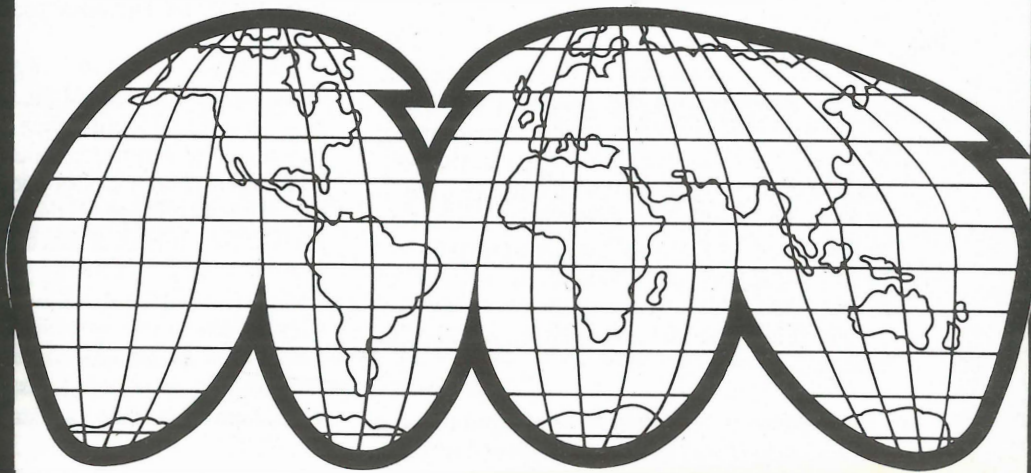


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BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Board of Directors met in Oregon, Illinois, October 28 and 29. The primary issue under consideration was the restructuring, revitalization, and relocation of the Church of God General Conference/Oregon Bible College.

It was reported in a special News Update mailed to the membership in September that Oregon Bible College had been contacted regarding the possible sale of buildings. "Responsible Peer Programs, Inc." of Rockford, Illinois, expressed an interest in the Men's Dormitory and the college Administration Building.

No offers have been received on these properties.

However, this interest in college properties, poses a dilemma for the Board of Directors. Though the Board has constitutional authority to acquire and dispose of property, they are committed to working in harmony with our entire membership. The interest in the properties was not anticipated and it was not solicited. Our Board seeks to gain the support of each of you as members of the Church, while at the same time providing responsible leadership as we chart a course for the future.

Our membership needs to be assured that our Board does not take lightly the responsibility that has been placed upon it to provide leadership for our association of churches. The Board desires to be submissive to God's leading while at the same time being sensitive to the various needs and desires of our membership.

The Board, Higher Education Advisory Committee, and staff continue the process of assembling specific proposals regarding future programs and activities of the Conference/College. Our vision is to see existing churches revitalized and many new churches started. Our Conference/College seeks to be effective in meeting these needs in the Church of God.

The Board continues to be convicted that relocation of our Conference/College is an integral part of our vision for the future. Relocation to a

growing metropolitan area will:

- * provide opportunities for Oregon Bible College student participation in practical on-the-job training in evangelism, disciple making, and church planting. These experiences will equip future leaders to effectively serve existing churches and new churches.

- * provide additional educational opportunities for our students in a community college or university. Students enrolled at Oregon Bible College will be able to secure general education courses from a neighboring institution, permitting Oregon Bible College to focus on Bible and Theology and Ministry studies.

Our Board and staff solicit earnest prayer of the membership on behalf of the work of the Church of God General Conference and Oregon Bible College. These are momentous times in which we live and the Church of God faces important issues regarding its ministry in the years to come, if the Lord tarries. It is clear that our sufficiency is not in ourselves, but in Christ. "Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Cor. 12:9b, 10, NIV).

Our Board appreciates the communication received from the membership and we welcome all input regarding the future of our movement. The future of your local church is intertwined with the future of our General Conference and Oregon Bible College. We are partners together in this ministry, and your suggestions and comments are respected by the Board of Directors. It is our hope that you will communicate by phone, letter, or in person to any member of the staff or the Board regarding the vital issues that face the Church of God today.

May God's leadership and blessings be with the Church of God as we seek to better serve him and his Son.

—Joe E. James.

PRESIDENT'S PROGRESS REPORT

The 1989 General Conference will be held July 31-August 4, at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois. Our 1986 General Conference was held at these same facilities.

The 1989 Conference will be extremely significant:

- We will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Oregon Bible College.
- We expect to have a victory celebration in recognition of the completion of our campaign to raise 1 million dollars for the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation.
- Important decisions will be made regarding the future of the Church of God.

For nearly six months, a special Oregon Bible College anniversary committee has been working on a program. The committee consists of Rachel Carr; former Oregon Bible College President, Dr. Alva Huffer; and Marg Overmyer. Staff members Judy Myers, Dale Ramsey, and Kent Ross will be working with me to coordinate the program.

The entire Church of God membership, especially members of the Alumni Association of Oregon Bible College, and members who have given to the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation, are urged to attend this historic Conference.

Western Illinois University is located in the beautiful farm lands of the Midwest. The Macomb and Ripley congregations are close to our Conference location. The meals and facilities are excellent at the University. Additional information regarding costs will be available after the first of the year.

The staff and students of Oregon Bible College and advisory committee members have traveled extensively this fall visiting local churches and state conferences. They have been involved in retreats, seminars, prospect calling, sermons, and question and answer periods. Our desire is to help local churches in their education, nurturing, and outreach ministries. We wish to encourage pastors and lay members, recruit students for Oregon Bible College, and communicate our vision for the future. We deeply appreciate the invitations we have received to be involved in these many types of ministries and we appreciate the hospitality that has been extended in every area.

The Board of Directors met in Oregon, Illinois, October 28 and 29. In addition to the item reviewed on page 2 by NOVEMBER/DECEMBER/1988

chairman Joe James, the Board reviewed and approved the audit report of the 1987-88 fiscal year. A summary of this report will be included in the annual giving report which is mailed to the entire membership in January. The Board also received updates on the work of the Conference and College. The Board will meet again January 5-7 to focus on long range planning. The Board welcomes suggestions and comments from the membership and appreciates prayer support for its meetings.

Over the years, a file has been maintained at the General Conference listing the names of individuals who have an interest in working for the General Conference or Oregon Bible College at some point in the future. We are glad to hear from those who have an interest in the possibility of working on the General Conference staff. It requires individuals with many different skills to successfully carry out our ministries here. We are interested in hearing from those who have skills in teaching, administration, journalism, publishing, book-keeping, secretarial, outreach, and public relations. If you have an interest in any of these areas or others, please write to David Krogh, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061, giving a resume and the kind of work you would be interested in doing. Or if you know someone who has skills in these areas who you think might be interested, please send their names to me. When needs arise, we will then have a source of potential candidates to pursue.

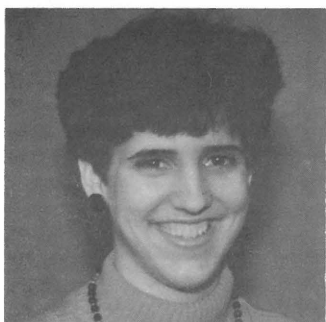
Over the past several years we have made known to the membership of the Church of God the need for reliable vehicles for staff, gospel teams, and chorale travel. There is an ongoing need for vehicles ranging in size from small compacts to station wagons and vans. If you are considering trading in your vehicle on a new model, why not give the trade-in to the General Conference for use in its ministries? You will receive a tax deductible receipt for its fair market value and our hearty thanks. In addition you will gain the satisfaction of knowing you are having a vital part in the Lord's work. If you are interested in giving your trade-in to the Conference, please contact controller, Bill Burnham, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061; telephone 815-732-7991.

November 16-26 marks the 100th anniversary of the first effort to organize the Church of God General Conference. This conference was held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. We are deeply grateful to our early leaders who gave unselfishly of their time and energy on behalf of the gospel. Their sincere dedication and bold initiatives have brought us to this place in the history of the Church of God General Conference. Their example is an inspiration to all of us who love truth and righteousness.

—David Krogh.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE

NEW STUDENTS



Marcee Bolhous

HI, MY NAME is Marcee Bolhous and I'm from Fonthill, Ontario, Canada. I've been here at OBC for a few weeks now and so far I really enjoy it. I came to OBC for two reasons. The first one is to learn more about the Bible and how it can help me. The second is for me to start my independent life with a good foundation. So far it's working!

HOWDY! I'M FROM Arkansas. My name is Amy K. Chandler. In the beginning my only reason for coming to OBC was to prepare me for the real world. In the time that I have been here I have realized that God does have plans for my life and that my coming here was really because he wanted me here.

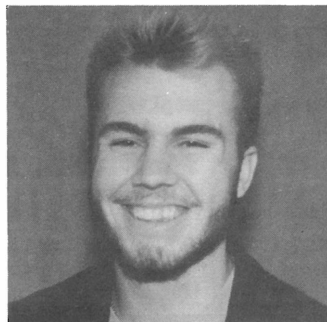


Amy Chandler

I have made many true friends and have found a great love and devotion in the students and faculty that I never thought could be in a college.

I am glad to be here and I'm proud to be a Rebel! (Just carrying on the tradition.)

HEY DUDES! I'm Tim Eldred from the North Kent Bible Church in Rockford, Michigan. I'm surviving OBC so far. I plan on attending OBC for at least two years, maybe four, if things go all right. The people here are great! I'm looking for God's direction in my life and I know that he'll make it known to me.

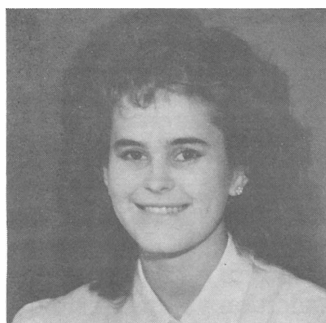


Tim Eldred



Debby Fyfe

HI! MY NAME is Debby Fyfe. I am from Grand Rapids, Michigan, where I attend the North Kent Bible Church. I came to OBC with the intent of staying one year to gain a greater understanding of the Bible and also to experience Christian friendships and fellowship.



Lisa Gainey

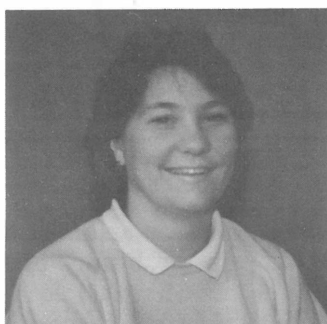
HOW Y'ALL doin'? I'm Lisa Gainey from the Blood River Church of God in Louisiana. I had been debating on whether or not to attend OBC for a couple of years. I'm glad I made the decision to attend. OBC has been such an uplifting experience for me. Through OBC I hope to establish a firm Biblical foundation for my future.

HI! MY NAME is Lori Gallagher. I am from Troy, Ohio. I attend the Troy View Church of God. I have gone to church all my life, but I feel like there are some things I still need to learn. I decided to come to OBC to find out what these things are. OBC is a great place to come to learn and to meet new friends.

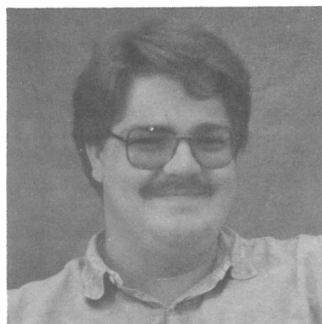


Lori Gallagher

HI, MY NAME is Cheri Hansen from Coon Rapids, Minnesota. I came here to OBC to straighten some things out in my life. I am glad to be around people that are so good and try to help you out when you need it.



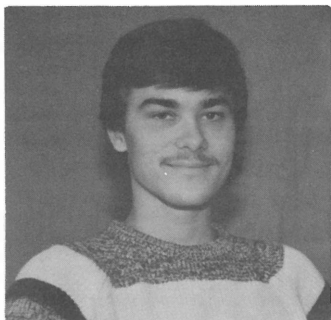
Cheri Hansen



Mike Harrolle

HI! MY NAME is Mike Harrolle. I am a freshman at OBC. I traveled a great distance to come here (two and one-half miles). I live just outside of Oregon and have for most of my life. My main reason for coming to OBC is to learn more about what God has to say to me. Isn't that everyone's?

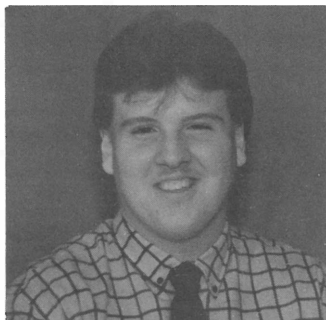
HI, MY NAME is Dan Kennedy and I attend the Blood River Church of God in Springfield, Louisiana. I came to OBC to get a more in-depth look at the Bible. It has been a great experience for me so far. I'm really enjoying it.



Dan Kennedy

HELLO! MY NAME is Mike Holsinger and I come from Wyoming, Michigan. I attend Garden Park Church of God in Kentwood, Michigan.

I was debating for a few years whether or not to attend OBC, but it was at Youth Congress '87 I decided to go for a year. It was as if the Lord said, "Mike, you're going!" So, here I am! I'm really glad I came because I'm learning much about the Bible and all it contains. I'm also getting better acquainted with our doctrine. Being in a Christian atmosphere with Christian friends makes it even better. I encourage anyone thinking about attending to go—it will be a great experience!



Mike Holsinger



Al Merrillat

CONSIDER ABRAHAM, though the majority of his life remains a mystery, when he did hear and understand that God was speaking to him, he received the "promise" because he believed God and responded by taking

appropriate action for the specific calling.

I have come to OBC because God has called me to be part of a new era in Church of God history, an era that will see greater acceptance of the truths we hold so dear; an era of dedicated dynamic leadership, which will make our churches greater servants to their communities and to God; an era in which we will be making disciples of our friends and leading them while we ourselves will be following Jesus and making him our Lord; an era when we will be a voice and an example of the Kingdom of God which is coming.

My role, in view of the tremendous responsibility God has given me, requires me to develop skills, knowledge, endurance, and commitment necessary to follow where he leads, until I reach the promised Kingdom of God on earth.

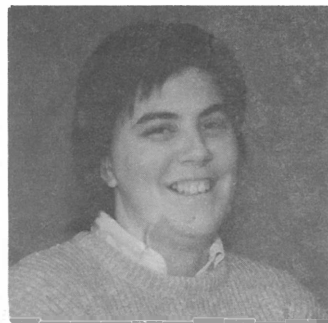
OBC is the place he has brought me to be trained.

HI! MY NAME is Daniel Stine from the Pleasant Hill Church of God in Ohio. The last couple of years I have questioned whether I should come to Oregon Bible College. I have spent time at other schools and am currently undecided about a major. Still, with an opportunity to come to school here, I made the choice to attend this year. I am glad that I did and I hope that Jesus will lead me in the right direction from here.



Dan Stine

HI, MY NAME is Chris Lucas, and I am from the Troy View Church in Troy, Ohio. First of all, I am not a new student, but a returning one. I left here a year and a half ago undetermined as to where I was going. While at home, I was called upon to fill the position of Junior Berean leader (kids 8-12 years). I spent the whole time growing from what I was doing. I realized that I needed to make a choice as to what I was going to do with the rest of my life, and God answered it by directing me to come back to OBC to work towards becoming a Youth Pastor. I see an urgent need for someone who is willing to be dedicated to the work of the youth, and I am praying that God is preparing me for that. (TVC Jr. Bereans, thanks for helping me to grow. I Love you all.)

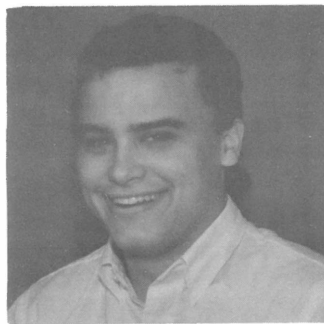


Chris Lucas

HI, I'M LINDA MERILLAT from the St. Charles Bible Fellowship, St. Charles, MO. I'm excited to be at OBC this year. I'm enjoying the opportunity to study the Bible in more detail. It has also been great meeting a lot of other enthusiastic young people. My goal is to learn and study as much as I can over the next four years, so I will be prepared to do whatever God guides me to do.



Linda Merrillat

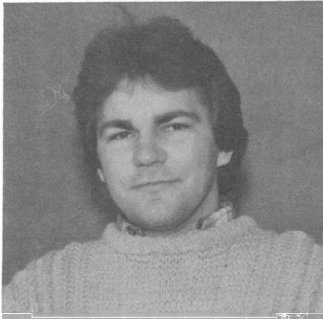


Jason Turner

GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS from Oregon, Illinois. My name is Jason Turner. I attend the Blessed Hope Church of God in Rockford, Illinois. I came here to learn more about God's Word and enjoy Christian fellowship. Have a nice day and God bless you.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE

NEW STUDENTS (Continued)



Jim Wilson

HI, I'M JIM WILSON. I am from the Blood River Church of God in Springfield, Louisiana. I graduated from Springfield High

School in 1980. I have attended Louisiana Tech and Southeastern Louisiana Universities. I spent six years in the Air Force National Guard. I am attending OBC to explore the Bible and develop my spiritual life.

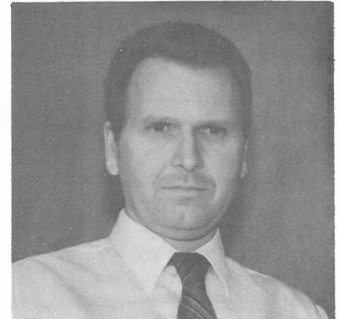


Sarah Zimbelman

I'M SARAH ZIMBELMAN from Oregon, Illinois. I came to Oregon Bible College before beginning any other plans because what I will get out of OBC I will always be able to apply

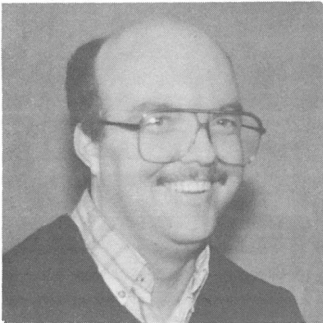
in my life. I want to establish my knowledge of God's Word because it is the foundation for my life. Besides that, I'm having a great time!

HI! MY NAME is Steve Zimbelman, I'm from Oregon, Illinois, and I'm a freshman. This summer I made the decision to go into the ministry to serve our Lord in any way he directs me.



Steve Zimbelman

PART-TIME STUDENTS



Rick Cooper

HEY, MY NAME is Rick Cooper. I was raised in the Fredericktown Church of God and I'm a member of the Raymore Bible Church in Raymore, Missouri. Presently I'm employed as the Development Coordinator for the Church of God General Conference. I am always open to learn more about our Lord and his Word and that is why I am attending OBC as a part-time student. I have already used what I've learned in class at OBC and appreciate the opportunity my Lord has given me. May God bless you.

HI! MY NAME is Vickie Cooper. I'm a member of the Raymore Bible Church in Raymore, Missouri. I'm a part-time student at OBC. I'm attending OBC because I have a deep desire to learn more about our God and his wonderful Son, Jesus Christ. I have found my classes refreshing and my instructors excellent. It's hard to put into words the insight I've received from my classes. I just know it will be a firm foundation for the rest of my life.

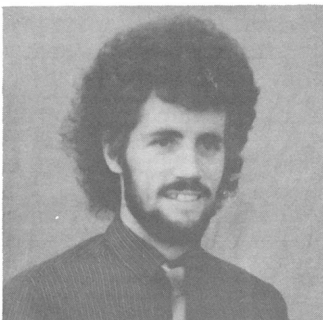


Vickie Cooper

I'M JIM DAY. Before I launch into why I'm here at OBC, I'll give my Christian background. I accepted Jesus as Savior in February, 1984. I spent the next four and one-half years in various Evangelical/Pentacostal/Trinitarian churches. (I traveled a lot during those years.) In January, 1987, I settled in Oregon, Illinois.

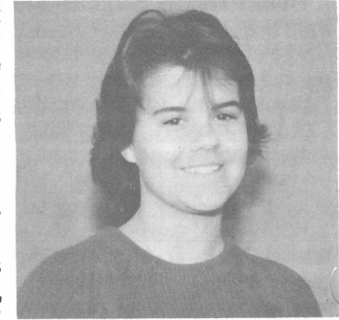
A little over one year ago, I was befriended by several OBC students. Besides "hanging out" together for fun, we had impromptu Bible discussions. This led to major changes in my doctrinal views and to my marriage to THE most wonderful woman, Alane Schmidlapp.

This is my first semester and I love it. I didn't say it's perfect, because it isn't, but the doctrinal training is excellent. I recommend OBC to the dedicated Christian who desires to learn more about God, Jesus, and the Kingdom. I'll end with this plea. If you see OBC as a place to idle away time until you discover what you really want to do, don't come. If you're serious about your commitment, you will prosper here, and you should enroll.



Jim Day

HEY, I'M ANGI Zimmerman. I am attending OBC because of the friendly atmosphere. I enjoy being a part of a small college, because I know who everybody is. I like to know who people are because one of the greatest joys of my life is meeting interesting people and OBC is where they are. Also, Jesus has become a bigger part of life while being at OBC. I plan to stay another year!



Angi Zimmerman

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Each person called should immediately call the pastor, superintendent, or secretary with the following number in his state or district Conference until all have been contacted. If it is not possible to reach the next person within a half hour, the following person should be called so the network can continue. An effort should be made later to reach the person skipped until contact has been made.

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- (2) **Tempe Church (Lakeshore Bible)**, 6415 S Lakeshore Dr, Tempe 85283
Lee Arp, Pastor, 4425 S Juniper St, Tempe 85282
Janet Bessey, Sec, 606 1/2 N Drew W, Mesa 85201
Sally Ebeling, Supt, 2121 N Center, #138, Mesa 85201
Rachel Carr, Miss Chair, 4542 E Pecan Rd, Phoenix 85040
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ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Pres: Larry Wood, 1512 Jennifer Dr, Little Rock 72212
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BYF Dir: Tom New, 7 Douglas St, Greenbrier 72058

Arkansas Churches

- (5) **Cleveland Church**, 114 Shady Ln, Morrilton 72110
David Robinson, Supt, Cleveland 72030
- (2) **S Little Rock (New Hope)**, 6110 Battle Rd, Little Rock 72209
Brian Atra, Pastor, PO Bx 19191, Little Rock 72219
Jeanette Kinley, Sec, 5701 W 50th St, Little Rock 72209
Joe White, Supt, 7 St Charles Ct, Little Rock 72211
Shirley Cheek, Youth Leader, 11102 Sardis Rd, Mabelvale 72103
- (1) **McGintytown Church**, Rt 1, Bx 271, Greenbrier 72058
Tom New, Pastor, 7 Douglas St, Greenbrier 72058
Mary Barnes, Sec, Bx 581, Greenbrier 72058
John Goodrich, Supt, Rt 1, Bx 80, Greenbrier 72058
Janette Goodrich, Youth Leader, Rt 1, Bx 80, Greenbrier 72058
- (4) **Magazine (Clark Chapel)**, Rt 1 Magazine 72943
Jim Raymond, Pastor-Youth Leader, Magazine 72943
Sylvia Sarten, Sec, Rt 1, Magazine 72943
Velma Nichols, Supt, Rt 1, Bx 231, Magazine 72943
- (3) **Royal (Forest Hills)**, Rt 1, Bx 367A, Royal 71968
Leon Driskill, Pastor, RR 4, Bx 945, Hot Springs 71913
Anita Howell, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 366, Royal 71968
Sally Simpson, Supt, Rt 1, Bx 251, Royal 71968
Freda Davis, Youth Leader, Rt 1, Bx 342, Royal 71968
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CALIFORNIA

- (1) **Pomona (Church of the Open Bible)**, 440 W LaVerne Av, Pomona 91767
Delbert Jones, Pastor, 1295 W Orange Grove, Pomona 91768
Cindy Housman, Sec, 3910 S Flower St, #B, Santa Ana 92707
Lauren Steiner, Supt, 400 Montezuma Way, West Covina 91791
- (3) **San Jose Church**, Meets at 480 E Hamilton, Rm 17, Campbell (Not Mailing Address)
Delbert Jones, Pastor, 1295 W Orange Grove, Pomona 91768
Michael Gallagher, Assoc Pastor, 2977 Gage Av, Simi Valley 93065
Leona Strickland, Sec, 1506 Foxworthy Av, San Jose 95118
Pauline LeWarne, Supt, 3356 Joanne Av, San Jose 95127
- (2) **Simi Valley Bible Church**, 4195 Valley Fair, Suite 105, Simi Valley 93063 (Not Mailing Address)
Larry Mayberry, Pastor, 2051 Booth St, Simi Valley 93065
Mauriene Landry, Sec, 8036 Shadyglade Av, N Hollywood 91605

Leanne Cline, Supt-Chris Ed Dir, 14527 Plummer, # 103, Panorama City 91402
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Mike Gallagher, Miss Chair, 2977 Gage Av, Simi Valley 93065

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Pres: Gladys Stedman, Rt 3, Bx 8, Moorefield, NE 69039
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Treas: Mrs Bernell Story, Rt 2, Bx 202A, Cozad, NE 69130
BYF Dir: Wayne Ewald, Rt 3, Bx 19C, Cambridge, NE 69022

Central High Plains Churches

- (4) **Arkansas City Church (Hope Chapel)**, 709 N A St, Arkansas City, KS 67005
Faye Werneke, Sec, 1226 N 3rd, Arkansas City 67005
Raymond Werneke, Supt, 1226 N 3rd, Arkansas City 67005
(2) **Holbrook Church**, Holbrook, NE 68948
Howard Robinson, Pastor, 306 Swayze, Holbrook 68948
Lila Gardner, Sec, Cambridge 69022
Naomi Davis, Supt, Rt 1, Bx 220, Cozad 69130
Wayne Ewald, Youth Leader, Rt 3, Bx 19C, Cambridge 69022
(Call Colorado Springs)

COLORADO

- (3) **Pleasant View Bible Church (Colorado Springs)**, 2924 Illinois Av, Colorado Springs 80907
Don Bailey, Sec, 529 N Weber #3, Colorado Springs 80903
Carol Parks, Supt, 10725 Arrowgrass Loop, Peyton 80831
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ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

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Treas: Dick Hance, 432 W Fisk St, Macomb, IL 61455
BYF Dir: Bob Alcumbrack, 511 S 9th St, Oregon 61061
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Illinois Churches

- (11) **Casey Church (Restitution)**, PO Bx 254, Casey 62420
Mrs June Weaver, Sec, PO Bx 254, Casey 62420
Clement Richey, Supt, Rt 2, Bx 190, Marshall 62441
(67) **Dixon Church**, 221 W Morgan St, Dixon 61021
Linford Moore, Pastor, 3499 W 4th St, Waterloo, IA 50701
Earl Poland, Assoc Pastor, 221 W Morgan, Dixon 61021
Lori Webster, Sec-Youth Leader, 10450 Elston Rd, Fulton 61252
Katherine Drew, Supt, 629 N Galena Av, Dixon 61021

- (8) **East Peoria Community Church of God**, 526 E Washington St, E Peoria 61611
Darrell Cardwell, Pastor-Youth Leader, RR 5, Tuckaway Mobile Home Park #50, Metamora 61548
Thelma Schaer, Sec, Caterpillar Trail, E Peoria 61611
Carol Ring, Supt, Rt 2, Forrest Dr, Metamora 61548
Oral Miller, Miss Chair, 1123 E Paris, Peoria 61606
(12) **Eldorado Church (Restitution)**, Rt 1, Seagraves Rd, Eldorado 62930
Wally Winner, Pastor, Douglas Av, Eldorado 62930
Velma Wiggins, Sec, RR 1, Bx 72 Eldorado 62930
Carlis Medley, Supt, 8433 Angel Dr, Newburgh, IN 47630
Wally/Peggy Winner, Youth Leaders, Douglas Av, Eldorado 62930
(1) **Flagg Center Community Church**, Rt 4, Rochelle 61068
Gordon Landry, Pastor, 1010 S 5th St, Oregon 61061
Kathy Foster, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 89C, Sycamore 60178
Sherry Smith, Supt, Rt 4, Rochelle 61068
Dan/Jennifer Foster, Youth Leaders, 926 N 7th St, Rochelle 61068
(6) **Fox Valley Church**, 1301 Springdale Circle, Naperville, Clow Elementary School (Not Mailing Address)
Ron Macy, Pastor-Supt, 707 Grand Av, Aurora 60506
Judy Foster, Sec, Rt 1, Box 80B, Sycamore 60168
Douglas Whisnant, Youth Leader, 830 Liberty St, Aurora 60505
(5) **Loves Park (Family Bible Fellowship)**, Meeting place-Forest Hills Lodge, Forest Hills Rd and Rt 173, Office 5183 Harlem Rd (Not Mailing Address)
Gary Turner, Pastor, 302 E Cunningham, Winnebago 61088
(9) **Macomb Church**, 625 W Chase St, Macomb 61455
Rex Cain, Pastor, 821 W Chase St, Macomb 61455
Sally Pestle, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 69, Good Hope 61438
Richard Derry, Supt, 28 Elmo Dr, Macomb 61455
Sharon Cain, Miss Chair, 821 W Chase St, Macomb 61455
(2) **Oregon Church**, 301 N 3rd St, Oregon 61061
Michael Hoffman, Pastor, 211 N 3rd St, Oregon 61061
Bob Alcumbrack, Assoc Pastor-Youth Leader, 511 S 9th St, Oregon 61061
Kathie Rager, Sec, 4018 E Honeycreek Rd, Chana 61015
Lynne Krogh, Supt, 710 Washington St, Oregon 61061
Janet Stilson, Miss Chair, 607 S 4th St, Oregon 61061
Kent Ross, CGC, 911 Washington St, Oregon 61061
(3) **Oregon (East Oregon Chapel)**, 107 Jewett Av, Oregon 61061
John Guthrie, Pastor, 708 Worth St, Oregon 61061
Lavonne Taylor, Sec, 3205 Merrill Rd, Byron 61010
Christian Ed Committee, Supt, 107 Jewett Av, Oregon 61061

- Jim/Alane Day, Youth Pastors, 123 1/2 S 4th St, Oregon 61061
(10) **Ripley Church**, Hwy 24, Ripley
Richard Young, Pastor, Rt 3, Bx 53, Mt Sterling 62353
Peggy Winner, Sec, RR 3, Bx 47, Mt Sterling 62353
Robert Laning, Supt, RR 3, Bx 230, Mt Sterling 62353
Youth Committee, c/o Richard Young, Rt 3, Bx 53, Mt Sterling 62353
Helen Lewis, Miss Chair, Rt 3, Mt Sterling 62353
(4) **Rockford Church (Blessed Hope)**, 3046 16th St, Rockford 61109
David Cheatwood, Pastor-CGC, 3035 17th St, Rockford 61109
David Hixson, Sec, 7740 Mesa St, Rockford 61111
Joe Astolfi, Supt-Youth Pastor, PO Bx 452, 400 S 4th St, Oregon 61061
Gary/Glenda Turner, Youth Leaders, 302 E Cunningham Rd, Winnebago 61088
Sherwin Williams, Miss Chair, 605 Ellis, Rockford 61103

INDIANA CONFERENCE

Pres: Lynn Berry, 58029 Springdale Dr, Hartford, MI 49057
Sec: Marilyn Berry, 310 College Av, Culver 46511
Treas: Jim Hamilton, 215 Oakwood Dr, Williamsport 47993
BYF Dir: Janet Snyder, Lot 467, Kokomo Regency, 200 S 4508 E, Kokomo 46902
Miss Chair: Bob Collier, 706 Oakdale Dr, Elkhart 46517

Indiana Churches

- (3) **Burr Oak Church**, 15101 S R 17, Burr Oak 46511
Major Don Nunemaker, Pastor, 1613 Norton, Grissom AFB Base 46971
Mrs Norman Kelly, Sec, 310 College Av, Culver 46511
Betty Reinhold, Co-Supt, RR 1, Bx 97, Culver 46511
Sherry Drang, Co-Supt, 16682 Thorn Rd, Culver 46511
Don/Shari Nunemaker, Youth Leaders, 1613 Norton, Grissom AFB 46971
Mrs William Schmidlapp, Miss Chair, 9098 E 12th Rd, Argos 46501
(5) **Country Chapel**, Rt 1, Bx 118, Michigantown 46057
Kevin Demmitt, Pastor-Youth Leader, Rt 1, Bx 118, Michigantown 46057
Pat Finney, Sec, RR 1, Bx 36, Michigantown 46057
Mark Good, Supt, Bx 330, Rossville 46065
Betty Good, Miss Chair, Bx 330, Rossville 46065
(6) **Hedrick Church**, Rt 3, Bx 47, Williamsport 47993
Dennis Cheatwood, Pastor, Rt 3, Bx 47, Williamsport 47993
Phyllis Taylor, Sec, RR 3, Bx 34, Williamsport 47993
Myra Hamilton, Supt-Miss Chair, 215 Oakwood Dr, Williamsport 47993
James Reynolds, Youth Leader, Bx 432, W Lebanon 47991
(7) **Hillview Bible Church**, 3251 Yonkers, Bloomington 47401
Cecil Rademachir, Pastor-Youth Leader-Miss Chair-CGC 3251 Yonkers, Bloomington 47401
Shirley Wood, Sec, 2455 E Rogers Rd, Bloomington 47401

Kevin Rademachir, Supt, 100 E Miller Dr #35, Bloomington 47401
 (4) Kokomo Church (Jay St), 1244 S Jay St, Kokomo 46902
 Jeff Smith, Pastor, 1252 S Jay St, Kokomo 46902
 Sandy Fewell, Sec, 908 S Buckeye St, Kokomo 46901
 Carol Obermeyer, Ed Dir, 3089 E 100 N, Kokomo 46901
 Janet Snyder, Youth Leader, 467 Country Park Est, Kokomo 46902
 (2) North Salem Church, 13263 4th Rd, Plymouth 46563
 Stanley Lawrence, Pastor-Youth Leader, 13263 4th Rd, Plymouth 46563
 Dorothy Boyer, Sec, PO Bx 473, Warsaw 46580
 Enid Maddock, Supt, 12354 Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth 46580
 (1) South Bend (Timberland Bible Church), 16623 State Rd 23, South Bend 46635
 John Railton, Pastor-Chris Ed Dir, 52233 Cheryl Dr, Granger 46530
 Alice Langel, Sec, 19340 Wedgewood Dr, South Bend 46637
 Marilyn Berry, Youth Leader, 58029 Springdale Dr, Hartford, MI 49057
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IOWA CONFERENCE

