forward to present himself to the Lord after the morning message, "Repent and Be Baptized." The sacred service was administered at Mill Creek, with ten in attendance to witness the immersion.

Larry was administered his first partaking of the Lord's Supper during the evening worship service with twenty-six in attendance. All welcomed him into the Lord's house and into the body of Jesus Christ.

Danniell Watkins.

BAPTISM AT RAYMORE, MISSOURI

On Sunday, May 5, 1968, Rod and Rhonda Shane entered into a covenant of faith with God, being baptized into the name of the Only Begotten. We are glad for them and the hope they have in Christ Jesus their Lord.

Pastor Don Ward.

BAPTISM AT POMONA, CALIFORNIA

On April 21, 1968, we baptized Earl E. Newlun, 1219 Charles Dr., Reno, Nev., formerly of Sun City, Calif. We praise God for this decision of his, and pray that God will guide and bless Bro. Newlun throughout life.

D. A. Jones, pastor.

BAPTISM AT HOPE CHAPEL Columbus, Ohio

On May 11, 1968, a group of Hope Chapel brethren drove to Lawrenceville, Ohio, for the baptism of Susan Joyce Albert. Bro. E. Richard Smith baptized Susie into the saving name of Jesus. May the Lord continually bless Susie in her new life to follow him.

Pauline Tidwell, secretary.

FAITH CHAPEL Peoria, Illinois

The election of officers for 1968 was as follows: chairman, Jim Ring; elders, Paul Schaer, Joe Schlupp; deacons, Oral Miller Darrel Gray; deaconesses, Sue Salzman, Julia Patterson; secretary, Marg Schlupp; treasurer, Jim Ring; Sunday school superintendent, Carol Ring; assistant superintendent, Betty Call; youth directors, Paul and Thelma Schaer; vacation Bible school director, Margaret Martin; trustees, Paul Schaer, Oral Miller, Curtis Rowden.

At a meeting on March 6, 1968, it was voted to invite Bro. and Sr. Louis Kump to return as pastor. They have now accepted.

Vacation Bible school is planned for the first week in June, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. We tried this last year and it worked out very well.

There has been much sickness the last few months and we pray with spring here and warm weather to come, all will be well soon and able to attend our regular services.

Marg Schlupp, secretary.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE NEWS

The thirty-fifth semiannual conference of the Southwest Conference of the Church of God (Abrahamic Faith) was held at the Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Calif., April 17-19, 1968.

The conference theme was "The Southwest Meets the Southeast," and each sermon and lesson prepared the delegates for the coming visit of Bro. S. S. Manoaah, our missionary from Bangalore, India.

President Malcolm McLeod gave the opening remarks Friday evening, and Pastor John Denchfield of San Jose gave the message on helping those who need to know the gospel.

Saturday was filled with a workshop by Pastor Robert See, a sermon by Pastor Gerald Cooper, business meetings, classes, and a panel discussion.

Pastor Alva Huffer, Tempe, Ariz., delivered the sermon Saturday night. Pastor Hollis Partlowe, Phoenix, Ariz., presented the message, "The Christian's Road Map," on Sunday morning. Bro. Harold Doan, who will soon pastor the Valley Church, Van Nuys, attended the conference on Sunday. We pray that the Lord will abundantly bless the church and its new pastor.

The Bereans enjoyed a get-together of miniature golfing at a nearby park on Saturday afternoon. Bros. Larry McIntyre and Ross McLeod were the counselors. Bro. Ross McLeod was appointed Southwest Conference Youth Director to replace Bro. Dallas Demmitt, who resigned.

The Southwest Conference Youth Camp will be held at Camp Maranatha, Idylwild, Calif., June 15-22, 1968. Bros. Robert See and Delbert Jones are co-directors of the camp. Bro. Malcolm McLeod is in charge of nature hikes.

Visitors from a distance were Bro. and Sr. Loyd Cooper, who had just returned from Germany, Bro. and Sr. Frederick Claussen of Oregon, Ill., and Bro. and Sr. Earl Diamond of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Southwest Conference is anxiously awaiting the arrival of the National Youth Caravan. May they have a safe journey and a profitable Christian venture.

Bernedene Jones, conference secretary.

BAPTISMS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

On March 31, 1968, Mrs. Mary Cunningham and her daughter Mary Ann Cunningham were baptized into the body of Jesus Christ by Pastor Carl Roth.

On Sunday, April 28, 1968, Pastor Roth baptized two more into the body of Jesus Christ.

Mr. Wallace Neal and Mrs. Wallace Neal, and son, Robert Bowers, all reside at 89 W. California Ave.

May God bless this family and guide them in the coming trial which they may have to baptized two more into the body of Christ. face. C. Schmidt, reporter.

BAPTISM AT GUTHRIE GROVE, SOUTH CAROLINA

Bobbie L. Paek, wife of Bro. Joe Paek, 101 Cardinal Dr., Taylors, S.C., was baptized by the writer on April 14, 1968. Both are active in the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near Pelzer, S.C. We are happy to have them united in the Lord's family. May God guide and bless. T. M. Ferrell, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Culver were baptized into Christ, May 26, 1968. We rejoice with their decision for Christ, but are sorry they moved to Houston, Texas. Their address there: 109 Amundsen St.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISM AT BLOOD RIVER, LOUISIANA

On April 28, 1968, after the morning worship service, Jack Parsons was baptized into Christ in Blood River. Jack's baptism unites the family in Christ, and we pray that God will use Jack for his honor and glory. Russell Dickerson, pastor.

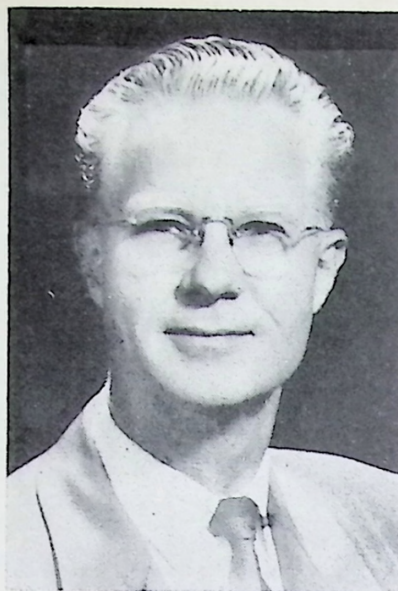
BAPTISM AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Scott Millard, age thirteen, son of Kenneth and Shirley Millard, was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sin on January 21, 1968, by Pastor C. E. Randall.

Scott is the fifth generation of his family to be baptized into the Church of God, and is the great-great-grandson of Almus and Jane Adams. Mrs. Louis Policz, secretary.

CRAFT—MARTIN

Miss Vallie Craft of Pendleton, S.C., and Mr. Wm. C. Martin of Charleston, S.C., were united in marriage in the Guthrie Grove Church of God, near Pelzer, S.C., on February 17, 1968, in the presence of their immediate families. Vallie is an active member at Guthrie Grove. The young couple will reside at Charleston. May they honor God in their home. T. M. Ferrell, pastor.



HARVEY U. KROGH, JR.

Harvey U. Krogh, Jr., fell asleep in Christ on June 17, 1968. He had been under intensive care for several weeks at a hospital in Dayton, Ohio, where he died. Brother Krogh served faithfully as a pastor for many years, and had served the church at large in many capacities as a member of General Conference boards and committees. At the time of his death he was serving as pastor of the Brush Creek Church of God, near Tipp City, Ohio.

Funeral services were conducted at the Church of God, Oregon, Ill., on June 20, with Pastor J. R. LeCrone in charge. Interment was in the Daysville Cemetery, near Oregon. Our hearts go out to his wife Mary, and his children Rachel and David, in their loss.

Death does have a sting, and the grave is the victor now, but we yearn for the righteous reign of Christ, when the last enemy shall be destroyed!

BAPTISMS AT FREMONT, NEBRASKA

On May 8, 1968, almost the entire congregation from the True Gospel Church at Fremont, Neb., went to the Jaynes Street Community Church in Omaha. Their facilities were used by the writer for the baptism of the following: Mrs. Betty Newill and her two daughters, Wanda and Wendy; Steven Lingle, and Robert Appleby. We pray that they will be faithful to their Saviour until he comes. Lucille Appleby.

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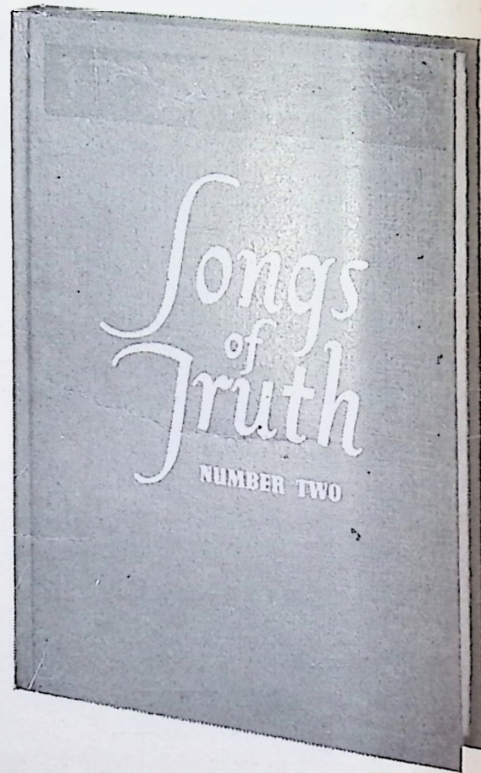


The church of God at Macomb, Ill., has constructed a new building. It will receive appeal number twenty. This progressive church, with a growing membership is now using its new building, which seats 250 people and has seventeen Sunday school rooms. Mission Builders appeal number twenty is in the mail to members of the League.

HOWARD KJARGAARD

Howard Kjargaard was born to Aude and Benthe Kjargaard in Omaha, Neb., May 30, 1910, and died May 25, 1968, following severe burns which he received in an accident a few days earlier. Howard was baptized by Bro. John Hammond when a young man, and remained a faithful member of the Omaha church until his death. Memorial services were conducted by the writer, after which Howard was laid to rest in a local memorial park, awaiting the call of the Master in the morning of the resurrection. He leaves two sisters, Alice Harper and Edna Rasp. A fitting memorial will be given to the church in his memory.

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COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course. We congratulate them for their diligence in the study of the Word of God. Miss Joan Mills, Mrs. Nan Barney, Robert Storts, Dale and Margaret Ware, Mrs. Gladys Valentine, Mrs. Ralph McDonald, Mrs. Faye Pearson, Miss Laurel Cooley, Kathryn Writsel, Dorothy J. Robertson, James R. Capps, Mrs. James R. Capps.

JOHN COULTER

John Coulter died May 12, 1968, at Paynesville, Minn.

He was born in Eden Lake township on February 18, 1900, the son of William and Belle Coulter.

On September 26, 1923, he was united in marriage to Blanche Marie Mills. To this union were born five children, three daughters and two sons: Mrs. Donald Albright

(Virginia) of Paynesville, Mrs. Robert Johnson (Barbara) of Hector, Jerry Coulter of Hector, and James Coulter of Coon Rapids. One daughter, Vivian, preceded him in death.

He leaves to mourn, his wife, four children, eight grandchildren, two brothers, seven sisters, nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

He was a lifelong resident of this community. He was baptized into the Church of God at the age of eighteen and was a faithful worker and member until his death. He now rests in peace, awaiting the call of his Saviour.

C. E. Lapp, pastor.

MRS. LOUISA WALKLEY

Funeral services were held at the Eden Valley Church of God, April 19, 1968, for Mrs. Louisa Walkley, who died after a long illness. She was born February 23, 1891, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Wilson, pioneer Eden Lake farmers. She is survived by one son, Oral Hoskins; a step-daughter, Mrs. Leonard Starkey; and a sister, Mrs. Ruth Bulthaus. The writer officiated in the absence of Pastor Lapp. She awaits the resurrection in Maine Prairie Cemetery, north of Kimball, Minn.

Walter Wiggins.

FLETCHER B. ROBERTS

Funeral services for Bro. F. B. Roberts of Glendale, Ariz., were conducted May 10, 1968, in Phoenix. May God comfort the four children who survive through him who is "the resurrection and life." He was baptized just eleven days before he died, being 83 years old.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

MRS. CHLOE M. DUNN

Mrs. Chloe M. Dunn, age 72, died March 30, 1968, in Orlando, Fla. She was the daughter of Wm. M. and Ora O. Huffer and had been a member of the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith at Hillisburg, Ind., for many years, although she left that area several years ago.

She was preceded in death by her husband, J. Hueston Dunn, whom she married in 1917. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Roy (Maxine) Robinson, Mrs. H. Leon (Regina) Morrison, Orlando, and Mrs. R. Harold (Joan) Anderson, Tempe, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. Audra Maish, Frankfort, Ind.; a brother, Don, Tempe, Ariz.; eight grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

She was buried April 2, 1968, in the Greenwood Cemetery, Orlando, to await the return of Jesus Christ.

Mrs. R. Harold Anderson.

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Proper Church-Pastor Relationships

By the Editor

THERE are many pastoral changes being made this year. In some, the changes will have been made with good will on the part of the pastor and the congregation. In others, there will be feelings of resentment and misunderstanding, as a result of a poor relationship between the church and the pastor. Frankly speaking, many churches, and possibly many pastors, do not understand the relationship that *should* exist between a church and its pastor. In order to understand that relationship, we must know the pastor's position, work, responsibility, and his due.

The Pastor's Position

According to Ephesians 4:11, 12, God gave the various spiritual positions, including pastors. Bullinger's Lexicon defines a pastor as "a shepherd, one who tends herds or flocks, not merely one who feeds, but one who tends, guides, nourishes, cherishes, and rules, etc." He notes that the same Greek word is translated "shepherd" 17 times in the New Testament.

Plainly, a shepherd is a leader, not a follower, of the sheep. The position of the pastor of God's flock is that of spiritual leadership. The pastor himself is not without a leader, as Jesus is called "the chief Shepherd," or pastor of pastors. (1 Pet. 5:4.)

The Pastor's Work

As a shepherd of God's flock, it is the pastor's work to "feed the flock of God" (1 Pet. 5:2). He must lead them away from the "locoweed" of false doctrine, and feed them on spiritual food—the true Word of God. (Deut. 8:3.) As spiritual nourishment, God's Word contains instruction, blame, correction, and encouragement in righteousness. (2 Tim. 3:16.)

Paul charged Timothy, and all pastors, to "preach the

word; be instant in season; out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Tim. 4:2). This is not popular, and only a true pastor, who is interested in the eternal welfare of his members, will do this. The mere "hireling," as mentioned by Jesus in John 10:12, 13, cares nothing about the flock; he is not concerned about *feeding* the sheep, but *fleeing* the sheep! To the ministerial student concerned about making a living as a pastor, the late Bro. S. E. Magaw often counseled, "Feed the sheep, and they will clothe you!"

Preaching is not a pastor's only work. (There is a difference between a "preacher" and a "pastor.") The pastor is also a spiritual overseer of the flock. While "elder" denotes the dignity of his position, overseer (*episkopos*, bishop) describes his work or duty. He looks after the welfare of the flock. Ezekiel 34:1-6 describes the pitiful condition of the flock of Israel, when its shepherds failed in their work; the sick and diseased were not visited and helped, and the lost and strayed were not sought after, so the flock was scattered and devoured. The pastor's work, then, is complex and involved.

