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# Denominational Reminders

### ENGAGEMENTS

**Rev. Frank Woyke**  
 Sunday, Sept. 19 — Burns Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.  
 Sunday, Sept. 26 — Grand Forks, North Dakota.

**Rev. Martin L. Leuschner**  
 Friday Evening, Sept. 17 — Erie, Pa.  
 Thursday, Sept. 23—Sunday, Sept. 26 — Jeffers, Minnesota.

**Rev. Herman Palfenier, Evangelist**  
 Sept. 21—Oct. 3 — Hebron, No. Dak.

**Rev. Henry Pfeifer, Evangelist**  
 Sept. 19—Oct. 1 — Tyndall, So. Dak.

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### CHURCH DEDICATION

Sunday, Sept. 20 — Grace Baptist Church, Grand Forks, No. Dak.  
 Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, Pastor;  
 Rev. J. C. Gunst, Rev. E. W. Klatt, Former Pastors; Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary, on Program.

### "YOUTH COMPASS" TOPICS for young people's meetings

October 3 — "Cameroons Baptist Mission Schools" by Rev. George Dunger, Cameroons missionary.

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The Harvest and Mission Festival programs for use in our churches in October have been sent to their respective addresses. They contain a sufficient amount of material for recitations, dialogues and short plays. The programs are four page, English sheets and eight page bilingual programs with several new Thanksgiving songs by Dr. Herman von Berge.

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October 10 — "Meet the Natives" by Mrs. Earl Ahrens, Cameroons missionary.  
 October 17 — "Our Missionaries" by Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Cameroons missionary.  
 October 24 — "Alcohol and Today's Youth" by Rev. Ralph R. Rott, Fargo, North Dakota.  
 October 31 — "Are You a Slave?" by Rev. Karl Korella, Camrose, Alberta, Canada.

### SPECIAL SEMINARY SERVICE

The Ground Breaking Service of our new Seminary Building at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., originally planned for Tuesday, September 21 has been postponed. The service will probably take place in October. Further announcements will follow.

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### AMONG OURSELVES

This is the time of the year for Harvest Festivals. They are really missionary services that are inspired by thanksgiving to God for his many blessings. The offerings at such festivals ought to be ALWAYS for missionary purposes. The material for the Harvest and Mission Festival programs by our Sunday Schools have been mailed to all churches. The songs are new and old ones prepared by Dr. Herman von Berge, which ought to bring rejoicing to all groups. The recitation material is of varied nature to satisfy the needs of all our Sunday Schools. Make your plans now for great services this Fall!

### IN THIS ISSUE

Inspiration ought always to lead to action! That is the theme of this issue of "The Herald." The Holy Spirit gives guidance to our work in the church, as Rev. O. E. Krueger's article portrays. The Christian Achievement Plan calls for a definite Bible reading program. The sermon by Rev. H. J. Wilcke describes the way to a well planned revival. The illustrated missionary account by the Rev. George A. Dunger is a blueprint for united action. The Pastor's Conference still has its glow of inspiration for a stronger ministry in our churches. Even the months spent by Mr. Donner in Hawaii afforded rest and inspiration for continued service in God's Kingdom.

### COMING

**What Are You Preaching, Mr. Layman?** — Under this intriguing topic the Rev. Dale Chaddock, pastor of the Baptist Church of Victor, Iowa, makes his bow to "Baptist Herald" readers in his first contributed sermon.

**Our Churches and Their Shepherds** — At the Pastors' Conference at Green Lake, the Rev. O. E. Krueger submitted a questionnaire to the men covering 60 points in a pastor's ministry, the results of which form the basis for a very interesting and invaluable study for ministers and laymen alike.

**Cloud Across the Sun** — The new serial story by G. Franklin Allee will definitely begin in the next number. Be prepared for an exciting story with thrilling scenes and a captivating plot.

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# EDITORIALS

Martin L. Leuschner

## Search the Scriptures

AS CHRISTIANS, we are to leave no stone unturned in appropriating the truths of Scripture for ourselves. The counsels are sharply-worded admonitions: "Search the Scriptures!" "Study to show thyself approved unto God!" "Take heed unto the doctrine!" "Preach the word!" "Watch thou in all things!"

This ought to be the primary practice of our lives. We ought to meditate upon the counsels of God in his Word and feast upon the riches spread out before us until we count ourselves to be the most blessed and fortunate people on earth. But few there are, even among us, who have made full use of our spiritual birthright. We still need to be admonished and guided and prodded to become faithful, devoted readers of God's Word.

The second goal of the Christian Achievement Plan is BIBLE STUDY. This is to be the emphasis in all of our churches throughout the two months of September and October. A full page of information and inspiration about this goal appears elsewhere in this issue. Posters have been sent to all of our churches to remind our people of this goal. We trust that pastors and church leaders will call your attention to BIBLE STUDY frequently during this time.

We believe that God is using the Christian Achievement Plan for the deepening of the spiritual life of many of our people. The many requests for the free leaflets and pamphlets on the Achievement Plan is an indication of the interest that is being shown. The second printing of the brochure about the Plan is almost exhausted. Letters and testimonies from young and old alike tell of blessings already attained in their lives.

The Christian Achievement Plan is very simple. Six goals are to be set before us and stressed in such manner that we become aware again of their importance in the Christian life. This is to be carried out by means of denominational and "Baptist Herald" reminders in the form of announcements and the printed page. This spiritual emphasis is to reach its climax at our next General Conference at Sioux Falls, South Dakota in August 1949.

The first goal was the challenge by PERSONAL DISCIPLINE. Other goals to be considered in months to come will present THE CHRISTIAN HOME, and stress the truths of EVANGELISM. They will also open our eyes to the present-day opportunities of MISSIONS and call for CHRISTIAN TRAINING. Certainly, every well informed North American Baptist ought to be intimately acquainted with the Christian Achievement Plan and be stirred to action by one or more of these goals. Correspondence by you, as an individual, or in behalf of your church is always welcomed at our denominational headquarters, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

The second goal calls for daily Bible reading which ought to be the habit of every Christian and to which he is ever fresh and alert. It emphasizes attendance at the church's prayer meetings where God's Word is studied. It suggests the memorizing of at least twenty-five Bible verses annually. Is this too much to be required of any Christian—of you? These are certainly the first principles of the Christian life and practice. Oh, that we might all be doers of the Word!

## BIBLE VERSE

"Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, . . . and be ye thankful." Colossians 3:15.

These two always go hand in hand together — the peace of God from above, the thanksgiving of the soul from within. These two stand absolutely alone, regardless of circumstances and outward events. For to have the peace of God that passes all understanding, through faith in Jesus Christ, is to be transformed into a blazing torch of thanksgiving. In spite of all other circumstances, this peace alone is worth all the prizes of the world and is the first and foremost foundation stone for happiness, out of which gratitude grows. As we let this peace of God rule in our hearts, we become the dwelling-place for the Word of God, our souls resound with the music of psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, and everything we do is done in the name of the Lord Jesus.

## PUBLICATIONS FOR GERMANY

Joint action has been taken by the Publication Society management and by the denomination's Relief Committee to continue to send about 600 "Baptist Heralds" and 2000 copies of "Der Sendbote" to Germany. This will be done at least until Dec. 31, 1949. Since printing facilities are still limited in Germany, these publications of ours with their spiritual messages and encouraging news of the Baptist work in the United States and Canada are heartily welcome. They render a great service in uplift and inspiration for those of our Baptist faith whose lives are now so dark and drab. This service of our denomination is made possible by gifts of \$2000 from the Bible Fund of the Publication Society and of \$500 from the Relief Fund.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE, 1949

Enthusiasm is rapidly mounting among our churches for the next General Conference! The dates have been set for August 22 to 28, 1949. The place at Sioux Falls, South Dakota is widely known. Preliminary arrangements have already been made by Mr. Arthur Schwerin for the housing of about 1800 delegates and visitors in the conference city. A colored motion picture film about Sioux Falls is now being prepared to be shown among our churches. The program committee will probably hold its session on Saturday, Nov. 27th. It is hoped that both of our Cameroons missionaries, the Misses Laura E. Reddig and Margaret Kittlitz, will be on hand with their colorful accounts of our African mission. An illustrated article about the 1949 General Conference will be featured in the next ANNUAL. Yes, it's going to a great, grand conference.

# A Planned Revival

A Sermon Based on the Account of a Wonderful Revival in 1 Samuel 7, Showing the Necessary Strategy for a Great Spiritual Awakening in Our Day

By the REV. H. J. WILCKE, Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington

REVIVALS are not isolated in the plan of God for his Church of the twentieth century. The Old Testament gives us numerous accounts of surging upsweeps leading to true spiritual awakenings. Moses, Elijah and Samuel were leaders during certain great revival periods. Our heavenly Father has always been awake to the needs of his people and has sent faithful leaders and servants to meet each need.

Our prayers today often give voice to our own yearning that this world may somehow let itself be guided by the Spirit of God into such a period one more. God has only one plan for renewing and reviving a nation, and that is by reviving the individuals who make up the population of that nation.

## REVIVAL PLANNED

Read the account of a wonderful revival in 1 Samuel 7. Samuel, having proved his loyalty to God by serving old Eli, proclaimed in a most penetrating manner the plan that God had given him. Sound preaching always strikes home. He had only one message and that was to "return unto the Lord with all your heart."

There was no other message to proclaim to a people who had experienced the wonders and mercies which they as a chosen people alone could remember. Social chaos, moral disturbances, spiritual degeneration, and the many other distorting influences had torn the people away from their God. Only a new heart could solve the problem.

A true revival was needed in order to set them aright in warding off the Philistine threat and in blotting out the sins that had scarred their souls. Samuel knew that the soul of Israel could only be reclaimed by God when each individual Israelite would concern himself about his own soul. His message, proclaimed in God's name, was heard by all, "Return unto the Lord with all your heart."

Samuel's plan involved three vital steps. False gods had to be cleared out; the hearts were to turn to the Lord; and they were to prove their

lives by serving the Lord.

The first steps gave the groups the "do's" and "don'ts" of a revival life. Clearcut decisions always lead to sound faith.

Under Joshua's leadership the people were called upon to take a stand, one way or the other — "Choose you this day whom you will serve!" Loyalty can never be divided.

The third step involved the test of their revival. They were to translate their faith into works. A spiritual revival that does not culminate in spiritual service has gone amiss. God would have us be good, but our goodness must express itself by our spiritual works.

## REVIVAL EXPERIENCED

A great change took place as the sought for revival took hold of the people. The foreign gods were put away and "the Lord only" was served by them. Brief as the account of this great revival is, we know that such a revival takes months of planning until it finally comes into its full bloom of power. Great revivals of the present Christian era have always proved the point that, where "Jesus only" is the watchword, then an awakening will come in its due season.

The great revival of Samuel's day came to its climax as the people came together in true "camp meeting" fashion in order to worship, pray, fast and sacrifice. It had been a long time since their true allegiance had belonged to their God, and now a feast was in place in order to celebrate this great re-discovery. A revived individual needs the fellowship that such a gathering of like-minded people can give. Mizpeh was a place of solemn vows with the theme ever in mind — "The Lord only."

## REVIVAL TESTED

Where people are united in worship and prayer, the enemy has much cause for alarm. The Philistines, hearing of this great "get-together" of the Israelites, quickly made plans to end the threat of this troublesome people. How should Israel feel? As expected, they were truly alarmed. When a stand for God and for right is taken,



Mount Rainier Near Tacoma, Washington Towers Majestically Above the Young People Who Are Coasting on the Slopes of the Tatoosh Range

the moment of testing is not to be escaped. The Israelites chose to stand firm and to follow as the Lord would lead them.

Samuel prayed for the people and "the Lord heard him." Then he took "a suckling lamb and offered it for a burnt offering wholly unto the Lord." It was to stand as a symbol of what the people would have to endure in their service to God. "Without the shedding of blood is no remission" (Hebrews 9:22b). Israel was being prepared throughout the centuries by the sacrifice of animals for the great vicarious sacrifice of the Lamb of God in whom mankind was to find salvation.

Then, as God has so often done, he made his will known by bringing a mighty storm down upon both armies. Israel, having spent time in the presence of God, stood at ease, but the Philistines were disquieted and disturbed because the storm had come in an unexpected season. Israel followed the retreating army in hot pursuit until they reached Beth-car. There Samuel set "a stone between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Ebenezer, saying, 'Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.'"

Rich days followed for the children of Israel. Each one knew that the Philistine attack had been subdued because the living God had had his way, both in their own lives and in the affairs of Israel.

## REVIVALS TODAY

Only one way can lead to a revival in our own day. The light of the world is still Jesus. If a revival was possible in the days of Samuel, then it is possible also in our day under the leadership of those who can point to

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# The Church and the Holy Spirit

In this fourth study on the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, there are sufficient suggestions for a five hundred page book. Therefore, friend, read carefully and earnestly!

By the REV. OTTO E. KRUEGER of Rochester, New York

THIS IS A SUBJECT for a five hundred-page book. What can be said about it in fifteen hundred words? We preach about the Holy Spirit altogether too little; consequently there is much hazy thinking about the subject. Were St. Paul to appear in our midst today as he did in Ephesus and ask, "Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?" many would say, "We do not hear much about the Holy Spirit. How can we know whether we have received him or not!"