Pres: Francis Burnett, Rt 2, Bx 13, Belle Plaine 52208
 Sec: Darrell Rankin, Rt 2, Bx 467, Holiday Lake, Brooklyn 52211
 Treas: Sandra Bine, Rt 2, Belle Plaine 52208
 BYF Dir: Darrell/Loretta Rankin, Rt 2, Bx 467, Holiday Lake, Brooklyn 52211
 SS Dir: Nancy Rankin, Rt 1, Ladora 52251
 Miss Chair: Francis Burnett, Rt 2, Bx 13, Belle Plaine 52208

Iowa Churches

(2) Belle Plaine Church (Restitution), 10th St at 2nd Av, Belle Plaine 52208 (Mailing: Rt 2, Bx 31, Belle Plaine 52208)
 Delbert Rankin, Co-Pastor, Rt 1, Ladora 52251
 Darrell Rankin, Co-Pastor, Rt 2, Bx 467 Holiday Lake, Brooklyn 52211
 Dwayne Rankin, Sec-Youth Leader, Rt 1, Marengo 52301
 (4) Gladbrook (Park Hill)
 Louis Cronbaugh, Pastor-Supt, 509 17th St, Belle Plaine 52208
 Joyce Dahms, Sec, 601 Edgeland, Gladbrook 50635
 (1) Koszta Church (Oaklawn), Rt 2, Belle Plaine 52208
 Francis Burnett, Pastor, Rt 2, Bx 13, Belle Plaine 52208
 Barbara Gensley, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 247, Victor 52347
 Merle Cronbaugh, Supt, 199 W Pine, Marengo 52301
 (3) Waterloo Church (Conger St), 1050 Conger St, Waterloo 50703
 Linford Moore, Pastor-Supt-Youth Leader, 3499 W 4th St, Waterloo 50701
 Mrs Helen Tempel Shilling, Sec, 520 Hilltop Rd, Waterloo 50701

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Pres: David Landry, 1313 Shadybrook Dr, Baton Rouge 70816
 Sec: Margie Edwards, PO Bx 328, Springfield 70462

Treas: Carola Landry, 16522 Bristoe Av, Baton Rouge 70816
 BYF Dir: Richard Alcumbrack, 2502 Elwick, Baton Rouge 70816

Louisiana Churches

(1) Baton Rouge Church (Open Bible Fellowship), 15144 Old Hammond Hwy, Baton Rouge 70816
 Richard Alcumbrack, Pastor-Youth Leader, 2502 Elwick, Baton Rouge 70816
 Karen Brossett, Sec, 7550 Pecue Ln, #20, Baton Rouge 70809
 Culley Brossett, Supt, 7550 Pecue Ln, #20, Baton Rouge 70809
 John Kovalcik, Miss Chair, 944 Birmingham, Baton Rouge 70815
 David Landry, CGC, 1313 Shadybrook Dr, Baton Rouge 70816
 (3) Hammond Church (Happy Woods), 2703 S Range Rd, Hammond 70401
 Greg Demmitt, Pastor, 132 Happy Woods Dr, Hammond 70401
 Frances Landry, Sec, 4832 Old Covington, Hammond 70401
 Karen Demmitt, Supt, 132 Happy Woods Dr, Hammond 70403
 Claire Keen, Youth Leader, Hwy 445, Robert 70455
 Georgie Robinson, Miss Chair, 103 Crouse Ln, Hammond 70403
 Metairie Church (Faith Chapel), 824 Cedar St, Metairie (Mailing Address: c/o 6104 York St, Metairie 70003)
 Sue Novak, Sec, 5029 Alexander Dr, Metairie 70003
 Bernard Lobell, Supt, 827 Phlox Av, Metairie
 (2) Springfield Church (Blood River), 29120 Church of God Rd, Springfield 70462
 Billie Kennedy, Pastor, 29120 Church of God Rd, Springfield 70462
 Marjorie Edwards, Sec, PO Bx 328, Springfield 70462
 Douglas Richardson, Supt, 23490 Blood River Rd, Springfield 70462
 Jeannie Gainey, Youth Leader, 23164 Hutchinson Rd, Springfield 70462

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Pres: Joyce Knapp, 10986 Shady Ln, Middleville 49333
 Sec: Elinor VandePol, 120 Manchester SW, Wyoming 49508
 Treas: Howard McClain, 4910 Fuller Av SE, Kentwood 49508
 BYF Dir: Steve Taylor, Bx 66, Blanchard 49508
 Chris Ed Dir: Chuck Jones, 207 Walter SE, Wyoming 49508
 Miss Chair: Steve Knapp, 100 Colrain SW, Wyoming 49508

Michigan Churches

(5) Blanchard Church, 200 4th St, Bx 66, Blanchard 49310
 Steve Taylor, Pastor, 211 S 4th St, Bx 66, Blanchard 49310
 Margie Wood, Sec, 10049 W Blanchard Rd, Blanchard 49310
 June Bush, Supt, 23 W N County Line Rd, Edmore 48829
 Charles/Pat Baldwin, Youth Leaders, 1325 Jefferson Rd, Blanchard 49310
 Fran Wood, Miss Chair, Bx 417 Pine, Blanchard 49310
 (6) Champion Community Church, Rt 1, Bx 41A, Champion 49814

Mary L Vadnais, Pastor, Rt 1, Bx 41A Champion 49814
 Raymond J Vadnais, Sec-Supt, Rt 1, Bx 41A, Champion 49814
 (1) Grand Rapids (Garden Park), 5615 Madison Av SE, Kentwood 49508
 Ray Hall, Pastor, 5631 Madison Av SE, Kentwood 49508
 Dorothy Siple, Sec, 922 Mayhew-Wood Dr SE, Grand Rapids 49507
 Mrs Sue Hall, Supt, 5631 Madison Av SE, Kentwood 49508
 Paula Haven, Youth Leader, 1332 54th St SE, Kentwood 49508
 Jill McClain, Miss Chair, 56146 #6, Woodfield Dr SE, Kentwood 49508
 (2) Grand Rapids (Pennellwood), 3459 Reiser Av SW, Bx 8182, Grand Rapids 49508
 Delores Williams, Sec, 3250 Vermont Av SW, Grandville 49418
 Miss Pat Warner, Supt, 6206 Kran SE, Grand Rapids 49508
 Brian/Diane Berry, Youth Leaders, 1865 Mapleview, Grand Rapids 49508
 Mrs Doris Richmond, Miss Chair, 4020 Pineview SW, Grandville 49418
 (3) Grand Rapids (Southlawn), 3880 Jefferson SE, Wyoming 49508
 Charles Jones, Pastor, 207 Walter SE, Wyoming 49508
 Linda Swanson, Sec, 102 Lurie SE, Cutlerville 49508
 Marie Ashley, Supt, 1171 Forest Hills SE, Grand Rapids 49506
 Paul Titchenell/Jean LaHuis/Mark Mattison, Co-Youth Leaders, 3880 Jefferson SE, Wyoming 49508
 Jane Thorne, Miss Chair, 149 Center Green Meadow SE, Grand Rapids 49508
 L'Anse Church, 405 N Main St, L'Anse 49946
 Mary Vadnais, Pastor, Rt 1, Bx 41A, Champion 49814
 Barbara Mantila, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 27, L'Anse 49946
 (4) Rockford (North Kent Bible Church), 7210 Courtland, Rockford 49341
 Richard Eldred, Pastor, 7000 Northland Dr, Rockford 49341
 Cheryl Norwood, Supt, 5032-15 Mile Rd, Cedar Springs 49310

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE

Pres: S O Ross, 425 E 4th St, Litchfield 55355
 Sec: Laurie McCann Rt 1, Bx 18, Eden Valley 55329
 Treas: Barbara Johnson, Rt 3, Bx 103, Paynesville 56362
 BYF Dir: Vivian/Paula Kirkpatrick, Bx 636, Hector 55342
 SS Dir: Lowell Wegner, Rt 3, Bx 9DD, Litchfield 55355
 Miss Chair: Larrie Gaspar, PO Bx 517, Eden Valley 55329

Minnesota Churches

(2) Eden Valley Church, Eden Valley 55329
 Roma Voss Sec, RFD 2, Bx 346, Paynesville 56362
 Harlan/Kathy Schoenherr, Supt, 130 Washburne Dr, Paynesville 56362
 Lynn Piram, Youth Leader, RFD, Eden Valley 55329
 Mrs Larrie Gaspar, Miss Chair, Bx 517, Eden Valley 55329

(4) **Hector Church**, 141 Cedar Av E, Hector 55342
 Vivian E Kirkpatrick II, Pastor, Bx 636, Hector 55342
 Frances Johnson, Sec, Rt 2, Bx 211, Hector 55342
 Miriam Johnson, Co-Supt, Rt 1, Bx 8, Hector 55342
 Melody Moore, Co-Supt, Rt 2, Buffalo Lake 55314
 Kathy Johnson, Youth Leader, Rt 2, Bx 251, Hector 55342
 (3) **Litchfield Church**, 501 S Ramsey, Litchfield 55355
 S O Ross, Pastor, 425 E 4th St, Litchfield 55355
 Laurie McCann, Sec-Supt-Youth Leader, RR 1, Bx 18, Eden Valley 55329
 Lilly Wegner, Miss Chair, RR 3, Bx 206A, Dassel 55325
 (1) **Minneapolis Church (Pine Grove Bible Church)**, 8711 85th Av N, North Hennepin Community College, Minneapolis (Not Mailing Address)
 Sydney Kirkpatrick, Pastor-CGC 3900 101st Av N, Brooklyn Park 55443
 Lorraine Gaspar, Sec, 22 E 22nd St, Apt 516, Minneapolis 55404
 Mark Ryan, Supt, 13028 Tilden Av N, Champlins 55316
 Debra Ryan, Youth Leader, 13028 Tilden Av N, Champlin 55316
St Cloud Church, 1940 4th St N, St Cloud 56301
 John Savage, Pastor, 230 11th Av, Waite Park 56387
 Mrs J A Maehren, Sec, 401 20th Av, St Cloud 56301
 J A Maehren, Supt, 401 20th Av, St Cloud 56301

MISSOURI CONFERENCE

Pres: Loyd Cooper, PO Bx 123, Farmington 63640
 Treas: Mrs Leroy Elkins, 411 S Washington, Raymore 64083
 BYF Dir: George Kugler, 2731 Rose Dr, Arnold 63010

Missouri Churches

Arcola Church (Abrahamic Church of God), Arcola 65603
 Marilyn Pirtle, Sec, PO Bx 73, Arcola 65603
Doniphan Church (Fairview), Rt 2, Doniphan 63935
 Melvin Rodgers, Sec, Rt 2, Bx 248, Doniphan 63935
 William Thompson, Supt, 1007 Lafayette St, Doniphan 63935
 (2) **Fredericktown Church**, 401 S Maple Av, Fredericktown 63645
 Ken Howe, Pastor, 403 S Maple Av, Fredericktown 63645
 Mrs Marvin H Cooper, Sec, Rt 3, Bx 121, Fredericktown 63645
 Michael Priest, Supt, Star Rt 2, Fredericktown 63645
 (4) **Jordan Church**, Cross Timbers 65634
 Eva Driskill, Sec, Rt 1, Bx 178, Cross Timbers 65634
 Thomas Moore, Supt, Preston 65732
 Janice Chapman, Youth Leader, Rt 1, Cross Timbers 65634
 Frank Chapman, CGC, Rt 1, Cross Timbers 65634
 (3) **Lockwood Church**, Rt 2, Lockwood 65682
 Ruby Fyfe, Sec, Rt 2, Bx 73, Lockwood 65682

Albert Fyfe, Supt, Rt 2, Bx 73, Lockwood 65682
Morse Mill Church, Bx 146, Morse Mill 63066
 Alice Lee, Sec, PO Bx 65, Morse Mill 63066
 Norman Tierney, Supt-Youth Leader, 705 S Mansion St, Sullivan 63080
 (5) **Raymore Bible Church**, 414 Franklin, Raymore 64083
 Don Ward, Pastor, 202 Aspen, PO Bx 413, Raymore 64083
 Doris Elkins, Sec, 411 S Washington, Raymore 64083
 George Sheeley, Supt, 501 N Jefferson Av, Raymore 64083
 Scott Thibault, Youth Leader, 105 Spruce, Raymore 64083
Springfield Church of God, 2902 E Division, Springfield 65804
 Irene Poe, Sec, 2755 E Stanford, Springfield 65804
 Alice Wingo, Supt, Rt 4, Bx 186, Rogersville 65742
 (1) **St Louis (St Charles Bible Fellowship)**, 14 Willow Way, St Charles 63303
 George Kugler, Elder-Supt-Youth Leader, 14 Willow Way, St Charles 63303
 Connie Bollinger, Sec, 9502 Minerva, St Louis 63114

EASTERN NEBRASKA CHURCH

(1) **Omaha Church (Jaynes St Community)**, 7534 Jaynes St, Omaha 68134
 Scott Ross, Pastor, 7606 Jaynes St, Omaha 68134
 Alan Cain, Assoc Pastor-Youth Leader, 5820 Erskine, Omaha 68134
 Cheryl Kmiecik, Sec, 7702 Jaynes St, Omaha 68134
 Scott Millard, Supt, 14013 Lillian Circle, Omaha 68138
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NORTHEAST CONFERENCE

Pres: David Swartz, 5823 Lear Nagle Rd, N Ridgeville, OH 44039
 Sec: Mary Supinger, 6333 N Troy-Sidney Rd, Piqua, OH 45356
 Treas: Vileen Rowell, 4610 N Plateau Dr, Springfield, OH 45502
 BYF Dir: Doug Supinger, 6333 N Troy-Sidney Rd, Piqua, OH 45356
 Miss Chair: Pastor Ralph Childs, 16 Reich St, Trotwood 45426

Northeast Conference Churches

(9) **Bedford (Church of the Open Bible)**, 689 Adams St, Bedford, OH 44146
 Austin Railton, Pastor, 730 Washington St, Bedford 44146
 Doris Schuld, Sec, 1572 Bradford Dr, Macedonia 44056
 Mary Ellen Jones, Supt-Miss Chair, 7475 Country Ln, Chagrin Falls 44022
 (10) **Cleveland Church (Golden Rule)**, 13905 Diana Av, Cleveland, OH 44110
 Alice Plantner, Sec, 29824 Robert St, Wickliffe 44092
 Martha Hobbs, Supt, 13813 Diana Av, Cleveland 44110
 Edith Speer, Miss Chair, 3149 Goldengate Av, Rocky River 44116
 (11) **Columbia Church**, 11388 Root Rd, Columbia Station, OH 44028
 Michael Brown, Pastor-CGC, 10003 Emerson St, Columbia Station 44028
 Diane Benton, Sec, 11050 Hawke Rd, Columbia Station 44028

Daniel Benton, Supt, 11050 Hawke Rd, Columbia Station 44028
 David Swartz, Youth Leader, 5823 Lear Nagle Rd, N Ridgeville 44039
 J Don Swartz, Miss Chair, 5835 McKenzie Rd, N Olmstead 44070
Columbus (Bible Church), Columbus, OH
 Carl Roth, Pastor, 804 Heyl Av, Columbus 43206
 Brenda Johnson, Sec, 134 Whitethorne, Columbus 43223
 Duane Johnson, Youth Leader, 134 Whitethorne, Columbus 43223
 (4) **Dayton Church (Glad Tidings Chapel)**, 4105 Annapolis Av, Dayton, OH 45416
 Ralph Childs, Pastor-Co-Miss Chair, 16 Reich St, Trotwood 45426
 Don Klepinger Sec, 47 Estate Dr, Brookville 45309
 Jimmy Weaver, Supt, 7565 Rt 71, West Milton 45383
 Iona Childs, Youth Leader, 16 Reich St, Trotwood 45426
 Betty Young, Co-Miss Chair, 4105 Annapolis Av, Dayton 45416
 (12) **Fonthill Church (Glad Tidings)**, 1 Pancake Ln, Bx 293, Fonthill, Ont, Canada L0S 1E0
 Stephen Bolhous, Pastor, RR 1, Ridgeville, Ont, Canada L0S 1M0
 Mrs Reta Harrod, Sec, 5553 Hillsdale Av, Niagara Falls, Ont L2G 4T8
 Rosemary Shute, Supt, 2 Wychwood Rd, Welland, Ont, L3C 5V3
 Allan Shute, Youth Leader, 18 Northhaven, Welland, Ont L3C 1X1
 John Bradford, Chris Outreach, 82 Spruce-side Cres, Fonthill, Ont L0S 1E0
 (13) **Grace Church**, 1960 Griggs Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047
 Michael Brown, Pastor, 10003 Emerson St, Columbia Station 44028
 Cindy Cramer, Sec, 1960 Griggs Rd, Jefferson 44047
 Ginny Cramer, Supt, 1960 Griggs Rd, Jefferson 44047
 Bill Cramer, Miss Chair, 1960 Griggs Rd, Jefferson 44047
 (2) **Hilliard (Gospel Church of God)**, Brown Elementary School, Hilliard, OH (Not Mailing Address)
 Richard K Smith, Pastor, 7100 S Kessler-Frederick Rd, W Milton 45383
 Margaret Ware, Sec, 5107 Wyandot Pl, Hilliard 43026
 Patrick Garey, Supt, 4706 Leap Ct, Hilliard 43026
 (5) **Lawrenceville Church**, 4444 St Paris Pike, Springfield 45502
 Jack Hearp, Pastor, 4005 Willow Dale Rd, Springfield 45502
 Mrs Pam Clarkson, Sec, 3703 Troy Rd, Springfield 45504
 Douglas Elliott, Supt, 8545 Zimmerman Rd, St Paris Pike 43072
 Harry Elliott, Youth Leader, 2172 Snyder Domer Rd, Springfield 45502
 Robert Lindner, Miss Chair, 9248 Detrick-Jordan Pike, New Carlisle 45344
 (14) **Peterborough Church**, 300 Hedonics Rd VH2, Peterborough, Ont, Canada K9J 7T1
 Taylor Crowe, Pastor, 300 Hedonics Rd VH2, Peterborough, Ont K9J 7T1
 (8) **Pleasant Hill Church**, N Main St, Pleasant Hill, OH 45359

Scott Deane, Pastor, PO Bx 12, Ludlow Falls 45339

Evelyn Stine, Sec, 2901 Fair Rd, Sidney 45365

Bill Stine, Supt, 2901 Fair Rd, Sidney 45365

Phil Stine, Youth Leader, 240 W Market St, West Milton 45383

Theresa Deane, Miss Chair, PO Bx 12, Ludlow Falls 45339

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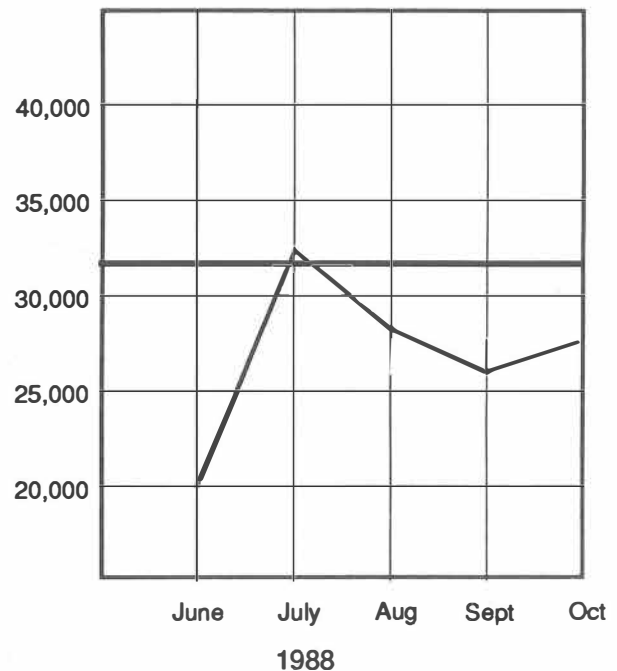
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August 1, 1989

Yet to be Committed \$100,595
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Total Commit- ments \$799,405

THE GRAPH BELOW shows contributions received during the first five months of this fiscal year. Our Goal for Giving is \$32,250 per month. The amount needed for these five months is \$161,250. The amount received is \$134,739. We are currently \$26,511 short of the amount needed through October 31.

Consistent giving by churches, individuals, and state conferences makes it possible for the work of the Conference/College to be carried on. Never has there been a greater need for leadership to be trained through Oregon Bible College, for assistance provided through the Outreach and Church Development Department. Please join us in prayerful support.



— Actual monthly income
— Average per month need

Annuities

Church of God members interested in deferred giving to the General Conference might consider establishing an annuity contract. The program works in this manner: a purchaser sends a certain amount of money to the Conference, and the Conference agrees to pay interest as long as the donor lives. At the death of the donor, the funds become the sole property of the Conference.

Interest rates range from 6 to 8 percent depending on the age of the donor.

For further information, please contact the President, P.O. Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS

Visitors Are Important At Blessed Hope

The Blessed Hope Church of God in Rockford, IL, is placing a high priority on attracting and keeping visitors. A note from Pastor Dave expresses this emphasis.

"The Blessed Hope Bible Church has put a banner on the side of its building in hopes of attracting visitors. We have a lot of travel on our street and we are asking God to attract some of them to our fellowship. One family has already responded from the neighborhood and this was encouraging. We ask your prayers as we attempt in this way to become more visible. This really puts the challenge to us to be quick to respond and follow up our visitors."



Sign on Blessed Hope Bible Church, Rockford, IL

Visitors are important in every church. One of the most effective ways of reaching new people is to attract visitors to the church and to have a follow-up plan that works. A phone call to each visitor is an important part of this plan. The call should be made the first part of the week following his visit.

I'd like to hear from you regarding ideas on attracting and keeping visitors in your church. Send your concepts to Warren Sorenson, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

NEWS FROM NASHVILLE

A core group of Church of God people is meeting each Sunday for services in the home of Roger and Sharon Mattus. One of the prayer requests from the group is that another location be found for meetings.

Jay and Donna Smith are helping to lead the group in the formation of a Church of God in the Nashville area. Another prayer

request is that Jay will be able to find employment which will allow him to work in building the nucleus for this church-planting project. Jay is hoping to get a midweek Bible study started with folks living in his apartment building.

Your prayer support for this group is greatly appreciated. If you know of folks in the Nashville area who might be interested in joining with them for services, please contact the General Conference or Jay Smith, 721 Due West Ave., Madison, TN 37115.

FAMILY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP Church of God, Loves Park, IL

A warmth of fellowship was evident from the beginning on October 30 at the Forest Hills Lodge in Loves Park, IL, as 103 gathered for the first service of the new church. One of the most thrilling testimonies from a first-time attender came from Jim Goodson. He had told his wife, "If God wants me to go to church, he will provide one." Jim was home and received the phone call inviting him to be a part of Family Bible Fellowship.

Gary Turner is serving as the pastor in association with Warren Sorenson and other staff members of the conference and the college. Oregon Bible College students along with PACT volunteers played an important role in launching this new church. The Church of God at large shares in this ministry. Your prayer support and interest shown in the success of this venture have been important to what has happened at Loves Park thus far. Your continued support is very important for efforts now taking place. Without strong prayer support this new work will not succeed. Mailings, telephone calls, and personal visits are now being used in follow-up. Another phone survey will be conducted prior to a special Christmas service.

For the first few weeks the services will include a morning worship service, a children's church, and nursery. Sunday School will be started at a later date.

Pine Grove Bible Church of God, Minneapolis, MN

The congregation in north Minneapolis is in the midst of a building and bonding program to finance the project. Church of God members can get information about this project from Bill Gasper (612-227-8481), 4895 Vine Hill Rd., Excelsior, MN 55331.

Difficulty with building codes has caused a great deal of delay in their building program. The congregation asks for your prayer support that these problems can be cleared up quickly and that they can get on with the building program.

News From The United Kingdom

The first report has been received from the Fletchers in their efforts to launch a Church of God in Milton Keynes, England. Jeff has made 185 contacts resulting in 10 prospects for future Bible study. It is his hope to have one of these study groups meeting sometime in November. At present he is meeting with John Cunningham and Ken Newman for Bible study.

Jeff has requested tapes of worship services to be sent to them for their spiritual feeding. Jeff and Karen will greatly appreciate receiving a tape of your morning service if you tape the services. Their address: Jeff Fletcher, 16 Parsley Close, Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes, MK7 7DA United Kingdom.

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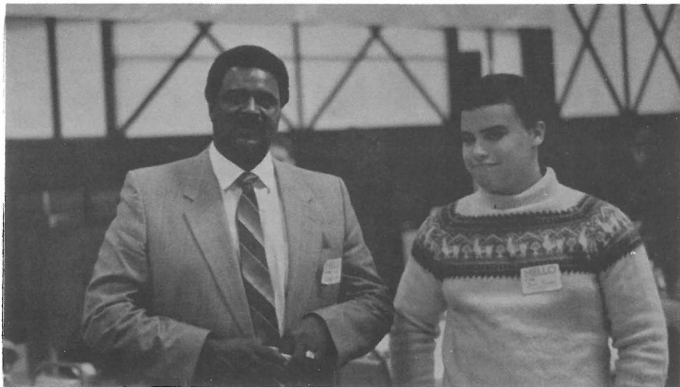
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Margaret Goodson

LOVES PARK

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Jim Goodson, Jason Turner



Nancy Pinnon, Cindy Davis, Miye Goodson



Merrill and Barbara Davis



Several attendees mingle after the service during the coffee fellowship.

PRAYER AND PRAISE DECEMBER, 1988

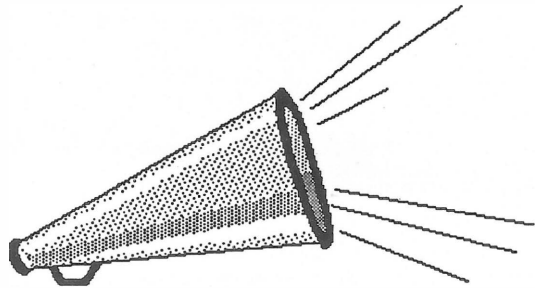
- 1 Praise God for the wonderful hope we have of the second coming of Jesus.
- 2 Pray that, as we near the time to remember the birth of Christ, we allow him to be Lord of our lives.
- 3 Pray for the churches which do not have a pastor for this year. Pray that God will help them grow stronger through this time.
- 4 Pray for Jeff and Karen Fletcher and their family as they approach Christmas. Pray that God will bless their ministry efforts to his glory.
- 5 Pray for those who will be traveling during the holidays.
- 6 Pray for Steve Taylor and his television ministry.
- 7 Praise God for the success of this ministry.
- 8 Pray for Gary Turner and his family and the Loves Park church-planting project.
- 9 Praise God for the new families which have been touched through this ministry.
- 10 Praise God for the OBC Development Foundation.
- 11 Pray that God will help us as the Church of God to reach our goal for the Development Foundation.
- 12 Praise God for the zeal and spirit of evangelism in OBC students this year.
- 13 Pray for the students as they prepare for their final exams.
- 14 Pray for OBC students and staff who will be traveling for the holidays.
- 15 Praise God for the hope we have in the coming Kingdom of God through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.
- 16 Pray for the pastoral interns, Dale Bliss, Mark Cheatwood, and John Guthrie.
- 17 Pray for a renewed zeal in reaching the lost and that this compassion for others will permeate your church.
- 18 Pray for the Pomona, California, congregation and Warren Sorenson as they work together today in development of an outreach ministry.
- 19 Pray for Roberto and Lupe Badillo and their ministry in Mexico.
- 20 Pray for the Church-Planting Conference which will be conducted January 16 and 17.
- 21 Praise God for the faithful men and women who provide leadership for your church.
- 22 Pray for the brethren in India.
- 23 Pray for isolated members and those who are shut-ins. Thank God for your privilege of fellowship and worship.
- 24 Praise God for your family.
- 25 Praise God for Jesus Christ and the hope you have through his name.
- 26 Praise God for the blessings you have received during this past year.
- 27 Pray for the church-planting efforts and the Fletchers in England.
- 28 Praise God for those who have committed themselves to being part of the PACT (Planting Additional Churches Today).
- 29 Pray for your pastor and his ministry in your church and community.
- 30 Pray that God will open new opportunities to you in this coming year.
- 31 Pray that God will use you to bring a person to Christ during the next year.

PRAYER AND PRAISE JANUARY, 1989

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SEMINAR

- 1 Thank God for the beginning of a new year. Appreciate and praise God for the time he has provided you to enjoy life.
- 2 Pray for God's power to fill your life and that your service in the local church will show forth his love.
- 3 Pray for those who work in your Sunday School.
- 4 Pray for OBC students and staff that God will bless during this coming semester.
- 5 Pray for the Board of Directors as they prepare to meet this weekend.
- 6 Pray that God will work in the lives of each of the board members and that his will tempers each meeting.
- 7 Praise God for the strength and guidance he provides you daily.
- 8 Praise God in your own way according to what he has done for you personally.
- 9 Pray for the Loves Park church-planting project.
- 10 Pray for Gary and Glenda Turner and their ministry in this church.
- 11 Pray for the core group in the Atlanta area and the development of a Church of God there.
- 12 Pray for the Church of God members living in the Nashville area and their efforts to start a church.
- 13 Pray for Rick Cooper as he works with the Development Foundation.
- 14 Praise God for his love to you.
- 15 Pray for those who will be traveling to attend the Church-Planters Conference 16 and 17.
- 16 Pray for the Church-Planting Conference going on today and tomorrow.
- 17 Pray for your young people and their leaders.
- 18 Pray that God will raise up men and women for leadership in the Church of God.
- 19 Pray that workers will be abundant to reap the abundant harvest.
- 20 Praise God for your pastor and his family.
- 21 Pray for the brethren in the Philippines.
- 22 Pray for the Church of God in Lima, Peru, and Mario Olcese.
- 23 Praise God for the opportunity you have for worship with those of like precious faith.
- 24 Praise God for the gospel message and the hope it provides for you.
- 25 Pray that God will give you an opportunity to share that faith this week.
- 26 Praise God for the forgiveness of sin.
- 27 Pray for the Pine Grove Bible Church of God and their building program.
- 28 Pray for David Krogh and his leadership in the Church of God General Conference.
- 29 Praise God for the secretarial staff of OBC and the General Conference.
- 30 Pray for the North Kent Church of God that God will give them the leadership and workers they need for continued growth.
- 31 Express to God the joy you have in being a part of his family.

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CHURCH NEWS

BAPTISMS

CANADA

Fonthill, Ontario—Jennifer Chiki 10-16-88), Grace Beauchamp (10-30-88), Stephen Bolhaus.

ARKANSAS

Greenbrier (McGintytown)—Terry and Patty Ingram (9-10-88), Tom New.

ILLINOIS

Macomb—Harriet Yeoman (transfer) (9-18-88), Rex Cain.

Oregon—Stephanie Withers, Michael Withers, Virgil Smith (8-28-88), Hollis Partlowe.

Watson—Amy Cavanaugh, Mary Cavanaugh (7-3-88), Dennis Cheatwood.

INDIANA

Bloomington (Hillview Bible)—Connie Chambers (10-2-88), Cecil Rademachir.

Kokomo—Donna Obermeyer, Sharon Cutschall (transfer) (9-25-88), Angela Bales (transfer) (10-2-88), Jeff Smith.

South Bend (Timberland)—Ferne Heilman (9-25-88), John Railton.

MICHIGAN

Rockford—Michelle Bean, Sara Curtis (10-23-88), Richard Eldred.

OHIO

Dayton—Bill and Joyce Mann (9-25-88), Ralph Childs.

Springfield (Lawrenceville)—Brad Loveless (3-27-88), Alyce Petry (transfer) (8-2-88), Frances Petry (8-23-88), John Hearp.

TEXAS

Gatesville—Shellie Faubion (9-11-88), Tommy Faubion, Ronnie Rhodes.

VIRGINIA

Fort Valley—Stacey Johns (10-16-88), Jon Welch.

Front Royal—Chris Seiders, Carrie Woods, Cindy Gochenour (9-24-88), Eddie McBee, Shirley McBee, Pat Ellifritz (transfer) (9-18-88), Dennis Baldwin.

WEDDING

OHIO

Springfield (Lawrenceville)—Hope Domigan and Todd Stickley (6-25-88), John Hearp.

DEATHS

ARKANSAS

Greenbrier (McGintytown)—Arlie McGinty, 81, long-standing member; an example of hospitality and friendliness to the community (9-2-88), Tom New.

ILLINOIS

Macomb—Ruth Miller, 94, charter member (8-1-88), C. Jesse Pestle.

MINNESOTA

Eden Valley—Clara Roach, 83, member (9-

30-88), S. O. Ross.

Litchfield—Lester Davis, member (10-27-88), S. O. Ross.

OHIO

Dayton—Robert Sigler, member (9-6-88), Rex Cain, Ralph Childs.

Springfield (Lawrenceville)—Pauline Strickland (6-7-88), John Hearp.

Tipp City (Brush Creek)—Heather Youtz, 4 months (4-15-88), Michael Hoffman.

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Tim McGinty Tape

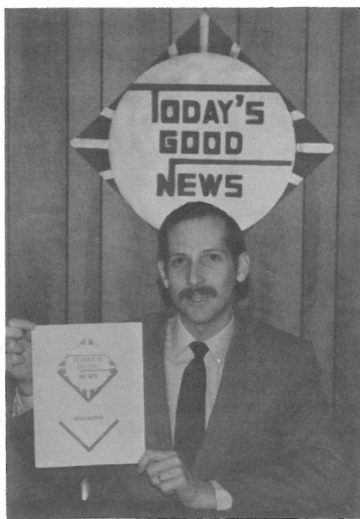
"When the Time Comes" is an inspiring tape album of vocal artist Tim McGinty, a member of the McGintytown Church of God, Greenbrier, AR. Tim suffered near-death problems in August, 1987, and is making much improvement since recovering from surgery. To purchase this professionally produced tape write Tim at Star Route, Conway, AR 72058. Cost is \$8.50 which includes postage.

Seeking Pastor

The Gatesville Church of God, Gatesville, TX, is seeking the services of a full-time pastor. If interested, contact Mr. Ronnie Rhodes, 737 State School Road, Gatesville, TX 76528.

Today's Good News

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Today's Good News host Pastor Steve Taylor recording a program closing.

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Today's Good News began as a ministry of the Blanchard Church of God in 1986. A series of eight one-half hour talk-show programs covering a variety of Christian topics was produced. The series was done by a professional television production company. Programs were broadcast in the Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, area. Written and telephone responses from the viewer audience indicated a minimum guaranteed viewer audience of 200 people.