The Pastor's Responsibility

It is a pastor's responsibility to know his flock. Jesus said, "I . . . know my sheep, and am known of mine" (John 10:14). He also mentioned in this passage that the shepherd called his sheep by name. As the sheep passed in and out of the sheepcote the shepherd caused them to pass under the staff or under his hands. (Lev. 27:32; Jer. 33:13.) This familiarity with the flock enables the pastor to know if any are ill, missing, or in need.

It is also the pastor's responsibility to be an example to the flock. The adage, "Like priest, like people," is true to

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Sunday, August 4

2:00 Registration Begins
 5:30 Supper
 7:30 Evening Worship, special service of song and praise, Jesse and Sally Pestle, leaders.
 8:45 Chairman's Reception
 10:30 Lights out

Monday, August 5

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Wayne Laning; Ministers: Leon Driskill; Youth: Jodi Lawrence; Priscillas: Mildred Macy)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class (Theme: "In Times Like These.") "We Need a Saviour," Dale Ward
 Youth Class, "The Personal Return of Christ for You," Darrell Maddock
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Our Guide—Faith or Feeling?" Vivian Kirkpatrick
 10:00 First Business Session
 Welcome by the Chairman
 Seating of the Delegates
 Introduction of new delegates and delegations
 Communications
 Chairman's message to the delegates
 Question period on written reports of Committees and Boards
 Report on Activities of the Board of Directors
 Treasurer's Report
 11:45 Recess for Lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "The Dream of Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 2," Warren Sorenson
 2:15 Christian Service Sharing Sessions
 1) Promoting Better Fellowship in the Church, J. Don Swartz
 2) Total Involvement of the Total Membership, John Hearp
 3) New Equipment for Churches, J. Arlen Marsh

4) How to Call a Pastor, Ellsworth Routson and Dwaine Demmitt
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Eugene Stilson, song leader; "Israel in These Times," sermon by C. E. Randal
 10:30 Lights out
Tuesday, August 6
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Dwaine Demmitt; Ministers: Ed Bender; Youth: Mike Huddleston; Priscillas: Bernedene Jones)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "We Need an Anchor," T. M. Ferrell
 Youth Class, "You Can Know the Times and the Seasons," Kent Ross
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Our Hope—in God or Man?" Oral Miller
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the minutes from Monday
 Consideration of Berean Youth Fellowship business
 Sunday School Department business
 Election of two Sunday School Directors
 Publishing Department business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Jesus' Prophecy of Matthew 24," Rex Cain
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
 1) Total Involvement of the Total Membership, John Hearp
 2) Vacation Bible Schools for 1969, Iris Burnett
 3) Developing a Training Program for Laymen, Emory Macy
 4) How Everyone Can Participate in Missions, Lee McQuinn
 5) Is Sunday School Education Sufficient? Charles Pryor
 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
 5:30 Supper
 6:30 Choir Practice
 7:30 Evening Worship Service, Richard Dick, song leader; "The Nations in These Times," sermon by Harry Sheets
 10:30 Lights out

Wednesday, August 7
 7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: Willis Turner; Ministers: Dean Moore; Youth: Mary Jo Brewer; Priscillas: Enid Maddock)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "We Need the Bible," Kenneth Milne
 Youth Class, "Your Two Choices," John Denehfield
 Children's Class and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "Love, Love, or Love?" Eugene Stilson
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the Tuesday minutes
 Action on Constitutional Amendment

Nomination for two directors, full term
 Nomination for one director to fill the unexpired term of T. M. Ferrell
 Consideration of Mission Business and Recommendations
 Election of a Mission Board Director
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Zechariah's Prophecy Concerning Jerusalem," J. R. LeCrone
 2:15 Christian Sharing Sessions
 1) Putting New Life in the Midwestern Service, Billie Kennedy
 2) Christian Education Council Progress, Warren Sorenson
 3) How Everyone Can Participate in Missions, Lee McQuinn
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 3:30 Dismissal from Sharing Sessions
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 9:00 Preachers and Priscillas Fellowship
 10:30 Lights out

Thursday, August 8

7:30 Breakfast
 8:45 Prayer Sessions (Adults: William Naylor; Ministers: Austin Railton; Youth: Wanda Duncan; Priscilla Marti Diek)
 9:00 Adult Bible Class, "Oh Be Not Idle," Emory Macy
 Youth Class, "Let No Man Deceive You," Russell Dickerson
 Children's Classes and Nursery
 Ministers' Meeting
 Priscillas' Meeting
 10:00 Youth Class, "The Two-Beat Rhythm of Worship," Ellsworth Routson
 10:00 Business Session
 Reading of the Minutes
 Election of Directors
 Consideration of Oregon Bible College Business
 11:45 Recess for lunch
 12:00 Lunch
 1:25 Afternoon Worship Service, "Paul's Prophecy of the Peace and Safety Cry," C. F. Pryor
 2:15 Continuation of Business Sessions
 General Business
 Adoption of a Goal for Giving
 3:30 Adjournment
 5:30 Supper
 7:00 Evening Service, Raymond Brown, song leader; Communion, C. E. Laning and Milton Hall; Installation of the New Directors; sermon by Z. J. Duncan, "Social Changes in These Times"
 10:30 Lights out

Friday, August 9

7:00 United Prayer Service
 7:30 Breakfast
 9:00 Camp should be vacated except those staying for Youth Conference

General Conference Progress

ANNUAL GENERAL CONFERENCE TIME

The forty-eighth Annual General Conference will convene at Camp Alexander Mack, near Milford, Ind., August 4-9. This is a time of prayer, fellowship, sharing, teaching, preaching, and conducting the Lord's business. Plan now to attend this conference. If you cannot go, do remember to pray for the success of the conference.

Some churches have not yet returned their delegate forms and statistics reports. Please do so at once so that your church can be represented when conference convenes. All churches sending delegates are urged to enter the Delegate Pool so that the travel expense is shared equally by all, whether near or far from the conference site.

The theme of this year's Conference is "In Times Like These," with special emphasis on our times in the light of Bible prophecy. A full schedule is on page 2.

STAFF TRAVELS

Members of the staff travel many miles each month to supply pulpits, speak at special services, and assist the local churches or state conferences in various ways. Recent weeks have found Bro. S. O. Ross at L'Anse, Mich.; Monroe Center, Wis.; Casey and Salem, Ill.; Bro. T. M. Ferrell at Lombard and Oregon, Ill.; Bro. William Wachtel at Ripley and Lombard, Ill.; and Bro. Eugene Stilson at Waterloo, Iowa.

NEW BUILDING FUND PROGRESS

The Oregon Bible College Development Fund has now received \$17,350 in cash, plus considerable commitments for future giving. The next phase of this development program is the construction of a women's dormitory. A goal of \$150,000 was set to be reached by 1970, the Golden Anniversary of the Church of God General Conference.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

The Church of God General Conference was officially organized at Waterloo, Iowa, in the year 1921. The year 1970 will be the fiftieth year of the Conference, and a committee has been appointed to begin making preliminary plans for proper observance of the whole year, culminating at the 1970 General Conference sessions.

STEWARDSHIP

The Church of God is made up of people who do recognize the need for stewardship and who do contribute generously to the Lord's work. The Federal Gov-

ernment does make sizeable giving a direct deduction income tax wise. In addition, there are other effective ways of giving that can give the donor an additional tax break. Much literature is available along this line. We have available four booklets that we can send free of charge upon request. These are entitled: 1) Effective Giving Through Your Will; 2) Effective Giving Through Life Insurance; 3) Effective Giving Through Living Trusts; 4) Effective Giving of Stocks and Bonds. Address your card or letter to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, for one of these booklets or additional information.

FINANCES

Contributions have fallen off slightly in June and the giving is \$140.00 short of the month's goal. The overall giving for the first nine months of the fiscal year, however, is slightly over the goal.

As was reported in an earlier issue of the JOURNAL, it became necessary in February to replace the conference automobile. This car is used for staff travels, transporting mailings to and from the post office, Youth Caravan and gospel team trips, and miscellaneous business travels for the conference.

This was an item beyond the anticipated budget cost and a loan had to be made. The Conference budget is so closely figured that any amount short of the goal for giving, or any additional expense not anticipated, puts a strain on the working cash balance when regular monthly payments need to be met.

We are thankful for those individuals and groups who do so faithfully support the work of missions, publishing, Oregon Bible College, Berean Youth Fellowship, and the other services of the General Conference. We know that the membership of the Church of God will make these extra items a matter of prayer and concern that the needs might be met.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1967—September 30, 1968

\$79,215.00

Goal for June	\$ 6,471.00
Given in June	\$ 6,332.00
To be given by September 30	\$19,551.00

Goal for July and August \$13,034.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



The picture shows a baptismal service during the annual Philippine Conference held at Uddiawan, April 23-26. Bro. Bonifacio Gabanes assisted ten people in putting on Christ. The names of the new members are: Charley Jornadal and Florencio Castel of the Uddiawan church; Mrs. Carmelita Robles and Mrs. Luzviminda Robles of the Mangandingay church; Catalino Martinez and Romeo Corpuz of the Gattaran church; Mrs. Benigna Luzano and Rosendo Cerbeza of the Villaros church; Francisco Abenojar of the Cordon church; and Dionisio Jornadal of the San Nicolas church.

The municipal government of the village of Mangandingay has donated sufficient property for this new congregation to build a church. Bro. Eleodoro Javar is pastor.

A new congregation has recently been organized at Gattaran, and Bro. Rudencio Luzano, a faithful lay worker of the Villaros church, has accepted the appointment as pastor. This new congregation has already built its church building, and the Philippine conference is giving support to the pastor.

MEXICO

Regular services were held in Saltillo and in the village of Biznaga in May. Bro. Francisco Martinez is the pastor, and Sr. Rachel Krogh takes part in the services and teaches Sunday school. Sr. Krogh has prepared Sunday school materials for some time ahead, and is also preparing materials for a Bible school to be held later.

Sr. Krogh was called to Ohio due to the serious illness and death of her father, Pastor Harvey U. Krogh.

INDIA

Bro. S. S. Manoah reports that he had a safe trip home.

He was met at the airport in Bangalore by his family, other relatives, and many of the church members, and was presented with flowered garlands as a welcome-home gesture. He spent several days receiving many visitors in his home and telling them of his experiences while on the trip to the United States and Canada.

In addition to the many items he was able to take with him on the plane, the Mission Department has mailed five rather large packages of gifts, favors, and memoirs that were presented to Bro. Manoah as he traveled to the many churches.

Bro. Manoah asks for the prayers of the brethren here as he launches out in a new zeal of evangelism and witnessing in new areas of Bangalore and other communities.

NOVA SCOTIA

The Lighthouse Mission Church of God at Digby is making plans to build a parsonage early next year. There is sufficient room on the church lot for the home. We praise the Lord for the zeal of this group.

Ruby McCormick and Laura Brown were immersed in the waters of baptism on May 26, 1968. The attendance at Sunday school and church services continues to show an increase. The church is now in process of buying a bus of some type to bring in those without cars. About thirty-five were brought to the services the past two weeks.

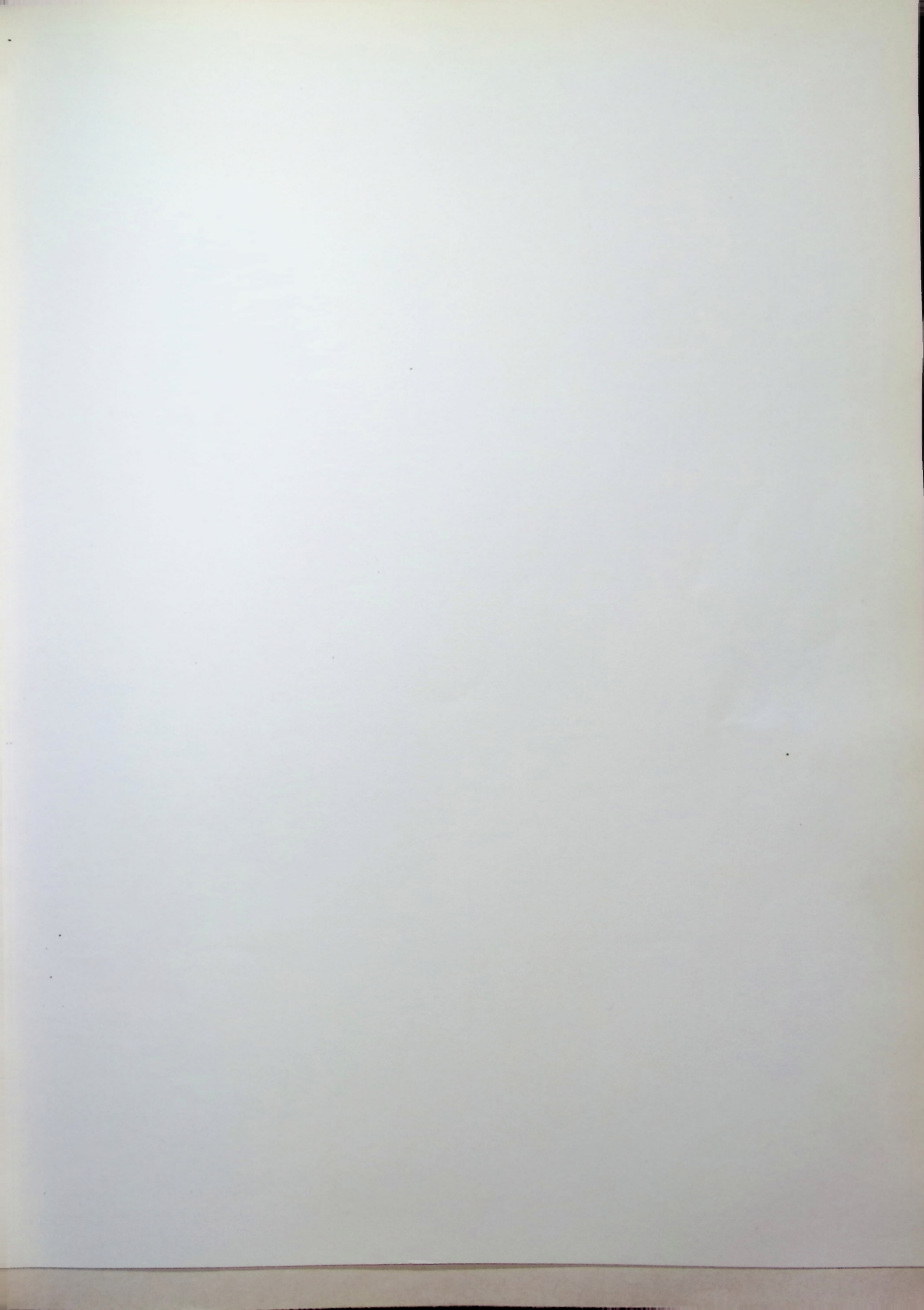
NIGERIA

Bro. A. A. Obot, leader of the Church of God Mission work in Nigeria, had made plans to attend Oregon Bible College next year. The Nigerian churches met in conference on May 7, 1968, and asked Bro. Obot to reconsider and to stay in Nigeria next year. This has now been the decision, and he will remain there and help to rebuild the four churches and printing shop that have been destroyed in the civil war, and to assist in the building of the school that will be operated by the Church of God of Nigeria.

Bro. Ahaziah J. Umunah has already enrolled in Oregon Bible College for the fall semester, and enrollment forms are expected from a second student shortly.