Many have been confused by the statement made by Jesus: "The Holy Spirit was not yet given, because that Jesus was not yet glorified." We know, however, that the Holy Spirit cooperated in the work of creation, brooding over the waters, bringing order out of confusion. We also know that he worked as a revitalizing power whenever he breathed the breath of life into the "dry bones" of Israel, and that he gave new life in regeneration to those who were dead in trespasses and sins. And still the Holy Spirit had not been given in pentecostal power because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

### CHRIST THE STANDARD

Another thing had to happen before the great event could take place.

Jesus said, "He shall take of mine and show it unto you." "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you." Just what does the Holy Spirit impart? The concept had to be clearly revealed. The standard had to be fixed; the norm had to be established. Our government has in its keeping standards of weight and measures. No one is allowed to make a wild guess as to what is a yard or a pound. It is not for us to define just what we receive when we are baptized with the Holy Spirit.

God imparted the Holy Spirit to Jesus without limitations. Former impartations had all been partial. In Jesus we have a complete picture of God. "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." Christlikeness and Godlikeness are identical. The measure with which we receive the Holy Spirit is the measure of our Christlikeness. Jesus established the norm, the standard, in his life, teaching and death. God put his seal of approval upon all of that by his resurrection and glorification. All claims of possessing the fulness of the spirit must be measured by the established norm. "Now if any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his." Some things that are declared to be manifestations of the Holy Spirit can easily be ruled out. They do not fit the pattern.

We want to stress only two distinct promises given by Jesus regarding the Holy Spirit. He would be their guide and the source of their power. In the book of Acts and in the Epistles we may trace that guidance. Isn't it strikingly strange that the disciples should tarry at Jerusalem and begin to witness there. What more unfavorable place could be found? Physically Jesus had been defeated there. The public did not know of his spiritual triumph and resurrection. The disciples had manifested their cowardice; they had taken flight. "What thorny, stony, hardbeaten soil! Send us anywhere, but not to Jerusalem!"

### THE UPPER ROOM

That the Holy Spirit came upon them not in a temple but in a home was not a mere accident. Gentiles and Jews had localized God. Even Protestant Christians have not all been cured from localization. We have known people to travel across the continent to get the healing power of God at the hands of "a doubtful saint" contrary to what Jesus had told the Samaritan woman. Stephen declared very vigorously, "The most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands."

It all happened presumably in the home of Mary, mother of Mark, in the Upper Room. It has been said

that we have too much "supper room" activity. The church should spend more time in the "upper room," but let us not forget the breaking of bread to feed the hungry! Let us remember too that the finest place for the manifestation of the Holy Spirit is in the home. It is just possible that some who speak with tongues of fire in church are regular "spit-fires" at home.

Let it be noted again that the "cloven tongues as of fire came upon each of them and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit knows no class distinction. No group has the monopoly. No one can say, "If you want to come to God you must come through me; I am properly ordained for such a task." The Holy Spirit shows no preference for Jews, for white people, for men.

In Christ there is no difference. While in Hinduism a woman must, in the round of rebirths, become a man before she can hope to be saved, and while the Pharisees thanked God for not being a leper, a Gentile, or a woman, Jesus lifted womanhood to the level upon which men stood. In harmony with that, the women in the Upper Room were also filled with the Holy Spirit.

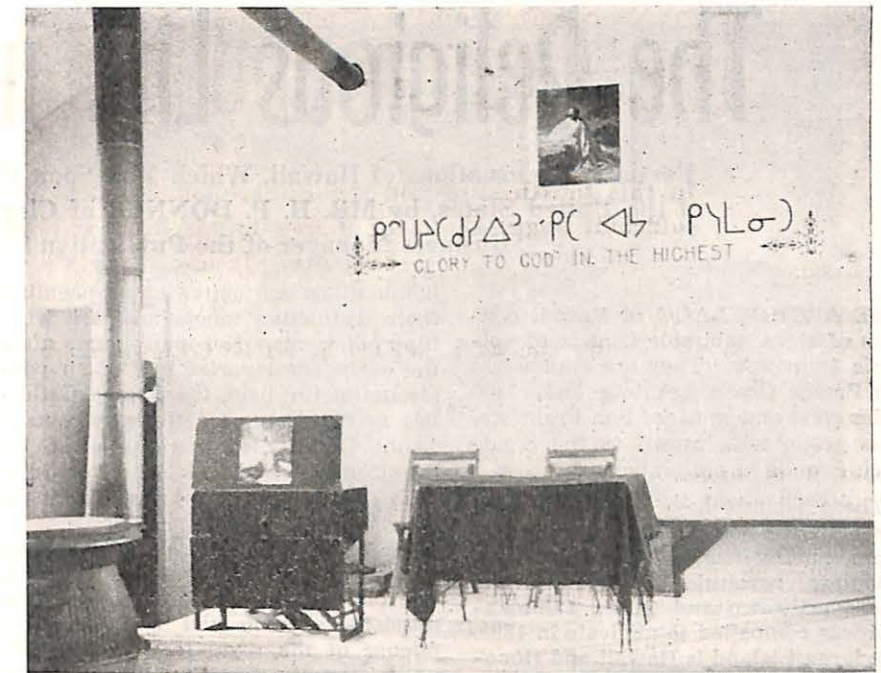
Again we notice that the Holy Spirit came without any particular ceremony. Nobody led the meeting. "They were all with one accord in one place" — and they were sitting. Opinions differ as to the proper posture: standing, kneeling, rolling on the floor. Well, here they were sitting. Not the position of the body but the condition of the heart is the thing that matters.

### GUIDED BY THE SPIRIT

All experiences, decisions and actions made under the guidance of the Holy Spirit were in accord with the standards fixed by Jesus. The disciples were soon conscious of being Spirit-guided that they could say, "It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and us." Only one more illustration is needed to show that the Holy Spirit took of the truth as given by Jesus and impressed it upon the disciples.

He had shown that people are of greater value than sheep or pigs. He permitted the destruction of two thousand swine in the interest of the release of one man. The Holy Spirit led the disciples to regard people as of greater consequence than property. Many sacrificed their property to feed the hungry. It is ever thus where the Holy Spirit guides. All the phases and factors of truth were revealed to the apostles.

And now a few paragraphs about the other promise: "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be my witnesses." They received the power of courage to be his witnesses in Je-



This Interior View of the Indian Mission Chapel on the Bobtail Reserve of Alberta, Canada Shows a Church in All Spiritual Simplicity With a Table Used as a Pulpit, an Old Folding Organ, Nearby Stove, and a Bible Motto in Cree Beneath a Picture of Jesus Christ

rusalem where they had been so shamefully defeated and where their Lord had been crucified. They gave their witness in word and deed.

A fine Christian business man felt that he must become an evangelist and all he needed would be the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which he sought earnestly and finally claimed to have received. But he made a failure of it. "Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? have all the gift of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret? are all evangelists?" No, indeed not! The good business man should have continued his testimony in the place where God had called him. No doubt it took more power of courage to do it there than on the evangelistic platform.

### GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

Paul lists nine gifts of the Holy Spirit, which may also be regarded as manifestations of that power. They are wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophesy, discerning of spirits, diversity of tongues and interpretation of tongues. He also lists nine kinds of fruit of the Holy Spirit, which are love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and self-control. The fact that love and faith are in both lists should speak for itself. And love is the greatest of these!

"Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?" Some are very positive in their assertion that they have been baptized with the Holy Spirit. Others are rather hesitant, even doubtful. What is the evidence? Is it to be found in angelic tongues, in prophetic gifts, in the understanding of all mysteries and knowledge,

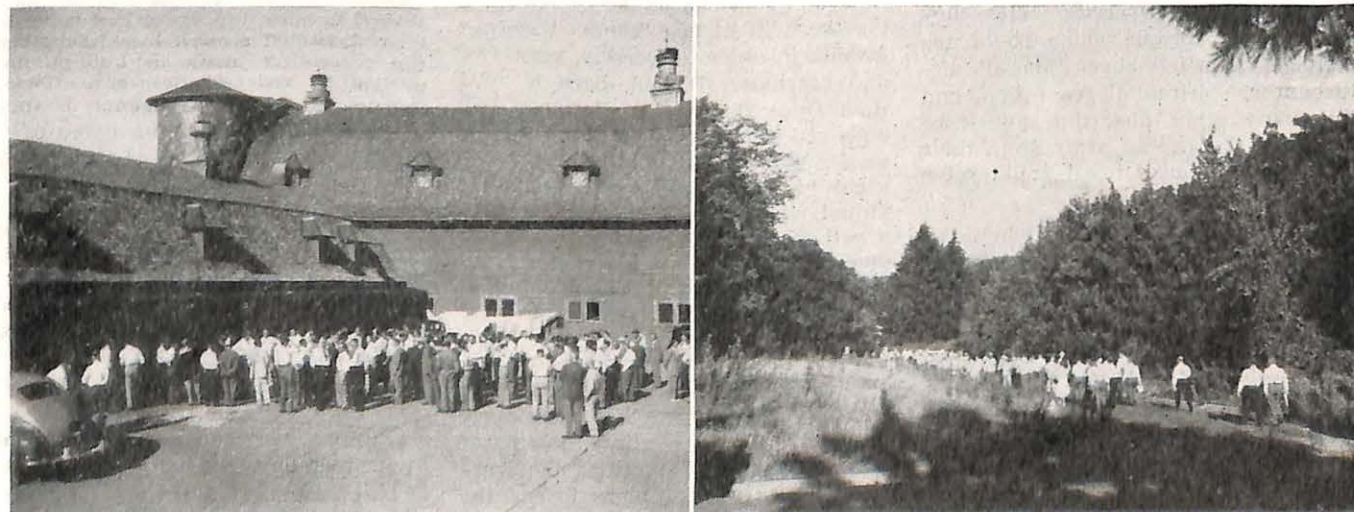
in mountain-removing faith, in feeding the poor, or in the martyr's death?

St. Paul says you may have all of these and be nothing. And even if love is limited to those who love you, you are no better than sinners and pagans. No doubt many who make loud claims of their pentecostal power have a smaller measure of the Holy Spirit than many who walk very humbly before God and make no claims at all. Two words spoken with understanding are worth more than ten thousand spoken with tongues. Seek the best!

The crux of the whole matter seems to be obedience. God gives the Holy Spirit to them that obey him (Acts 5:32). Obey the law of power and power will be at your command. Wind, water, fire, electricity, chemicals, atomic energy, all operate according to fixed laws. Man obtains their power by working in harmony with these laws. The power of the Holy Spirit comes to them who obey the law of the Holy Spirit. Repentance, faith and love are elements in that obedience.

Spiritual power can be displaced and lost. "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit." Separation from the source of power, greed, pride, self-indulgence, neglect of the Word of God and prayer grieve the Holy Spirit and cause his departure.

New York State alone has 24,000 places where the spirit of alcohol can be imbibed. There are only 8,000 places (churches) where it is supposed that people are exposed to the Holy Spirit. From that we may conclude that the spirit of the world has greater sway over men than does the Holy Spirit.



Pastors in the Large Courtyard Adjoining the Abbey (Left) Just Before the Doors Opened Into the Dining Room; and the Ministers and Guests of the Pastors' Conference on the Walking Tour of the Grounds of the Northern Baptist Assembly (Right) With Green Lake in the Distance



# The Religious Life in Hawaii

Personal Observations of Hawaii, Which May Soon Become the 49th State of the United States, by MR. H. P. DONNER of Cleveland, Ohio, Former Business Manager of the Publication Society

THE ARCHIPELAGO of Hawaii consists of eight habitable islands of volcanic formation. They are situated in the Pacific Ocean, approximately 2200 miles west and south of San Francisco. This group was known as the Sandwich Islands in earlier years.

These islands have been a United States possession for more than fifty years, having territorial status. In a bloodless revolution the monarchy was overthrown and Queen Liliuokalani was compelled to abdicate in 1893. The largest island is Hawaii and Honolulu, situated on the island of Oahu, is the largest city, being the capital of the territory and having a population approaching 400,000 people. Since the Hawaiian Islands are within 250 miles of the equator, the climate is semi-tropical and consequently very mild throughout the year. The average temperature in 1947 was 75.2 degrees. In January of this year we had a cold spell for a day or two, when the thermometer in my room had a range of 65 to 69 degrees. This was accompanied by high winds, strong enough to uproot large trees.

From historic times the islands have been inhabited by the Hawaiians, a stalwart Polynesian race of beautiful brown color with strong features resembling the American Indians. They are soft-voiced and of amicable disposition. When the islands came under the influence of European culture the people were naked pagans, worshipers of idols, living in sin and superstition on a very low moral level.

## EVANGELIZATION OF THE ISLANDS

In 1820 the first missionaries arrived. They were seven in number, having been sent out by the American Board of Missions of the Congregational Church. This number was augmented from time to time until 128 had labored for the salvation of this benighted people.