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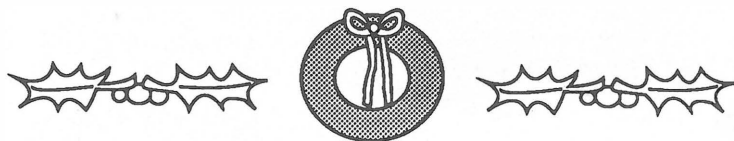
studio at the Blanchard church. Focused on unique biblical understandings of the Church of God, these programs are of broadcast quality with literature published to support them. Inscriptions, quotes, and graphics have been added to round out each program.

All 15 programs may be purchased or borrowed for local church use in

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

David Krogh, President

New Member Churches

We are pleased to announce that the Bethel Church of God, Pelzer, SC, has requested membership in the Church of God General Conference. Their application has been accepted and we are pleased to welcome them into our association of churches.

Over the past several years it has been a pleasure to get better acquainted with members of the church through visits by our staff and participation of members in conferences and Christian Workers Seminar. Brother & Sister E. Richard Smith have served the congregation for a number of years. Upon their retirement this fall, Alan and Susan Cain will assume the pastorate.

We also are pleased to welcome Family Bible Fellowship as a member of our Conference. This new congregation, which began in October 1988, has an average attendance of 65. Gary Turner is pastor, assisted by Conference/College staff and students.

It is exciting to see the enthusiasm and participation of many new people in this new congregation.

Thank You From Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"We would like to thank the Church of God General Conference for their support of Open Bible Fellowship. The Conference has given us ongoing support for the last few years and has contributed to our building program recently from the Church Builders League program. We are appreciative of the prayer and financial support, and we feel that this has contributed significantly to our current position of needing to expand our facilities.

"We had a groundbreaking ceremony on December 4. The Lord has blessed us with unity in this endeavor, and he has blessed us financially toward our goal for funds.

"Again, we would like to thank the Conference for their support, and we request that you would continue to keep us in your prayers."
—David Landry.

We are pleased with the progress of the work at our Baton Rouge, Louisiana, church. It is a joy to see the fruit that is produced as a result of all of our churches and the Conference working together in ministry.

Vice President of OCD Resigns

Warren Sorenson has submitted his resignation as Vice President of Outreach and Church Development of the Church of God General Conference, effective September 1, 1989. He has accepted a call to pastor the congregation in Simi Valley, California.

Warren will continue to assist the Conference in a limited way after assuming his new position.

Brother Sorenson began his work for the Conference

September 1, 1979. He and his wife, Irene, spent the first year of his employment as a student at Fuller Theological Seminary in California, preparing further to assist the Church of God in its outreach and church development ministries.

Warren has been a dedicated and faithful employee of the Conference during his decade of service. He has made a significant contribution to an evangelism and outreach emphasis throughout the Church of God. As a result, many of our churches have experienced renewal and growth, and new churches have been started. Irene has been a faithful companion and helper, assisting the work of the Conference in many ways.

We pray God's blessing upon Warren and Irene as they continue their ministry in California.

Participation Statistics

Included in this issue of the Progress Journal is a statistical report of our churches. Each congregation is important to the work of the Church of God, and we are grateful for the involvement of many individuals, local churches, church organizations, state conferences, and others.

Update on Relocation

As this is written in mid-February, we have not received a written offer on the Oregon Bible College buildings. We continue discussions with Responsible Peer Programs, Inc. Zoning regulations are being reviewed by Responsible Peer Programs.

A team of staff members are visiting the four relocation sites under consideration: DuPage County, Illinois; Kansas City, Missouri; Columbus, Ohio; and Atlanta, Georgia.

We deeply appreciate the tremendous prayer support that has been provided by our membership. We continue to see God's hand at work day by day as he opens and closes doors to us as we pursue our vision to be obedient in evangelism. We believe that God is sovereign and that he knows what is best for the work of the Church of God. The greatest desire of our leadership is to be submissive to God's leadership.

There are three specific prayers that we ask our membership to continue to pray:

1. That God will lead in the possible sale of buildings and our entire relocation effort by opening and closing doors to us.

2. That God will fill each of our members with his spirit, that the fruit of the spirit will be produced in our lives, and that there will be a spirit of unity throughout the Church of God.

3. Pray that our staff will have extra strength as they carry on regular duties and assist in securing relocation information; and that they will have peace about their future as God's will unfolds.
(Please turn to page 16.)

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE

Dale Ramsey, Vice-President

Please! Consider the Important

"We have left undone those things which we ought to have done: and we have done those things which we ought not to have done."

This statement from the little booklet by Charles Hummel entitled "The Tyranny of the Urgent" is filled with despair and stands in stark contrast to the confident completion to his life that Paul shares in 2 Timothy 4:7. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith." When Jesus uttered his final words, "It is finished," it was more than just cessation of life, but the end of a work that had been completed or accomplished.

Neither Jesus or Paul was indicating that his work as carpenter or tentmaker was at an end. Those trades were simply means to maintain earthly existence. Their real work, their really "important" work of sharing "the good news," was what had come to an end.

It strikes me that, when most young people finish high school and pursue their career preparation, all their resources: time, talent, money, and energy are spent to prepare for what Hummel would classify as urgent goals: making a living, taking care of necessities, putting food on the table, all of which count for naught in light of eternal value.



Pastor John Rallton, an OBC graduate, chatting at the General Conference Chairman's reception with members.

Oregon Bible College is concerned with addressing the "important" issues of life. Certainly it is necessary to prepare oneself for functioning adequately in this temporary life, but it is far more advantageous to equip oneself to do the "important" work of life, finding and leading disciples to maturity in their spiritual life.

Maybe you, as you read this, are a pastor, grandparent, parent, or friend who has a responsibility of influencing a young person in his career decisions. Would you encourage that young person to attend Oregon Bible College and spend part of his career development time to do the same work that Jesus and Paul did, so that they too can say with confidence and satisfaction, "I, too, have finished my work, the work of the kingdom"?

This is not to intimate that those who do not attend Oregon Bible College are not accomplishing important work for the Lord. I simply want to stress the importance of prioritizing the activities of our life so that we do that which is worthwhile and thus please our God. We at Oregon Bible College want to help many gain this overview of life.

Scholarships Awarded

Each year OBC awards scholarships at the beginning of the school year for outstanding academic achievement. Many of our other students receive grant-in-aid money.

This second semester we awarded four all-around scholarships to students who excelled in every aspect of their program, but especially their contribution to Christian Ministry. These students went the extra mile in their ministry to various people during the first semester. Scholarships were awarded to Marcee Bolhous, Lisa Gainey, Cheri Hansen, and Earl Poland. Each of these students demonstrated a real Christian heart for folks in need. They have demonstrated a clear attitude of what Christ expects from his disciples in ministry.

Honor Roll

The following students demonstrated academic ex-

cellence during the Fall Term 1988. We are pleased with the commitment each shows to his academic studies.

Honor Roll

Marcee Bolhous
Jeff Bull
Heidi Cooper
Lisa Gainey
Earl Poland
David Richert
Jim Wilson
Steve Zimbelman

High Honor Roll

Linda Merillat
Gary Turner

Adulthostel

May is a beautiful time of the year to visit northern Illinois and attend Oregon Bible College for a week. Many who have attended previous Adulthostels have attested to that fact. The opportunities to study and fellowship with the OBC staff are rich and meaningful.

The setting is attractive and relaxing. So what do you



In Columbla Station, OH, Columbia Church of God youth leader Dan Benton leads games for possible future attenders of Oregon Bible College.

say, you mature adults? Come and afford yourself this opportunity. You won't regret it!

For additional information, ask your local pastor or write us: Oregon Bible College, Box 100, Oregon IL 61061

Graduation

The 1989 Commencement activities are set for May 4. We are very pleased to present two very talented and committed students for graduation. They are Jeff Bull and David Richert. We have enjoyed having them as students and have enjoyed watching their growth over the past few years. We have great confidence and faith in what they are going to contribute to the Lord's work.

The Annual Graduation Program will begin at 7:30 in the Oregon Church of God with Kent Ross, Instructor/Academic Dean as the speaker.

We welcome any interested people to come and be a part of the celebration.

Intensive Courses

Oregon Bible College was blessed by the presence of a familiar face to many who have attended in the past. Bill Wachtel spent four weeks recently on campus sharing his rich wisdom, knowledge, and teaching expertise. We very much appreciate the willingness of the Wenatchee Church to share him with us.

We look forward to March 19-22 when Brian Atra will be here to teach a course entitled "Life in the Spirit." It will be a wonderful opportunity to learn and apply new discoveries of truth with regard to the Holy Spirit. We welcome guests to come for the interesting four-day study. Write or call for more information.

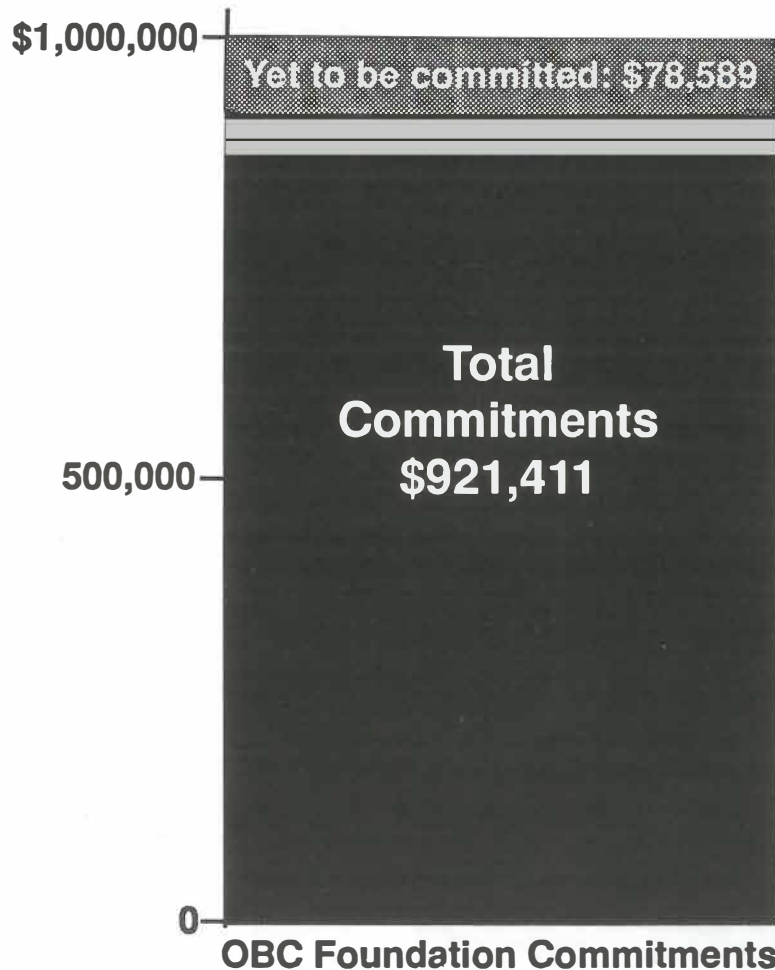
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Oregon Bible College is vitally important to our churches and membership. It is the only educational institution of the Church of God for training pastors and other church workers. The Development Foundation will be very important for future financing of Oregon Bible College as income generated from the principle will be used to support the programs of the college.

The Board of Trustees and staff will work diligently to reach as many members and churches as possible in the next few months in order that everyone may have an opportunity to participate in the achievement of the \$1,000,000 goal. We seek your prayers as we pursue this effort to further the Lord's work.

Church of God Participation Statistics
Calendar Year Ending December 31, 1988

Church	Member of Gen Conf	No of Active Members	No of Active Families	No of Restitution Herald Subscriptions	Church Contributed to Goals for Giving	No of Member Families which Contributed to Goals for Giving	Total Contributions to Goals For Giving	**Church Contributed to OBC Foundation	**No of Givers to OBC Foundation	**Amount Given to OBC Foundation	Average SS & Church Attendance	No of Quarterlies Each Quarter	No of OBC Alumni Since 1939	No of Church Builder Members
Arizona														
Lakeshore, Tempe	X	164	90	22	X	8	\$14,971	-	11	\$12,345	122-172	31	8	29
Valley View, Scottsdale	X	214	.	7	X	4	7,752	-	12	84,142	140-204	18	11	20
Arkansas														
Clark Chapel, Magazine	-	10	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35-	68	-	-
Cleveland Church, Cleveland	-	12	2	2	X	2	748	-	-	-	11-	27	-	2
Forest Hills, Royal	X	41	22	3	X	3	1,037	-	1	25	40-43	38	4	7
New Hope, Little Rock	X	22	-	3	X	3	1,950	X	6	7,465	-	37	4	6
McGintytown, Greenbrier	X	60	30	6	X	2	1,067	-	1	49	44-60	66	1	6
California														
Church of Open Bible, Pomona	X	46	33	11	-	6	4,685	-	5	4,142	31-32	45	6	14
San Jose Church, San Jose	X	10	6	2	-	1	700	X	1	850	9-10	25	-	5
Valley Church, Simi Valley	X	30	16	9	X	3	2,790	-	6	3,885	29-34	39	1	9
Canada														
Glad Tidings, Fonthill	X	94	61	15	X	9	7,970	X	27	19,152	54-100	109	15	11
Peterborough Church, Peterborough	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colorado														
Pleasant View, Colorado Springs	X	34	19	7	X	5	12,445	-	2	600	29-31	-	1	6
Illinois														
Blessed Hope, Rockford	X	40	22	10	X	11	4,586	X	6	12,165	41-45	50	6	10
Dixon Church, Dixon	X	22	14	9	X	6	1,420	X	3	2,165	22-26	38	6	3
East Oregon Chapel, Oregon	X	81	52	10	X	9	8,697	-	2	2,093	57-66	55	4	5
East Peoria, East Peoria	X	33	18	4	-	2	297	-	7	2,333	39-38	23	-	4
Family Bible, Loves Park	X	-	-	-	X	-	313	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flagg Center, Rochelle	X	34	-	8	X	6	1,020	-	1	200	30-45	34	6	6
Fox Valley, Aurora	X	-	-	2	X	4	2,495	-	2	1,025	22-22	61	-	-
Macomb Church, Macomb	X	118	74	16	X	17	6,055	-	12	11,142	91-91	139	13	28
Oregon Church, Oregon	X	207	110	44	X	34	19,543	-	33	35,633	158-174	178	32	43
Restitution Church, Casey	X	18	-	4	-	2	425	-	1	100	6-	18	1	3
Restitution Church, Eldorado	X	40	21	9	-	5	300	-	1	125	30-38	35	-	10
Ripley Church, Ripley	X	83	-	19	X	10	4,632	X	18	5,049	44-53	110	9	11

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Indiana														
Burr Oak Church, Burr Oak	X	51	27	34	X	9	4,845	X	9	10,688	65-63	66	1	11
Country Chapel, Michigantown	X	36	17	9	X	5	2,380	-	7	4,780	22-35	36	14	6
Hedrick Church, Hedrick	X	31	20	8	X	8	2,483	-	1	150	31-30	63	2	6
Hillview Bible, Bloomington	X	10	5	3	X	8	1,259	X	-	35	12-12	-	-	1
Jay St, Kokomo	X	40	-	6	-	3	710	-	1	850	31-38	25	12	11
North Salem, Plymouth	X	28	16	7	-	4	187	-	1	1,500	24-29	56	2	8
Timberland Bible, South Bend	X	113	75	11	X	13	7,047	-	6	610	115-153	71	16	27
Iowa														
Albert City Church, Albert City	-	7	5	1	-	1	25	-	2	3,005	9-	4	-	-
Conger St Church, Waterloo	X	20	11	2	-	4	141	-	-	-	21-23	12	4	2
Gladbrook Church, Gladbrook	-	-	-	-	-	1	100	-	-	-	10-10	-	-	1
Oaklawn Church, Koszta	-	-	-	3	X	2	1,074	-	2	312	33-37	45	-	3
Restitution Church, Belle Plaine	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-
Kansas														
Hope Chapel, Arkansas City	X	8	4	4	X	1	250	-	-	-	7-	20	-	-
Louisiana														
Blood River Church, Springfield	X	106	-	6	X	5	5,127	-	6	1,880	80-120	84	16	7
Faith Chapel, Metairie	X	12	6	2	-	1	145	-	-	-	5-5	11	-	1
Happy Woods Church, Hammond	X	52	37	12	X	8	5,864	-	9	16,152	50-56	84	8	15
Open Bible Fellowship, Baton Rouge	X	27	15	9	X	1	2,269	-	3	5,330	34-39	8	5	7
Michigan														
Blanchard Church, Blanchard	X	150	75	12	X	17	11,290	X	10	11,779	113-141	51	19	21
Champion Community, Champion	X	8	-	1	X	-	75	-	-	-	7-7	16	-	-
Garden Park Church, Kentwood	X	52	32	10	X	6	5,266	-	5	11,718	45-48	35	5	13
L'Anse Church, L'Anse	X	18	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	11-12	-	2	1
North Kent Church, Rockford	X	29	16	3	X	5	2,425	X	3	2,785	29-45	49	-	3
Pennellwood Church, Wyoming	X	103	67	15	X	19	5,561	X	12	6,392	72-96	57	25	24
Southlawn Church, Wyoming	X	73	40	8	X	11	10,400	-	12	7,670	53-81	56	13	10
Minnesota														
Eden Valley Church, Eden Valley	X	87	56	16	X	12	6,145	X	15	19,567	48-78	68	14	17
Hector Church, Hector	X	24	8	7	-	4	305	-	10	24,502	28-31	47	7	10
Litchfield Church, Litchfield	X	53	24	11	X	11	3,036	X	9	6,145	26-50	51	6	8
Pine Grove, Minneapolis	X	49	30	9	X	13	832	X	7	3,000	38-49	37	5	22
St Cloud Church, St Cloud	X	14	9	1	X	1	240	-	-	-	9-13	7	3	0

Missouri

Arcola Church, Arcola	-	-	-	-	-	1	100	-	-	-	11-11	-	-	-
Fairview Church, Doniphan	-	16	10	2	-	1	180	-	-	-	11-	28	1	2
Fredericktown Church, Fredericktown	X	40	16	9	X	2	2,273	-	1	900	31-31	35	6	4
Jordan Church, Jordan	X	13	7	1	-	1	75	-	-	-	14-	16	4	-
Lockwood Church, Lockwood	-	-	-	-	-	1	50	-	-	-	20-	16	-	-
Morse Mill Church, Morse Mill	X	26	12	3	-	1	250	X	1	670	15-21	33	5	2
Raymore Church, Raymore	X	62	33	9	X	13	4,091	X	10	10,865	63-68	47	1	4
Springfield Church, Springfield	X	15	7	4	X	1	50	X	-	300	-	29	-	-
St Charles Church, St Louis	X	13	7	13	X	4	2,325	X	1	2,665	12-12	28	3	7

Nebraska

Holbrook Church, Holbrook	X	28	21	-	X	3	1,663	-	3	600	21-23	37	4	8
Jaynes Street Community, Omaha	X	83	58	34	X	21	9,602	X	14	19,294	69-	115	12	20

North Carolina

Anderson Chapel, Hendersonville	X	18	-	2	-	2	110	-	-	-	12-18	39	-	2
Church of Resurrection Hope, Lenoir	X	91	53	9	X	1	470	X	1	5,120	50-79	58	1	15

Ohio

Brush Creek Church, Tipp City	X	80	50	21	X	13	10,802	X	10	4,758	81-77	132	23	22
Chapel on the Hill, Urbana	X	12	9	1	X	-	75	-	-	-	17-16	33	-	-
Church of Open Bible, Bedford	X	24	13	8	X	10	2,370	-	4	1,612	19-30	32	4	10
Columbia Church, Columbia Station	X	50	18	7	X	6	4,103	-	4	3,530	60-70	40	5	11
Glad Tidings Chapel, Dayton	X	22	14	3	X	2	956	X	5	8,802	20-24	26	10	4
Golden Rule Church, Cleveland	X	23	-	3	X	3	609	-	1	25	24-24	58	3	2
Gospel Church, Hilliard	X	16	6	2	X	-	299	-	-	-	-	22	-	1
Grace Church, Jefferson	X	10	3	-	X	1	425	X	1	250	12-12	30	-	2
Lawrenceville Church, Springfield	X	98	39	13	X	6	8,497	X	10	67,338	81-95	100	12	12
North Hills Church, Springfield	X	52	-	7	X	11	2,508	X	2	7,092	72-81	45	1	6
Pleasant Hill Church, Pleasant Hill	X	43	10	7	X	6	2,586	-	3	1,056	57-55	44	-	6
Troy View Church, Troy	X	86	44	7	X	7	3,646	-	7	2,815	80-90	74	14	11

South Carolina

Bethel Church, Pelzer	X	-	-	1	X	-	520	-	-	-	-	105	-	-
Greenville Church, Greenville	X	24	14	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	17-19	26	-	4
Guthrie Grove Church, Pelzer	X	222	-	12	X	22	12,375	-	24	17,657	138-156	169	9	49

Texas

Arlington Church, Arlington	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	1	-
Avondale Church, Harlingen	X	25	-	7	X	2	572	-	-	-	20-24	29	1	5
Gatesville Church, Gatesville	X	34	-	9	-	6	2,035	-	7	3,064	34-41	51	3	5

Virginia

Cool Spring Church, Browntown	X	30	18	5	X	3	1,287	X	5	4,415	32-34	58	2	5
Fair Oaks Community, Herndon	X	22	17	7	X	9	5,569	-	9	14,480	-13	5	5	10
Fort Valley Church, Seven Fountains	X	40	16	9	X	8	3,993	-	7	8,357	42-48	48	11	8
Royal Village Church, Front Royal	X	47	30	14	X	12	8,324	-	2	2,072	55-62	52	1	4

Washington

Bible Faith Church, Bellevue	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-
Cashmere Church, Cashmere	-	-	-	4	-	1	58	-	-	-	-	-	6	1
Wenatchee Church, Wenatchee	-	-	-	7	-	2	1,140	-	1	275	55-68	19	11	1

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	Member of Gen Conf	No of Active Members	No of Active Families	No of Restitution Herald Subscriptions	Church Contributed to Goals for Giving	No of Member Families which Contributed to Goals for Giving	Total Contributions to Goals For Giving	**Church Contributed to OBC Foundation	**No of Givers to OBC Foundation	**Amount Given to OBC Foundation	Average SS & Church Attendance	No of Quarterlies Each Quarter	No of OBC Alumni Since 1939	No of Church Builder Members
Conferences														
Arkansas State Conference							150	X						
Illinois State Conference							2,405	X		500				
Indiana State Conference							1,302	X		500				
Louisiana State Conference							585							
Michigan State Conference							1,258	X		3,000				
Minnesota State Conference							634	X		1,000				
Minnesota State Mission Society							341	X		1,000				
Missouri State Conference							-	X		1,000				
Northeast Conference							1,217							
Southeast Conference							1,249	X		200				
Virginia State Conference							750	X		7,500				
Non-Church of God												453		
Isolated				249		60	33,900	-	38	53,942	-	44		50
Herald Bundles to Churches				325										

**Total Since the beginning of the Foundation in 1982

MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS & SUBTRACTIONS

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
ADDITIONS:					
Baptisms	172	141	155	182	134
Inactive-Became Active	24	48	72	68	37
Transfer In	<u>103</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>47</u>
	299	300	280	290	218
SUBTRACTIONS:					
Deaths	51	39	34	34	40
Became Inactive	149	202	163	133	92
Transferred Away	<u>58</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>46</u>
	258	314	267	211	178
Net Gain (or Loss)	41	-14	13	79	40

OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Foreign Missions Advisory Committee

The Foreign Missions Advisory Committee met in Oregon on January 7, 1989, to discuss the missions work of the General Conference.

Recent letters and reports from each of the fields were reviewed. This material is being sent to the membership in the "March"ing for Missions mailing. After the report went to the printer, we received word that Beder has been excommunicated from the Peru church for doctrinal differences.

Plans for the "March"ing for Missions materials were discussed. Alane Schmidlapp-Day offered to put together a devotional booklet and a calendar for distribution to the membership. We greatly appreciate her willingness to minister in this way.

A children's missions club, the COG Travel Club, was developed. Every two months members will receive a mailing providing information on various countries in the world. We hope that by developing a "world awareness" we will be able to stimulate missions interest in our children. The club mascot, designed by Todd Myers, is Charlie O. Goforth who travels with his faithful vehicle, Care-lotta. She cares, and he's been sent. A letter has gone out to all pastors and mission committee chairpersons announcing this club. Membership is \$5.00 per year. If any individual is interested and did not receive an invitation to join through his local church, please write to the Church of God General Conference Missions Department for an application, or send in the membership fee along with a name and an address. The first mailing for this club is scheduled to go out in March.

Two of the members of our committee will be presenting classes at Christian Workers' Seminar and we spent time discussing one of these classes.

We appreciate the financial and prayer support of the Church of God membership in providing for the missions work of the General Conference. Approximately \$2,500 is needed each month to carry on these outreach ministries.

—Judy Myers, Chairwoman.

Youth Advisory Committee

This year's Youth Advisory Committee is composed of elected members Lanny McAlister (South Carolina)

and Alan Demmitt (Ohio); Joe James (South Carolina) represents the Board of Directors, and Kent Ross (Illinois) is the National Youth Coordinator.

They have just concluded this year's planning sessions by meeting February 11,12, 1989, at the Guthrie Grove Church of God. Their five-page agenda included an evaluation of: 1) the programs of participation, such as chartering of youth groups, Coins-For-Christ, Youth Week, caravans and mission trip; 2) Berean Youth Congress, with consideration given to increasing attendance to 250 or more, quizzing, talent competition or involvement, youth leader's training; 3) *Challenge* youth magazine, its format and content; and 4) a host of miscellaneous items, such as increasing a ministry emphasis in our programs, a Mid-Winter post-high program, and a Youth Advisory team of young people.

The Committee in brainstorming brought forth fresh and vigorous new ideas, but also felt the need to check those ideas out with the young people themselves. One of the most important changes is bringing back a program of a representative group of young people to feed their own needs into the program the General Conference offers. At this year's Berean Youth Congress a group will be selected to act in concert with the Advisory Committee in developing the youth program.

Another strongly perceived need is to involve more of our youth leaders and through them to involve more of our youth groups, and thus more of our young people in our programs, which includes taking much more responsibility for our own budget.

The program for Berean Youth Congress '89 was developed and letters will be going out with assignments for what promises to be an exciting week. The Congress will again meet at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, July 9-14, 1989. The early-bird cost for the first member from a family will be \$130 for the week. With Youth Week in the spring, this now becomes an excellent time for young people to raise their own funds for this extraordinary week.

Lanny, Alan, and Joe working with Kent give us a solid team, that in conjunction with a group of our young people will generate new life and vigor among our young people nationwide.

—Kent Ross, Chairman.

OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Christian Education Advisory Committee

The Committee continues to serve the Church of God General Conference by attending to matters related to the Christian Education ministries of the local church.

We were invited to participate in the Minnesota State Conference, September 8-11, 1988. Choosing the theme, "Enlarging Your Ministry," we developed and presented four workshops for those in attendance. Pastor John Railton joined us as a special guest and his presentation was videotaped for future use at similar conferences. The conference was well attended and a time of learning and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

On November 5, 1988, the Committee traveled to Louisiana to participate in their state conference. Twelve workshops on a variety of topics were offered for those who attended. Jim Ring and Susan Hall joined our team for the weekend. Medical problems prevented me from making the trip, but I was blessed by the willingness of Lynne Krogh to step in at the last minute and take my place.

We try to keep in touch with all who are in teaching positions through the quarterly printing of *Focus*. In it we hope to provide articles on relevant topics for teachers and tips that will be of help and encouragement.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held in Oregon, IL, on February 21, 1989. At that time we will welcome our new board member appointed to the committee, Pastor Vivian Kirkpatrick II. We plan to consider the possibility of future seminars we can bring to the local conferences, and we will discuss ways we can keep current the area of Christian Education and share that information with those who have been called to teach.

We are happy to serve you as a committee and we covet your prayers and communications.

—Gayle Guthrie, Chairwoman.

Media Advisory Committee

The Media Advisory Committee at its November, 1988, meeting redefined its "Statement of Purpose and Function" to read as follows:

Purpose

The Media Advisory Committee will advise in the use of current communication technology to create effective vehicles for the message of the Church of God General Conference.

Function

The Media Advisory Committee will monitor media activity and provide consulting services to the General Conference in:

- a) conceptual design
- b) production
- c) editing
- d) exhibition
- e) archival

The committee made seven recommendations which include two major projects that committee members are taking an active role providing time and talent to produce.

Project number one is a Media Hints book outlining usage of mass media for local churches.

Project number two is an informational video on the key points and benefits of the ministry of the conference.

Both projects are presently under production with plans to be completed in 1989.

The committee also voted to commend Steve Taylor for his pioneer work in television ministry for the Church of God with his "Today's Good News" video series.

The delegates and membership can be pleased with their selection of Tim Landry and John Smead to the Media Advisory Committee; their contributions and expertise are a much-appreciated blessing.

—Rick Cooper, Chairman.

OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

REPORT, Warren Sorenson, Vice-President

A Vision for Developing the Local Church

Most congregations would like to have an increase in attendance, see more people coming forward to put on Christ in the waters of baptism, and have more people participating in and contributing to the work of the church. What can a congregation do to experience these results? That's a tough question and the answer requires developing a vision for the church which includes the following five specific items.

Program

The program of the local church is an important aspect of reaching and keeping new people. The morning worship service is perhaps the most important of all. It has replaced the Sunday School as the "feeder" to the growth of the church. New people usually feel more comfortable in attending the morning worship service as an introduction to the church. Providing a meaningful worship service therefore becomes a critical element in your church's outreach to new people. If the service is going to be meaningful, people need to feel God's presence and experience his love. A message of "Good News" which relates Bible truth to personal life and needs is a must.



A good-sounding choir is an excellent way to assist programming in the local church.

Timing is important, especially starting and stopping on time. Also eliminate dead time in the service. Be time efficient in receiving the offering. Plan and prepare for a smooth-flowing service.

Property

The condition of the grounds, the building, and the

location are all important. Look over your facilities as if you were visiting for the first time. Is it easy for visitors to find their way around the building? Are there directional signs? Are the rest rooms properly and clearly marked? If you have a nursery, is it well staffed and cared for?

Personality of the Congregation

One of the key elements needed in a congregation is compassion for those who are not in Christ. When the congregation is concerned about bringing people to Christ, the subject will come up in board and congregational meetings, and time will be given to plan and discuss how to accomplish this.

A second important element in the personality of the congregation is having a sense of ministry. The pastor is the equipper of many ministers with the membership following the leadership model. Everyone's ministry is important.

A third important element is the commitment of the membership. Obedience to the instruction of God and a community relationship within the body helps the church to follow the Biblical model of the church as the body of Christ.

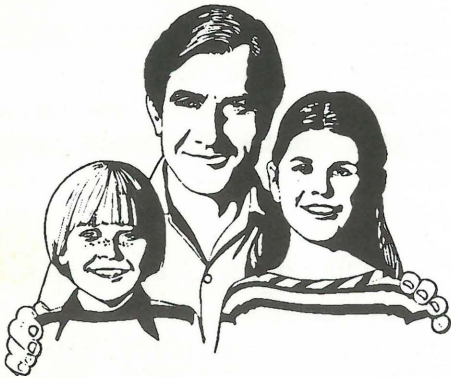
People Flow

Increasing the numbers of people who come into your services is what is meant by people flow. The church is much more important than a business, and retailers know that it is important to increase the number of people coming into the store as a means of increasing the number of customers who buy. If you want to sell to more people, you get more people to look at your product. Consider these three ways of increasing your people flow: Advertising, Invitations, and Attraction (a quality program and a caring ministry).

Purpose

It is important to know what you want to accomplish and how you plan to do it. When this is understood, more will take place in the local church. Bringing people to salvation is our Biblical command. It is one of the most important purposes of the church.

GREAT COMMISSION TEAM



Members Needed for Great Commission Team

You are invited to be a member of the Great Commission Team to help support the evangelism and educational ministries of the Church of God. We have openings available for:

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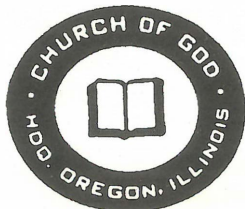
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CHURCH NEWS

Pastor Needed

The Holbrook, Nebraska, congregation would like to secure the services of a pastor this fall. Please contact Bernell Story, 308-784-3257; or Wayne Ewald, 308-697-4467.

Church Needed

Howard Robinson will be available for a pastorate this fall. Contact him at 306 Swayze, Holbrook, NE 68948.

Seeks Associate Pastorate

Mark Cheatwood, an Oregon Bible College graduate who will complete internship under Pastor John Hearp June 30, is seeking a pastorate, beginning Sept. 1, or earlier. He prefers an associate position. Please contact him at 1597 Regent Ave., Springfield, OH 45503, phone 513-399-5829.

100th Birthday



Jessie Anderson

Jessie Anderson, member of Valley View Bible Church, Scottsdale, Arizona, celebrated her 100th birthday on February 27. In a recent article about her in the Phoenix Gazette, the writer said that Jessie Anderson seems to be planning a few more birthdays beyond her 100th. She is quoted as saying, "I'd like to live till the Lord comes."

We wish to congratulate Jessie on her birthday and it also our prayer that she will live until Jesus comes.

Complete Systematic Bible Study Course

Robert Bourne, Parchman, MS; Alma Hilshorst, Arlis Lemarr, Clinton, TN; Louise Miller, Stonewall, LA; Alayn Y. Miller, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada.

Oregon Bible College 50th Anniversary Celebration

Mrs. Clarence Lapp, 559 St. Rt. 202, Troy, OH 45373, asks that anyone who has sung in an OBC choir with her as director to please write her. She would like for you to join in a special choir at this summer's General Conference and will send you particulars. Start assembling a "costume" of the type of clothing you wore when you were a student, please.

The celebration committee is urging any and all former OBC students to compile some information on their instructors, classes, highlights, and things which made lasting impressions upon them. This data is needed immediately so the programs can be completed. Please mail even a rough copy of your memories to Marj Overmyer, 918 N. 87th PL, Scottsdale, AZ 85257. Tempus fugit.

