

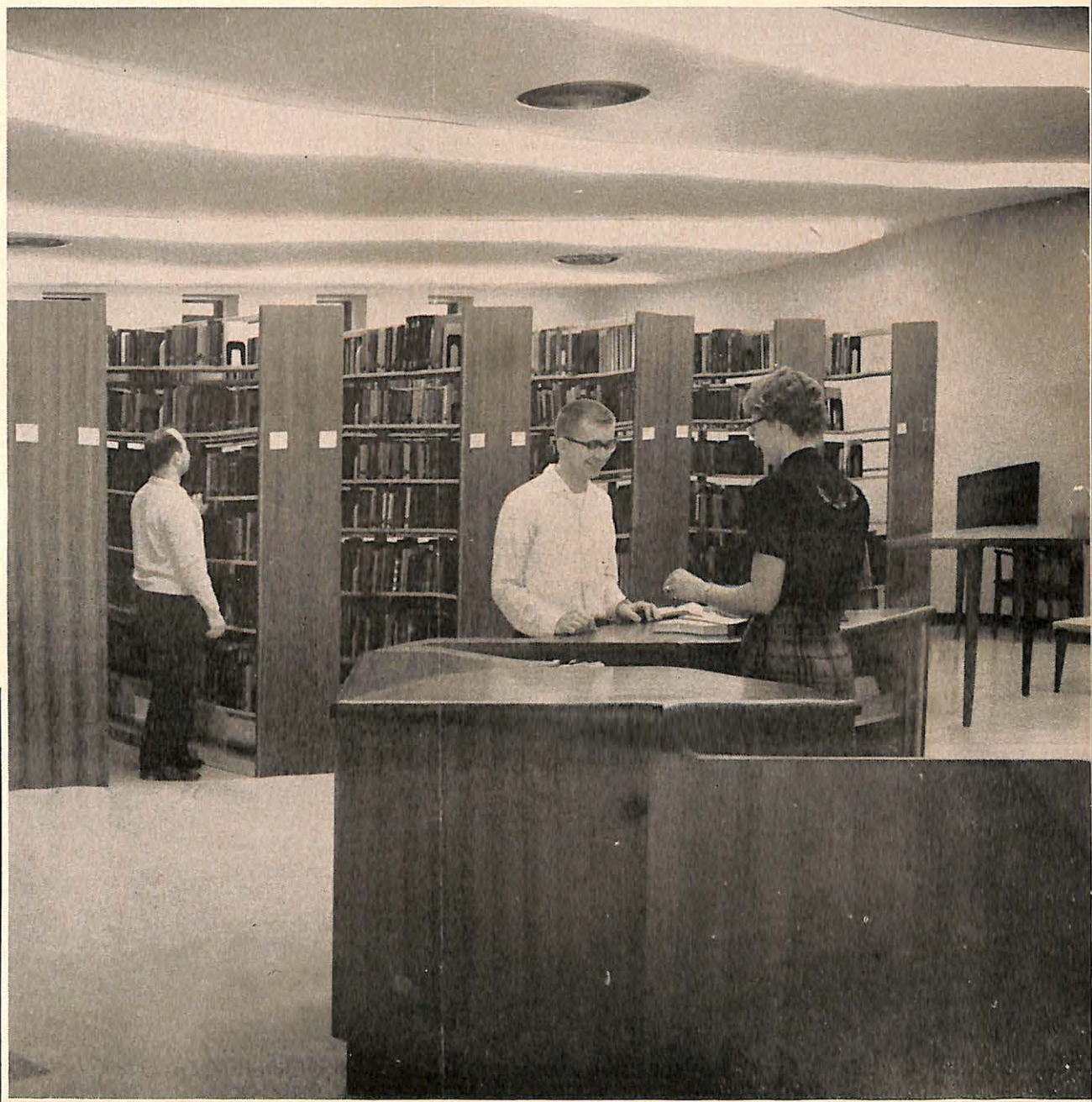
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# In the Days of Youth

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." (Eccl. 12:1.)

**YOUTH** is a time of accomplishment. Much has been achieved in our world by young men and young women, and many of the great deeds of our time will be done by the youth of today.

Most of you who read these lines at the beginning of this new year are in the morning of life, which is much like the dawn of day—"full of purity and imagery and harmony." You are well and strong and have no aches and pains. You are full of courage and hope and are surrounded with more opportunities than ever offered themselves to any other generation which has ever lived. The pages of history are filled with the records of the accomplishments of the great and good and wise and mighty, and these are largely the doings of youth.

Benjamin Franklin was writing for publication at sixteen.

At twenty-two George Whitefield was one of the world's greatest preachers.

Dwight L. Moody was preaching at eighteen, and Charles Spurgeon at sixteen.

William Cullen Bryant wrote "Thanatopsis" at eighteen. Robert Southey was famous at the same age. John Milton wrote one of his best poems at the age of twenty-two.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was professor of modern languages at nineteen, a much-loved poet at twenty-six.

Robert Burns was a gifted writer at sixteen.

William Gladstone belonged to the House of Lords at twenty-three.

Demosthenes was the greatest orator of old Greece at twenty-five.

Solomon at eighteen began a reign which was marked by wealth and wisdom.

There is no time like the present. Begin now!

Said Sir Walter Scott, "The three greatest letters in the English alphabet are—N-O-W."

"Behold, now is the accepted time."

—Mrs. Charles E. Cowman, "Mountain Trailways For Youth"

## NOW IN THE DAYS OF YOUTH

Now in the days of youth, When life flows fresh and free, Thou, Lord of all our hearts and lives, We give ourselves to thee; Our fervent gift receive, And fit us to fulfill, Through all our days, in all our ways, Our Heavenly Father's will.	Not choosing what is great, Nor spurning what is small, But take as from thy hands our tasks And glorify them all.
Teach us where'er we live, To act as in thy sight, And do what thou wouldst have us do With radiant delight;	Teach us to love the true, The beautiful and pure, And let us not for one short hour An evil thought endure. But give us grace to stand Decided, brave and strong, The lovers of all holy things, The foes of all things wrong.

—Walter J. Mathams

**YOUTH WEEK:** January 28 — February 4, 1962

**THEME:** "SO SEND I YOU."

**SCRIPTURE:** "Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father has sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21).

**HYMN:** "Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of thy tone; As thou has sought, so let me seek thy erring children lost and lone."

# MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

**CAMEROONS MISSIONARIES NEEDED.** The need for new missionaries is still urgent in the West Cameroon, as reported by Dr. Schilke. A replacement for the Hapts, who are now in England, is needed at once. In September 1962 there will be a need for a single woman missionary, and in January 1963 new missionary appointments will be needed for the replacement of the Ahrens who are returning home on furlough. These will serve as educational missionaries in the Federal Republic of Cameroon. Pray the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers!

**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE.** A two day session was recently held by the Stewardship Committee appointed by the General Conference at Minneapolis last summer. Three sub-committees have been appointed by Mr. E. Ralph Kletke, chairman, which are now busily at work. It was also announced that the General Council at its annual session in May 1962 will appoint the new Secretary of Stewardship and Higher Education and that his term of service will probably begin in the early fall of the year.

**FURLOUGH FOR JAPAN MISSIONARIES.** Rev. and Mrs. Frederick G. Moore and their family, missionaries now stationed at Ise, Japan, will return to the United States for their furlough in May or June 1962. Later in the year Miss Florence Miller is scheduled to begin her furlough at home. At present she is serving as an NAB teacher at the cooperative Bible School in Osaka, Japan.

**MISSION ARTICLES IN "ANNUAL."** Several very different and inspiring mission articles are featured in the 1962 ANNUAL. Dr. Paul Gebauer's six page article, "Twelve Milestones to Eternity," presents a graphic story about our twelve fields in the Cameroons. Miss Florence Miller introduces the reader to the young Japanese Christian leaders in our Japan churches. Our first attempt at integration in our denomination with the Spanish American church in Del Norte, Colorado, is related by Miss Helen Lohse, missionary. These are a different kind of mission presentation, new and exciting. Secure your copy NOW!

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SURE AND STEADFAST  
By Laura E. Reddig

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# Editorial

## "So Send I You"

Guest Editorial by Rev. John Binder, CBYF General Secretary

Many young people today are bored with the church program and with Christianity because they have not been given progressive, challenging opportunities of service. Too often they are required to participate in many insignificant, meaningless and unimportant activities. If they do not find some fulfillment of their desire for adventure and excitement in the Christian life or the church, they will attempt to find it somewhere else.

Jack, a seventh-grade student, came home from school with an exciting tale of a "war" that was to take place that very evening between the boys in his neighborhood and those of the nearby suburb of Pinedale. Jack had heard some of his schoolmates making plans as they rode home on the school bus. As Jack's mother listened, she sensed this might not be the usual game for fun. In her concern, she telephoned the mothers of a few of Jack's closest friends. They then agreed to inform the police.

That evening two plain-clothes men with three fathers watched a group of younger teen-agers of West Litton gather. They were meeting in a scheduled section of this community of well-to-do, respected families. The police and parents became alarmed when they saw that the boys carried wrenches, axes, wrecking bars, B-B guns, knives, etc. They talked of "going after" the boys of Pinedale.

The Pinedale boys were found doing about the same thing in an old church yard, making threatening swings and jabs into the empty air with their "weapons." They were getting ready to meet the attack. At what seemed the proper moment, the police intervened and with little difficulty won the attention of the boys. The "war" was averted and the boys went about more peaceful play.

But the police and parents were deeply disturbed. They sought the reason their boys had planned this violence against each other. They were given similar answers by each group:

"We wanted some excitement."

"My parents go out and have fun and leave us kids at home."

"It's no fun if there's no danger."

This true story tells how groups of early teen-agers may seek excitement similar to that portrayed on television; how they may try to find something to do with the new energy coursing through their bodies; how they can make heroic sacrifices, if necessary, while serving a cause they believe is important.

All of these desires and potentials need to be challenged into positive expressions of the Christian life. Therefore, during YOUTH WEEK 1962, Jan. 28-Feb. 4, our young people are to be given new opportunities of fulfilling the commission of Christ, "As my Father has sent me, even so send I you." This commission is to be related to our task of Church Extension. This is a tremendously important task that will require the best in every youth to accomplish.

Dr. Meadows has recently said, "The greatest adventure that we can have in life, the most thrilling experience of all of life, is to go with Christ where he wants us to go, and do with Christ what he wants us to do." Christ is sending us to build his Church. He will give us a sense of real purpose and great joy as we sacrificially launch forth beyond our present borders.

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God still calls young people into  
the Christian ministry and to mission fields . . .

## Christ Needs You in His Service

By Rev. Iver Walker of Sioux Falls, South Dakota

**M**ANY A PASTOR who finds himself in the Christian ministry today is there because somewhere along the way an experience or a person brought him face to face with the possibility of entering the ministry. Possibly it was his pastor or some other concerned friend. Could I be that concerned friend in your case?

### THE LORD NEEDS YOU!

Our beloved America as well as the rest of the world is sick! The hearts and minds of the people are filled with uncertainty, fear and confusion. This state of affairs tends to cause young people to have a "devil may care" attitude because there doesn't seem to be any future anyway. They try to lose their sense of uncertainty and fear in "Rock and Roll" and in the wild and immoral experiences that usually are practiced by this crowd.

Adults also are living for the moment. Material gain has become their obsession. Both Mom and Dad are working outside the home in a mad rush for "things." And if they can pull a deal over on the government or anyone else where they can get something for nothing, they'll surely do it. Drunkenness and marital unfaithfulness have become a way of life for many.

This materialistic and godless atmosphere is leaving its mark not only on the world, but on many a weaker Christian as well. If our America continues down the road on which it now is, the day will come when God's judgment will fall. But that is not the worst. The worst fact is that daily thousands upon thousands are dying without Christ and thus without hope. Damned, forever!

But they wouldn't have to go to a Christless eternity! His Word promises, "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." But "how then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" Have you ever considered the Christian ministry as your life's work? The Lord needs you!

*The Lord needs you, not only because of the sinful condition of the world, but also because there are so very few responding to his call. Our denominational leaders advise us that we need an enrollment of 75 students at our seminary to meet the needs of*

our own fellowship. Our present enrollment is 35. The enrollment in most seminaries, with a few exceptions, has been falling off for quite a number of years. "The harvest is truly plentiful, but the laborers are few."

### CALLED OF GOD

It should be very plain to every young man who would consider the possibility of entering the Christian ministry that he must be called of God. Not just anyone can enter the ministry with the blessings of God upon his life and work. Only those whom the Lord calls can expect his immeasurable blessings.