PRAYER LIST FOR JULY

1. Pray for Sr. Rachel Krogh and her work with the people in Mexico.
2. Pray for each missionary and his family.
3. Pray for the two students from Nigeria as they finalize their plans to come to Oregon Bible College.



OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

William M. Wachtel, President

COMMENCEMENT, 1968

Oregon Bible College held its twenty-fifth annual commencement on May 31, at the Oregon Church of God. A large number were in attendance to pay honor to the eight graduates—Donald Hightower, David Krogh, Michael Mattison, Jim Mickey, Mary Mickey, Sara Jane Peters, Scott Ross, and Rex Shaw. Bro. Harold Doan opened the service with an invocation and words of welcome. The commencement address was delivered by Bro. William Wachtel, and the diplomas were presented by Bro. Stanley O. Ross, Executive Secretary. The choir was directed by Bro. Eugene Stilson. Sr. Jean Doan read the Scripture, and Bro. Kenneth Milne offered the benediction. The organist was Roger Cupp, and the choir accompanist was Stephen Bolhous. Flowers were provided and arranged by Srs. Myrle Claussen and Joyce Railton.

Bro. David Krogh received the Silver Disc Award, a sterling silver pin given to graduates who have achieved a distinguished record. They must have attended Oregon Bible College four years, carrying a full-time load each semester; their grade point average must have been at least 3.85 over the four years; they must have a record of outstanding service and leadership in college organizations and activities; and they must be elected to the award by the college faculty. The Silver Disc has been awarded once before—in 1964—to Rachel Krogh, David's sister.

Congratulations are due our graduates upon the successful completion of their college work. Donald Hightower has accepted the pastorate of the Campbell, Calif., Church of God. David Krogh will become pastor at Garden Park, Grand Rapids, Mich. Michael Mattison will become pastor at Blanchard, Mich. Jim and Mary Mickey have moved to Litchfield, Minn., to take the pastorate there. Sara Jane Peters expects to take up nursing in Alaska, where she hopes to do some missionary work. Scott Ross will become pastor at Troy, Ohio. Rex Shaw will continue as pastor at Rochelle, Ill. May the Lord bless each of these graduates in his service!

HONOR ROLL

The Honor Roll for the second semester of 1967-68: *High Honor*—Nancy Foster, 4.00; Patsy Holden, 4.00; David Krogh, 4.00; Scott Ross, 4.00; Rex Shaw, 4.00; Glenda Westbrook, 4.00; David Cheatwood, 3.64; Stephen Bolhous, 3.60; Michael Hale, 3.60. *Honor*—David Hall, 3.40; Roger Cupp, 3.36; David Onderdonk, 3.36; Vivian Kirkpatrick II, 3.20; Jim Mickey, 3.14; Joe Martin, 3.13.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN

At the end of the school year five new officers were elected or appointed to head student organizations in 1968-69. Stephen Bolhous was elected president of the Student Council. David Hall was elected chairman of the Foreign Mission Fellowship, and David Cheatwood was elected chairman of the Home Mission Fellowship. Duane Helweg was appointed by the Council to be editor of the *Student Voice*, and Joe Duncan was appointed chairman of the Social Committee.

OREGON CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE

The City of Oregon and State of Illinois are holding centennial observances this year, and in honor of the occasion the men of Oregon are wearing beards. Because many of our students are employed locally, permission was granted for them to wear beards during the second semester. This will explain why several were pictured with beards in the college issue of *PROGRESS JOURNAL*.

NEW SIGN

The college building has a new illuminated sign at the corner of the building. It reads, "Oregon Bible College—Administration—Class Rooms," and includes the college seal at the top. It was provided by the student body.

SPRING BANQUET

The annual semiformal Spring Banquet was held on May 18, in Rockford. Guest speaker was John Cheek of Russellville, Ark. Master of ceremonies was Paul Weiden-sall. The delicious food and good program brought much enjoyment to the occasion.

FAREWELL SOCIAL

The students held a farewell social in honor of the faculty members who are leaving the college—Bro. and Sr. Harold Doan, Bro. Kenneth Milne, and Bro. William Wachtel. The student body presented each one a gift.

FINAL WORDS

This is the writer's last college page in *PROGRESS JOURNAL*, in the capacity as president. It has been a privilege to come before you each month through this medium and present news and developments in our college life. We pray for the continued advance of the college and for God's richest blessings upon those who will come to take up the work here!



nomination form, applications for citations, junior counselor applications, youth conference enrollment forms, and delegate forms.

REMEMBER YOUTH CONFERENCE POOL

Churches and youth groups should keep in mind that a transportation expense pool open to all chartered Berean groups will again be used in connection with the International Berean Youth Conference this summer. Last year participation was moderate. The adult leadership of churches should encourage their youth groups to participate in this responsible and reasonable method of partially alleviating the excessive transportation expenses of groups at great distances from the camp.

CORRECTION

In the June PROGRESS JOURNAL, on page 7, in the Retirement committee report, a line was misplaced. It should read: "We are short six churches, and until the minimum number of churches willing to participate join in the program the plan cannot be put into operation."

TEACHERS NEEDED

Sr. Lois Worley is director of the children's classes at the coming General Conference. Attendance at these classes sometimes totals over one hundred, and several teachers and helpers are necessary to carry on the work. Teachers are needed for this year's classes. If you are willing to help, contact Sr. Worley at her new address: 19689 Auten Rd., South Bend, Ind. 46637, phone (219) 272-3027. Don't delay!

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

We recommend that the Constitution of the Church of God General Conference, Article IV, Section 6, be amended to read: "The terms of office for all General Conference directors shall be for four years. No director shall succeed himself for a second term."

Explanation: The only change this amendment would make, is that the term of office of director would be for four years instead of the present three-year term.

NO PROGRESS JOURNAL IN AUGUST

So that you will not think you have failed to receive an issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL, we are reminding you that it is not published in August. Watch for your September issue with a full report of the annual General Conference meeting!

NEWS DEADLINE

News for PROGRESS JOURNAL should be sent to: The Restitution Herald, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061, by the twentieth of the month preceding publication.

PLANS FOR YOUTH CONFERENCE

Plans for the International Berean Youth Conference are developing as the annual conference draws near. The camp will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, Milford, Ind., August 9-15. Tuition is \$30.00 per camper and the age limits are entering ninth grade through age 22. The deadline for enrollments is July 20, 1968.

Interesting and challenging activities are planned to appeal to young people of widely varying interests. Some of the features of the week are: full recreational and sports program, interesting classes with electives for all ages, plenty of free time, volunteer camp choir, thirty-member camp council, junior counselor program, the Americana Youth Caravan report, songs by the Americana Singers, the 1968 Berean Awards Banquet, beach party for older campers, showing of sound filmstrips on LSD, marijuana, entitled "Christians Face the Drug Problem," also, "Planning Better Youth Meetings," the exciting championship quizzing of the Berean Bible Quiz Contest, the grand finals of the Christian Speech Contest, new "Youth in Action" Night (featuring Oregon Bible College and the Christian Speech Contest finals), Dallas Demmitt leading in-service training for the staff, conference business session, prayer groups, special staging effects and sets for night services, camp newspaper, Decision Night, and special "Salute to the Southwest" service.

We ask all Church of God people everywhere to pray fervently for this Youth Conference. We are believing God that it will be one of the biggest and best yet held.

CONFERENCE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The winners of the Coins-for-Christ Crusade in each conference, along with their contributions, are: *Arkansas*: New Hope, Little Rock, \$95.00; *Central High Plains*: Holbrook, \$11.20; *Illinois*: Oregon, \$284.22; *Indiana*: Kokomo, \$460.25; *Iowa*: Koszta, \$16.00; *Louisiana*: Blood River, \$777.77; *Michigan*: Southlawn, Grand Rapids, \$509.43; *Minnesota*: Eden Valley, \$165.34; *Missouri*: St. Louis, \$12.00; *Nebraska*: Fremont, \$42.85; *Northeast*: Golden Rule, Cleveland, \$453.20; *Southeast*: Guthrie Grove, \$557.37; *Southwest*: Tempe, \$21.65; *Texas*: Gatesville, \$5.65; and *Virginia*: Eternal Hope, \$17.00.

FORMS DUE BACK

Youth leaders and young people should remember that there are several forms due back to the Youth Department this month. They are: enrollment in youth conference transportation expense pool, President of the Year

CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 21-28—Virginia State Conference and Bible School at Maurertown. Gordon Landry, guest speaker.
- July 27-August 4—Iowa Conference, Waterloo.
- August 4-9—General Conference.
- August 9-15—Berean Youth Conference.
- August 21-25—Northeast Conference, Golden Rule Church of God, Cleveland, Ohio, Warren Sorenson, guest speaker.
- August 25-September 1—Maritime Conference and Vacation Bible School, Digby, Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lapp, guest workers.
- Oct. 13—Dedication of the Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont., C. E. Randall, guest speaker.
- Oct. 26, 27—Illinois Fall Conference at Oregon

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

We congratulate the following persons for successfully completing the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course: Letitia Writsel, Clemence M. Adoboe (Ghana), Debbie Kirkpatrick, Jeri Draugelis, Mrs. Dorothy Spaine, Barbara Rogers, Vickie Tyler, Mrs. Elsie Sullivan, Mrs. Jean Shelton, Don C. Huffer, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Corbell, Roselin F. Huffer, Mrs. Hugh Harman, Mrs. Paul Trimble, Paul Trimble, Miss Cathy McCaw, Walter M. Steele, Jr., Kelly McCaw, Mrs. Ruth Nichols, Mrs. Larry Miller, Miss Myra Huffer, Mrs. Alva Huffer, Mrs. Hazel Christenson, Mrs. Harry Wood, Mrs. Arthur Abbuehl, Arthur Abbuehl, Gerald L. Cooper, Mrs. Clarence Dimmick, Almus Dimmick, Mrs. Almus Dimmick, Mrs. Eurie Hall, Harry Wood, Paul McCaw, Miss Jeannine McCaw, David Huffer, John Carr, Larry Miller, Paul McPherson, Mrs. Paul McPherson, Mrs. Walter Steele, Clarence Dimmick, Frank Bowling, and Mrs. Ione Ponder.

NEWS FROM FONTHILL, ONTARIO

The sixty-fourth annual May meetings were held May 24-26. Bro. Emory Macy, pastor, and Edward Goit, Sr., brought inspiring messages throughout the meetings. Their messages were entitled: "Foundation Stones," "Stepping Stones," "Spiritual Rock," and "Living Stones."

The highlight of the meetings was the laying of the cornerstone for our new church, on Sunday afternoon.

There were special music, and vocal numbers, at all services. Basket dinner and supper were enjoyed in the church basement on Sunday. C. Dilamarter, reporter.

BAPTISM AT RIPLEY, ILLINOIS

We are pleased to welcome Annette Hendricks, Ripley, Ill., into the body of Christ and the Ripley Church of God. She was baptized by the writer in the LaMoine River on Sunday, June 2, 1968. Annette has been active in our youth group, and as a member of our gospel team. We rejoice with her in this new walk of life and ask the Lord's richest blessing to be upon her.

John Hearp, pastor.

NOTE OF THANKS

We want to thank all our brothers and sisters in Christ who sent expressions of sympathy and stood with us in many other ways in the loss of our loved one.

We are thankful for the blessed hope of the resurrection and look forward to the coming of our Lord.

Mary, Rachel, and David Krogh.

ARKANSAS RALLY DAY

The Arkansas Churches of God met at the McGintytown church on May 19, 1968, for their quarterly Rally Day services. Churches represented were: Twin Lakes, New Hope, Cleveland, Forest Hills, and McGintytown. Bro. C. Alan McLain was the host pastor.

The Rally Day director, Joe White, started the day's activities with a song service. Pastor Roy Humphreys presented the devotional message.

Two training workshops, "Building Church Attendance" and "Why a Vacation Bible School?" headed by Paul Shaw and Jeanette White, were held later in the morning, while State Youth Director Donald Needham, held a state Berean meeting.

Highlighting the day's activities were the State Berean Quiz preliminaries, with junior and senior divisions. Churches represented, their teams, and coaches, were: Junior: New Hope—Mechelle White, Paul White, David Moore, Bruce Cheek, coach, Mrs. Frank Cheek; McGintytown, Joyce McGinty, Debbie Cain, Steven Cain, Bobby McGinty, coach, Mrs. J. D. Moreland; Senior: New Hope—Joyce Daniels, Diane Daniels, John Daniels, coach, Mrs. Nell Daniels; Twin Lakes—Brenda Mathews, Gail Mathews, Danny Mathews, coach, Steve Mathews; McGintytown—Joan McGinty, Perry McGinty, Jimmy Moreland, Keith Moreland, coach, Margaret Holley.

The McGintytown Bereans won the junior and senior divisions. The quizzing was followed by a potluck dinner on the church lawn.

The business meeting was held in the afternoon. Immediate and future plans for Camp Bradford were discussed. It was decided that before this year's camp, an open-air pavilion and tabernacle, and shower and restroom facilities, would be constructed. Also, concrete floor for the dining room and kitchen area would be poured.

A singspiration, led by Bro. Paul Shaw, followed the business meeting.

Communion, conducted by Bro. C. A. McLain, concluded the services.

Present for the Rally Day were 117 persons. The next Rally Day will be held at Camp Bradford on July 14, 1968, concluding State Camp. Bro. Jim Mickey will be guest speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

Margaret Holley, secretary.

DECREIX—BURNETT

Carol Marie DeCroix and Gerald Gene Burnett were united in marriage Saturday, April 20, 1968, in SS. Peter and Paul's Church in Springfield, Ill. Officiating at the service was Philip Kraft, pastor of the church, assisted by the writer. After a honeymoon trip to Florida the couple are now residing at 700½ S. English Ave., Springfield, Ill. May the Lord bless this new home as they seek to honor him.

John Hearp, pastor.

HOLY LAND AND EUROPE TOUR

It will be my privilege to lead thirty-three Church of God persons and friends on a tour of Europe and the Holy Land during July, 1968. We will walk where Jesus walked, and will visit the important cities of Paul's missionary journeys. We will see archaeological treasures of Bible lands in major museums of Europe and the Middle East. We will visit many monuments and museums related to the Bible.

Our group will leave Chicago, Saturday, July 6, by plane, and will return to New York, Saturday, July 27. My wife Awa and sons David and Keith will go with us.

Persons included in the group, in addition to my wife and two sons, are: Emory and Mildred Macy, Fonthill, Ont.; Dean Moore, Edinburg, Tex.; Alice and Donna Jennings, St. Louis, Mo.; Barbara and Patricia Lawrence, Phoenix, Ariz.; Almus and Hattie Dimmick, Arthur and Lucile Abbuehl, Del and Irene Crawford, Tempe, Ariz.; Tom Simi, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; Madge Savage, Whittier, Calif.; Adele and David Onderdonk, Euclid, Ohio; Edith Eades, Sharon Guiles, Stephen Bolhous, Oregon, Ill.; Kathy New, Frankfort, Ind.; Dorothy Buskirk, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Tessa Laning, Mt. Sterling, Ill.; Grace Laning, Esther Laning, Chicago, Ill.; Margaret Duval, Elmhurst, Ill.; Lottie Pickerl, Dorothy Vaughn, South Bend, Ind.; and Angie Carmer, Edwardsburg, Mich. Alva G. Huffer.