The committee is also desirous of receiving pictures of slides pertaining to the college which can be displayed at conference. If you have any which you would be willing to loan, please identify same, mark clearly with your name and address, and sent to Gayle Guthrie, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

April, 1989

May, 1989

- 1 Pray for the Christian Workers' Seminar in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, that God will bless the sessions and the results of what is taught and experienced there.
- 2 Praise God for opportunities for the brethren to meet together in conferences such as the Christian Workers' Seminar for study, fellowship, and sharing of ideas for ministry.
- 3 Pray for the Fletchers and their ministry in developing a Church of God in England.
- 4 Pray for Gary Turner and his family and their ministry in taking the gospel to people of the Loves Park area.
- 5 Pray for David Krogh and his leadership of the General Conference.
- 6 Pray for those who will be returning home from Christian Workers' Seminar, that God will give safe travel and that the benefits received there will be put to use in the local church.
- 7 Pray for the members of the Board of Directors who will be meeting in Gatlinburg, Tennessee.
- 8 Pray that God will motivate persons to help reach the goal of the Development Foundation.
- 9 Pray for the development of the Church of God in Nashville, Tennessee.
- 10 Pray that God will direct in the decision which is to be made regarding the relocation of Oregon Bible College and the Church of God General Conference.
- 11 Pray that God will guide in the process of restructuring the Conference and College.
- 12 Pray for a greater renewal of spirit in your personal life and your church.
- 13 Pray that God will assist the Fletchers to reach new people in Milton Keynes, England.
- 14 Pray for an opportunity to share your faith with someone who has not been baptized into Christ.
- 15 Pray for the Rademachirs and their church-planting efforts in Bloomington, Indiana.
- 16 Pray for the mission work in Labor Vieja, Mexico, and Roberto and Lupe Badillo.
- 17 Pray for a greater focus on evangelism to be felt in your church.
- 18 Praise God for the gift of everlasting life through Jesus Christ.
- 19 Pray for Dale Ramsey and his work with Oregon Bible College.
- 20 Pray for the students and staff of Oregon Bible College.
- 21 Pray that God will raise up a pastor for the church-planting project in St. Charles, Missouri.
- 22 Praise God for your pastor and the ministry of your local church.
- 23 Pray for the Church of God mission work in Lima, Peru.
- 24 Pray for the Church of God in Ashtabula, Ohio, as the people work in further developing a church there.
- 25 Praise God for your pastor and encourage him in his ministry.
- 26 Pray that God will prepare hearts to train for ministry through Oregon Bible College next fall.
- 27 Praise God for the fellowship you enjoy in your church family.
- 28 Pray for the mission work in Bangalore, India.
- 29 Pray for God to bless the vision of planting new Churches of God to reach the lost.
- 30 Praise God for the hope of the coming kingdom and the newness of life to be received at that time.
- 1 Pray for the isolated members of the Church of God.
- 2 Pray for the Pine Grove Bible Church near Minneapolis, Minnesota, that God will bless its building program.
- 3 Pray for your own spiritual growth.
- 4 Pray for the Oregon Bible College students who will be graduating tonight.
- 5 Pray for pastors and spouses as they meet for a renewal conference in St. Charles, Missouri.
- 6 Pray that God will bless the efforts of the local churches during the pastors' absence to attend Ministerial Conference.
- 7 Pray for those who will attend the Adulthostel May 8-13, that God will provide safe travel to Oregon, Illinois.
- 8 Pray that God will give safe travel to pastors and their spouses as they return home to their local churches from Ministerial Conference.
- 9 Pray for the Oregon Bible College interns as they assume new responsibilities in ministry.
- 10 Pray that those who attend the Adulthostel will be enriched through the sessions and the time of fellowship.
- 11 Praise God for those in your local church who labor faithfully for the Lord.
- 12 Pray for churches which are seeking a pastor this coming year.
- 13 Pray for God's guidance in the recruitment of new students for Oregon Bible College.
- 14 Pray for the Church of God members who are living in Columbia, South Carolina, that God will enrich them through their fellowship and study together.
- 15 Pray for some of our smaller churches in the conference, that God will help them and strengthen their ministry.
- 16 Praise God for the heritage of the Church of God. Pray that each of us will be faithful to him.
- 17 Praise God for the ministers and wives who are retired from the pastoral ministry. Thank God for their years of service.
- 18 Pray that God will use you in an active roll of service in your local church.
- 19 Pray that God will bless the efforts of the Bible study group meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- 20 Pray that God will send visitors to your church and that you will be able to minister God's love and truth to them.
- 21 Pray for your Sunday School staff and that through these persons many lives will be strengthened.
- 22 Pray that God will open more opportunities for mission work in Ghana, West Africa.
- 23 Praise God for your family.
- 24 Pray that God will increase your children's ministry in your Sunday School.
- 25 Praise God for your Youth Workers.
- 26 Pray for the ministry of the North Kent Church of God in Rockford, Michigan.
- 27 Pray that God will give you new insights from your study of his Word.
- 28 Praise God for who he is and thank him for his help in your personal life.
- 29 Pray for Ron Macy and the development of the Fox Valley Church of God in Aurora, Illinois.
- 30 Praise God for a special person in your congregation who has been an inspiration to you.
- 31 Pray for the efforts of our local churches, that through their ministry people will be brought to Jesus Christ.

CHURCH NEWS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Continued from page 3)

BAPTISMS

CANADA

Fonthill, Ontario—Paul Ferbrache (11-13-88), Stephen Bolhous.

ILLINOIS

Macomb—Maribeth Vaughn (11-13-88), Angela Lynn (1-15-89), Rex Cain.

INDIANA

Hedrick—Dana Taylor (1-22-89), Steve Taylor; Kevin Hollis (1-22-89), Dennis Cheatwood.

OHIO

Pleasant Hill—Ricky Clevenger, Mark Louderback (7-24-88), Amy Berry (8-7-88) Cindy Clevenger (9-18-88), Scott Deane.

Troy (Troyview)—Emma Robbins, Terry Robbins, Jim Robbins, Bo Robbins, Sara Mollett (9-11-88), Melanie Borinson, Andrea Wagganer (10-30-88), Theresa Alcorn, Violet Brower, Betty Stone (11-20-88), Craig Wagganer. Alyssia, Amber Bashore (12-18-88), Harry Bashore, Craig Wagganer.

DEATHS

ILLINOIS

Rockford—Zachary Froehlich (2-15-89), David Cheatwood.

INDIANA

South Bend—Stan Irish, member, (12-17-88), Shirley Galloway (12-24-88), John Railton.

Lafayette—Mellie (Anderson) Butler, 85, daughter of deceased Pastor John H. Anderson, baptized 1914 (11-18-88), John Railton.

IOWA

Oaklawn—Evelyn Schmidt, member, (1-21-89), Vernon Young, member, 1-23-89), Francis Burnett.

MINNESOTA

Litchfield—Ted Holtz, 81, member, (11-21-88), S. O. Ross.

Eden Valley—Fay Jones, member, (12-16-88), Earl Jones (12-16-88), Floyd Mills, member, 90, (1-8-89), LaVern Hanson (1-25-89), S. O. Ross.

OHIO

Dayton—Alvin West, member, 77, (11-13-88), Ralph Childs.

Troy—Ida Alice Lapp, 86, member, sister of Pastor Clarence Lapp, (10-24-88), Clarence Lapp.

The Board continues to welcome communication from our membership about our future.

We strongly believe that these are exciting and significant times to be involved in ministry. There are tremendous needs in our society and God has given us a message of hope to share with our needy world. We are confident that the Church of God has a bright future as we submit ourselves to God's leading and commit ourselves to obedience to his Word.

Meetings to be Held

The Trustees of the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation and the Board of Directors of the Conference will meet at Gatlinburg, Tennessee, April 7 and 8. Since many trustees and directors will be attending Christian Workers' Seminar, the meeting was arranged at that time.

The trustees of the Foundation will meet to discuss the use of interest earnings from the Foundation. They will also be involved in a phone-a-thon to wrap up our campaign to reach the goal of one million dollars by August of 1989.

The Board of Directors will review annual reports of the staff; receive reports from the relocation team; put together a total relocation package of information; consider budget for the 1990-91 fiscal year; and deal with other Conference and College matters.

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Financial Update

We continue to deeply appreciate the contributions of our membership to the General Fund, Church Builders Appeals, OBC Development Foundation, PACT (Planting Additional Churches Today), Marching for Missions, etc. Many new projects have been undertaken in the past couple of years, and giving is at an all-time high.

However, as of January 31, contributions to the Goal for Giving were approximately \$23,000 less than was needed.

For 1989, we are inviting each Church of God member to be a part of our Great Commission Team by helping to underwrite the day-to-day ministries of the Church of God General Conference. Please see page 14 for additional information about the various levels of support. Your participation in the support of the Conference/College is greatly appreciated.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH OF GOD GENERAL CONFERENCE

THE REPORTS and information contained in this issue of the PROGRESS JOURNAL were reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on April 7 and 8, 1989. The report was prepared by the President and members of the staff of the Conference and College.

This annual report is published to keep the membership of the Church of God informed regarding the work of our association of churches. It also serves as background information for delegates who will meet at the annual summer Conference, July 31 to August 4, 1989, at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois. At the business sessions, the Conference work will be discussed and decisions will be made regarding Conference activities in the future.

Guiding Principles

The Church of God General Conference is a non profit corporation. Its members are the 79 churches in the United States and Canada, which have on file in the Conference office a statement of affiliation with the General Conference. Delegates from these churches, plus delegates from state conferences, and licensed/ordained ministers meet annually to review the work of the Conference and to elect a Board of Directors.

The Board is directly responsible to the delegates for the operation of the General Conference. The Board has divided the work into departments and employs a staff to carry on the day to day work. The staff is responsible to the Board.

The organization is guided by a Constitution adopted by the delegates, by God's word, and by God's spirit working through the chosen leadership.

Membership in the Church of God General Conference is a voluntary act by a local congregation. In affiliating with the General Conference, the local church is manifesting its agreement with the biblical truths set forth in the Bylaws, and its desire to participate in the worldwide ministry of the Church of God through the General Conference. Membership assumes a moral obligation to support the work of the General Conference and to maintain fellowship with the other members of the Conference as a brotherhood in Christ. The church does not relinquish any authority, nor compromise its local autonomy. It does, with membership, have opportunity to assist in the formation of policies and programs through its delegates and its pastor. It has the opportunity to enlarge its borders through participation in missions and educational efforts.

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Focus of Effort

As an association of churches, we understand it is our mission to "make disciples of all nations." (Matt. 28:19, 20). The General Conference exists to assist Church of God members, churches and conferences to bring the lost to Jesus Christ and to lead each believer to maturity by providing leadership, resources, and services.

The Church of God is in the midst of a transition as necessitated by a changing society. Since it is our desire to reach the lost through good stewardship, we recognize the need to adapt our ministries to reach the people of our generation.

Improving our ministries means strengthening existing churches and starting new churches to reach more people.

A formula which guides us is: Vision + Information x Commitment = God's blessing and growth. Our vision to strengthen existing churches and start new churches must be combined with Bible truth, effective ministry techniques, and an understanding of the society in which we live. We call upon all members to renew their commitment to use their spiritual gifts and to be active in ministry.

The reports on the following pages represent our vision, information that will help us do our job better, and evidence of the commitment of our people. These reports furthermore are testimony of God's blessing upon us as his people.

Relocation

During the past year, the Board and staff has studied extensively how relocation can help us achieve the mission to which God has called us. Consideration has been given to our present programs and activities on behalf of our churches. Our Bible College objectives and curriculum have been reviewed. Visits have been made to relocation sites to secure information about local educational institutions and opportunities for practical experience for our students. This issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL contains our findings and our proposed plans for the future.

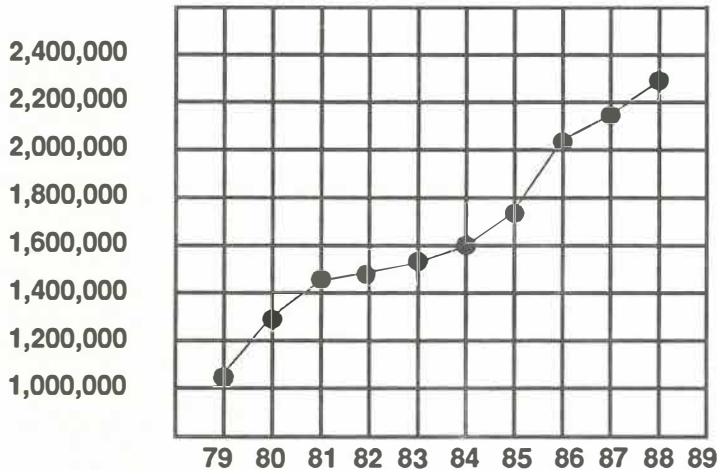
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Financial Situation

The assets of the Church of God General Conference have continued to climb during the past ten years. Contributions to the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation and the establishment of the Investment Fund have assisted in the growth of our assets. The graph below reflects the increase in our fund balance.

(Fund balance is determined by subtracting liabilities from assets. This graph does not take into account the appreciation of real estate during the 10 years. All assets are listed at cost.)

10-Year Growth in Fund Balance



The growth in our fund balance has been made possible by:

1. Faithful giving by hundreds of Church of God families.
2. Faithful giving by many local churches and state conferences.
3. Gift annuities for which the donors receive semi-annual interest payments.
4. Creation of trust funds.
5. Major gifts from estates of persons who have remembered the Lord's work at the time of their death.

The chart in the next column shows contributions received during the first 10 months of this fiscal year. Our Goal



for Giving for the year was \$387,000. Contributions of \$32,250 are needed each month. As of March 31, 1989, contributions were approximately \$35,000 short of the Goal for Giving for the year.

Earlier this year, members of the Church of God were invited to become a part of the Great Commission Team to help underwrite the day-to-day ministries of the Church of God General Conference. We are seeking individuals who will provide support at the following levels.

- Assistants — Annual Gift of \$100-\$119
- Sponsors — Annual Gift of \$120-\$499
- Associates — Annual Gift of \$500-\$1499
- Partners — Annual Gift of \$1500-\$2499
- Ambassadors — Annual Gift of \$2500 or more

We are very grateful for those who have supported Conference ministries during this fiscal year. We encourage more individuals and families to help undergird the work. Those who currently are not supporting the Conference directly are encouraged to send \$10 per month, which is about \$.30 per day per family, to help carry on the ministry of the Church of God General Conference.

—David Krogh, President.

OUTREACH AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The work of the Outreach Director during this year has been focused on assistance to smaller churches, teaching OBC intensive classes in church planting and evangelism, working with core groups in church-planting

opportunities, survey and planning in connection with the possibility of relocation and restructuring, and launching the new Loves Park Church, Family Bible Fellowship, plus regular administrative duties and conducting the annual How To Build Your Church Seminar.

Assistance to Smaller Churches

The strengthening of the existing local church is an important part of the work of the OCD department. Two congregations, Pomona, California, and Blessed Hope in Rockford, Illinois, requested assistance. Both of these congregations recognized a need to structure for growth.

Several meetings have been conducted with the pastor and elders of the Blessed Hope church. A lot of time and effort has gone into planting a new church in Rockford and we have recognized the need to provide as much assistance as possible to Blessed Hope, the existing church in Rockford. During these meetings various strategies have been discussed and planned for reaching out into the community and strengthening the church.

Oregon Bible College Intensives

Two intensive classes were taught: Introduction to Evangelism, and Church Planting. Both of these involved student participation in evangelism activity. Students took part in door-to-door prospect calling in Loves Park, Illinois; Bloomington, Indiana; and Fox Valley, Illinois. They also participated in the telephone evangelism contact program in launching the Loves Park Church of God. Student cooperation and participation was excellent in this program. Some of the students felt uneasy about trying something new but were willing to get out of their comfort zone and take part in the evangelism project. Several students volunteered to do follow-up calling on prospects after the initial contact project was completed.

Loves Park Church-Planting Project

Planning for the project began several months prior to its launching in connection with the intensive classes at OBC. Prospects for building a nucleus with which to start the church were gleaned through door-to-door prospecting and telemarketing. About 110 prospects were found through door-to-door calling and 1261 using telemarketing.

Attendance at the first service on October 30th was 103 and has leveled off in the mid-fifties. A weekly

telephone follow-up contact program on prospects is carried on by General Conference staff members and spouses. There are families who have become regular in attendance and new ones continue to come. Several Bible studies are being conducted and a youth program has been started with Jason Turner as leader. A children's church and nursery program runs concurrently with the morning worship service. Joyce Magaw supervises the children's church program with students helping. Glenda Turner is in charge of the nursery class. Gary Turner pastors the new church and is also conducting a Wednesday night Bible class.

Relocation Survey Trips

A preliminary trip was made to Atlanta on November 15 and 16 along with board member Joe James. More detailed investigation was conducted at the four proposed relocation sites: DuPage County, Illinois; Kansas City, Missouri/Kansas City, Kansas; Columbus, Ohio; and Atlanta, Georgia. Each of these trips involved discussions with college administration officials concerning the opportunities for OBC students to enroll in courses and benefit from the various college resources. Investigation also included a study of the availability of commercial property and costs as well as the cost of living for staff and students in the various relocation possibilities.

Restructuring

Numerous meetings were conducted for consideration of the involvement of OBC students in church planting, evangelism, and the development of an existing church. Considerable discussion and planning has taken place to strategize how to utilize the resources and potential in a relocation setting. The opportunities for students to participate in ministry is an important objective in the relocation plan. These meetings have been for the purpose of studying how to relate ministry participation to the OBC curriculum and the objectives of preparing and training pastors for existing churches and church-planting efforts.

Church-Planting Opportunities

We met with the core group in Nashville, Tennessee, and enjoyed a time of reviewing objectives and strategies. We also met with the group in Columbia, South Carolina,
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and discussed ways of beginning a regular schedule of meetings as a preliminary step to starting a church.

Jeff and Karen Fletcher and their family have gotten settled in Milton Keynes, England, and have begun developing friendships and building a nucleus for the church. Bible studies have been conducted and a Sunday service is also conducted. We are encouraged by the new contacts that have been made and the new people who are starting to attend.

The Church of God in Lima, Peru, continues with a radio broadcast and worship services. There have been several baptisms thus far. This is an emerging church and prayer support is needed for the workers. Conditions in Peru are unsettled and this greatly affects our people there.

How to Build Your Church Seminar

The annual church-planting seminar was focused this year on the development of the local church. Several staff members took part in presenting sessions. Attendance at the seminar was good and many very favorable comments were made concerning benefits derived from the seminar.

Conclusion

I will be ending full-time employment with the General Conference as of September 1, and will be taking the pastorate at Simi Valley, California. My ministry with the General Conference has been challenging and interesting. The focus and concern in the Church of God to reach the lost is one of the most important objectives of the OCD Department. We have seen a greater emphasis in reaching out to the lost take place in the Church of God.

I will continue to work with the General Conference on a part-time basis. I continue to have a keen interest in the relocation and restructuring of Oregon Bible College and the General Conference and the focus of reaching the lost. Irene and I appreciate the support we have received from you. —R. Warren Sorenson, Vice President.

OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE REPORT

This school year has been somewhat like a roller coaster, with its ups and downs. The year began on a

super high. We have not experienced more excitement in the first two weeks of school than we did this year. Involvement in evangelism classes, prospecting for new people by knocking on doors, and involvement in phone calls as part of the telemarketing project at Loves Park, were new experiences for students and staff. They were rich, growing experiences that gave us all a good feel about our own contribution.

We rejoice with Kent Ross in the successful completion of his Graduate Degree. Anthony Buzzard plans to finish his graduate work in the coming year.

I am pleased and impressed by the quality of our instructors. Most have graduate degrees or extensive experience in their field of expertise. Serving in some type of teaching capacity this year were: David Krogh, Eugene Stilson, Dale Ramsey, Michael Hoffman, John Guthrie, Warren Sorenson, Russell Magaw, Gayle Guthrie, Anthony Buzzard, Eileen Moore, William Wachtel, Brian Atra, Dick Eldred, Bob Jones, Hollis Partlowe, Alane Day, and Chuck Jones. Various pastors and other guests contributed to our environment by preaching in Chapel services and visiting various functions of the college. Our men's dormitory was supervised by David and Betty Hall and the women's dormitory was supervised by Rick and Vickie Cooper. I also appreciate the contributions to our environment that Mary Hoffman gives in Food Service and David Hall gives in Maintenance.

Our students, as usual, experienced the highs and lows of the roller coaster this year as well. Many attested to the joy of being involved in the OBC environment and maturing in Christ. Involvement in the ministry of local churches, witnessing in the work place, experiencing spirit-filled Prayer Days, social activities, etc., contribute to the joy of being involved in this spiritual environment. However, the struggle to meet financial responsibilities, insufficient work, or the inability to manage money tended to dampen the morale of the students who found themselves in this situation. An abnormal amount of sickness during the winter months and some untimely deaths in the family also hurt the students' ability to maintain a positive consistent attitude toward their work. However, the school year concluded on a positive note.

Our Booster program fell significantly short of the accomplishments of the previous year. The contributions were \$2,251.25 less than 1987 and there were 199 fewer contributors than in 1987. It was heartening that several

of our churches had almost 100% participation thanks to the promotion from those pastors. Steve Fewell at the North Hills Church of God and Dennis Baldwin at the Royal Village Church of God did a super job in promoting the OBC Booster Program. There were others who did a very fine job in promoting OBC through the Booster Program.

Another very fine High School Invitational Program was accomplished during the first weekend in March. Fifty-four students, some coming from as far away as Virginia, attended. Of these, 33 were juniors and seniors and many showed an interest in coming to Oregon Bible College upon completion of their high-school training. We have many fine prospects who have declared their intentions to come to Oregon Bible College in the fall of 1989. An Incentive Scholarship was offered to potential students who had at least a 3.2 GPA and a 22 on their ACT test if they came to OBC in the Fall of 1989. It looks like we may have as many as seven who will qualify for this scholarship based on high academic achievement. We also have many more students who have indicated a strong interest in being with us in the fall of '89. We are heartened by the sincerity of these students to experience Biblical education and embark upon a course to improve their ministry to life.

Two very fine men graduated from Oregon Bible College this spring, David Richert and Jeff Bull. David will be interning this fall at the Eden Valley Church in Minnesota and Jeff Bull will be interning at the Glad Tidings Church in Fonthill, Canada. David began a new course in life by getting married to Heidi Cooper on March 4. Jeff Bull is married to the former Becky Roseberry. Our prayer is that these two outstanding couples will encounter continued growth in their pastoral preparation and will be of great service to the Lord and his church in the years ahead.

Many other tasks and activities: Committee on Higher Education meeting, the Chorale Tour, the revision of the Student Handbook, Alumni Weekend, the Adulthostel, Parents' Weekend, etc., contributed to the quality of our work and experience. A survey was conducted among the present Oregon Bible College students and among the visitors for the High School Invitational Conference as to their view with regard to the possible relocation of Oregon Bible College. It was good to get a feel of both our present students and those who will be attending in

the future about this issue. Various questions were asked as to why they feel we should or should not relocate. Of our present students, 13 out of 14 taking the survey think that relocation will serve the needs of Oregon Bible College and them personally in a better way. Of our visiting students who took the survey, 22 out of 29 felt that relocation would better fit their needs than the present setting.

A strong key as to whether Oregon Bible College relocates or not has to do with the question, "Where can we best prepare our students?" We continue to evaluate our present programs and our future needs, coming to the conclusion from the research done, that we can significantly improve the quality of our program in a different setting that better meets the objectives of the Bible College. We continue to be motivated by our sincere desire to do what is best for our young people and God's kingdom.

—Dale Ramsey, Vice President.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONSTITUTION REVISIONS

Recommendation One

The Board of Directors presents for the approval of the delegates of the Church of God General Conference, the relocation of the corporate offices of the Church of God General Conference, including Outreach And Church Development, Oregon Bible College, Printing And Publishing Services, and Business Services.

Explanation: Please see pages 9 to 16 for specific proposals regarding this recommendation.

Recommendation Two

To implement Recommendation One, the Board proposes an amendment to Article I, Section 1 of the General Conference Constitution: "The general offices of the Church of God General Conference shall be incorporated in the state in which the offices are located." (The present reading: "The general offices of the Church of God General Conference shall be located at Oregon, Illinois.")

Recommendation Three

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Constitution, Article I, Section 3: delete entire section. This section currently reads "For the purpose of conducting business, the General Conference is incorporated in the state of Illinois under the name of 'Church of God General Conference,' a corporation not for profit."

Explanation: The deletion of this section helps to implement Recommendations One and Two. It is also redundant because in the preamble to the Constitution it says that the name of the organization is Church of God General Conference and that it is a not-for-profit organization. The proposed new Article I, Section 1 says that the organization shall be incorporated.

Recommendation Four

The Board of Directors recommends an amendment to Article II, Section 3, c, which has to do with delegates entitled to vote at business sessions. Delete the following: "The Executive Director of Church of God General Conference and the President of Oregon Bible College."

Explanation: Titles and positions have been changed. Currently there is a President of Church of God General Conference/Oregon Bible College. In most cases this individual is eligible to vote under Article II Section 3, b, as a licensed or ordained minister.

Recommendation Five

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Constitution regarding nominations for the Board of Directors in Article IV, Section 4. Eliminate the entire section and replace with the following: "Nominations for the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference may be submitted by: State or District Conference Boards of the Church of God; Churches that are members of the General Conference; Pastors' Association of the Church of God General Conference. Name(s) of nominees and resumes will be submitted to the President of the General Confer-

ence by May 1 and will be printed in the General Conference issue of PROGRESS JOURNAL."

Explanation: There are two major changes in this amendment. 1) The Board is proposing that our Pastors' Association be given nominating authority. 2) The current Constitution calls for nominations to be submitted by January 1. Throughout the history of the General Conference, pastors have played a significant role on the Board of Directors. The Board feels it is appropriate to encourage our Pastors' Association to have a role in placing nominations. Changing the date from January 1 to May 1 will permit more time for nominations to be prepared and will still permit them to be included in the General Conference issue of the PROGRESS JOURNAL.

Recommendation Six

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Bylaws of the Church of God General Conference, Article I, Section 1 regarding the purpose of the Conference: "The purpose of the Church of God General Conference is to assist Church of God members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission, which is to make disciples by bringing the lost to Jesus Christ, and by leading the believer to maturity, by providing leadership, resources, and services."

The present wording is: "The purpose for which the Church of God General Conference is incorporated is to assist Church of God members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission to feed the Church of God and preach the gospel to all the world by providing trained personnel, services, resources, and materials."

Explanation: The proposed amendment clarifies our understanding of the mission to which the Church of God has been called. The words "make disciples" bring to mind the work of Jesus as he worked with the twelve disciples, beginning with his selection of them, his association with them, and the impartation of himself to them. "Make disciples" helps us to focus on the process of finding the lost and leading them to conversion.

The phrase "leading the believer to maturity" includes the idea of establishing individuals in the faith (Colossians 2:6, 7), equipping them for ministry (Ephesians 4:11, 12), and providing in-depth personal training (Mark 3:14).

The Conference seeks to help local churches in their mission by offering lay and professional training of leadership. The Conference also seeks to play a servant leadership role by giving encouragement, assistance, and a role model in ministry.

EXPLANATION OF RECOMMENDATION ONE

BOARD RECOMMENDS RELOCATION

As a part of our vision to revitalize the Church of God, the Board of Directors is proposing the relocation of the corporate offices of the Church of God General Conference, including Outreach and Church Development, Oregon Bible College, Printing and Publishing Services, and Business Services to Atlanta, Georgia.

There have been many hours of prayer, deliberation, and market research put into this recommendation. The Board and staff have spent the last several years praying, planning, and considering how we can bring renewal and revitalization to the Church of God. Many members have expressed concern over the closing of churches, the loss of our young people, the plateaued and declining membership in many churches, and an insufficient number of graduates from Oregon Bible College.

In an effort to find solutions to these problems, meetings have been held with pastors, congregations, state conferences, and many individual members. Many plans and ideas have been weighed and considered. Lists of pros and cons have been compiled.

After prayerful consideration the Board has concluded that relocation is a vital key to the revitalization of the Church of God.

This eight-page section presents the plans and benefits of relocation.

EDUCATION



DOCTRINE AND THEOLOGY EMPHASIS

The most important purpose for the existence of OBC is its emphasis on our Church of God doctrinal distinctives. Oregon Bible College is the only institution of higher education in the world which is training leadership in the great truths of the Scripture.

The Board of Directors acknowledges, as you do, the importance of sound Bible teaching in order for the rest of the education at Oregon Bible College to be of any significance. We will not compromise our doctrinal heritage. Students will continue to be taught what we believe, why we believe it, why it is important, and how to communicate it to our world.

OBC TO BROADEN CURRICULUM

As our society changes, we see, as you do, a greater need to train and educate students to meet the needs of our society. Our plan is to draw upon the resources of Clayton State College, a senior college within the University System of Georgia, for general education courses for our students. After meeting with officials from many colleges, we have concluded that the Outcome-Focused Assessment-Based General Education Program in place at Clayton State College will meet our needs. Our general education curriculum will be provided by Clayton State and will be expanded from 37 semester hours to 64 and include emphasis on two basic skills: communication and critical thinking. Oregon Bible College will continue to offer 48 hours of study in Bible and Theology, and 42 hours in ministries.

The students will also have access to the Learning Resource Center which includes an 80,000-volume library and computer labs. The use of these facilities by students will enable OBC to reduce costs for staff, equipment, and space while the student receives an expanded education in preparation for ministry.

OBC TO GRANT BACHELOR DEGREE

In 1966 the State of Illinois changed the law precluding Oregon Bible College from granting a degree. However, the State of Georgia will allow us to grant our own associate and bachelor degrees in ministry and theology. Students will also receive an accredited, transferable associates of arts degree (two-year degree) in general education from Clayton State College, a senior college within the University System of Georgia.

OBC INTEGRATING EXPERIENCE INTO CURRICULUM

The best way to retain what is learned is to put it to use as soon as possible. The ministry courses are being adapted to include more hands-on experience as a part of the course requirement in order for the student to practice and build skills in the ministry before graduation. This approach to education of students and staff participating jointly in ministry experience is based on the model of Jesus as he disciplined the 12 apostles.

The curriculum aims are:

1. To acquaint the students with a variety of ministry opportunities in which they can best use their gifts and abilities.
2. To enable the students to develop leadership and organizational skills for ministry.
3. To be challenged through personal responsibility in ministry.
4. To assist students in relating to and working with people from different cultural backgrounds.
5. To help students understand the meaning of a life of service to their family, church, and society.
6. To encourage students to develop priorities and practices that will contribute to their well-being and effectiveness spiritually, socially, psychologically, and physically.
7. To provide students with an opportunity to ask questions from experience gained from class/lab assignments before graduation.

The success of an experience-based ministry educational program requires a growing population large enough to sustain continued expansion of the program to meet the various needs of a changing society.

WHY ATLANTA?

Reams of information have been received from Chambers of Commerce, planning departments, colleges, and realtors. On-site visits were made to several cities by Board members and staff. The original list of sites included 20 cities representing each of our state/district Conferences. These locations were evaluated on 28 factors. Then, four cities, including six colleges were evaluated on 36 factors. These factors centered on educational issues, the city environment, and costs.

Some of these issues included: state laws pertaining to operating and degree granting authority; enrollment of college; quality of educational program; food service; median cost of housing for staff; cost of land; opportunities for student employment; climate; population growth; kinds of people in the area; cost of living; transportation; etc.

In the following sections you will find some of these factors explained in more detail as they relate to our program and needs.



ATLANTA

CITY WITHOUT LIMITS

The Chamber of Commerce calls Atlanta "a city without limits." The Atlanta Metropolitan statistical area includes 18 counties. Three of these counties are among the 15 fastest-growing counties in the nation. Atlanta and the State of Georgia are projected to be among the top five fastest-growing areas in the nation and one of four states representing 50% of the population growth in the nation through 2010. The other states are California, Texas, and Florida.

Georgia is the largest state east of the Mississippi and the 11th most populous in the nation. It is second only to Florida in population increase for the decade.

Atlanta has been growing by 60,000 people per year for the last decade and the trend is projected to continue with 942,000 new jobs in the Atlanta area between 1988 and 2010—keeping Atlanta as one of the top five fastest-growing job markets in the nation.

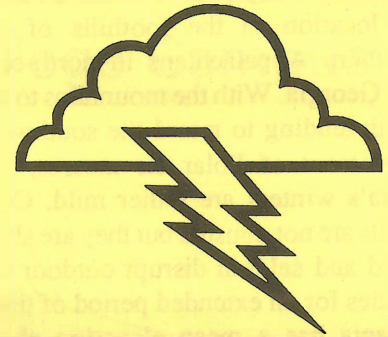
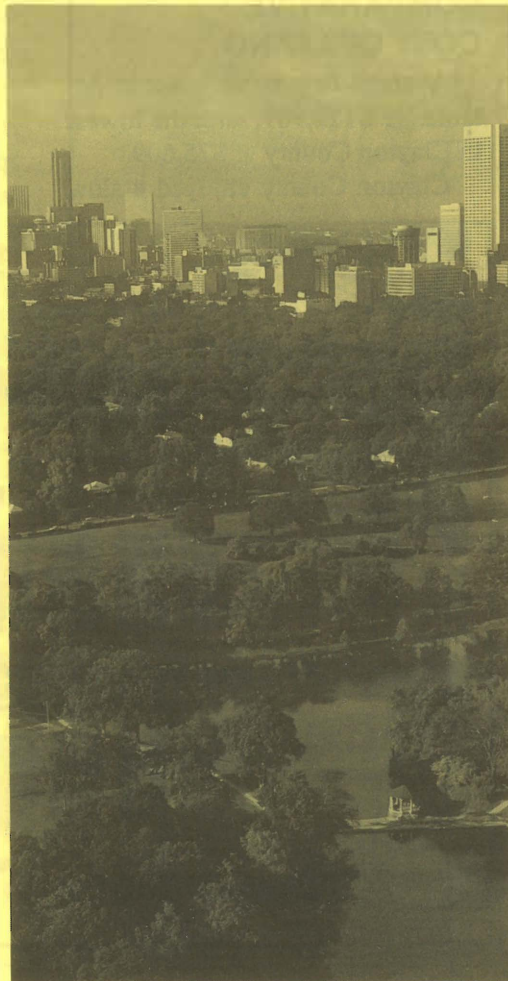
The continued opportunity for church-planting experience for students looks favorable in Atlanta and Georgia.

Atlanta is not an antebellum, "Gone With the Wind" type city. It is an international city where the native Georgian is in the minority.

Atlanta is presently headquarters

for many of the largest companies in the United States.

Atlanta is preparing for the 21st Century. As you know, 83% of the population in the United States will soon be living in the 200 largest cities of the nation. Atlanta provides the varying kind of environment to which we seek to expose our students in order to make them more effective leaders in the future.



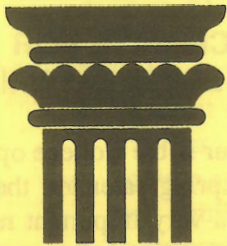
CLIMATE

GOOD CLIMATE FOR EVANGELISM EXPERIENCE

Since our Bible College operates on a fall-to-spring calendar, the weather can play a very important role in the amount of opportunity our students may have to participate in an experience-based ministry education program.