God calls young men into the ministry. But everywhere we find a shortage of ministers. Does this mean that God is neglecting his work? Of course not! The problem lies in the fact that many young men fail to realize that God is calling them. Some men have an unmistakable call which is definite and clear from the very first. They just know. But for many others, the call is not so easily understood. Some of these men remain for years at the point of indecision because they are not sure they are being called.

The following statement from a young ministerial student from Montana is an example: "For years I have felt, and still do, that I am unworthy and terribly inadequate to serve Christ



The Christian churches of America and their pastors have the blessed privilege of directing people to the Christ of the Cross and proclaiming to them the glorious Gospel of redemption. (Luoma Photo)

as a full-time minister. Always I have had the idea that, if I were going to go into the ministry, I would receive a definite call, something I was sure of and that was specific. It has never come even yet, but now I feel that it is a mistake for all people to expect such a definite call before giving their lives to his service. No sooner had I made up my mind and prepared my future accordingly, that it seemed as if every worry was suddenly taken away."

### INWARD ASSURANCES

God calls different people in different ways. A Nebraska student states, "I had no desire to enter the ministry upon my entry into the armed forces, but the five chaplains with whom I worked asked me if I didn't plan to enter the ministry. This started me thinking upon the possibilities."

For most young men the call of God is a gradual process. This fact is pointed out by another student from Nebraska. He says, "I cannot say that I had a definite call. My call has been a gradual process. When I graduated from high school, I was not even going to college, although I had no other plans. I met a camp counsellor who persuaded me to attend college. Ever since I was at that camp, missions and the ministry were foremost in my mind, and ever since then 'the call' has continued to grow stronger until now *I am sure.*"

One ministerial student from North Carolina defined his call thus: "I mean by a definite call from God a continual urge and an inward feeling of dissatisfaction with any other field of work."

The above testimonials were taken from a survey made on nearly 2,000 ministerial students by Drew Theological Seminary. The survey goes on to say, "This study shows that practically every young man needs the help of his pastor or someone else to help him to recognize and understand a call when it comes."

*As you recognize the call of God and follow in obedience, what are some of the returns you can expect as you enter the Christian ministry? If you should be looking for material gain, the ministry will most likely disappoint you. According to a survey of recent years, two-thirds of all Protestant ministers are in debt. If it is an easy job you expect, you have misjudged the ministry. If you wait close*

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Sing all! Sing lustily! Sing spiritually!

## Church Music— For the Glory of God

By Robert Veninga

of Sioux Falls, South Dakota



The choir of the Trinity Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. The choir director is Mr. James Joslyn and the organist is Miss Joyce Ringerling.

**I**F WE WERE GIVEN the opportunity to penetrate into the primitive areas of this world, most of us would be horrified to see the vast differences in culture. Take, for example, the Mudugumors of New Guinea, formerly a cannibal tribe, who place a premium on violence and physical courage. As the anthropologist views this tribe, he sees its people worshipping a god who is no more than a projection of their minds.

Although we would agree that this is a pathetic situation, I am intrigued by the fact that this primitive society uses some of the same mechanics in worship as employed by numerous twentieth century churches. The "music" of these people is decidedly rhythmic in quality to which is added a simple melody. Melody and rhythm are two factors which go into the playing of music in every contemporary cathedral.

### IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC

The fact that music is used, whether it be in the jungles of South America or in your home church, coupled with the fact that music has been used as long as man has worshipped, is to my way of thinking very significant. Why? Since music is so powerful, it can help us to enter the greatest experience of all, our encounter with God. **I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WE CAN UNDERESTIMATE THE IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC IN THE CHURCH!**

What is the importance of music in worship? As long as man has worshipped, he has used music, and music continues today to play a vital role in man's worship service. First, it stimulates a worshipful mood and stirs the emotions. As Christian young people we prayerfully sing the words of the beautiful hymn found in our North American Hymnal,

"Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
Wean it from earth; thro' all its pulses

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move;  
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,  
And make me love thee as I ought to love."

Vivian Sharp Norsch said:

*"Truly beautiful music is a vitally important medium of religious expression. It can speak of an indefinable, intangible, purely spiritual quality of religious experience which is beyond the words with which we voice our thoughts and pretty tunes. It can open the door into 'another world,' a world of pure spirit!"*

It is natural to resort to music since it enlists the deepest and strongest emotions, those which transcend words and demand greater expression.

Secondly, man in his worship experience seeks release for his emotions. He needs to express the feelings which have been aroused. Norsch says:

*"If worship is the vital breath of the Christian life, music is the heart of the service in which Christians worship, for music gives the pulse by which the life and vitality of the people's worship response is maintained. Music is the most social of the arts, and hence the most nearly perfect medium for corporate worship. It blends the emotions of the people into one formal unified outpouring to God. Music makes a participant of the worshipper."*

Thus we can see that music does fulfill a purpose in that it assists in establishing a dialogue between God and man.

### TALENTS OF YOUTH

Now that we have discussed the importance of music in worship, the next logical question would be: How can we as young people make an impact upon the music program of the church?

**1. EVEN IF YOU CAN NOT RECOGNIZE A QUARTER NOTE**

**FROM A REST, YOUR PARTICIPATION IS DESIRED.** Every member of the congregation is a participant in the music of the worship service. One of the famous theses that Martin Luther nailed to the great door of the Wittenburg Church was a plea for congregational singing; the demand that laymen be given the right to sing hymns as a part of worship. John Wesley set forth these practical suggestions to the congregational choir: "Sing All; Sing Lustily! Sing Spiritually." **YOU** play an important part in worship!

**2. LET US AS YOUNG PEOPLE USE OUR TALENTS.** It makes little difference what instrument you play; if it glorifies God, it can be used in church.

"Praise the Lord!  
Praise God in his sanctuary.  
Praise him with trumpet sound;  
Praise him with lute and harp!  
Praise him with timbrel and dance;  
Praise him with strings and pipe!  
Praise him with sounding cymbals;  
Praise him with loud clashing cymbals!"

**3. LET US AS YOUNG PEOPLE VOLUNTEER OUR SERVICES TO THE CHURCH'S MUSIC COMMITTEE.** This might take courage; however, this is your responsibility to God. I fear that music committees often fail in arousing dormant talent within their church membership. Or do we as young people stand accused in our failure to dedicate our God-given talents? Furthermore, it is my conviction that the church organ should not be under strict lock and key with the unwritten rule that only the church organist is allowed to touch the keys. Musically talented young people need to be given the freedom to use the organ under proper supervision.

**4. APPRECIATION OF MUSIC MUST COME BEFORE WE CAN**

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Make Youth Week an inspiring time  
in your church's program . . . .

# You Youth in Youth Week

By Arthur Patzia, CBYF President

IN THE PLANNING phases of YOUTH WEEK, the well known and classical statement of Martin Luther comes to mind: "Pray as if everything depends upon God; work as if everything depends upon you." In preparation for YOUTH WEEK, you will need both prayer and work. YOUTH WEEK is rapidly approaching. Your prayers are about to be answered according to God's will, and your preparatory work is about to be launched in your church and C. B. Y. F. organization.

Are we excited? Of course we are! YOUTH WEEK is one of the most exciting, inspiring and challenging weeks of the entire C. B. Y. F. year. When else do young people plan such activities that will bring them together every night of the week? When else do young people strive so persistently and with so much dedication towards a spiritual goal? Only in YOUTH WEEK.

Pardon me for even mentioning it, for all of you know that this year's theme is the most challenging ever: "SO SEND I YOU." After you have read this theme once, you will not be the same person. After you have meditated on and studied this theme, the related Scripture, and the song, you cannot be the same person. The Word of God is meant to change lives, and this application of John 20:21 will change your life as you permit the Holy Spirit to work.

## WHAT YOU MUST DO

1) Pray! "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full" (John 16:24). These are the words of Christ. We as the C. B. Y. F. need them. Pray for your own heart, your Commission, your youth organization and church.

2) Make sure YOUTH WEEK is plotted and outlined on your church calendar. This is very important for several reasons. First, it places YOUTH WEEK before the entire church organization in such a way that everyone is aware of it and the exact time involved. Secondly, it will prevent overlapping of activities that may take some young people away from YOUTH WEEK activities. Thirdly, it will serve as a reminder to you and the church of the nearness of this great week.

3) Your pastor should know all the details concerning YOUTH WEEK. He will want to pray for and assist you

in any way possible. Include him in the Council Meeting or the special planning session you have regarding YOUTH WEEK. He will include your activities in the church bulletin and will announce the activities to the congregation.

4) Publicity is of utmost importance. You cannot overpublicize, so don't be afraid to spend some time and money on attractive posters. Since your Publicity Commission will handle such details, make a periodic check with them as to progress. The theme lends itself very nicely to poster suggestions, and so use the talents God has given you. See the special poster provided for you by Forest Park as a beginning point.

5) On the Sunday before YOUTH WEEK a short talk should be given by your C. B. Y. F. president to the church. Attention should be drawn to the importance of YOUTH WEEK and also that the church pray for its young people. The youth president is a qualified position to do this and should cooperate with the pastor.

6) The final thing you must do is to refer to what has already been done for you. Please read on . . . .

1) The C. B. Y. F. Executive Committee has suggested the theme, song, and some program material for YOUTH WEEK. Every C. B. Y. F. organization that is on Forest Park's mailing list should have received this already in November. In this packet



"Youth Week" is one of the most exciting and challenging weeks of the entire CBYF year (Photo by Harold M. Lambert).

you will find provided for your use:

(a) A copy of the theme song, "Lord Speak to Me, That I May Speak."

(b) A Program Guide for YOUTH WEEK 1962 prepared for you by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Richter who are students at our Seminary. They have done a tremendous job in outlining these suggested activities. Not only is there an excellent section dealing with your planning phases, there is also outlined a daily activity schedule.

(c) A YOUTH WEEK report. Please do not forget this! Send it in immediately after your activities are finished and don't forget to give your beefs and bouquets.

2) Last summer when most of us were enjoying summer vacation and recreation, Mr. Ernie Rogalski, a student at C. T. I., was diligently preparing a YOUTH WEEK program. You will find a very excellent and helpful program in the September-February issue of *Youth Compass*. Mr. Rogalski has very aptly shown that when God said, "So Send I You," he had in mind every one of us. If you are a business man, a nurse, a science student, a secretary or an unskilled laborer—or find yourself in any other vocation, many of your reservations for not "Launching Forth" will be challenged.

3) Your church's N. A. B. Bulletin will have a short article about YOUTH WEEK. Do not fail to read it and advise others to read it as well.

4) See other articles in this issue of the *Baptist Herald*.

## SO SEND I YOU

Even though I do not have a crystal ball in front of me, I shall make a prediction for you—and your youth group. God's Word was meant to change people. SO SEND I YOU is meant to SEND you, to change your way of life. If you sincerely seek God's will for you in this theme, your experience will be the same as that of Peter and John. "For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 5:20).

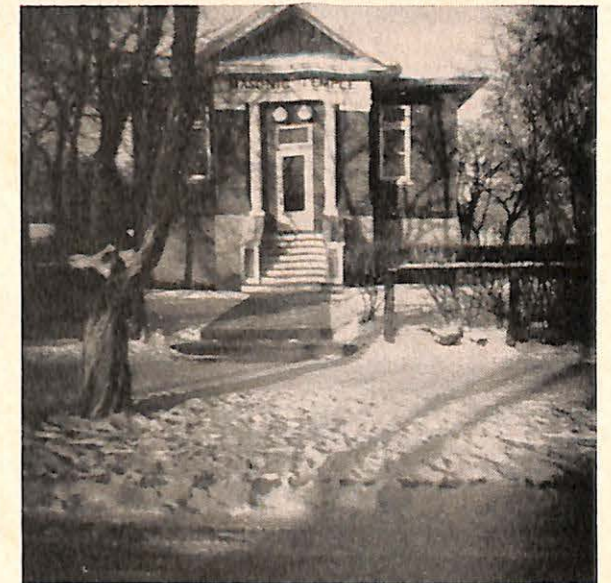
God is continually calling young people into Christian service but youth are not obeying. Obey and next year many of you will be students at our Seminary or Bible School. Obey and many of you will begin college or university in preparation for Christian work. Obey and ALL of you will carry out the supreme commission in your life. SO SEND I YOU! Let go, and let God have his way!

"So Send I You!"