CHURCH-PASTOR RELATIONSHIPS

(Continued from page 1)

a certain extent. Members seldom rise above the spirituality of their leaders. This is a great challenge!

The Pastor's Due

The tendency these days is not to respect positions of authority. We are to render to all their due. God's Word says pastors are to be esteemed "very highly in love for their work's sake" (1 Thess. 5:13). We are enjoined to remember them who lead the way, "who have spoken unto [us] the word of God"; to obey them, "for they watch for [our] souls, as they that must give an account" (Heb. 13:7, 17).

A pastor is due his living because of his work; on the average of his parishioners. (1 Cor. 9:7-14.) "Elders who do their duties well should be considered as deserving twice as much as they get, particularly those who work at preaching and teaching" (1 Tim. 5:17, 18, Am. Tr.). A pastor is due the full moral and financial support of his congregation. The pastor is not merely an employee of the church, but is a servant of God. (Acts 4:29; 16:17; Phil. 1:1.) He is not paid to preach, but because he does. (over)

Church-Pastor Relationship

Above all, the church-pastor relationship is a **working relationship!** Paul said to the Corinthian church, "We are labourers together with God" (1 Cor. 3:9). There is no double standard here. There are the same Bible requirements for minister and members; we are all brethren. (Matt. 23:8.) Little or nothing can be accomplished if pastor and congregation do not work together.

Balance of Power

There exists in the working church a delicate balance of power between the pastor, the church board, and the congregation. It is not unlike the balance that exists between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of our federal government.

The position of pastor carries certain powers vested in it by most church constitutions. He is a member of the church he is serving. He is ex officio an elder and a member of the church board, with full voting rights on all matters except his own employment. He is also an advisor and counselor of every committee and department of the church. The pastor will have his program, a plan of procedure; he should be allowed to present and try his program.

The pastor presents his program to the church board, which acts as critic and (or) supporter of his program. The board acts as liaison between the pastor and congregation in matters of policy and business. The pastor and board should be on such terms that they will not be found working against each other. The pastor's program will be presented to the congregation on recommendation of the board, and a rejection of the program will then be a rejection of the board's recommendation and not of the pastor. A pastor should never be "voted out" by a congregation, except for reasons of gross error or misconduct. Securing or continuing his services should be on recommendation of the board. If, after review, the board cannot recommend the pastor to the congregation, he should be told and given opportunity to resign. Any difficulties should be worked out by the pastor and board as they arise, that a real crisis should be avoided. Above all, no member of the board should act unilaterally, that is, on his own.

In our congregational system, which we hold to be Biblical, the final decision rests with the congregation, and the majority rules. While the pastor and the board are answerable to the congregation, neither is

answerable to any individual member of the congregation. Individual members are reminded that they are to support the congregation as a whole, and to abide by the decisions of the congregation.

The Challenge

We are all frail mortal human beings, fraught with weakness. But, we are engaged in the most important endeavor in the world—fitting ourselves and others for entrance into the Kingdom of God! The pastor, church board, and congregation have their powers, responsibilities, and work in the over-all effort. The ultimate benefit may be obtained only when there is a proper relationship maintained between them.

Pastor, know and love your flock! Lead, feed, cherish, nourish, and pray for your people. Sustain them, as you yourself are sustained by your Pastor in heaven. Members of the flock, recognize the leadership of your pastor; honor him for his work's sake, love him, and pray for him! Church boards, remember your most important position as representatives of the congregation, main supporter of the pastor, and primary mediator between both. May God bless our efforts as co-laborers with him!

CONTRIBUTIONS IN JUNE

Following are the people who contributed to the work of the Church of God General Conference in June, and thus helped make possible the programs of missions, Oregon Bible College, Berean Youth Fellowship, publishing, and other Conference efforts.

Rockford BYF	11.00	New Hope Church	20.00	Lorene Orr	25.00	Fonthill Dorcas	5.00
Troy View Bereans	50.00	LeAnn Appleby	6.00	Funice Cleo Orr	25.00	Anonymous	100.00
Tempe Dorcas Society	5.00	Whitnel Bereans	40.50	Pennellwood Miss. Dept.	110.00	Mary Jo Brewer	20.00
Harlingen Bereans	4.00	Digby BYF	18.00	Cool Spring S. S.	7.33	North Salem Church	7.60
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Ross	11.00	Garden Park Bereans	15.00	Thera Hammond	45.00	Raymore Church	5.00
Fred Thal	12.00	Church of the Open Bible,		Michigan State Conference	101.27	Myrtle Flink	10.00
Moorefield Bereans	4.75	Pomona	70.01	Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Holt	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Wetzel	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Randall	10.00	Fern R. Bell	40.00	Minnesota State Miss. Society		Dale Ramsey	12.00
Carol Coulter	3.00	A member	10.00		50.00	Fonthill Church	127.41
Mrs. Harry Halley	10.00	Elizabeth Ordnung	5.00	Mildred Mathews	5.00	Elaine Shute	2.00
Omaha Bereans	12.65	Hollbrook Church	30.77	Everett S. Rogers	15.00	Floyd Combe	16.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. Dickerson	12.00	Minneapolis BYF	81.11	Fremont Church S. S.	6.65	Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Werneke	10.00
Cheryl McClain	1.00	Jodi Lawrence	5.00	May White	10.00	Raker BYF	15.00
Mrs. Nina Hatcher	5.00	Blood River Ladies Miss. Society	18.36	Garden Park Church	27.69	Mr. & Mrs. Russell Thoms	5.00
Darrel Waggoner	12.00	Joyce Railton	8.00	Eden Valley Ladies Aid	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Ed Bender	60.00
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Fisk	10.00	Maeomb Church	61.16	Illinois State Bereans	20.00	Dan Dovenbarger	20.00
Raker Union S. S.	49.05	Golden Rule S. S.	50.00	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Shaw	5.00	L'Anse Church	28.75
Mr. & Mrs. Don Hightower	18.00	Mrs. F. L. Austin	5.00	Connie Ross	2.00	Marjorie Bolhaus	10.00
Susan Foster	12.00	Fairy Lyon	20.00	Nola Hass	4.00	Mary & Martha Soc., Oregon	12.50
David Foster	12.00	Mr. & Mrs. John Kneller	20.00	Missouri Sister	5.00	Meeagan Weyrauch	12.00
Oregon Bereans	5.00	Church of the Open Bible,		Colorado Springs Church	9.80	La. State Conference	270.92
Brush Creek Sewing Circle	25.00	Bedford	19.01	Anonymous	20.10	Blanchard Church	150.95
Duane Helweg	2.75	Bedford Brethren	12.00	Hope Chapel, South Bend	77.64	Debbie Ruemmler	4.00
Zenas Murphy	10.00	Happy Woods Church	74.40	Pat Lawrence	12.00	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Morrison	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. R. LeCrone	25.00	Dixon Church	30.00	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jones	60.00	Maurertown Dorcas Soc.	10.00
Anthony Verwys	9.00	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Perkins	5.00	Mrs. C. Brackett	3.50	Troy View Church	23.36
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Milne	10.00	Blessed Hope, Rockford	20.00	Mr. & Mrs. Elmer McChesney	25.00	Blood River Ladies Miss. Soc.	22.55
Dale Swartz	6.00	Earle & Marge Mogle	10.00	Western Sister	25.00	Mr. & Mrs. Roger Cupp	14.00
Oregon S. S.	5.37	Harold & Esta Starbuck	10.00	Brush Creek Miss. Society	60.00	Brush Creek S. S.	149.16
Oregon Church	38.54	Dana & Donna Weidensall	2.00	Mr. & Mrs. William Hicks	20.00	Gethsemane Gardens BYF	12.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ben Carpenter	15.00	Maeomb S. S.	16.13	Cecil Smead	30.00	Dorothy Boyer	15.00
Mr. & Mrs. George Kugler	10.00	Pennellwood Church	141.89	Gatesville Ladies Aid	12.80	Sam Voorhies	5.00
Glad Tidings Chapel Rebekah Soc.	25.00	Gethsemane Gardens Church	26.00	Illinois State Conference	50.00	Mrs. Alice Koontz	200.00
Wayne Yows	10.00	La. Contributors	70.00	Miss Jennie Townsend	10.00	Brush Creek DVBS	45.00
Mrs. Ruth Nichols	20.00	Mr. & Mrs. William Lawrence	250.00	Miss Leota Hanson	5.00	Wayne Brewer	12.00
Fort Valley Church	57.05	The Braden Mannels	20.00	Maeomb Miss. Society	20.00	Ladies Council, New Hope	30.00
Tempe Church	104.80	Mr. & Mrs. Joe Hightower	25.00	Hope Chapel, Columbus	5.00	Nancy Demmitt	1.00
Hillside Chapel	10.06	Lawrenceville Church	87.98	Ripley Miss. Society	30.00	Blood River Jr. Bereans	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. F. E. Burnett	40.00	Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Ballentine	10.00	Dennis Driskill	12.00	Alice Plantner	20.00
Brooke Richmond	2.00			Maurertown Church	22.45	Moorefield DVBS	27.00
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Doan	12.00	Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Lapp	10.00	Hope Chapel S. S., Ark. City	10.00	Hedrick Dorcas Society	8.50
Valeria and Vicki Smith	2.00	Mrs. Virda Sitler	5.00		10.00	Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Burnham	20.00
Fort Valley Bereans	5.00	The Willis Turners	25.00	Riplev Bereans	30.00	Fremont Church	47.00
		Lombard Community Church	35.00	Dorothy Siple	25.00	Golden Rule Missionary Soc.	10.00
		Felida Church	2.83	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Tidwell	15.00	Mr. & Mrs. S. O. Ross	35.00
		Hope Chapel Miss. Society	130.00	Burr Oak Church	170.00	Southlawn Church	283.80
		Lighthouse Mission	12.00	Fort Valley S. S.	51.90	1/2 & 1/2 Class, Southlawn	10.25
		Koszta Church	116.15	Gayle Hatcher	5.00	Mariners Class, Southlawn	10.98
		Sheila Sheeley	4.00	Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Guiles	10.00	C.A.T.S. Class, Southlawn	4.10
		Brush Creek Church	119.24	Bible Church, Phoenix	167.45	Christian Soldiers, Southlawn	4.75
		Barbara Sheeley	5.00	Nancy Foster	12.00	Dorcas Soc., Southlawn	100.00
		Fonthill S. S.	9.99	Wenatchee Bereans	14.35	Southlawn S. S.	23.37
		Mrs. C. C. Fuson	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Wiltsey	140.00		
				Terry Kirkpatrick	12.00		
				Fonthill Miss. Society	23.22		

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GENERAL CONFERENCE REPORT!

Chairman's Message to the Delegates

By Robert L. Huddlestun

BY NOW you are all aware of the theme for this year's conference, "In Times Like These." You are probably equally aware of the implication that "these times" are those days shortly preceding the coming of our Lord.

It's not difficult to correlate the prophecies and warnings in the Scriptures concerning the last days to the restlessness, uncertainty, and chaos, that we see all around us.

As we considered these times several questions came to mind:

1) What effect is the thinking and turmoil of these times having on the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith? Is it possible that we stand out like an island in this sea of humanity, completely untouched and unaffected by the wickedness, permissiveness, and doubting that typify our day?

2) What are the dangers that must be avoided or overcome, and how are we to do this?

3) What are the opportunities, and how can we take advantage of them?

In the few years that I have been associated with the Church of God many changes have taken place. The most notable is the change of general attitude. The church has moved from the provincialism of a few years ago, when, generally speaking, growth came when son John married and brought his wife and subsequent children into the church. A time of little missionary effort, as we think of it today. A time when we considered ourselves a peculiar little group of people that would probably always remain a little group, and the communities around our churches agreed with us.

Now the fire for missions is burning at least some brighter and we have had some, though obviously not enough, fruitful missionary experience. We praise God for this. Equally important is the fact that we have "arrived." In many areas the Church of God is an accepted and respected part of the community and considered a part of the religious society. No longer are we considered peculiar. But what was the cost?

You know, it's a sad but true fact that when a people become comfortable, whether in a church or in a community or in a land, as was the case with Israel, problems start to multiply. Things begin to happen. And things are happening in the Church of God.

At the very time when our missionary efforts are increasing, we see a letdown in the very thing that has brought us whatever missionary success we have had. Bros. Manoah, Ortiguero, or Akpan, or Sunna'a, didn't seek us out because we were a tolerant people or because we were friendly or demanded little. It was because of our teachings—doctrines, if you will. That word that has become, in the minds of many, so distasteful.

There was an article in our local newspaper recently, stating that one of the smaller Christian denominations was meeting to examine their position and to determine if they still had a reason for existence. As I read it I thought that this would be good for us as well. Not that there is any question in my mind in this regard. Certainly we have many good reasons to remain separate. But there is an obvious need to review and to reaffirm these reasons.

A few years ago the State Department of our federal government pursued a policy that became known as "brinkmanship"; that is, we were always on the brink of disaster. Most people considered it very dangerous, though some thought it necessary.

As we consider the dangers of these times I believe that some of us are practicing an even more dangerous brinkmanship policy of our own. Jesus warned in Matthew 10:28, "Fear not them which kill the body; but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." As the ecumenical spirit continues to spread over the world, aren't we courting disaster each time we, individually, or as churches, become involved with other religious groups and organizations that we cannot fully endorse? Aren't we affirming, if not by word, then by association, that "after all, it doesn't really make any difference"? Apparently some have lost confidence in our position and are hoping that someone else will accomplish what we haven't.

It's also apparent that many of our people already subscribe to the now all-too-popular philosophy that "to get along with people it's not wise to be too sure of anything." So, instead of standing apart, they seek the fringes, not getting completely involved but still not wanting to offend by letting people see any sign of disapproval.

Paul warned that the greatest danger we will probably have to face in these last days is deception. We must not

be deceived and we must not act in a way that will cause others to be.

From all of this some of you will think that I advocate a return to the "good old days," to which I quickly say, "God forbid."

We have come a long way. We have progressed in many areas. Missionary activity, both here at home and in other areas, has increased and we hope will continue to do so. Our college is growing and, with the addition of new staff members and the building program that is in progress, it will continue to improve. The Berean Youth Fellowship is a far cry from what it was even ten years ago; and now we look forward to a revitalized educational program. But, as is often the case, having left the extreme narrowness of the past we have allowed the pendulum to

swing much too far to the liberal side of things. I merely advocate that we correct this swing; that we reassess our position and our program in view of these dangers.

And what of the opportunities? I firmly believe that opportunities for missionary success here in America and throughout the world were never greater than they are right now. Nor has there ever been greater need. As men search for truth and reason, we, by remaining steadfast, have much to offer.

These are not times for weakness or compromise for the sake of public acceptance, but, rather, for strength and decisive action. We must, by all means, preach and publish the *whole* gospel message, as we know it, and we must do it now, for time is surely running out.

Minutes of the 1968 General Conference

Delbert A. Jones, Secretary

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1968

The Forty-Eighth General Conference of the Church of God was called to order at 10:15 a.m., August 5, 1968, by Chairman Robert Huddlestun. Pastor Cecil Smead offered the opening prayer.

Sr. Ruth Halls, chairman of the Credentials Committee, was called to arrange the seating of the delegates. Three newly licensed ministers were introduced; 18 delegates were serving for the first time, and one church was represented for the first time.