Atlanta has an average daily high in January of 51.4 degrees with an average low of 33.4. There are 59 freezing days compared to 119 in Chicago which has an average January high of 31.5. The humidity is not significantly different—Atlanta 70%, Chicago 67%. Chicago has more days of precipitation with 123, while Atlanta has 116. Atlanta has an average daily high in July of 86.5 and only 19 ninety-degree days a year, while Chicago has 21 ninety-degree days with an average daily high of 84.4 degrees during July.

Atlanta's enjoyable climate is due to its location in the foothills of the southern Appalachians in north-central Georgia. With the mountains to the north tending to retard the southward movement of Polar air masses, Atlanta's winters are rather mild. Cold spells are not unusual but they are short lived and seldom disrupt outdoor activities for an extended period of time. Atlanta has a mean elevation about 1,000 feet above sea level.



CLAYTON STATE COLLEGE

Clayton State College is a senior college within the University System of Georgia. Founded in 1969 on 295 acres in Morrow, Georgia (Southeast metro Atlanta) as Clayton Junior College, it remained a junior college until 1985, when it became a senior college and was renamed. Presently it offers the Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science in Nursing. It also provides the first two years of work in more than 45 transfer programs and one- and two-year career and technical programs. Enrollment in Spring, 1989, was almost 3,600.

Clayton State is very proud and protective of the fact that it has no record of any criminal action on campus. This is contrary to what is found on most college campuses.

There are also 31 colleges within a 40-minute commute of Clayton.



FINANCIAL COMPARATIVE COST OF LIVING

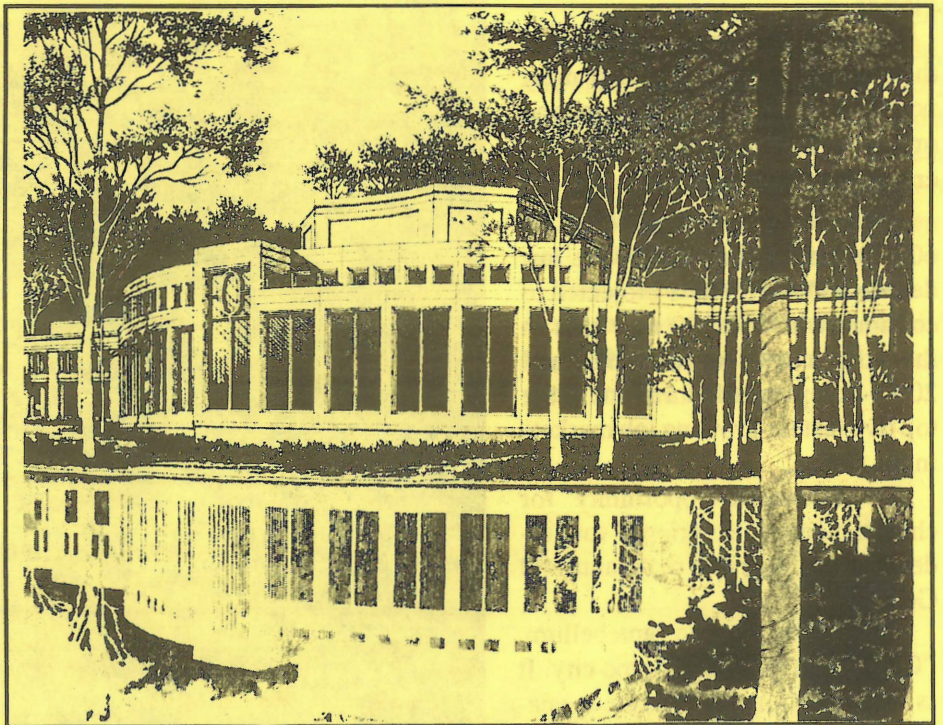
Average new home costs in Atlanta are \$121,989, with the lowest in Clayton County at \$75,609.

Clayton County enjoyed a slow

and steady growth for many years. But in the second half of 1985, major national and international developers realized the county's potential and began investing heavily in shopping centers, apartment complexes, new business parks, a foreign trade zone, and speculated in over a million feet of space for new and existing industry.

Today, barely three years later, the county has nearly two billion feet of shopping space with 555 shopping centers and mall stores.

While most of the county's development has been concentrated in the airport area, a secondary center of commerce has sprung up about a mile and a

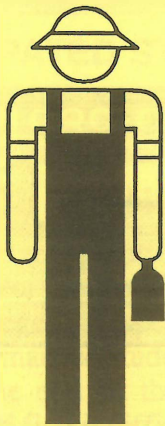


On a beautiful wooded site overlooking the large 12-acre lake, Clayton State College plans to break ground for the construction of an exceptional building dedicated to the performance and instruction of music. Spivey Recital Hall will be one of the finest musical performance facilities of its kind in the country.

half from Clayton State College around Southlake Mall, a regional mall with 121 stores.

However, because Clayton only recently became one of metro Atlanta's fastest-growing counties, its land and construction costs are still comparatively low.

The cost of living in Clayton County is very similar to Oregon, Illinois, with housing being about the same and utilities and taxes are less.

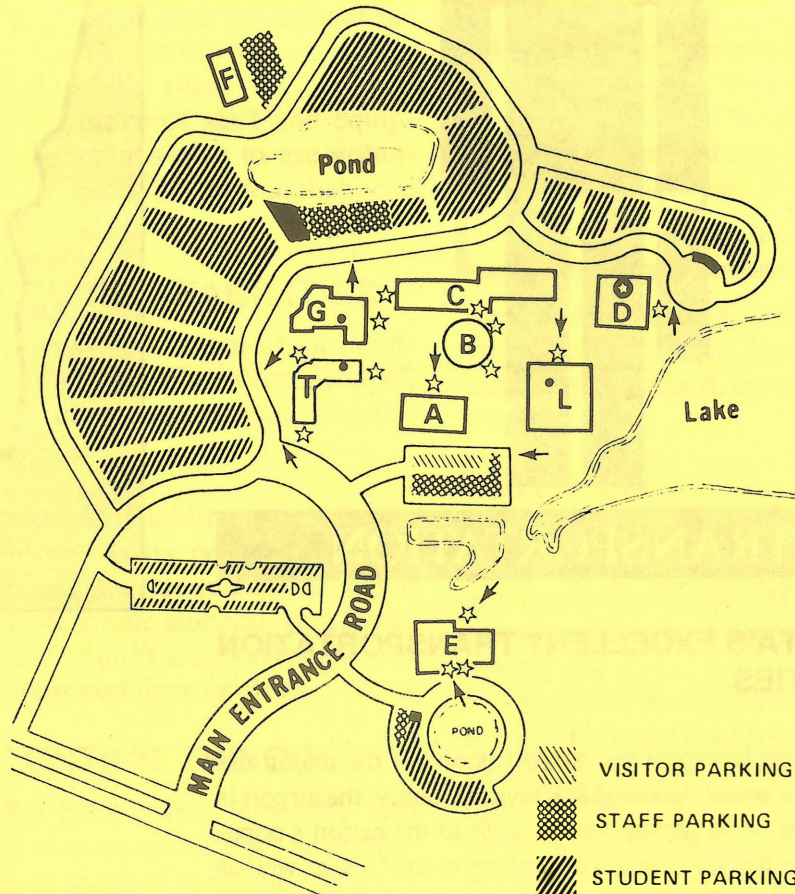


EMPLOYMENT

The opportunity for student employment is very favorable with restaurant/retail positions paying \$3.35 to \$5.50 per hour. The average weekly wage for manufacturing is about \$450, with the high end of potential employment in the transportation field, where the average weekly salary is about \$745 for full-time employees.

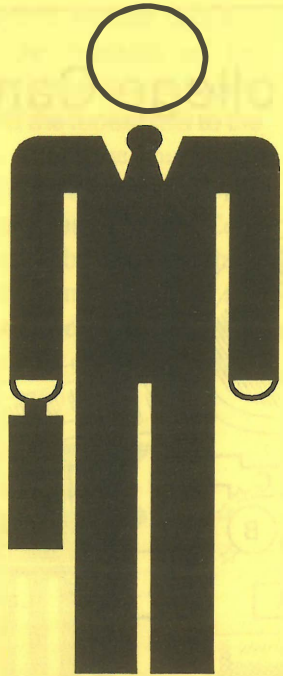
Continued employment opportunities look favorable as the job market in Clayton County is projected to increase from 97,190 in 1987 to 136,729 by the year 2000.

Clayton State College Campus



- A - Administration Building
- B - Round Building
- C - Academic Building
- D - Student Center Building
- E - Physical Education Building
- F - Maintenance Building
- G - Classroom Building
- L - Learning Resources Center
- T - Technology Building

- VISITOR PARKING
- STAFF PARKING
- STUDENT PARKING
- HANDICAP PARKING
- WHEELCHAIR ENTRANCE
- CURB CUT OR RAMP
- ELEVATORS
- ELEVATOR (handicap use only)



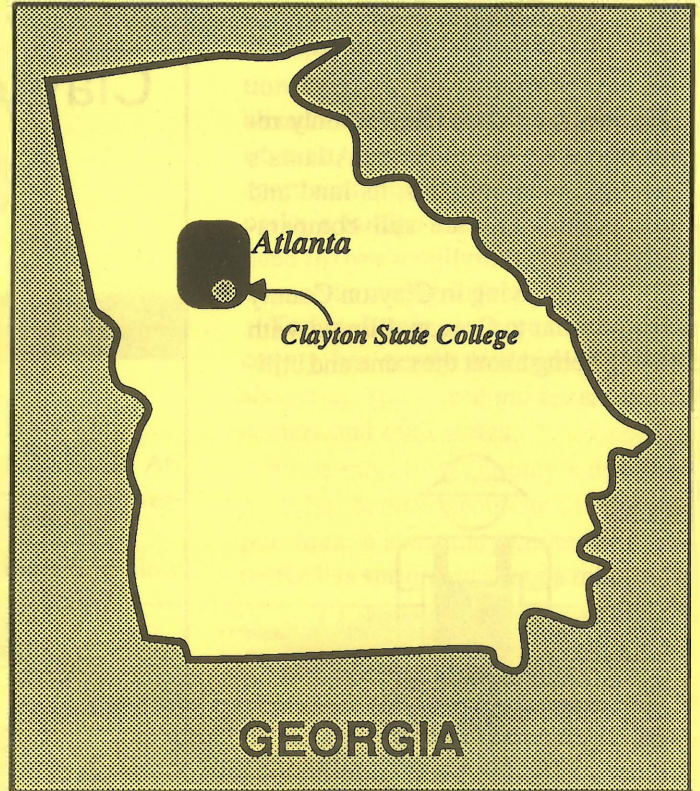
TRANSPORTATION

ATLANTA'S EXCELLENT TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

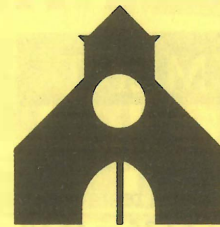
Hartsfield International Airport is one of the major airports in the world. Located in Clayton County, the airport is within two hours' flying time of 80% of the nation's population with flights to nearly anywhere in the U.S. as well as Europe and Asia.

Clayton County also has the best interstate access in Georgia. Highways I-75, I-85, I-285, newly opened I-675, and four major U.S. highways move traffic between Clayton County and the airport, and throughout Atlanta.

Atlanta is located about halfway between Chicago and Miami, directly south of Columbus, Ohio, centrally located in the fastest-growing region in the United States. From 1977 to 1986, the southeast attracted an average 1,837 new residents every day, accounting for 27% of the nation's total growth. By the year 2000, one-third of the nation's growth will occur in the southeast, making it the number-one spot in the U.S.



GEORGIA



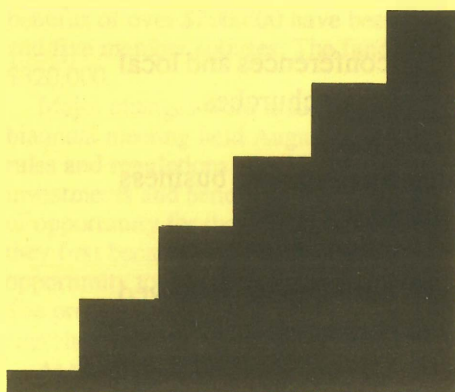
RELIGION

MAJORITY OF POPULATION UNCHURCHED

There are only 115 churches and houses of worship representing 16 denominations in Clayton County. That is only one church for every 1450 people.

The unchurched population in Clayton County ranges from 50% to 69.9%.

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION FOR RELOCATION



ANTICIPATED STEPS

1989-90

YEAR OF TRANSITION

1. Maintain quality educational program for students at Oregon Bible College, with special arrangements for married students who are nearing the end of their program who would find it difficult to move to a relocated setting.

2. Assist local churches in revival, renewal, and revitalization. (See the July/August PROGRESS JOURNAL for more information on our plans to assist churches.)

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CAMPUS BEGINS



3. Finalize details of relocation:
- a. Revision of curriculum for Oregon Bible College

- b. Purchase land
- c. Begin construction of apartment building and office/classroom/chapel/library building—use volunteer labor from throughout the Church of God.
- d. Make plans for physical move of staff and equipment—plan to use volunteers to accomplish the move.

REQUIRED FACILITIES

A new 8,000-square-foot building for offices, classrooms, chapel, and library for an estimated cost of \$200,000.

Apartment Building: eight units with four to six people per apartment will provide space for a total of 32 to 48 single students, or a lesser number if units are used for married students and their families.

COUNTING THE COST

We believe that relocation will help us to be most effective in ministry as an act of obedience to God's Word. As good stewards, the cost of this project has been counted. Appraisals, offers, and estimates indicate our present property has a value of about \$770,000. The Board has viewed property in the area of Clayton State College and has determined that five- to 10-acre parcels of appropriate land are available for up to \$350,000 (depending on location). Contractors have projected the cost of an office/classroom building and an eight-plex apart-

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF RELOCATION

\$770,000	Estimated selling price of present buildings, land, and houses
\$350,000	Estimated cost of land
\$200,000	Estimated cost of office/classroom building
\$200,000	Estimated cost of apartment house
\$750,000	Estimated total cost

ment house at \$200,000 each. If volunteer labor from Church of God members is utilized, costs could be lower.

Cost of Moving:

Provisions will be made to move staff families to the Atlanta area, along with the library, office equipment/furniture, and dormitory furniture.

The initial phase of moving will involve no more than five families. Estimates received of moving costs indicate the cost will be less than \$10,000. Individuals have volunteered trucks and labor to assist, which would reduce this estimate.

Cost to Students:

We do not anticipate increased costs for tuition, lodging, or meals for our students. Food service is available at Clayton State College at a reasonable cost. Fourteen meals are served weekly. Three entrees and a grill are available daily, Monday through Friday. Lodging will be provided in college owned and supervised apartments.

1990-91

PHASED MOVE

1. Initially, publishing, mailing, and business services will remain in Oregon, Illinois. A gradual move will provide more stability and adequate time to secure a new printer and other vendors.

2. Establish Oregon Bible College in Atlanta—develop a working relationship with Clayton State College.

3. Emphasize assistance to local churches in revival, renewal, and revitalization.



4. Emphasize evangelism and practical training experiences for our students. Students and staff will participate in starting a new church in Atlanta.

1991-95

PEOPLE REACHING OUT

1. Major effort in student recruitment.

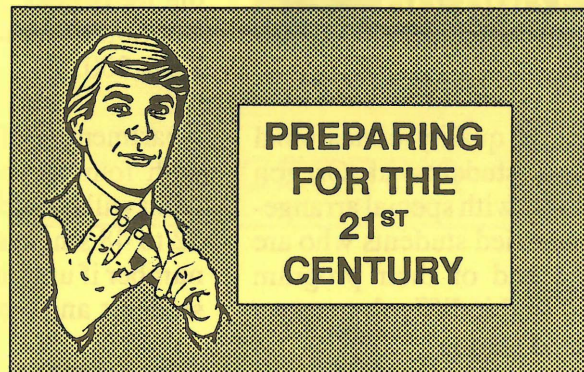
2. Assist local churches in revival, renewal, and revitalization.

3. Assist state/district conferences and local churches in starting daughter churches.

4. Move publishing, mailing, and business services to relocation site.

5. Students and staff continue to be involved in practical ministry experiences.

1995-2000



1. Send out pastors for existing churches who have been well trained in evangelism and church ministries, Bible and Theology.

2. Send out church-planting pastors to help start new churches throughout the nation.

3. Start a new church in Atlanta every two or three years to give our students ongoing practical experience in each phase of a church-planting project.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Ministers' Voluntary Retirement Association

The Retirement Association of the Church of God General Conference has been in existence over 20 years. Retirement benefits of over \$200,000 have been distributed to 14 members and five member spouses. The fund contains assets of over \$320,000.

Major changes were made in the association at the regular biannual meeting held August 3, 1988. The revisions to the rules and regulations provide additional options regarding investments and benefits. One provision also opened a window of opportunity for those who failed to enter the program when they first became eligible. Six pastors took advantage of this opportunity to join the association. Four churches also joined. The present membership of the association is 46 pastors, 46 churches, and six conferences.

At the biannual meeting last year, Dean Urish, who had served as Vice President of the association for 10 years, submitted his resignation. William J. Gaspar was elected to serve during the next two years of the unexpired term. The other officers are S. O. Ross, Chairman; and David Krogh, Secretary-Treasurer.

—S. O. Ross,
William Gaspar,
David Krogh.

Church of God Investment Fund

The Church of God Investment Fund provides assistance to churches that wish to borrow funds to purchase property, remodel or construct buildings, purchase parsonages, etc.

As of March 1, 1989, the fund has a balance of approximately \$46,000. Nearly 80% of the fund is being loaned at a reasonable rate of interest to three churches.

The Directors of the fund are: Bill Burnham, Chairman; Robert Smith, Vice Chairman; David Krogh, Secretary-Treasurer; and Directors Dr. William D. Lawrence and Joe E. James.

—David Krogh, Secretary.

Ministers' Fund

The Ministers' Fund exists to assist pastors or their families in times of emergency. The current rules limit the amount of help to \$300 per family in any one year. The fund is supported entirely by special contributions from churches and individuals. We appreciate those who contribute to this fund.

The current fund balance as of March 1, 1989 is \$3,450. This compares with \$3,179 a year ago.

—David Krogh, Secretary.

License Board Annual Report

License Board members are: Sydney Kirkpatrick, Chairman; Russell Johns, Secretary; Kent Ross; and Jack Hearp. Pastor Hearp was reelected to a four-year term by the Ministerial Association at the 1988 Ministerial Conference.

The Board has met three times during the year. A January meeting was held in addition to the customary meetings at Ministerial Conference and General Conference.

During the 1988 Ministerial Conference, Dennis Cheatwood, Tom Schmitt, and James Raymond were interviewed and approved for license. A licensing/commissioning service was held at the 1988 General Conference for these men. Tom was unable to attend because of an injury to his wife.

A pilot program of linking new pastors with a "mentor" was also experimented with this year. It is an attempt to provide the new pastor with an encourager and a resource person to turn to for help and advice in the early stages of ministry. We appreciate the willingness of Pastor John Railton to serve as mentor to Dennis Cheatwood this past year. We will continue to examine the merits of such a program and will consider expanding it to include all new pastors.

We have continued to work on licensing guidelines that would govern the work of the board. They will be presented and discussed at the Ministerial Association meeting at the 1989 Ministerial Conference.

The board is continuing to consider the issue of licensure of women, and has undertaken a study of the divorce/remarriage issue at the request of the Board of Directors.

I would like to express my appreciation to Bro. Johns, Bro. Ross, and Bro. Hearp for their investment of time and whole-hearted energy to this service.

—Sydney Kirkpatrick, Chairman.

Christian Conciliation Committee

The Christian Conciliation Committee is available to give information and provide counsel and assistance which will prevent and/or help in the resolution of problems in local churches.

During the past year the Committee has not been contacted by pastors or churches.

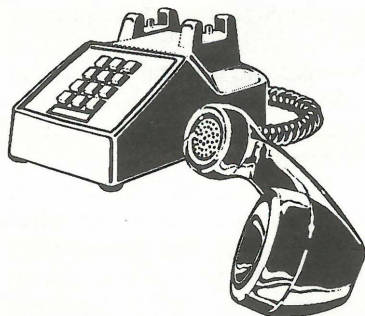
Committee members are:

Dr. Dallas Demmitt, chairman, 2614 N. 20th Av., Phoenix, AZ 85009; 602-256-7652

Mr. Joe E. James, Rt. 1 Buck Dr, Piedmont, SC 29673; 803-269-2964

Pastor Stan Ross, 425 E. 4th St., Litchfield, MN 55355; 612-693-7874.

OBC DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION REPORT



PHONE-A-THON RAISES OVER \$58,000 \$8,000 NEEDED TO REACH ONE MILLION DOLLAR GOAL

The Board of Trustees for the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation met April 6, 7, and 8, to go over recommendations for the use of profits earned for the Bible College and to conduct a phone-a-thon to raise the last \$66,000 needed to reach our goal of one million dollars.

We appreciate the 221 people who collectively contributed over \$58,000 in response to the phone call and Christian Workers Seminar appeal, which moved us within \$8,000 of our goal.

It is very encouraging to see how God is bringing us closer and closer to reaching our goal. When we act on faith, and praise God for his wonderful gifts it is always a comfort and joy to receive his blessing.

Here is what the Board of Trustees has recommended for use of funds earned by the Foundation for the next couple of years at Oregon Bible College.

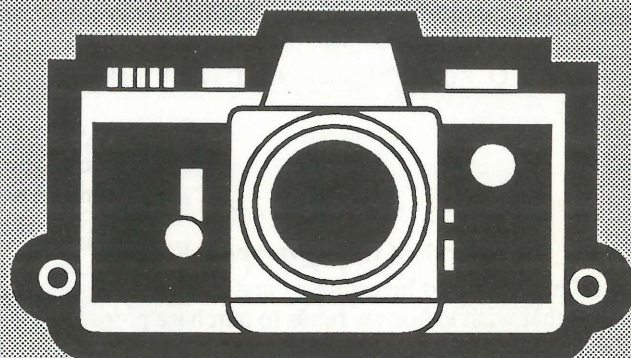
1989-90 School Year	
\$18,000	Public relations and recruitment
2,000	Staff training
<u>5,000</u>	Vehicle replacement
\$25,000	

1990-91 School Year	
\$20,000	Public relations and recruitment
15,000	Vehicle replacement
15,000	Student Grants to attend OBC
3,500	Teaching materials
1,000	Acquisition of library books
2,000	Acquisition of religious journals
2,000	Binding of religious journals for the library
<u>1,500</u>	Staff training
\$60,000	

As we rejoice in how far we have come in striving for our goal of one million dollars, we realize that \$8,000 is still a lot of money to raise between now and August 1 of this year. If you have not made a commitment to the foundation, then we would certainly appreciate your help in achieving the last \$8,000.

I wonder if there was only \$500 needed to reach our goal, how many people would step forward to join in the celebration of putting us over the top and how many Foundation members would be willing to make another commitment? You know, 16 new commitments of \$500 each is all it would take to cause a joyous celebration!

Would you be willing to give the last \$500?



Picture yourself giving the last \$500!

I want to help reach the ONE MILLION DOLLAR goal of the OBC Development Foundation.

My commitment is to give _____ over 2 years to the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DWAINE DEMMITT

Brother Dwaine is from Troy, Ohio. He and his wife have five sons, three of whom are OBC graduates. Dwaine attended Wilmington College and Ohio State University and has served on the staff of Wilmington College as well as the advisory board of the Ohio State extension service.

Dwaine has been active in the Cattlemen's Association on both the state and national levels and was voted outstanding cattleman in 1977.

Dwaine is a Sunday School teacher and elder in the Troy View Church. He served as president of the Northeast Conference two times in the 1970's and has served on the Board of Directors in previous years. He was instrumental in starting the Troy View Church and assisted in starting the North Hills Church and the Pleasant Hill Church. He is also a member of the Church-Planting Task Force in the Northeast Conference.

Dwaine has the experience and leadership that would be a great asset to the Board of Directors.

Northeast Conference
—Dave Swartz, President.

WILLIAM D. LAWRENCE

Dr. William D. Lawrence is a member of the Valley View Bible Church of God, Paradise Valley, Arizona. He has been a life-long member of the Church of God.

Brother Lawrence was first elected to the Board of Directors in 1964 and he has served three additional terms.

Bill and his wife Mardy have been active in mission work and have taken several mission trips on behalf of the Church of God General Conference. They were both instrumental in starting the Valley View Church and Bill continues to serve as an elder in the church.

Bill has demonstrated a concern for the lost by actively sharing his faith with his patients and through the ministry of the local church.

In addition to being a part of a successful medical practice, he is also a successful businessman. Dr. Lawrence will bring much expertise and strength to the Board of Directors.

—Valley View Bible Church.

GARY BURNHAM

On behalf of the Virginia Conference Ministerial Association and many others in the Virginia Conference, including the Fair Oaks Community Church, I would like to place the name of Gary Burnham as a nominee for the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference.

Gary is the son of Bill and Marion Burnham. The example and nurturing he received instilled a desire for committed involvement in the work of God's church. His nurturing also included active participation in the Columbia Church of God in Columbia Station, Ohio. Gary was active in the local youth group, including quizzing and camping programs. He also held leadership positions in the youth group.

Gary graduated from Oregon Bible College in 1982. He was president of the student body in both his junior and senior years. He completed his internship program under Pastor Hollis Partlowe during his senior year.

Following graduation, Gary assumed the pastorate of Fair Oaks Community Church, formerly Eternal Hope Church of God. Gary is familiar with the struggles of ministering in a transient urban setting, an issue of critical importance for the future of the Church of God. The past two and one half years of personal trials as well as struggles confronting the local church have, in my observation, made Gary even more caring and knowledgeable with regard to churches in general and people in particular. Gary is truly a unique individual. He is a problem-solver with a positive, forward attitude.

Gary is active in the Virginia Conference and is president of the Virginia Conference Ministerial Association. He is aware of and involved in the work of the General Conference. He has participated in various workshops and seminars, and supplied articles for *The Restitution Herald* as well as the Sunday School curriculum. Gary has continued his education through various classes/workshops/seminars on subjects dealing with counseling, grief recovery, pastoral ministry, evangelism, church planting, leadership, and various other aspects of church ministry. It is my sincere feeling that our needs call for someone of Gary's abilities.

—Dennis J. Baldwin, Virginia Conference
Ministerial Association.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Board of Directors

ROLE OF CONFERENCE DELEGATES

At the 1989 General Conference, two members will be elected to the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference for four-year terms. The terms of Joe James and Don Overmyer will expire at this Conference. They may not be reelected according to the constitution. Nominations appear on page 19.

Below is the position description for directors who serve on the Board. As nominations are considered, the following information should be taken into consideration.

Title:

Director, Church of God General Conference

Summary:

The position exists to transact and administer the business of Church of God General Conference in accordance with its Constitution and By-Laws.

Duties:

1. Serve as a Director of Church of God General Conference.
 - a. Employ a President who is responsible for the administration of the work of the Church of God General Conference and Oregon Bible College.
2. Serve as Trustee of Oregon Bible College.
3. Serve as a Trustee of Oregon Bible College Development Foundation (13 members).
4. Give general (external) supervision to all Conference/College affairs.
5. Engage in long-range planning and evaluation.
6. Make recommendations to Conference delegates regarding:
 - a. Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws
 - b. Major policy or major policy changes
 - c. Creation of major programs
 - d. Budgeting
7. Acquire and dispose of real and personal property.
8. Approve borrowings and other plans to finance operations.
9. Give of his private means to support the Conference/College and be actively engaged in fundraising activities.
10. Establish controls to protect the rights and interests of contributors, member churches and conferences, and staff.
11. Communicate the purposes and programs of the Conference/College to the Church of God through public-relations efforts.
12. Employ competent auditor.
13. Attend all meetings of the Board and the Annual Conference.

Organizational Relationships:

Each Board member is accountable to the Conference delegate body for the carrying out of the duties of the office.

The Board is accountable for the work of the President.

Qualifications:

The qualifications of each director shall be those given in 1 Timothy 3, Titus 1, and such other scriptures as teach the qualifications of church leaders. A Director may be either male or female.

The Preamble to the Constitution of the Church of God General Conference states that "Delegates and interested members of the Church of God will meet at a designated place and time to confer in all matters pertaining to the spiritual life and business of the churches."

The Constitution then proceeds to state in Article II that "each member church of 15 or more members, which has held at least six preaching services during the year, shall be entitled to one delegate for each 50 of its active members or fraction thereof. Delegates named shall be active members of the Church of God."

In addition to church delegates, the Constitution provides for delegates at large as follows:

"a) the Board of Directors and one delegate from each state or district Conference;

b) the following licensed or ordained ministers: one who is actively pastoring a church; a full-time employee of the General Conference; those who have met either of the above qualifications and have reached retirement age."

Conference delegates play a very strategic role in the work of the Church of God. Delegates from local churches should be selected with great care. Delegates shall be active members of the Church of God, and it is important that they be able to successfully represent their local church and have interest in the work of the General Conference and Oregon Bible College.

Before attending Conference, delegates should:

- 1) Carefully read the reports, recommendations, proposed budgets, and other information regarding the summer Conference.
- 2) Meet with the Church Board, or the congregation, to determine the wishes of the local church regarding the business which will be transacted at the Conference.
- 3) Be certain that the local church secretary has submitted a delegate form listing active members, along with the names of the delegates.
- 4) Send a registration form to the General Conference to make reservations for attendance prior to July 15.

The delegate will have important duties to perform while in attendance at Conference:

- 1) Register with the Credentials Committee upon arrival at Conference.
- 2) Attend all business sessions of the Conference.
- 3) If unable to attend a business session, contact an alternate delegate from your local church to serve.
- 4) Take careful notes of decisions that are made and information which is shared.
- 5) Be prepared to make a personal commitment during Conference to the financial support of Conference/College ministries.

After returning home, the delegate's work must continue by:

- 1) Presenting a report to the congregation and/or Church Board, sharing information from Conference, and decisions which were made.
- 2) Encouraging participation of local members in General Conference programs and activities.
- 3) Contacting local church families to encourage them to make a commitment to send at least \$10 per month to the work of the Conference/College.

The work of the General Conference and Oregon Bible College will be greatly strengthened by delegates who take their responsibility seriously and who will follow the guidelines mentioned above.

SUMMER CONFERENCE INFORMATION

PRAYER AND PRAISE June, 1989

The 1989 Church of God General Conference will be held at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois, July 31 through August 4. Enclosed with this issue of the PROGRESS JOURNAL is a program booklet, and registration form.

Additional copies of the registration form are available in local churches or may be secured by writing to: Conference Registration, PO Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061.

Those who plan to attend only the evening services are not required to pay a commuter charge. Active and retired pastors and families will receive a 10% discount off the standard rates.

Youth must be accompanied to the Conference by a parent or responsible guardian. A full schedule of activities is planned for the youth. All youth attending the Conference will be expected to attend all the planned services and activities.

A full schedule of activities is planned for all children 8 years and under. Babysitting service is available for children 2 years and under.

Each year delegates from the various churches and conferences have opportunity to pool their expenses and thus equalize the cost of travel for those far away and those who live nearby. Delegate expense pool application forms are being mailed to each church and conference secretary and each is urged to enter the pool. This is a fair means of assuring general delegate representation. Mileage rate this year is 10 cents.

SPECIAL FEATURES

—On July 30 (the Sunday before Conference begins), the Macomb Church will host a potluck dinner at noon for early arrivers.

—The evening services will feature:

A musical extravaganza, messages from all living Presidents of Oregon Bible College, and a special "DaVinci's Last Supper" communion service.

—An extra special welcome reception happens Monday evening, July 31, honoring alumni of the college.

—Following the evening service on Tuesday, August 1, a special victory celebration sponsored by the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation will take place.

—Wednesday evening, August 2, following the evening service, the Macomb and Ripley congregations will sponsor an ice cream social.

—Many other memorable events are being planned by our special Oregon Bible College 50th Anniversary program committee.

- 1 Pray for Jeff and Karen Fletcher in their ministry in England.
- 2 Praise God for the new contacts in the England work.
- 3 Pray for Ron Macy and the work in the Aurora, Illinois, area.
- 4 Praise God for your pastor and for your church family.
- 5 Pray for an opportunity to share Christ with someone this week.
- 6 Pray for successful outreach ministries in your church this summer.
- 7 Pray for Marlo Olcese and the church in Lima, Peru.
- 8 Pray for Cecil Rademachir and the work in Bloomington, Indiana.
- 9 Praise God for a recent answered prayer.
- 10 Pray for the isolated members of your congregation.
- 11 Praise God for your Sunday School teacher.
- 12 Pray for the core group in Nashville, Tennessee.
- 13 Pray for new students for Oregon Bible College who are interested in full-time Christian ministry.
- 14 Pray for Roberto, Lupe, Leonardo, and Alice Badillo and the Church in Labor Vieja, Mexico.
- 15 Praise God for the senior citizens of your church who have passed on their faith to you.
- 16 Pray for the Board of Directors of the General Conference as it seeks God's leading.
- 17 Praise God for your family.
- 18 Pray that your church will take an active role in world evangelization.
- 19 Pray for the Mexico Ministry team as it travels to Texas today.
- 20 Pray for Gary and Glenda as church planters in Loves Park, Illinois.
- 21 Praise God for the youth of your church and for your youth leaders.
- 22 Pray for an acquaintance who needs to accept Christ.
- 23 Pray for David Krogh in his leadership role for the Church of God General Conference.
- 24 Praise God for the individuals who shared the gospel message with you.
- 25 Pray for the Vacation Bible School which begins today in Labor Vieja, Mexico.
- 26 Pray for the evening services this week in Mexico.
- 27 Praise God for our young people who are giving of their time to assist the work in Mexico.
- 28 Pray for the core group in Atlanta, Georgia.
- 29 Praise God for his blessings in your life.
- 30 Pray for Kent Ross and Kathie Rager as they complete the plans for Youth Congress.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

July, 1989

PROPOSED BUDGET

June 1, 1990 - May 31, 1991

- 1 Pray for Jeff and Karen Fletcher, John Cunningham, and Ken Newman as they work in England.
- 2 Pray for the Mexico Ministry Team as it provides services in Harlingen, Texas, today before flying home.
- 3 Pray for Russ Magaw and the Publishing Department of the General Conference.
- 4 Praise God for the privilege of living in a country which allows freedom of worship.
- 5 Pray for the Badillo family as they follow up on new contacts made through the Bible School.
- 6 Pray that God will open new doors for ministry.
- 7 Pray for the retired pastors and wives of the Church of God. Praise God for their faithfulness.
- 8 Praise God for your heritage of faith.
- 9 Pray that God will pour out great blessings on Church of God youth as they gather for Youth Congress '89.
- 10 Pray for the staff members at Youth Congress.
- 11 Pray for the various advisory committees of the General Conference.
- 12 Pray for the church in Lima, Peru, and for Mario as he leads the work.
- 13 Pray for the North Kent, Michigan, congregation.
- 14 Pray for safe travel home for the Youth Congress participants.
- 15 Pray for the churches in your state or regional conference.
- 16 Praise God for the faithful leaders of your church.
- 17 Pray for the delegates who will serve your congregation at General Conference this year.
- 18 Pray for Dale Ramsey and the staff of Oregon Bible College.
- 19 Pray that God will be preparing hearts and providing direction for the upcoming General Conference.
- 20 Praise God for all who have given generously to the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation.
- 21 Pray to God for the brethren in the Philippines and India.
- 22 Pray for the General Conference staff as it finalizes preparations for the upcoming Conference.
- 23 Pray for your pastor as he ministers to you today.
- 24 Pray for the churches who do not have pastors for this next year.
- 25 Pray for David and Heidi Richert and Jeff and Becky Bull as they take their internships this year.
- 26 Praise God for the ministry of Oregon Bible College over the past 50 years.
- 27 Pray for Warren and Irene Sorenson as they leave the full-time ministry at the Conference and assume the pastorate of the Simi Valley, California, church.
- 28 Pray for God to raise up leadership for the Church of God.
- 29 Pray for the Fletcher family as it spends time with family and friends.
- 30 Pray for those traveling to General Conference today and tomorrow.
- 31 Pray for God's spirit to be present at General Conference as it begins today.

