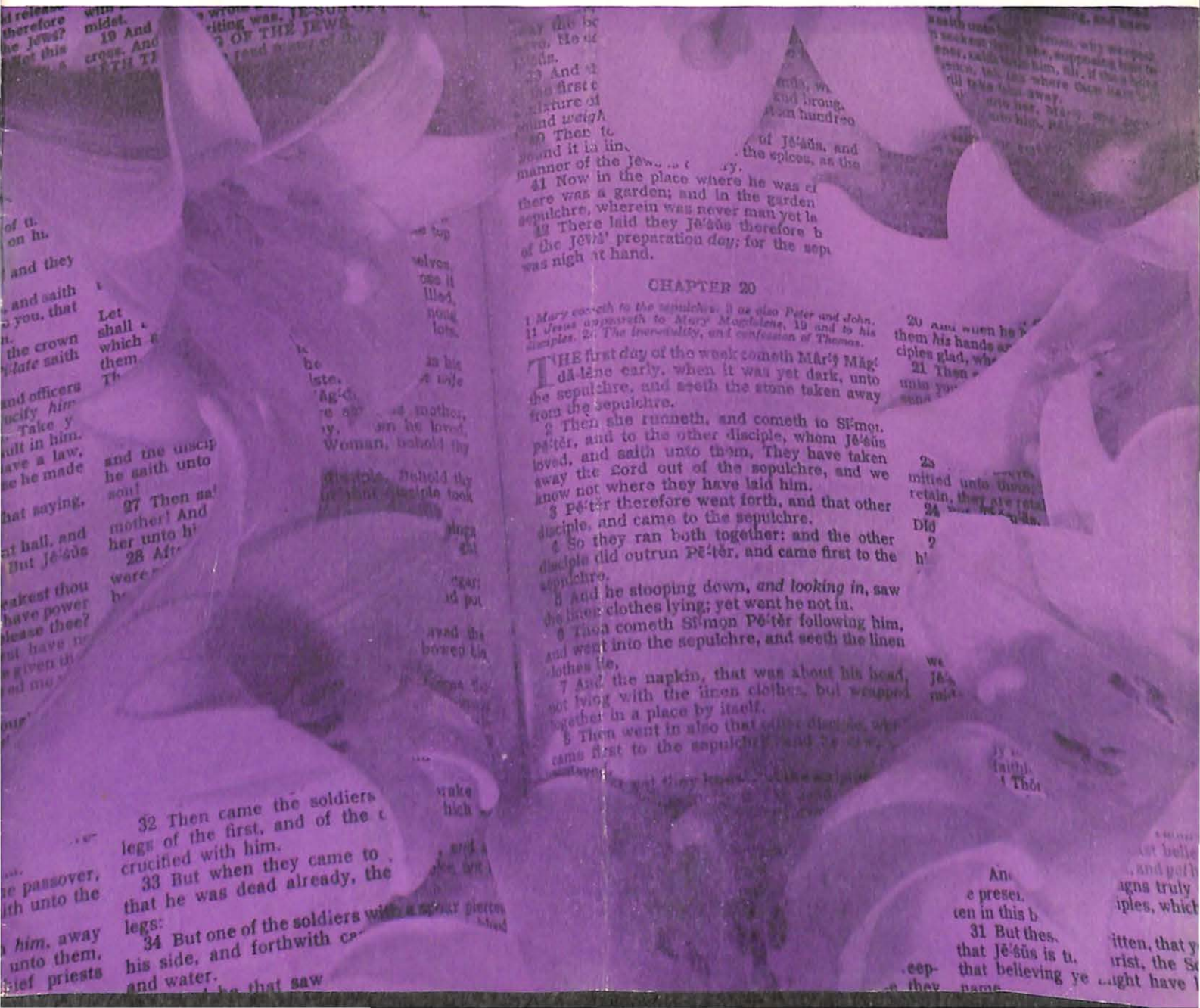




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## Garden and Mountain and Sea

There are three sites in Palestine to which one's mind turns especially at this time of the year. They are places made sacred by Jesus' association with them during his last days on earth. No man is custodian over them. No man can charge admission to see them. They are part of God's great out-of-doors. He created them with the help of no man.

The first place to which I refer is the Garden of Gethsemane, located between the Kidron Valley and the foot of the Mount of Olives. The tradition that places it here dates from the fourth century. The large olive tree is called the "tree of agony," because Jesus is supposed to have knelt and prayed there on that sorrowful last night. While authorities agree that the tree is very old, it is not the original tree. It may have sprung from the roots of a tree which stood in the garden when Christ sought its seclusive surroundings. From this place he went out to die for the sins of the world.

The second sacred spot revered by the Christian world is the Mount of Olives. We often read in the gospel narrative that Jesus went up into a mountain. To the Mount of Olives Jesus loved to retire, as he did every evening during the last week of his earthly life. It is one of the highest points in Palestine, 2680 feet above sea level.

The third spot filled with so many memories is the Sea of Galilee. It was along the shores of this little inland sea, only fifteen miles long and eight miles wide, that much of the sublime story of the gospel was enacted. On these shores Jesus taught and healed and preached. Here he called his three most intimate disciples. Within sound of its lapping waters, he spent the principal part of his public life. Here he taught the multitudes in many parables.

It was also on the shores of this sea that he appeared again after that first Easter unto some fishermen. He has long since ceased to walk along this rugged shore. Fishing-boats, and the cities that he condemned, have disappeared. But how glad the world is that after his death, Jesus appeared to men whom he had called from these shores.

What a comprehensive commentary these three sites are on the life of Jesus. A garden, a mountain and a sea,—they connote beauty, inspiration, restfulness and peace! This is the Easter message that presents itself to me as I turn again in thought to the One who loved God's handiwork. In life after death Jesus returned to the people and the places that in life had so kindly received and inspired him. He returns today to our churches if he may find in them beauty, peace, vision, and inspiration. He comes into our lives if he finds a welcome, to bring the beauty of his presence and the restfulness of his peace.—Alfred L. Murray.

### EASTER PRAYER

Oh let me know  
The power of thy resurrection;  
Oh let me show  
Thy risen life in calm and clear  
reflection;  
Oh let me soar  
Where thou, my Savior Christ, art  
gone before;  
In mind and heart  
Let me dwell always, only where  
thou art.

Oh let me give,  
Out of the gifts thou freely givest;  
Oh let me live  
With life abundantly because thou  
livest;  
Oh make me shine  
In darkest places, for thy light is  
mine;  
O let me be  
A faithful witness for thy truth  
and thee.

—Frances Ridley Havergal.

## MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

**EASTER OFFERING.** "The Lord hath done so much for me, I never will cease to love him." This is the Christian's testimony of overflowing joy as we bring our Easter Offerings and lay them on God's altar for the extensive missionary program of our denomination. Easter offering envelopes have been sent to all churches to be used during the Holy Week from Palm Sunday, April 15, to Easter Sunday, April 22. Sacrificial giving *must* be our response to Christ's sacrifice for us on the Cross!

**MISSIONARIES IN KYOTO, JAPAN.** Evangelistic services were held in our Baptist church in Kyoto, Japan, from April 2 to 6. Rev. Walter Sukut has been appointed Secretary-Treasurer of our Japan Baptist Mission, effective April 1st. Mrs. Barbara Sukut underwent surgery on March 17th to correct several difficulties that have made it impossible for her to become completely well during the past year.

### CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS.

In April 1962 more than 3,300 Church Extension Builders will be asked to make their contributions to the new building needed by the Crestview Baptist Church, Minot, N. Dak. Rev. Elmo Tahran, pastor of this Church Extension project, brings encouraging news about this promising new church in this issue of the "Baptist Herald." Read his article on page 7 and you will be deeply grateful to be a "Church Extension Builder."

### 1962 MISSIONARIES' FURLOUGHS.

Furloughs for our Cameroon, Africa, missionaries in 1962 will begin as follows: Rev. and Mrs. F. Kenneth Goodman, April 1962; Miss Berneice Westerman, July 1962; Rev. and Mrs. Elmer C. Strauss, July 1962; Miss Ida Forsch, Sept. 1962; and Mr. and Mrs. W. Norman Haupt, coming from London, England in August 1962 for a brief stay in the United States. Our missionaries in Japan who will be returning this year for their furlough are Rev. and Mrs. Fred G. Moore, May 1962; and Miss Florence Miller, July 1962. The first two to three months of their furlough will be their rest period. Their promotional trips have already been set up by Dr. Schilke, general missionary secretary, and the Visitation Committee.

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## Editorial

## The Lord Hath Appeared!

Easter is the glorious experience of men and women down through the ages who have been led to say with heartfelt assurance: "Christ is risen from the dead, indeed. He has appeared to me and made his living Presence known." This is the continuous triumphant testimony of God's people from the open tomb in Judea to Easter Sunday in 1962.

There are many convincing proofs for the resurrection of Christ. The books are legion in number that have been written on this subject. But a study of the New Testament gospels and the epistles of the Apostle Paul will impress you with the numerous, genuine, overwhelming appearances that the Risen Christ has made to people in all walks of life. That was the thrilling testimony of Mary Magdalene at the open tomb, of his disciples behind closed doors, of "about 500 brethren at once" in Jerusalem, of Saul on the Damascus Road, and of Christian believers in every succeeding generation.

The resurrection of Christ has turned grief into rapturous joy for countless numbers of people. This was the experience of Mary Magdalene, weeping in bitter grief at the tomb; of his disciples "as they mourned and wept" (Mark 16:10); and of the grief stricken men on the Emmaus Road. This is the wonderful experience of all believers in Christ as Savior who in the midst of sorrowful bereavement can say: "Death is swallowed up in victory!"

The poet, Ruth Margaret Gibbs, has described the testimony of the disciple Peter in these lilting, beautiful words:

"How can I tell, the least among all men—  
I have beheld my Master's face again . . .  
Here from the blindness of a deep distress  
I come to touch his wounded side, confess  
I am not worthy now even to know  
That he has risen, who hast loved me so."

The resurrection of Christ has turned doubt to a firm faith. Thomas professed his doubt as to the reality of the resurrection. He underscored that belief by stating that even if he could put his finger into the print of the nails and could thrust his hand into his side, still he would not believe. (John 20:25). But it took only one appearance of the Risen Christ to turn his doubt into an amazing faith, "My Lord and my God," as he knelt at the Master's feet. There have been many doubting Thomases through the years whose eyes have been opened to the truth of Christ's resurrection and by the assurance of his living Presence today.

Thus, the resurrection of Christ has turned our credulity into an enthralling experience. On that first Easter there were all kinds of reports and rumors floating around. Even today there are many different suppositions as to what happened on the first Easter. Many nominal Christians accept these reports, but Easter has not become for them a personal, enthralling experience.

Dr. William H. Foulkes has spoken for many of us in his personal testimony: "Easter brings to me an intimate, satisfying sense of an ineffable Presence. To the angels who said to the disciples at Joseph's tomb: 'He is not here,' my heart makes answer, 'He is here!' Mature years have witnessed the deepening of the conviction that a great ANOTHER is always standing by. With increasing persuasiveness he makes himself known to me." This is our faith and our joy that the living Christ has appeared to us also!

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*Christ comes along on every road  
to bless by his Presence those  
who are in need of his help . . .*

# Your Emmaus Road

By Rev. Hans J. Wilcke, Pastor of the Dayton's Bluff Baptist Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

*"And it came to pass, that . . . Jesus himself drew near, and went with them" (Luke 24:15).*

OUR EASTER weekend has become a very busy one. Good Friday has its annual observances. Stores often close their doors so that a united church service can be held. Easter Sunday morning possibly starts with a well-planned and efficiently executed sunrise service. Then there follows the worship service, well attended, which speaks well of the people of your community.

Joined together are the faithful ones who are in their place Sunday after Sunday, plus the Easter Sunday "religionists." For the latter group, it is certainly good that Easter does come along only once a year.

## BLESSINGS OF EASTER

What makes an Easter Day impressive? Is it the pastor's or the choir's message? Is it Elly Smith's new hat or Martha Brunner's new wardrobe? Or is it that inexplicable something that draws us all in to help us celebrate America's springtime holiday best written up in the ever popular tune, "Easter Parade."

Perhaps, you will join company with a parading band of citizens marching or driving up Main Street, U. S. A., to display your finery or to be impressed by that of others. Is this Easter Sunday, April 22, 1962, according to you?

If you are not at all happy with much that this type of superfluous pomp represents, I would like to challenge you to take time to read a most profitable portion of God's Word. The passage is LUKE 24:13-35. Perhaps you may enjoy the true blessings of an Emmaus Road experience which will offer you the best Easter Sunday possible.

Two men, impressed and blessed by Jesus' ministry, were making a journey from the place where Christ had been crucified to the nearby city of Emmaus. Although one man's name is given as Cleopas, neither one is known

to us by way of any other Biblical accounts. While walking, they talked about recent happenings. The death of Jesus was typical. It was then that Christ joined them in their walk and in their conversation.

## CHRIST'S APPEARANCES

There is a message even here! The Lord Jesus had always chosen the quiet, almost retiring way of making himself known to men. His disciples had sought for public appeal and display. This was not their Master's way. So in the post-resurrection appearances, he comes on the scene unobtrusively to bless by his presence those who are in need of his help. In traveling with the Emmaus-bound men, he listens to their heart's cry, he helps them understand the Word of God, and makes his presence known. Because of these few Easter afternoon hours, these men could never be the same again.

I recall seeing a Christian artist on one occasion drawing a picture of our Christ as he spoke to the multitude by the sea side. It was a beautiful picture. Then by a change of lights, the crowd was lost sight of and all one could see was a solitary figure kneeling in the presence of the Christ of Calvary.

It must ever be so! No matter how many people find their way to church this Easter Sunday, each must see himself in relationship to the Christ whose sacrifice represents our soul's salvation. Then with the leadership that this our Christ and our Lord offers, we must go forth as the living evidences of the power of the Gospel.

## A JOYFUL MOMENT

The Lord never found it hard to make himself known to those who sought him. No matter what our need may be today, it will be a joyful moment when you unburden your heart before him and accept the help that he is so ready to supply. The Lord is no respecter of persons. (Acts 10:34). The two Emmaus journeymen



When any man is willing to walk his own Emmaus road, he will find the living Christ to meet him along the way (Luoma Photo).

were simple ordinary men. Have you ever cried, "The Lord has forgotten me"? No matter where you find yourself on the road of life today, you may know that he knows and is willing to help you. He will walk with you and talk to you on your Emmaus road.