A communication was read by William Lawrence from the Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona, which expressed thanks to the Mission Builders League for its contribution toward the building of their church. It is expected that the church will be ready for services on September 8, 1968.

Pastor Warren Sorenson read a letter from the Macomb Church of God which also expressed appreciation to the Mission Builders League. Macomb was the twentieth church to receive assistance from this source.

John Hayse conveyed greetings to the Conference from Sr. Evelyn Austin of Mt. Morris, Illinois.

Chairman Huddlestun then presented his message to the delegates, stressing the importance of the work and the attitude of the Church of God in these last days before the return of Christ. (See page 2.)

Attention was called to the special reports on page 7 in the June PROGRESS JOURNAL; an opportunity was given for questions concerning the reports. Willis Turner moved, seconded by John Hayse, that the special reports be accepted. Motion carried.

Charles Jones reported for the Military Personnel Committee. Members of this committee are Charles Jones, Chairman; Joe Duncan, Sr., and Cecil Patrick. The purpose of the committee is: a) to compile a complete list of Church of God men and women in the services; b) to build up morale; and c) to keep alive their Christian faith and interest in the Church of God. Chaplain Orville Westlund has recommended that the committee write to Washington, D.C., for particulars on becoming a member of the General Commission of Chaplains in the armed forces.

Kenneth Vancil reported on the activities of the Board of Directors during the past year and introduced the other members of the Board and S. O. Ross, Executive Secretary of the Church of God. Chairman Huddlestun expressed regret over Bro. Harold Doan's resignation as Executive Secretary after 13 years of devoted service to the Church of God General Conference. He stated that we are most fortunate to have a man of Bro. Ross's capabilities to take over this office.

Lottie Pickerl moved that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter to Bro. Doan expressing our appreciation for his faithful service. Seconded by Mardy Lawrence, motion was unanimously carried.

S. O. Ross then presented the treasurer's report for the nine-month period of October 1, 1967, to June 30, 1968. After explanations were made and questions answered, a motion was made by Alva Huffer that the treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded by Edward Goit, motion carried.

Pastor Terry Ferrell was introduced as Chairman of the



Church of God General Conference Board of Directors: Merle Patrick, Delbert A. Jones, Vernis D. Wolfe, Kenneth Vaneil, William D. Lawrence, Dean Urish, Dwaine Demmitt

Pool Committee, and delegates were instructed to turn in the mileage to him as soon as possible.

The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance: officers, 8; ministers, 40; delegates, 81. Total 129.

The meeting was recessed with prayer by Pastor Richard Worley at 11:45 a.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1968

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Huddlestun at 10:00 a.m. Prayer was offered by Pastor Leon Driskill. The Secretary read the minutes of the Monday business session. They were approved as read.

S. O. Ross announced that enough ministers and churches had joined the Ministers' Retirement program to inaugurate the program, and that there would be an organizational meeting after the evening worship service. The names of the churches and ministers who have enrolled were read.

Paul Shaw reported on the work of the Berean Youth Department. He stated that this had been a good year and in many ways a thrilling year in the youth work. This has been the most successful year so far in the quizzing contest. Eight conferences will be represented with quiz teams at the Berean Youth Conference this year. The plaque for conducting the best Youth Week program this year was awarded to the Bereans of the Faith Chapel Church of God, Peoria, Illinois. The Goal for Giving which was established at the Berean Youth Conference last year was \$8,500.00. At the present time the young people have given \$8,067.00 and they expect to go over the goal during the Youth Conference next week.

Dallas Demmitt expressed thanks for the Americana Caravan visiting the Southwest, and for the contribution which the Southwest Bereans received to help defray their travel expenses to the Berean Youth Conference. Bro. Demmitt then moved that the following recom-

mendation be adopted, "We, the Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona, recommend that a full-time Youth Director be employed, and we would like to give our full support to Paul Shaw." Motion was seconded by John Hayse. After considerable discussion, it was moved by Richard Dick and seconded by Milon Hall that the motion be amended to read: "We . . . recommend that a full-time Youth Director be *considered* . . ." The motion to amend carried, and the recommendation as amended was adopted.

The Chairman asked for consideration of Recommendation number 1, which reads, "We recommend that a Youth Caravan be planned for the summer of 1969 which will consist of a gospel team of young people and adult supervisors traveling for about two weeks within the United States, provided that it is deemed advisable by the delegates at the 1968 International Berean Youth Conference and provided sufficient funds are appropriated in the Berean Youth Budget." Kent Ross moved that Recommendation number 1 be adopted. Seconded by Lee McQuinn; motion carried.

Hollis Partlowe moved that Recommendation number 2 be adopted, seconded by John Huston. This recommendation reads, "We recommend that Berean Youth Fellowships be encouraged to sell subscriptions to *The Restoration Herald* and that during November, 1968, the local group be permitted to retain 75 cents for each new subscription sold to be used for their projects." Motion carried.

There was no report presented from the Sunday School Department, but it was announced that Terry Ferrell has been appointed advisor and correlator for the Sunday School Board.

Pastor Warren Sorenson reported for the Christian Education Steering Committee. He explained the importance of the Council of Christian Education and defined the basic difference between its function and that of the Sunday School Board. John Hayse moved that the report of the Steering Committee be accepted; seconded by Don Swartz; motion carried.

The Chairman asked for consideration of Recommendation number 3 which reads, "We recommend that a Director of Christian Education be hired, as funds and the person become available. This position should be filled by a person with the following qualifications: a knowledge of, and experience in, education regarding curriculum planning, methods of teaching, and one who is sound in doctrinal understanding of the Bible. Selection of the director is to be made by the Board of Directors." Darrell Maddock moved that Recommendation number 3 be adopted; seconded by Edward Goit; motion carried.

Nominations were opened for two Sunday School Directors. Directors whose terms expired this year are Bernard Hightower and Paul Overholser. Those nomi-

nated for Board Director number 1 were Milon Hall and Louise LaMunion. Nominated for Director number 2 were Bernard Hightower and Vivian Kirkpatrick. Elected as Sunday School Directors were Milon Hall and Bernard Hightower.

Terry Ferrell reported on the Publishing Department. Bro. Ferrell is the new Editor of *The Restitution Herald* and the PROGRESS JOURNAL. He answered many questions that were asked concerning the publishing and printing work.

The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance: officers, 8; ministers, 49; delegates, 95. Total 152.

The meeting was recessed with prayer by Bro. Vivian Kirkpatrick.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1968

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chairman Robert Huddlestun. Prayer was offered by Pastor Ernest Graham.

Willis Turner announced that the National Sunday School Board had met and organized. Bro. Turner is the chairman; Pastor Milon Hall is the secretary.

Chairman Huddlestun presented Recommendation number 4 which reads: "We recommend that the constitution of the Church of God General Conference, Article IV, Section 6, be amended to read; 'The terms of office for all General Conference directors shall be for four years. No director shall succeed himself for a second term.'" Francis Burnett moved that this recommendation be adopted; seconded by Milon Hall. C. E. Randall moved the following amendment; Warren Sorenson seconded, "The terms of office for all General Conference directors shall be for two years, with privilege of reelection for a second term if Conference delegates so vote." Following discussion, Dallas Demmitt moved to amend the amendment to read three years instead of two, with privilege of reelection. Bro. Randall agreed to change the amendment and, with consent of the second, the change was made. A vote was taken and the motion to amend the recommendation lost by a vote of 89 to 66.

A vote was taken on the motion to adopt the recommendation as it was originally stated. The motion was lost by a vote of 87 to 49. A recount by ballot vote was called, and the motion lost by a vote of 86 to 67. The recommendation was *not* adopted.

Edward Goit announced that the new church building at Fonthill, Ontario, Canada, will be dedicated on Sunday, October 6, at 3:00 p.m., and issued an invitation to all to attend. Pastor C. E. Rahdall will be the dedicatory speaker. (The date for dedication has been changed to November 17.)

Nominations were opened for the directors for the General Conference Board of Directors, two to be elected for

full three-year terms, and one to be elected for two years to fill the unexpired term of T. M. Ferrell.

Nominated for director number 1: Wm. Lawrence, Ellsworth Routson, James Mattison.

Nominated for director number 2: Elmo Gaspar, Dean Urish, Billie Kennedy.

Nominated for director number 3: John Hayse, Linford Moore, Vernis Wolfe.

The Mission Board was called to the platform, and the members were introduced. They are Edith Eades, Lee McQuinn, Warren Sorenson, and Charles Jones. Sr. Eades reported on her meeting with Bro. Sunna'a and told of his work in Lebanon. S. O. Ross reported on the work in other mission fields. Because of lack of time, the Mission Board was not able to complete its report and will resume in the next business session.

The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance: officers, 8; ministers, 52; delegates, 92; total, 152.

Pastor Robert See dismissed the meeting with prayer.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1968

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Huddlestun; prayer was offered by Dwaine Demmitt. The secretary's report of the Wednesday session was read and approved.

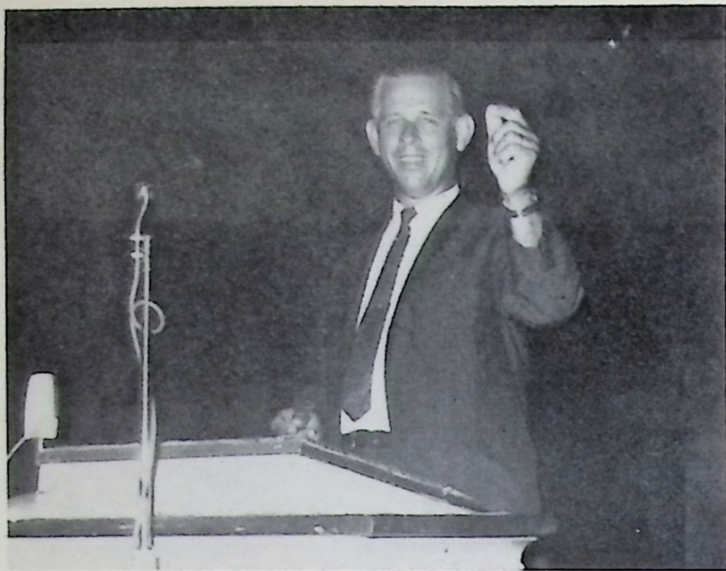
S. O. Ross announced that the Ministers' Retirement Program will not go into effect before October 1 at the earliest; ministers and churches will be notified.

Pastor Francis Burnett moved "In appreciation of the years of service and his spiritual life, I move that we stand in a moment of silence in memory of Bro. Harvey U. Krogh, Jr." Motion was seconded and carried.

The Mission Board was called back to the rostrum to continue their discussion of the mission work. Bro. Ross explained in more detail the work being done by Jamal

Quinter-Miller Auditorium, the "Tabernaacle," at Camp Mack





Pastor Z. B. Duncan, Whitnel, N.C., evening worship speaker on Thursday at General Conference

Sunna'a in Lebanon and the work being done in Mexico.

Chairman Huddlestun presented Recommendation number 5, which reads, "We recommend that the mission work being carried on by Bro. Jamal Sunna'a at El-Chibbak, Lebanon, be accepted as a mission project for the Church of God General Conference, and that we accept into fellowship those members baptized since April, 1966." John G. Hayse moved the adoption of this recommendation; seconded by Charles Graham; motion carried.

Nominations were opened for a Mission Board Director. Those nominated were Mardy Lawrence, Eunice Pearson, and Darrell Maddock. Mardy Lawrence was elected.

Ballots were then cast to elect three directors to the General Conference Board of Directors. Lila Van Fleet moved to permit a minister's absentee ballot to be allowed since he was away on Conference business. After discussion on the matter, Wm. Lawrence moved and John Hayse seconded that the motion be tabled until the time that it may be necessary to lift it as a decisive vote. Motion carried.

The three men elected to the Board of Directors were Wm. D. Lawrence, Dean Urish, and Vernis Wolfe.

C. E. Randall moved, Alva G. Huffer seconded, that we give a rising vote of thanks to the retiring Board members. Motion carried.

Members of the Harlingen, Texas, Church of God expressed their thanks for the prayers and financial assistance from interested and concerned individuals and churches throughout the church during the time of the Harlingen flood.

Pastor Alva Huffer, President of Oregon Bible College, was called to the platform to present the report on Oregon Bible College. He explained the goals and plans for the College and answered questions.

Chairman Huddlestun presented Recommendation

number 6, "Recognizing the necessity of additional degrees and education for our Oregon Bible College instructors, we recommend that the Church of God General Conference provide funds for this purpose." Alva Huffer moved that this recommendation be adopted; Dallas Demmitt seconded it; motion carried.

Edward Goit moved, John Hayse seconded, that we recess until 2:15 p.m. Motion carried.

The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance: officers, 8; ministers, 53; delegates, 93; total, 154.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Pastor Alva Huffer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 8

Chairman Robert Huddlestun called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Pastor E. Richard Smith offered prayer.

The secretary's minutes were read and approved.

The Board of Directors' officers for 1968-69 are Chairman, William Lawrence; Vice Chairman, Kenneth Vancil; Secretary, Delbert Jones; Treasurer, Dwaine Demmitt.

Pastor John Lewis moved, "We recommend that the Board of Education study the possibility of establishing an internship program for Oregon Bible College whereby graduating students may have practical pastoral experience before they enter the ministry." Seconded by Kent Ross; motion carried.

Pastor C. E. Lapp moved, "In memory of Bro. Tom Savage, one of our ministers from St. Cloud, Minnesota, who fell asleep in Jesus early last fall, I move we stand in memory of his dedication and service to our Lord and to the church." Pastor Emory Macy seconded; motion carried.

Bro. Merle Patrick displayed an emblem for the Church of God and explained possible uses.

Bro. C. E. Randall moved that we adopt this emblem, or something similar, for our General Conference, and that the Board of Directors make a study and report to our next General Conference the most feasible means of distribution to the churches. Seconded by Edward Goit. Jack Hearp moved that the motion be amended to read, "to report before next Conference if possible." Seconded by Milton Hall. Amendment carried. Motion as amended carried.

Linford Moore moved that the Board of Directors appoint a committee representing ministers and laymen to study and suggest a code of ethics relative to the hiring of ministers and to report back next year. Seconded by Wm. D. Lawrence; motion carried.

John Denchfield moved, "In view of the expressed desire of this Conference in various years past for the maintaining of a field man for evangelistic and related work among our churches, and with an awareness of the increasing urgent need of such a position of field worker to evangelize and thus better establish the work of the

churches, I now move that as soon as financially practical, giving preference over less urgently needed positions such as director of Christian education, youth, etc., this position of full-time field worker-evangelist be established by our General Conference Board." Motion seconded.

Oral Miller moved, that the phrase, "giving preference over less urgently needed positions such as director of Christian education, youth, etc." be omitted. Seconded by Kenneth Vancil; amendment passed. The motion as amended carried.

Pastor Leon Driskill moved to consider the 1968-69 budget. Seconded by Nina Jean Hayse; motion carried.

\$700.00 was added to the budget for further education for Oregon Bible College instructors. This makes a total budget of \$82,400.00.

Pastor Kent Ross moved that a \$600.00 emergency fund be established for the Mission Department. (\$83,000.00 would then be the total budget.) Seconded by Sr. Ada Simpson.

Kenneth Vancil moved to amend the motion by omitting the words "for missions." Seconded by Robert See; motion to amend carried. Motion as amended carried.