## Starting a Sunday School in Melville, Sask.

The story of a new Church Extension project

by Rev. J. W. Neudorf of Fenwood, Saskatchewan



The temporary meetingplace of the Sunday evening Baptist Church services in Melville, Sask., conducted by the young people and Rev. J. W. Neudorf of nearby Fenwood is this Masonic Temple.

MELVILLE, SASKATCHEWAN'S newest city with a population of over 5,000, is situated fifteen miles from Fenwood. Melville has become a great commercial center to all the rural areas for miles around. It is therefore a place of centralization for sports, shopping, education and social life.

## PROJECT STARTED

In 1960 the Fenwood High School closed its doors. Thus all our students went to live in Melville in order to attend school there. Upon our hearts was the fact that we had to meet the spiritual needs of our own youth as well as evangelizing others. On July 15, 1960 this was presented to the church board.

The following is a copy of the minutes of this meeting: "A somewhat lengthy and interesting discussion was held as to the need of our efforts to hold meetings regularly somewhere in Melville so that interested Melville people may attend. By much careful consideration and backed by much prayer, it is quite evident that God has not hindered us in our interest in Melville and in making an effort to prepare steps in that direction. It was moved that the suggested date of Sept. 11, 1960 be the date of starting a mission work in Melville. This was carried!"

We were concerned about our own congregation, whether they would be willing to sacrifice our evening services in Fenwood and drive the extra miles to Melville to attend services in the evenings. The congregation voted one hundred per cent for this move. With great joy at this response, the work was started with a Sunday evening service only. The services in the winter months were well attended, with visitors out at every service. The Fenwood Baptist Church people must

be highly commended for their very fine co-operation and sacrifice in this work. In March 1961, we were concerned about a Sunday school there. But how should we begin? We did not have one child to begin with!

## YOUTH CONTRIBUTES

The young people did the greatest work to start the Sunday school in Melville. Their response, their courage, their faithfulness and zeal were certainly most challenging. I will let one of the young people speak for themselves: "As a teenager in my last year of High School, our C. B. Y. was asked if they would canvass the city of Melville on behalf of the opening of a Sunday school. The youth accepted the challenge, and speaking for myself I can say this was an experience long to be remembered and cherished. The thing that rather frightened me was the response of the people as to what I said. We worked in groups of two in an assigned area after careful instruction and prayer.

"I remember distinctly the first house we approached. It was an old deserted shack. We carefully observed it before we entered the yard. Was anyone living there? What would be their response? Cautiously we knocked. A middle aged lady answered the door. I told her what we represented and invited her and her family to come out to our Sunday school if they did not attend one. But she quickly replied, "No interested," and shut the door. We stood for a few minutes gathering up courage for a second trial and passed on to the next house. But not all the responses were as the first. Many listened interestedly, others invited us in and some said they attend no Sunday school and would send their children. Often we had to make friends with the dog before we entered the yard, but it was

worth it all!

"We started with only a few, but gradually the Sunday school has grown. Some have accepted Christ as their personal Savior at camp this past summer, and I had the joy of speaking to one girl about her soul and that God loved her and would save her from sin. When I asked her if she wished to accept Christ that evening she said, 'I'd like to think about it first.' The next evening after the service she made her decision for the Lord. Others from Melville also made their decisions that week at camp, and what a thrill and joy I received when these children gave their testimony at the fireside service!

## VICTORIES FOR CHRIST

"It was not easy for them to step out and speak, but with God's help all things are possible. If anyone should ask me if the time spent and the cold evenings spent on campaigning were worth it all, I could say wholeheartedly that it was worth every minute, and much, much more. These young souls might never have heard of God's love otherwise and would have probably gone to a Christless eternity! Truly, this in itself is a challenge!

"Another wonderful experience was teaching Vacation Bible School. It is surprising how many of these children had never heard of the plan of God or even heard the Bible stories of David, Moses, etc. I taught the Beginner class and the first day I had three pupils. On the second day, these invited friends and I had seven, and the third day I had 16 which continued throughout the week.

"Certainly, this experience was worth much more to me than any material wealth. If one wants something challenging, exciting and satisfying to do, beginning a new field of

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# Invest in Building Churches!

By Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary

**WE ARE PLEASED** to announce the formation of the Church Loan Trust Fund, a fund that is designed to make it possible for North American Baptists to invest funds to earn a good rate of interest while at the same time they are helping to finance church building programs. The Church Loan Trust Fund will be administered by the Church Loan Fund Committee. Funds will be accepted under special trust agreement and then be made available for mortgage loans to churches engaged in building programs.

## NEED FOR SUCH A TRUST FUND

The need for such a Trust Fund has long been evident. About twelve years ago we launched our Revolving Church Loan Fund with initial assets of \$150,000. Although loans to churches were limited to a maximum of \$15,000 to any one church, the Loan Fund was soon exhausted. With the approval of the General Council, we then borrowed additional funds from the Investment Committee, with the ceiling set at a maximum of \$500,000. Our churches continued to build at a rapid pace, so that this total was also soon committed. For years now we have been forced to carry a waiting list of churches requesting loans. New loans can be made only as the cash balance in the Loan Fund is replenished with amortization payments on loans previously made. About twenty-five churches are now on the waiting list. Since only about four or five new loans can be made annually, this means that the waiting period has been stretched to five years.

This problem has been intensified by the launching of our denominational Church Extension program six years ago. We all know that church construction has become very expensive. Often the financing of a building program becomes an almost insurmountable obstacle, especially for small, struggling Church Extension groups. The Church Extension Committee, though surrounded by opportunities for advance on every hand, is thus usually limited primarily by the lack of funds. It is hoped that the Church Loan Trust Fund, by providing resources for loans to established churches, will free other denominational funds for financing Church Extension projects.

## TERMS OF THE TRUST FUND

There is space in this article for only a brief outline of the main fea-

tures of the Church Loan Trust Fund. Literature concerning the Fund is being sent to all our churches for distribution to those interested in making investments in this important program.

1. Funds will be accepted from individuals or organizations. We anticipate that individuals will make available most of the funds. It is possible, however, that a church or other organizations have funds invested in securities or a savings account on a permanent basis. Why not invest such funds for the financing of church building programs through the Church Loan Trust Fund?

2. The minimum amount accepted for investment will be \$100. The work involved in processing such investments would not be justified for smaller amounts.

3. Investment may be made in all multiples of \$100. We trust that some individuals will make available larger amounts of several thousand dollars.

4. The minimum term of an investment certificate will be two years.

5. Interest will be paid in semi-annual payments starting with the date of the investment.

## INTEREST OF 4½ AND 5%

6. The rate of interest for funds made available for terms of less than five years will be 4½% per annum. The rate of interest for funds made available for terms of five years or more will be 5% per annum.

The question may be raised as to whether the rate of interest to be paid ought not to be higher. We recognize, of course, that funds can sometimes be invested at a higher rate of interest. We believe, however, that the proposed rate compares favorably with the interest paid on investment accounts by savings and loan associations. It is our conviction also that people who are interested in investing money in the Lord's work will not be deterred by a possible small difference in the rate of interest. Here is an opportunity, after all, for furthering God's work as well as investing money.

7. Anyone desiring to make an investment in the Church Loan Trust Fund will be given both a trust agreement and a trust certificate. The trust agreement will outline the terms in some detail. The trust certificate will be evidence of the specific investment and will specify such items as the term of the investment and the rate of interest.

8. It should be noted that the rate of interest to be charged on loans to

churches in the future will be 5½% per annum. This represents an increase, since we have thus far offered our loans at the modest rate of 4% per annum. It is understandable that we cannot continue this rate if we pay 4½% and 5% on these same funds. The additional ½% or 1% to be charged on loans is to help defray the administrative costs of the program.

## INVEST IN CHRIST'S CHURCH

It would be difficult to overemphasize the importance of this program for the future of our churches and our denominational work. A church building program, whether it involves an expansion of present facilities or a relocation project, is always a sign of growth and future progress. The same is true of Church Extension projects. As new, expanding communities develop, we need to be alert to offer a Gospel ministry through the organization of new churches. All of this means future strength and advance for our denominational missionary program, for as our home base grows our missionary outreach can be broadened and expanded.

A recent Sunday in Southern California afforded me a dramatic demonstration of the importance of such growth. On that day I visited three new churches. In the morning I participated in the worship service of the Harbor Trinity Baptist Church, organized less than six years ago. There were 449 present in Sunday school that morning and nearly as many in the worship service! In the afternoon I was at the Westbrook Church for the dedication service. This church, in the new house of worship only a few weeks, reported 172 in Sunday school that morning and more than 100 in the worship service.

I visited the Magnolia Baptist Church in the evening, and what a beehive of activity I found there! Attendance in the morning had also been over 400; prior to the evening service, the pastor conducted instruction classes for 46 candidates for baptism; and the evening service was attended by about 250, the majority of them of high school and college age. This church was organized less than five years ago!

Construction of new church buildings is thus a most vital part of our denominational program. Have you some funds available for investment? If so, why not prayerfully consider making them available for the Church Loan Trust Fund and so invest in the future of our denomination?

"So send I you, to stay at home and serve me . . ."

# A Launching Pad for Youth

By Sara Lou Gunst of Minneapolis, Minnesota

"So send I you, to stay at home and serve me,  
For many here have yet not found the way.  
I need your hands, your hearts, your willing service,  
Your smile alone can change night into day."

Have you heard these words before? Probably not, for they compose a verse added to an already effective missionary song. Six girls who realized the need for "at-home" service sang this verse in their church, and then at a conference, and who can deny the truth of these words? Or the fact that in singing this song, these girls were fulfilling the challenge in the verse they had written?

## YOUR OWN BACK YARD

In spite of the ever-decreasing size of our world, when it comes down to practical applications, people cannot see beyond their noses. When you talk of American democracy, they do not look at the thousands who have found freedom, but rather at segregation in the South and North. When you tell of the missionaries in Africa, or at the World Council of Churches. They say, "There are too many hypocrites in my church."

No, I don't say this is wrong. Rather, it is inevitable, and perhaps, necessary in that it makes us realize that our most effective witness lies not in our ability to finance a missionary in Africa or in Japan, although that is a part of our commission—but in our ability to keep our "own back yards" spotless and able to resist reproof.

And so you ask, "Just what is my part? As a young person, I'm supposed to follow the example of my elders. And besides, I shouldn't be expected to neglect my school work, should I?"

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Let's begin by assuming that your Sunday is a day specifically set aside for your Lord. The most logical place for a young person to begin his work in the church is through a young people's group, a CBYF.

Now don't misunderstand this first step—a young people's organization is not intended to replace regular church participation, nor is it a therapeutic means of keeping "juvenile delinquents" off the streets. Rather, young people's work is an outgrowth of the church, an attempt to provide an op-

portunity for service to the young people, and even a training ground for future and more responsible church participation.

Recently, it has become easy to accept church clubs and youth groups as social agencies, meant to appeal to the fun-loving spirit of youth. And well they might be, but this can only be a secondary purpose, for a youth group should stimulate the Christian growth of a young person, not merely entertain him. And it is you, the young person, who must keep it so, out of your love of Christ and a desire for growth in individual Christian life and in Christian fellowship.

its daily ministry and in its special projects. Many groups, for instance, take over one evening service a month, or twice a year. Or, on a wider scale, a party or project whose proceeds go to the state project fund, or to a special church fund, is an enriching as well as a profitable venture.

The work of a young person in his church need not, indeed should not, take so much of his time that he would tend to neglect his duties in school or other outside commitments. In fact, a student can provide a doubly effective witness in his work and in his social life at school. Any young person who believes in his worth and value as



TRAINING FOR SERVICE AS "GOD'S VOLUNTEERS"  
Rev. Daniel Fuchs, "Director of Evangelism," teaches a class on "Salvation" to members of the "God's Volunteers" Team at the North American Baptist Seminary.

Once you have worked to establish a good, dedicated youth group, the possibilities for service and participation are limitless. Explore your group for talent; don't wear out the same trio or pianist. Find the boy who may not be able to carry a tune, but who reads beautifully, or who can compose speeches well.

Or seek out the girl who can't find middle C on the piano, but who has a genuine talent for working with children. Then put them to work. Young people, eager to work and to offer their talents, realize that their ability is a gift from God, and that is their responsibility to develop this gift to the fullest measure.

The most effective youth group is the one which works closely with the church and with the denomination in

God's child will work to learn and to develop his intellectual growth.