Christianity made rapid progress so that by 1832 congregations of 3000 could be reported with 50,000 enrolled in the schools. The Congregationalists had a civilizing influence on the development of the islands, both in the religious and economic realms. Today they are still the leading denomination with several strong churches, one of which is Hawaiian.

Hawaii has come to be regarded as a promising field so that leading de-

nominations are active in propagating their distinctive tenets and are winning adherents. Not many years after the early missionaries had taken possession of the field, the Roman Catholics made strenuous efforts to gain a foothold, but they were repulsed by the Congregationalists who regarded such attempts as an encroachment on their prerogatives.

In 1826 a Catholic party was excluded by order of the queen-regent, due obviously to the influence of the missionaries who had won the confidence of the royal family. In 1839 under threat of a French frigate, a group of Catholic priests was admitted along with a cargo of brandy and intoxicating spirits. This aggressive hierarchy has become well-entrenched with its cathedral in the down-town district and resident bishop.

The Anglican church with a beautiful property in Honolulu has found a prominent place in the religious life of the community. For many years the Lutherans have had their place of worship and for a long time the German language was used. While the percentage is not large, Germany has made a substantial contribution to the economic life of Hawaii. The Methodists are there; also the Christian denomination and under this leadership a Chinese church has been organized and housed in a quaint structure of Oriental design.

## NUMEROUS RELIGIOUS CULTS

About one-third of the population of the Hawaiian Islands is Japanese. They are much in evidence in all walks of life. The older generation emigrating to these inviting shores obtained their citizenship before the Exclusion Act was in force. The children making up the second generation are, by virtue of such status, full fledged citizens of the United States. When leaving their native soil, they brought with them the customs of the land. Conservatively they ate the same kinds of food with the help of the chopstick. Their clothing continued to be of the same design and it was only natural that they would adhere to their age-old religious practices. And so there are numerous Buddhists and Shinto shrines where they burn incense and listen reverently to the chanting of their priests. They have beautiful temples of Oriental architecture.

I attended a Japanese funeral when, before the cremation of the

body, services were held in the chapel of the cemetery. As an onlooker, I saw the mourning congregation go forward to burn incense and bow before an image of Buddha. The same condition prevails with the Chinese who are also numerous in Hawaii. They, too, have built their temples and shrines so that paganism is rampant in the polyglot city of Honolulu. Seventh Day Adventism and "Christian Science" have their adherents and well-established congregations.

The Mormons are strong and prosperous. They have a very beautiful church building on one of the prominent streets; its architecture is outstanding and imposing. In one of the rural communities there stands a temple of large proportions, elegant in design, surrounded by ample landscaping in an otherwise arid environment. The Mormon church there is very wealthy. It owns many acres of improved land which is leased to householders on long terms of tenancy at annual rentals but which cannot be acquired in fee simple.

## HAWAIIAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Baptists are obviously the most aggressive of the Protestant groups. They are loyal to New Testament standards with a very definite missionary objective. They have a large field for their evangelical approach. The younger generation of the Oriental races has largely broken with the pagan practices of their forbears and is sympathetic to the Gospel message. Japanese converts predominate in the Baptist churches. As far back as the Hawaiian Kingdom a group of Hawaiian Christians organized a "Hawaiian Protestant Church" on the island of Kanai which in 1944 accepted Baptist faith and practice and was accordingly received into fellowship of the "Association of Baptist Churches of Hawaii."

In 1926 a few Christians organized a "Mission Church" which came under the influence of Baptist missionaries who were forced out of China and Japan by the war and had come to Hawaii to promulgate the Gospel. As a result of these efforts this mission church voted to become a Baptist church in 1941. Today this is the largest church of Baptist faith in the territory with an approximate membership of 350, consisting of various

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## THE PASTORS' CONFERENCE AT GREEN LAKE

By REV. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER.

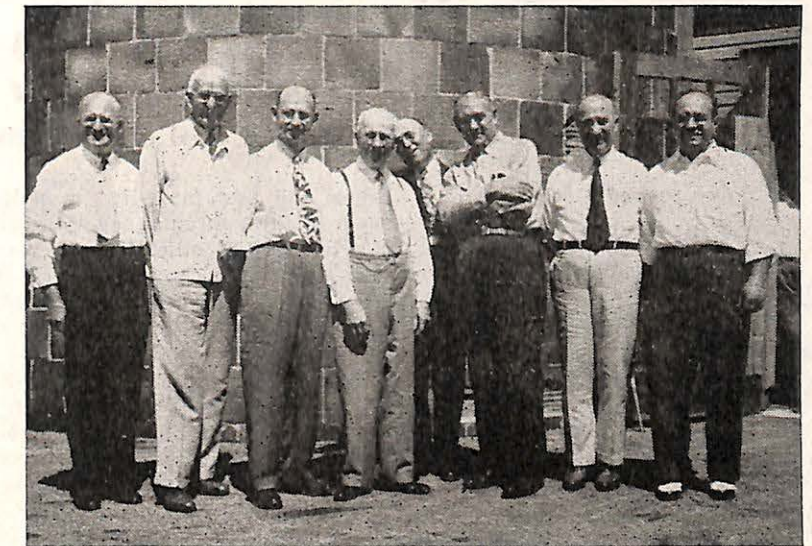
● The Pastors' Conference with almost 200 of our ministers and laymen in attendance at Green Lake, Wisconsin from July 26 to August 1 was so successful that it will probably become a triennial event. Plans are already being made to present this suggestion to the annual session of the General Council in May 1949.

● Statistics about the Pastors' Conference are exceedingly interesting. The mileage for the men to and from the conference totaled 294,650 miles. That distance is more than 50,000 miles from the earth beyond the moon! For the records, a total of 1118 nights of lodging was provided and about 3000 meals were served. These figures substantiate the fact that it was a wonderful conference for the men.

● One of the unusual highlights of the Pastors' Conference was the personal concern of the cook, Mr. Eric Krueger, to provide the best possible meals for the men. This was done to the great satisfaction of everybody. In a recent letter to headquarters he paid this tribute to the Pastors' Conference. "I would like to say that your men were the best group of adults we have served in four years that we have been here at Green Lake." Take a bow, pastors of our churches!

● Many pictures of the Pastors' Conference are now on display. An announcement appears elsewhere as to how some of the prints of conference pictures that have appeared in the September issues of "The Herald" may be secured. Still other pictures will be published exclusively in the "1949 Annual" along with an article now being prepared by the Rev. C. B. Nordland. A full reel of colored motion pictures of the Pastors' Conference will soon be available for our churches everywhere to see.

● The Pastors' Conference afforded a wonderful miniature picture of our denomination in action. The work of our cooperating societies and the present great denominational advance were graphically depicted. Three Cameroons' missionaries and several missionaries or representatives from the Mexican and Indian mission fields were present. By means of exhibits, literature and motion pictures other phases of our work were laid upon the hearts of the pastors. The Pastors' Fellowship was organized and committees were appointed to prepare a small publication for the ministers and to present recommendations at the 1949 General Conference sessions. They were, indeed, epoch making days at Green Lake, Wisconsin!



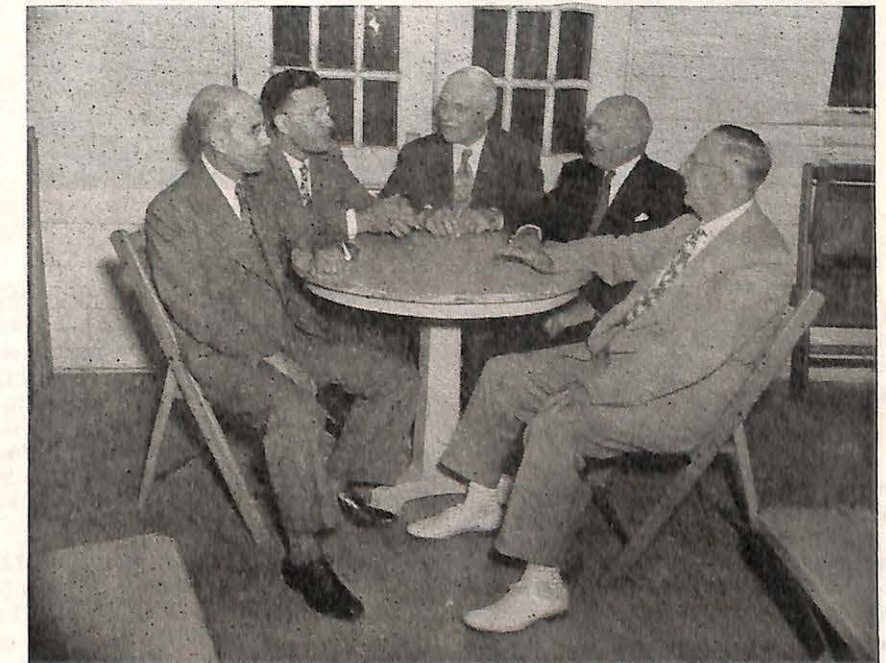
Ministers at the Pastors' Conference at Green Lake, Wisconsin Who Composed a Distinguished Group Because of Their High Foreheads and Bald Heads!

## PICTURES OF PASTORS' CONFERENCE

A packet of seven pictures of scenes of the Pastors' Conference will be sent to all who request them and enclose fifty cents for printing expense and postage. Three of the pictures are to be selected from the following list of Mr. Siemund's photographs: 1) Abbey — interior view (Sept 1st issue); 2) Pastors' Chorus (Sept. 1st issue); 3) Vesper Service Group; 4) Missionaries (See page 24); 5) Cooks, Waiters and Waitresses; 6) Abbey (Exterior View); 7) Pastors of Erin Ave. Church (See this page); 8) Scenic View to Entrance of Grounds. These prints will be 4 by 5 inches in size. Select three of these eight pictures and name them by numbers.

Four other snapshots (size 3 by 4 inches) from the pictures taken by Mr. Leuschner will be sent to you. All pictures in the September issues of "The Herald," which are not credited, were taken by him. You may state which snapshots you want. Otherwise, a favorable selection will be made.

Send all orders to Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. Canadian orders can be sent in stamps. EDITOR.



—Photo by Herman Siemund  
Former Ministers of the Erin Ave. Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio at the Pastors' Conference  
(Left to Right: Reverends John Leypoldt, T. W. Bender, J. F. Olthoff, Henry Hirsch and Theo W. Dons)



# Systematic Bible Study

A Page Devoted to the Second Goal of the Christian Achievement Plan

## The Second Goal BIBLE STUDY

1. Daily Bible Reading.
2. Attendance at the Church's Prayer Meetings.
3. Scripture Memorization — at Least 25 Verses Annually.

## BIBLE VERSE

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

times, and now make it a practice to read it through once every year. It is a book of all others for lawyers, as well as divines; and I pity the man who cannot find in it a rich supply of thought and of rules for conduct.—Daniel Webster.

Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet-anchor of your liberties; write its precepts in your hearts, and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this book we are indebted for all the progress made in true civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future. "Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."—U. S. Grant.

shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" It is a picture study that deserves your repeated attention during the months of September and October.

## LEAFLETS FOR DISTRIBUTION

(The following leaflets can be secured free at denominational headquarters, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. Please limit the quantity of your requests since the demands for these leaflets are quite heavy.)

The Bible in the Home. The Irresistible Word of God. Helping Your Child Know the Bible. Worthwhile Ways of Reading the Bible. My Bible Reading Record. National Scripture Memory Course. The Bring-one Movement.

## WHAT YOU CAN DO

Conduct a Bible reading program in your group. Keep a record of the total readings.

Encourage a Scripture Memorization program in your Sunday School. Literature is available.

Have groups in the church take charge of successive prayer meetings or participate in the service with program numbers or suggestions.

Distribute copies of the devotional booklets, "The Secret Place," "The Upper Room," "Seek."

## INSPIRATION TIME

### My Companion

When quiet in my room I sit,  
Thy Book be my companion still;  
My joy thy sayings to repeat,  
Talk o'er the records of thy will,  
And search the oracles divine,  
Till every heartfelt word is mine.  
—Charles Wesley.

### The Changeless Word

O changeless Word of life and light,  
A perfect rule to guide me;  
I take thy counsels, trust thy truth,  
And in my heart I hide thee.

Thou Book divine, thy pages shine  
With heaven's unfading glory;  
Thou dost reveal to mortals here  
The great redemption story.

Here law and love and wisdom stand  
Revealed through bygone ages;  
And children read a message sweet  
Upon thy simple pages.

Untouched by time or men's assaults,  
This Word remains unshaken,  
And those who build upon this rock,  
Will never be forsaken.

—Julia H. Johnston.



—Ewing Galloway Photo

## BIBLE READINGS

Christ's Ten Promises on Prayer—Matt. 6:6; Matt. 7:7; Matt. 18:19; Luke 11:13; Luke 18:7-8; Mark 11:22-24; John 14:13-14; John 15:7; John 15:16; John 16:23-24.

## THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

All that I am I owe to Jesus Christ, revealed to me in his divine Book.—David Livingstone.

I cannot too greatly emphasize the importance and value of Bible study—more important than ever before in these days of uncertainties, when men and women are apt to decide questions from the standpoint of expediency rather than on the eternal principles laid down by God himself.—John Wanamaker.