C. E. Randall moved to adopt the budget of \$83,000.00. Seconded by Willis Turner; motion carried.

The Credentials Committee reported the following attendance: officers, 8; ministers, 47; delegates, 85. Total 140. During the Conference there was only once that the attendance fell below last year's. The average attendance was 145, which was 3 more than last year. Seventy-two churches returned delegate forms. Two churches returned delegate forms for the first time; Hope Chapel, Columbus, Ohio, and New Lenox, Ill. The total membership recorded by churches which reported was 3,728 for United States and Canada.

The delegates stood in a silent memorial to Bro. T. A.

Drinkard, minister of the Church of God, who fell asleep in death in the past year.

The secretary's minutes for the afternoon business meeting were read.

Edward Goit moved the adoption of the secretary's minutes as read. Seconded; carried.

Willis Turner moved that the forty-eighth General Conference be adjourned. Seconded by C. E. Randall. Motion carried.

Pastor Raymond Brown led the congregation in singing "Work for the Night Is Coming," and then offered the closing prayer.

MISSING FILMSTRIPS

The General Conference Sunday School and Berean Youth departments maintain a limited filmstrip library for use by the churches. Our records are incomplete, and several sets of films are missing, so we do not know who has the films. If someone in your Sunday school or youth group has filmstrips belonging to the General Conference, it would be appreciated if you would return these soon! Also unaccounted for is the set of colored slides on the General Conference.

DISHWASHER FUND

A fund has been started to purchase a dishwasher for the Oregon Bible College dining room. To date the fund stands at \$50.00. Healthwise, the present setup is not good, and we have wondered why the health authorities have permitted it.

If you would like to help purchase this much-needed equipment for the College, send your donation to this fund to Church of God General Conference, Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY REPORT

Part of the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College has now been completed at a cost of approximately \$11,500.00. A large new classroom, a canteen, a study room, and a cloakroom have been added, with new desks and study carrels. The carpeted, indirectly lighted rooms are an attractive, quiet addition, doubling the space available to the students.

The rest of the Phase Two development will be construction of a new women's residence to replace the present 110-year-old structure. The goal for this construction (and rapid inflation may have already made this goal unrealistic) is \$150,000.00. Of this amount we have received through August, \$14,465.00 in cash and commitments.

We know that you want to take part in this development program scheduled to be successfully concluded in 1970, the Golden Anniversary of your Church of God General Conference.



Believing in the value of Oregon Bible College, I am enclosing a gift of \$..... for the Phase Two building project. Lord willing, it is my intention to give \$..... for the Phase Two development of Oregon Bible College by August, 1970.

Name

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(Mail this coupon to Oregon Bible College Building Fund, Box 231, Oregon, Ill. 61061.)

General Conference Progress

ANNUAL GENERAL CONFERENCE

The Forty-Eighth Annual General Conference is history. About five hundred fifty were registered and one hundred fifty-four served as delegates to the business meetings. Many important decisions were made and we invite you to read the minutes of the business sessions which appear (pp. 3-7) in this issue.

The afternoon and evening messages and the various classes were very inspirational and the fellowship of the conference was outstanding.

Many people are needed to make such a conference a success. Much preliminary planning must be done, committees must be formed and must carry out their duties prior to conference. During the sessions untold numbers of workers perform their duties from time to time, many times behind the scenes, but yet most important. An expression of thanks is in order for each one who had any part, great or small, in this great effort.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The General Conference owes a vote of thanks and commendation to the retiring Board members. The terms of Bro. Robert Huddlestun and Bro. Cecil Smead expired, and Bro. Terry Ferrell had to leave the Board since becoming an employee of the General Conference. Bro. Huddlestun served as Chairman and Bro. Smead as Treasurer the past year.

The following are the new Board of Directors; those marked with an asterisk are newly elected this year: William D. Lawrence*, Phoenix, Arizona, Chairman; Kenneth Vancil, Bushnell, Ill., Vice Chairman; Delbert A. Jones, Pomona, Calif., Secretary; Dwaine Demmitt, Troy, Ohio, Treasurer; Merle A. Patrick, Ashland, Ohio; Dean Urish*, Oregon, Ill.; Vernis Wolfe*, Hammond, La.

These men meet several times a year to carry out the policies and programs set by the Conference delegates and we trust that your prayers will be with them. Their next scheduled meeting will be November 15 and 16, at Oregon, Illinois.

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

During the past three years much study and preliminary work has been done toward the organization of a Church of God Ministers' Voluntary Retirement Association. Sufficient ministers, churches and conferences have now enrolled and the organizational meeting of the association was held during the Annual General Conference on August 6, 1968. Rules and Regulations were adopted

and a Board of Trustees formed. Bro. C. E. Randall, Chairman; Willard Naylor, Vice Chairman; and S. O. Ross, Secretary-Treasurer, make up the Board.

The plan will go into operation October 1, 1968, and any minister or church who is not yet enrolled is urged to come into the plan. For additional information write to the Secretary-Treasurer at Box 231, Oregon, Illinois 61061.

1969 GENERAL CONFERENCE

The Forty-Ninth Annual General Conference will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, July 27 to August 1, 1969. The Youth Camp will follow, August 1 to 7. Some conflicting dates on the Camp's schedule made it necessary to move the conference one week earlier.

STAFF TRAVELS

General Conference and Oregon Bible College Staff members have taken part in services in recent weeks in Dixon, Lombard, Casey, and Salem, Ill.; Pennellwood Mich.; Monroe Center, Wis.; Koszta, Iowa; Troy and Dayton, Ohio.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCES

The fiscal year of the Church of God General Conference ended on September 30, 1968. The Goal for Giving for the year was \$79,215.00, and giving fell short about \$3,000.00 from that figure.

The delegates at the 1968 General Conference voted an even larger budget to carry on the many and increased services of the Conference. The new budget totals \$83,000.00. This amount is needed to carry out the proposed programs of Missions, Publishing, Youth Activities, Oregon Bible College, and the general services of the Conference. About one third of the giving goes directly to mission work to carry out the Great Commission of our Lord.

The Board of Directors and Staff covet your prayers, concern, and support that these goals will be reached that the Lord's work may go forward.

GOAL FOR GIVING

October 1, 1968—September 30, 1969

\$83,000.00

To be given by September 30, 1969 \$83,000.00

Goal for October, \$6,916.00

Evangelism and Missions Progress

"Send the Light"

S. O. Ross



The picture shows Bro. and Sr. Raymond Brown and their children Dennis and Laura, and little foster daughter, Cathy, who has come to live with them. The Brown family has completed a successful year in the mission work at Digby, Nova Scotia. The Maritime Missionary Conference and Bible School was held August 25 to September 1 with excellent assistance from Bro. and Sr. C. E. Lapp of the Eden Valley, Minnesota, Church of God. Members and friends attended from many areas of the Maritime provinces and there is great hope that new work will be started in some of these areas.

The brethren of the Lighthouse Mission Church of God are making plans for the erection of a parsonage on the church site. They have also purchased a former hearse and converted it into a bus to bring in Sunday school children to the services. May the Lord continue to bless in the fine progress of the mission work in Nova Scotia.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The Evangelistic Team has been very active the past few months. Services were held in Cordon in May, and seven were baptized into Christ following the services. The team also visited the new work in Gattaran, where Bro. Rudencio Luzano is now the pastor. After three services, fifteen accepted Christ and were baptized. The brethren at Gattaran have completed a church building and a parsonage for Bro. Luzano and his new bride, the former Benita Inocencio of the Solano Church of God.

The municipal government of Mangandingay has donated a lot to the new Church of God there and a building has been completed and is used jointly for a parsonage and worship services. Bro. Eleodoro Javar is pastor.

Bundles of used clothing have been received recently from Maurertown, Va., and Dayton, Ohio, and Bro. Ortiguero expresses his sincere thanks for this help.

MEXICO

Sr. Rachel Krogh and Sr. Alice Aldrich have returned to Mexico to resume their work with the brethren there. Bro. Dean Moore and his family will continue to live in Texas and will travel to Mexico once each month for ten or twelve days of services and work with the various isolated villages and contacts. Sr. Aldrich is now receiving support from the General Conference and will live with Sr. Krogh in Saltillo.

INDIA

Bro. S. S. Manoah has opened a branch church in Wilson Gardens, a suburb of Bangalore. They have rented a small hall for the services. They do not have any furniture, but the members sit on the floor for services.

Bro. Manoah is training several young men to preach and take active part in the services, and some of these are assisting with the new work, as well as speaking on occasion in the Bangalore church.

NIGERIA

It appears now that we will not have a student from Nigeria at Oregon Bible College this year. Due to the civil strife that continues to rage, it is impossible for Bro. Umunah to get out of the country or to arrange passage. He will continue to assist in rebuilding destroyed and damaged homes and work with his local church.

In the past few months over three hundred have accepted Christ and been immersed into him. Pray for these new children of God as they begin their Christian walk of life.

LEBANON

Bro. Jamal Sunna'a traveled to Izmar, Turkey, and met Bro. Alva Huffer, Sr. Edith Eades, and others, who were on the tour of the Holy Land. This was a blessing to him, as previous to this time the only Church of God people he had met were Bros. S. O. Ross and Merle Patrick on their visit there in 1966, when Bro. Sunna'a was baptized. The work in Lebanon continues to grow. Most missionaries were forced to leave Lebanon after the six-day war in 1967, so there is much opportunity for proclaiming the gospel.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE PROGRESS

Alva G. Huffer, President

COLLEGE BEGINS THIRTIETH YEAR

Oregon Bible College, this month, begins its thirtieth year as an institution of higher education for the Church of God General Conference. It is dedicated to the task of educating young men and women for the high calling of Christian service. Prayers and faithful support by its many friends will enable the College to accomplish its purpose and to experience continued growth in the future.

Orientation and registration for the fall semester were held September 3 and 4. Classes began September 5. Another college year has begun with its many activities.

FALL SEMESTER CURRICULUM

Curriculum for the fall semester includes sixteen courses taught by four instructors.

English I, Bible Geography, Christian Service Orientation, Introduction to Philosophy, Hymnology, and Choir, are courses being taught by Bro. Eugene E. Stilson.

Biblical Introduction, Bible Survey I, Teaching I, Systematic Theology I, and Isaiah, are courses being taught by Bro. Francis E. Burnett.

New Testament I, Ancient History I, Public Speaking I, and Preaching, are being taught by Bro. John R. Lewis.

Missions II is being taught by Bro. Stanley O. Ross, who is Superintendent of Missions.

FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION

President of Oregon Bible College is Alva G. Huffer. He will continue to reside in Tempe, Arizona, where he is pastor of the Tempe Church of God. He is also a student at Arizona State University, completing work on the Ph.D. degree in the Administration of Higher Education. He will be at the College various times during the year and will be teaching the seminar on Archaeology and the Bible in February.

John R. Lewis is Registrar and Director of Admissions. He will handle correspondence and details in relation to student records, registration, and admission. He will preside at faculty meetings when the President is absent.

Eugene E. Stilson is Director of the Christian Service program. He will be in charge of chapel services, and will oversee the special days of prayer and the annual Christian Emphasis Week. He will also coordinate special worship services that the Home Missions Fellowship and Foreign Missions Fellowship may present.

Francis E. Burnett is Dean of Students and in charge of

general student affairs. His office is located in the men's dormitory and he will be available for student counseling. As Dean of Students, Bro. Burnett will be working through the dormitory housemothers. Sr. Edith Eades is in charge of the men's residence; Sr. Elna Ross is in charge of the women's residence.

Stanley O. Ross is Director of Business Affairs for the finances, employees, bookstore, student loans, etc. As Executive Secretary of the Church of God General Conference, he oversees the business of all departments of the General Conference in behalf of the Board of Directors.

CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS WEEK

The annual Christian Emphasis Week will be held October 14-18 at the College. Bro. Warren Sorenson, pastor of the Church of God, Macomb, Illinois, will be guest speaker.

STUDENT OFFICERS SELECTED

Three important student organizations, last May, selected their presiding officers for this college year. Stephen Bolhous was elected president of the Student Council. David Cheatwood was elected chairman of the Home Mission Fellowship. David Hall was elected chairman of the Foreign Mission Fellowship. Joe Duncan was appointed chairman of the Social Committee. David Onderdonk was appointed by the Council to edit *Student Voice*.

STUDENT HANDBOOK REVISED

A new edition of the *Student Handbook* has been prepared under the direction of Bro. Burnett, Dean of Students. The College Staff, meeting several times during General Conference in August, approved the revised edition, which incorporates many suggestions made by the Student Council last May and by members of the Board of Education.

BOOSTER SUPPORT

This year's Booster contributions, as of June 30, totaled \$909.37. Last year's total was \$1,425.00. Oregon Bible College is grateful to all of its Boosters who help to make the College a spiritual success. Booster campaign contributions provide a scholarship for a student, purchase of library books, and many other important projects.

Oregon Bible College is an important department of the Church of God General Conference. Your contributions constitute a vital investment in the future of our young people and in the future of the church.



YOUTH CONFERENCE REPORT

Another successful International Berean Youth Conference was held August 9-15, 1968, at Camp Mack. There was 269 campers and 45 staff members present. The Lord's presence was felt in the camp throughout, and a great inspiration was taken back to the home churches.

The camp theme was "Power Through Prayer." Classes were taught on the following topics: Dynamic Doctrines, Power Through Prayer, Teen Problems, and Understanding Marriage. The night services included: Director's Challenge Night, A Salute to the Southwest (program presented jointly by Americana Youth Caravan and Southwest youth), Berean Bible Quiz Championship, Teen Talent Extravaganza, "Youth in Action" Night (OBC presentation combined with finals of Christian Speech Contest), and Decision Night. We thank the Lord for the fifteen who responded to the invitation to accept Christ on Decision Night and for the thirty or forty who came forward for rededication.

YOUTH AWARDS ANNOUNCED

After an exciting, two-day double elimination tournament, the Minnesota team won the championship of the Berean Bible Quiz Contest on Sunday night of the Youth Conference. The team from Louisiana placed second. The All-Star Quiz Team, selected by the coaches and judges as the best four quizzers, were Ruth Kennedy (Louisiana), Keith Moreland (Arkansas), Donna Weidensall (Northeast), and Shelly Gaspar (Minnesota).

The winner of the boys' divisional championship of the Christian Speech Contest, held on Monday and Tuesday, was Dan Graham, representing Illinois. The girls' divisional winner was Norma Coleman, representing the Northeast Conference. Dan Graham won the overall championship.

The \$175.00 scholarship to Oregon Bible College, which is awarded each year at the Youth Conference on the basis of competitive examinations, was won by Ronald Macy of Oregon, Illinois. Selected as Berean President of the Year was Monte Salzman of Peoria, Illinois.

YOUTH GIVING GOAL SET AT \$10,000!

The youth delegates at this year's Youth Conference have set a giving goal of \$10,000 for the new fiscal year, \$1,500 more than this year's goal of \$8,500. Their enthusiasm was stimulated by the fact that this year's goal, which had been set at last year's camp as an almost "impossible" goal, was again surpassed during Youth Conference, a month and a half ahead of schedule.

BEREAN SCBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN NEXT MONTH

If you don't subscribe to *The Restitution Herald*, get ready to be approached about it, because during the month of November a Berean Subscription Campaign for *The Restitution Herald* will be carried on by all of our youth groups. It will provide for the young people in one project an evangelistic ministry, a fund-raising project, and the enjoyment of competition with other youth groups. For each new (not renewal) subscription sold during November, the group will be allowed to keep 75 cents for their own projects and activities.