He asks now, "Why are you sad?" (v. 17). These men were disciples, yet they were sad. Was their trip to Emmaus a possible sign of hopelessness? Were they ready to give up? How much like our own day! Christ comes to us in his church, which we can see only as a human institution. He offers to make himself known through his Word, which we have learned to classify as human literature. He seeks to evidence in us the power of the Holy Spirit, which we have learned to define by psychological and philosophical mumbo jumbo. Why ought we NOT be sad?

## MENTAL PERPLEXITY

There is a sadness of mental perplexity. Christ's death, his resurrection, his eternal presence, all join together in letting us know that he is here. There has never been a moment since that great first Easter Day that he could not be found. How many problems of our day call for a mind like that of Christ in our day!

Where I reside, the matter of Sunday observances has become a heated issue. What can I expect of my mayor, my councilman, or others who face the issue head-on? The best I have a right to expect is that they face the issues fearlessly, honestly and according to their personal convictions.

What about me, though? Today is Resurrection Day, Sunday! Every Sunday I relive this experience as I worship the risen Christ and bear my testimony of his life in me. So I earnestly, honestly and fearlessly observe the day as he teaches me. If I fail to do this, others will be adversely influenced because of my neglect. If I am strong, then others will learn to understand something of that which represents my hope in Christ Jesus, my Lord.

Grant God that we who are a part of Christ's great fellowship shall use our minds for him. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5).

## A DEFILED CONSCIENCE

There is a sadness of a defiled conscience. Sin is always sin. Men may seek to define and redefine, yet God's Word speaks unerringly of sin and its consequences. Christ's death, his resurrection make possible a resurrected life for us. Moral decay is ever within arm's length. Perhaps even closer than that. Where do I as a Christian stand regarding moral rights and wrongs?

A power-packed speech, "Let's Have the Courage to Stop Our National Decay," given by Jenkin Lloyd Jones, a newspaperman to newspapermen, appeared recently in its entirety on page two of the local Sunday paper. It has also appeared in condensed form in a recent READER'S DIGEST. Here is a man of the press telling his colleagues to do something about it before it is too late. When I finished reading it, I said, "Lord, there is a better answer than any other. You are the answer to man's moral decay."

When any man is willing to walk his own Emmaus road, sad because of moral disorder in his life or that within the society of which he is a part, he will find Christ who will make known his help.

As you read, note all the other blessings that come to the two wanderers. What precious moments they must have spent as Christ accepted their invitation to stay with them for the evening hours! He broke bread with them. He offered them Heaven's Manna. He opened their eyes to behold his hallowed face. In all this he gave them something to talk about for the rest of their days.

## TRUE DISCIPLESHIP

So that same day, a new life of discipleship began. They "returned to Jerusalem . . . saying, 'The Lord is risen indeed'" (v. 33, 34). Each of us must learn that for himself. Yet in grasping the meaning of it, we will be driven back to our own Jerusalem so that others will also hear and know that Christ is risen, indeed. They acknowledged and worshiped the risen Christ. With others they found opportunity for Christian service.

This we will also find! The church will no more be dead but alive to her



Sing it and proclaim it with loud conviction: "You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart!" (Luoma Photo).

## AN EASTER PRAYER

God's blessing rest upon you  
This happy Easter Day,  
God make his joy to shine  
As sunlight on your way;  
God fill your heart with song  
So glad it will not cease;  
God bless you every day  
With love and joy and peace.  
—Author Unknown

## BY THE WAY

By Annie Johnson Flint

Go with me, Master, by the way,  
Make every day a walk with thee;  
New glory shall the sunshine gain,  
And all the clouds shall lightened be.  
Go with me on Life's dusty road  
And help me bear the weary load.

Talk with me, Master, by the way;  
The voices of the world recede,  
The shadows darken o'er the land—  
How poor am I, how great my need.  
Speak to my heart disquieted  
Till it shall lose its fear and dread.

Bide with me, Master, all the way,  
Though to my blinded eyes unknown;  
So shall I feel a Presence near,  
Where I had thought I walked alone.  
And when, far spent, the days decline,  
Break thou the bread, O Guest of mine!

mission. The Book will no longer be looked at with human doubts but become vital through him who is the Word. The Holy Spirit will not be unreal or strange but offer Pentecostal power. Our experience with the risen Christ will make the difference!

This is Easter 1962, remember? But you have been on the Emmaus road. Christ has spoken to you. Sing it and tell it with loud conviction, "You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart!"

## MY RISEN LORD

My risen Lord, I feel thy strong protection;  
I see thee stand among the graves today;  
I am the Way, the Life, the Resurrection,  
I hear thee say,  
And all the burdens I have carried sadly  
Grow light as blossoms on an April day;  
My cross becomes a staff, I journey gladly  
This Easter day.  
—Author Unknown

## WHAT DOES EASTER MEAN?

What does Easter mean to you?  
Stately church with cushioned pew?  
Richly clad, devoted throngs  
United in triumphant songs?  
Singing birds and budding trees,  
Sweet spring odors on the breeze?  
Daffodil and crocus bed  
With balsam branches overhead?  
Sad the world, and cold and gray,  
If this is all of Easter Day.

But if this blessed season brings  
A firmer faith in holy things:  
Assurance of a living Lord  
Strengthening each tender cord  
That binds us to the life to come  
With loved ones in a heavenly home—  
No pain or loss can mar the bliss  
Of Easter when it means all this.

## AN EASTER CANTICLE

In every trembling bud and bloom  
That cleaves the earth, a flowery  
Sword,  
I see thee come from out the tomb,  
Thou risen Lord.

In every April wind that sings  
Down lanes that make the heart  
rejoice,  
Yea, in the word the wood-thrush  
brings,  
I hear thy voice.

Lo! every tulip is a cup  
To hold thy morning's brimming  
wine:  
Drink, O my soul, the wonder up—  
Is it not thine?  
The great Lord God, invisible,  
Hath roused to rapture the green  
grass;  
Through sunlit mead and dew-drenched  
dell,  
I see him pass.

His old immortal glory wakes  
The rushing streams and emerald  
hills:  
His ancient trumpet softly shakes  
The daffodils.

Thou art not dead! Thou art the whole  
Of life that quickens in the sod;  
Green April is thy very soul,  
Thou great Lord God.

—Charles Hansen Towne.

The triumphant Christ of the Easter message is victorious in hearts and lives in Japan . . . .

## New Life in Christ for the Japanese

By Rev. Fred G. Moore of Ise, Japan, One of Our Baptist Missionaries



The huge Buddha in the shrine at Nara, Japan is being given a thorough "house cleaning."

THE MARKET STREET seemed more crowded than usual as we walked along it this afternoon. Looking at the varieties of colorful shops lining both sides of the narrow street, we couldn't help but notice again that their wares were spilling out onto tables and display cases in front of the stores as though the small interior simply couldn't hold all the merchandise. The sounds of the hawkers, shoppers, bicycles and geta are always fascinating.

Today, however, there is a different unusual sound that reaches our ears above the other noises—the thin wail of a bamboo flute. Our eyes finally locate the source of this plaintive tune, and we see an itinerant beggar priest playing his instrument in front of the doorway of one of the shops. Even without hearing his flute, you can't miss these priests—for their strange costume draws your immediate attention. Even though the weather is cold, he wears only a thin pair of straw sandals on his bare feet, which protrude beneath his simple, often threadbare, dark-brown kimono.

### JAPANESE RITUALS

But what catches your eye is the large bamboo basket which he wears over his head, so that none of his head or face is visible. He holds his simple bamboo flute sticking out below this strange headgear and patiently continues playing his mournful melody. For quite some time the shopkeeper and his customers seem to pay no attention to this strange man. But finally one of the shop attendants comes out and drops a few small coins into the pouch strapped around the beggar's waist. Without missing a note, the beggar then turns and walks slowly off, to stop at the door of some other shop and once again repeat his simple ritual.

As interesting as this little scene is, the reaction of the shopkeepers and their customers points out the very obvious fact that while Buddhism and Shintoism are the two generally recognized religions in Japan, neither seems to have a great respect or following in this land. Most people will profess to be "Buddhist." While many take part in both Buddhist and Shinto festivals, religion means very little, practically nothing, in their lives.

Of course, there are many Japanese who are quite conscientious and devoted followers of their particular faith, especially among the multitudes of so-called "new religions" that have come into being here in the past 100 years. These "new religions" are generally adaptations of the older faiths under the impetus of some strong personality—and many of these have teachings that may well include something borrowed from Christianity. Some Japanese are active participants in these religions.

### VITAL ISSUES IN JAPAN

However, for the great masses of the Japanese people, religion is apparently not really a vital issue. They are married at the Shinto shrine and buried by the Buddhist priest. They take part in the neighborhood temple's festival and make proper observances at their little altar in the home. There is very little of real faith in this activity, and amongst the younger generation there seems to be a definite trend away from even these observances.

These old religions of Japan do not pose much of a problem for Christianity. While there is definite vigor and often a militant spirit in the newer cults, these are not the Gospel's greatest enemies. Here in Japan, much as in America and perhaps all over the world, an indifference to spiritual matters is the common situation, and perhaps Satan's greatest tool.

What happens when the Holy Spirit begins to move in these hearts? We praise God that our churches here in Japan have been privileged to be the instrumentality through which these apparently indifferent lives are touched by the Gospel. We have found so often that getting a person really interested in the claims of Christ is a tremendous problem, but as the Holy Spirit works, a heart that is hungering for spiritual life finds that new life in Christ.

Often students who profess only an interest in attending an English Class, coming there into contact with the very Word of God, are drawn by the Savior himself to a real salvation experience. Once they have yielded to him, both young and old alike find real meaning to life and true satisfaction in Jesus Christ.

### TRIUMPHS IN CHRIST

But here again Satan wields his sword of indifference and, often through the family members, tells the Christian that "It's all right to go to church and even believe, as long as you don't get too zealous. We'll be happy to take Christ and put him with the others on the god-shelf." Many converts have come to the step of baptism and the complete surrender to Christ, only to back down and yield to the pressure of the opposition of indifference.

A girl in our Kyoto church recently seemed to come to a real decision and faith, only to back down when it became evident to her that full surrender to Christ and the taking of baptism might mean expulsion from her home. In Matsusaka a man and his wife have been coming quite regularly to the Sunday evening evangelistic services and have heard the Gospel again and again, but they simply cannot seem to yield themselves completely to Christ.

But, praise be to God—the triumph

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Encouraging news of a newly organized church receiving the April gifts of Church Extension Builders . . . .

## The Lord's View for Crestview

By Rev. Elmo Tahran of the Crestview Baptist Church, Minot, North Dakota



A Sunday morning service at the Crestview Baptist Church, Minot, N. Dak. with Rev. Elmo Tahran, pastor, behind the pulpit.

SINCE my last article about our Church Extension work in Minot, North Dakota, I am more convinced than ever of the vital ministry of Church Extension here and throughout our denomination. That article was filled with the various problems we had to face to secure even a foothold here. This time I want to share with you the things that I consider to be our blessings.

### A COOPERATIVE CONGREGATION

First of all, both my wife and I consider the congregation, to which we minister, one of the most encouraging and one which we find easy to love. We have never experienced such a genuine spirit of love and fellowship among the people such as we have known here. If I were to credit this to any specific cause, I would say that it is due to the problems we have faced together and to the number of people from the Air Base who come and go too quickly.

Then there is the thrill of seeing

a spirit of cooperation among the people in serving the various activities of the church's ministry. Everyone seems to be willing to want to help in every way possible, and they do it not simply for the pastor or the church but as "unto the Lord." Our daily prayer is that this might be the continued attitude of our people.

Another blessing of ours is to see our men so active and spiritually minded. They are an encouragement in house to house calling. They often outnumber the ladies in attendance at prayer meeting. They are very active in the work of the Sunday school in teaching and administration. I am convinced that a church with active men is a strong church. We pray that this will be a church filled with men who have backbone rather than "wish-bone."

Recently we began to have a number of young people from the Minot State Teachers' College and the Air Base come to our services. They have begun

a youth group. As yet none of them are members of our church, but we have enjoyed their fellowship and help. We trust that through our outreach to them, we will get their prayer support for our work.

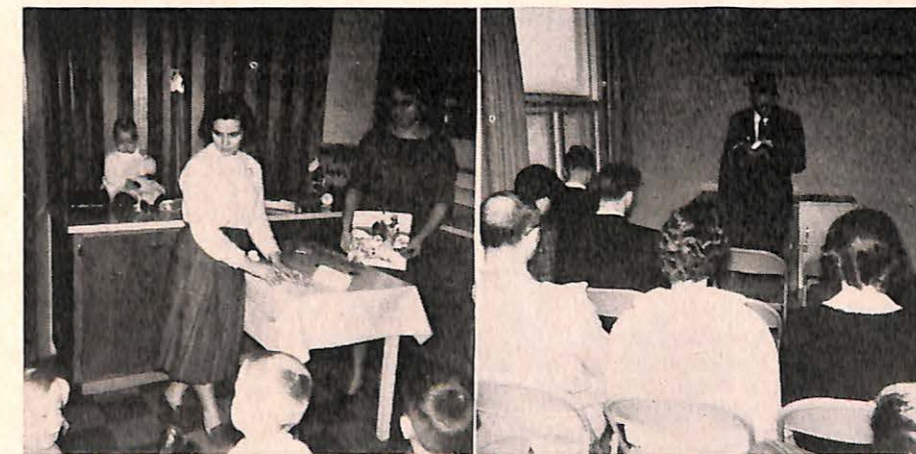
It has been my privilege to conduct a Bible teaching ministry here. This has caused me to grow spiritually. I never realized how satisfying it could be until I came here to watch people grow and mature in Christ as the Word was expounded to them. In fact, I have almost concluded that possibly these Christians who come to a gathering, not because of a robed choir and padded pews, but because of their love for Christ and lost souls have matured to something deeper than some Christians, whose concept of Christianity is associated only with the outward signs and trappings.

### NEED FOR BUILDING

We have been encouraged by the interest being shown by various churches of our Northern North Dakota Association. Recently Pastor Lang brought a group of young people from the Bethel Church at Harvey, N. Dak., and a few Sundays later the young people from the Underwood Baptist Church came for a Sunday evening service. Other churches have shown their interest and encouragement as we have fellowshiped with them at various Associational and Conference functions. We believe that this will be the thing that will really encourage our hearts.

Rev. Henry Lang of the Baptist Church in Harvey has been a real encouragement by his help and interest in working on building plans. As of now, this is our crying need. We know that as Christians we could worship in a barn or catacombs, but in our society a building speaks to the community of our vision for their souls. Paul

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CRESTVIEW BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL, MINOT, N. D.

The Nursery Class in the Crestview Sunday School, Minot, N. Dak., is taught by Mrs. Eddie Wahl and Mrs. Arvid Wagner (left picture); and the Adult Class (right) is taught by S/Sgt. Bob Batchlor.