I have read the Bible through many

Another colorful poster about the Christian Achievement Plan has been sent to every pastor to be placed on the church's bulletin board during the months of September and October. Ask your pastor about it, if you have not seen it in your church. You can also write to headquarters in Forest Park, Illinois if you would like to receive one of these posters.

This second poster on BIBLE STUDY shows an index finger pointing to an important Bible verse. The picture is so clear that the words of Scripture which are being pointed out can easily be read. The verse is 1 John 3:17 with these words: "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and



—Photo by  
Eva Luoma

## HARVEST

By THOMAS A. CAIN of Wiggins, Mississippi

The scent of new-made hay is on the breeze  
A full moon peeps above the dying day,  
Dusk deepens. Night falls slowly upon a tired world,  
And children scamper in and stop their play.

The farmstead all alight with pine knots blazing  
Guides home the weary teamster in the night,  
To food and shelter, warmth and loved-ones waiting; —  
And homes which neighbors share outright.

## MY CROSS

By BEVERLY KNEBEL of Milwaukee, Wisconsin

God tried to give me a cross to bear,  
But I fought his holy will.  
"Oh, Lord," I cried, "Such a heavy one!"  
But his voice would not be still.

So he gave me a "bit" of this cross to bear,  
And it hurt me to my soul.  
Then his sweet voice asked, "Will you bear it all?  
Will you carry (for me) the whole?"

I tried to evade his will for me.  
And to run from his two-edged sword!  
Then he broke my life to an empty shell,  
With the power of his Word.

# Inspirational Verse

Poems Contributed by Readers of "The Baptist Herald"

But in infinite mercy and tenderness  
He came again one day.  
"Are you ready now, my child?" he asked.  
"Are you willing to obey?"

And with broken and contrite heart  
I said,  
"Yes, Lord, I will do thy will.  
Give me this terrible cross again."  
(And I bade my fears be still.)

Then with joy unspeakable, grace divine,  
Because of his love so free,  
He took my cross in his nail-scarred hands,  
And he gave his peace to me.

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## HIS WILL IS BEST

By ALTA MARIE ABRAHAM HILL of St. Joseph, Michigan

I dreamed of all that would be in my home,  
Where I would enjoy my life,  
Where all would be peace and happiness,  
Where I would be free from strife.

I planned for a brick-trimmed fireplace,  
The fire glowing at night;  
I had planned for an open stairway,  
And window to give me light.

I had dreamed of heat during winter,  
Of cool air for the summer day;  
I had dreamed of a lawn with flowers  
To surround my beautiful way.

My dreams and plans were changed in a moment  
When I heard my Master say:  
"Why are you planning to live in comfort,  
While millions are dying today?"

My home is a hut made of grasses,  
My joy is in seeking to save;  
There is sorrow, and care, and sadness,  
But this is the work that he gave.

My fireplace was changed to a campfire  
Where we told of Jesus' might,  
My stairway goes upward to heaven,  
His Word is the window of light.

The sun gives more heat than I wanted,  
My lawn is the lost deep in sin;  
The flowers are the precious children,  
The Lord told us to win.

In working and laboring for the Lord,  
I find that I am truly blest;  
Blessings unnumbered, so full and free,  
His will for our lives is always best.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The Bethel Baptist Church of Gatesville, Texas has extended a call to the Rev. Kenneth E. Nelson of Canistota, South Dakota, to which he has responded favorably. He will begin his pastorate in Gatesville on October 1st. Mr. Nelson has been pastor of the Spring Valley Baptist Church of South Dakota since 1945.

● On Sunday, August 8, the Rev. J. J. Renz, pastor of the First Baptist Church of George, Iowa, baptized two women on confession of their faith in Christ. A Vacation Bible School was conducted by the church for one week in June with an enrollment of approximately 75 children and with 7 teachers serving on the staff.

● The Rev. David Berg has resigned as pastor of the Baptist Church of Washburn, North Dakota. He wrote: "After many years of waiting upon God, it seems that he has finally opened the door for us to go to school again. This has prompted us to resign from our Washburn pastorate." Mr. Berg hopes to attend the Prairie Bible Institute at Three Hills, Alberta, Canada this Fall if circumstances will permit.

● The Grace Baptist Church of Gackle and Alfred, North Dakota extended a call to the Rev. John Reimer, to which a favorable response has been given. He began his ministry there on August 1st. Mr. Reimer was ordained under the Associated Gospel Churches of Canada in 1942 although he has been active in the ministry since 1934. He is a son-in-law of the Rev. Gottlieb Ittermann of Jamestown, No. Dak. His last pastorate was in the Baptist Church of Washburn, No. Dak.

● The anniversary program of the Woman's Missionary Society of White-mouth, Manitoba was held recently in connection with the society's annual bazar. About 125 relief parcels were packed and shipped overseas by the women during the past year. A sum of \$260 was netted at the bazar and a total of \$800 was laid upon God's altar through the society during the year. Mr. Fred Ohlmann as pastor of the church and his wife are both very active in the leadership and encouragement of the society.

● The Rev. Wm. Kahlert of Union City, New Jersey, formerly pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Union City, spoke at German meetings held



—Photo by Eva Luoma  
The Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church of Elsmere, Delaware. (This picture was omitted from the report about the Elsmere school which appeared in the August 15 issue of "The Baptist Herald," page 18)

in the Baptist Church of Ashley, No. Dak., on Sunday, Aug. 8. During the following week until August 15, Mr. Kahlert conducted German services at the Berlin Baptist Church at Fredonia, No. Dak. He is supplying the pulpit of the Baptist Church of Anamoose, No. Dak., during the month of September. This church lost its pastor, Rev. Karl Gieser, by death several months ago.

● Although the August 15 issue of "The Herald" announced the resignation of the Rev. Otto R. Schmidt as pastor of the Baptist Church of Fessenden, North Dakota, developing circumstances have made a change in Mr. Schmidt's plans. On Sunday, August 8, the church took action and voted to cancel its acceptance of his resignation. In view of the expressed good will of the church, Mr. Schmidt decided to postpone his plans for further seminary and college studies and to yield to the will of the Fessenden Church to continue to serve as its pastor.

● On Saturday, Sept. 4, Miss Bonnie Joyce Grosser of Oak Park, Ill., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grosser, and Mr. William D. Rogers were married at the First Baptist Church of Oak Park with the Rev. C. B. Nordland of the Forest Park Baptist Church officiating. It is noteworthy that this year 1949 also marks the golden wedding anniversary of Bonnie's grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Schroeder of Anaheim, California, observed on May 21st, and the

silver wedding anniversary of Bonnie's parents which occurred on August 24th.

● Chaplain Edwin Kraemer returned with his family to the United States on August 6th, after serving as a chaplain of the United States Army on the Island of Antigua in the Caribbean Sea for several years. Articles by Chaplain Kraemer about his experiences and observations as a chaplain have appeared in "The Herald" quite frequently. His present address is Kyle, Texas. He is awaiting the leading of the Lord as to his future work although he would like to become pastor of a North American Baptist church. He will welcome any correspondence with our churches.

● The Rev. and Mrs. Fred Lower of Kankakee, Ill., visited the San Luis Valley of Colorado and our Spanish-American mission field during their vacation early in August. On Friday evening, Aug. 6, they spoke over the mission's radio broadcast in Alamosa in place of the Rev. C. L. Young, missionary. On Sunday morning, Aug. 8, Mr. Lower preached in the First Baptist Church of Center, Colorado. The young people of the Immanuel Church of Kankakee, Ill., were in charge of the service on Sunday morning, Aug. 29, and brought echoes of the Chicago and Wisconsin Assembly held at Lake Ripley from Aug. 22 to 28. Mr. Lower brought a missionary message in the evening in keeping with the church's offering designated for the denomination's Million Dollar Offering.

● Dr. Arthur A. Schade of Huron, So. Dak., left San Francisco, Calif., on the "S. S. Flying Scud" on Sept. 3rd for Japan to supervise the shipment and distribution of a shipload of milk goats among the Japanese people. The Army of Occupation had requested 2000 milk goats for the Japanese people. Dr. Schade helped to collect a double deck car load of goats, 160 in number, under the auspices of the South Dakota Council of Churches and accompanied them to California in May. These were an outright contribution from South Dakota people, including also the freight. It was in recognition of this interest in South Dakota that he was invited to make the trip. About two months will be required for this visit in Japan, during which Dr. Schade and Japanese representatives will travel over the country by truck, distributing the goats.

## A Woman's Missionary Society

A Story for the Women of Our Churches by MRS. FLORENCE SCHOEFFEL, President of the National Woman's Missionary Union

MRS. SCHMIDT, active member of the Woman's Missionary Society in her church, stopped in one afternoon at the home of young Mrs. Johnson. "I have come," she said, after the first words of greeting, "to invite you to the meeting of our Missionary Society next Sunday afternoon. We are having as our special guest a returned missionary from China, Miss Carolyn Adams, who will talk of her experiences. I am sure you will find it interesting."

"Yes, perhaps I would," replied Mrs. Johnson, somewhat doubtfully, "but you know, I hesitate to attend any meetings of your society for fear your president, Mrs. Walters, will ask me to join. She is always after me to do so."

"Frankly, Mrs. Johnson, I have often wondered myself why you and some of the other young women of our church don't belong to the Missionary Society."

"To tell you the truth, I don't see why we should. It's just a group of women meeting for prayer and testimony. While I have nothing against that, nevertheless, I feel if I attend the prayer service of the church, that is enough."

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN

Mrs. Schmidt smiled reminiscently as she replied, "I used to feel that way myself years ago, before I joined the society. But not now!"

"Really? May I ask what made you change your mind?"

"I soon realized that of all the organizations in the church — and you know I am active in several — the **Woman's Missionary Society offered a woman the best opportunity to use all her talents, whatever they may be, and provided a sense of companionship and fellowship not found anywhere else. I said to myself, 'Here is where I belong.'**"

"That is rather a broad statement you have just made. How do you explain it?" Mrs. Johnson asked, rather skeptically.

"Our activities are quite varied," Mrs. Schmidt went on. "You referred to prayer and testimony meetings. This is only one part of our meeting, but a vital and inspiring part. A brief devotional period is led by one of the women. In preparing for this, when it was my turn, I have always received a great spiritual blessing."

Mrs. Johnson nodded thoughtfully. "Since I no longer belong to the young people's group, I do miss taking part in such programs."



Missionary Margaret Kittlitz and Some of the African Babies Under her Care

Just then the doorbell rang. It was Mrs. Brown, chairman of the White Cross Committee of the Missionary Society. "How nice to meet you here too, Mrs. Schmidt," she exclaimed. "I am on my way downtown, but stopped in to invite you, Mrs. Johnson, to our White Cross meeting next Thursday. I'm sure you will be there, won't you, Mrs. Schmidt?"

"O yes, I wouldn't miss those days for anything."

"We meet at ten o'clock," Mrs. Brown went on, "and usually continue until 3:30 or 4 o'clock. We all bring our own sandwiches and make coffee in the church at lunch time."

"What do you do all that time, just roll bandages?" inquired Mrs. Johnson.

### THINGS TO MAKE

"You'd be surprised at all the different things we make," Mrs. Brown explained enthusiastically. "Baby clothes, pneumonia jackets, dolls, stuffed animals, baby blankets and, of course, various types of bandages. While we sew we also enjoy a most pleasant fellowship. Sometimes we read a mission book, taking turns in reading out loud to the group."

"It does sound like a lot of fun," agreed Mrs. Johnson.

"And there is a real thrill in knowing how much these materials are appreciated by our missionaries on the field, and by the natives to whom they are distributed. It is always a highlight of our meeting when a letter from one of the missionaries is read, de-

scribing the arrival of White Cross parcels."

"Oh, do you actually receive letters from the missionaries?" Mrs. Johnson asked in surprise.

"Yes, in deed, and we also write to them. One of our projects is to send birthday cards to all our missionaries on the field."

"We also read letters which they write for all women's societies, and which are printed in our Union paper, the 'Broadcast.' These always help to make us better acquainted with them, and to understand some of their problems," Mrs. Schmidt chimed in.

"I have never felt a very personal interest in any missionary, but I guess that is because I didn't know much about them," remarked Mrs. Johnson.

### MISSIONARY INTEREST

"Yes, it is true, 'the more you learn, the more you love; the more you love, the more you give,'—not only of your money, but also of personal interest and intercessory prayer. However, we do not confine ourselves to our own denominational mission fields, but in our study programs and through individual missionary reading we try to get a comprehensive view of missions around the world. It is a source of constant wonder and joy to me as I learn of the extensive missionary enterprise, how the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature", is nearing fulfillment."

"Most important of all", concluded Mrs. Schmidt, "is the realization that in taking part in the work of the Woman's Missionary Society we are doing our bit to obey this command of Christ, even though we cannot go to the foreign field ourselves."

"We could go on all day talking about the various activities of our society, such as bringing cheer to the sick, serving in our own church as needed, etc., but why don't you come and see for yourself?" asked Mrs. Brown, as she rose to leave.

"Yes, indeed, I will. You ladies have painted such an inviting picture of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, that I will not only attend your meeting next Sunday, but will be glad to join your group, and take part in whatever way I can."