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Payroll/Employee Benefits:		
Salary & Wages		\$256000
Social Security		19500
Employee Benefits		38000
General Operations:		
Advertising-Recruitment		3000
Films, speakers		400
Foreign Exchange		2000
Auto Expense		9000
Office & Computer		3000
Miscellaneous		500
Royalties		1600
Editorial		3000
Magazines—Library		2000
Periodicals/Books/Dues		3500
Postage		19000
Printing/binding		52000
Professional Services		7000
Repairs nonplant		7500
Staff Education		1500
Mailing Supplies		1000
Supplies/Expense		7500
Telephone		8000
Travel		20000
Assistance—Mission Points		30000
Assistance—Churches		10000
Plant Operations:		81250
Addition to Plant:		
Library Books		1000
Furniture & Equipment		2000
Purchases:		
Resale		14000
Vehicle Replacement		15000
Contingency		25000
TOTALS		643250
Anticipated Income:		
Sales		55000
Herald Subscriptions		12000
Trust & Endowments		73500
Tuition & Housing		58750
Miscellaneous		41500
TOTAL EARNED INCOME		240750
TOTAL GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED		402500
JUNE 1, 1990 - MAY 31, 1991		

EXPLANATION OF BUDGET

The proposed budget for June 1, 1990 - May 31, 1991, represents an investment in people, programs, and facilities. This proposed budget reflects spending for the following:

1. Salaries and Wages—compensation is provided for 11 full-time employees; three half-time employees; two quarter-time employees; three guest instructors; and part-time student help.

2. Social Security—the social security tax rate is 7.65%.

3. Employee Benefits—this includes the life and health insurance, workmen's compensation, participation in the Ministers Voluntary Retirement Association, and miscellaneous fringe benefits.

4. Advertising, recruitment—this includes travel, telephone calls, printing of brochures, and mailings to promote Oregon Bible College.

5. Films, Speakers—honorariums are paid to non-staff speakers at chapel and graduation.

6. Foreign Exchange—when foreign currency is converted into U.S. dollars, there is an expense to cover the difference in value.

7. Auto Expense—license plates, insurance, and upkeep are provided for Conference vehicles.

8. Office and Computer Supplies—paper, ribbons, stationery, and envelopes.

9. Royalties—a small fee is paid to use copyrighted material for our Sunday school curriculum.

10. Editorial—a small honorarium is paid to editors of our Sunday school curriculum.

11. Magazines, Library—a collection of religious and theological magazines are a part of our library collection.

12. Periodicals, Books, Dues—covers expenses incurred by staff as support for classes and their participation in professional organizations.

13. Postage—includes the mailing of the PROGRESS JOURNAL, *The Restitution Herald*, quarterlies, and all correspondence.

14. Professional Services—an annual audit is required by our Constitution.

15. Repairs, Nonplant—this item covers maintenance contracts on computers and other office equipment.

16. Staff Education—staff members are encouraged to attend at least one seminar each year to remain current in their field.

17. Mailing Supplies—includes envelopes, boxes, and miscellaneous items.

18. Supplies and Expense—includes printing supplies, piano tunings, towels and paper products, and a multitude of other small-expense items.

19. Telephone—includes basic service and long-distance calls.

20. Travel—includes staff travel on behalf of the Conference and College, along with travel for Advisory Committees and Board of Directors.

21. Assistance, Mission Points—funds provided in support of overseas mission projects.

22. Assistance, Churches—Church Development aid is budgeted for two churches.

23. Plant Operations—includes an estimated operating cost for offices, classrooms, and student housing.

24. Library Books—a small number of books are added to our collection each year.

25. Furniture and Equipment—a reserve fund to replace equipment as necessary.

26. Resale—includes all items purchased which are resold—including textbooks for College classes.

27. Vehicle Replacement—over 50,000 miles are driven each year by staff visiting churches, gospel teams, and other business travel. Gifts of vehicles have helped to minimize this cost in the past.

28. Contingency—since this budget is being adopted 10 months before the fiscal year begins, this item provides a cushion for adjustment when the new budget begins June 1, 1990.

Projected Income

1. Sales—this includes income from sale of quarterlies, tracts, books, etc.

2. *Herald* Subscriptions—subscriptions are \$12 per year.

3. Trust and Endowment—these are designated funds given to the Conference and College that are invested and earning interest which can be used for general operations. The Oregon Bible College Foundation is providing a significant portion of this amount.

4. Tuition and Housing—this income is based on a projected enrollment of 30 students (25 in student housing) for the 1990-91 school year.

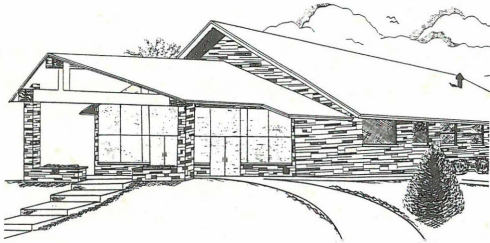
5. Miscellaneous—this includes income from the sale or lease of Oregon Bible College and General Conference buildings. This amount helps to offset plant operations expense.

Contributions Needed

To accomplish the program goals for the General Conference and Oregon Bible College for 1990-91, churches, conferences, and individual families will need to contribute \$402,500. This is approximately \$32,500 per month.

This projection compares with \$402,000 required for the 1989-90 fiscal year.

CHURCH NEWS



Macomb Church of God with new entryway.

The church remodeled its entryway at a cost of \$66,000 and dedicated it to the Lord on November 27, 1988. A line drawing by Scott Hance illustrates the new look. Services begin on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

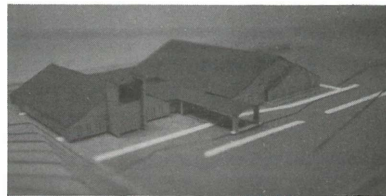
MACOMB CHURCH OF GOD WELCOMES YOU

Since this year's General Conference will be on the campus of Western Illinois University in Macomb, IL, July 31 through August 4, the local congregation, the Macomb Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith, welcomes conference goers to worship with them.

OREGON CHURCH TO BUILD NEW FACILITY

You are cordially invited to a church-raising party the week of August 7-12, 1989. That is the tentative date for the construction of the new facility of the Oregon Church of God, Oregon, Illinois. Plans are to construct that week the shell of the entire 22,000 square foot facility using "pre-fab" walls delivered to the job site from the factory. Your help can make it possible to erect the walls and completely roof the entire facility. It will be an exciting week of teamwork.

The Oregon church has purchased 7.75 acres of land exactly one mile west of its present location. Building plans have been finalized. David Kizer from Timberland Bible Church, South Bend, IN, served as the architect and did a tremendous job for the church. The church wishes to give notice of this event to allow time for vacations to be scheduled. That week immediately follows General Conference in Macomb, IL, about 150 miles away. Extensive information will be sent out as details are finalized and construction schedules become complete. The Oregon church invites you to come and share your time and talents to help in construction of a tremendous facility to be used to reach people for Christ. For more information please contact Pastor Michael Hoffman, 301 N. 3rd St., Oregon, IL 61061, phone 815-732-6847 (office), 732-2604 (home).



New facility for Oregon Church of God.

BAPTISMS

CANADA

Glad Tidings (Fonthill)—Gerry Tufford (2/26/89), Stephen Bolhaus.

ILLINOIS

Dixon—P. A. Toms (10/9/88), Earl Poland. *Oregon*—Travis Ramsey, Zachary Ross, Meggan Dickson (3/5/89), Dale Ramsey, Kent Ross, Michael Hoffman. Denise Kump (3/19/89), Jerry and Carol Zellers, Brenda Lenox, Eric Hall (4/2/89), Michael Hoffman.

INDIANA

Hedrick—Roger Eades (2/19/89), Ginger Watkins (2/26/89), Dennis Cheatwood.

MICHIGAN

Garden Park (Grand Rapids)—Iver Alexis, by letter (1/29/89), Ray Hall.

OHIO

Cleveland—Melissa Sue Hobbs (3/26/89), Richard Phillis.

DEATHS

ARKANSAS

Forest Hills (Hot Springs)—Ocie Howard, member, 76 (2/17/89), Leon Driskill.

ILLINOIS

Macomb—Eugene Avery, 63, Dora Ward, 87, member (2-22-89), Rex F. Cain.

INDIANA

Timberland (South Bend)—Mary Fritz, member (3/4/89), John A. Railton.

OHIO

Dayton—Emma Helen West, long-time member (2/8/89), Ralph Childs.

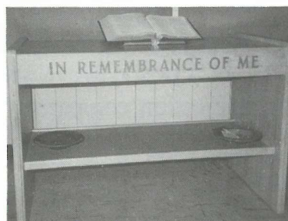
COMPLETE SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The following have completed the Systematic Bible Study Course and have been awarded their certificate: Robert Chaffin, Pittsburgh, PA; Willie Wesley, Grand Rapids, MI.

SEEKING PASTORATE

Pastor Howard Robinson is seeking a pastorate after July 1, 1989. Please contact him at 306 Swayze, Holbrook, NE 68948, phone 308-493-5337.

San Jose Church Closes—Offers Free Furniture



San Jose Church communion table.

In telling of the closing, church secretary Leona Strickland expressed her sadness: "It has been very painful deciding to close the church. I have learned that some circumstances I can't change, and I must learn to accept them."

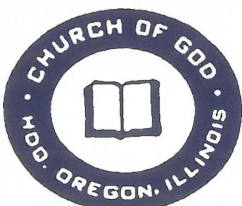
Because of the closing, the San Jose Church wants to give away 12 pews, a pulpit, communion table (all matching), and an 11-year old Kimball console piano.

"We would like to give the furniture to a

Church of God," Strickland said. Anyone interested must pick up the furniture by July 1, 1989. For more information please contact Leona Strickland, 1506 Foxworthy Ave., San Jose, CA 95118, phone 408-269-1770.



San Jose Church Kimball Piano.



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Dedication New Life

AS OREGON BIBLE COLLEGE closed out its 50th year of operation, it did so with much anticipation for the next 50 years ahead. OBC experienced birth the past year in many different ways. The first semester was spent giving life to a new church. All

work and long hours spent preparing for this new church. We pray that God blesses them and the church as they grow together in Christ.

OBC also experienced birth in the uniting of two couples. Dave Richert and Heidi Cooper were married on

bringing them into the world and for the health of them and their parents.

A birth that is familiar to most of us is that of new life in Christ. We were joyous over the decision of Denise Kump to accept Jesus as her Savior and Lord. We were able to witness the growth of Denise as she spent many weekends at the dorm and attended activities. We pray that God will continue to bless her as she walks with him.

But the most important birth for us to be involved with is that of the rebirth in the Spirit. The Saturday night of Spring Break several students gathered to chat about trivial things. Conversation shifted toward religion, the TV was turned off, and the presence of God filled our midst. Many of the students made drastic changes in their lifestyles as a result of this and all of us have had a stronger longing to become more dedicated in our relationship with God. It was an event that has changed many lives. It seems only fitting to have had it happen on the 50th Anniversary of the College. We can testify that New Life has become a big part of student life at OBC. This section of new life is dedicated to our heavenly Father for allowing each one of us to have a part.



Family Bible Fellowship Junior Church at the Easter service.

the students were involved with the telemarketing program headed by Rick Cooper. And on October 30th a new church came into existence. A great attendance showed that our labor was not in vain. Each student was joyous in being able to see a final product of all the work that had been done. We dedicate this section of New Life to the Gary Turner family for all their hard

work on March 4; Jim Wilson and Lisa Brown spoke vows on April 30. It was our pleasure to be able to see the love each had for the other and to see how they wanted to serve the Lord together as a team.



Denise Kump radiates new life.

We also shared in the joy of the birth of twins born to Jim and Alane Day on March 6. Each of us is happy to see the greatest miracle of life begin for Tyler and Arielle Day. We all thank God for



OBC student Gary Turner is pastor at Family Bible Fellowship.



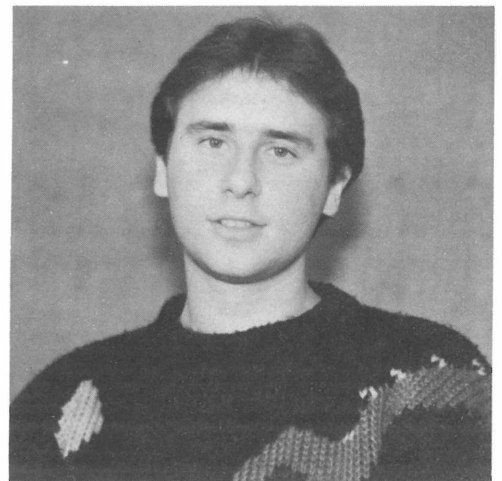
Tyler Day at peace in the loving care of his father.

Seniors



Senior Jeff Bull will be traveling to Fonthill, Ontario, Canada, this fall to begin his internship under Pastor Stephen Bolhous of the Glad Tidings Church of God. While a student at OBC Jeff contributed to the student body in many ways. He served as co-editor of the student newspaper, served on Student Government, and added to everyday life with his wonderful sense of humor. God be with you in Canada, Jeff.

Senior Dave Richert will be leaving this summer to begin his internship at the Eden Valley Church of God in Minnesota under the supervision of S.O. Ross. This past year Dave served as Student Body President. He also added to the student body with his infamous grape fights and counseling he gave to many of the dorm students. Go with God in Eden Valley, Dave. (Watch out for those killer mosquitoes.)



Senior Gary Turner has been serving as pastor to newly formed Family Bible Fellowship of Loves Park, IL. Gary will be continuing his studies next fall at Oregon Bible College. Gary served as a senior role model for the underclassmen. God be with you, Gary, as you continue with the church plant.

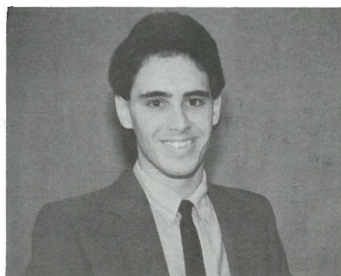


Graduation

Oregon Bible College President David Krogh presented Jeff Bull and David Richert with credentials of graduation in exercises at the Oregon Church of God on Thursday, May 4, 1989.



Junior

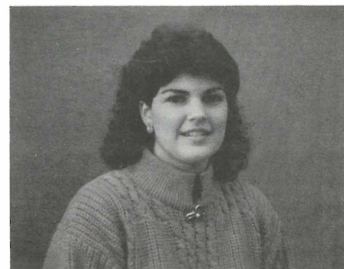


Jon Cheatwood

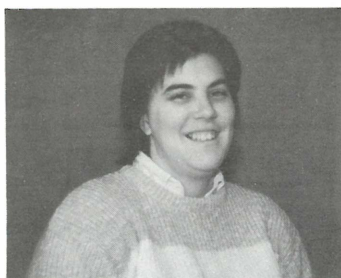
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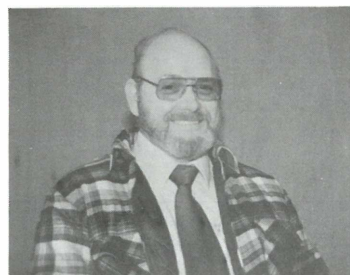
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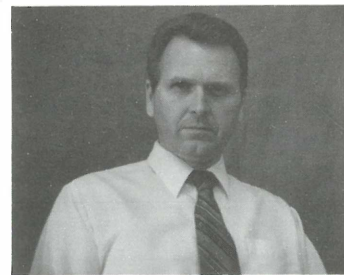
Heidi Richert



Chris Lucas



Earl Poland



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Celebrating Our Heritage— Shaping Our Future



We celebrate the 50th anniversary of Oregon Bible College with great joy and thanksgiving. Oregon Bible College can look back humbly on a glorious past. The accomplishments are an indication of God's favor and we have hope as we look to the future. Oregon Bible College has had a tremendous impact upon the Church of God. Over 85% of our licensed and ordained pastors graduated from Oregon Bible College. Hundreds of other alumni are serving in leadership positions as elders, Sunday school superintendents, music directors, deacons, Sunday school teachers, etc. Multiple thousands of lives have been touched by the ministry of our students.

How grateful we are to the vision of our early leaders who recognized the need to train workers for Christian service. Among the working rules of our General Conference, organized in 1921, was the provision "that facilities be provided to aid in the education of those desiring to prepare themselves for the ministry, Bible teaching, or other religious work." This purpose was implemented two years later by the Bible Training Class which was the forerunner to Oregon Bible College. Though discontinued during the depression years of the 30's, our pastors, delegates, and young people voted in 1939 to reopen the Bible Training School. Only two months later, the school opened with six students. In 1942, the name was changed from "Bible Training Class" to "Oregon Bible College."

The progress of Oregon Bible College over 50 years is indeed a remarkable accomplishment. Many Bible colleges have closed in recent years because of declining enrollments and financial difficulties. We are grateful to God for continuing to provide students who wish to prepare for service and we are thankful that God continues to provide financial support through the contributions of his people.

It is appropriate at this anniversary occasion to celebrate the achievement of our Foundation goal of raising an endowment fund of one million dollars. These invested funds will provide funding for present programs and for new programs and activities. The membership of the Church of God is to be commended for extra giving to the Foundation in addition to consistent giving to the Goal for Giving for general operations.

Today, Oregon Bible College stands alone out of all the thousands of colleges and universities of the world. It is unique in its mission and in its message. It exists for the purpose of providing leadership for the Church of God of

the Abrahamic Faith. Its unique message emphasizes the oneness of God, the Sonship of Jesus Christ, conditional immortality, the kingdom on the earth, and the other distinctive teachings of the Church of God. For 50 years, Oregon Bible College has been true to its mission and its message.

What About the Next 50 Years?

Students of prophecy are convinced that we are living in the end times before the return of Christ. We may not have 50 more years to serve as the institution of higher education for the Church of God. However, Oregon Bible College cannot rest upon its reputation. Our past is only a foundation upon which to build for the future.

1. Our Mission. Our mission in the next 50 years, if the Lord tarries, will be the same as in the past: to train leadership for the Church of God. It is imperative for us to pray the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into fields that are ripe and ready for harvest. Today, a lack of trained leadership is holding up progress in the Church of God. There are urgent leadership needs in existing churches and our vision to plant new churches will be a reality only with more trained workers. Every member of the Church of God is encouraged to be a recruiter for Oregon Bible College. Every member is challenged to drop idea "seeds" in the minds of children, young people, and mid-career individuals. Words of encouragement and support can be spoken and the challenge of ministry can be laid out before prospective students. Prayers for the convicting of God's Spirit must be offered by everyone.

2. Our Message. The doctrinal distinctives that have provided a foundation for the College during the past will continue to be the foundation during the next 50 years. The doctrinal heritage of the Church of God will not be compromised. Students will continue to be taught what we believe, why we believe it, why it is important, and how to communicate it to our world.

3. The Pursuit of Excellence. God calls us to give our best in service to him. We seek excellence in our instructors, in our curriculum, in our standards, in our performance, and in the product we produce.

The Resources We Will Need

If Oregon Bible College is to accomplish its mission during the next 50 years, we must not minimize the cost. We desperately need the prayer support of our entire
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RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONSTITUTION REVISIONS

The following recommendations and constitution revisions will be acted upon by delegates to the summer Conference, July 31 to August 4, at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois.

Recommendation One

The Board of Directors presents for the approval of the delegates of the Church of God General Conference, the relocation of the corporate offices of the Church of God General Conference, including Outreach and Church Development, Oregon Bible College, Printing and Publishing Services, and Business Services.

Explanation: Please see pages 9 to 16 in the May/June/1989 *Progress Journal* for specific proposals regarding this recommendation.

Recommendation Two

To implement Recommendation One, the Board proposes an amendment to Article I, Section 1 of the General Conference Constitution: "The general offices of the Church of God General Conference shall be incorporated in the state in which the offices are located." (The present reading: "The general offices of the Church of God General Conference shall be located at Oregon, Illinois.")

Recommendation Three

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Constitution, Article I, Section 3: delete entire section. This section currently reads "For the purpose of conducting business, the General Conference is incorporated in the state of Illinois under the name of 'Church of God General Conference,' a corporation not for profit."

Explanation: The deletion of this section helps to implement Recommendations One and Two. It is also redundant because the preamble to the Constitution says that the name of the organization is Church of God General Conference and that it is a not-for-profit organization. The proposed new Article I, Section 1 says that the organization shall be incorporated.

Recommendation Four

The Board of Directors recommends an amendment to Article II, Section 3, c, which has to do with delegates entitled to vote at business sessions. Delete the following: "The Executive Director of Church of God General Conference and the President of Oregon Bible College."

Explanation: Titles and positions have been changed. Currently there is a President of Church of God General Conference/Oregon Bible College. In most cases this individual is eligible to vote under Article II Section 3, b, as a licensed or ordained minister.

Recommendation Five

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Constitution regarding nominations for the Board of Directors in Article

IV, Section 4. Eliminate the entire section and replace with the following: "Nominations for the Board of Directors of the Church of God General Conference may be submitted by: State or District Conference Boards of the Church of God; Churches that are members of the General Conference; Pastors' Association of the Church of God General Conference. Name(s) of nominees and resumes will be submitted to the President of the General Conference by May 1 and will be printed in the General Conference issue of *Progress Journal*."

Explanation: There are two major changes in this amendment. 1) The Board is proposing that our Pastors' Association be given nominating authority. 2) The current Constitution calls for nominations to be submitted by January 1. Throughout the history of the General Conference, pastors have played a significant role on the Board of Directors. The Board feels it is appropriate to encourage our Pastors' Association to have a role in placing nominations. Changing the date from January 1 to May 1 will permit more time for nominations to be prepared and will still permit them to be included in the General Conference issue of the *Progress Journal*.

Recommendation Six

The Board of Directors proposes an amendment to the Bylaws of the Church of God General Conference, Article I, Section 1 regarding the purpose of the Conference: "The purpose of the Church of God General Conference is to assist Church of God members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission, which is to make disciples by bringing the lost to Jesus Christ, and by leading the believer to maturity, by providing leadership, resources, and services."

The present wording is: "The purpose for which the Church of God General Conference is incorporated is to assist Church of God members, churches, and conferences to perform their commission to feed the Church of God and preach the gospel to all the world by providing trained personnel, services, resources, and materials."

Explanation: The proposed amendment clarifies our understanding of the mission to which the Church of God has been called. The words "make disciples" bring to mind the work of Jesus as he worked with the twelve disciples, beginning with his selection of them, his association with them, and the impartation of himself to them. "Make disciples" helps us to focus on the process of finding the lost and leading them to conversion.

The phrase "leading the believer to maturity" includes the idea of establishing individuals in the faith (Colossians 2:6, 7), equipping them for ministry (Ephesians 4:11, 12), and providing in-depth personal training (Mark 3:14).

The Conference seeks to help local churches in their mission by offering lay and professional training of leadership. The Conference also seeks to play a servant leadership role by giving encouragement, assistance, and a role model in ministry.

REVITALIZATION OF THE CHURCH OF GOD

As the issue of relocation of the General Conference and Oregon Bible College has been discussed over the past several years, the revitalization of the Church of God has been presented as an integral part of our plans for the future. Attenders at the 1988 summer General Conference overwhelmingly acknowledged the importance of bringing renewal to the church. Though much has already been written on this subject, we present the following information for your review.

What is revitalization? To vitalize means "to give life to; make vital." Revitalization means "to give life again" or "to make vital again." Synonyms are "renewal" and "revival."

It has been observed by Thomas Zimmerman that, as denominations age, there are certain tendencies that must be considered.

1. Denominations tend to become ends in themselves.
2. Continuation of programs that have lost their validity.
3. Self-continuity becomes the reason for being, taking precedence over the desire to proclaim the message of the gospel.
4. Conformity to a master program replaces individual initiative and creativity.
5. As professional clergy become better trained, lay participation is diminished.

Some of these same tendencies can be seen in congregations as they age. Such signs indicate a need for revival, renewal, or revitalization. We do not exist as an end in ourselves! Our programs and activities must have life and meaning! We must make certain that the proclamation of the message of the gospel is our reason for being, not the preservation of our institutions. Individual initiative and creativity must be encouraged in each local church and throughout our Conference. And we must continue to preach and teach the priesthood of all believers as they use their gifts in ministry.

Revitalization/renewal/revival does not take place only once in the history of the church. It seems to be a characteristic of churches that they have their ups and downs; interest and enthusiasm seem to ebb and flow. Though we may wish that our work would remain on an even keel, with steady progress and ever-increasing enthusiasm, most churches from time to time need revival. It may need to take place in each generation, or even more often as we see the need to pump new life and enthusiasm into our churches and institutions.

What is the evidence that revitalization is needed? Reports from our churches indicate that there is a declining number of baptisms, which has barely kept pace with deaths, falling away, and transferring away.

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Baptisms	172	141	155	182	134
Net gain or loss	41	-14	13	79	40

Seven hundred thirty-nine members became inactive over the past five years. We find young people who are abandoning the church. It is growing more difficult to attract young people to full-time Christian service. The attendance at many of our churches is on a plateau or is declining. Seventy-four percent of our Sunday schools have 50 or less in attendance. These statistics are not the problem. Rather, they are evidence of the need for new life, revival, or revitalization.

What are the aspects of revitalization?

The summer 1984 issue of *Leadership* magazine contains an article by Howard Snyder entitled, "Renewal That Lasts." The author suggests five dimensions of revitalization, renewal, or revival which we believe are applicable to the Church of God:

1. Personal: The renewal of churches and conferences begins on a very personal level, with each person seeking a closer and more personal relationship with the Father.

2. Corporate renewal: As individuals within a local church are renewed, the whole community of believers will take on a renewed life. Congregations may experience a dramatic spirit of revival, or simply a gentle quickening in the life of believers. The renewal of congregations will bring new life to our association of churches.

3. Conceptual renewal: This renewal takes place as God gives new vision of what the church can and should be. Conceptual renewal is a new vision for the church's life and mission. It comes primarily in the area of our thoughts, ideas, and images of the church. Snyder says we need an understanding of the church that is "based on scripture first, on practical reason and experience second, and only thirdly on tradition. What promotes revival, renewal, and faithful kingdom witness in the church should be kept; what does not should be scrapped. We can be imprisoned by our concepts as surely as we are imprisoned by our habits."

4. Structural renewal: This dimension of renewal is concerned with the way we, as believers, live out our lives together. "History is full of examples of structural renewal becoming a key to extending renewal beyond the passing moment. Early Christians discovered the usefulness of homes for church gatherings, and through history the rediscovery of the house church has often been a part of renewal movements. Truly enough: we cannot bring renewal by changing forms, but we can stifle it by putting forms above life. Renewal is less likely to come and more likely to die in a tradition-bound group where everything happens in the church building and there is little freedom to innovate."

5. Missiological renewal: A church needing renewal is focused inward. A renewed church focuses outward to needy persons. Sometimes renewal actually begins here, with a new sense of mission. Some people catch a vision for a new ministry in the church, the neighborhood, or the world.

Summary:

In considering these thoughts, it is apparent that revitalization must begin with individuals and from there it will spread through the local church. Since our General Conference is a service organization, we are committed to assisting in any way possible to bring about renewal

in the lives of our members and revitalization of our churches. Here are some initial things that we are willing and able to do:

1. Over the past few years, our staff has set aside specific times during retreats and meetings to pray specifically for pastors and for local churches. We will commit to you that we will continue to set aside time for prayer and fasting for our pastors and churches. In the past few weeks, we have had two such events involving our staff.

2. We also commit to you that we will pray for revival in our own lives. We will spend more time in Bible reading, scripture memorization, meditation, and prayer so that we can be used of God for his service. We will continue to be personally involved in an outward focus of concern for those who are lost by loving, praying, developing friendships, witnessing, and discipling those who are lost.

3. At the recent Pastors' Conference in St. Charles, Missouri, the pastors unanimously initiated a year of prayer and fasting for Oregon Bible College, the General Conference, churches at large, spiritual leadership, and the Board of Directors. We are deeply grateful to our pastors for taking the lead in this effort. We will join with our pastors to participate and support this emphasis throughout the year.

4. We recommend that a task force of pastors/staff/Board convene in Oregon, Illinois, in September, 1989, to discuss further steps of revitalization that can be pursued with our local churches and the General Conference.

5. We offer an outline which some have found helpful in starting the process of personal renewal. (See "A Tool to Use for Personal Renewal" below.)

6. The above-mentioned items are only preliminary offers of help. We want to hear from you with your suggestions of additional ways that our Board and staff can help you and your church to be revitalized.

A Tool to Use for Personal Renewal

Some of our pastors and staff have found the following outline helpful in starting the process of personal renewal. We offer these thoughts for your consideration and use.

Our Quest:

Psalm 85:6, "Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?"

An Outline of Prayer for Renewal—Psalm 51 (use these scriptural phrases as you pray):

Make me hear joy and gladness (v. 8a)

Blot out all my iniquity (v. 9b)

Create in me a pure heart (v. 10a)

Renew a steadfast spirit within me (v. 10b)

Do not cast me from your presence (v. 11a)

Do not take your holy spirit from me (v. 11b)
Restore to me the joy of your salvation (v. 12a)
Grant me a willing spirit to sustain me (v. 12b)

Pray that these scriptures will be a reality in your heart. Pray that God will give you joy in your faith and that service to God will be a time of personal rejoicing. Pray that God will create within your heart a hunger and thirst for righteousness. Pray for a closer relationship with the Lord.

What has God been doing in your personal life? List one thing which gives evidence that God is working in your personal life:

Give God thanks for what he has been doing. Claim God's help for your future service. "Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus" (Phil. 1:6).

Renewal comes from God as we respond to his will.

Renewal comes through God's power at work in our lives. This power is activated when we yield to God in obedience to his will. There are some basic conditions in which renewal is most likely possible:

1. When we are obedient to Scripture. Three questions regarding Scripture are: What does it say? How does it apply to me? What should I do about it?

2. A cleansing from sin. Read Psalm 66:18; 2 Peter 1:4-9 and follow the instruction of 1 John 1:7-9 and claim the promise of forgiveness.

3. Earnest prayer. Read James 4:2 and Matthew 7:7.

4. Submission to God. Read James 4:7, 8. Pray a prayer of commitment to God: "I give my life to you—use it as you will."

5. Be filled with the Spirit. Read Romans 8:14 and 16.

6. Be involved in a redemptive ministry. God will bless our efforts if they are in agreement with his purpose of salvation for the lost. (John 3:16 and Matthew 28:19, 20.) Ask God to give you someone with whom you can share your faith: "Lord lay some soul upon my heart." Write the names of persons you want to see come to the Lord.

David Krogh.

Celebrating Our Heritage—Shaping Our Future

(Continued from page 5)

membership: for our students, our staff, and for our recruitment effort. Daily prayer for Oregon Bible College may be a high price to pay for some, but it is essential if we are to accomplish our mission.

As Oregon Bible College grows and as staff members retire or seek other employment, there is an ongoing need for capable people to serve on our staff. We need a much larger pool of individuals in the Church of God who will pursue Masters' Degrees in the area of Bible, Theology, and Ministry. Such education will not only prepare people to serve on our staff, but it will enhance the effectiveness of the work of our churches. We must not minimize the value of professional education.

We have a desperate need for more students at the College. We seek students who love the Lord, love the truth, love the lost, and are willing to pay the price for ministry. There are many talented people in the Church of God who are being called to full-time Christian service. We trust that these individuals will hear God's call and will respond by preparing for service.

We earnestly need the financial support of all of our members. The entire work of the Church of God General Conference and Oregon Bible College can be supported with \$.30 a day from every member family! Yes, it is possible for our work to be advanced with less than the cost of a can of pop per day from every member family. It seems hard to believe that so much can be accomplished with so little from our membership. Perhaps \$10 per month is more than some families are willing or able to give. However, others are giving so much more.

In Psalm 73, we have a picture of the process of passing the knowledge of God's works from one generation to another. The psalmist indicates that we must speak of God's works to our children, "so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children" (v. 6). It is my prayer that the heritage of the Church of God will be perpetuated as Church of God members tell their children of the truths that have been passed to us, and the way God has worked through the Church of God to be a standard-bearer of truth and righteousness. It is my prayer that parents will challenge their children to consider full-time Christian service as they model a love for truth and a love for the lost.

Oregon Bible College has a bright future. Our leadership seeks to be submissive to God's leadership, responsive to the needs of our members and churches, and committed to providing quality education for our students. With your help, the next 50 years can be even better than the first.