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# "Shneedsmo" and Her Precious Cargo

Report of "God's Volunteers" services by Mr. Dwight Enockson.

WHILE "GOD'S VOLUNTEERS" are out serving, there are many physical and material needs which must be taken care of. In this issue we will endeavor to show you how these needs are met.

Each year the denomination provides \$10,000 for the program of "God's Volunteers." This money is used to pay the director's salary, to keep "Shneedsmo," our car, running (which is somewhat of a problem at times because she-needs-mo of everything), to train the team each year and to cover incidental expenses as we travel. Part of this money is received through offerings and prayer card contributions.

## WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY

When we arrive at a church for a campaign, it becomes the responsibility of the church to provide for our needs. Usually team members stay in homes of church members. As a rule, two team members stay in one home. If the

food goes to "waist"—our waists. Quite often the women wash our clothes which seem to accumulate very fast. Now and then, they also do some mending although Ruby Wolff generally has the task of sewing the buttons on the boys' coats.

Some people have helped us out with car expenses. Several have contributed gas and oil; others have provided labor when "Shneedsmo" needed repairs. We appreciate this very much since our car has been our greatest expense.

## A BIG, HEAVY LOAD

"Old "Shneedsmo" has had a full load this year. We pack 7 instruments, 15 suitcases (before Christmas we had 17), 6 overnight bags, 2 supply boxes, 2 briefcases, camera bags, plus odds and ends into the box on top and the back end of our blue 1959 Buick station wagon. Luggage and personnel together weigh about 1800 pounds, so

fore we came. Rev. Daniel Fuchs, director of Evangelism and Church Extension, was guest evangelist. The meetings were fairly well attended, in spite of a flu siege which affected several church families as well as one team member. While at Wichita, the team appeared twice on television. This was the first time that any of the "God's Volunteers" team had been on television.

## SERVICES IN KANSAS

Early Sunday morning, Rev. Walter Hoffman arrived for the closing service of the campaign. That afternoon we drove to Durham, Kansas where Rev. Wesley Gerber is pastor and started a week's campaign that evening. We had a wonderful time calling on members of the church as well as on many prospects.

After the week at Durham, we traveled 20 miles to Marion, Kansas, where we spent our last two weeks in Kansas. The first week was used in calling on prospects with the names given to us by the pastor, Rev. Elton Kirstein, and church members. Also that week we had several special services: a King's Daughters banquet, Kiwanis Club, the Strassburg Baptist Church (7 miles from Marion), and a men's brotherhood meeting.

Mr. Hoffman joined us again early Sunday morning for a week of meetings. During the week, we enjoyed fellowship with the young people, choir members and the young married couples.

We closed our campaign on Sunday night and at 5:30 a.m. the next morning we were on our way to Sioux Falls, S. Dak., where we spent our spring vacation.

## OUR JAPANESE MISSION

(Continued from page 6)

phant Christ of the Easter message is victorious in hearts and lives here in Japan! The family in Kyoto who carried their home altar outside and burned it; the mother and daughters here in Ise who turned from indifference to a radiant testimony for Christ; the young man who was willing to have his already meager apprentices' wages slashed in order that he might have Sundays free to worship and serve his Lord Jesus Christ—these and many others are precious souls claimed from the Satanic powers of this land and redeemed by the glorious, triumphant Savior.

Will you pray with us that the Holy Spirit might have a mighty sway in this country, that many, many other Japanese might come truly to know him who alone is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life"?



GOD'S VOLUNTEERS TEAM AND LUGGAGE

The cargo of luggage, team members and the director, Rev. Walter Hoffman, (right), that go into the Buick station wagon in meeting the engagements of "God's Volunteers."

local pastor has the facilities in his home, Rev. Walter Hoffman usually stays there. These homes become our homes during each campaign. As one team member commented, "While on team member commented, "While on tour, home is where we set our suitcase." We appreciate the hospitality of the people and enjoy their fellowship.

Usually our meals are provided for by the ladies of the church and are served either in the church or in individual homes. We enjoy the Christian fellowship around the tables and the very tasty meals. We often say that

you can see that "Shneedsmo" pulls a big heavy load.

Since the last report we have finished our tour of Kansas. After leaving Hoisington, Kansas, we spent two weeks at our Church Extension project, the Memory Lane Baptist Church in Wichita, where Rev. Edwin Michelson is pastor. Visitation consisted of canvassing the area surrounding the church. We found many promising prospects, which indicates the promise of growth of the church.

Our meetings were held in the new educational unit completed shortly be-

This Baptist church witnesses to the Gospel of Christ on television, in a busy Sunday school and in a great evangelistic outreach . . .

# Gospel Echoes in South Fort George

By Rev. Bert E. Milner of South Fort George, British Columbia

"GOSPEL ECHOES!" This is the title on the television screen and these are the announcer's first words when the South Fort George Baptist Chapel, South Fort George, British Columbia, presents the program, "Gospel Echoes", regularly every Sunday. But more of this later.

There is a bald, naked and unusual "gentleman" at the corner of First Avenue and George Street in Prince George, British Columbia. He stands there unclothed, even in the depth of winter, with snow and frost chilling the figure. This is Mr. P. G., a typical symbol, at the Tourist Information Center, of the industry which looms so large in the "White Spruce Capital" of the world. So Mr. P. G., with hand aloft, welcomes all tourists to Prince George.

He is the symbol of lumbering. And he appears to be a lumbering old gentleman. He endures the hardships of the forests, but his blood runs warm. Lumbering is the blood of Prince George. Trucks, trailers, tractors and trains dispatch lumber into, through, and out of this city. Mills hum as endless chains of logs are fed to them. Planers whine as they make the rough smooth. Kilns drip with the fresh perspiration of newly cut lumber. In so many words, a description of the basic industry of this area can be given.

## OUR CHIEF CONCERN

I would venture a challenge. Another greater industry is turning its wheels. It is not lumbering. Nor is it the necessary trade and commerce which, of necessity, are so closely allied to it. This other industry is the work of the Christian Church in living and proclaiming the wonders of the riches and wisdom in Jesus Christ. This is our chief concern. Here we find a rich field for the Gospel in which we can roll up our sleeves and go to work.

Oh, the broken, shattered lives! The worn-out and diseased souls! These are a challenge for the Gospel and God's people. Is the Gospel really the power of God unto salvation? If so, how will we proclaim this Gospel effectively to people so close to nature and so far from God, so occupied with machines and so barren in soul? This is, indeed, the challenge! This is the challenge the Gospel awaits and meets!

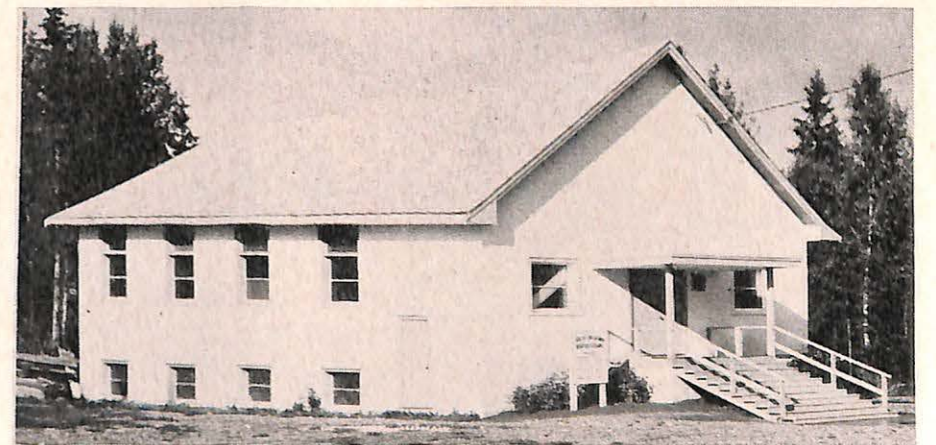
Here then are the methods we use to proclaim this high and holy Gospel which reaches down to save sinners.



The bulletin board of the South Fort George Baptist Chapel, with Rev. Bert E. Milner as pastor.

First of all, through the Sunday school. Not to repeat myself, I need only to remind you of the history as given in the "Baptist Herald" (August 31, 1961), "Persecuted, But Not Forsaken."

Next, through the worship services in our Chapel at South Fort George. Seldom a Lord's Day goes by when we do not have some visitors in the services. Each person is a challenge to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For the first time, we had the South Fort George Cub Pack in a service on Sunday,



The South Fort George Baptist Chapel of South Fort George, British Columbia, presents the Gospel over television every Sunday and carries on an evangelistic ministry for Christ in its community.

Feb. 18, with the leaders and group committee. This is a beginning. This acquaints youth and parents with God's people and the work done by the faithful in this community.

## TELEVISION MINISTRY

Now we return you to "Gospel Echoes." We are grateful for the opportunity to visit with the people in their homes and elsewhere by means of television and radio. Sincerely we pray God's blessing to attend this ministry as we proclaim Jesus Christ, crucified for our sins, and raised from the dead for our perfect salvation.

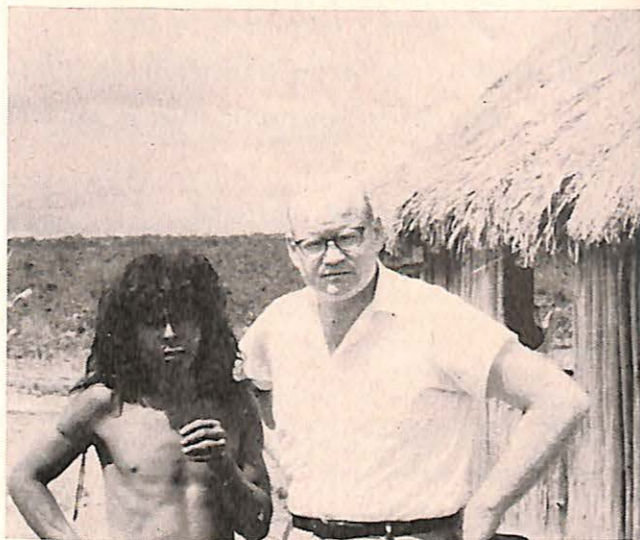
Prince George has finally welcomed a new child into its city. This was the child "television." But not to be overanxious, the child was "a closed circuit station." This provided a welcome opportunity for the Gospel. All children love the Gospel. And the choir of the South Fort George Baptist Chapel was welcomed with the Gospel in song for 15 minutes every Sunday.

In the meantime, another child was born, "open channel television." This second one brought about the early death of the first poor babe which was now very much undernourished and discouraged. And not to be outdone by the first one, this second offspring welcomed the "Gospel Echoes" group for 30 minutes of television every Sunday at 5:30 P.M. The original radio program is now televised, and taped for radio that same evening.

Each television program is a new venture and a challenge. The arranging and rearranging of choir, quartets (Continued on page 26)

## A Baptist Pastor Looks at Brazil

By Rev. E. Arthur McAsh, Ebenezer Baptist Church,  
Detroit, Michigan



Rev. E. Arthur McAsh meets an Indian of northern Brazil at the headwaters of the Amazon System.

A TRAVELLER THRUSTING deep into the interior of central Brazil comes to the end of the world, beyond that to a great river, and beyond the river to a wall, and beyond the wall he finds *Cuiaba!* So goes the fabled story of the remoteness of the geographical center of South America. Our party of four (Rev. Herman Riffel, Rev. Adolph Braun, Mr. Harry Schilling and myself) not only reached this quaint interior city, but we journeyed 265 miles beyond it by Missionary Aviation Fellowship plane to the headwaters of the Amazon system in wild Mato Grosso.

### WYCLIFFE TRANSLATORS

We spent a week among the Nambiquari Indians. Two Wycliffe Translators are working in this lonely area, reducing the tribal language to writing in order that the Scriptures may

be given these people in their own tongue. The alphabet and some grammar have been extracted from the language after one and a half years of constant work. An unclassified language, it contains 15 consonants and 14 vowels, complicated by 4 tones, which means that the alphabet in reality contains 71 letters to be written and additional ones not to be written. The complexity of the missionary translator's task is therefore easily seen, as he works from scratch with an unknown tongue. The plan of the Wycliffe missionaries as they move into such remote tribes is 1) to learn to speak the language with fluency, 2) to prepare literary materials and teach the people to read, and 3) to translate the Scriptures.

There are many tribes in Brazil not even touched by the missionary, quite apart from any attempt to understand

their language.

The interior of Brazil must be visited in order to gain any comprehension of this fifth largest country in the world. The dense Amazon rain-forests and the highland zone of grass and scrub make up the major part of Brazil's vast area. These regions are sparsely populated. From Belem at the mouth of the Amazon River to Corumba on the Bolivian border and to Campo Grande, the center of Mato Grosso cattle country, we sensed the immensity of the land yet to be developed.

The hinterland has been emphasized recently by building the nation's new capital, Brasilia, in the rugged interior some 600 miles from the old and famous capital, Rio de Janeiro. We stopped a few hours at this amazing new city. Begun in 1957, it has already cost many millions of dollars. An ambitious project of ultra-modern concrete and glass buildings and still-empty lots, it is expected someday to encourage the settlement of the underdeveloped interior.

Unfortunately for the country, most Brazilians are clustered in several large cities located along the 4,500 mile coast of the Atlantic Ocean. The greatest industrial concentration is in the areas of Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro in the south. Sao Paulo is called the fastest growing city in the world. The horrors of street traffic far surpassed my city of Detroit. New building projects are seen everywhere. A tremendous industrial expansion is in progress on the strip between Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro with American and European corporations bringing new life and employment to quaint, old towns.

### BRAZIL'S SPIRITUAL DROUTH

The spiritual drouth of this huge land confronts one on every side. All South American countries, including Brazil, were first settled by Spaniards and Portuguese with the Roman Catholic Church in preeminence. This church claims 85 per cent of the population.

But it is estimated that only 10 per cent of these are practicing Roman Catholics. Throughout South America the Roman church has lost its hold on the great masses. Immorality is socially accepted. Ignorance abounds with 50 per cent of Brazil's school age children without schooling. (Time Magazine, March 2, 1962). And this in a land founded a hundred years before the American thirteen colonies came into being. Spiritism with crude practices of voodoo is very strong in Brazil, and is growing rapidly.

Several Protestant groups are active in this country with the Pentecostals being the largest numerically. Baptists are next in size with the American Southern Baptists counting Brazil as their most fruitful mission field. There is Methodist and Presbyterian work with Lutherans strong in the southern region of Rio de Janeiro. Several effective Inter-denominational "Faith Missions" are found throughout the land and throughout South America.