"That's great news", exclaimed Mrs. Schmidt delightedly. "I am sure that you will agree with us, the **Woman's Missionary Society is the place of service for every woman in the church.**"





Binka School Children and Teachers on Left With Mission Buildings in the Background, and Pupils and Teachers of the Ntumbaw Mission School in the Cameroons on the Right

# A Vision of the Burning Bush

Let every Kingdom worker — that means you and me — take with him or her the vision of the burning bush, the vision of the Cameroons' needs in Africa and the voice of God calling us to ACTION!

By the Rev. George A. Dunger, Missionary in the Cameroons of Africa

IN REVIEW, the Cameroons Baptist Church presents a picture of outward accomplishment rather than of spiritual growth, although victories on the spiritual plane can be recorded also. The development is one of structural accretion rather than organic, functional vitality.

It may be compared to the existence of the coral. The tiny animal acquires food from the sea, digests it and utilizes it for the building of its little house, consisting of calcareous walls. When this house is no longer useful, the animal builds a new house on the top of the old one, repeating the performance countless times through many years.

## FAMILY OF GOD

It may be said that the Cameroons Baptist Church has drawn nourishment and acquired ways of existence from various sources for many years. It has added one structure to another. It has expanded, and no one doubts there is evidence of spiritual life. However, this nourishment and these means of existence have come very largely from the outside, that is, in former times from the European and American home churches and in the last years entirely from the American home churches. While funds for evangelistic work came from these voluntary sources, the British colonial government helped substantially in the

support of educational work. It is a fact that only a small percentage of funds was derived from the native churches.

Due to this peculiar development of structure rather than function, only a very few capable and consecrated young natives wish to become and endeavor to become Kingdom workers. Likewise, this situation is largely responsible for the lack of native councils and consellers who, together with the missionaries, forge mission and church policies for the sound spiritual growth of the Cameroons Baptist Church.

It lies outside the scope of the theme to inquire into the exact nature and precarious details of mission finance, personnel and policies and to present a factual, composite picture of prevailing conditions. However, it will be possible and profitable to consider them in a general way and to make helpful suggestions.

The realization that the Church can be viewed as the "Family of God" will serve as a guidepost. As in a family, the churches have joint responsibilities and engage in joint activities which could be termed "partnerships."

The Second of Two Articles by Missionary George A. Dunger on a Comprehensive Study of Mission Work in the Cameroons.

Further, there are the elements of obedience and adjustment. The home churches as well as the mission churches must become partners in the tasks of

1. Reviving and deepening the spiritual life.
2. Developing and realizing worldwide Baptist and evangelical responsibilities.
3. Strengthening and instrumenting missionary spirit.
4. Educating and training the laity.
5. Encouraging and employing Christian stewardship.

Thus, pioneer work will go forward and the native church will learn to stand and to act on the ground of spiritual equality. As the mission churches acquire this position, they will be able to manage their own affairs and permit the home church to free itself for other tasks on the unoccupied mission fields as well as introducing advanced features of church and Christian life to the stabilized "mission" church.

## MISSION PERSONNEL

The Cameroons Baptist Church, under mission employment, has about 250 "church teachers," a handful of "evangelists" and several pastors. These workers are — without a very few exceptions — badly handicapped in their work, due to lack of education and training, a fact they are pain-

fully aware of and openly acknowledge.

Many of them endeavor to remedy this lack by self-tutoring and attending English schools as auditors. Many of them are now able to read the English Bible more fluently and understandingly. As this deplorable and detrimental lack of secular and theological education and training is being overcome, leadership must pass into the hands of native pastors and evangelists.

However, training facilities do not exist, except for experimental Bible Classes at Belo — where the curriculum is not sufficiently well adjusted to meet the natives' as well as the churches' needs. It is therefore absolutely necessary that primacy be given now to the training of native leaders. It is to be recommended that

- (A) Missionaries and native mission workers participate systematically and strenuously in searching and recruiting suitable young men and women for Christian work.
- (B) Training facilities be established for pastors; both lay and ordained leadership is the goal.
- (C) Eligible workers receive further training and gain valuable experience at schools and churches at home.
- (D) Qualified missionary candidates equip themselves for their special work by familiarizing themselves with the native's language, culture and customs and in humility apply themselves to their tasks for which they seem best fitted, always remembering that they are partners and not masters.

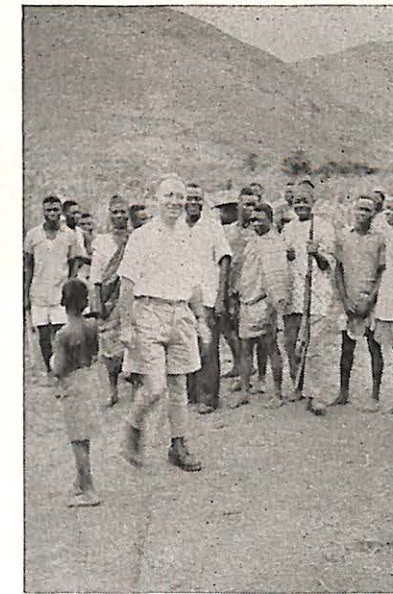
These recommendations, of course, need adequate instrumentation to make them beneficial and useful.

## MISSION EXPENSES

The financial issue is twofold: operational and non-operational. Since the latter involves mostly building expenditures and since they have to be provided by the home church for missionary dwellings and, to some extent, for school buildings and medical units, it is superfluous to deal with them here. However, these expenditures run into many thousand dollars and represent investments and structures which can help make or break missionary work, thereby affecting the native church.

Again, under operational expenditures it will be unnecessary here to consider such items as missionary salary, travel to and from the mission field, missionary touring, travelling and transportation, although these expenditures mount annually into many thousands of dollars also.

The field finances to be considered here pertain to the operation of the native church, that is, monies that



Missionary George A. Dunger, Is Greeted by Natives as He Arrives in Mbem Market in the Grassland Country

the native churches themselves should be able to raise and inject into their own system. They are the salaries and allowances paid to mission workers who serve the native churches and schools. They are the salaries for church teachers, evangelists and pastors as well as unqualified school teachers. These expenses, too, run into many thousands of dollars annually.



An Unusual Picture With Most of Our Cameroons' Missionaries on the Steps of the Soppo Church and With Daphne Dunger in the Immediate Foreground

Without quoting actual figures, it must be stated that this type of operational mission as well as native church economy, as small and as inadequate as these salaries and allowances may seem. They may, if continued without appropriate changes, further handicap the growth of the native churches towards independence, maturity and spiritual equality.

Many native churches to some degree are dependent on a mission subsidy for the payment of the church

teacher and evangelist. The school teachers, strictly speaking, are mission workers now and should be paid by the mission. However, this does not mean that the churches at some future date should not gradually assume responsibilities for the maintenance of the schools also.

It must further be said that the salaries which native church teachers, evangelists and pastors receive from the mission are low and inadequate. The balance exacted by them from the local congregations does not always come by in ways comparing favorably with Christian and ethical standards. In addition, a rather large disparity exists between the salaries of the church teachers and the school teachers. While the former receive a salary arbitrarily arranged by the missionaries, the latter are being paid in accordance with government prescribed schedules. This leads to tensions which in turn involve the entire mission.

## NATIVE SELF-SUPPORT

In relation to the foregoing, it must be stated also that self-support and financial development are not ends in themselves. They must be viewed from the total missionary task and the spiritual and economic status of the church members. It seems that, in spite of the relatively low economic status, the church members and churches would have contributed much larger amounts, had the mission-

ary been successful in divesting himself from the notion that he was the one in control and not the Holy Spirit and had been able to create and foster genuine fellowship between native church members and the churches and himself.

It is significant to note that Baptist missionary activity in the Cameroons began just about one hundred years ago. Equally significant is the fact that the only independent Baptist church — the Victoria Native Baptist Church in Victoria — asked European



mission societies for supervision prior to the turn of the century. Our Great Soppo Mission Station and mission field was established shortly after the turn of the century. It is also important to note — and this is the crucial point — that these old, established churches find it very difficult to administer their own affairs, support themselves and engage in active missionary work.

Examining these and other cases — Bonjongo, Tiko, Mutengene and several old grassland churches, to mention only a few — it is clear that the fault does NOT lie entirely with the native church members. Without indicting pioneer missionaries and casting reflections on their lives, it must be stated that their methods lacked perspective and penetration. In case that they did propound innovations which showed perspective and penetration to the home offices and home churches, they did not obtain support but were given "the cold shoulder" and — as it was the case with that missionary giant of the Christian faith, Alfred Saker — their work was questioned by unqualified and petty people.

**MISSION POLICIES**

The crux of missionary financial administration of the native church is that the economic situation of the area and the economic status of the people must be considered a component factor in the spiritual and numerical growth of the church. Further, the mission, after facing the situation squarely and knowing the detriments



One of Warwar's Big Head Men With His Striking Pointed Beard

and make disciples of all nations . . ." All other policies are subjected to that given by Jesus himself.

The duty of the missionary church — and each and every church should be a missionary church — are:

- (A) Proclamation of the Gospel to those who never heard.
- (B) Recovery of vast numbers of peoples who have fallen away.
- (D) Christianization of those who have accepted Christ as their Savior but must be guided to the full Christian life.

Policies for evangelization and



Ndu Natives Selling Corn and Beans in Baskets in the Market Place

of unsound economic conditions within the church, must seek to provide and, if possible, provide means for the native church member to gain a livelihood that is ethical, honorable and economically stable. Only then will occupational, family and church life become sound, healthy and vigorous.

The Lord Jesus himself provided the church with that policy which must remain the great and guiding command for all time: "Go ye therefore

Christianization should encompass a spiritual vision of the need, never separated from real conditions, presented to the church as an appeal to emotion and based on an intellectual foundation. Priorities must be considered. Old and perhaps cherished plans may have to be revised or given up to new demands. Overlapping and duplication of efforts must be avoided.

It is essential that deputations from the home churches visit the mission

fields from time to time, entering into the lives and the church life of the native people, associating with native leaders and wholeheartedly fellowshipping with the missionaries, thereby understanding situations and problems from within. Likewise it is necessary for native church and school leaders to visit the home church and its institutions.

While it may be possible to envisage an emerging leadership for the Cameroons churches, it will take some time — perhaps six or eight years — to see native leaders begin to share in the administration of mission institutions.

Full administrative responsibilities will have to be developed together with the growing financial support by the mission churches. It is essential that institutions — schools, for instance — should be kept thoroughly Christian, that the highest educational and moral standards be maintained and that the closest possible relationship between institutions and churches be observed. It may not be unwise to consider — among other features — the formation of school boards, consisting of missionaries and native leaders.

In conclusion, we may say that in these two articles we have had a glimpse of our Cameroons Baptist Mission; that we attempted to formulate an idea of the meaning of evangelization and Christianization; that we looked at the problems with which our mission and the mission churches are faced.

**A CALL TO ACTION**

We cannot leave these matters as they are. Information means widening of our horizons. It means a larger vision of great needs. And as we are conscientious fellow-workers together with God, it means application of our means, talents, ourselves. We have seen the needs in many and various ways. Now we must act, deliberately, promptly, vigorously, prayerfully and in faith.

Like Moses of old, we received a vision of the Burning Bush out of which God Almighty spoke. It was holy ground to Moses, and these experiences encompassing our mission fields should be holy ground to us. As Moses was divinely persuaded and inwardly compelled to liberate his kinsmen from Egyptian bondage, so are we committed to this task of evangelization and Christianization of our Cameroons people.

Let every Kingdom worker — that means you and me — take with him the vision of the Burning Bush — the vision of the Cameroons' needs and the voice of God calling us to ACTION! It means the salvation of souls! It means the upbuilding of the Church of Christ! It means unity of fellowship and oneness in Christ until the rapidly approaching Day of his Coming!

**CHILDREN'S PAGE**



**A MISSIONARY LETTER FROM NORRIS GANSTROM**

Three Year Old Son of the Rev. and Mrs. S. Donald Ganstrom of Belo, Cameroons.

Dear Little Friends in America: Today is Sunday and such a good day to write a letter to you. Today I did something which none of you have done before. Daddy wanted he asked one of the nearby churches, so him on the motorcycle. We were going to take Glennis Ann, too, but decided it would be better if she stayed at Belo with "Aunt Kitty". (Missionary Margaret Kittlitz).

I rode in front of Daddy on the gas tank and Mother rode behind him. Our roads are only dirt roads and aren't wider than for one car. There a better many cars in the grasslands, so went put-putting along, children and women ran to the road to see who was and holler and when the women saw a small child was also on the motorcycle, they were very surprised. The us go by.

In Africa, there are many goats and sheep that run loose around the compound, roads, and farms. Those near the road would become frightened and until they came to a place they could have in. Sometimes Daddy would we would bump it. We passed over up hills and down hills, around corners until we finally reached Kukwini.

It is a small compound with a path leading to it from the road. As we church 3 women were just coming to about. They stopped to exclaim language giving the gracious welcome and morning salute. Most of the me just coming from their farms. So I don't like them to touch me, but Mother shook hands with them. So I did, You too.