Also, a Christian young person can witness in his work with groups at school, not through preaching or a too-holy attitude, but through constant walking in the footsteps of the Christ in whom he believes quietly, but consistently and effectively. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ . . ."

## CHRISTIAN GROWTH

So it is that we find that the effectiveness of a youth group lies not in its size, or in the contribution to the volume of the choir, but in its dedication make strong by each individual's realization of its purpose and potential effectiveness. A youth group can be a

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# For Study and Inspiration!

At the dedication services, the new Seminary Library in Sioux Falls, South Dakota was recognized as "an absolute essential for theological advance" and lauded by distinguished guests as one of the finest libraries of its kind in the country.

By Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Illinois

**W**ORDS OF PRAISE for the new Seminary Library were voiced with great profusion by distinguished visitors and educational leaders at the festive dedication services on Friday, Dec. 8. This eventful day marked the culmination of our Denominational Advance Building project and another milestone in the seminary's steady rise toward accreditation and civic recognition in Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

## LIBRARY BUILDING

The new library is an architectural gem, a functional building with the most modern arrangements, a place to be entered by students and friends with reverence and sheer delight! The two story building with its 9,380 square feet has a total book capacity of 40,000 volumes. With large windows and bright, modern lights, the atmosphere of the library is that of cheerfulness and inspiration, extending an alluring invitation to learning and study.

The Periodical and Browsing Room is completely furnished with easy-to-reach stacks around the room. About 180 magazines and Children papers from all parts of the world are available here for reading. Several glass enclosed cases in the library room feature missionary exhibits, display of old and rare Bibles, historical mementos of our denomination. Another prominent case exhibits a magnificent set of four volumes of "Views of the Biblical World" printed in Israel with many color plates and costing about \$150.

The Typing and Conference Room is located on the lower floor. Nearby is the Denominational and Rare Books Room providing for the housing of archival material. Four carrels (enclosed study areas) are furnished for those undertaking special research projects. The Audio-Visual and Microfilm Room has been designed for the installation of this equipment in the future. In addition, on the main floor, there is the large librarian's office and

work room. All of the furniture has a walnut finish, highlighted by brightly colored upholstery and walls. The entire library is a warm, attractive place.

## DEDICATION SERVICES

The keynote of the dedication services on Friday, Dec. 8, was the importance of wisdom gained from books in a spirit of reverence and humility. President Frank Veninga stated that "the library will be known by the students as well as the faculty as the place where, next to the chapel, they experienced the deepest moments of confrontation with Truth and Reality."

Dr. I. D. Weeks, president of the University of South Dakota, emphasized the fact that "second only to the faculty of an educational institution is the library. One should approach a library only with the attitude of reverence." Miss Catherine Schoenmann, city librarian of Sioux Falls, described "a library as the very core—the heart—of every teaching-learning situation in the gaining of wisdom."

The Dedication Banquet, held in the Seminary's Fellowship Hall on Friday

## FRONT COVER

The front cover picture shows Miss Joyce Ringering, North American Baptist Seminary librarian, checking out a book for one of the students. The well filled book stacks are in the background. The front cover picture as well as the photos on pages 10 and 11 were taken by Professor Roy Seibel.

At the dedication service of the new library, Mr. Arthur Schwerin of Burlington, Iowa, chairman of the denomination's Finance Committee, commented on God's remarkable guidance in the planning for and the construction of the new Seminary buildings about 10 years ago and now in the completion of the beautiful library. He sounded a very encouraging note for the future of our churches if we are faithful in our ministry as stewards of God.



The Periodical and Browsing Room in the new Library of the North American Baptist Seminary.

evening, Dec. 8, and attended by about 200 people, was a festive occasion of congratulations, delightful fellowship and dedication to still greater tasks. Rev. H. J. Wilcke of St. Paul, Minn., served as the able and witty toastmaster. Mr. Herman Bleeker presented the report of the Library Building Committee, of which he was the chairman. He reported that the total cost of the building was \$151,092.51 which came within \$2000 of the projected expenditures.

## CONGRATULATORY GREETINGS

Greetings and brief congratulatory addresses were given by Mr. David Priestley, president of the Seminary Student Body; Mr. Arthur Patzia in behalf of the denominational CBY Fellowship; Rev. J. C. Gunst, Central District secretary; Rev. Harold Weiss of the Ministers' Fellowship; Dr. Frank H. Woyke for the denomination; Rev. Selmer Heen in behalf of the Sioux Falls Ministerial Fellowship; Dr. Ralph Cobb for the South Dakota Baptist State Convention; Miss Catherine Schoenmann, Sioux Falls librarian; and President I. D. Weeks of the University of South Dakota. In addition, the presence of Dr. L. M. Staving, president of Augustana College, and Dr. Reuben Jeschke, president of Sioux Falls College, and the several architects and contractors and their wives was recognized and important telegrams from friends were read. The benediction was offered by Rev. John E. Grygo, editor of "Der Sendbote."

Promptly at 8:00 P.M. the formal Service of Dedication was held in the Seminary Chapel. Following the academic procession, the invocation was given by Dr. George A. Lang, the Scripture passage was read by Rev. David Draewell, and prayer was offered by Dr. George A. Dunger. The Musical Messengers of the Seminary sang an appropriate selection. President Veninga read a thoughtful statement on "Essentials of Theological Advance."

## DR. WOYKE'S ADDRESS

Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, brought the dedication address in which he stressed the wonderful blessing of our library building when it is used wisely and frequently by students who are dedicated to God in spirit, eager to gain wisdom, humble before the unfolding wonders of truth and laying hold constantly on the foundational verities of the Word of God. He called on students and faculty as well as on all of our ministers and people to read more, to develop study habits, and to enlarge the horizons of their minds. He closed his stirring message with a plea for more young people to follow the call of God in the Christian ministry. In all of this, our new library can be a contributing factor and a great blessing of God!

The Act of Dedication was read by Miss Joyce Ringering, librarian, and the prayer of dedication was offered by Dr. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary. Following the singing of the hymn, "Ye Servants Of God," Rev. Leland Friesen offered the benediction. For several hours thereafter, open house and a reception were held in the new library building.

Many other happy features brightened these festive hours. Rev. Harold Weiss announced that the Ministers' Fellowship had adopted a Book Project to raise \$5000 to \$7000 for new books for the library. The efficient work of Miss Joyce Ringering as the librarian was lauded by speakers and students alike and a beautiful corsage was presented to her. She holds an M. A. degree in library science and is well qualified to lead our seminary in library advance.

The attractive display of the American Bible Society in the new library room caught the attention of many



## NEW SEMINARY LIBRARY, SIOUX FALLS

The beautifully lighted Seminary Library looking at the reading tables and desks, the stacks filled with books, and the Periodical and Browsing Room (left). The main desk is in the foreground (left).

visitors. The story of "moving day" at the Seminary library on Nov. 21, shortly before Thanksgiving, was colorfully described as students and faculty members together carried all the 14,000 books to the new stacks and shelves in less than 24 hours. Professor Roy Seibel, in his usual efficient manner, took many pictures, some of which are featured on these pages.

## WHAT OUR MONEY CAN DO!

Rev. J. C. Gunst in his brief message told the story of one of our laymen who, on entering the beautiful new building, commented, "Isn't it in-

teresting what *our money* can do?" How true that is! Your gifts and contributions toward the Denominational Advance Building Fund have made the construction of this building possible and have started this avalanche of blessing coming down on students now at the Seminary and for years to come for the best possible preparation of ministers and missionaries of Jesus Christ. This is your library—a part of our denominational advance—the blessing of God on North American Baptists! Come and see it for yourselves one of these days and thank God for this "temple of learning" at our School of the Prophets.

## THE CHRISTIAN'S HERITAGE

By Grace L. Voll  
of North Freedom, Wisconsin

Christ's followers are offered rights to an immense inheritance, But fail to comprehend the power conferred by its magnificence, Which grants us sonship to the King of earth and heaven . . . the universe . . . Yet we disqualify ourselves, by filling thoughts, hearts, time and purse With worldly trash, when as "joint heirs," we always ought to eagerly Learn ways to further God's great cause with truly royal dignity.

An "heir apparent" to an earthly throne must practice for the role, And Christians certainly should search, and live, according to the Scroll, That holy "Word made flesh," God lends to bring this loving legacy to view; They fit themselves for service, as all royal heirs must do,



## MOVING DAY AT THE LIBRARY

Seminary students seem to have lots of fun as they carry the 14,000 volumes from the old library to the stacks in the new Seminary Library.

Statistics of Our Churches, 1961—North American Baptist General Conference

Conference	Churches	Baptisms	Church Members	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Scholars	Teachers & Officers	W. M. U. Societies	W. M. U. Members	C.B.Y.F. Societies	C.B.Y.F. Members
Atlantic	22	125	3915	23	2876	327	37	1004	28	534
Central	36	532	9631	36	9212	1057	56	2032	53	1340
Dakota	63	253	7937	71	8165	1256	82	1692	90	1630
Eastern	21	69	2762	19	2196	274	24	640	26	534
Northern	56	259	8044	63	7370	957	53	1384	63	1602
Northwestern	38	262	6632	38	5527	734	62	1674	81	1369
Pacific	42	405	9285	46	9307	1232	61	2064	79	1654
Southern	9	20	859	10	783	143	8	132	11	300
Southwestern	25	48	2546	24	2313	439	33	752	30	393
Total	312	1973	51611	330	47749	6419	416	11374	461	9356
Total last year	300	1463	50646	320	46399	6075	391	11122	431	8825
Total Increase	12	510	965	10	1350	344	25	252	30	531

North American Baptist Statistics 1961

In the denominational statistics, shown above, there is a total increase in each of the columns. It is especially encouraging to read that there has been a net increase of 12 churches, bringing the total of churches to 312, and that the baptisms last year amounted to almost 2,000. Our denominational membership has now risen to 51,611. This is evidence of a steady, consistent growth.

The statistics pertaining to the "Contributions of Our Churches in 1961" deserves careful study. They represent per capita giving of all purposes of \$108.97. It is interesting to note that our churches gave \$13,720.19 more to "Our NAB Missions" and \$8,491.49 less than last year to "Other than NAB Missions," but the sum of \$271,463.23 for this latter purpose is still very high. We could advance in almost every phase of our denominational work as on all of our mission fields if that money could be used for the worthy enterprise to which our

denomination has been committed with the blessing of God and with the seal of the Holy Spirit's approval.

The total giving of our church people for all purposes reached the all-time high of \$5,623,894.66.

CHURCH GIVING IN THE UNITED STATES

The North American Baptist General Conference in its 1960 per-member contributions for all purposes stands 13th in a list of 47 religious bodies in the United States. This was shown in the annual report of the National Council of Churches' Department of Stewardship and Benevolence released recently to the press.

It was noted that 39 of the 47 bodies reported figures of this year comparable with those of the previous year. For these 39 bodies the per-member amount of \$66.76 for all purposes is a gain of 3.2 per cent over the \$64.66 of the previous year. Per-member giving for congregational expenses in the 39 bodies was \$54.71, a gain of 2.9 per cent; for all benevolences the per member figure is \$12.04 this year, a gain of 5.0 per cent. The latter includes a per-member gift for foreign missions of \$2.04 for 1960, a gain of

5.2 per cent.

Twenty-three bodies in the United States reported a figure for new buildings, totaling \$369,116,718. This represents 28.7 per cent of the total of \$1,285,578,885 reported by these 23 bodies for all congregational operations and items. A year ago, 27 bodies reported \$328,104,500 for new buildings.