Against the tremendous need, the evangelical witness is pitifully small. Baptist Mid-Mission friends in the Sao Paulo—Rio area told me there existed a great need of more missionaries to take advantage of open doors in the many towns of this expanding population.

### OPEN DOORS TODAY

Indeed, this is the day of opportunity in Brazil and throughout the continent. Freedom to preach and to evangelize in Brazil is unexcelled. In this country at least, there is more freedom of expression than in our United States. Everywhere, missionaries tell of opportunities to be grasped now. The Billy Graham meetings of early 1962 amazed the evangelicals. They said that such great and responsive gatherings were not dreamed of six years ago.

The unstable political scene in Brazil hangs as a cloud over its otherwise hopeful potential. As in most South



### WORK ON A BIBLE TRANSLATION

Pete Weisenberger (left) of Wycliffe Translators listens to a chief of the Nambiquari Indians in the Brazilian jungle as he works on a Bible translation. Rev. E. Arthur McAsh of Detroit, Mich., is an interested observer.

American countries, revolution is an unsettling habit. Graft in all areas of government is a great waste to the country's prospects.

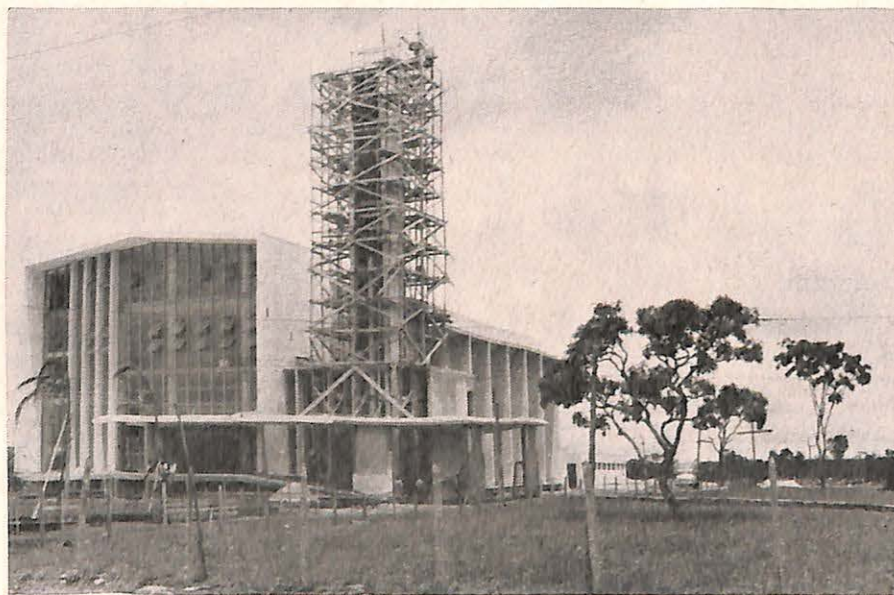
Economically this country is in great danger. Inflation continues to rage and no one interviewed seems hopeful that it may be halted. In the last few months, the national currency has risen from 250 to 380 Cruzeiros to the United States dollar. Extremes of poverty and wealth create fertile ground for communistic propaganda. Estimates indicate that 95 per cent of the land is owned by 5 per cent of the people, and this is considered true of all Latin America.

### MANY CHRISTIAN BELIEVERS

This vast land is indeed a "world within a world." A country of 68,000,000 population, its people are a cosmopolitan mixture of Portuguese, Ne-

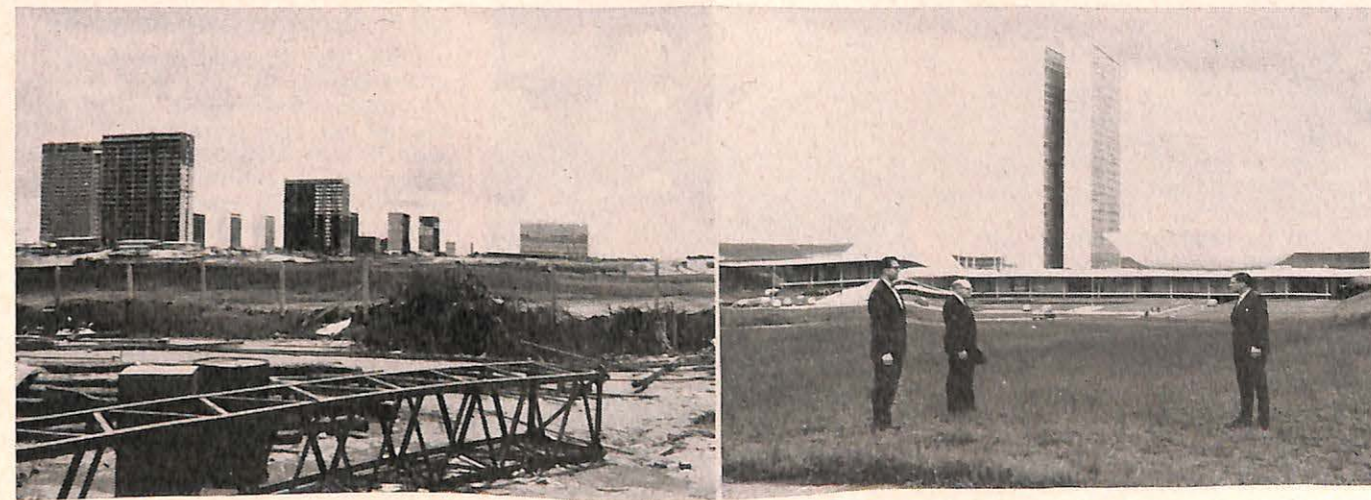
gro, and Indian blood. Here stands a great challenge for the evangelical witness to the Christian Gospel. Everywhere, from coastal cities to interior highlands, to Indian tribes of the jungle, we found groups of believers who love Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. This is the thrilling experience of an extensive journey through this vast land. The question remains—will the present open doors to the Gospel be fully entered in a day of unexcelled opportunity?

I am concluding writing this article at the airport of Medellin, Colombia. A missionary with me reiterates what we have heard throughout South America. "This is the time for more missionaries and missionary effort in this needy continent. The doors are open as never before. Press young people to consider before the Lord, the challenge of South America."



### BAPTIST CHURCH IN BRASILIA

Southern Baptists with money given by United States industrialists are building this imposing church in Brasilia, the new capital of Brazil, 600 miles from Rio de Janeiro.



### BRASILIA, NEW CAPITAL OF BRAZIL

Skyscrapers for the new capital of Brazil at Brasilia (left) are slowly nearing completion. This amazing new city in the jungle interior of Brazil was visited by these NAB pastors: (left to right) Rev. Adolph Braun, Redeemer Church, Warren, Mich.; Rev. E. Arthur McAsh, Ebenezer Church, Detroit, Mich.; and Rev. H. H. Riffel, Bethel Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich.

*Founded in 1788 for convicts and Revolutionary War loyalists, Australia today is a respected, progressive country. Forty thousand Baptists are an influential group in this "Land of the South" . . . .*

# A Visit to "Terra Australis"

By Rev. E. P. Wahl of Edmonton, Alberta

**T**HE FIRST Europeans to see the Australian continent were Dutchmen who in the yacht "Duyfken" were seeking to explore New Guinea. They sailed south and in March 1606 saw part of the western coast of the long-looked-for "Terra Australis"—the Land of the South. They were not pleased with what they saw. There was no sign of gold or any promise of trade for which they were searching.

As late as 1623, the Dutchmen who had come to learn more about the newly discovered country reported: "We found nothing but wild coasts, barren land, and extremely cruel and barbarous natives."

In England a voyage was being planned to explore the South Seas. Captain James Cook, a born leader and explorer, an experienced sailor, was appointed commander. On April 29, 1770 Cook and a party of his men landed on the eastern coast of Australia at the place that Captain Cook called Botany Bay, and there he planted the English colors. It was here that the history of Australia as a dominion of the British Commonwealth began.

Eighteen years later, the English Captain Arthur Phillip started a settlement of English people a few miles further south, where today the largest and oldest city of Australia stands, namely Sydney, with its 2,125,000 inhabitants.

## POPULATION OF TEN MILLION

Today Australia has a population of over ten million. When Captain Cook in 1771 brought news to England that he had taken possession of a great country, England was not at all willing even to consider starting a new colony. However, the need for a place to which convicts could be sent made the Englishmen think of colonizing New South Wales, as Cook had called the new land which he had discovered.

After 1775, when England could no longer send its convicts to America, the country started to look desperately for a place to begin convict colonies. On top of this need came the urgent request to find a place for the Americans who had been loyal to the British during the Revolutionary War. England had recognized the independence of the American colonies in 1783. What was now to happen to the "loyalists"?

This problem induced the English government to think seriously about finding in Australia a home for these people.

However, before anything definite was done in the matter, the Loyalists grew impatient and found their new home in Canada. The problem of the convicts still remained. With this small object in mind, it was decided to start a colony on the newly found continent. A fleet of eleven ships sailed from England in May 1788 and arrived in November of the same year. Packed away on these eleven ships were one thousand men, women and children who were to found the new colony at Botany Bay. And of these, over 700 were convicts. A thousand men, women and children had been dumped in untouched Australian bush without a roof to cover their heads.

## ABORIGINES OF AUSTRALIA

When the white man came to Australia, he found it inhabited by a black



**CAPTAIN JAMES COOK**

This statue of Captain Cook in Sydney commemorates the planting of the British flag on the Australian continent in 1770. The story of Cook's world travels inspired William Carey, the Baptist minister, to become a missionary.

people, the aborigines of Australia. There were many tribes of these people living in all parts of the continent and on the island of Tasmania. Wide variation existed in all of their physical characteristics. Opinion is divided as to whether one physical type occupied the continent, or whether three sub-types existed, comprising a frizzly-haired Negrito stock which was replaced by two Australoid strains—a stout, southern, hairy-bodied group, and a dark, northern, sparsely-haired variety. It is generally believed these "black-fellows," as the early settlers called them, had come from south-east Asia between ten and twenty thousand years ago. They evidently came as hunters and food-gatherers, traveling on rafts or in bark canoes across the island stepping stones of Indonesia and New Guinea. They were not warriors like the Maoris of New Zealand. They showed real hostility only when the white settler robbed them of their hunting grounds and destroyed the food they depended upon. The aborigines were accustomed to take whatever they found in the land. So when the white man brought stock to the continent and turned it out to grazing, these native people simply helped themselves to what they needed as food. This, of course, started trouble and in many instances great hostility.

## MISTREATMENT AND REVENGE

Often the settlers mistreated the "blackfellow." So by way of revenge, white people were killed, and the bush was set on fire whenever the white men turned their stock into it for pasture. The numbers of the natives were very small compared with the area of land over which they roamed. They were split up into small communities, and did not readily combine against a common enemy. The blackfellow's life was a hard one. He roamed through inhospitable bush or sterile plains, learning great cunning in his attempts to snare the opossum and kangaroo, but often subsisting on snakes, grubs, roots—anything, in fact, which could be chewed. He had no notion of cultivation.

Only in remote parts do we find tribal life today. There were about 275,000 aborigines in Australia when white settlements began. Today there

are about 30,000 full-bloods and 50,000 mixed bloods. The government today spends a great deal of money in giving various kinds of aid, schooling and living possibilities to these people. The churches seek to help them, both in physical and spiritual ways.

The Christian church came to Australia with the very first settlers. A man named Richard Johnson, a priest of the Church of England, was appointed to accompany the first settlers. On February 3, 1788, the second Sunday after landing, Johnson held the first service under a great tree. He not only had the first church built but paid for the construction of the same himself. Later he was re-embursed by the Home Government for this expenditure. Besides the Church of England, other Christian bodies came to Australia soon thereafter. The Presbyterian and the Methodist Churches came to Australia very early. They had no small part in encouraging and stabilizing the first settlements.

## OUR BAPTIST BRETHERN

Individual Baptists were among the first white settlers. But not until 1831 was the first attempt made to organize a Baptist church in Australia. A certain John McKaeg, a Baptist minister, had arrived from England in Sydney in April 1831. His love for souls and devotedness to his Lord soon bore fruit. Baptists were gathered together and new converts were baptized. In 1836 the first Baptist church building was erected.

More Baptists came from England. Rev. Henry Dowling, a strict Baptist minister, arrived in Tasmania in 1834 and formed a church home in the dwelling of a certain Mr. John Ware in Hobart. In 1840 the first church building was built there. Other groups formed in various parts of the great land were: Launceston, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane.

Today there are (according to 1961 statistics) 40,134 Baptists in the Baptist churches of Australia. A very aggressive home mission work is carried on. Under the slogan LEND TO BUILD the members are encouraged to loan money to the Union for Church Extension. Until about five years ago the Sunday school work was carried on with children. Since then the "All-Age Sunday School" idea has been introduced and already many churches in the six states of the Commonwealth have adopted this special missionary project. An Anglican couple told me of their community: "The Baptists are the only church that has an overflowing Sunday school."

## FOUR MISSION FIELDS

These 40,000 Baptists of Australia have foreign missionaries on four fields—India, Pakistan, Territory of New Guinea, and Netherlands New Guinea. One hundred missionaries are being supported by the Australian Baptists. That, I understand, is the highest number of missionaries per capita of



**THE KOALA BEAR**

Commonly known as the native bear of Australia, it spends most of the day sitting in the fork of a eucalyptus tree and feeds on the leaves of the tree.

any Baptist foreign mission group over the entire world.

Our Baptist brethren in Australia have four seminaries. At present the Theological College of New South Wales is being moved to a new area of Sydney. The master plan calls for 20 buildings to be erected on 12 acres. Ten buildings, at present, are being



**HARBOR BRIDGE, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA**

This bridge, completed in 1932, is the widest bridge in the world (160 feet wide) with two railway tracks, six lanes for cars, and two footways. The top of the beautiful arch of the bridge is 450 feet above the surface of the water.

## EASTER OFFERING

to be received in our churches from

**Palm Sunday, April 15, to  
Easter Sunday, April 22.**

The Easter Offering will be used for our Missionary Program and Ministry.

built, all red brick buildings of ultra-modern style. I was overwhelmed by the courage and aggressiveness of the brethren as I was shown this new work being pushed forward. At this theological college, they will be training church workers, missionaries and pastors. This is a similar program like that of our Christian Training Institute. It is expected that they will have 85 students for the first year. The seminary training is a four year course.

Besides such a marvelous missionary work at home and abroad, the Australian Baptist Union has a number of Baptist Homes for the Aged. In New South Wales the Baptist Union has three Homes and several churches have their own Home for the elderly people. Only since the Baptists here practice giving at least the tenth of their income can such a tremendous program be carried out successfully. It is most inspiring to behold such spiritual aggressiveness among our brethren of Australia.