You would not recognize the build-like as a church because it doesn't look from yours in America. It is made roof is stone packed with mud. The is made from bamboos which



Norris and Glennis Ann Ganstrom, Children of Our Cameroons Missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. S. Donald Ganstrom

makes it look like squared paper until the grass is put into the holes to make the roof rainproof. About 18 inches of grass is packed tightly on the roof. This roof was only partially grassed as it is a new building so the sun came through.

There were many people in church — the men sat on one side and the women in the center and other side. Then the small children sat on the front benches instead of with their parents. I could not understand the words of the songs they were singing but I joined them in the clapping of hands to keep rhythm. After the service, we hurried home to Glennis. "Aunt Kitty" had her at the dispensary so we took her on the motorcycle the other half-mile home. She liked the ride, just as I like to ride with Daddy.

**THE CHILDREN'S PAGE**  
Is Edited by  
Mrs. Adolf Reeh, La Salle, Colo.  
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Should Be Sent to Mrs. Reeh.

If you want to write to Norris Ganstrom, send your letters to his father, Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom, Belo, P. O. Bamenda, British Cameroons, West Africa.

Glennis and I have much fun together. She is 9 months old now and I play with her in the play-pen for on the big bed. I like to take her for a walk in her walker or the buggy. She likes to pull my hair and she is laughs. I don't mind, because she begins just a small baby. When she outside together.

**STORY OF THE CHRISTIAN FLAG**

A long time ago there lived in the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., a father and mother who taught Sunday School. The father taught the big boys and the mother the girls.

After a while a baby boy came to stay that home. The mother had to stay home to care for the baby. But she very wanted to go to Sunday School. So one day the father put a rope wheels on the cradle and tied it on one end with which to draw it. And so they all went to Sunday School — father, mother, and baby. When the father put the name of the baby on the roll, he called it the Cradle Roll.

When this baby had grown to manhood, he was chosen as superintendent of the Sunday School. One Day the speaker of the day failed to come; the superintendent had to make the speech himself. He saw an American flag, and decided to tell the children the meaning of this flag. As he did this he thought, "Why not have a Christian flag as a sign that we are true and loyal to God?"

So he told them about this idea, and said: "Let us have the field white, which means peace, purity, and innocence. In the corner we will put blue, like the sky without a cloud, to mean faith and trust. Then we will place in the center of the blue square a red cross to tell us of the Savior who died for us."

And so they made the Christian flag of the same colors that are in the American flag. Red and white and blue. The body is pure white. In the upper left corner is a square of blue, and in the center of the blue a red cross. It is the only flag that is ever permitted to be placed above or before our American flag.

Eleven years had passed after the first Christian flag was made that a salute was given to it, just as we salute the American flag.



# REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

## Northern Conference

### Vacation Bible School for Forty-five Children at Camrose, Alberta, Canada

The Vacation Bible School of the Bethany Baptist Church of Camrose, Alberta was held from July 5 to 10 with a record attendance of 45 pupils. We had four classes for Beginners, Primary pupils, Juniors and Intermediates. The teachers were Audrey Miller, Tabea Lamprecht, Mrs. P. Link and Mrs. R. G. Soderstrom.

A very pleasant and profitable time was spent with the children in Bible Study, handwork and supervised games. Our chorus of the week was, "We Like Vacation Bible School." Our daily offerings were sent in support of the Indian children in Alberta, among whom missionary work is being carried on by our denomination.

Our principal for the school was our pastor, Rev. K. Korella. All the pupils having perfect attendance were given certificates. We also were happy to have one conversion during our week of Bible School. Our picnic was held in conjunction with our Sunday School picnic.

Mrs. R. G. Soderstrom, Reporter.

### A Recognition Service for Rev. W. Reimche at Nokomis, Sask., Canada

This is a belated report, but due to circumstances it has been delayed. On June 13th the Baptist Church of Nokomis, Sask., Canada invited the neighboring churches with their pastors to take part in the recognition service of its new pastor, Rev. W. Reimche. Brother Reimche has served the church of Nokomis and Lockwood since the Fall of 1947.

Many of the visitors came for the morning service. The Rev. J. Wahl of Esk brought a heart-searching message according to Isa. 52:7. The morning offering was designated for the needy in Europe.

In the afternoon the Rev. R. Kanwisher of Springside, a member of the mission committee, called the meeting to order. The council was organized, and the chairman called upon the candidate to tell how he came to know the Lord and also how the Lord called him into the ministry. His testimony was very clear and to the point. Upon hearing this straight-forward testimony and the testimony of some of the members, the council decided to hold the recognition service.

In the evening the church was very well filled. The Rev. E. H. Nikkel brought the evening message according to Isaiah 6:1-8 and Romans 12:1.



Vacation Bible School Group at Camrose, Alberta With Rev. K. Korella, Pastor, at Extreme Right

Mr. Kanwisher extended greetings to the Rev. and Mrs. W. Reimche with a word of encouragement. Mr. Wahl spoke words of admonition to the church that they should obey and follow their undershepherd. The Lord richly blessed the efforts of the church of Nokomis and the messages of the pastors.

E. H. Nikkel, Reporter.

## Eastern Conference

### Vacation Bible School of Two Weeks at the Temple Church, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., held its Vacation Bible School from June 28 to July 9. Thirty-eight boys and girls registered but thirty-five attended full time. These two weeks were crowded with beautiful Scripture learning and wonderful choruses that everyone enjoyed. Missionary stories told daily by the teachers were very exciting and brought home to the children the importance of our support of the missionaries in prayer as well as financially.

### NOTICE, REPORTERS!

The "deadline" for every issue of "The Herald" is 20 days in advance of date of publication.

All reports should be brief, limited to 250 words of possible. They must be sent within a month after the event to be eligible for publication.

No annual reports of societies or churches can be published nor reports of wedding anniversaries, except those of golden wedding anniversaries.

Send all reports directly to the editor, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

During the weeks, each child brought some food item suitable to ship across to a children's home in Germany. We packed four twenty-two pound boxes and we knew how it felt really to help. Then, too, we sent a gift to Alma and George Henderson in Africa as another project. We also remembered Miss Leona Ross in China with a little gift. The boys and girls are proud of what they have accomplished and so are the teachers and Rev. Herbert Hiller who acted as superintendent of the school.

At our closing exercises we had a wonderful time and the offering totaled \$25.00. Together with our two weeks' offerings, this will be sent to General Missions at our Forest Park headquarters. To be really happy in the Lord is to do good, and our lives have been enriched by our service for Him.

Alma A. Dibble, Reporter.

## Atlantic Conference

### Atlantic Conference Pastors Enjoy Picnic at Home of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Rowell

On Monday, June 7, the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Rowell of the Fellowship Church, Passaic, N. J., were hosts to the ministers and their wives of the Atlantic Conference at a picnic luncheon in the parsonage in Clifton. Those present to enjoy the delicious luncheon served by our hostess were the Rev. and Mrs. John Schmidt of Second German Church, New York; Rev. and Mrs. A. Husmann of Emanuel Church, New York; Rev. Wm. J. Appel of Evergreen Church, Brooklyn; Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Kuhl of Grace Church, Union City; Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Swyter of Second German Church, Union City with their new pastor; Rev. and Mrs. Norman Klann and their twins; Miss Appel, sister of Rev. Wm. Appel; Mr. Bender from Evergreen Church, Brooklyn; Mrs. Anna Kreuger and the Rowells.

A blessed time of fellowship was enjoyed and our host, Pastor Rowell, was invited to give his life story as to how the Lord had saved him and brought to this country for his education for the ministry.

The day was not a bright one, but the love of God was in our hearts, and where he is present there is always light and joy in the hearts of those who serve him.

After a light repast in the late afternoon, the guests departed for their respective homes, having enjoyed a day in the open, a time of sweet fellowship and the blessing of our God upon us all.

Mrs. Anna Kreuger, Reporter.

## Central Conference

### Vacation Bible School at Detroit's Bethel Church With 250 Children Enrolled

The Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan has a great deal for which to be thankful. It wasn't long after the Rev. J. Lester Harnish arrived as pastor, that he became actively engaged in planning Bethel's annual Vacation Bible School. Between Mr. Harnish and Miss Alma Kludt, the able director of Christian Education, plans were made for an interesting program. Then a staff of 32 consecrated workers was organized to carry out the program.

Friday, June 25th, was registration day. How many children would register was the question in every worker's mind. The answer was soon forthcoming when 250 children enrolled.

Monday, June 28th, was opening day. During the two week course the pupils were told of the saving grace of Jesus, and were taught to sing songs of praise. Then there was handwork, games and movies to round out the school's activities. Keen interest was aroused among the children by having a "King (or Queen) for a Day" contest. This contest was based on a point system. Points were given for attendance, memorizing Bible verses, bringing new members, being on time, effort and conduct. The results were amazing, for each child was well aware of the awards which were to go to the winner.

Graduation exercises were held on Sunday evening, July 11th. Each group took part in the service, which included songs, recitations and the display of the children's handwork. The secretary gave a report of the school's activities. Then came the grand climax, crowning the "King for a Day." Twelve year old Freddy Crooker, who averaged 158 points, was hailed and duly crowned "King for a Day." He was led to the throne where he was presented with a bicycle and a \$25.00 savings bond. Then "the king" was allowed to choose a consort, and he chose his younger brother, Danny Crooker, age eight, for this title. Together they enjoyed the splendor of royalty, for on the morning of July 14th, a chauffeur-driven automobile, furnished through the courtesy of the Detroit Automobile Club, called for Miss Kludt and "the king" and his consort. Then came one stop after another. First it was Radio Station WWJ for a broadcast over the air. The second stop was at a recording studio where a record was made of his Highness' voice. Then came a stop for a speedboat ride, followed by a trip to the exclusive Book Cadillac Hotel for dinner. After dinner the royal excursion journeyed to the zoo. During the afternoon Freddy and Danny were allowed to consume all the ice cream, popcorn, peanuts and soda pop which they could hold. For the final award, the king and his consort, plus the five

runner-ups in the contest, went to a Christian camp with all expenses paid.

Was this program worth the effort put forth? Were the workers repaid for their labor and for the time they so willingly gave to make the school a success? Ask any one of the workers and I am sure that they could never express in words the joy that they have in their hearts, for on July 8th twenty-eight of the children made their decisions, accepting Jesus as their personal Savior.

E. H. Giessler, Reporter.



Children and Teachers in Attendance at the Vacation Bible School Held by the Bethel Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan

### Vacation Bible School and Annual Business Meeting of Baptist Church, St. Joseph, Mich.

The Central Conference, with all of its numerous blessings, has come and gone. We in St. Joseph, Michigan were fortunate in being so close to the Clay St. Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, scene of this year's conference, and thus many of us were privileged to attend many of the sessions. We joined with the Clay St. Church on Sunday evening, June 27, for the final session of the conference, instead of holding our regular Sunday evening evangelistic service.

On Sunday, July 11, our guest speaker for the morning and evening services was Missionary Donald Ward, who was an inspiration to all of us. For 23 years Mr. and Mrs. Ward have been ministering to the people living in what is known as the Trans-Jordan field.

During the week of July 12 the Rural Bible Mission sponsored a Vacation Bible School in our church. The school was under the direction of Miss Elizabeth De Young, Berrien County worker of the mission. The results of the school were highly gratifying. On Friday evening a demonstration program was given and much enjoyed by the large audience in attendance.

On Wednesday evening, July 29, the annual church business meeting was held, following a very delicious supper. All of the organizations of the church were represented, and reports were heard from these, indicating an active and beneficial year for all. The Senior Young People's Society reported they had taken charge of 27 half-hour radio programs over local radio station WHFB-FM.

The Rev. L. H. Broeker gave an interesting pastor's report — his thirteenth to this congregation. Several retiring officers of church and Sunday School were commended for their many years of faithful service: Mr. Henry Bartz, church treasurer for 22 years; Mr. Clarence Peterson, superintendent of Sunday School for 11 years; and Mr. Edward Doescher, church clerk who retired a year ago after serving for 25 years.

The following officers were elected: moderator, Walter Marquardt; clerk, Arthur Abraham; treasurer, Sig Beim-

fohr; deacon, Edward Abraham; trustees, Charles Burandt and Sig Beimfohr; financial secretaries, Rein Tillman and Andrew DeVries; Sunday School sup't, Worthy Decker; chief ushers, Edward Abraham and Rudolph Kovalska; publication agent, Martin Pschigoda; and reporter, Mrs. Dan Pschigoda.

Arthur Abraham, Reporter.

## Pacific Conference

### Program Activities and White Cross Work of the Glencullen Missionary Society of Oregon

The first meeting of the missionary group of the Glencullen Baptist Church near Portland, Oregon was held on November 6, 1947. Mrs. Eunice Kimmel, the pastor's wife, acted as president. Temporary officers were appointed. Six ladies were present. Plans for White Cross work were made. The women rolled bandages and cut out pneumonia jackets.

At the third meeting permanent officers were elected and committees appointed. Money on hand totals \$65, which we plan to apply toward buying a stove for the church kitchen. A lovely year book was made by Mrs. Blunk, Mrs. Jensen and Mr. Byers. The book is in scrapbook form, cleverly describing the accomplishments of each meeting.