David Krogh.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

August, 1989

- 1 Pray for those attending General Conference. Ask God to lead in the decisions which are made by the delegates.
- 2 Pray for a spirit of unity within the Church of God.
- 3 With the issue of relocation to be decided upon at General Conference this week, prayer support is needed for God's direction in this very important matter.
- 4 Pray for safe travel for those returning from General Conference in Macomb, Illinois.
- 5 Praise God for the members of the Board of Directors who are willing to give of their time to serve the Church of God.
- 6 Pray for the pastors and congregations going through pastoral changes.
- 7 Pray for the missions work in Mexico.
- 8 Pray for each local church and God's presence to be felt as the impact of the decision regarding the proposed relocation is felt in the church.
- 9 Pray for Jeff and Karen Fletcher and their family as they spend time with their families and vacationing.
- 10 Praise God for the contacts which have been made this past year in England.
- 11 Pray for the staff of OBC and General Conference as they respond to the wishes of the delegates regarding the decision of the proposed relocation.
- 12 Praise God for his church and your church family.
- 13 Praise God for the heritage of faith you have through the Church of God.
- 14 Pray for God to increase our faith and service as members of his church.
- 15 Praise God for those faithful workers who have served the Church of God throughout many years.
- 16 Pray for a strengthening of each local church.
- 17 Pray for Gary Turner and the Loves Park congregation.
- 18 Praise God for the leaders in your church.
- 19 Pray for Warren and Irene Sorenson as they leave full-time employment with the General Conference and begin a pastorate at Simi Valley, California.
- 20 Praise God for Roberto and Lupe Badillo in Mexico.
- 21 Pray for OBC students who are starting OBC this fall.
- 22 Pray for the students as they register for classes that God will enrich their lives this year.
- 23 Registration ends and a new school year begins with intensive courses at OBC.
- 25 Praise God for the ministry at Loves Park due to the involvement of OBC students during intensive classes last fall.
- 26 Pray for the continued development of the Bloomington, Indiana, Church of God.
- 27 Pray for the members of the Church of God in Harlingen, Texas, as they continue without the services of a pastor.
- 28 Praise God for the Sunday School teachers and staff who are faithful in serving in your Sunday School.
- 29 Continue to pray for the students and instructors involved in intensive courses at OBC.
- 30 Praise God for open doors of ministry in the Church of God.
- 31 Pray for the pastors who will be beginning a new pastorate this fall.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

September, 1989

CHURCH NEWS

DIRECTORY CHANGES

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Laureen Steiner, Sec-Youth Leader, 400 Montezuma Way, West Covina 91791

Sara See, Supt, 18535 Bellorita, Rowland Heights, 91748

(3) Oregon (East Oregon Chapel), 107 Jewett Av, Oregon 61061

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Lavonne Taylor, Sec, 3205 Merrill Rd, Byron 61016

Christian Ed Committee, Supt, 107 Jewett Av, Oregon 61061

Jim/Alane Day, Youth Pastors, 123 1/2 S 4th St, Oregon 61061

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Sec: Marilyn Berry, 58029 Springdale Dr, Hartford, MI 49057

Treas: Jim Hamilton, 215 Oakwood Dr, Williamsport 47993

BYF Dir: Dale Bliss, 2999 Heritage Cr, Mishawaka 46545

Miss Chair: Bob Collier, 706 Oakdale Dr, Elkhart 46517

Minnesota Churches

(2) Eden Valley Church, Eden Valley 55329

David Richert, Pastor, Bx 496, Eden Valley 55329

Roma Voss, Sec, RFD 2, Bx 346, Paynesville 56362

Harlan/Kathy Schoenherr, Supt, 130 Washburne Dr, Paynesville 56362

Lynn Piram, Youth Leader, RFD, Eden Valley 55329

Mrs Larrie Gaspar, Miss Chair, Bx 517, Eden Valley 55329

BAPTISMS

ARKANSAS

Greenbrier— Malinda Starr (4/12/89), Tom New.

ILLINOIS

Macomb— Jean LaGrange (5/14/89), Rex Cain.

Oregon— Jason Hammer, Amanda Hammer (5/28/89), Bob Alcumbrack.

INDIANA

Hedrick— Randy Seaton (5/14/89), Dennis Cheatwood.

MICHIGAN

Rockford— Donna and Darlene Stickler, Robert Moore, Phillip Glass, Tina Pyne (3/26/89). Barth, JoAnn, Matthew, Blaine, and Denell Gorby, Toni McKellar, Christopher and Carrie Olson, Brenda Edsenga (4/16/89), Dick Eldred.

TRANSFERS

ILLINOIS

Dixon— Dee and Earl Poland

Oregon— Nora Krau, Steve and Dixie Hammer (5/28/89).

DEATHS

ILLINOIS

Macomb— Dora Ward, member, Eugene Avery (2/22/89), Rex Cain.

WASHINGTON

Marysville— Robert Bradley Johns, member (4/9/89), Arlen Rankin.

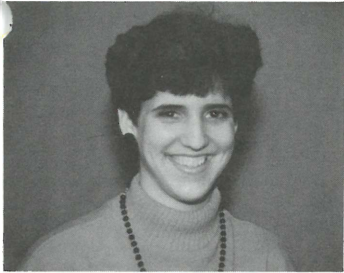
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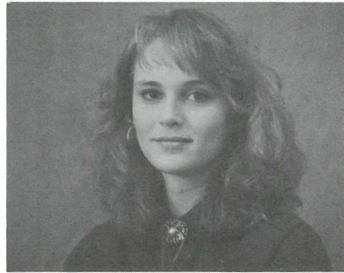
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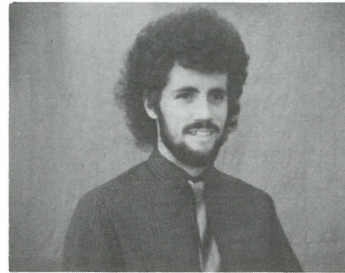
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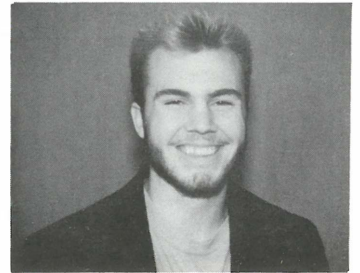
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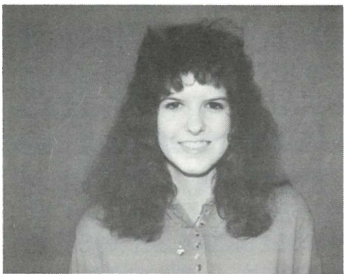
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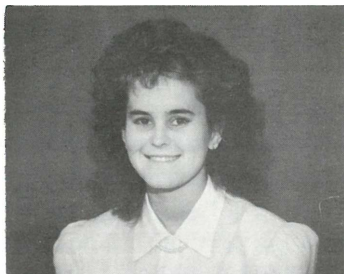
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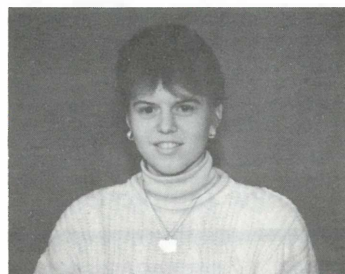
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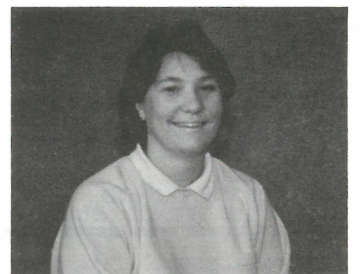
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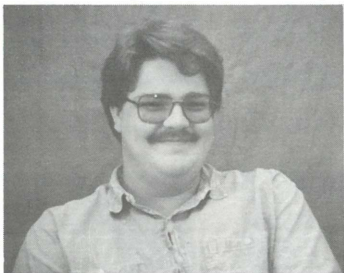
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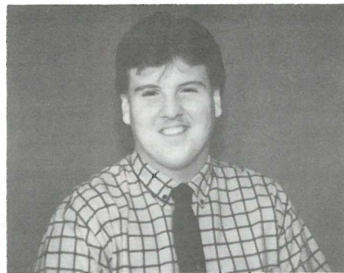
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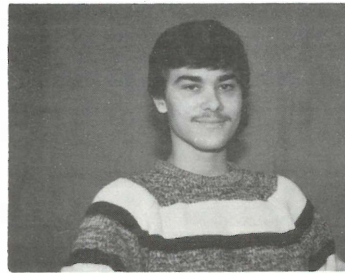
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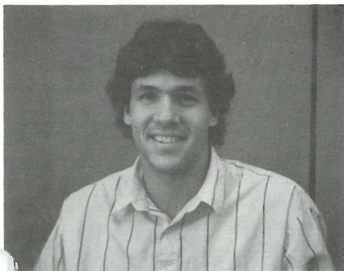
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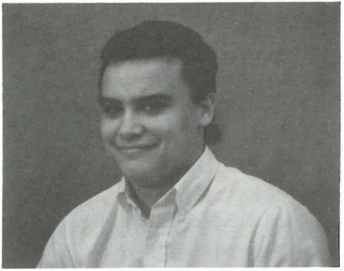
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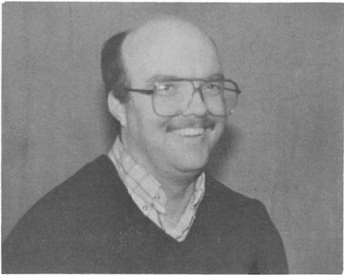


Jason Turner



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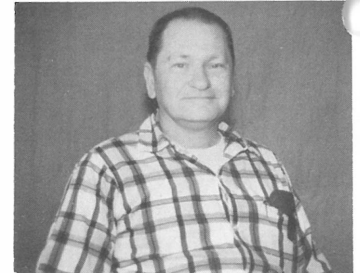
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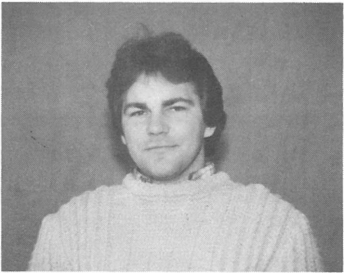
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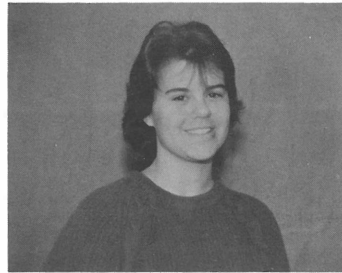
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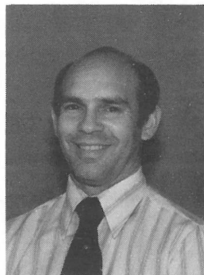


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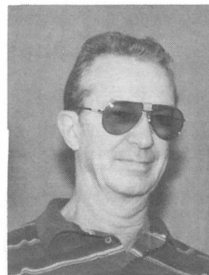
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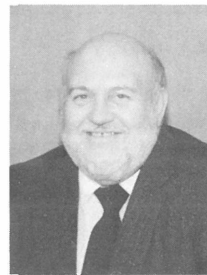
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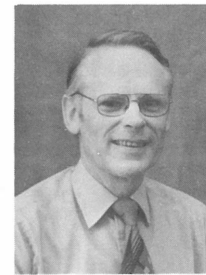
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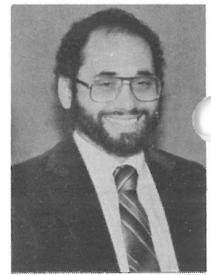
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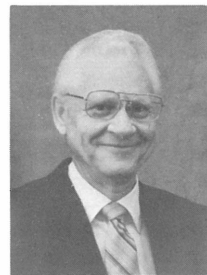
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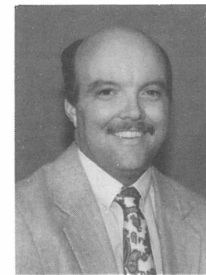
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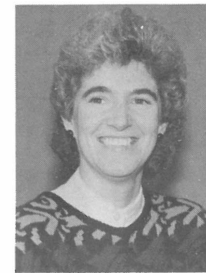


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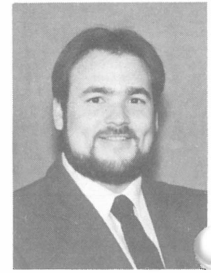


Betty Hall

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Judy Myers
Eugene Stilson



Kathie Rager



Jeff Bull

Chorale Tour

Chorale Tour 1989 proved to be a very uplifting experience for all of the members. We traveled through eleven different states with eight performances. Through our sight-seeing trips we were able to see just how great and mighty our God is. From the rolling hills of Arkansas to the flatlands of Oklahoma to the Rockies of Colorado to the lakes of Minnesota we saw the wonders of God's creation. It made us stand in awe at the excellence of his name being signed as the author of this magnificent work. It also allowed us to see that it is by God and God alone that all creation lives. And no matter how far apart we are from state to state we still all share the same love in any language. Each song had an impact on us in a different way. We all grew together through the good and the bad



Chorale at Garden of the Gods, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

and we were able to strengthen relationships or build new ones.

For me, the time spent traveling gave me a challenge to take more than just a little bit more time to do God's will. I've realized that in Heaven's eyes we really are all the same. I must daily begin to look for ways that I can do

more to help others. We may be the only Jesus some may ever see because we are his very hands and feet and we are the hope.

We would like to extend our thanks again to each church for allowing us to share with them in music. We would also like to thank all those who opened their homes for us.

A special thanks goes to Dale Ramsey who patiently put up with us. We thank you for traveling with us. (Alumni chorale members, Dale is getting good in his old age—he stopped at DQ 3 times). Thanks also to Bret Ramsey for her uplifting stories that came just when we needed to laugh most.

And, of course, thanks to God our Father, for giving us the gift of music, but most of all for the gift of his Son, because he is our reason to sing.



Chorale performs at Family Bible Fellowship, Loves Park, IL. Chorale members: Marcee Bolhous, Debby Fyfe, Dave Richert, Amy Chandler, Heidi Richert, Jon Cheatwood, Angie Zimmerman, John Howell, Mike Holsinger, Jason Turner, Chris Lucas, Shelly Burnett.

PARENT'S WEEKEND

After months in college, some kids get pretty homesick. Finally, parent's weekend rolls around! Wow, everybody's happy now. Mom gets to see her baby all grown up and out on his own, Dad gets to see where his would-be vacation money is going, and what fun for Junior—gifts from home, mom's cookies and brownies and best of all, dear old dad's wallet.

Seriously, though, it is a treat to see the parents. Many parents commented on what a good time they had attending classes, eating cafeteria food, and fellowshiping with the students. We the students would like to thank all you parents who have supported us and, because we enjoyed your visit so much, we would like to invite you back next year. P.S. Dad, don't forget your wallet.

High School Invitational

As you were growing up, or as you are now, did you ever wonder what specific things you needed to be a holy person of God? That was the topic of this year's High School Invitational chapel service led by Pastor Craig Wagganer.

High School students from Minnesota to Virginia battled the ill-weathered weekend to spend time on the campus of Oregon Bible College. Each student got the opportunity to see what normal OBC life was like—classes and food included. And we were also entertained



Marcee... Look Out! ... Tumbleweed! Some of the OBC students entertain for High School Invitational.

by a band from Springfield, OH, in which several of our own COG'ers had parts.

Most importantly, this weekend gave all those who are seriously considering Oregon Bible College as part of their future time to see what OBC can do for them. Great things happen when you become part of the student body at OBC. It is an opportunity one shouldn't pass up, no matter how old he is. Attending OBC can lay a foundation for future careers that you can't get anywhere else.

Craig Wagganer is such a powerful speaker.

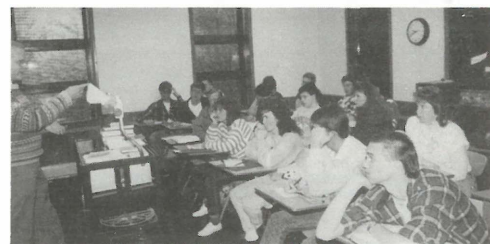


Think! Think! When you come to OBC for High School Invitational, we make you work hard for your money.

To answer the question I asked at the beginning, there are four specific things you need to be a holy person of God.

Look at 2 Kings 4:10.

See you all next year at High School Invitational.



**"This is the way we walk!"
"This is the way we point!"**

Anthony Buzzard is informing the high schoolers on how to be a proper OBC student.

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Prayer Days

Life at OBC isn't always fun and games. There is quite a serious note. God is the reason we worship and we should always make him the center of our lives and relationships. So to keep things in the right perspective we need to talk with him. Two days of the school year have been specifically set aside for this purpose. The first Prayer Day of the first semester we spent at a group obstacle course. This gave us time to see just how much we need to work together to accomplish a task. Communication was a key issue in this activity. So it is with prayer—communication is a must if you seek to have a relationship with God. The second prayer

day was spent focusing on how we communicate with God. Each of us was given quiet times alone to communicate with God.

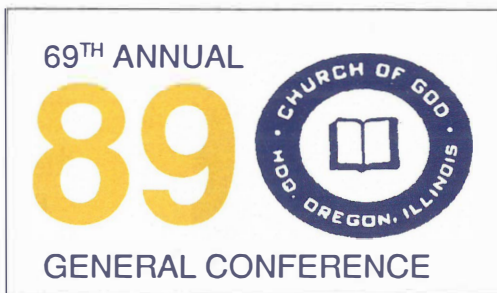
In between prayer days we meet every Thursday morning for our chapel service. These services help serve as a guide in times of need. We have had some very outstanding chapel services led by the second-semester Intro to Worship class. There is a lot of humor that surrounds the college, only to keep us sane, but God is the reason we are here. And we have become his purpose to witness and to be good disciples for him.

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**OREGON
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Report of 1989 Summer Conference



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1989 CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

THE 69TH ANNUAL Church of God General Conference was held at Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois, July 31 to August 4. The theme of the conference was "Partnership in Advancing the Gospel." The purpose of the conference was to: renew our commitment to the gospel message of the Kingdom of God; celebrate the 50th anniversary of Oregon Bible College; rejoice in the victory of accomplishing the Oregon Bible College Foundation goal of raising one million dollars; adopt a personal goal of strengthening our daily devotional life; and commit ourselves to each one reach one during this year.

Evening Activities

The conference was launched with an inspiring musical extravaganza Monday evening, under the direction of Dale Ramsey. Following the service, a special reception in honor of Oregon Bible College alumni was held.

Tuesday evening, special music was provided by groups that had sung together as students at Oregon Bible College. Louise Lapp directed a special choir composed of individu-



Future Oregon Bible College prospects recognized at the Thursday evening service.

als who had performed under her instruction while at the college. All who had served on the staff of OBC in the past were recognized. Former President William Wachtel presented a message expressing appreciation for our past.

In recognition of the achievement of our goal of raising one million dollars for the OBC Development Foundation, a special reception was held Tuesday evening to thank all those who made commitments toward the goal. A number of individuals testified of how God had blessed them as a result of their giving to the Foundation.

The service on Wednesday evening consisted of the dramatization of events from past and current college activities. Former Presidents Dr. Alva Huffer and Dr. Charles Pryor presented messages regarding the importance of Oregon Bible College for today.

The Ripley and Macomb congregations sponsored an ice cream social for those in attendance at the conference

following the Wednesday evening service.

Thursday evening, the theme of the service was Looking to the Future with Vision. Children from the junior church program were in attendance during the early part of the service to enjoy a puppet skit about Oregon Bible College and to receive special gifts. President David Krogh challenged the membership of the Church of God to commit themselves to spiritual growth, to the reaching of those who are lost, and to support the work of the Church of God with



President David Krogh speaking Thursday evening.

prayer and financial support. The service concluded with a moving enactment of the Last Supper, based upon DaVinci's painting. The communion service was a fitting act of unity as the conference closed.

Classes and Workshops

Adult Bible classes were taught by Scott Ross, William Wachtel, and Stephen Bolhaus. Youth classes were directed by Thomas Schmitt. Ralph Childs was the director of the Bible school. Sharon Cain directed the nursery staff. Thirty-four workshops were offered on a variety of topics including: evangelism, family life, prophecy, disciple-making, stewardship, and Christian education.

Elections

Pastor Scott Ross of the Jaynes Street Community Church in Omaha, Nebraska, and Dr. William D. Lawrence of the Valley View Bible Church in Scottsdale, Arizona, were elected to four-year terms on the Board of Directors. They replaced retiring board members Joe James and Don Overmyer, who were presented plaques of appreciation by President David Krogh. The officers elected for the coming year are: Scott Ross, Chairman; William Lawrence, Vice Chairman; Brenda Wessel, Secretary; Elmo Gaspar, Treasurer; and Donna Deane, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, and Chris Ramsey, Directors.

The following individuals were elected to four-year terms on the Advisory Committees: Higher Education—Joe James, Guthrie Grove Church, Pelzer, SC; Missions—Mardy Lawrence, Valley View Bible Church, Scottsdale, AZ; and Christian Education—Carol Ring, East Peoria Community Church of God, IL.

Appointments

The Board appointed the following six individuals to serve on the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation Board of Trustees for a one-year term: Pastor Rex Cain, Joe E. James, Pastor Delbert Jones, Joyce Knapp, Paul Overholser, and Don Overmyer.

Special Service

On Thursday morning a special service was scheduled to install the Board of Directors and to license three pastors. Pastor Larry Mayberry, President of the Ministerial Association, conducted the installation service. Members of the License Board, Pastor Sydney Kirkpatrick, Pastor John Hearp, Russell Johns, and Kent Ross conducted the license service. Dale Bliss, Mark Cheatwood, and Charles Jones successfully completed the license process and were presented certificates of licensure and recognition cards.

Recommendations

Recommendation One regarding the relocation of the Conference and College was approved by the delegates, 94 yes; 73 no. Prior to the vote, the Board announced that Paul and Ruth Overholser had offered a 35-acre tract of land in central Ohio, five miles northwest of the center of Springfield as a possible site for the Conference and College. Since an investigation had not been made of this location, the Board reported that a survey team would visit the Springfield area following conference and that the Board of Directors would make a final decision to relocate to either Clayton County, Georgia, or Springfield, Ohio.

Recommendation Two was approved by the delegates 118 yes; 36 no. This recommendation was a constitutional amendment which makes it possible to accomplish relocation. A motion was made and adopted to bring a constitutional amendment to the delegates at the 1990 Conference which would insert the location of our Conference and College. This amendment would be drafted after the Board decides which city will be the relocation site.

Recommendation Three, which was also a constitutional amendment to permit relocation, was approved by the delegates.



License Board laying on hands of newly licensed ministers Mark and Angle Cheatwood, Chuck Jones, and Dale Bliss.

Recommendation Four, which pertained to a vote by the President of the Conference and College, was tabled.

A constitutional amendment, Recommendation Five, regarding nominations for the Board of Directors, was approved by the delegates.

Recommendation Six, regarding the purpose statement of

the Conference and College in the Bylaws of the Church of God General Conference, was approved.

(For additional information on conference business, see the minutes on pages 6-10.)

Other Business

During the business session, Jeff and Karen Fletcher showed slides and reported on their work in Milton Keynes, England.

Leona Strickland, representing the San Jose, California, Church, presented a check for \$100,000 to the Oregon Bible



Newly elected Board of Directors: Chris Ramsey, Donna Deane, Vivian Kirkpatrick II, Elmo Gaspar, William Lawrence, Scott Ross (Brenda Wessel absent).

College Development Foundation. The San Jose congregation closed its work earlier this summer and chose to distribute some of its assets to the Foundation. This gift enabled the Foundation to reach its goal of one million dollars. It was reported that the San Jose Church had also given a check for \$50,000 to the pastoral aid program of the General Conference. A rising vote of thanks was extended to the San Jose group for its generous gifts.

Pastor Stephen Bolhous, representing the Fonthill, Ontario, congregation, extended an invitation to the delegates to attend the 1990 General Conference at Brock University, St. Catherines, Ontario, Canada. Conference will be held July 30 to August 2.

Retiring Board member Don Overmyer reported on the activities of the Board during the past year.

Pastor Billie Kennedy, representing the Ministerial Association, discussed the need for prayer and fasting during the coming year as important decisions are implemented by our conference and as revitalization takes place in our churches.

Budget

A budget for the fiscal year June 1, 1990 - May 31, 1991 was approved by the delegates. It calls for contributions of \$402,500. This compares with \$402,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year (see page 13 for a copy of the budget).

Conference Attendance

Approximately 360 people were registered for the regular sessions of the conference. Many others attended the evening services or other portions of the conference.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Brothers, sisters, and friends, welcome to this 69th Annual General Conference of the Church of God headquartered in Oregon, Illinois. We are pleased to have this wonderful body of delegates assembled on the beautiful and comfortable campus of Western Illinois University in Macomb, Illinois. On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors, I extend a special welcome to those attending General Conference for the first time, to those serving as church or conference delegates for the first time, to those delegates from churches represented for the first time, and to new pastors.

It takes the concerted efforts of many individuals to plan and make the annual General Conference a reality. We are grateful to the staffs of the General Conference and Oregon Bible College which work throughout the year in all phases of planning, organizing, and carrying out the program of the annual conference. These people have pulled it all together to make the conference program happen. We appreciate very much the contributions of area churches and pastors who have contributed so much to this conference. A special thank you is extended to the program committee for planning and arranging the workshops, seminars, classes, musical services, and worship services. The special activities in celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Oregon Bible College and the achievement of the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation goal were planned by a committee composed of Marj Overmyer, Alva Huffer, and Rachel Carr. Thanks so much to this committee for all the planning efforts to make this conference a joyous and memorable occasion. The Church of God should recognize and celebrate victory. We also owe our thanks to all those contributing to the annual conference as speakers, teachers, workshop leaders, musical participants, and in so many other ways. Your attendance and participation will make this conference a resounding success. Thanks to each of you for being here and thanks to your local churches for having you represent them in this conference. Most of all, we are thankful to Almighty God for his leadership, the blessings we receive, entrusting this great work to us, and for allowing us to be stewards of the wonderful gospel of salvation found in his holy Word.

We will celebrate accomplishments and milestones in this conference. We will fellowship and enjoy the times spent together. We will study the Word of God and sing praises to God and to his Son, Jesus Christ. We will pray together and call upon the leadership of God and for the presence of his Spirit. There is also work to be done. Two directors will be elected; advisory committee members will also be elected. A budget will be approved. Some tough decisions are to be made in the business sessions. You, as delegates, have tremendous responsibilities. With the help of God, all of these business matters will be decided.

God has been good to us. Oregon Bible College was established in 1939 for training pastors and other church workers. We can look back at those 50 years in a spirit of thanksgiving for God's blessings and for the ministry of Oregon Bible College in training pastors and other church workers. Many faithful present and past presidents and instructors have dedicated their lives to teaching Bible and Theology at Oregon Bible College and to helping students develop their abilities and

gifts in preparation for ministries and Christian service. Our educational institution is one of the most important assets we have in carrying out the work God has entrusted to us. Because of its purpose Oregon Bible College is the greatest institution of higher education in the world. We praise God and give him the honor and credit for these 50 years of operation of Oregon Bible College. We are also thankful for all the students who have studied at Oregon Bible College. Many of you in attendance today were trained at Oregon Bible College and all of us have benefitted from the 50 years of this great educational institution.

The delegates assembled at the 1982 Church of God Annual General Conference approved the establishment of the Oregon Bible College Development Foundation as an endowment program for our Bible College. At that time a goal was set of building the principal in the Foundation to one million dollars in gifts and commitments. The income from the principal is to be used to support the programs and projects of Oregon Bible College. This goal appeared extremely ambitious in 1982. God has been good to us. He has blessed us abundantly.

I am pleased to share with you that you have been successful. The Oregon Bible College Development Foundation goal of one million dollars in gifts and commitments has been reached. We thank God for the Foundation vision, challenge, and achievement. Enjoy the celebration of this accomplishment and please express gratitude to members of your local congregations who have contributed to the success of the Foundation.

We will soon enter the final decade of the Twentieth Century. Fulfillment of Bible prophecy and signs of the times indicate that Jesus will soon leave heaven to return to the earth to establish the kingdom of God. Jesus preached a message of a coming kingdom and salvation. Before he ascended to heaven, Jesus gave his disciples, and others who would follow, the responsibility of preaching and teaching the gospel of the kingdom throughout the world. The Great Commission, Mark 16:15, 16, and Matthew 28:18-20, is a major part of our mission today. It is the work Jesus gave to the church—even to us. Jesus expressed the urgency of preaching this kingdom message in Matthew 24:14, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." There are millions in our world who do not know this gospel. Let us resolve to dedicate the decade of the 1990s to catching a vision of going into our world to carry out the Great Commission. It is time for revival and revitalization among our membership so that we become awakened to the need of taking the gospel of salvation to a lost world. We must strengthen and build up our existing churches and establish new ones, thereby bringing more workers into the vineyard. The challenges of preparing for the 1990s and the years that follow are great. We who are of the Faith of Abraham can perform the work of Jesus Christ with God's help. The planning we will do and the decisions we will make this week will lay the groundwork for our efforts as we enter the twenty-first century.

The population of our great nation is growing, especially in the large metropolitan areas. We are experiencing declining or plateaued memberships in many of our churches. Our enrollment at Oregon Bible College continues to be less than desired. In an effort to find solutions to these problems, meetings have

been held with pastors, congregations, state conferences, and many individual members. Many plans and ideas have been weighed and considered. After prayerful and careful consideration, the Board of Directors concluded that relocation of our College and Conference is a vital key to the revitalization of the Church of God.

The recommendation presented to the 1988 General Conference regarding relocation was withdrawn by the Board of Directors. A year of prayer, study, and presentation of information regarding relocation followed the 1988 Conference. I believe that our staff and the Board have met your request of one year ago to study, present packets of material, and submit recommendations on relocation this year. Our staff has worked tirelessly to study specific areas and develop results of their studies. We have reported to you in the *PROGRESS JOURNAL* and special mailings. I commend the staff on this work and the communication of information concerning relocation. It is my opinion that each of you has sufficient information to make a decision on relocation. I believe that another year without a

the relocation site which the Board of Directors had concluded to be the best for our College and Conference operations. I refer you to the May/June, 1989, issue of the *PROGRESS JOURNAL* for details on this subject.

We must realize and be sensitive to the fact that there are diversities of opinions on relocation and a new location site for the Conference and Bible College. As we come to the point of voting—making a decision on relocation—let us resolve that we will continue in a strong bond of unity to serve God regardless of the outcome of the decision.

Relocation is the major business issue before us in this conference. It is a vital issue. Reaching a decision on a matter of so great a magnitude certainly is not easy. Implementation of the decision to relocate will involve some of the greatest changes ever undertaken by this conference. While acknowledging that such changes are difficult and sometimes scary, I urge you as delegates to approve the recommendations concerning relocation. We cannot afford to continue in our comfort zone with erosion taking place. The Conference is financially



Workshops conducted by Board chairman Joe James and Pastor Dale Swartz.

decision on this issue would be detrimental to our organization, especially to the staff members and their families who have been living with major uncertainties. It is important that we reach a decision on relocation at this conference.

It is no secret that I personally support relocation. I sincerely believe that relocating to a site meeting the criteria established by the Board and staff will provide wonderful opportunities for the Church of God to move ahead to more fully carry out the Great Commission. The Board of Directors has not acted impulsively in recommending relocation—it has been thoroughly studied and prayed about. We believe that relocation to a larger metropolitan area will present us with greater opportunities for training students in evangelism, church planting, and revitalization of existing churches.

It is also very clear as we prepared the *PROGRESS JOURNAL* for this General Conference, that Clayton County, Georgia, was

capable of carrying out relocation. The Board supports relocation, and leaders on our staff and their families are committed to implementing relocation.

Relocation will not answer all the needs and problems of the Church of God. Revitalization and revival must first take place in the hearts and lives of individual members and in our local churches. If great progress is to be made, it will occur at the local church level.

Our theme, "Partnership in Advancing the Gospel," is a timely topic. It is what we are about. As all of us commit to this partnership, the gospel can truly be advanced and many people brought to Jesus Christ and the way of salvation. We can expect great days ahead for the Church of God and we can anticipate outstanding results as God blesses our efforts to do his will in carrying out the Great Commission.

—Joe E. James, Chairman.

BUSINESS SESSION MINUTES

DELEGATE BUSINESS SESSION— Tuesday, August 1, 1989



Donna Deane
Acting Secretary

Chairman Joe James called to order the first delegate business session of the 69th Annual General Conference of the Church of God at 2:10 p.m.

Pastor Richard Eldred opened the meeting with prayer.

Pastor Delbert Jones will serve as parliamentarian for the delegate sessions.

Chairman James welcomed those attending the delegate business session. Several groups were recognized: delegates attending the Conference for the first time; first-time delegates; churches being represented for the first time (Bethel Church of God, Pelzer, SC; Milton Keynes Church of God, Milton Keynes, England; Hilliard Church of God, Columbus, OH; and Family Bible Fellowship, Loves Park, IL); Anthony Buzzard called attention to the new congregation in Lima, Peru, though it is not represented at this conference; new ministers—Dale Bliss, Timberland, South Bend, IN; Mark Cheatwood, Little Rock, AR; Chuck Jones, Wyoming, MI; the staff from Oregon Bible College; and the planning committee for the OBC 50th year celebration consisting of Dr. Alva Huffer, Marj Overmyer, and Rachel Carr.

The chairman's message to the delegates was given by Joe James.

Judy Myers, credentials chairperson, reported the following delegate count: 99 conference or church delegates, six directors, and 59 ministers, for a total of 164 as compared to the 1988 total count of 159.

Three communications were read to the delegates by Donna Deane, acting secretary—a letter from the Southeast Conference supporting the proposed relocation, a letter from Guthrie Grove Church supporting the proposed relocation, and a memo from the Board of Directors regarding the offer of property from Paul and Ruth Overholser.

The chairman directed delegates' attention to the special reports as printed on page 17 of the May/June, 1989, *PROGRESS JOURNAL*: (The Ministers' Voluntary Retirement Association, Church of God Investment Fund, Minister's Fund, License Board, and the Christian Conciliation Committee). Pastor David Cheatwood

moved to accept the reports. Pastor Ed Goit seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the delegates.

Bill Burnham, controller, presented the Financial Reports as noted on pages 12-14 of the *Partnership* Conference publication regarding both operating and restricted funds. He noted significant changes from last year's figures.

It was clarified that the OBC Development Foundation is a separate corporation and the monies are not reflected in the operating and restricted funds.

Joe James reported to the delegates that projections for the Development Foundation interest income for 1989-90 are \$25,000, 1990-91 are \$60,000, and 1991-92 are \$90,000. The income will be available for use by Oregon Bible College.

David Swartz moved to approve the financial statements and Pastor Dennis Baldwin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the delegates.

Nominations for the Board of Directors were presented: Pastor Dennis Baldwin nominated Pastor Gary Burnham on behalf of the Virginia Conference; David Swartz nominated Dwaine Demmitt on behalf of the Northeast Conference; Pastor Delbert Jones nominated Dr. William D. Lawrence on behalf of the Valley View Bible Church; Pastor Rex Cain nominated Pastor Scott Ross.