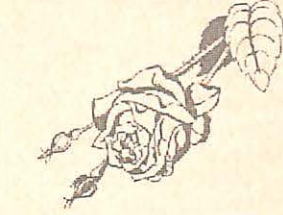
Here are the first 15 denominations with their 1960 per-member contributions for all purposes as given in the report:

Free Methodist Church	\$271.86
Wesleyan Methodist Church	231.77
Pilgrim Holiness Church	216.49
Evangelical Free Church	209.54
Evangelical Covenant Church	181.14
Brethren in Christ Church	171.18
Orthodox Presbyterian Church	167.62
Ohio Yearly Meeting of Friends	150.31
Church of the Nazarene	142.33
Church of God (Anderson, Ind.)	132.00
Pentecostal Holiness Church	127.47
United Brethren in Christ	125.97
North American Baptist General Conference	116.05
Reformed Church in America	104.53
General Conference Mennonite Church	103.71

Contributions of Our Churches, 1961—North American Baptist General Conference

Conference	For Local Church Operating Expenses	For Local Building Fund Expenses	Total for Local Field	For N.A.B. Missions & Benevolent	For Local Conference Missions	Total for All N.A.B. Missions	For other than N.A.B. Missions	Total for All Mission Purposes	Total for All Purposes
Atlantic	\$ 243,601.00	\$ 105,459.00	\$ 349,060.00	\$ 37,235.00	\$ 3,099.00	\$ 40,334.00	\$ 65,389.00	\$ 105,723.00	\$ 454,783.00
Central	594,877.28	424,346.56	1,019,223.84	152,701.85	16,859.72	169,561.57	72,587.16	242,098.73	1,261,322.57
Dakota	413,607.89	268,358.45	681,966.34	118,186.09	14,072.50	132,258.59	6,297.06	138,555.65	820,521.99
Eastern	127,833.65	155,621.95	283,455.60	29,211.80	2,607.83	31,819.63	11,346.37	43,166.00	326,621.60
Northern	387,759.71	118,006.93	505,766.64	107,543.60	20,142.30	127,685.90	26,733.56	154,419.46	660,185.10
Northwestern	346,242.14	185,400.35	531,642.49	92,470.98	9,622.93	102,093.91	51,810.17	153,906.18	685,548.67
Pacific	549,826.99	392,996.43	942,823.42	128,372.07	15,838.97	144,211.04	32,348.27	176,559.31	1,119,382.73
Southern	44,939.78	18,012.60	62,952.38	10,004.25	1,787.96	11,792.21	1,295.11	13,087.32	73,039.70
Southwestern	135,748.65	22,568.21	158,316.86	53,001.65	7,458.26	60,459.91	3,711.53	64,171.44	222,488.30
Total	\$2,841,437.09	\$1,690,770.48	\$4,532,207.57	\$728,727.29	\$91,491.57	\$820,218.86	\$271,463.23	\$1,091,687.09	\$5,623,894.66
Last Year	2,583,127.54	1,747,394.42	4,330,521.96	702,169.83	104,328.84	806,498.67	279,959.72	1,086,458.39	5,416,980.35
Total Increase	\$ 258,309.55	\$ 56,223.94	\$ 201,685.61	\$ 26,557.46	\$ 12,837.27	\$ 13,720.19	\$ 8,491.49	\$ 5,228.70	\$ 206,914.31
Total Decrease									

We the Women



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

INTRODUCING THE "BROADCAST" EDITOR

Our new "Broadcast" editor, Mrs. Delmar Wesseler, was the editor of the English Program Packet last triennium. She is a busy farmer's wife who lives near Lorraine, Kansas. Both she and her husband are grandchildren of charter members of the Lorraine Baptist Church. It is interesting to note that both were converted when Dr. George Lang was pastor of the Lorraine Church and were both baptized on the same day at eight years of age. They have one son who goes to Kindergarten and who is a real "question-box."

Mrs. Wesseler graduated from the Baptist Ottawa University, and taught a year before her marriage. During college years she was president of the Southwestern Conference C. B. Y. Fellowship. Teaching a class of young women, serving in the King Daughter's Society, and her interest in music keep her busy.

"UNTO HIM IS DUE . . ."

By Mrs. Delmar Wesseler of Lorraine, Kansas

William James has said that the typical individual utilizes only about one-tenth of his potential ability. It seems, then, that the average Christian is devoting only a small proportion of his capabilities to the Lord.

In the parable of the talents, we find, upon the Master's returning home, that he was anxious to have his servants give accounts of themselves. He found that the five and the two talent men had gone at once and had put their talents to work. They reaped rewards in proportion to their "investment," for they had shown the same amount of faith. The third man, who had hidden his talent, was punished not because he had only one talent, but because he didn't use it wisely. His lone talent was taken away!

I think this parable has one lesson which our Lord wanted us to learn well. Our gifts or talents may be different, but all of us will be held responsible for just what the Lord has entrusted to us. "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12).

Perhaps we think of talents in terms

From the Professor's Desk

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

In order for Jesus' temptations to have been real must it not have been possible for him to have sinned?

It is difficult for us as finite, sinful men to realize how Christ's temptations as the Son of God could be terribly real and yet that it was impossible for him to sin. Yet, this has been the general (though not the invariable) position of the church on this matter, often spoken of as the impeccability of our Lord.

Scripture speaks emphatically of the reality of Jesus' temptations (Matt. 4:1-11; Luke 22:28; Heb. 4:15) and of his positive sinlessness (II Cor. 5:21; I Pet. 2:22; I John 3:5). Feeling that it was necessary to guarantee the genuineness of his struggle in temptation, some have asserted that Christ was *able not to sin*, but not that he was *not able to sin*. The difficulty with this position is that it does not adequately take into account the uniqueness of Christ's Person. It is assumed that what applies to us in our experiences of struggle with sin applies also (in the same manner) to Christ.

CHRIST'S UNIQUE STRUGGLE

A moment's reflection should help us see that the situation is vastly different for us, whose nature is sinful and always has an inner point of contact for temptation, and the situation for Jesus Christ who is absolutely holy and righteous to whose sinless nature temptation can only come from without. Because of this, his struggle was unique, to which there is no parallel in human experience.

But an even more important consideration than this is involved. It must be remembered that in him there is the reality of two natures—genuine deity and perfect humanity—united in one indivisible Person. The reality of the temptations of Christ is due to the fact that he had a human nature which was temptable. However, on the ground of the personal union of the two natures, a capacity for sin in Christ is excluded, for God cannot sin, and he is the God-man. It is by way of the inability to sin on God's part that we arrive at Christ's impeccability.

of speaking fluently, creating something artistically, or singing beautifully. We may feel that nothing we do is worthy of the term "talent." Each of us can be thoughtful: looking about us in our own homes, seeking out our neighbor's needs, visiting our elderly people and those who are ill. We can write a friendly, newsy letter, take some baking to a lonely friend or shut in—just sharing a bit of ourselves. Also, we can literally pray our-

In the person of Christ the human will was always subservient to the divine will and could never act independently.

Bartmann's lucid statement is most helpful: "Christ would have been able to sin only by a completely free opposition of his will to the divine. But that was not possible since the managing possessor of the human will was the Logos; hence God would have had to apostatize from himself—which is an absurdity" (quoted by G. C. Berkouwer in *The Person of Christ*, p. 258).

IMPOSSIBLE TO SIN

If it were only for the perfect human nature in Christ, it must be granted, sin might have been a possibility, but since his human nature has existence only in union with the divine nature, sin is an absolute impossibility. No proper argument can be drawn from our experiences in temptation, because no comparison can be made between even a perfect human person such as the unfallen Adam (to say nothing about a man with a sinful disposition) and the altogether unique Person of the incarnate second member of the Godhead.

Confessing this truth of Christ's inability to sin does not at all minimize the horrifying reality of his temptation. The Scripture bears full witness to that. He was tried as no other person was ever tried. Although the temptation is real, there is infinite power and absolute holiness in Christ to resist temptation, and if this power and perfection is infinite then he is impeccable. He was able to bring an omnipotent will against temptations to sin. It can be both impossible for the Son of God to sin and possible for Satan to tempt him—it is often possible (even for us) to attempt the impossible.

J. F. Walvoord avers that the idea that temptability implies susceptibility is unsound. There is no essential relation between temptability and peccability. Certainly an army that cannot be conquered (let us grant the theoretical possibility of this for the sake of illustration) can surely be attacked, even grievously so.

selves around the world. Once we start using our talents, new opportunities for service unfold before us.

In our BROADCAST, we hope somehow to create within each reader a renewed desire to serve Christ. To me, our BROADCAST is an expression of the work of our Woman's Missionary Union. We want to keep you informed on our organization's business, and to give you the very latest and

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# MARCH OF EVENTS



● Dr. Karl Barth is planning to make his first visit to the United States next spring, according to Religious News Service. He is scheduled to arrive sometime around Easter (April 22) and to give a five-day series of lectures at the University of Chicago Divinity School. The world-famous Swiss theologian is also said to have accepted an invitation to lecture at Princeton Seminary's 150th anniversary observance.

● The *British Weekly*, founded by the late Sir William Robertson Nicoll to represent the so-called "nonconformist conscience," is observing its 75th anniversary. The journal, published in Edinburgh, achieved a position of considerable influence in the religious and political life of the British Isles. It is now owned by the Church of Scotland but still serves the original purpose of representing Presbyterianism in Scotland and the non-episcopal churches in the rest of the British Isles.

—*Christianity Today*

● A change in the Constitution of the Government of Bolivia makes the Roman Catholic Church independent of the government. Under the old constitution, the government could appoint archbishops and disperse church properties which belonged to the state. The relations of the state and church are prescribed by a treaty between the Vatican and Bolivia. Other constitutional changes ended capital punishment. Under the new penal code the maximum penalty is a thirty-year prison term for murderers.

● Selection of U Thant as Secretary General of the United Nations is evidence of the growing influence of Buddhist thought in relation to world problems, according to Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia. In an address last month at Phnom Penh to the sixth conference of the World Fellowship of Buddhists, the Cambodian head of state called upon Buddhists everywhere to "lead the struggle for peace and truth." He said Mr. Thant's qualities "are essentially those of a faithful disciple of the Buddha." The acting U. N. Secretary General is known as a devout and practicing Buddhist. He is believed to have a private shrine in his upper East Side apartment.—*Christianity Today*

● "This Is the Life," a 30-minute filmed TV dramatic series produced by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, entered its 10th anniversary year with an estimated 10,000,000 weekly viewers over 300 stations. When introduced in 1952 over 6 stations, "This Is the Life" was a pioneer in the dramatic format for religious programs. It has been on the air perhaps longer than any other 30-minute

filmed dramatic series. Besides being carried as a public service program by stations in this country, Canada, Puerto Rico, Bermuda and Australia, the series is shown to American armed forces overseas.

—*The Watchman Examiner*.

● CHICAGO, ILL., (CNS) — A month long evangelistic crusade will be held in Chicago by Billy Graham early next summer. The exact dates of the event, May 30-July 1, and the opening of Crusade offices in Chicago for that event were announced at a recent press conference. Already engaged for

## BAPTIST BRIEFS

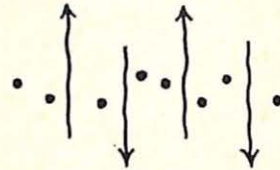
● **Swiss Women Ask Suffrage.** More than 200 Swiss Baptist women, holding their annual meeting, called upon the Swiss Baptist Union to allow women to be delegates at its annual conventions when no men are available. Some small churches have few men members, it was explained, and sometimes one who is appointed to attend the convention is not able to do so. The constitution of the Swiss Baptist Union now provides only for men delegates from the churches.

● **Inflation is Hindrance in Nigeria.** The coming of foreign firms to Nigeria since the achievement of independence has brought such an inflation to land prices that Baptists have difficulty in buying property for new churches. The Baptist Association of Lagos has adopted a five-year goal of eighteen new churches and missions. Two missions have been started already, and one reported an attendance of 479 the first Sunday. Each church in the association has been asked to contribute at least five per cent of its income to the establishment of new missions. This is in addition to the fifteen per cent each was already giving to the Nigerian Baptist Convention. Lagos, Nigeria, has 400,000 people and is rapidly growing.

—*Baptist News Service*

● **Ceylon Asks Missionary to Coach.** Missionary James Cook, with the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society, has been asked to coach the basketball team of the University of Ceylon. Rated already as national champions, the team is looking to Cook to groom them for the forthcoming Empire Games, when athletic teams from Commonwealth countries will be competing against each other.

the month of evangelistic meetings are the McCormick Place exhibition hall which seats 25,000 and the huge Soldier's Field which can accommodate crowds of 100,000. The crusade will begin on Memorial Day in the exhibition hall and then move outside for the final two weeks. Newly completed expressways furnish ready access for these facilities from all parts of the city by car, bus and public transportation. As a result it is expected that these meetings will have a greater attendance than Graham's crusades in England and New York.



This invitation to a Christian missionary to coach the varsity squad of predominantly Buddhist University of Ceylon is most unusual. Thrilling opportunities for witness are already opening up.—*Eternity*

● **Baptist Women's Conference in 1962.** The third Continental Assembly of the North American Baptist Women's Union is slated for November 13-15, 1962 at St. Louis, Mo. The first, held at Columbus, Ohio in 1952, was the beginning of a rare fellowship and understanding among Baptist women of this continent. The meeting in Toronto, Canada in 1957 brought increased numbers of interested women from our whole constituency. Now in 1962 in St. Louis, Mo., the largest and most enthusiastic attendance is anticipated. Sessions will be held at the Kiel Auditorium and the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel. Highlights of the program, centered around the theme "I Will Build My Church," promise a rich experience.