## BILLY GRAHAM MEETINGS

In 1959 Billy Graham held meetings in Australia and New Zealand. Practically every major city was visited by Billy Graham and his party. Mr. Bruce A. King, the secretary of the Baptist Union of New South Wales, told me that the Baptist churches baptized about 1,000 converts in the year of the special Billy Graham meetings where otherwise they only baptize about 500. Our Baptist churches speak very enthusiastically about these revival meetings and hope

that Billy Graham will come back again.

The influence of Christian teaching is strongly felt throughout the land. There are no Sunday newspapers and business places are closed on Sunday. The day of the Lord is restricted, and I found the Australian people most congenial. May the Lord grant that we might profit by their great example in Australia.

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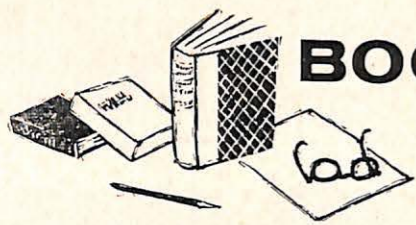
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# BOOK REVIEWS

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**INTERPRETING THE NEW TESTAMENT** by H. E. Dana and R. E. Glaze, Jr. Broadman Press—1961—165 pages—\$3.25. (Reviewed by Dr. A. J. Harms).

At a time when so many religious teachers, both false and true, appeal to the Scriptures for authentication for their doctrine, it becomes necessary to show the right and the wrong way of interpreting Scripture. Dr. Dana's excellent book, "Interpreting the New Testament" has been re-edited by R. E. Glaze, Jr., and will be found very helpful in showing the best method for interpreting Scripture.

The author gives the true objectives of interpretation, the principles to be used as guides in discovering these objectives, and a review of the process by which these principles are applied. Any minister who preaches expository sermons and stands in need of strong illustrations will find this volume very helpful. The Bibliography enables the reader to find many other sources that will be helpful in other New Testament studies.

Dr. Dana, for a number of years president of Central Baptist Seminary, was himself not only an able administrator but an outstanding preacher. His book never loses sight of the fact that most of the truths of the Bible must be presented from the pulpit. He is therefore pre-eminently the minister's interpreter.

**THE MEMOIRS CALLED GOSPELS** by G. P. Gilmour, Judson Press—1960—299 pages—\$3.50. (Reviewed by Dr. A. J. Harms).

"The Memoirs Called Gospels" is the title of a book by G. P. Gilmour that provides an excellent text for academic students who wish to know the factors constituting the background of the Bible. The author's viewpoint is that all that went before the Gospel story was preparation for it and all that followed has been interpretation of it. The writer maintains that "there is theological thought in the Bible and it is necessary to take notice of it."

Copious notes and references for each chapter in the back of the book correlate the Biblical material with historical and contemporary findings. The following is a fine example: "Scientists are much more sensitive to the limitations of science than are laymen and adolescents who feed on journalistic accounts and science fiction." Among recent interesting and hopeful books by scientists is for example, "The Immense Journey" by Loren Eiseley. Here the author says: "It must, of course, be granted that an awareness

of a Power beyond discovery or exploration, while it constitutes a religious outlook, does not necessarily involve such ideas as Incarnation and Redemption, which are central to Christian religion but not within the field of the scientist's special interest as a scientist."

Dr. Gilmour is president of McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. He is the great-grandson of John S. Gilmour, founder of the Canada Baptist College. "The Memoirs Called Gospels" is a unique and interesting survey of the Gospels, how they came into being, and what their message is for men of today.

**WHY DID CHRIST DIE?** by F. E. Marsh. Zondervan Publishing House—200 pages—\$2.95 (Reviewed by Rev. B. C. Schreiber).

Too often the minister of the Gospel is interested only in the latest book, the current thought, the contemporary scene. Truth, as they see it, must be brought up to date if it is to have meaning to our present day problems. "Why Did Christ Die?" is an older book which seems to leave us with the conviction that some truths cannot be "improved."

Since no date of publication is given, it must be taken for granted that it is a reprint of an older edition. F. E. Marsh was a contemporary of Andrew Bonar who encouraged him in his studies for the ministry. He was a speaker at the Moody Conference in 1890 and later traveled throughout Great Britain, Canada and the United States in Bible conferences. The book must have been originally published at least thirty years ago.

It is not written in the smooth journalistic form used by many writers of today, but made up in a combination of lecture, sermon, outline, exegesis and Bible study. Mr. Marsh has packed a wealth of information and inspiration in only 200 pages. The reader may receive the impression that this is a definitive edition on the Atonement. To the author, as the subtitle indicates, the death of Christ is the greatest theme in the world, and he treats this theme accordingly.

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Beginning with the question, Mr. Marsh continues with the comprehensiveness and meaning of the Atonement as it is related to Scripture, God, Christ, sin, the Holy Spirit, Satan, holiness, service and glory. Some of the poetry used in the book is quite interesting for it is seldom found in contemporary publications. Revising Shakespeare, he writes:

"To the Lord's death be true;  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou canst not then be false in anything."

**MISSIONS IN CRISIS** by Eric S. Fife and Arthur F. Glasser. Inter-Varsity Press, Chicago, 1961—269 pages, clothbound \$3.75, paperbound \$2.25. (Reviewed by Dr. R. Schilke).

"Missions in Crisis" is written with the objective of rethinking missionary strategy, which is also its subtitle. In their provocative discussion of nationalism, communism, ecumenism, and racism, the co-authors, Eric S. Fife and Arthur F. Glasser, not only point out the problem but offer suggestive solutions as well. Their strategic position afforded them a wide experience from which to draw. Eric S. Fife was Missionary Director of the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship for the past several years. Arthur F. Glasser is presently the Home Director for North America of the China Inland Mission.

Nationalism is defined as a controversial issue, peculiar to this twentieth century. "It should be appreciated, but it must also be feared. It may indicate progress, but can also herald the coming of Antichrist." Valuable suggestions are given as to missionary strategy in dealing with nationalism. The co-authors point out the lessons learned in the communist triumph in China. One of these is that "it is difficult not to conclude . . . that Protestant missionary activity in China was under the judgment of God." The severe testing of Christians in China brought new principles of missionary approach to the fore, particularly with reference to the support of the young national church. A brief history and evaluation of communism is found in chapter 6, "Ecumenical Christianity and Missions." Its good as well as its danger are pointed out. In the midst of confusion and uncertainty the only worthy center of the focus is found in "Jesus Christ who lives in the midst of his Church."

In the matter of racism, "the day of the white man's undisputed supremacy is over." This calls for new approaches, new methods and new evaluations. The voice of youth around the world is a new voice of power. To reach students is to reach the strategic.

"Missions in Crisis" will bring to every mission minded reader a better understanding of missionary work and strategy of the past and give a new directive for missionary strategy in the future. It is a *must* for mission directors and missionaries.



BY MRS. HARM SHERMAN  
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President of the  
Woman's Missionary Union.

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Her husband is an architect. They have two daughters and two sons, ranging in age from 17 to 6 years. In 1951 they emigrated to Canada and made their home in Charleswood, a suburb of Winnipeg. They are members of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church. From the very first when they came to Winnipeg, this has been their beloved spiritual home. Mrs. Schulz is active in the work of the church. At present she is president of the Woman's Missionary Society and for several years has been assistant Sunday school teacher in the "Frauenklasse" (Ladies' Class).

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**ON THE RIGHT ROAD**

By Mrs. H. J. Schultz  
of Charleswood, Manitoba

It has not been until rather recently that the Bible verse which I was given at my baptism appeared to me in all the radiance that it should have had all along. On the contrary, I had never really liked it too well.

I was 14 years old when I was baptized. Our pastor had chosen the twenty-third Psalm, and as we stepped into the water, he would give each of us a portion of this beloved Psalm. Oh, it was a most blessed night which I will

# From the Professor's Desk

By Dr. Ralph E. Powell, Professor, North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

*Specifically, what is the doctrinal importance of Christ's resurrection? Does it make any difference whether we believe in the physical resurrection of Christ, or simply in a spiritual or ideal resurrection?*

It should be stated, first of all, that the resurrection is given more space in the New Testament than any other one basic Christian truth except the death of the Lord Jesus. It is the climax and conclusion of all the gospels and is the basic theme of apostolic preaching in the Book of Acts. Every book in the New Testament declares or assumes that Christ rose from the dead. If it were removed from the New Testament, the whole doctrinal structure of Christian faith would collapse and hope would vanish.

**VICTORY OVER SIN**

The resurrection of Christ did not consist merely in the fact that he came to life again and that his body and soul were reunited. Others were raised from the dead in this manner, according to the biblical record. He is the "first-fruits" of resurrection (I Cor. 15:20) in the sense of being restored to incorruptibility, pristine strength, transcendent glory, and raised to a higher level in a spiritual body, which was a real material body. (I Cor. 15:42-44; Luke 24:39).

Christ's resurrection constituted a public declaration of the Father that the last enemy, death, has been vanquished and that the penalty for sin was fully paid and accepted, on which basis the promise of life can be made (I Cor. 15:21, 22, 55-57). If the atoning work of Christ was to be effective for man's salvation, it had to terminate in victory over sin and death, in life, not in death and the grave. The resurrection is the Father's seal on the completed work of Christ. It symbolized and is instrumentally connected with that which transpires spiritually to believers in Christ, namely, spiritual birth, justification from sin and final bodily resurrection. (Romans 4:25, 6:4, 5, 9; 8:11; I Cor. 6:14).

With regard to a literal, bodily resurrection or a merely ideal resurrection, it might be said that we cannot deny the physical resurrection of Christ without calling in question the veracity of

the writers of Scriptures, since they certainly represented it as a historical, literal fact. The Gospel accounts unequivocally teach and imply that Jesus rose in the body (Luke 24:39-43; John 20:6-9, 27), though his risen body is described as possessing supernatural capacities not shared by our ordinary bodies. (John 20:26).

Alan Richardson states: "The tomb was empty—and indeed the strongest evidence for the physical resurrection consists in the fact that the Sanhedrin did not produce the putrefying corpse of Jesus to disprove the preaching of the resurrection, although it had been buried in the garden of one of their own number."

**HISTORICITY OF SCRIPTURE**

Our belief in the historicity and trustworthiness of Scripture is thus involved. There is also an evidential aspect, since it constituted the culminating proof that Jesus was a Teacher sent from God and that he was the very Son of God. (Matt. 12:38-40; Rom. 1:4). The resurrection is an integral element in the Christian Gospel in which we believe for salvation. (Rom. 10:9-10; I Cor. 15:3, 4).

The resurrection also marks Christ's entrance upon a new, glorious and exalted life as the risen and sovereign Head of the Church and the universal Lord. This enables him to apply the fruits of his redemptive work in the lives of repentant and believing sinners.

Liberal and existential theology generally spiritualize or demythologize the resurrection in the sense of it being a symbol of the spiritual life of the new man in Christ and of the living presence of the triumphant, victorious Lord. While Bultmann frankly asserts that the resurrection itself is not an event of past history and that supernatural events cannot take place in history, Barth and Brunner are of a different opinion. They do believe in the historical fact of the resurrection, but maintain that as such it is merely a matter of history and not as a matter of doctrine. The important element for them is that in the resurrection the divine breaks into the course of history, that in it the incognito of Jesus is removed and God reveals himself to those whom he sovereignly encounters.

never forget! But . . . —yes, there was yet a "but." How I secretly wished that I could have stood a little further to the front so that I would have received that portion of the Psalm where the Lord makes you to lie down in green pastures. I kept wishing so hard that with the years I almost believed that this had really been my verse.

My own verse had very little appeal to me. To be led in the paths of right-

eousness for his name's sake, this was not my inclination. In German it reads "on the right road," and roads are dusty and you have to move along on them. How much sweeter to be tended by him in green pastures!

The Lord be praised! I have been tended in green pastures! But even more, now "he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake."

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# MARCH OF EVENTS



• A Niemoller Foundation has been created by the Evangelical Church in Hesse-Nassau, Germany to commemorate the 70th birthday of its president, Dr. Martin Niemoller, one of the newly elected six presidents of the World Council of Churches. The Foundation will be endowed with DM 30,000 (\$7,500) a year and will be used for ecumenical projects.

• President John F. Kennedy said recently that he will hold to his belief that federal aid to parochial schools is unconstitutional "unless there is a new judgment from the Supreme Court." His statement came in a press conference when he was asked to comment on a charge by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, that the administration's education aid bill—restricted to public schools—threaten "the end" of the parochial school system in the U.S.—*The Watchman-Examiner*.

• **Mormons Go East.** Mormons are stepping up a campaign to establish their church in Britain, under the direction of Marion Duff Hanks, a lawyer and one of the 38 senior "General Authorities" of the mother church in Salt Lake City. Some 1,100 young Latter-day Saints armed with street maps, "conversion kits" and tape-recorded sermons are to be deployed in systematic visitation and in youth work. They aim to get people "talking about God and religion," to add 26 more churches by July to the present 24 in the country, and to increase the number of baptisms this year to 30,000 (13,500 in 1961). The baptism course has been reduced from weeks to days. The Mormons now claim some 33,000 members in Britain where the first congregation was founded in 1837.—*Christianity Today*.

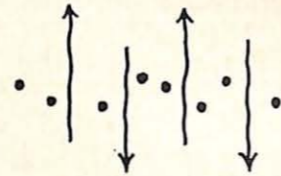
• **Bread for the World.** The Germans know from personal experience what it is to suffer want. They are therefore responsive to the needs of the world for bread. Under the name "Bread for the World" the Christian Churches in Germany have during the last few years sponsored a collection in all the churches for the provision of bread, medical care and assistance to those in need all over the world. The collection has amounted to \$5,000,000 each year since 1959. The action for 1962 got off to a good start in the great Deutschlandhalle in Berlin on December 9. Dr. Rudolf Thaut, secretary of the German Baptist Union, was one of the speakers. About 20 per cent of the contributions have come from East Germany.

• **DR. ROBERT A. COOK, NEW PRESIDENT OF KING'S COLLEGE.** Dr. Robert A. Cook of Wheaton, Ill., has been named the new president of

The King's College at Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. He succeeds the late Dr. Percy Crawford who was the founder and first president of the school until his death in 1960. Dr. Cook has become nationally known as one of the founders and early leaders of Youth for Christ International. He is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute, Wheaton College and Eastern Baptist Seminary.

He has held pastorates in Pennsylvania and Illinois. He now serves as first vice-president of the National Association of Evangelicals. The King's College is a Christian liberal arts college and has a student body of 400. It was founded by Dr. Crawford near Wilmington, Del., and was moved to its present location on the Hudson River near New York City a few years ago.