Pastor Richard Young moved that nominations be closed. Jerold Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the delegates.

The nominees for the Board of Directors were introduced.

Nominations for one position on the Christian Education Advisory Committee were opened. The term of Carol Ring expires. Millie Laning nominated Carol Ring. Pastor Jack Hearp made a motion to close nominations. Pastor Alan Cain seconded the motion. The delegates approved the motion.

Nominations for one position on the Higher Education Advisory Committee were opened. The term of Donna Deane expires. Pastor E. Richard Smith nominated Joe James. Pastor Delbert Jones moved to close nominations. Pastor Richard K. Smith seconded the motion. The delegates approved the motion.

Nominations for one position on the Missions Advisory Committee were opened. The term of Mardy Lawrence expires. Ken Vancil nominated Mardy Lawrence. Pastor Kenneth Milne moved the nominations be closed. Ralph Brown seconded the motion. The

delegates approved the motion.

It was announced that elections for the Board of Directors and the three Advisory Committee members will be held Wednesday afternoon at the delegate session. The installation of the Board of Directors will be Thursday at 8:00 a.m.

President David Krogh announced the resignation of R. Warren Sorenson, Vice-President of Outreach and Church Development. He commended both Warren and Irene for their 10 years of service to the Church of God General Conference. A plaque of commendation was presented to Warren.

The chairman announced that an open session with the Board of Directors will be held in the Heritage Room immediately following the delegate session today.

Pastor Sydney Kirkpatrick reported on the building project for the Pine Grove Bible Church in Minnesota.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. until Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Pastor John Guthrie dismissed the session with prayer.

DELEGATE BUSINESS SESSION— Wednesday, August 2, 1989

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe James at 2:15 p.m.



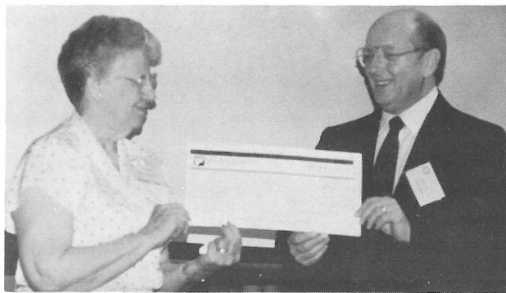
Pastor Jeff Fletcher reports on the work in Milton Keynes, England.

The nominees included: Pastor Gary Burnham, Dwaine Demmitt, Dr. William Lawrence, and Pastor Scott Ross.

Jeff Fletcher reported on the work in Milton Keynes, England. He

shared the family's decision to do the work in England and on the services and congregation there and also gave a slide presentation.

Leona Strickland of the San Jose Church of God presented a check for \$100,000 to the OBC Development Foundation to the Development Foundation President, Joe James. Joe James reported that this brings the total of all cash received thus far to \$775,000. The church also donated \$50,000 to the General Conference Pastoral Aid Fund.



San Jose Church Secretary Leona Strickland presenting Chairman James with \$100,000 check for Oregon Bible College Development Foundation.

Pastor Stephen Bolhaus of the Glad Tidings Church of God, Fonthill, Canada, welcomed the delegates to Brock University for the 70th Annual General Conference meeting July 30 - August 2, 1990.

Pastor Fred Pensyl of Urbana, Ohio, provided the delegates with an update on the work in Urbana. They were given two or three acres frontage by a donor in Urbana for the church building. Approximately 20-25 attend services and Bible Study.

Pastor Stan Ross reported on the new church work at Hewitt, Minnesota. They have purchased the church building but do not yet have a pastor. Furniture from the San Jose Church was contributed to the Hewitt church as well as \$2,000.

The travel pool has been calculated; the amount is \$152.50. Delegates can settle at the Conference office.

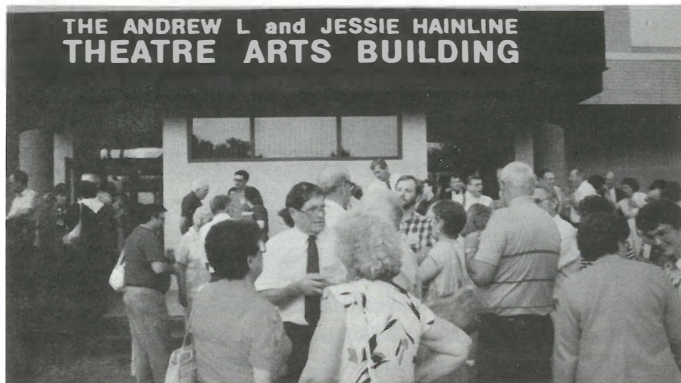
President David Krogh brought to the attention of the delegates a brochure called PACT in the delegate packets. Forty-eight congregations have closed in the last 23 years; 41 new churches were started. He urged others to continue to initiate new churches as those in Urbana, Ohio, and Hewitt, Minnesota. The purpose of PACT is to provide prayer and financial support through the Faith Promise Plan. The Thursday evening service will include a call for commitments for PACT and other ways support can be given to the Conference and local churches.

Pastor Michael Hoffman of the Oregon Church of God shared the plans and the progress of the church building project in Oregon, Illinois.

BUSINESS SESSION

MINUTES (Continued from page 7)

Russ Magaw announced that a free *Restitution Herald* is included in the delegate packets. He indicated that there is a new series on Bible doctrine. There are now three contributing editors. They are Pastor James Mattison, Rachel Carr, and Anthony Buzzard. Four others have contributed regularly this year. They are Vicki Pulling, Brenda Wessel, Shelly Millard, and Carol Ring. Pastor James Graham, Joe James, Pastor William Wachtel and members of the OBC staff have also contributed regularly this year. Many other



Crowd outside theatre after Evening Service.

pastors have also regularly contributed. He encouraged others to support *The Restitution Herald* by subscribing and by submitting articles for publication.

Don Overmyer reported on the activities of the Board of Directors during the past year.

The election of the Board of Directors was completed after the 5th ballot. Pastor Scott Ross and Dr. William Lawrence were elected by the delegates to serve four-year terms.

Parliamentarian Pastor Delbert Jones clarified the appropriateness of Chairman Joe James voting on the ballot votes for the Board of Directors' positions.

The Chairman noted that only one individual was nominated to serve on each Advisory Committee. He indicated that he would entertain a motion that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for all three of these Committee positions. Marion Burnham moved and Willis Turner seconded the motion. The delegates approved the motion. The following individuals were elected: Christian Education Advisory Committee—Carol Ring, Higher Education Advisory Committee—Joe James, and Missions Advisory Committee—Mardy Lawrence.

Vice President of Outreach and Church Development Warren

Sorenson reported on the staff and board activities in selection of a site for relocation. Twenty-eight criteria were used to review each site. Atlanta was identified as the site which best met the criteria.

Pastor Dick Eldred discussed concerns about the consideration of relocation. He urged support of the Board and also urged that we not delay our decision making.

Pastor Jack Hearp spoke to Recommendation One. He urged that delegates not judge ways of voting as a person's support or lack of support of the Church of God.

Paul Overholser discussed the offer he and Ruth had made regarding land in the Springfield area for the college site. He asked the delegates if it would be preferable to them that he and Ruth withdraw the offer in order to decrease the confusion. The delegates indicated that the Overholser's leave the offer as it was.

President David Krogh introduced Recommendation One. Extensive information has been provided already. However, he did note that the Board of Directors had unanimously voted to restrict funds for any sale of the Conference buildings to be used only for new buildings at the new site. Also, two weeks ago some people approached President Krogh regarding the potential purchase of the OBC buildings. These negotiations will be pursued after the Conference.

The Chairman indicated that he would entertain a motion for Recommendation One. Tom Schmitt moved that Recommendation One be accepted. Pastor Dennis Baldwin seconded the motion. There was much discussion on the recommendation. Marion Burnham called for the question. Delegates voted to approve the



Pastor Alan Cain presenting a workshop on "The Master's Plan," an evangelistic approach for the local church.

call for the question. The delegates voted on Recommendation One. There were 167 ballots cast—94 yes and 73 no. The Recommendation passed.

In regard to Recommendation Two, Chris Ramsey recognized that it would be inappropriate to insert a city in the Constitutional amendment at this time. However, he moved that if the recommendation is approved, the city will be added at the Conference next year. The Board will be asked to bring the recommendation forward in 1990. Seconded by Pastor Delbert Jones. The motion was approved by the delegates.

Pastor Alan Cain moved that Recommendation Two be accepted. Pastor Jeff Fletcher seconded the motion. Pastor Delbert Jones called for the question. The delegates voted to approve the call for the question. Delegates voted on Recommendation Two. There were 154 ballots cast—118 yes and 36 no. The Recommendation passed.

Tom Schmitt moved that Recommendation Three be accepted. Willis Turner seconded the motion. The recommendation was adopted by hand vote by the delegates.

Pastor Delbert Jones closed the session with prayer at 4:55 p.m.

**DELEGATE BUSINESS
SESSION—
Thursday, August 3, 1989**

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m.

Pastor Don Ward opened the session with prayer.

The Credentials Committee noted that 165 delegates are registered today (99 delegates, 60 pastors, and six board members). Total registration for the conference this week was 357.

The minutes of Wednesday, August 2, were read by the secretary. No corrections or changes were noted.

Kent Ross made a presentation regarding the youth department and Coins For Christ. The Guthrie Grove Church youth, represented by Martha Mattison, were presented with the Youth Week Award and

firstplace in the Coins For Christ Crusade. They raised over \$2,500 this year.

President David Krogh encouraged delegates to complete various forms included in the delegate packet. He also noted several Conference programs and events planned for 1989-90.

Keith Williams of the Pennellwood Church of God presented a custom-made greeting card to President David Krogh to recognize the special speakers and the assistance given while they were without a pastor.



The Oregon Bible College Alumni reception held Monday evening after Evening Service.

Pastor Scott Ross spoke to the delegates' decision regarding relocation on Wednesday. He prayerfully asked for unity and support and for excitement about the revitalization.

Vice President of Outreach and Church Development Warren Sorenson reported on the site visits and the review of the 28 criteria at each site. He discussed several of the strong positives for Clayton County, Georgia.

Pastor Vivian Kirkpatrick reported on his opinions about relocation and noted particularly that it be important that we have unity in the Lord's work and continue to move forward in the work of the General Conference.

David Swartz, President of the Northeast Conference, reported on the debates and discussions within their conference and their opposition to the relocation. However, the Northeast Conference recognizes the vote and pledges support to the Board and the work of the Conference consistent with the vote on Recommendation One.

Chairman Joe James discussed the Board and staff plans for proceeding with relocation. Chairman James asked for prayerful support of the Board and staff during the coming year.

President David Krogh discussed the demands on staff during the past two to three years while decisions regarding relocation have been considered. The staff will be officially approached individually after Conference to determine their own plans and desires regarding their part in the future work at another location. He asked for prayer support of the staff for their decision making in the coming months.

BUSINESS SESSION

MINUTES (Continued from page 9)

Pastor Billie Kennedy reported for the Ministerial Association regarding the prayer and fasting that have been recommended on behalf of the revitalization of the Church of God. He asked that all make a commitment to pray and fast. He indicated to the delegates that there has been a task force appointed to promote revitalization, prayer, and fasting.

The Annual Report of the Church of God General Conference printed on pages 3-7 in the May/June, 1989, *PROGRESS JOURNAL* was reviewed by the delegates. Pastor Francis Burnett moved that the reports be accepted. Jerold Brewer seconded the motion. The delegates approved the motion.

Chairman Joe James provided rationale for Recommendation Four. Russell Johns moved that the recommendation be accepted. Pastor Dick Eldred seconded the motion. There was discussion about the recommendation. Steven Knapp asked for an amendment to the recommendation. Dr. Alva Huffer seconded the motion concerning Article II, Section 3, C. Delete the two words Executive Director and replace those words with President. Article II,

delete the word leadership and insert "trained personnel: and add "and materials." Pastor Emory Macy seconded the amendment. The motion to amend was defeated. Pastor Ed Goit called for the question. The delegates moved to adopt Recommendation Six.

President David Krogh presented plaques of appreciation to the two retiring Board Members, Joe James and Don Overmyer.

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Paul Overholser spoke to the importance of all of us working in unity in God's name.

The secretary read the minutes of the meeting. Pastor Ed Goit moved that the minutes of the 69th Annual Conference be accepted. Russell Johns seconded the motion. A



Tuesday Evening OBC Foundation Reception.

Section 3, C would read: "The President of Church of God General Conference and the President of Oregon Bible College." Pastor Delbert Jones moved that Recommendation Four and the amendment be tabled. The delegates approved the motion.

Pastor Austin Railton moved that Recommendation Five be accepted. David Swartz seconded the motion. Pastor Vivian Kirkpatrick moved an amendment that the term Pastors' Association be corrected to Ministerial Association of the Church of God. Pastor Delbert Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried. The delegates approved the recommendation as amended.

Don Overmyer moved to adopt Recommendation Six. Pastor Alan Cain seconded the motion. Marion Burnham on behalf of the East Oregon Chapel asked that the recommendation be amended to:



Sunday Night Musical Extravaganza.

motion was made to commend the secretary for the taking of minutes. The delegates offered a round of applause.

Jerold Brewer moved that the meeting be adjourned. Pastor Jon Welch seconded the motion.

Pastor Clarence Lapp closed the session with prayer.

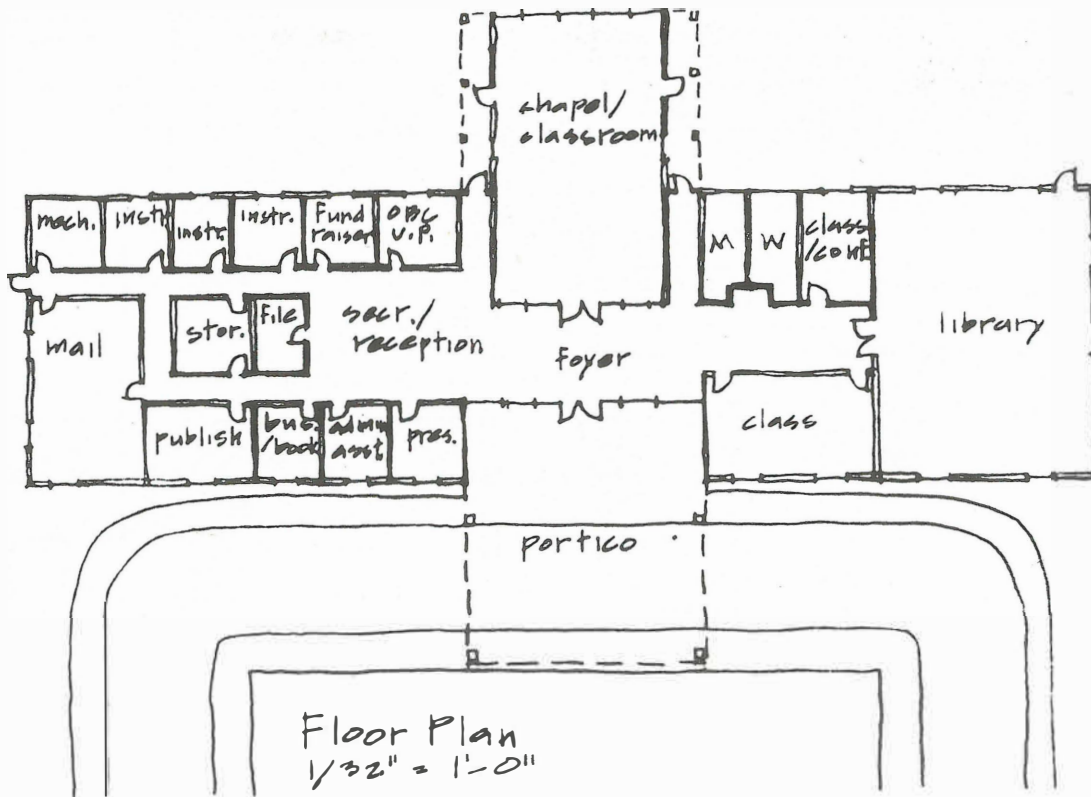
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Donna Deane, acting secretary.

CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS PRESENTED TO DELEGATES

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Payroll/Employee Benefits:	
Salary & Wages	\$256000
Social Security	19500
Employee Benefits	38000
General Operations:	
Advertising-Recruitment	3000
Films, speakers	400
Foreign Exchange	2000
Auto Expense	9000
Office & Computer	3000
Miscellaneous	500
Royalties	1600
Editorial	3000
Magazines—Library	2000
Periodicals/Books/Dues	3500
Postage	19000
Printing/binding	52000
Professional Services	7000
Repairs nonplant	7500
Staff Education	1500
Mailing Supplies	1000
Supplies/Expense	7500

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- 14 Pray for Jeff and Becky Bull as they intern in Fonthill, Ontario,



CONCEPTUAL LONG-RANGE SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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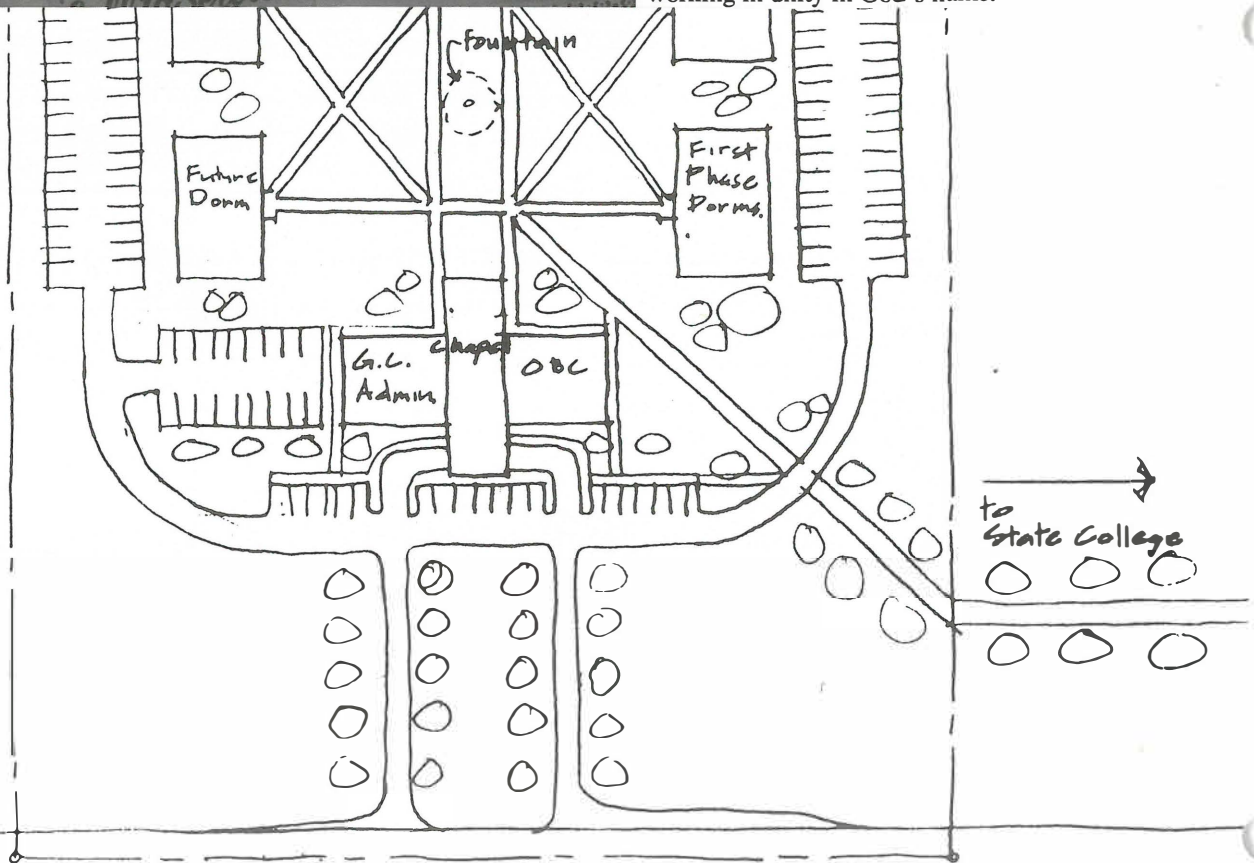
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BUDGET

June 1, 1990—May 31, 1991

PRAYER AND PRAISE

October, 1989

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Payroll/Employee Benefits:		
Salary & Wages	\$256000	
Social Security	19500	
Employee Benefits	38000	
General Operations:		
Advertising-Recruitment	3000	
Films, speakers	400	
Foreign Exchange	2000	
Auto Expense	9000	
Office & Computer	3000	
Miscellaneous	500	
Royalties	1600	
Editorial	3000	
Magazines—Library	2000	
Periodicals/Books/Dues	3500	
Postage	19000	
Printing/binding	52000	
Professional Services	7000	
Repairs nonplant	7500	
Staff Education	1500	
Mailing Supplies	1000	
Supplies/Expense	7500	
Telephone	8000	
Travel	20000	
Assistance—Mission Points	30000	
Assistance—Churches	10000	
Plant Operations:	81250	
Addition to Plant:		
Library Books	1000	
Furniture & Equipment	2000	
Purchases:		
Resale	14000	
Vehicle Replacement	15000	
Contingency	25000	
TOTALS		643250
Anticipated Income:		
Sales	55000	
Herald Subscriptions	12000	
Trust & Endowments	73500	
Tuition & Housing	58750	
Miscellaneous	41500	
TOTAL EARNED INCOME		240750
TOTAL GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED		
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BUDGET

June 1, 1990—May 31, 1991

PRAYER AND PRAISE

October, 1989

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

Payroll/Employee Benefits:		
Salary & Wages	\$256000	
Social Security	19500	
Employee Benefits	38000	
General Operations:		
Advertising-Recruitment	3000	
Films, speakers	400	
Foreign Exchange	2000	
Auto Expense	9000	
Office & Computer	3000	
Miscellaneous	500	
Royalties	1600	
Editorial	3000	
Magazines—Library	2000	
Periodicals/Books/Dues	3500	
Postage	19000	
Printing/binding	52000	
Professional Services	7000	
Repairs nonplant	7500	
Staff Education	1500	
Mailing Supplies	1000	
Supplies/Expense	7500	
Telephone	8000	
Travel	20000	
Assistance—Mission Points	30000	
Assistance—Churches	10000	
Plant Operations:	81250	
Addition to Plant:		
Library Books	1000	
Furniture & Equipment	2000	
Purchases:		
Resale	14000	
Vehicle Replacement	15000	
Contingency	25000	
TOTALS		643250
Anticipated Income:		
Sales	55000	
Herald Subscriptions	12000	
Trust & Endowments	73500	
Tuition & Housing	58750	
Miscellaneous	41500	
TOTAL EARNED INCOME		240750
TOTAL GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED		
JUNE 1, 1990 - MAY 31, 1991		402500

- 1 Pray for your pastor and his family today.
- 2 Praise God for Leanne Cline, Paula Kirkpatrick, and Irene Sorenson, who edit the Kindergarten through Junior High Sunday School materials.
- 3 Pray for God's wisdom to fill the lives of the curriculum editors as they work at editing and writing lessons to teach our distinctives.
- 4 Pray for the youth and youth leaders of your church.
- 5 Praise God for the faithful leadership of Roberto and Lupe Badillo in Mexico.
- 6 Pray for the success of the Young Adult Weekend at Oregon Bible College.
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PRAYER AND PRAISE

November, 1989

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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- 2 Praise God for the dedicated parents of the Oregon Bible College students. Ask his blessing on the Parents' Weekend at the College.
- 3 Pray for the students at Oregon Bible College.
- 4 Pray for God to inspire contributing editors and writers of articles for *The Restitution Herald*.
- 5 Pray for God's presence in your worship today.
- 6 Pray for the children and youth of your church.
- 7 Pray for Kent Ross and his leadership of our youth program.
- 8 Pray for leadership for those who will be planning the 1990 General Conference in Canada.
- 9 Pray for the ministry of one of the other churches in your conference or state.
- 10 Pray for God's blessing on the men who are meeting at Camp Mack for the Men's Retreat.
- 11 Praise God for those who have given their lives to preserve the freedoms we enjoy both in the United States and Canada.
- 12 Praise God for the leadership of your pastor.
- 13 Pray for the staff of the Printing and Publishing services of the General Conference.
- 14 Praise God for the faithful ministry of the senior citizens of your church.
- 15 Pray for Jeff and Karen Fletcher and the work in Milton Keynes, England.
- 16 Pray for the widows in our Priscilla (Ministers' wives) organization.
- 17 Praise God for the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.
- 18 Pray for the Conference/College staffs as they work through the relocation process.
- 19 Pray for the Sunday School teachers in your church today.
- 20 Pray for Mario Olcese in his outreach ministry.
- 21 Praise God for the promise of his kingdom.
- 22 Pray for the congregation and leaders in Labor Vieja, Mexico.
- 23 Praise God for the freedoms you are blessed with in your nation.
- 24 Pray that you might be able to hear God when he speaks to you.
- 25 Pray for the leaders of the Church of God Ministerial and Priscilla organizations.
- 26 Pray for the worship leaders, pianists, organists, and chair members of your church.
- 27 Pray for the church in Lima, Peru.
- 28 Pray for the leadership of the various Advisory Committees.
- 29 Praise God for a special blessing.
- 30 Pray for wisdom for those who will be planning the 1990 Christian Workers' Seminar.



Bequests

We are grateful for two recent bequests to the General Conference from the estates of Sister Ida Lapp and Brother Donald Mumford. These faithful individuals chose to make a final gift to the Lord's work by making the General Conference a beneficiary of their will.

Many Church of God individuals have indicated that they have included their local church and/or the General Conference, Oregon Bible College, or the Development Foundation, in their estate planning. If you would like information on wills, deferred giving, and estate planning, please write to: Wills, Box 100, Oregon, IL 61061. Brochures will be sent.

OBC Fall Semester

We are pleased to welcome many new students and returning students to the campus of Oregon Bible College. The fall program began with orientation on August 21 and 22. A new program of evaluative testing was started this semester. There has been a need to evaluate where students are in their educational development and attempt to assess how they might best be helped at the college.

Michele Millard, on the staff of Creighton University, in Omaha, Nebraska, is coordinating this new program in conjunction with OBC's Academic Dean, Kent Ross.

The initial battery of tests include: 1) the Myers/Briggs Type Indicator; 2) the LASSI Test to evaluate study skills; 3) the Nelson-Denny Test of Reading Skills; and 4) the Shipley Test of IQ Indication. Testing done during fall orientation will be followed up during the semester to help the students succeed in their academic performance.

1989 Booster Campaign

A booster is one who boosts, an enthusiastic supporter, an auxiliary device for increasing force, power, or support. Once each year Oregon Bible College reaches out and asks for that extra boost or support. We've been very pleased in recent years by the numbers of adults and youth who acknowledge that they are behind the mission of OBC and declare their support.

September 17 is OBC Booster Sunday. All our pastors have been asked to give time in the programming that day to focus on OBC, specifically to update what's happening at OBC, to pray and solicit support for your college. Most of the staff and student body will vacate Oregon that weekend to share about the life and program that's happening at the college. We will visit many churches in Illinois and surrounding states. Recruiting will also be an objective of the trips.

Will you be an OBC Booster this year? Will you assist the growth and preparation of the future leaders of the Church of God? We pray God's blessing as you consider serving him in this way.

Controller Resigns

Bill Burnham has submitted his resignation as Controller of the Church of God General Conference and Oregon Bible College effective August 31, 1989. We are deeply grateful to Bill for more than six years of service to the Conference and College. Bill has

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brought professional expertise to his office which helped establish our business affairs on a sound footing. Through careful management of our cash assets, additional thousands of dollars have been earned in interest.

We pray God's blessing upon Bill and his wife Marion in their retirement.

We are seeking a new Controller who has experience and/or training in bookkeeping, accounting, business management, computers, and purchasing. Please contact the President for more information about this position.

Churches Close

We regret to announce the discontinuing of services at Grace Church of God, Jefferson, Ohio, and the San Jose Church in California. Circumstances in these two situations have caused the remaining members to make the decisions to close. We are grateful to those who faithfully served in positions of responsibility in these churches over the years.

Both churches have distributed their assets to the General Conference, OBC Development Foundation, state conferences, and other local churches. The recycling of these assets will have far-reaching consequences in continuing the Lord's work. We appreciate the vision and wisdom of the individuals involved in the transfer of funds.

New Church Started

A new congregation is organizing in Hewitt, Minnesota. The leaders of this work are Kent and Sherry (Moore) Smith, who live in Verndale, Minnesota. They have been meeting for home Bible studies for some time. Recently, the group bought a small church building for \$6,000. The pastors of the Minnesota Conference have been assisting with the work. We are pleased to see the initiative of the individuals in Hewitt and the Minnesota Conference in establishing this new work. As our members continue to focus on evangelism, it is apparent that God will continue to open doors of opportunity for us to establish churches where the gospel can be proclaimed.

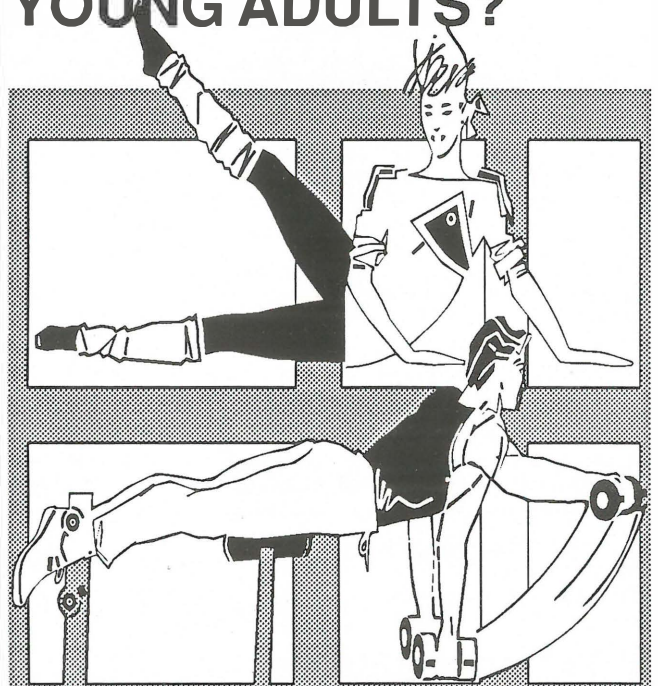
Meeting of Board of Directors

A team of Board and staff members is visiting Springfield, Ohio, to review the area as a potential relocation site. (See other items in this Journal for more information on relocation.) The Board has scheduled a meeting for the Springfield, Ohio, area on September 22 and 23 to review the report of the survey team and to make a final decision on the relocation site. As soon as this decision is made, information will be sent to the membership. The Board continues to encourage verbal and written communications from the membership regarding the work of the Conference and College. Communications can be sent to the President for distribution to the Board members.

Financial Update

Contributions received during the first two months of the fiscal year (June and July) totaled \$61,449. Monthly needs are \$33,500. Thanks to all the churches, conferences, and individuals who have given generously during these summer months.

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BAPTISMS

ARKANSAS

Greenbrier (McGintytown)—Amy Wood (6-25-89), Jodi Wilkins (7-2-89), Tom New. Transfers: Byron and Betty Johns (7-2-89). *Siloam Springs (Berean Youth Congress)*—Albert Vadnais, Jr., Jenny Hale (7-14-89), Kent Ross.

CALIFORNIA

Pomona—Kathleen Stein, Stephen Wells, Deena Hummel (6-18-89), Delbert Jones.

ILLINOIS

Loves Park (Family Bible Fellowship)—Charles Bratcher (4-9-89), Ron Bratcher, Angela Bratcher, Barbara Davis, Merrill Davis (6-18-89), Michelle Jenner (6-25-89), Gary Turner.

Oregon—Nicholas Hoffman (6-18-89), Michael Hoffman, Tom Fredrickson, Amanda Tuttle, Kasey Rager (7-2-89), Bob Alcumbrack.

INDIANA

South Bend (Timberland)—Ben Collier, Harry Collier (7-16-89), Dale Bliss.

IOWA

Belle Plaine (Restitution)—Lori Murphy (6-25-89), Delbert Rankin.

MICHIGAN

Grand Rapids (Garden Park)—Roger Thacker (5-28-89), Ray Hall.

Grand Rapids (Southlawn)—Joanne Petty (2-5-89), Joseph Roszell (5-21-89), Merry Van

Vuuren (6-11-89), Adam Swanson (7-2-89), Chuck Jones.

MINNESOTA

Eden Valley—Glen Larson, Billie Joe Larson (6-4-89), Billie Kennedy, Ben Piram (6-25-89), Dale Ramsey, Troy Sogge, Ben Sandry (7-2-89), David Richert, Aaron Smith (7-9-89) Billie Kennedy.

MISSOURI

Fredericktown—Becky Cooper (8-3-89), David Richert.

Morse Mill—Dan Georgevich, Bryan Georgevich (7-9-89), Craig Wagganer.

St. Charles—Brad Bollinger, Jeff Gerber, Bernice Heard, Carmen Hatcher (7-9-89), Craig Wagganer.

NORTH CAROLINA

Hendersonville—Gary Sumner, Sherry Lynn Honeycutt (6-29-89), Daniel Fyfe.

OHIO

Bedford—Jimmy Cramer (6-11-89), Austin Railton.

WEDDINGS

ILLINOIS

Loves Park—Susan Speakman-Brock Pinnon (7-8-89), Gary Turner.

Oregon—Charlene Hennis-Jim Jones (6-17-89), Michael Hoffman.

MISSOURI

Morse Mill—Robert Cook, Jr.-Judy Lee (7-15-89), Gary Turner.

DEATHS

INDIANA

South Bend (Timberland)—Jean Rybacki, 56, member (6-27-89), David Rybacki, 56 (7-3-89), John A. Railton, Leila Ratliff, 88, member (7-3-89).

MICHIGAN

Grand Rapids (Southlawn)—Theda Keyes, member (3-19-89), Harold Beamer, member (6-6-89), Chuck Jones.

MINNESOTA

Eden Valley—Norman J. Ruhn, 74, member (8-6-89), S. O. Ross, David Richert.

Litchfield—Berthina S. Carlson, 88 (7-6-89), S. O. Ross.

MISSOURI

Doniphan—Emily Brooks, member (7-9-89), Ken Howe.

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Minneapolis church building project



Pine Grove Bible Church is in the middle of constructing their new campus, as you can see by the accompanying photo. Several Church of God volunteers from around the country have helped in the project.

Oregon church building project



—Jenny Noon photo.

The Oregon Church of God is completing work on the fellowship hall which will be an important focus on its seven-acre campus. Over 100 volunteers have assisted in the work through August 15.