● **Baptist Is Named Chaplain of Year.** WASHINGTON (BPA)—A Baptist chaplain has been named "Chaplain of the Year" for 1962 by the Reserve Officers Association with headquarters here. Col. Samuel M. Bays of the U. S. Air Force will receive the coveted award at ROA's annual mid-winter National Council banquet March 2 in Washington. In picking Bays for the 1962 award, the ROA board said that "he has contributed greatly to the development of the spiritual and moral program of the Air Force Chaplaincy." Bays is currently Staff Chaplain, 26th Air Division, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N. Y. He plans and coordinates the religious programs and activities for approximately 16,000 officers and airmen.

● From Nov. 5 to 12 the Baptist Church of Oak Bank, Manitoba held revival meetings with Rev. Peter Schroeder of Southey, Sask., serving as the evangelist. Miss Helen Lange reported: "God was in our midst and God's people were stirred by the fine Bible messages. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in our hearts." Mr. Milton Falkenberg is the pastor of the church.

● The Bismarck Baptist Church, Bismarck, North Dakota has extended a call to Rev. Allan Strohschein of New Leipzig, N. Dak., to which he has responded favorably. He will begin his ministry in the Bismarck Baptist Church on Jan. 15, 1962, succeeding Rev. John E. Grygo who has become the editor of "Der Sendbote." Mr. Strohschein has served as pastor of the Baptist Church of New Leipzig, N. Dak., since 1959.

● The Salem Baptist Church, Kitchener, Ontario, a recently organized church of new Canadians, conducted an evangelistic campaign from Nov. 5 to 15. The pastor, Rev. Waldemar Ertis, served as evangelist. The theme of the meetings was "Christ Wants to Meet You in Canada." There were six decisions for Christ and a number of rededications. Five new members were recently added to the church and a baptismal service will be held in the near future.

● Miss Geraldine Glasenapp and Mrs. Donald E. Witt, Cameroons' missionaries, arrived in Africa a few days after Christmas. They had sailed from New York City on Dec. 1st on the "S. S. Queen Elizabeth" and from England on Dec. 15th on the "S. S. Chicanoa." Miss Glasenapp is now stationed as missionary nurse at the clinic at Mbem in the grassland interior and Mrs. Witt has joined her husband who is teacher at the Cameroons Protestant College at Bali, West Cameroon.

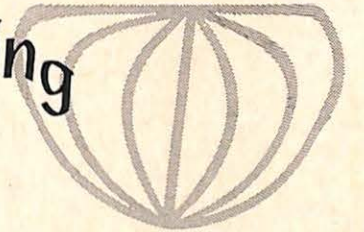
● Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer of Ashley, N. Dak., has resigned as pastor of the Ashley Baptist Church, effective Jan. 21st. He has announced that he will leave the active ministry for six months and that he and his family will go to Texas to be of assistance to Mr. Bernard Tiede, Mrs. Bibelheimer's brother, who was seriously injured in a recent auto accident. Mr. Bibelheimer has served as the pastor of the Ashley Baptist Church since 1954, during which the beautiful, new church was built and dedicated to the glory of God.

● Rev. O. W. Stucky, interim pastor of the Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., brought his ministry there to a close on Sunday, Dec. 31st. He served the church in this capacity since June 1961. Mr. Stucky is available for "Back to the Bible Revivals" in which he has served with God's blessing for many years. He is widely known and beloved as Bible teacher, evangelist and instrumentalist on the musical saw. Rev. Harold W. Gieseke began his minis-

try as the Bloomfield Hills Church pastor on Sunday, Jan. 7, 1962.

● A choir of almost 60 voices directed by Mr. Robert Ricker presented Handel's "Messiah" at the Riverview Baptist Church, West St. Paul, Minn., on Sunday evening, Dec. 10. The chorus was composed of the combined choirs of the Riverview Church and First Baptist Church of St. Paul. A large audience of more than 350 people

## what's happening



thrilled to the inspiring music of "The Messiah." The soloists were the quartet members from the First Baptist Church of St. Paul. Mr. Frank Steinhauser served as the organist. Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom, pastor, offered the invocation prayer.

● On Sunday evening, Dec. 17, the Sunday school of the Oak Street Church, Burlington, Iowa, presented its Christmas program featuring the play, "What Does It Mean to You?" Beginning Sunday, Jan. 7, a Children's Church has been held for the children of the Primary age. A Teacher Training Course is being conducted by Miss Dorothy Pritzkau, director of Christian Education. It is being taught during the Sunday school hour for those who might be prospective church school teachers. Six new members were received into the church's fellowship on Sunday, Dec. 3, by the pastor, Rev. Howard Johnson.

● On Sunday morning, Dec. 3, Rev. Robert F. Zimelman received 14 new members into the fellowship of the Faith Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn. The church choir presented the Christmas cantata, "Night of Miracles" by John W. Peterson on Sunday evening, Dec. 24. About 50 members of the church engaged in a visitation program on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3rd. This was the fourth such concentrated outreach on the part of the church during the past calendar year, including the visitation work of "God's Volunteers" in January 1961 and the visits made during the Billy Graham services in July 1961.

● About 50 North American Baptist students of the Chicago area, members of the headquarters staff and their families met at the Forest Park headquarters building on Monday evening, Dec. 9, for a reception. Rev. John Binder, C. B. Y. F. secretary, led the several games which introduced the young people to one another and enlivened the reception. Several musical numbers were given and Dr. M. L. Leuschner,

promotional secretary, brought a brief talk about the latest developments in our denomination and churches. The fine fellowship continued in the social hour that followed.

● During the month of February, Rev. H. H. Riffel and Rev. E. Arthur McAsh of Detroit, Mich., will be visiting various mission fields in Brazil, Ecuador and Venezuela, South America. They will visit American Baptist mis-

sions in this area and also be unofficial representatives of the North American Baptist General Conference. The Wycliffe Bible Translators have offered facilities to fly the visitors to see the various jungle tribal locations to see the translators at work. Several articles by them about their trip have been promised for the "Baptist Herald." Mr. Riffel is pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich., and Mr. McAsh is the minister of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Detroit.

● On Sunday evening, Nov. 19, the Bismarck Baptist Church, Bismarck, N. Dak., held a farewell service for Rev. and Mrs. John E. Grygo, who had served the church since December 1954 and who left for Chicago, Ill., following the close of his ministry on this date. Rev. John E. Grygo is now serving the denomination as editor of "Der Sendbote" and other German literature. The message for the farewell service was brought by Rev. Otto Fiesel of Selfridge, N. Dak., and gifts were presented to the Grygos by various departments of the church. A social fellowship hour followed when many of the church members expressed thanks for their services rendered.

● Mr. Bernhard Kamutzki of Hamilton, Ontario, a member of the German Baptist Mission Church of Hamilton, received three outstanding awards at the Westdale Collegiate School on Dec. 8 with the Hon. John Diefenbaker, premier of Canada, in attendance. Mr. Kamutzki received the Middle School Efficiency Medal for the highest average of grades required for the graduation diploma, the Grade 12 French Award for highest marks in French, and the Westdale Home and School Literary Award for his literary contributions. Rev. John Wahl, his pastor, reports that Bernhard Kamutzki sings faithfully in the church and male choirs, is active in the youth work and is the teacher of one of the Sunday school classes. On Sunday, Dec. 3, Mr. Wahl baptized eight adults on confession of their faith in Christ.



# The Shattered Wall

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## SYNOPSIS

Dr. Harlan Rawlins, a young physician, was praised for his skill in performing a difficult operation. Afterwards, he and Mary Hodges, a nurse, went to a restaurant for dinner and for a drive in the cool of the evening. Dr. Rawlins told Mary the story of his family—of his father, a physician, who had died, and of his mother who had married again with tragic results. His stepfather, who hated him, was in an accident and taken to a hospital where the young student called on him. An angry discussion followed. Young Rawlins frankly said to him: "There are some things I want to say to you before you die!"

## CHAPTER TWO

"WHO said I was dying?" he cried and in his eyes there was stark fear.

"You ought to have sense enough to know it even if the nurse hadn't told me that you were," I told him. "Death is too good for you, after all that you made my mother suffer. I wish that I could stay here and listen to your every groan until you utter your last breath. If there was anything I could do to make you suffer more, I'd do it."

"Get this fellow out of here!" he cried to the nurse.

"The nurse insisted that I should leave the room at once, but I leaned over him as he was writhing in agony and I said, 'You can't imagine how happy I am to see you suffer. I hope you linger a long time. Even that wouldn't be payment for what you did to her.'"

"I know it was fiendish, but I laughed at him before I followed the nurse from the room. She didn't say anything, but she gave me a look that told me what she thought of me. I didn't care what she thought. I told

her that he was a monster and that he deserved every pain that he suffered. I know I was wrong, but it eased some of the hatred I had in my heart. Perhaps some day I'll ask God to forgive me, but I'll have to be more sorry than I am now. That's the end of the story and, as I said, it isn't a very pretty one."

"I can understand just how you felt," she told him. "Some things aren't easy to take."

"But they should be met in a different way. As I said, I'm ashamed of what I did, but I can't be sorry that he suffered, for he deserved every pain."

"I know you're happy about what happened today," she remarked, changing the subject, for she could see that the memory of the past had made him unhappy. "Now you know that you're on your way to the top. I never heard Dr. Harkness compliment anyone like he did you after the operation."

"I am gratified and thankful that I did a good job. Now I shall have the courage to go on to more difficult operations and perhaps some day before long, I can put into execution some theories of my own about heart surgery. I want to excel in that field."

"When you have reached your goal, what then?" she asked.

"Perhaps then I'll have time to think of romance, marriage, and a family. But that may be a long way in the future and by then I may be too late, for the girl of my dreams might have passed me by while I was looking the other way and I may not find her again."

"Do you have a dream girl?" she asked.

"No, I don't. I'm afraid that the girls I know now will marry someone else while I'm still climbing. No one would be willing to wait and hope, for

I may never reach the top."

"If she loved you enough, she would be willing to wait," she said in low, tender tones.

"Could I find one so faithful?" he asked.

She didn't answer, but her eyes told him what her lips dared not utter. He drew her to him and kissed her lightly.

"I couldn't ask anyone to wait for me," he told her. "You're a dear to care just a little. You do care, don't you?"

"Yes, I do," she admitted.

"Please don't. Just forget me. You're so pretty and you're so lovable that I could fall in love with you, but I'll confess that I don't want to. There isn't any room in my life for love just now and there won't be for a long time. I wouldn't ask you to wait, for love may never come. I've had so much hatred in my heart for so long, that perhaps love has been killed in me. Just forget me and let good old John make you happy. He loves you very much."

He kissed her again, then she pulled away from his embrace. "I don't love John," she said in a hurt little voice. "I think I can take care of myself and my future without your advice. Thank you for being truthful at last, for you have led me along."

"I'm sorry if I've hurt you," he said contritely. "I enjoyed being with you and my only thought was to enjoy your company. Let's be friends, can't we?"

"I'd rather not discuss it," she replied. "Please take me back."

In silence they drove back to the hospital.

Harlan was so preoccupied with his work that he had little time to think



—Photo by Harold M. Lambert

of Mary or the hurt he had given her when he had made her confess that she loved him and then had told her plainly that he didn't love her. He didn't stop to realize what a cruel thing he had done. He had not only hurt her pride, but he had made her realize how hopeless her love was. When he asked her for a date several days later, she refused him.

"I thought you were willing for us to be friends," he remarked in disappointed tones.

It hadn't occurred to him that she would refuse him. Girls were always so eager to accept his request for a date.

"We can still be friends without having dates," she informed him. "I'm going out tonight with John."

He smiled as he accepted defeat. She was taking his advice after all. He didn't know that she was hoping to make him jealous and she was disappointed that her effort had failed. He shrugged and waved his hand as he left her.

"I'm sorry, but I'm sure you've chosen better company. I wish old John the best. He deserves it and he needs it."

He started to go to his room, but the prospect of a lonely evening didn't appeal to him. There was nothing for him to read or study, so he decided that he'd try to get a date with one of the other nurses. He met one of them coming down the hall as he neared the elevator. She was Helen Warner, quite young and very pretty. She had looked upon him with adoring eyes ever since she had been assigned to the surgical floor.