## BAPTIST BRIEFS



• **Million-Plus Attend Schools of Missions.** Schools of Missions attracted more than 1,236,000 Southern Baptists in 3,325 churches during 1961. "Many other churches would have provided schools, but the number of missionaries available limited them," said L. W. Martin, secretary of the Missionary Education Department of the Home Mission Board. The schools are sponsored jointly by state conventions and the Home and Foreign Mission Boards.

• **Baptist Students in Philippines.** Fifty-eight students were baptized recently in the outdoor fountain baptismal at Central Philippine University, Iloilo City. These baptisms followed Christian Emphasis Week in the Baptist-related elementary school, high school, and university. First decisions or decisions for baptism numbered 124; decisions of rededication were announced by 96 students. Thirty-two decided to enter full-time Christian service, reports Mrs. Joseph Lenwood Edge. Central Philippines University includes 10 colleges. It has an enrollment of 2,161.

• **Evangelism in Australia.** A new program of evangelism among recent settlers in Australia has been launched by the Baptist Union of New South Wales. Rev. J. G. Manning, the denomination's home missions superintendent, has advised churches to make a survey of their area to locate newcomers, to organize groups to call on them, and to use Bibles and other literature in the language of the immigrants. Such an evangelism campaign is already underway in Victoria where testimonies were given in five languages at a recent service for immigrants.

• **Tent Evangelism in Germany.** German Baptist tent evangelists met in Bad Sachsa, central Germany, January 16-18, to plan their work for the year, according to information received from one of their number, the Rev. Herbert Weinert. In addition to five full time evangelists, the meeting was attended by pastors who give part time to tent

evangelism and by several other church leaders. They planned 90 evangelistic campaigns for the coming summer, each for approximately two weeks, in various parts of West Germany. The Evangelical Free Church Union (mainly Baptist) sponsors the work and provides five tents, three of them seating 1000 persons each and the others 500.—*The Watchman-Examiner*.

• **Trinidad, Bolivia** — The Gold Conductor, one of Bolivia's highest honors, was recently awarded to an Australian missionary in charge of a remote jungle leprosy settlement. Walter Herron, founder of the Bolivian Indian Mission Leprosarium of Tane, received the highest distinction ever given to a foreigner in Bolivia for the "extraordinary social work he has developed in this country since 1933." According to *La Nacion*, the president of Bolivia has termed Mr. Herron's work "exceptional and of inestimable value to the Bolivian people." An airplane pilot, Mr. Herron supervises the leprosarium from his headquarters in Magdalene by flying regularly to the remote, nearly inaccessible settlement on Lake Victoria.

• **Eleven Countries at Student Conference.** HAMBURG, GERMANY—(BWA)—Seventy young people from 11 European countries attended the European Baptist Student Conference at the Jugendseminar in Hamburg, Germany, January 4-8. Robert Sommerville of France, who presided, admonished them that "the first task of students is not merely to know but to be truly Christian." Dr. Rudolf Thaut, secretary of German Baptists, told the youths that "life in this world is like being a student in God's university. The Christian does not seek martyrdom. . . but he must be ready to suffer if need be." The meeting was sponsored by the Youth Committee of the European Baptist Federation of which Sven Ohm of Sweden is secretary. Speakers included Dr. Robert S. Denny and Dr. Eric Ruden of the Baptist World Alliance.

• Rev. and Mrs. David J. Draewell of Parma, Ohio have announced the birth of a son on March 7 who has been named Timothy James. This is their first child. Mr. Draewell is pastor of the Parma Heights Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

• The Erin Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio recently appointed Rev. W. J. Luebeck, former editor of "Der Sendbote," as the assistant pastor for one year. His ministry in this capacity began on Feb. 1st. He retired from the editorship on Dec. 31, 1961. Rev. Henry Pfeifer is pastor of the Erin Avenue Church.

• Rev. Frank Armbruster has presented his resignation to the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Hoisington, Kansas and announced that he would terminate his ministry there on April 1st. He has served the Hoisington church since 1960. His plans for the immediate future are still indefinite as he and his family await God's guidance.

• Rev. David Zimmerman of Tyndall, S. Dak. underwent several operations on March 1st and 6th at the Mayo Clinic of Rochester, Minn. He was discharged about ten days later and has returned to his home in South Dakota. He is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tyndall and of the Danzig Church near Tyndall, S. Dak.

• On Sunday, March 11, Rev. Christian Peters, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elsmere, Delaware, baptized 19 persons on confession of their faith in Christ. Evangelistic services were held in the church in February with Rev. Richard Sparling of Arnold, Pa., serving as the evangelist. There was a fine response to the stirring messages. Mr. Peters wrote that "we are experiencing God's blessings in our church."

• Mr. David Rivers, Director of Religious Education and Youth Worker for the Napier Parkview Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, Mich., was licensed to preach by the church on Sunday evening, March 11. Rev. R. Shepley is serving as interim pastor of this church until another pastor is called to succeed Rev. William Hoover, now minister of the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, California.

• The Dickinson County Baptist Church, Elmo, Kansas, has extended a call to Rev. Edwin F. Walter of Junction City, Kansas to which he has given a favorable response. He has served as pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church and the Junction City Church Extension project since 1959. He will begin his ministry in the Dickinson County Church of Kansas on May 20th, succeeding Rev. J. G. Neugebauer.

• From Feb. 11 to 18 the First Baptist Church of Elk Grove, Calif., held evangelistic meetings. The evangelist, Rev. Ed Carnell of Stockton, Calif., brought the messages, as reported by Mrs. Leonard Fandrich. Prayers were heard and hearts were blessed with a number of children and one adult making decisions for Christ and experiencing the

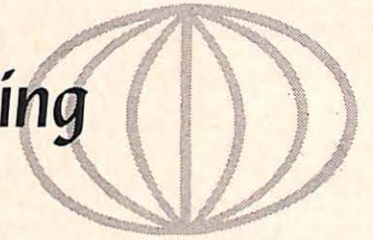
new birth into the Kingdom of God. Rev. Walter Berkan is pastor of the church.

• On Saturday evening, March 10, the Christian Couples' Class of the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., held a Foreign Exchange Student Night. Guests from various foreign countries had been invited who are currently studying at Wayne University. An inspiring program followed

union service that followed. This was another milestone in the church's history since the total membership went over the 100 mark for the first time. A Married Couples' group was recently organized and the Sunday school enrollment is continually increasing.

• On Sunday, Feb. 18, the First Baptist Church, Trenton, Ill., dedicated new communion chairs to match the communion table presented to the church

## what's happening



the dinner, at which Dr. A. Dale Ihrle, pastor of the church, served as moderator. Members of the church joined the class members in serving as gracious Christian hosts to these students.

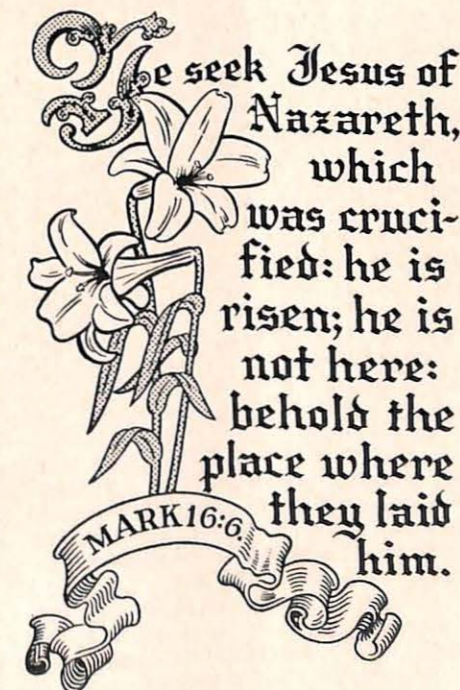
• The Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., has extended a call to Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom of West St. Paul, Minn., to which he has responded favorably. He has announced that he will begin his ministry in the Tacoma church on June 17th, succeeding Rev. Robert S. Hess, now of Peoria, Ill. Dr. W. J. Appel is serving the Calvary Church as the interim pastor. Mr. Ganstrom has been the minister of the Riverview Baptist Church of West St. Paul, Minn., since 1955.

• Recently Rev. J. Walter Goltz, pastor of the Capilano Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alta., baptized two young adults and received six new members into the church's fellowship at the com-

in 1956 by William Ahrens in memory of his 50th anniversary as a church member. The matching chairs were purchased largely with memorial gifts given by friends and relatives at the time of Mr. Ahrens' homegoing on July 7, 1961. From March 7 to 14 evangelistic services were held at the Trenton church with Rev. W. Glyn Evans of the South Seventh Street Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill., as guest speaker. Rev. J. R. Kruegel is pastor of the Trenton church.

• The Bethany Baptist Church has called as its pastor Mr. Ernie Rogalski of Winnipeg, Manitoba, a senior student in the Theological Department of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his pastorate on June 1st, succeeding Rev. Isador Faszer, now of Ashley, N. Dak. Mr. Rogalski has been a member of the McDermott Ave. Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba. On Sunday, April 1st, the Bethany Church dedicated its beautiful, new sanctuary with Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, as the guest speaker and with Rev. Isador Faszer in charge of the festive services.

• On April 4 and 5 Dr. George A. Dunger of the Seminary faculty delivered a series of lectures on "Cultural Anthropology" at Mankato State College, Mankato, Minn. This is a college of about 5,000 students. The lectures were sponsored by the National Science Foundation implemented by the American Anthropological Association of which Dr. Dunger is "a fellow." The subjects of his lectures were: "African Nationalism," a convocation address to several thousand students; "African Ethnology and Cultural Minorities;" "The Social Scientist in Africa" (round table discussion); "Geography as a Cultural Determinant in Africa"; "The Dream of Ghana" (an address to a model United Nations Assembly of students); and "The African Family in Cultural Conflict" (address to the social studies club).



# The Shattered Wall

The tangled threads of human lives are woven together into a moving tapestry of emotion and drama.

By Sallie Lee Bell

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## SYNOPSIS

Dr. Harlan Rawlins, a young physician, was praised for his skill in performing a difficult operation. He was so busy with his profession that he could not be serious about any girl. He started dating Helen Warren, a very pretty nurse, even though she was going rather steady with Roger Edwards. But she assured him that there was nothing seriously between herself and Roger. However, the two men got into a fight over the girl. Mr. Edwards was struck down and was left unconscious. Dr. Rawlins decided to leave town. He abandoned his car and took a bus to the strange sounding town, "River's End." He took an assumed name, Howard Ramsey, and got a job in a snack bar on the ferry boat. There he met a girl, Deidre Fleming, who lived in Westwego, across the river, and worked in the Sunset Cafe. He struck up a friendship with her and they had several dates together. She was bringing sunshine into his gloomy existence. One evening they went to a school festival where they had their fortunes told and enjoyed the program together. Harlan tried to kiss her before bidding her good night, but she drew away. Then he asked her to go for a canoe ride with him in a few days. "I'll think about it," she said, and murmured good night.

## CHAPTER EIGHT

HE STOOD THERE for a while, thinking after she had left him. What kind of a kiss had he intended to give her? Was it just a careless kiss, like all the others he had given in the past? No, it wasn't, he admitted. He had wanted her lips more than he had wanted the kiss of any other girl. He had not really cared about those other kisses. They were either expected or he had kissed on the impulse and neither had meant anything to him, but the kiss he had wanted from her was something which he had never experienced before, a longing for something he had never had before. It couldn't be that he was really falling in love with this girl from out of nowhere, who had dropped into his life and brought a glimmer of sunshine.

He mustn't let that happen. There could be no future, with love and peace for him. Perhaps he'd better not see her again. But that was impossible.

Facing the dark days without hope of seeing her again and responding to the pleasure of listening to her talk, seeing her attractive smile, admiring her lovely face, was more than he could contemplate. If he was playing with fire, he'd have to take the risk. If he was burned, he'd have to endure the pain when it came. What would that be in comparison to all that he had already suffered?

Harlan ate most of his dinners at the Sunset Cafe, even though it was expensive with his small salary. The dinner hour was the only bright spot in an otherwise dull day. Though he wasn't able to talk to Deidre very much, he could at least get in a word with her now and then and he could sit there and look at her as she flitted about the room waiting on the other customers.

Though he felt that he shouldn't be letting himself drift so dangerously toward loving her, he was so desperately lonely that he couldn't resist the opportunity to see her as often as possible.

They went for a canoe ride when she was off early enough or they sat in the park by the side of the lake, or else, though they laughed when they did it, they rode back and forth on the ferry. They would sit up in the front of the upper deck, as far from the other passengers as possible. There were not many passengers crossing after working hours, so they were not often disturbed by crowds. He wished that he could save enough to make a down payment on a car, for he missed his terribly, but there seemed little hope of that as long as he kept his present job.

He decided that he'd better look for something better, for, if he was going to remain at River's End, he would have to do something to improve his financial

condition. He had left the hotel and was living in a rooming house on one of the side streets. It was in a better section of the town. It was farther from the ferry, but he didn't mind that and the room was more attractive as well as being cheaper.

One afternoon as he was returning to his room to change his clothes and get ready to meet Deidre, he saw a car coming toward him at a rapid speed. Just as it neared the corner, a little girl ran out into the street after a ball. The driver didn't see her until he was almost upon her. He swerved to try to miss her, but she stood there rooted to the spot, paralyzed by fear. The car knocked her down and the driver, in panic, turned the corner and sped away, leaving the child lying there bleeding and unconscious.

Several people who saw the accident ran to where the child was and Harlan hurried to the spot with them. They were crowded around the unconscious child, wondering what they should do while different ones offered suggestions.

Acting upon pure impulse, the doctor in Harlan came to life and he proceeded without thought of anything but that a child's life was in danger and that moments counted. He could see that her upper arm was cut deeply and that she was bleeding profusely as if an artery had been severed.

He brushed those aside who stood in his way and knelt beside the still form. He took out his handkerchief and applied a tourniquet, then he turned to those standing near.

"Help me lift her carefully and support her head and let's get her inside," he said.

He directed them to his rooming house a few doors away and they laid the child upon a couch in the living room. The landlady came in at once to see what was happening and he

turned to her and said, "Please get some boiling water at once and if you have any rubbing alcohol or any other kind, get it to me. Every minute counts."

He ran upstairs and got his instrument bag and returned with it. He had the center table cleared off and had the child lifted carefully to it. Then he got out his instruments and laid them out on another small table nearby.

"What are you going to do?" someone asked.

"I'm going to ligate that artery before the child bleeds to death," he said without even looking up from what he was doing.

Subconsciously he was back in the operating room at the hospital where a patient's life hung in the balance and when every moment counted, where he had worked so often on the night shift, striving desperately to save lives that were ebbing away.

"Someone call the doctor," said one of the people standing by.