In our White Cross work we have sent five boxes to the Camerons, which contained: 12 baby blankets, 25 wash cloths, 6 handkerchiefs, 2 boxes bandages (350 rolls each), 6 baby wrappers, 15 pneumonia jackets, 25 draw string bags, a box of cards and a box of mixed bottles.

Mrs. Wayne Held, Secretary.



**Vacation Bible School of 76 Pupils at Bethel Church, Missoula, Montana**

The Bethel Baptist Church of Missoula, Montana held a successful Vacation Bible School from June 28 to July 11 with an enrollment of 76 pupils. The school teachers were 9 able teachers, and the school was directed by the Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler.

The daily mission offerings of \$15.63 were designated for the chapel on the Montana Indian Reserve of Alberta, Canada. On Sunday evening, July 11, a well rendered program was given, which revealed to the large audience what had been accomplished in memory work, Bible and missionary stories, choruses and deeper knowledge of God's Word and a greater reverence for the Lord's House.

Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler, Reporter.

**Vacation Bible School With Enrollment of 40 Children at Bethany Church, Vancouver, B.C.**

The need for additional Bible training for our Sunday School scholars has long been felt in the Bethany Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia. This year we have made a beginning along that line, with plans to follow up in Saturday classes during the fall and winter months. With our pastor, Rev. J. C. Schweitzer, as principal and with the help of three teachers, Mrs. Ruth Hiller, Mrs. Helen Pudlas and Mrs. J. C. Schweitzer, we succeeded in organizing and holding a Vacation Bible School for two weeks from July 5 to 16.



Vacation Bible School Children and Teachers of the Bethel Church, Missoula, Montana

We had an enrollment of 40 children ranging from 6 to 14 years of age. Classes were held from 9 to 12 each forenoon. The subjects taught were Old Testament, the Life of Christ, the Christian Life and Bible memorizing. Mrs. Schweitzer directed the singing and handcraft.

The school was brought to a fitting close with refreshments for the children and a well planned program for the parents in the evening. Thirty-five pupils received their certificates. Our pastor stressed evangelism throughout, and a goodly number of our scholars are awaiting a forthcoming baptismal service.

C. Pudlas, Reporter.



Ten Young People of Streeter and Medina, North Dakota Whom the Pastor, Rev. F. Alf, Baptized on Sunday, July 18

**Dakota Conference**

**Farewell Reception for Rev. and Mrs. David Littke at Plevna, Montana**

On Sunday, July 25, a farewell reception was held for the Rev. and Mrs. David Littke who had been serving the Plevna Baptist Church since 1944. We are very grateful for their work which they have done for the Lord.

That afternoon a dinner was held in the church basement, and afterwards a farewell program was given by the church. Each society gave a word of appreciation and presented them with gifts.

The choir sang two selections, "No

Tears in the Sky" and "Never Give Up." Also the Men's Choir and Ladies' and Men's Quartets rendered several selections. Mr. and Mrs. Littke sang a song which they dedicated to the church.

The last message which Mr. Littke brought was, "Watch and Pray." We at Plevna wish them God's richest blessings in their new field of labor at Billings, Montana.

On Sunday, August 1st, baptismal services were in charge of the Rev. David Littke. One candidate was baptized and extended the hand of fellowship.

Frieda Sieler, Reporter.

**Baptismal Service for the Medina and Streeter Churches at Crystal Spring Lake**

In the City Hall of Medina, North Dakota the Medina and Streeter Baptist Churches held a united baptismal service on Sunday, July 18. After our Sunday School service, the pastor, Rev. F. Alf, gave two sermons, one in German and one in English, about the "Joy of Obedience." The combined choirs sang beautiful anthems.

A dinner was served in the hall. Afterwards we went out to Crystal Spring Lake. Here we met many friends from Jamestown, No. Dak., with Rev. G. Ittermann, and Rev. Theo Frey and many church members from Napoleon, No. Dak. In an inspiring service these neighboring pastors participated.

We had the joy of baptizing ten young people, some of whom had accepted the Lord Jesus Christ during our evangelistic meetings last winter when Rev. Henry Pfeifer was with us.

The combined choirs of Streeter and Medina with Vernon Alf as director rendered musical programs in the Streeter, Alfred and Gackle Baptist Churches recently.

Frederick Alf, Pastor.

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**Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Northern North Dakota Association**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Northern North Dakota Association met in Washburn on Friday, June 18. During the morning business meeting Mrs. A. Fischer of McClusky was elected as our new president and Mrs. F. Schmidt re-elected as secretary-treasurer. Our membership now totals 354. The sum of \$8,419.30 was raised this year, amounting to about \$24.00 per member.

In the afternoon a very interesting and varied program was rendered with special numbers given by the Goodrich, Washburn and Turtle Lake Societies. Miss Elaine Becker favored us with a solo. The Washburn Ladies also presented an inspiring play entitled, "The Crown of Life." Our guest speaker for the afternoon was the Rev. W. J. Luebeck, editor of "Der Sendbote." The offering of \$90.00 was divided equally between the Seminary Endowment Fund, Fellowship Fund, General Missions and the Bismarck Home for the Aged.

We are thankful to God for the many blessings which he has bestowed upon us as a Woman's Missionary Union. May we continue to grow in grace and knowledge, ever serving our Master as Christian women.

Mrs. Fred Schmidt, Secretary.

**Happy Birthday Celebrations by the Lehr Church and Rosenfield Station of North Dakota**

The Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Waltereit of Lehr, North Dakota were pleasantly surprised by a large group that attended the morning services in the Rosenfield Church on Sunday morning, July 25. The meeting took place at the Fred Knoblick farm, where dinner was served. The Waltereits were presented with a 100-piece set of plated silverware, serenade pattern, in an anti-tarnish chest.

On Tuesday evening, July 27, the date of Mrs. Waltereit's birthday, members of the local Ladies' Aid and their husbands, along with several other families surprised the pastor and his wife again. This occasion was also in honor of Mr. Waltereit's birthday that was on June 5th. They received individual gifts of money and merchandise and from the Ladies' Aid they received an electric fan and a large sized, rose colored Chatham blanket with a satin binding.

As the guests departed, all expressed the wish that we might be able to spend more birthday celebrations together with the Waltereits.

Mrs. John Kranzler, Reporter.

**Much Spiritual Food for Thought at the Central Dakota Association Sessions at Ashley**

The Central Dakota Association met with the Ashley Baptist Church of Ashley, No. Dak., from June 15 to 20.

A warm reception that made us all feel at home from the very beginning was given to all delegates and guests by the church and its pastor, the Rev. Walter Stein. The moderator, Rev. Frederick Alf, responded, expressing the gratitude of all present for the gracious reception by the church and alerted us to the blessings that God had in store for his people.

The keynote message was delivered by our mission secretary, Rev. H. G. Dymmel, and many fine, inspirational and educational topics, sermons, and devotionals were brought by the pastors, that were centered upon the theme of the program, "The Preeminent Christ and His Church." Much food for thought was presented in the topics such as, "New Testament Evangelism" by Rev. C. Rempel; "Visitation Evangelism" by Rev. A. Rietdorf; "Wachstum in der Gnade" by Rev. David Littke; "Wachstum in christlicher Haushalterschaft" by Rev. R. Kaiser; "The Preeminent Christ and His Holy Day" by Rev. Arthur R. Weisser; "Christ Preeminent and Our Personal Discipline" by Rev. H. G. Dymmel; "Christus und Weltmission" by Rev. J. Benke.

The program had also been planned especially to stress the work of the Sunday School and on Saturday morning the importance of this phase of Christ's Church was stressed by such lectures as, "The Importance of Sunday School" by Rev. H. Waltereit; "Teaching for a Verdict" by Rev. H. J. Wilcke; and "Holding Every Convert" by Dr. Wallace Mehlhaff.

Saturday was the day for a little relaxation in God's great out-of-doors and the afternoon was spent at Lake Hoskins.

The Ladies' Aid program was well received on Friday evening with a record crowd in attendance. We are happy to see the interest and zeal that are shown in this organization of our churches.

Saturday night was reserved for a Youth Rally with our evangelist, Rev. Henry Pfeifer, as guest speaker. Brother Pfeifer brought challenging evangelistic messages in the evenings and at the closing service on Sunday afternoon. The Lord has truly blessed this special ministry of the evangelist.

The new officers for the ensuing year are: Rev. H. Waltereit, moderator; Rev. P. T. Hunsicker, secretary; Mr. Andrew Huber, treasurer; and Rev. E. Fenske, mission representative.

Arthur R. Weisser, Reporter.



Children and Teachers of the Vacation Bible School Held at Hebron, North Dak.

**Vacation Bible School and Baptism of Seven Converts at Hebron, North Dakota**

The Baptist Church of Hebron, No. Dak., held its Vacation Bible School from June 1 to 11 with an enrollment of 34 students. Mrs. Theophil Frey and Mrs. Reinhold Fehr, assistant, were in charge of the Beginners' Class; Mrs. Arthur Frey had charge of the Primary class; and Rev. Jothan Benke was teacher of the Junior and Intermediate classes.

Seven of the ten converts followed the Lord in baptism on Sunday, May 2nd. A few of the baptismal candidates were unable to participate, due to bad roads and weather conditions.

The three weeks of March 7 to 28 were blessed ones for the people of the Hebron community. During this time a series of very inspiring revival messages were delivered by the Rev. Jothan Benke, our pastor, during the first week and by Rev. Henry Pfeifer, denominational evangelist, during the following two weeks.

Ruth Heinle, Reporter.

**BIBLE STUDY**  
is the second goal of the Christian Achievement Plan.  
See Page 10 of this issue for further information.

**More Than One Hundred Young People at the Northern North Dakota Assembly**

We, the young people of Northern North Dakota, thank God for the many blessings he bestowed upon us during our 16th assembly which convened from July 3 to 9. It was a wonderful week and the Holy Spirit did, indeed, dwell among us.

There were over 100 young people registered at camp, besides those who came each day by car. We were fortunate to obtain the use of Camp Bentley for that week. As our theme we used "Saved! Safe! Save!" with Psalm 91:1 as the text. The theme song was "Safe Am I."

On Saturday and Sunday we were privileged to have the Rev. J. C. Gunst of Forest Park, Ill., and the Rev. Edwin Michelson, Cameroons' missionary, with us.

Two credit courses were taught this year, "The Grace of Giving" by Prof. Albert Bretschneider of Rochester, N. Y., and "Evangelism" by Harold Gieseke of Trenton, Ill. Mrs. Lois Ahrens was our general assembly speaker every day. She spoke to us about the work of our missionaries in Africa. It was wonderful to have these three general workers with us during our assembly days.

During the course of camp over 70 young people accepted the Lord or re-consecrated their lives to his service. A large number made decisions for full-time service.

Our vesper services beside the lake before the evening service were very inspirational. They were either spent in testimony and prayer or with short messages by the instructors. The evening services were held in the camp chapel. On two evenings the Rev. Daniel Klein showed films and one evening the Martin Society presented a play. The Grand Forks Society also gave a play one evening at vespers.

Professor Bretschneider took charge of the installation of officers on the last evening. The officers for the new year are: Rev. A. J. Fischer, McClusky, dean of assembly; Emanuel Wolff, Grand Forks, president; Luverne Michelson, Martin, vice-president; Dorothy Wolitarsky, Turtle Lake, secretary; Ronald Derman, Anamoose, treasurer; Benjamin Kepl, Martin, registrar; Rev. F. Schmidt, Turtle Lake, dean of men; Mrs. F. Knalson, Underwood, dean of women. Ilo Waydeman, Reporter.





Children and Young People Singing Choruses at the Oklahoma Scripture Memory Camp

**Southwestern Conference**

**Oklahoma Scripture Memory and Bible Readers' Camp for 84 Baptist Children**

July 6 to 9 were wonderful days for 84 boys and girls of our Oklahoma churches. Many blessings were received from class periods, prayer groups, and evening services. For the opening service on Tuesday evening, Evangelist Henry Pfeifer brought an inspirational message.

On Wednesday morning we had our first class periods, which were taught by Mrs. George Neubert and Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Blackburn. Miss Ellen Lehr, our denominational representative, also helped in this work with the children. The young people's classes were taught by Rev. G. Neubert and Rev. J. Heer. The afternoons were spent in rest and recreation. We had a swimming period, of which Rev. G. Neubert was supervisor. Following this we held an expression period.

On Wednesday evening we were very happy to have the Rev. J. J. Reimer, missionary to the Spanish-Americans in Colorado in our midst. He brought a very inspirational mes-

sage telling of his work as missionary. The voices of the past were also read, which are testimonies of last year's camp. The mission offering was designated for our China Mission.

On our last evening of camp, Miss Ellen Lehr of Aplington, Iowa told of the denominational activities and brought a number of prayer requests. We are very thankful to God that we were able to have Miss Lehr with us, for she truly was a blessing to all.

The Rev. G. W. Blackburn brought the closing message. It was a consecrational service and many expressed the desire for a closer walk with Christ. Another mission offering was taken which was sent for our Cameroon mission.