He had never asked her for a date, for he had been much too occupied with Mary, but he stopped her now and engaged her in conversation.

"How are you, Miss Warner?" he said as he stopped her. "I'm glad that you're on day duty with my new patient. He needs care and I'm sure that you're capable of giving it to him."

She glowed with pleasure at his words.

"Thank you, Doctor. I shall do my best to take care of him."

"Do you have a date for tonight?" he asked. "If you don't, I'd like to take you out to dinner. Perhaps I'll have time to make some suggestions about the case."

He didn't know what those suggestions would be, but he had to have some excuse for asking her so abruptly.

"I'd be glad to go with you," she said. "I'll be ready as soon as I'm off duty."

"Thanks. That will be fine."

He watched her as she moved on down the hall. He had noticed her glowing eyes when he had asked her for the date and, though he was pleased that she seemed glad to go with him, he wasn't vain enough to realize just what this date meant to her.

As soon as she could leave her patient, Helen hastened to the nurses'

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station where several of the floor nurses and aids were talking.

"Guess what happened," she cried. "I've got a date with Dr. Rawlins."

"How did you manage that?" asked one of the girls. "I'm green-eyed with jealousy."

"Just like that," and Helen snapped her fingers expressively. "I met him in the hall and he asked me if he could take me out to dinner. Said he wanted to discuss the case I'm on. I don't care what he talks about, just so he's talking to me."

"What will your boy friend, Roger, say when he knows that you've slipped out on him?" another asked.

"I'd drop him in a minute for Dr. Rawlins," Helen replied with a shrug. "Any girl would be silly not to get him if she can."

"Don't kid yourself that you'll be the one," one of them advised. "He likes us all, but doesn't really care for any of us. I think he's married to his profession, as they say. Personally, I wouldn't want that kind of a husband. I'd want him to be married to me, not to a scalpel."

"Sour grapes?" Helen laughed. "I'd like him any way that I could get him. I've been longing for a date with him ever since I came here. Tonight will be my big night and I'm hoping that it won't be the last."

"Have a good time," one of them called after her as she hurried back to her patient. "The little simpleton! She doesn't know that he's just amusing himself with her. I had hopes on that first date I had with him, that he would really be interested in me. I fell for him like a ton of bricks, but I had sense enough to see that he wasn't interested. I'm glad that I saw the light before I fell any deeper. I wouldn't want to carry a broken heart around while I had to come into contact with him so often."

"She'll learn the hard way, I suppose," one of the others remarked. "No use to warn her to take him as a friend and nothing more."

Mary was in the group, but she said nothing and soon left them. She wished that she had learned the truth about Harlan's motives before her heart had been so deeply wounded. She wished that she didn't have to come into contact with him so often, for she knew that it would be hard to forget when he was so near.

Helen looked radiant when she met Harlan and his eyes told her that he admired her. He wondered how he had neglected this lovely little person for so long. They went for a ride and then stopped at a restaurant where they sat talking until time for Helen to return to the hospital.

Harlan found her rather naive, but she bubbled over with enthusiasm and

he couldn't help but notice that she was flattered and excited over the date.

She told him something of her life, of the little country town from which she came and of the thrill of being in this hospital. He knew that she had been going with Roger Edwards and he tried to tease her about him.

"I'm afraid he'll be putting poison in my coffee or waiting for me some dark night to end my career," he said. "I'm sure he won't be happy if he learns about tonight."

"Then he'll just have to get over being unhappy," she said with a toss of her head. "I like him a lot. I've known him for years. We're both from the same town. That's why I came here. He helped get me in. I'm grateful, but that doesn't mean that he has any claim on me. My heart doesn't belong to anyone."

"That's good to know," he said with a smile. "I don't want to cause trouble between two loving hearts."

That wasn't the truth, for he knew that he was causing trouble when he had gone out so often with Mary. He was thinking of Mary now. He didn't want her to be angry with him. He must try again to make her understand that he wanted to be friends and that he hadn't meant to hurt her.

He asked Mary for a date a few days later, but she refused him.

"I'm sorry for what happened," he told her, "but I still want to be friends. Can't we be just that? I like you very much and I enjoy being with you. Is there any harm in friends going out together occasionally?"

"I think there is," she said seriously. "We can be friends, but I'd rather not go out with you again. I'm sure you understand."

He didn't, because he had never been in love and then discovered that the object of his affection cared nothing for him. He accepted her ultimatum and continued to date Helen frequently. It was practically impossible not to date her. She saw to that. They were seen together so frequently that it caused quite a bit of gossip among the nurses. Some of them thought that at last Dr. Rawlins had fallen a victim to a young girl's charms. Others looked on skeptically, waiting for the time when Helen should be let down to earth with a thud and a broken heart. They had seen what had happened to Mary, though Mary appeared as cheerful as if nothing had happened to upset her world.

Harlan noticed the same hostility in Roger that he had seen in John, but that didn't stop him from dating Helen. He tried to be friendly toward Roger, but Roger refused to respond to his efforts. After one or two attempts, Harlan finally gave up and decided to forget him. Since Helen had assured him that there was nothing serious between herself and Roger, he felt that he had a right to continue to date her.

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## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: January 28, 1962

Theme: REVERENCE FOR GOD'S NAME

Scripture: Exodus 20:7; Matthew 5:33-37; 6:5-9

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** The name of God has become even more holy and sacred since in the Name of Jesus we have found our salvation.

**INTRODUCTION:** We do not like people to make "fun" of our names. Even "nicknames" are not always appreciated. A name has a personal quality that somehow reveals something about the person who possesses it, and it should, therefore, be given a certain amount of respect. Glory, honor, power, dignity, fidelity, patriotism, and many other descriptive adjectives are associated with names.

The significance of names is even more forcefully presented to us in the Bible. The names Moses, Abraham, Joshua, Peter, John, Paul and others have a sacredness about them that is not as evident in personalities of today.

If we think so highly of our own names, how much more reverence should we not have for the Name of Jesus. His Name is above every name. The name of Jehovah was of all names the most sacred to the Jews. They never pronounced it but referred to him as Lord. Only on the great day of atonement in the holy of holies did the high priest utter the sacred name.

**I. REVERENCE FOR GOD'S NAME.** Exodus 20:7.

There is a vast and profound difference between ourselves and God. There is no specific command that prevents us from taking each other's name in vain, yet we are often more concerned about protecting our name than we are about protecting God's name. Taking his name in vain implies falsehood as well as a perverted sense of value or worth.

To give the proper reverence to the name of God, the commandment enjoins us not to take a casual, empty, false attitude toward the Lord either in prayer or in any other relationship with him.

**II. REVERENCE FOR TRUTH.** Matthew 5:33-37.

An oath is a sacred thing and should be used only on rare occasions. In Matthew 26:63 Jesus permitted himself to be placed under oath by the high priest. The Apostle Paul declared in II Corinthians 1:23: "Moreover I call God for a record upon my soul, that to spare you I came not as yet unto Corinth."

But the Jews in Jesus' day took a hundred oaths a day and thereby watered down the truth and sincerity of their statements. It made oath-taking ridiculous; it encouraged men to trifle with holy things; and it made no simple statement correct unless sealed by a solemn oath. Therefore, Jesus taught his followers to give simple "yes" or "no" answers and let their character rather than their oath confirm the truth.

**III. REVERENCE FOR PRAYER.** Matthew 6:5-8.

Communion with God, either by thought or by conversation, is one of the most sacred activities of the Christian. In Jesus' day it was practiced by many merely in the form of an act. The word "hypocrite" comes from a Greek word which means "an actor." The scribes and Pharisees arranged all their acts of piety in front of an audience in order to receive their awesome respect. No wonder the practice of prayer by these Jewish leaders was so contemptible to Jesus. They sought ego support, not prayer support.

Prayer was necessary in the life of Jesus, and it is certainly necessary in the life of his followers. The greater part of our prayer life should be intimate and private, but God will see to it that the results are made public.

The amazing truth which Jesus taught about prayer is that we can be reverent and at the same time familiar with God—so reverent that we must never forget his hallowed name and so familiar that we can also call him "our Father."

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: February 4, 1962

Theme: THE RIGHT USE OF THE LORD'S DAY

Scripture: Exodus 20:8-11; Mark 2:23-3:6

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** We worship God on the first day of the week in order to live more holy on the other six days.

**INTRODUCTION:** When these commandments were given to the Israelites through Moses, there was also a comparable punishment added as a warning to those who refused to obey them. Sabbath breaking was as severely dealt with as stealing, killing or adultery. In our civil courts there are still degrees of punishment for stealing, killing and adultery, but punishment for Sabbath breaking has almost disappeared from our statute books.

But there is a great deal of confusion even among Christians as to the

proper observance of the Lord's Day. Very few sermons are preached on it; warnings are few and far between; and ministers feel they should concentrate on what they consider the more harmful and dangerous sins.

Some schools have inaugurated an "honor system" whereby the students are given as little authoritative supervision as possible and are trusted to rely on their personal moral code. The church seems to have relegated the observance of the Lord's Day to the "honor system" also. Each member evidently has the freedom to observe it according to the dictates of his conscience and the leading of the Holy Spirit.

**I. REMEMBER THE SABBATH.** Exodus 20:8-11.

The Jews had many ceremonial aids to help them remember the Sabbath. Many additions and traditions were incorporated which complicated its proper observance. In Jesus' time the purpose of the Sabbath was perverted to such a degree that it became a religious burden rather than a God-given day of rest. They remembered the Sabbath, but forgot its original purpose.

We still remember the Sabbath, but very often we do not remember it as a day of rest. It is more frequently a day of multiplied activity.

**II. THE LAW OF THE SABBATH AND THE SPIRIT OF THE SABBATH.** Mark 2:23-28.

The Pharisees were not primarily concerned about the Sabbath; they were concerned about finding fault with Jesus and his disciples. In order to do this they had to ferret out a ridiculous little detail and make a mountain out of a molehill.

Jesus' interpretation was not that the Sabbath should be free of all activity, but that it should be used for activity of a different nature. Personal necessity and good works are accounted as being an acceptable service to God and man. There are many things that can be done leisurely, lovingly, and with grace. Whatever the Gospel and the love of Christ lead us to do on the Sabbath day is holy and right.

In order to understand the Sabbath and its purpose, it ought to be remembered as a day of worship, as a day of loving and sacrificial service. If the true Sabbath spirit is kept within the heart, there will be little difficulty with its outward observance. While the scribes and Pharisees were concerned with the law of the Sabbath, Jesus was busy spreading the blessings of the Sabbath.

# OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

## Central District

### Twelve New Members Added to Church, Corn, Okla.

Baptismal services were held at the Calvary Baptist Church, Corn, Oklahoma on Nov. 19. Those who were baptized were (left to right in the picture): Richard Kroeker, Doyle Tilly, Tommy Hook, Yonnie Reimer, Vicki Kroeker, and Betty Tilly. Rev. Jack Block, pastor, baptized the converts. These candidates and the following joined the church by testimony and letter: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martens, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nikkel, Mr. GERALD LOY SCHMIDT and Mr. Gilbert Fadenrecht. We are thankful to the Lord for these added blessings to our church.

Rev. Jack Block of the Calvary Church had the privilege of uniting in marriage his daughter, Kathy, with Mr. Keith Hamburger. This beautiful candlelight ceremony took place on Saturday evening, Nov. 18.

Mrs. A. W. Leppke, Reporter

### Women's Programs, Tyndall and Danzig Churches, S. Dakota

The Baptist Day of Prayer was observed by the Woman's Missionary Union, Tyndall, S. Dak., on Friday afternoon, Dec. 1, and by the Danzig Woman's Union on Friday evening. We had 100 per cent attendance at each meeting with many taking part in prayer. The Unions of the Tyndall and Danzig Baptist Churches of Tyndall, S. Dak., presented a joint missionary program on Sunday evening, Dec. 3, at the Danzig church to a large audience. Mrs. David Zimmerman serves as president in each group. The missionary play, "Unto the Least of These," was presented by a cast of 8 people.

Special evangelistic meetings were held in the Tyndall Baptist Church, Sept. 17-24, with Rev. H. Palfenier, de-



Rev. Jack Block, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Corn, Okla., and six converts whom he baptized on Nov. 19.

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nominalist evangelist. One person was saved. Special meetings were held in Danzig Baptist Church, Nov. 12-19, with Rev. Loren Weber of Rapid City, S. Dak. We had the joy of seeing 15 boys and girls and young people saved.