When this activity was last held two years ago, there were 235 subscriptions sold and the winning group sold 33 new subscriptions. We should be able to beat that record by a long way this time! If you are a non-subscriber, see one of the Bereans of your church. You will be helping your youth group, as well as yourself.

STATE YOUTH DIRECTORS TO MEET

The state and district youth directors of all conferences of the Church of God have been invited to Oregon, Ill., October 25, 26, for a two-day conference. Every conference is urged to have a representative present and to make plans to reimburse its youth director for his expenses in joining the transportation expense pool which all directors attending are asked to join. The amount of this pool expense is roughly estimated to be \$50.00.

MARANATHA YEARBOOK

Oregon Bible College now has on hand a limited number of Maranatha yearbooks. These books present life at Oregon Bible College in word and picture. Classes, athletic events, student organizations, social functions, and dormitory living, as well as the 1967 and 1968 graduation exercises are all pictured in the Maranatha. We hope that you will purchase a copy of the 1968 Maranatha, for by doing so you will accomplish two things. First of all you will be acquainting yourself with the students, faculty, and daily routine of Oregon Bible College; and, secondly, you will be supporting *your* Bible College. To receive your copy of the 1968 Maranatha simply fill out the coupon below and send it along with your payment of \$2.50 to:

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CHURCH NEWS AND PROGRESS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 11, 13—Percy Bilton lectures at Lombard Community Church of God, Lombard, Ill.
- Oct. 18, 19—Minnesota Adult Retreat on Long Lake, near Eden Valley.
- October 17, 20—Percy Bilton lectures at Church of the Open Bible, Pomona, Calif.
- Oct. 25, 26—Youth Director's Conference at Oregon, Ill.
- Oct. 26, 27—Illinois Fall Conference at Oregon
- October 27, November 3—Percy Bilton lectures at Bible Church of God, Phoenix, Ariz.
- Nov. 3—Church of God Missions Sunday
- Nov. 11-17—Special meetings, Ripley, Ill. Clarence McQuinn, guest speaker.
- November 17-22—Dedication service and Special Meetings, Glad Tidings Church, Fonthill, Ont., Clyde Randall, guest speaker.
- Nov. 22-24—Southwest Conference at Tempe, Ariz.
- July 27-Aug. 1—General Conference
- Aug. 1-7, 1969—Berean Youth Conference

CHURCH OF GOD DIRECTORY

The annual Church of God Directory will appear in the January issue of Progress Journal. Church and conference secretaries, and pastors, should send in corrections and changes for the directory.

COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following persons have successfully completed the twenty-nine lesson Systematic Bible Study Course. Congratulations! Ronnie Joe Writesel, Barbara Loyd, Alice Harvivel, Justine Weidensall, Rose E. Beleher, Jerry Wilkinson, Mrs. Manuel Niday, Mrs. Billie Gallagher, Mary Hale, Billy Joe Wilkinson, Randall Tyler, Mrs. Randall Tyler, Gerald L. Writesel, Mrs. Herman Bent, Miss Suellen Corwin, Albert Befu (Ghana), and Imoh A. Imoh (Nigeria).

NAMES OF SERVICEMEN

A Military Personnel Committee has been appointed by the Board of Directors in keeping with a motion passed at the 1967 General Conference. Chairman of the Committee is Charles Jones, 7475 Country Lane, Chargin Falls, Ohio 44022.

The committee must first compile a list of all Church of God servicemen. Will church secretaries, or pastors, or parents, please send the names of men in service to Bro. Jones as soon as possible? The committee can then furnish the names to local churches desiring to carry out special projects of any kind for the servicemen.

NOVEMBER IS MISSIONS MONTH

Each year the month of November is observed as Missions Month. Each church is asked to set aside one Sunday of the month to especially emphasize missions. The first Sunday of November, which is November 3 this year, is generally considered to be Missions Sunday throughout the Church of God. Pray for the progress of missions and for an inspiring Missions Sunday in each church.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Pastor Leon Driskill is now pastoring the Brush Creek Church of God, near Tipp City, Ohio.

Pastor John Denchfield is presently serving the Pennellwood Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Pastor Roger Denchfield has accepted the pastoral work at the Koszta Church, in Iowa.

Michael Hale will continue his studies at Oregon Bible College and serve the Church of God at New Lenox, Ill.

ALTERNATE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Bro. Dwaine Demmitt, 855 S. State Rt. 202, Troy, Ohio 45373, is the General Conference's Alternate Service representative. Letters should be sent directly to him for answers to questions or advice.

Copies of the "Resolution" adopted by the General Conference, August 17, 1922, pertaining to military service, are available from the General Conference offices upon request.

LECTURES BY PERCY BILTON

Mr. Percy Bilton, noted British industrialist from London, England, will be visiting the United States this fall and will present lectures at three Churches of God. His schedule is:

Lombard, Ill.—October 11, 7:30 p.m. and October 13, 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Pomona, Calif.—October 17 and 20.

Phoenix, Ariz.—October 27 and November 3.

A cordial invitation is extended to anyone who is within driving distance of these locations to attend these meetings, and hear the timely messages that Mr. Bilton will present. Lee McQuinn, pastor.

ADULT RETREAT PLANNED IN MINNESOTA

The annual fall retreat for adults will be held at Long Lake Campground, near Eden Valley, Minn., Oct. 18 and 19, 1968. The theme, "The Christ-centered Life." The retreat is for all interested adults, not just those from Minnesota. For particulars contact, Pastor Jim Mickey, 502 E. Second St., Litchfield, Minn.

VALLEY CHURCH BEGINS SERVICES

The Valley Church of God, Van Nuys, Calif., began Sunday services September 8, 1968, at the Mid Valley YMCA, 6901 Lennox Ave., Van Nuys. Bible classes have been conducted throughout the summer.

The Valley Church serves West Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley and invites any persons who find this the nearest Church of God to worship and serve with us.

Harold Doan, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT FAITH CHAPEL Lafayette, Indiana

On March 17, 1968, Tim New was immersed in the waters of baptism in the saving name of Christ.

On April 28, Erma Ryan and Laura Allspaw were accepted into membership at Faith Chapel by transfer.

On June 2, Jack Allspaw was immersed in the waters of baptism in the name of Christ Jesus.

On July 7, Audra Kembel was immersed in the waters of baptism in the saving name of Christ.

We praise the Lord for the step these persons have taken. May they find peace and joy in their new walk of life.

These baptisms were performed by Pastor Russell Magaw. Georgia Richards, secretary.

BAPTISMS AT CAMP BRADFORD

At the Arkansas State Camp, July 8-14, ten young people responded to the invitation to accept Christ as their Saviour. Six of them were baptized immediately following the Saturday night service. They were: Ben Lewis, Ralph White, Ernie White, Dickey White, Joyce Daniels, and Carolyn Whitt. The other four were immersed into Christ Sunday morning following a Rally Day message. They were: JoAnn McGinty, Janet Kettell, Billy Mathews, and Stephen Cain. Mike Hale, Paul Shaw, and Don Needham assisted these young people in putting on Christ. May the Lord guide them as they seek to serve him faithfully.

Don Needham, camp director.

BAPTISMS AT LITCHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Steve Ruhn and Martin Ray Wegner were baptized into the body of Jesus Christ on April 28, 1968, at the Minnesota Long Lake Campgrounds by Brother Lowell Wegner.

Mark Wood was immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins on June 30, 1968, at Long Lake Camp.

Miss Gaye Wood came forward to put on Jesus Christ, along with three other young people at Minnesota's Senior Berean Camp. She was baptized for the remission of sins on July 21, 1968, at Long Lake Camp.

We pray the Lord's blessing on these young people as they begin a lifetime of faithful and fruitful service for the Lord.

Jim Mickey, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT DAYTON, OHIO

On May 26, 1968, we were privileged to baptize into Christ three young people: Anita Mayberry, Ellen Sandoe, and Steve Weaver. Then, on July 14, we baptized five into Christ, Kenny Cook, Ben Cook, Paul Weaver, Christina Giselsbreth, and Vicki Cook. We all rejoice over these new members of the body of Christ. We pray that they may remain faithful until the coming of our wonderful Lord. Kent Ross, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT SAN JOSE

On July 7, 1968, the members of the church at San Jose, Calif., witnessed the baptism of Dennis Chang and Duane Miller. We pray that these two boys will serve Christ faithfully and be ready for his second return.

Don Hightower, pastor.

BAPTISMS IN CALIFORNIA

On June 30, 1968, it was our privilege to baptize Judy, Mike, and Danny McCaslin and Debbie and Tom Simi in the saving name of Jesus Christ. These five young people made their decisions known at the Southwest Youth Camp, where eleven other young people also accepted Christ. We pray for God's blessing on these new members of the body of Christ.

Harold Doan, pastor
Valley Church of God

BAPTISM AT GENERAL CONFERENCE

Michal Burnett, youngest daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Francis E. Burnett, made her decision for Christ during General Conference. She was baptized in Lake Waubesa at Camp Mack on August 9, by her father. May God richly bless her as she lives for him.

BAPTISM AT NEW LENOX, ILLINOIS

It was our privilege to baptize Dennis Driskill into the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, near New Lenox, Ill., on August 18, 1968. Dennis made his decision to follow the admonition of Christ at the Youth Conference at Camp Mack.

Leon Driskill, pastor.

BAPTISM AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Wayne Simser, having confessed his faith in Christ at the Southwest Youth Camp, was baptized June 30, 1968. That God will fill him with his Spirit and lead him into all truth and help him grow up "unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ" is our prayer.

Hollis Partlowe, pastor.

BAPTISM AT OREGON, ILLINOIS

On April 22, 1968, David Onderdonk of Euclid, Ohio, and a student of Oregon Bible College, was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sin by the writer. We praise the Lord for this step that David has taken and we pray that this might truly be the beginning of a new walk of life for him. We pray that God will continue to lead him to prepare for greater fields of service in the Lord's vineyard.

C. F. Pryor, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT CAMP MACK

Two of our young people, David Kastner and Joe Graham, responded to the call of Christian discipleship at the International Berean Youth Conference, and were baptized in Lake Waubesa at Camp Mack on the closing day of Youth Conference, August 15, 1968, by the writer.

Ernest E. Graham, pastor.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, CHURCH OF GOD Philadelphian Chapel

Baptized into the body of Christ by Pastor Carl F. Roth on July 14, 1968, were Gladys Huffman, Marlene Kirk, James Kirk, Clara Neville, and William Joseph Bias. May God bless them all as they walk with Christ.

Cathy Schmidt, reporter.

BAPTISM IN VIRGINIA

We are happy to announce that Mrs. R. H. Payne, 809 Vassar Rd., Alexandria, Va. 22314, was baptized at Front Royal, Va., on September 3, 1968. Sr. Payne (Peggy) is the sister of Bro. Wm. Hicks of Front Royal, and has long contemplated this step in obedience to her Lord and Saviour. May God richly bless this decision.

Cecil Smead, pastor.

BAPTISM AT ELDORADO, ILLINOIS

We are pleased to welcome Charles W. Collins, Equality, Ill., into the body of Christ and the fellowship of the Restitution Church of God at Eldorado. He was baptized by the writer near Eldorado September 15, 1968. Bill has attended the church for over two years, and is active while at home, but presently he is on leave before active duty in Vietnam.

Edward Bender, pastor.

BAPTISM AT L'ANSE, MICHIGAN

On Decision Night at Berean Youth Conference, Gary Hermanson answered the invitation to accept Christ. Sunday afternoon, August 18, 1968, he was immersed in the saving name of Jesus. We praise the Lord for this step Gary has taken, and ask the Lord's richest blessing to be upon him.

Mary L. Vadnais, pastor.

BAPTISM AT TROY, OHIO

On September 8, 1968, Lynda Smith was baptized into Christ for the remission of her sins. Lynda made her decision to accept Christ as her personal Saviour at the Berean Youth Conference. We pray God's rich blessings may abide on Lynda as she continues to follow her Saviour.

Scott Ross, pastor.

GARDEN PARK CHURCH Grand Rapids, Michigan

The work of the church has progressed along routine lines, yet has been interesting and inspiring. It was a privilege to have Bro. S. S. Manoah speak for us on April 13, 1968. I am sure he helped each one of us to appreciate the true value of worship and the great freedom of worship that we have in our land.

A successful vacation Bible school was held during the week of June 24-30. It was held at night. It was a family Bible school and there were classes for young people and adults. There were children from eighteen homes that had not been in the church before. Some have been attending Sunday school since that time. We are thankful to brethren from the Pennellwood and Southlawn churches who helped with the teaching and carrying on of the Bible school.

In the spring, it was decided by the church board to promote a project to pay for the lot (2½ acres) which the church is buying. It will be on this accessible and well-located property that the new church will be built in the future. A committee composed of Bros. Gordon Williams, Don Jones, and Charles Knapp met and discussed such promotion. So this project is now operating. It was found that a plot of land 10 ft. by 10 ft. was costing approximately \$4.00. Therefore, anyone who wants to purchase one or more plots will receive a deed to the land that is purchased. Of course the deed will be non-negotiable, non-redeemable until the Kingdom. The lot is more than half paid for, but there remains about \$2,000.00, or a little more, that is due.

Recent improvements have been made in two classrooms (which included carpeting), a fan on wheels, and combination storm doors. This was done through a mutual friend of the church. Also added were three tables with formica tops and folding legs. We are grateful to those who take so much interest in the Lord's work.

It was a joy to work with the brethren of this church and to live in Grand Rapids for two years. We gained many new friends and renewed old acquaintances. Bro. David Krogh, 1968 graduate of O.B.C., is now pastor. The church will continue to go forward under his leadership and the blessing of God.

Francis E. Burnett, pastor.

BAPTISM AT DAYTON, OHIO

On September 15, 1968, this writer was privileged to assist David Brooks in putting on Christ and entering the Lord's family. We pray that the Lord may be with David as he begins his walk in the Lord.

Kent Ross, pastor.

BAPTISMS AT MACOMB, ILLINOIS

We are happy to report that three young people from the Macomb Church of God were baptized into the saving name of Jesus, on July 7, 1968. Those baptized were: Diana Potts, Kim McCullough, and Kay Vanceil. We pray God's richest blessing upon them in their Christian life of service.

R. Warren Sorenson, pastor.

BAPTISM AT TWIN LAKES CHURCH Little Rock, Arkansas

At the close of the morning worship service on June 9, 1968, Roy Duncan came forward seeking to be baptized into the body of Christ. After repenting of his sins, Roy was immersed immediately following the service at a nearby lake. We welcome Bro. Duncan into the household of faith.

Don Needham, pastor.

MINNESOTA STATE CONFERENCE

The Ninety-Fourth Conference of the Minnesota Churches of God convened at the Long Lake Campgrounds, June 6-9, 1968, with Bro. John Denchfield as guest speaker. Theme of the conference was "More About Jesus," with that song as a basis for sermons and classes. Minneapolis was host church and, as each state church is responsible for a building, their work was done previous to the meetings to have everything in readiness. The camp had been broken into in the winter and so some dishes, all of the tableware, and a power mower were stolen. The dishes and silver have been replaced, and a used riding mower is being overhauled. In the meantime, it takes many willing hands and borrowed mowers to get the grounds in shape.