Helen Schmidt, Reporter.

**Northwestern Conference**

**Seventy-fifth Anniversary Program of the Daytons Bluff Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minn.**

The 75th anniversary program of the Daytons Bluff Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minnesota has gone into history. However, young and old alike will cherish it as a glorious milestone.

Dr. Henry Wingblade, president of Bethel Seminary and College, opened the Diamond Jubilee Week on August 1st with the message, "Praise of the Diamond and the Ruby of God" (Rev. 4:3). He also officiated at the communion service. The Spirit of the Lord moved upon the congregation and was evident throughout the week, bringing blessings unbounded.

The banquet held on Tuesday evening left nothing to be desired and was a highlight of the anniversary program. Vernon Heckmann served as toastmaster and, under his capable leadership, there was never a dull moment. Thirteen pastors served the church in the 75 years of its history. Three out of the four living, former pastors, Rev. A. G. Schlesinger, Rev. E. Wolff and Rev. J. Walkup, spoke. They reminisced with joys and laughter; they joined the Jubilee with rejoicing and encouragement; they looked to the future with hope in Christ Jesus and God as our guide.

Miss Adora Norlander, soprano soloist, brought comments of "Music from heaven." The group singing was vibrant with enthusiasm. With hearts overflowing for the blessings that had been ours, the toastmaster climaxed the program with a poem entitled, "Sunsets for Sale." This left an impression that seemed to stir the very souls of the group. A prayer of praise and adoration closed the program.

Services continued each evening as follows: Neighborhood Night, Mission Night, Sister Churches Night, Picnic on Saturday, and Denominational Day on Sunday. Dr. William Kuhn brought the first message of the closing day with power and spirit on Eph. 3:20-21. "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end." Rev. M. Leuschner brought the afternoon message on the subject, "Things that Never Change" (Isaiah 51:6). He also delivered a unique closing sermon entitled, "The Royal Scepter." This message presented a real challenge to the church for its forthcoming ministry.

A splendid variety of special music was presented under the leadership of Mrs. Herbert Blum. Two German numbers by the choir, marimba solos by Valry Sax, organ and piano preludes by the Patet sisters and many vocal numbers added much to make for the fine festive, Jubilee spirit.

The floral tributes were a delight to behold. They were banked high on the opening Sunday and beautiful new baskets replaced others daily. Neighborhood and sister churches sent floral gifts that added much to the occasion. Many baskets and bouquets were also sent in memorial tributes to early church members.

The anniversary committee consisted of the following: Fred Paul, chairman; Lillian Patet, secretary; Vernon Heckmann, Charles Kamper, Milton Jahn and Lena Bartel; Arthur Stahnke, program chairman; Mrs. Harvey Stanke, history chairman; Mrs. Herbert Blum, music chairman;



Chairmen of the Many Committees That Planned for the 75th Anniversary Program of the Daytons Bluff Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn., With the Messrs. Vernon Heckmann, Fred Paul and Arthur Stahnke (Left to Right) in Front Row

**OBITUARY**

**DARRELL ELSEWORTH AUSTRING**  
of Grand Forks, North Dakota

Darrell Elsworth Austring was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota on May 5, 1940. He died on Saturday, July 3, 1948 in a local hospital, at the age of 8 years, one month, and 28 days. Darrell died of a kidney ailment. By going to his heavenly home, he preceded his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Minor Austring; one brother, Lee Dale, 10 years of age; and two sisters, Beverly Ann, age 17, and Lois, age 16. In the absence of the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Gunst had charge of the funeral services.

Grace Baptist Church,  
Grand Forks, North Dakota  
G. K. Zimmerman, Pastor.

**MR. LOUIS GERTZ**  
of Gladwin, Michigan

Mr. Louis Gertz, who passed away on Monday, August 2, at his home in Gladwin, Michigan, was born on April 5, 1870 in Poland. He came to the United States in 1890 and settled in Cleveland, Ohio. There he also found his life-companion, Caroline Knopf. They were married on November 3, 1900 by the Rev. W. J. Zirbes. They moved to Gladwin in 1908 and resided here for the last 40 years.

In spite of sorrows and reverses, God's blessing was upon them. In 1924 our brother was converted and baptized by the Rev. P. Schilling, and so became a member of the Round Lake Baptist Church. The church honored him by electing him to several offices. He served as trustee for 20 years and as deacon for 12 years. He served his Master well.

Surviving are: his wife, Caroline; a brother, Emil; three daughters, Mrs. Olga Koenke, Mrs. Alma Koenke, Mrs. Helen Baehr; and two sons, Henry and Harvey.

One son preceded our brother in death. There are also 16 grandchildren.

We mourn, but not as such who have no hope.

Gladwin, Michigan  
Victor H. Prendering, Pastor.

**MRS. ROSALIA BRUCKER**  
of Edenwold, Sask., Canada

Mrs. Rosalia Brucker of Edenwold, Sask., Canada, nee Massierer, was born on Feb. 19, 1881 in Austria. In her early youth she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and was baptized. She was united in marriage to John Brucker on Nov. 7, 1895. The Lord blessed their marriage with seven children, six boys and one daughter. The girl and one son died in their childhood. Her husband died in June 1937.

In the month of April 1914 they left their home in Austria and came to Canada. They settled down near Medicine Hat, Alberta where they lived for six years. In 1920 they moved to Saskatchewan and settled down in the neighborhood of Edenwold. Here they entered into the fellowship with the Baptist Church, where she remained until the Lord called her home.

Her illness was a weak heart and high blood pressure. Her death came quite suddenly. On the 26th of July she complained about severe pains. She was then taken to the Regina Hospital. The doctor thought she was not strong enough to undergo an operation. The next day, on July 27th, at 3 o'clock in the morning she passed away to be with the Lord.

She leaves to mourn her departure: five sons, Adam of Vancouver, Emil of Winnipeg, Carl of Balgonie, Frank of Edenwold, and John of Calgary; five daughters-in-law; 13 grandchildren, three brothers; two sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and many friends. She reached an age of 67 years, 5 months and 8 days. She is now at home with the Lord in whom she trusted.

Edenwold, Sask., Canada  
E. H. Nikkel, Officiating Pastor.

**A Planned Revival**

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"the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (John. 1:29).

The three steps that Samuel pointed out must be the basis for a revival today.

(1) Put away false Gods. Moody's illustration points to what must be done. "It is all right for the ship to be on the ocean as long as the ocean is not in the ship. It is all right for the Christian to be in the world as long as the world is not in the Christian." Only clean vessels can be true containers for the power that must be spread abroad by those who would serve "the Lord only."

(2) Turn your heart to God. Each individual who would serve must look for food for his spirit each day. Stagnant Christians can never lead a people into a revival.

(3) Serve the Lord. Our test for Christianity is recorded in our faithfulness in serving the Lord. No greater assurance for a revival today can be obtained, than by passing on that which has been the source of our own personal faith in the days of our own Christian life. As we sing so may we also pray:

"In my heart, in my heart,  
Send a great revival;  
Teach me how to watch and pray,  
And to read my Bible."

face with the spiritual needs of our present day world.

The manner in which the conference responded to the challenge is exemplified in the fact that almost \$1000 were given for missionary purposes throughout the sessions.

The Rev. H. G. Dymmel, our Mission secretary, graciously set aside his own personal plans that he might serve the conference as the guest speaker. His heart-warming and spiritual messages were deeply appreciated.

Messrs. Herbert Schauer, Lawrence De Boer and Roland Ahlhardt, seminary students, participated in the program and represented the Rochester Seminary in a commendable manner. Herbert Schauer and Lawrence De Boer spent the summer months in the Southland visiting the churches and conducting study courses and Bible Schools.

On Friday morning the men met for informal fellowship while the Woman's Missionary Union was conducting its business sessions. The men responded so well to this period of fellowship and prayer that by common consent they plan to organize into a Southern Conference Brotherhood with the initial meeting in 1949.

The Canaan Baptist Church with the new pastor, Rev. Arthur Schulz, hospitably provided for all the needs of the conference delegates and visitors. The meetings were held in the Crawford High School which the school board kindly placed at the disposal of the Canaan Church.

Roy Seibel, Reporter.

Mrs. Kenneth Briggs, publicity chairman; Mrs. Arthur Irestone, banquet chairman; Mrs. Arthur Stahnke, supper chairman; Mrs. Fred Paul, picnic chairman; and Mrs. Wm. Kiwus, housing chairman.

An anniversary booklet was published which includes pictures of charter members, former pastors, the church and others. A brief history of the inception of the church as well as our objectives are also included. There may be former members and friends of the church interested in a copy of this anniversary souvenir. If so, they may be had for a gift to cover expenses from Mrs. Harvey Stanke, 741 East Nebraska Ave., St. Paul 6, Minnesota.

Esther Stanke, Reporter.

**Welcome Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. M. Vanderbeck at Sheboygan, Wisconsin**

On Saturday evening, July 17, the members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Sheboygan, Wisconsin assembled in the church to welcome their new pastor, the Rev. M. Vanderbeck and his wife. At 5:30 P. M. a delicious dinner was served by the Ladies' Mission Society after which we had a program in the church auditorium.

The Rev. Wiley Young, who faithfully served us as interim pastor during the past five and one half months, was the moderator for the evening. After several songs, Scripture reading and prayer, representatives from the various organizations of the church spoke words of welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbeck. The Rev. Frank Fischer of the Baptist Church of Sheboygan Falls also extended greetings of welcome.

Letters from the Seventh Street Baptist Church of La Crosse and First Methodist Church of Sheboygan were read. There also were piano solos, choir number, duets and a solo by the Rev. John Vanderbeck of Chicago, Ill., son of our pastor, on the program. Rev. John Vanderbeck also spoke a few words in keeping with the program. A poem entitled, "The Preacher's Wife," was read. Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbeck responded with words that expressed their thanks for this hearty welcome.

We thank God for sending Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbeck to us and we know that with God's help and the cooperation of the church and pastor great things can be accomplished in this church for the honor and glory of God. Mrs. Martha E. Nass, Church Clerk.

**Southern Conference**

**Spiritual Emphasis at the Southern Conference Sessions at Crawford, Texas**

The Southern Conference met at Crawford, Texas from July 14 to 18 for four days of spiritual deepening and inspiration. "The Bible in the World Today" proved to be a theme which brought the conference face to



**The Religious Life on Hawaii**  
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ances, the Japanese predominating. The present enrollment of the Sunday School exceeds 600. The attendance on one of my visits was 503.

The oldest Baptist church by way of organization dates back to 1934. It is affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention, whereas the other seven churches are in the Southern Baptist Convention which has given them generous financial support and otherwise fosters Baptist interests on the islands. Two of the aggressive churches are launching ambitious building projects just at this time for which funds are available.

All of the churches compose the Hawaiian Baptist Convention with a total membership of 1031 according to latest reports with the giving of \$52,000 for local maintenance and \$10,000 for missions. This is indicative of the virility and fine spirit that motivate their activities. The Sunday Schools overflow their facilities, classes meeting in all parts of the building, in temporary structures and on the lawns. The church in suburban Honolulu with a reported membership of 189 has a Sunday School of 777. These church schools are also generous in their giving, one of which, with a possible enrollment of 300, had weekly offerings ranging from \$140 to \$200.

The churches are all evangelistic and are always reaching out for the lost. An invitation is given at morning and evening services and there is usually some response. Japanese accessions lead among the Oriental races. One of the pastors told me that the Japanese are most responsive, more so than the Chinese who are more conservative. These are racial characteristics.

There is, however, a sprinkling of other races in the churches. The population of the islands includes also blocks of Filipinos, Koreans, Samoans besides the original Hawaiians and a few Negroes. The Whites or Caucasians in the islands are in the minority. There seems to be little prejudice, and they mingle freely up to the point of intermarriage. In most of the church choirs several races are represented as they join their voices in unity of spirit.

Due to the mildness of the climate the church edifices are so constructed as to be open on one or both sides. I sat under the preaching of several of the pastors which was with great fervor and very persuasive. They impressed me as godly men and I experienced an inner urge to include them in my intercessions. The outlook for the Baptist work in the Hawaiian Islands is very bright.



—Photo by Herman Siemund  
Missionaries Edwin Michelson, Lois Ahrens and George A. Dunger from the Cameroons of Africa and Rev. C. L. Young, Missionary Among the Spanish-Americans of Colorado, at the Pastors' Conference Held Recently at Green Lake, Wis.

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Eastern	2,261.75	1,135.86
Central	6,812.51	7,282.39
Northwestern	4,986.36	4,802.25
Southwestern	2,968.24	3,537.86
Southern	1,191.67	1,385.36
Pacific	4,285.11	3,367.86
Northern	2,700.84	3,025.71
Dakota	2,319.46	5,860.15
Total for the Month	\$27,994.26	\$31,296.03

**MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING**

July 1, 1948 to July 31, 1948	\$ 25,911.28
August 1, 1947 to July 31, 1948	476,302.73
Total required to date	500,000.00

**TOTAL BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED**

April 1, 1948 to July 31, 1948	\$123,046.63
April 1, 1947 to July 31, 1947	135,040.96