"I phoned both doctors and they are off on cases," another said. "The old doc is in bed sick."

"Is there a hospital here?" Harlan asked as he took the bottle of alcohol and began to prepare for the operation. The child was still unconscious and her pulse was faint. He knew that she had a concussion, though, of course, he couldn't tell how bad it was.

"There's a hospital over in Westwego," someone told him.

"Then phone for the ambulance to come over and pick her up as soon as possible," Harlan told him.

He had no time to further sterilize his instruments, but he knew that they had been put in the case in which he always carried them. His gloves were also sterilized, so he had to take the chance that nothing had contaminated them while he rubbed his hands with the alcohol which the landlady had brought and then put them on. With the surgical apron which he always carried in his bag and the gloves on, while he handled the instruments so deftly, he was once more the efficient surgeon, though he wasn't conscious of what he looked like or what the effect his appearance might have made on the group surrounding him.

He waved them back and asked the landlady to stand by and give him the instruments when he asked for them. He had her rub her hands with alcohol. It was the best he could do. He opened the wound a little deeper so that he could get at the severed artery, then with the skill of which he had been so proud in the past, but for which there was no thought now, he ligated the artery, then closed the wound and dressed it.

Just then the parents of the child rushed into the room. When the mother saw her child lying there so still, she uttered a heartbroken cry.

"My baby is dead! She's dead! Who did this to her?"

Her husband put his arms around her while someone told them what had happened.

"This doctor saved her life," someone else said. "He sure worked fast, for she was bleeding something terrible."

The father of the child turned to Harlan as he was removing his apron and gloves.

"Thank you, Doctor, and God bless you for what you have done. She is our only child."

"I'm glad that I was able to do what I could for her," Harlan said. "She isn't out of danger yet. She will need blood transfusions and I don't know how bad that concussion is. She will need careful nursing and supervision which she can only get at the hospital. The ambulance has been called."

"How can I ever repay you for what you've done?" the man said as his voice shook with emotion.

His wife was standing by the little girl's side, crying softly.

"I've already been paid, if I've been able to save her life," Harlan told him.

He turned to the others who still stood there with curious eyes upon them and said, "Thank you for your help, but suppose you leave us while we wait for the ambulance."

They left and the landlady and the parents of the child waited with Harlan for the arrival of the ambulance.

"My name is William Barton," the father said. "She is little Marjorie," he said, indicating the child. "Meet my wife," he added.

Harlan acknowledged the introduction, then told them his name.

"Mr. Ramsey is a newcomer," the landlady offered. "I didn't know he was a doctor."

"Don't call me doctor, please," Harlan said. "I can't lay claim to that title."

"But you had all of those instruments and how could you do such wonderful work on that child if you're not a doctor?" she asked in surprise. "I never saw anyone do a better piece of work and I've seen doctors work before. You worked as if you weren't even thinking of what you were doing and you weren't nervous like I've seen some other doctors in times like that. I used to work in a hospital and I've seen lots."

"I was in the medical corps when I was in training," he said. "I have always loved medicine and I helped a lot in emergency cases. I had to have this kit always on hand, so I got the habit of taking it with me. I'm glad that I had it here now. I hope the little girl pulls through. I think she will," he added hopefully.

"My wife and I were visiting friends down the street," Mr. Barton told Harlan. "We thought the children were playing in the back yard. I didn't know what happened until a neighbor came in and told us that she had been hurt."

Just then the ambulance arrived and Mr. Barton asked Harlan if he would go with them to the hospital.

"I'll feel better if you'll go with us," he said.

Harlan agreed to go and the two men got into the back of the station wagon which had been converted into an ambulance, while Mrs. Barton rode

in front with the driver. There was no intern to assist the driver with the patient so it was well that Harlan was with them.

When they reached the hospital and the child was taken to a room and put to bed, Harlan met the doctor in charge. Two doctors owned the hospital and their staff was quite limited. It was a typical small town hospital, with a minimum of help, but with sufficient equipment to take care of the patients.

"I didn't take time for an examination, except to see that there didn't seem to be a skull fracture," Harlan said. "I ligated the severed artery, but I didn't close the wound entirely. I thought it best to leave it so that if any infection should come you could attend to it. I had to work under emergency conditions."

"You were fortunate to be able to do what you did, Doctor," the doctor said. "I'm Dr. Mead. My partner is Dr. Saunders. We'd be glad to have you come in and look in on the case whenever you wish."

The doctor had already ordered blood plasma and the nurse was preparing the patient for it.

"I'm just plain Howard Ramsey, not doctor," Harlan told him. "I shall be glad to be able to come and see the little girl occasionally."

"But the work you did, your conversation, the language of a physician. I thought you were one," Dr. Mead remarked in surprise.

"Just practice I got in the army," Harlan told him. "I loved the work and had a lot of practice helping in emergencies."

"You'd make a wonderful doctor," Dr. Mead said. "Why don't you study medicine?"

"At my age?" Harlan scoffed. "I'd be senile before I finally got my degree. Besides, it takes money, which I don't possess."

"I'll be seeing you again," Mr. Barton said as Harlan prepared to leave. "I'll never forget what you did for little Marjorie."

"I'd like to see you again," Harlan told him, then he said good-by and left.

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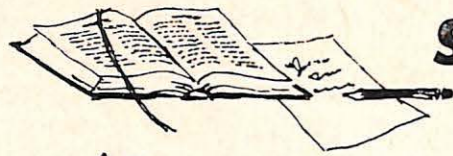
## WE THE WOMEN

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Every single word in this verse now seems to me heavy with significance. Recently I have come to know the meaning of the word "for his name's sake" by reading through the Prophet Ezekiel. I feel like falling down before him to worship him saying, "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive all glory and honor and power."

No merit of my own—but all his grace "for his name's sake."

Dear sisters in the Lord, do you still just enjoy lying in green pastures? Get up and be led on by him on whatever road of service he has for you! The outcome is sure, for he leadeth you "on the right road" for his name's sake.



# sunday school lessons

REV. B. C. SCHREIBER, FOREST PARK, ILLINOIS

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 22, 1962

Theme: CHRIST REIGNS (Easter)

Scripture: Hebrews 1:1-12

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** Sorrow at a grave is temporary while joy in the resurrection is eternal.

**INTRODUCTION:** While a Christian missionary was preaching, he was interrupted by a Mohammedan who said: "We have more proof of our religion than you have of yours. When we go to Medina, we can see the tomb of Mohammed, but when you go to Jerusalem, you are not certain about the tomb of Jesus."

"You are right," replied the missionary. "But the reason Christianity has no tomb is because it has no corpse."

On this Easter Sunday we are reminded again that we serve a living and reigning Saviour. A religion that has no resurrection has no life. Christianity is distinctive because its foundation is built on the life and teaching of Jesus, on his death and on his resurrection. We have a complete salvation in this life and in the life to come. Someone said that without a resurrection the Christian faith would be the Messiah bet but no omega.

### I. THE INCOMPLETE REVELATION OF GOD. Hebrews 1:1.

Hebrews is sometimes referred to as the great unsigned letter of the New Testament. Although we are not sure of the author, we know that he must have been inspired of God to write such an important letter. The Epistle gives us many deep insights concerning the Old Testament and the New. The Author makes a wonderful comparison of the law and the prophets and shows why God was limited in revealing himself to man. God is limited not by what he is, but by what man is. We can understand our limitations better in the light of what Jesus said to his disciples: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now."

### II. THE COMPLETE REVELATION OF GOD. Hebrews 1:2-7.

We cannot imagine a better and more wonderful God than the God we see in Jesus Christ. If anyone would ever think of starting a new religion, he would have to live a more godly life than Jesus of Nazareth.

The writer of Hebrews gives us a picture of the full revelation which includes his birth, his atonement, his resurrection and his heavenly intercession. Since an angelic revelation was considered to be the most authoritative that could come from heaven, the au-

thor makes it a point to show how much more important the revelation of God was through his Son. An angel is a ministering spirit, but Christ is God incarnate.

### III. THE UNCHANGING CHRIST. Hebrews 1:8-12.

Because God revealed himself in various ways in times past, some may have had the impression that God changes. The Epistle to the Hebrews makes it clear that God is the same yesterday, today and forever. And the Christ who died on the Cross is the same who rose again from the dead, and who now reigns in the Church and in the hearts of all true believers, and who will someday reign over the kingdoms of this world.

#### QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. With all sin and evil in the world, how can we say that it is God who rules the world?
2. If God has revealed himself completely in Christ, does that mean that revelation has stopped?
3. How does the Epistle to the Hebrews make the message of Easter more meaningful?

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 29, 1962

Theme: A DISCIPLINED FAITH

Scripture: Hebrews 10:23-25; 12:1-7; 11-14.

**THE CENTRAL TRUTH:** If your faith is important to you, then you will make every effort to keep it and to cultivate it.

**INTRODUCTION:** All of us would like to have a strong and mature faith. But not every one is willing to cultivate a strong faith through prayer and discipline. When Jesus told his disciples to forgive a brother seven times a day, they were so surprised that they said: "Lord, increase our faith" (Luke 17:5). Practicing so much forgiveness demands discipline, and they were aware of a grave weakness in their faith.

We sometimes think of the disciples of Jesus and the churches in apostolic times as a glorious time in the history of the Christian Church. We forget that these people had human qualities. There was weakness and apathy, doubt and fear, just as we have it today among ourselves. And whether it is two years or two thousand years after the

"There is plenty of room at the top, but there is no elevator to take you there; you must know how to climb."—The Beam

resurrection of Christ, the demands for a strong faith in God remain the same. Although the disciples were closer to Christ physically, they still had to go through the same spiritual discipline to achieve a vital and meaningful faith to help them overcome the world.

### I. STRONGER FAITH THROUGH FELLOWSHIP. Hebrews 10:23-25.

As Christians we are not independent, but interdependent. We help each other and at the same time we need each other. These early Christians had a tiny fellowship in a vast area of idolatry. If they failed to gather together for prayer and worship, it made it difficult for them to stir up one another to love and good works. Holding fast the profession of their faith as individuals was no easy task if they forsook the assembling of themselves together.

### II. STRONGER FAITH THROUGH WITNESSES. Hebrews 12:1.

This verse looks back to the heroes of faith mentioned in chapter 11. These witnesses were persons of great faith that came out of discipline, and if they could be victorious, so can we. But we must be willing to make the same sacrifices they did and to surrender everything that hinders our seeking a stronger faith.

### III. STRONGER FAITH THROUGH CHRIST. Hebrews 12:2, 3.

All of the other helps to faith will do us little good unless they lead us to the upward look—"looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." Our suffering and discipline and sacrifice are nothing when compared to that which Christ took upon himself. He did it all in order to give us a faith that will never fail.

### IV. STRONGER FAITH THROUGH DISCIPLINE. Hebrews 12:4-14.

All of the above are mentioned in order to make our discipline look more worthwhile and to see its necessity. Discipline is not an end in itself. It is simply a means of helping us reach the goal, which is a strong and mature faith. Many Christians make too much of what they must give up and not enough of what they will gain. The more difficult the time of testing the more glorious the victory.

#### QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. If faith is a gift of God, why must it be disciplined?
2. What is the difference between a faith that you hold and a faith that holds you?
3. In what ways do we look to Jesus as the pioneer of our faith?

# General Sunday School Committee Session

By Mr. Arthur Smith of Millet, Alberta, vice-president of the Sunday School Union

**T**HE SUNDAY SCHOOL Union Executive and the C. B. Y. F. met in a joint meeting on Thursday evening, Feb. 15, to review some of the structural work under the new Department of Christian Education, which was organized at the General Conference in Minneapolis, Minn. Our churches will have an opportunity during 1962, at the local conferences, to elect a local Conference Committee on Christian Education which, through representation, will receive projected plans to help you in your local church with childrens, youth and adult work.

The Sunday School Union Committee then met on Feb. 16 and 17 to review the work of our Sunday schools in the nine local conferences and there to work out an acceptable program for the year 1962. Four new members were welcomed to the Sunday School Committee: Rev. Allan Strohschein representing the Dakota Conference; Rev. Richard Sparling, the Eastern Conference; Rev. Milton Falkenberg, the Northern; and Rev. Robert Zimbelman, the Northwestern Conference.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL STANDARD HANDBOOK

Many of our churches have ordered and are using the Sunday School Standard Handbook. It should be in the hands of all teachers and officers. The Committee encourages the use of the Handbook in leadership training courses. Get your copy from the Roger Williams Press at 35c per copy or three copies for \$1.00. Use the Handbook to promote your Sunday school program, and then at the end of the Sunday school year don't forget to fill out the Achievement Report and send it to the Department of Christian Education, Post Office Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

The general secretary reported that the "Stay for Church" program was well received by our churches. By this time you have the new program for Sunday school expansion called, "Be a P. R." We urge the Sunday schools to use these materials since they are UNDATED and should fit well into any date that you would desire to use for an extension campaign in your Sunday school. We need to launch forth in a vigorous program if our churches are to record growth.

The key toward solving many of the problems in our local church program of Christian Education is training leaders. We are grateful to the 73 churches that reported leadership training courses in which 896 persons received certificates. The Christian Leadership Training Curriculum brochure has been revised and many new books have been added. If you do not have a copy, you may get one by writing to Forest Park.

There was an enrollment of 30 at the Christian Adult Education Workshop, which was held at our Seminary in Sioux Falls, May 20 to 25, 1961. Another such workshop is scheduled at the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, Alberta, May 14 to May 18, 1962.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL EVANGELISM

The Sunday School Committee goes on record in promoting comprehensive evangelism for North American Baptist churches, as outlined by Rev. Daniel Fuchs, director of evangelism and Church Extension. The packet on "Comprehensive Evangelism" is ready and may be procured for the nominal sum of 25 cents. Up to February 15, we can report only 3000 Church Extension Builders.

Miss Ruth Bathauer, director of children's work, informed us that a new feature in material will be sent to our churches this year for use in

# Pastors' and Deacons' Clinics

Report of Three Important Clinics Held for Dakota Conference Churches by Rev. J. C. Gunst, Central District Secretary

**A**NOTHER SUCCESSFUL year for Pastors' and Deacons' Clinics in the Dakota Conference area is history. Only this year the clinics have been enlarged to include instruction and discussion periods for the pastors' wives, the deacons' wives, and the church deaconesses.

The first clinic was held at the newly recognized Temple Baptist Church, Lemmon, S. Dak. The clinic included all churches of the western Dakotas and Montana.

The second clinic for all central Dakota Churches, was held at the Grace Church, Gackle, N. Dak. Although the cold and snowy weather threatened, an unusually large representation from all churches took advantage of the fine program.