The question of private cottages being built on the mainland was discussed at length, but was tabled until such a time as the members are ready to vote.

Carroll Bennett presented plans for a chapel to be built from materials that are stored on the island. The vote was tabled to the end of the business meeting and everyone adjourned to view two sites in question. The resulting vote was to place the chapel on the hill.

The result of the election was the return to office of Norvald Sogge as president and Lowell Wegner as treasurer.

It was decided to set up a schedule to provide services once a month at Little Rock. It was good to have the Graytown church represented by Mrs. Maynard Van Blaricom and son, and to know their church is served by the Kirkpatrickes.

The Junior Camp was in session July 7-13, with Bro. and Sr. Richard Dick in charge, assisted by Bro. and Sr. David Hall of Oregon, Ill., and Bro. Harry Sheets of Hector, Minn. Senior Camp enrollment was on July 14 with Bro. and Sr. Jim Mickey in charge, and Bro. Linford Moore of Iowa, and Bro. C. E. Lapp of Eden Valley assisting.

We are thankful to our Lord that we may continue these activities and pray that our religious freedom may continue until his return. May each member work with renewed vigor to show our gratitude and to be ready for his coming. May we not fulfill the prophecy of a "falling away" by our negligence of attendance and service for our King.

Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, secy.

TEXAS CONFERENCE REPORT

The Texas Conference session began on Thursday evening, June 13, 1968, at Gatesville, with Bro. Vernis Wolfe, of Hammond, La., as guest speaker. He preached each evening and on Sunday morning. The messages were timely and thought-provoking. He stated: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Where are we going? How are we going to get there? Salvation! How is it obtained? When?"

During the day Bible classes were held for all ages. Bros. James Fyfe, Dean Moore, Harry Gockler, and John Hayse led the adult classes. Srs. Dorothy McCorkle and Tom Zirkleback taught the children's classes.

Mark and Steve Wilson, brothers, were baptized by Bro. James Fyfe after the Sunday morning services.

On Sunday afternoon the business meeting was held. Reports were given by various ones. Bro. Ruel Robbins reported on the work in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area; ladies in Gatesville said they had written isolated members.

Bro. Duane Helweg thanked the Conference for the aid at O.B.C. The Conference voted to pay \$50.00 of his tuition if he returns in the fall.

Thanks were extended for the hospitality of the local people in hosting the Conference.

The same officers were reelected.

Mrs. John Hayse, secy.

FAITH CHAPEL, PEORIA, ILLINOIS

On August 28, 1968, Faith Chapel broke three all-time attendance records for the Wednesday night meeting. We had 21 senior Bereans, and ten for adult Bible study and prayer, for a total of 57 present. We were all happy about this, and pray that many more will come out to study God's Word with us.

Marg Schlupp, sec'y.

CENTRAL HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE

The eighty-second annual meeting of the Central High Plains Conference convened at Holbrook, Neb., August 14-18, 1968.

On Wednesday evening the welcome was given by conference president Bro. Clyde Long. Our opening message was given by our guest speaker, Pastor Jesse Pestle of Columbia Station, Ohio.

Classes were held all morning for adults and children, with one sermon each morning and one each evening.

The theme of the conference was "Now Is the Time," and the speakers followed this thought in all lessons and sermons. Pastor Pestle's lesson topics were "Understanding the Last Days" and "Works for the Lord." Pastor Long had as his topic "Watch and Be Ready." Pastor James Rencontre's topic was "To Warn the People." Pastor Arlen Rankin had as his topic "Witness and Win Souls."

Sr. Gladys Stedman and Sr. Muriel Harbert of Moorefield conducted a Bible school during our conference. The children gave a nice program on Saturday afternoon.

The annual business meeting was held Saturday afternoon. Lila Gardner, Cambridge, was elected treasurer; Otto Stinnette was elected member at large, each for a three-year term. Other officers are Ruth Wilson, Danbury, secretary; Clyde Long, Holbrook, president; and May Cross, Moorefield, vice president. It was decided that we continue tithing to General Conference and continue the scholarship fund.

Our thanks go to all who helped to make the 1968 conference a success. This conference, with the inspiring sermons, interesting and informative lessons, was a joy and spiritual inspiration to all who attended.

Ruth Wilson, secretary.

HARRY L. BARNETT

Funeral services were held on August 19, 1968, for Harry L. Barnett, who died at Cambridge, Neb., August 16, at the age of 81.

As a young man he was baptized by Bro. Almus Adams, and was a faithful member of the Church of God at Holbrook, Neb.

In 1907 he was married to Nellie Meyerhoeffer, and to this union two children were born, Harold of Holbrook, and Leona B. Madden, who preceded him in death. In 1944 he was married to Clara Christianson.

He is survived by his widow, his son, nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, two sisters, and nieces and nephews. Interment was in the Holbrook cemetery.

James Rencontre, pastor.

JENNIE S. CRONBAUGH

Jennie Mae Schroeder was born in Iowa County, Iowa, on May 6, 1890. She was united in marriage to Bert Cronbaugh on November 23, 1909. To them were born five sons and a daughter. Her greatest interest outside the home was the Church of God of the Koszta community. On a confession of her faith she was buried in baptism into Christ in 1917.

On December 24, 1966, she fell in her home and fractured a hip. From this and a heart attack she never fully recovered. She died June 21, 1968.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a son, Dale. She is survived by her sons, Louis, Harley, Dean, and Milton; her daughter, Mrs. Wilma Dalmage; a sister; 22 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in Belle Plaine, Iowa, on June 24, conducted by the writer. She was laid to rest in the Koszta cemetery, awaiting the resurrection.

Gordon Smith, pastor.

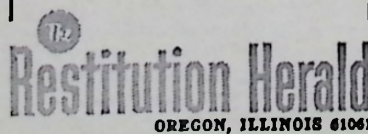
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ETERNAL HOPE CHURCH OF GOD Herndon, Virginia

The dedication services of Eternal Hope Church of God were held on May 17-19, 1968. Bro. James Mattison, pastor of the Maurertown and Fort Valley Churches, was guest speaker. Topics discussed by Bro. Mattison were "Fundamentals of the Bible," "Prophecy of Our Day," and "Except the Lord Build the House."

The official dedication services were held on Sunday afternoon with more than one hundred in attendance. We enjoyed the special music by Donna and James Powell. "Bless This House." Sr. Ella Boyer had prepared a history of the Church of God work in the Washington area. It was enlightening to hear of the past work of our Christian brothers and sisters. Bro. Cecil Smead offered comments and encouragement on behalf of the General Conference. Pastor Joseph Fletcher led the dedication of the church, its contents, and membership.

We wish to thank all who contributed to our church through prayer and offerings. We ask for your continued prayers for the success of the Lord's work in our area as we face the trials of our age together.

Carolyn P. Kohn, Cor. Secy.

APPLEBY-TYLER

LeAnn Appleby, widely known in National Berean circles and active in every phase of her church, became the life's companion of Stephen Tyler in a double ring ceremony in the Omaha Church on August 23, 1968. Relatives and friends shared in the impressive candlelight service, which was followed by a reception in the social hall. The young couple will live in Kansas, where Steve will continue his studies at the university.

Clyde E. Randall, pastor.

HOWARD H. HAWKINS

Howard H. Hawkins, fell asleep in Christ suddenly on June 19, 1968. Funeral services were conducted by Bro. J. Arlen Marsh on June 21 at Cleveland, Ohio, where interment was made.

He was born July 25, 1883, the son of Reuben and Agnes Hawkins. He was baptized into the faith November 9, 1913. Bro. Hawkins was a member of Golden Rule Church in Cleveland, Ohio, for forty years where he served faithfully as moderator and elder. He had contributed many articles to The Restitution Herald.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, and two daughters, Mrs. Albert H. Weed (Doris) and Mrs. Ellsworth A. Frederick (Eunice), two brothers, and a sister.

He rests in sleep until the day of resurrection when our Lord will return to raise him to life eternal.

Mrs. Ellsworth A. Frederick.

CHARLES W. LAPP

Charles W. Lapp, age 70 years, died July 17, 1968, in a Grandview, Wash. nursing home after an extended illness.

He was born December 26, 1897, in Moorefield, Neb. In 1927 he and Miss Beatrice Cable were united in marriage.

He was baptized at Felida, Wash., at 2 years of age, and was faithful to the Lord to his death.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Curtis Lapp of Seattle; two brothers, C. E. Lapp of Eden Valley, Minn., and Paul D. Lapp of Van Nuys, Calif.; a sister, Miss M. Lapp of Sunnyside, Wash.; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held July 20, with the writer in charge, and assisted by Pastor James Rankin of Cashmere. Interment was at Sunnyside, Wash.

C. E. Lapp

EDEN VALLEY, MINNESOTA

The church activities have continued progressively and we are grateful for the consecration and dedication of Bro. and Sr. E. Lapp. The senior and junior choirs add much to our services and the church appreciates the efforts of Sr. Lapp in directing them. At a recent service the members of the junior choir were presented with matquettes of famous musicians for their attendance; many with perfect and near-perfect attendance.

The annual business meeting was held April 4, 1968, with the regular business and reports from individual departments. The results of the election of officers were: Elder, Ivan Mills; trustee, Dick Coulter; deacon, Guy Mills; secretary, Bety Coulter; treasurer, Norvald Sogge; organist, Louise Lapp; reporter, Larry Gaspar; and deaconesses, Ruth Hoskins and Delores Sogge.

Release-time classes from the public school were taught each Friday morning of the school term by Bro. and Sr. Lapp, Lilian Mills and Blanche Brossard.

The Ladies Aid has continued its regular activities of providing the cleaning services for the church, monthly meetings in the social room, serving at various social functions, and providing assistance at funerals. The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Russell Parks was observed in March and the wedding of Myrna Mills and Russell Rankin in June. Their shower was given by friends and relatives on May 26, as were the showers of Janet Martin and Lowell Tritabaugh, and of Merry Gaspar and Keith Barry. All the churches were invited to a musical concert by Martha and Richard Dick in May.

The Bereans attend youth retreats at the campgrounds in spring and fall and have recently been busy working as a quiz team under the direction of June Kirkpatrick. They put in many hours this spring raking lawns for a contribution to the Coins-for-Christ Crusade.

Vacation Bible school was held the week of June 24 under the direction of Delores Sogge, with over fifty in attendance. The Litchfield church participated also and there was a program on Sunday evening, June 30. Mrs. Elmo Gaspar, reporter.

JONES-STRUM

On August 17, 1968, Miss Marilyn Jones became the bride of Warren Strum. The double ring ceremony was performed at the Lombard Community Church of God by the writer. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milo (Jim) Jones of Lombard, Ill., and is a member of the Lombard Church.

We pray God's richest blessing on this young couple as they begin their married life. Lee McQuinn, pastor.

McDANIEL-COLLINS

Connie Lynn McDaniel and Charles William Collins were united in marriage September 16, 1968, in Hillside Morning Star Church of God, Niles, Mich. The writer officiated at the wedding ceremony. The couple is now residing at Rt. 1, Equality, Ill. October 2 Bill leaves for active duty in Vietnam. Edward Bender, pastor.

HALLORAN-McEWEN

On July 12, 1968, the Jaynes Street Community Church, Omaha, Neb., was the scene of the wedding of Karen Rasp Halloran and Kenneth McEwen. Following the double ring ceremony, read by the pastor, the newweds hosted their friends to a reception held in the church social hall, where the best wishes of all were extended to the couple on their life's venture. Clyde E. Randall, pastor.

KRINGELIS-ZBINDEN

Miss Daina Kringelis of Rockford, Ill., and Mr. Fred Zbinden of Dixon, Ill., were united in marriage by the writer at the Dixon Church of God on August 10, 1968. They will make their home in Dixon. We wish them true and lasting happiness. Ernest E. Graham, pastor.

FLORA HARRIS

Flora Harris fell asleep in Christ on June 29, 1968, in Litchfield, Minn. She was born in 1886 in Grant County, S.D., and is survived by five children. Sr. Harris has served the Lord faithfully for many years and awaits her Master's call in the Kimball Cemetery. Jim Mickey, pastor.

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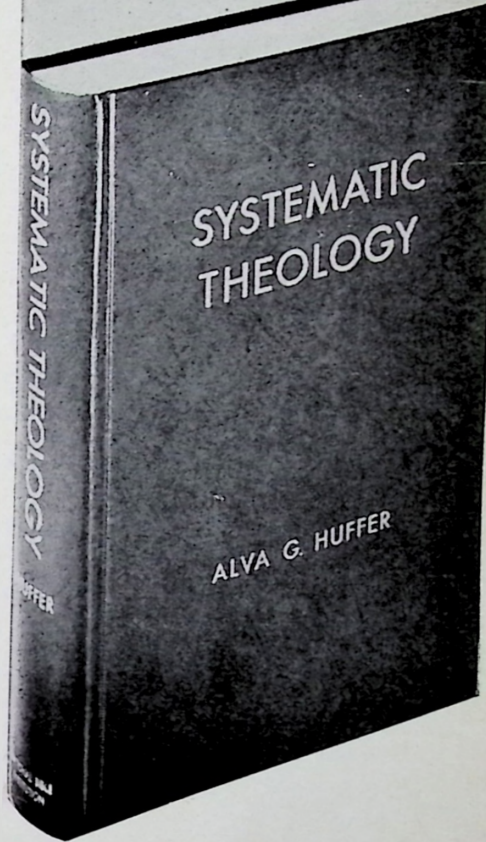
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NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL

Tiburon, California

We are happy to announce a new Church of God Sunday school, located in Tiburon, Calif., approximately ten miles north of San Francisco.

We have three classes: adult, junior, and beginners. We also have a junior girls choir. Mr. John Mock is Sunday school superintendent and adult teacher.

Our many thanks go to the San Jose Church for their donations, to pastors John Denchfield and Don Hightower for their faithful assistance to our group, and to my husband, James Wright, for the beautiful new piano.

We ask your prayers as we move forward in this effort. Jean Wright, sec'y.

FAITH CHAPEL

Lafayette, Indiana

Faith Chapel Church of God hosted its first state conference April 20, with 86 in attendance. Our guest speaker, Bro. Z. B. Duncan, delivered an inspiring sermon. A bountiful meal was served at the Indiana Gas building downtown, where also the afternoon business meeting was conducted. It was a rewarding day!

Remodeling in the back of the church is completed. The men's fellowship group is to be commended. They meet the third Saturday of each month for breakfast and a business meeting and a work day at the church. Lawrence Kemble has made and donated two classroom tables. The Berean youth fellowship meets each

week. They recently went to Hedrick for an afternoon service. The proceeds from a car wash are to be used to help them go to national camp.

The Lydias held a garage sale to help buy a piano for the church. We are having a rummage sale in September.

The last Sunday of each month we have a "Koffee Klatch" at the close of the evening service. This has stimulated much interest and a good time of Christian fellowship.

We have nearly completed our church constitution on which much time and research have been spent.

We have five new members.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayers and monetary gifts to Faith Chapel. They have been deeply appreciated. Georgia Richards, sec'y.

CONTRIBUTORS IN JULY AND AUGUST

Contributions from these people made possible the continuation of the work of the Church of God General Conference. Missions, Oregon Bible College, publishing, Sunday school and Berean Youth Fellowship programs are supported by your gifts. We appreciate these offerings.

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