Bethel Church, Harvey, N. Dak., was host to the third clinic held for all northern North Dakota churches. Eighteen churches were represented.

In all three clinics about 300 pastors and their wives, deacons and their wives, as well as a goodly number of deaconesses, enjoyed the well prepared programs under the capable leadership of guest instructors and a program committee. An excellent program based on some of the following topics had been prepared: "The Calling of a Pastor," "The Response of the Pastor to the Call," "The Relationship Between Pastor and Deacon," and "The Pas-

tor and Deacons as Co-Laborers." All these subjects were treated in class periods at which time the well-qualified instructor and discussion leader was our Executive Secretary, Dr. Frank H. Woyke.

For the Deacons' Class sessions, subjects on "The Divine Purpose of the Lord's Supper" and "The Significance of the Ordinance of Baptism" were taught by the Northern District secretary, Rev. William Sturhahn.

For the pastors' and deacons' wives the following striking topics were taught and discussed: Ministers' wives: "Helpmeet of the Minister," "Ministers' Wives in Church Related Work," "Visitation," "The Relationship to the Deacon's Wife" and similar subjects for the deacons' wives. These were alternating class periods taught respectively by the Central District secretary, Rev. J. C. Gunst, and Mrs. Emil Becker, former pastor's wife, now matron of the Bismark Baptist Home.

The full day's activities concluded with an inspirational message by one of the guest speakers. All those in attendance at the clinics voted enthusiastically for a continuation of the clinics next year. Each area has elected a pastor and deacon to serve as a member of the Program Committee for the 1963 clinics.

# OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

## Western District

### Winter Highlights at Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon

The young people of Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon, participated in the morning and evening services during Youth Week, Jan. 28 to Feb. 4th. The week's activities included a Fireside Party after church service; Youth Visitation; a Family Film Night showing the color film entitled "The Power of the Resurrection"; and the "Spaghetti Whirl" banquet with the guest speaker, Rev. John Binder, assistant secretary of the Department of Christian Education. The Baptist Men of Trinity Church sponsored their traditional Sweetheart Dinner on Feb. 5th, which was enhanced this year with new ideas in food and musical numbers, and the characteristic wit of Dr. Paul Gebauer as speaker.

The Woman's Missionary Groups of the church have met in two reorganizational sessions in January and February. The women's group, formerly Deborah Circle, Dorcas Guild and the Woman's Missionary Society, is now divided into circles named for precious stones in the Bible. We ask the Lord's blessing on our newly-elected president, Mrs. Alice Pohl, and the officers and circle chairmen. On Sunday evening, Feb. 11, we welcomed to our pulpit Rev. Albert Wardin who showed pictures and lectured on the things he had experienced last summer on his extensive tour of Europe, including Soviet Russia.

Mrs. Miriam Krueger, Reporter

## Northern District

### Leduc Church Women Visit Indian Reserve, Alberta

On Thursday, Feb. 1, thirteen members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta visited an Indian Women's Meeting on the Bull Reserve. There were 24 women present that day, all busy with some type of sewing. While Mrs. R. Neuman conducted the sewing session, we went on a tour of part of the reserve in true Indian fashion—with a team of horses and a bobsleigh. After the tour we all met together for a devotional period, closing the meeting with a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee.

Before returning home, Rev. R. Neuman, missionary, took us to the home of a very sick Indian grandmother. We sang several hymns and Brother Neuman prayed with her. We trust that through the Spirit of God she was strengthened. We are all truly grateful that God is using Rev. and Mrs. R. Neuman to carry on such an effective ministry among the Indians. Let us continue to pray for them!

Mrs. Helen Siewert, Reporter

### Youth Week Activities, Baptist Church, Morris, Man.

Youth Week at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Morris, Manitoba was a time of Christian fellowship and much spiritual enrichment. Night after night as our young people met in various activities each individual realized that he, as a representative of the Lord Jesus Christ, had a mission to perform.

A banquet on Saturday evening climaxed the week's activities. Our theme, "So Send I You," was emphasized in the way the auditorium was decorated. A huge mural of a lighthouse throwing out a beam of light across the foam capped waves hung in the front, pointing out to all that Christ, our Pilot, is sending us out into the sea of life.

Our guest speaker, Professor Edwards, a Professor of Law at the University of Manitoba, challenged us deeply with a message on "going a little farther with Christ." In order to be sent, our lives must be lived daily according to the will of God. This can only be done when we as young people solemnly say: "Not my will but thine be done in all things."

Bernieta Paschke, Reporter

### Evangelistic Meetings, Temple Church, Medicine Hat, Alta.

Special meetings were held in the Temple Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alberta from Feb. 4 to 11 with Rev. Floyd Dalzell as evangelist. The services were well attended every evening. Special numbers were rendered by the choir, duets and quartets. Mr. Dalzell's singing and playing on his guitar, stories for the children, and his messages were an inspiration to all.

On Jan. 28 an impressive service was held in our church, dedicating the painting in the baptistry that was given in loving memory of Mr. Donald Wittig. He will be remembered for his faithfulness and willingness to serve his Savior. At the same service a pulpit chair was dedicated in memory of Mr.



Rev. Walter Stein, (left), pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Sterling Township, Mich., and 14 persons whom he baptized on confession of their faith in Christ.

Herman Semrau, who was over 100 years of age.

The Ladies' Mission Circle held a birthday social in the church parlor. The twelve tables were tastefully decorated according to each month of the year. The speakers for the evening were Mr. Edwin Lautermilch and Mr. Grant Williams, after which a delicious lunch was enjoyed by everyone present. The offering for the evening amounted to \$71.46, which was designated for missions.

Mrs. L. Biffert, Reporter

## Eastern District

### Mortgage Burning Ceremony, German Church, Benton Harbor

On Saturday, Feb. 10, members and friends of the First German Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Mich., gathered for the joyful occasion of burning the mortgage. Rev. Wm. Hoover of the Napier Parkview Baptist Church and Rev. L. H. Broeker of the First Baptist Church of St. Joseph brought greetings and brief messages. Adolf Sauer, chairman of the board of trustees; Reinhard Pelzer, chairman of the board of deacons; and Emil Wolf, vice moderator, participated in the mortgage burning ceremony with the pastor, Rev. W. W. Knauf, offering the prayer.

In the church dining room members and friends gathered for a fellowship supper and a brief program in observance of this memorable occasion. In this atmosphere, others brought greetings and their best wishes for the future. The church is grateful to God for permitting us to achieve this in approximately 3½ years.

W. W. Knauf, Pastor

### Baptismal Service at Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Michigan

We of the Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Sterling Township, Mich., can say: God has been with us all the way; we thank him for all the blessings. On Oct. 29, 1961 we were recognized by a council and we now enjoy affiliation with our great denomination. Under Rev. Walter Stein's leadership we are united in a wonderful Christian spirit. We were able to build a well equipped nursery, which has been put to use to the delight of our young mothers. Last fall we conducted a revival meeting with Rev. De Renzo as evangelist. A number of persons confessed Christ as their Savior. Since we had no baptistry, we asked God for wisdom and he encouraged us to build one. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, our beloved editor, witnessed our preparations for our baptismal service on Sunday, Jan. 21, when he spent a whole day with us, serving, inspiring and encouraging us.

Feb. 4th was a very important date in the history of our church. Rev. W. Stein baptized 14 persons on confession of their faith. Our hearts were touched watching this wonderful event, that young and old, the oldest 78 years of age, experienced the grace of God. Our baptistry built of plywood and heavily reinforced will be put to use often, God willing. After its use, the baptistry is hoisted up and forms a false ceiling in our choir room, concealed in a very practical way. Our membership has climbed above the 100 mark.

Robert von Nolting, Reporter

### Baptismal Service, Walnut Street Church, Newark, N. J.

Recently Rev. Gordon Huisinga, pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Newark, N. J., had the blessed joy of baptizing seven persons who had accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Among the group were a mother and daughter. We humbly thank God for his redeeming grace. Our pastor conducted a Christian Instruction Class and God blessed his efforts for Christ.

After the baptism, all seven were given the right hand of fellowship as we observed the Lord's Supper "in remembrance of him." Those who were baptized are (left to right) in the accompanying picture: Mrs. Lilinko, Mrs. Catena, Virginia Lilinko, Linda Rufino, Lucy and Bianco Carbonell and Janice Wagner.

Mrs. Harry Williams, Reporter

## Central District

### Welcome to Pastor and Family Bismarck, North Dakota

On Sunday, Feb. 4, Dr. M. Vanderbeck brought his interim ministry to a close at the Bismarck Baptist Church, Bismarck, N. Dak. His ministry was very greatly appreciated and his messages were an inspiration and challenge to us all. On Sunday evening of the same date, the church held a reception for the new pastor, Rev. Allan Strohschein, and family, with Dr. M. Vanderbeck presiding. Words of welcome were given by Arnold Franke, representing the deacons; Willard Auch, trustees; Arthur Mehrer, Sunday school; Mrs. Alvin Bauer, Woman's Missionary Society; Edith Erickson, CBYF; and Raymond Kiemele, The Crusaders. A musical program was also given by various groups of the church.

The charge to the pastor as well as the charge to the church were given by Dr. M. Vanderbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Strohschein responded to the welcome and charge. Afterwards all present gathered in the lower auditorium for a time of fellowship where we were able to meet our new pastor and his wife.

Mrs. Arthur Mehrer, Reporter

### Annual Program, Woman's Missionary Society, Lehr, N. Dak.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Lehr, N. Dak., presented its annual program on Sunday evening, Feb. 18th. This program featured the pageant entitled, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. There were also several special numbers in song. Mrs. E. S. Fenske, our president, who was in charge of the program welcomed the audience. The Berlin society as well as members of the church were invited. Mrs. Jake Schopp, our secretary, read the annual report.

Our money was divided as follows: upkeep for Home for the Aged at Bismarck and infirmary, Church Extension, White Cross, Seminary library fund, Japanese home for missionaries and the nursing home at Belo in Africa. Following the program, all went to the church parlors where lunch was served and an hour of fellowship was enjoyed. We are truly grateful to our Lord for the many blessings of the past year,

April 12, 1962



Seven persons baptized at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Newark, New Jersey, by the pastor, Rev. Gordon Huisinga (not shown).

we are striving to live for him more abundantly.

Mrs. Jacob Schopp, Secretary

### Youth Week Programs, Baptist Church, Lehr, North Dakota

We of the CBY Fellowship of Lehr, N. Dak., closed the year 1961 with a Christmas pot-luck supper, at which time we also had our business meeting and election of new officers. A film was shown, after which we went caroling together with the young people of the Lehr Evangelical United Brethren Church. Our total gain during 1961 was six new members.

During Youth Week we held three services. Themes were as follows: "Go Build Churches" and "So Send I You." For this second service the Napoleon young people and their pastor and wife joined us. Rev. Robert R. Hoffman was our speaker. A fellowship hour followed in the church parlors. On Sunday night, Feb. 4, our theme was, "Prayer Requisites." This was a panel discussion. All Youth Week meetings were well attended and greatly enjoyed by the audiences. Our offerings were designated for Church Extension, our Japanese exchange student at Sioux Falls and missions.

Paulette George, Reporter



Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Huether of Wessington Springs, S. Dak., at their golden wedding anniversary celebration. They are members of the Immanuel Baptist Church.

### Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. J. Huether

On Sunday, Feb. 4, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Huether were honored at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Wessington Springs, S. Dak., on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Their sons and their families were hosts to 200 guests at a lovely reception following a program opened by the pastor, Rev. Thomas Lutz, with Scripture and a devotional. Other selections were given by friends, relatives and grandchildren of the honored couple.

Mr. Huether, a retired farmer, was born in Russia and came to America in his youth and settled near Bridgewater, S. Dak., where he met his wife, Louise Heitzman. They were married in 1912, and have lived in Wessington Springs since their retirement and are members of the Immanuel Baptist Church. They have three sons: Walter of Wessington Springs, Leonard of Huron, Irvin of Brookings, S. Dak. They have 13 grandchildren.

Ruth Fuller, Reporter

### Pastor Called, Carroll Ave. Church, Dallas, Texas

We of the Carroll Ave. Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas were privileged to have Rev. J. C. Gunst, our District Secretary, with us for a recent evening service. Laymen's Sunday was observed by our church and messages were brought by Rev. Gerald Neugebauer and Mr. H. F. Steindam. A farewell reception was held for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nuss, III. Henry was called to the service of our country, and at present 1st Lt. Nuss is stationed at Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

A bountiful supply of canned and staple goods was donated by our church to the Union Gospel Mission. It is also our privilege to hold services once a month at this mission.

Recently our church voted to relocate, this move to be made with the cooperation of the Church Extension Committee of the denomination. A call was extended to Dr. Louis R. Johnson or Kankakee, Ill., to which he has responded favorably, beginning his ministry here next July. Our present pastor, Rev. Clemence Auch, will serve as interim pastor until Dr. Johnson assumes his duties here.

Mrs. Edward Grinke, Reporter

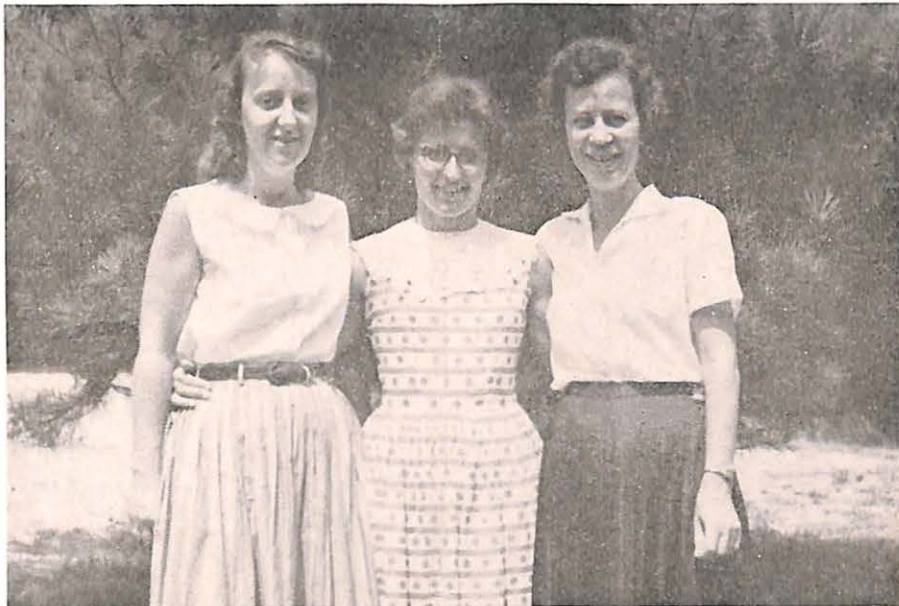


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