David Zimmerman, Pastor

### Special Fall Meetings at Turtle Lake, N. Dak.

The Turtle Lake Baptist Church, Turtle Lake, N. Dak., observed its Mission Festival Sunday in October with Rev. Harold W. Gieseke of Forest Park, Ill., as guest speaker. The sanctuary was beautifully decorated with fruits, vegetables, and flowers in season. Approximately 200 guests gathered around the tables during the noon and evening meal served by the ladies of the church.

The church choir presented several appropriate numbers during the serv-



Decorations for the Harvest and Mission Festival in the Baptist Church, Turtle Lake, N. Dak., with Rev. Harold Weiss pastor.

ices. The missionary offerings for the day amounted to \$644. A total of \$817 was given towards the building fund, totaling \$1,461.00. The majority of our church families are engaged in farming; therefore we are especially grateful to God for these gifts during this drouth year.

During the second week of November we were privileged in having Rev. C. T. Remple of Missoula, Montana with us during a series of revival meetings. Our hearts were blessed as Mr. Remple unfolded the Scriptures to us in a most unique manner. Special musical numbers by the choir and individual groups added to the blessings. A number of children accepted Christ as Savior during this time, and we are sure that many hearts were touched by the consecrated messages.

Mrs. Reuben Bauer, Reporter

### Baptismal Service and Special Programs, Herreid, S. Dak.

The Herreid Baptist Church of Herreid, S. Dak., held a baptismal service on Sunday, Nov. 26, with Rev. Alfred Weisser baptizing eight young people upon confession of their faith in Christ. The hand of fellowship was extended to them the following Sunday, Dec. 3.



Rev. Alfred Weisser, pastor of the Baptist Church, Herreid, S. Dak., and eight young people baptized on Sunday, Nov. 26.

They and all the members of the church partook of the Lord's Supper.

Evangelistic services were conducted during the first three weeks in October with the Rev. and Mrs. D. Bronleewe in charge of musical, Gospel and evangelistic messages. A goodly number were in attendance nightly and the Spirit of the Lord prevailed. One week of these meetings was conducted in the Artas church.

On Oct. 8, we had the pleasure of having President Frank Veninga of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as guest speaker for our Mission Festival. We rejoice that the Lord blessed us with an offering of \$2,800. May he continue to bless our church and its pastor and wife in the future so that great things for him may be accomplished in these perilous times!

Mrs. E. A. Bischke, Reporter

### Women's Annual Missionary Program at Cathay, N. Dak.

The Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, Cathay, N. Dak., held its annual missionary program Nov. 2nd at the Cathay Baptist Church. Mrs. E. F. Seibold, president, welcomed guests from the neighboring churches: Germantown, Fessenden, Carrington, and the Cathay Methodist Church. Scripture and prayer were given by Mrs. Edward Edinger. A yearly report was read by Mrs. Albert Seibold. Mrs. Gordon Thomas of Fessenden sang, "O, What a Day!" Mrs. John Benham of the Minot Baptist Church was our guest speaker and her message was both inspirational and challenging.

Slides were shown from Missionary Laura Reddig and the honor she received at Buea when she was presented with the medal that signified membership in the Order of the British Empire. This appointment was made by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II of England, through a British Commissioner for her years of dedicated service among the people of the Southern Cameroons. Our Society is very proud that Missionary Laura Reddig received such an award. Special recognition was also given Mrs. Albert Reddig who so faithfully served as president of the N.A.B. Woman's Missionary Union. She will continue to have an active part in our society and wherever she is asked.

Mrs. Louis E. Bibelheimer, Reporter

### Harvest and Mission Festival at Goodrich, N. Dak.

The First Baptist Church of Goodrich, N. Dak., observed its Harvest Mission Festival on Sunday, Nov. 19, with our pastor, Rev. Jacob Ehman, as speaker. He spoke on the text: "Whatsoever ye do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him" (Colossians 3:17). The church was decorated for the occasion, emphasizing the theme.

The children of the Junior departments of our Sunday school gave a brief program of recitations and songs. The choir brought a fine selection. After the message, Mrs. Paul Stober sang a solo. The offering for the day went toward missions. The church has set as its goal \$1000 to be raised for missions to support Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Zimbelman, missionaries in the Cameroons. Until this Sunday, \$505.00 had been raised. The mission offering on Nov. 19 was \$1135.77. So we went \$640.77 over and above our goal. This will go toward denominational missions.

Mrs. Albert Schmidt, Reporter

### Mission Program and Evangelistic Meetings, Billings, Montana

On Sunday evening, Nov. 5, the Calvary Baptist Missionary Society of Billings, Mont., held its annual mission program. A chicken dinner was served. After this, we gathered in the sanctuary for the program featuring "The Cry of the Orient." Our Woman's Missionary Society is concerned about the project of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Dakota Conference. Therefore, our mission offering was designated toward the Banso Maternity Center.



Baptism at the First Baptist Church, Norridge, Ill. Back row (left to right): Rev. Walter Schmidt, Joseph Rosinski, Richard Uhler, Sr., Arthur Riesen, Jr. Front row: Richard Uhler, Jr., Mrs. La Verne Uhler and Ronald Uhler.

From Nov. 9 to 17 we had Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom of West St. Paul, Minn., with us for a series of evangelistic meetings. Four persons accepted Christ and two renewed their fellowship. A total of 1030 Bible chapters were read during the meetings. Rev. Richard Grenz is our pastor.

We are happy to report that one of our young people, Miss La Verne Fuchs, is attending Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, Alberta. One of our young men, Mearl Fuchs, is in the United States Air Force. He has been stationed in the French Morocco for a year.

Mrs. Emil Opp, Reporter

### Harvest Festival and Dedication Service, Hettinger, N. Dak.

Sunday, Oct. 8, was designated as Harvest Mission Festival Sunday at the Grace Baptist Church, Hettinger, N. Dak. Rev. Fred Knaelson of Mott was called in as guest speaker for the day, and we as a church were challenged with the responsibility of soul-winning, as well as with supporting our missionary work. The offering for the day totaled \$498.00.

The Grace Church held a dedication service on Nov. 19 for our newly purchased pews and North American Hymnals. The activities began at 5:30 P.M. with a fellowship supper served by the ladies of the church. Following this during the evening service, various members of the church expressed their joy because of the Lord's leading in these matters. Our pastor, Rev. Donald Derman, also spoke and emphasized the importance of the dedication of ourselves to the Lord. This was indeed a time of inspiration and thanksgiving.

Mrs. Ron Derman, Reporter

### Evangelistic and Thanksgiving Programs, Ellinwood, Kansas

Rev. Howard Johnson, pastor of the Oak Street Baptist Church, Burlington, Iowa, held a week of special meetings, Oct. 29-Nov. 3, at the First Baptist Church of Ellinwood, Kansas. His vital messages of faith and trust gave us hope in this time of world crises. A recently organized Sunday school class of married couples graduating from the young married couples' "Home-builders Sunday School Class" chose the name of "Crusaders" and elected Mrs. Merle Brenner as teacher and Mr. Everett Wilkenson as class president.

The Woman's Missionary Society held its annual Missionary Program

with a Family Supper on Friday evening Nov. 17, with guest speaker, Dr. Douglas Gallagher of Lorraine, Kansas. Mrs. August Kreuger, president, led the devotions and announced the special music: a violin solo by Mrs. Edgar Strutz and a vocal number by a ladies' quartet. For the past several months,

**REV. WALTER SCHMIDT**  
On Dec. 26 Rev. Walter Schmidt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Norridge, Ill., underwent serious surgery. His family and church have requested the prayers of God's people in his behalf. **EDITOR.**

our pastor, Rev. Merle E. Brenner, has been giving us a series of messages on the "Kingdom of God" and "Minor Prophets" in the Sunday morning and evening services. Our church participated in the Union Thanksgiving Service held on Nov. 22 in the Ellinwood High School Auditorium with Rev. Merle E. Brenner giving the message, "Self-Discipline in Thanksgiving."

Mrs. Derril Widener, Reporter

## Eastern District

### Baptismal Service, First Baptist Church, Norridge, Ill.

The First Baptist Church of Norridge, Illinois has much to be thankful for. Six persons (including four of an entire family) took the step of baptism on Sunday, Nov. 26, following the morning worship service. Our pastor, Rev. Walter Schmidt, chose for his sermon the question, "What Shall We Do?" based on the text, Acts 2:37, and Peter's momentous reply on that day of Pentecost to repent and be baptized.

All six candidates obeyed God's Word and were baptized on the following precious promises: Mrs. Laverne Uhler, John 11:26; Richard Uhler, Jr., Matthew 5:16; Ronald Uhler, John 15:5; Arthur Riesen, Jr., John 14:6; Richard Uhler, Sr., John 13:34; and Joseph Rosinski, John 6:35. The entire service was a moving experience as we heard the choir sing, "Just As I Am," and watched each candidate enter the waters of baptism. We have set a precedent in our church. We know this is a day of decision in the world. With God's help we endeavor to lead more souls to this act of faith in God.

Ruth J. Hess, Reporter

### Atlantic Conference Youth Hold a Fall Rally

The C.B.Y.F. of the Atlantic Conference held its fall session on Nov. 11 and 12. The theme was "Launch Forth" taken from Luke 8:22. Our host church was the Pilgrim Church of Philadelphia, Pa. The program was well planned, beginning on Saturday morning with an inspirational talk given by Rev. D. Mostrom of the Cornerstone Church of New Jersey. Musical interludes separated the business meetings and the workshops. The well planned workshop was led by Rev. E. A. Hoffmann, Fleischmann Memorial Church; Rev. R. Schmidt, Pilgrim Church; and Miss M. Hargreaves, also of Pilgrim Church.

In the evening a banquet was served accommodating both the Junior and the Senior groups. Rev. R. Sparling, formerly of the Atlantic Conference and now serving the Union Church of Arnold, Pa., was the speaker. He brought a very timely message.

Sunday was also a full day, being climaxed with the Mass Rally in the afternoon. At this meeting the C.B.Y.F. mission project for the coming year was announced. It is that of Church Extension and the mission to the Indians in Canada. The goal has been set at \$1000. The speaker was Rev. W. Christensen of the Bridgeport Church in Connecticut. The message entitled, "Launch Forth in Discipleship," was a challenge to all 243 people present.

G. E. Bartels and J. E. Meissner, Reporters

### 60th Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. John Penner

On Sunday, Nov. 12, children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. John Penner gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Jeschke, Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario, to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of the Penners. Gifts were opened and congratulatory telegrams were read. Among them were telegrams from the Queen and other heads of governments. On the following Sunday, the Immanuel Baptist Church, St. Catharines, Ont., where the couple are members, honored them with a special service. Rev. A. Hart, pastor, officiated over the program featuring choir songs, musical and instrumental numbers and congratulatory messages. The Penners were presented with a beautiful, framed copy of "The Last Supper" by da Vinci.

Mr. and Mrs. Penner were married in Poland. They came to the Canadian west as pioneers settling in Nokomis, Sask., in 1906, where they were among the charter members of the Baptist church, and being members until 1943 when they moved to their present home at Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario. The Lord has blessed them with 13 children of whom 9 are living, besides 24 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

Alvina Jeschke, Reporter

### Farewell for Van Kley Family at Baileyville, Illinois

On Sunday morning, Nov. 12, Rev. A. E. Van Kley read his resignation as pastor of the Baileyville Baptist Church, Baileyville, Illinois. He was pastor of the church for about two and one half years. He accepted the call to the Oak Forest Baptist Church, Oak Forest, Illinois. It is a Conservative Baptist Church.

On Nov. 23 after our Thanksgiving Service, we held a farewell service for the Van Kley family. Mr. Sam Korf represented the church and presented the Van Kley family with a gift from the church. James Hartman, Sunday school superintendent presented Sharon Van Kley with a gift from the Sunday school. Gifts also were presented from the Home Builders' Class, Philathea Class and the King's Daughters Society. After the service refreshments were served. May God bless the Van Kley family as they serve him in this new field.

Elizabeth Renkema, Clerk

## Western District

### Ground-Breaking for Evergreen Baptist Home, B. C.

About a year ago a new attempt was made to establish a Home for the Aged in British Columbia. The elected officers worked tirelessly to find a suitable location in Vancouver. However, property of the size we need is hard to secure and rather high in price. So we were led to look elsewhere. Finally, we purchased six acres of land in the City of White Rock, B. C., a lovely spot with the Pacific Ocean to the southwest and the Cascade Mountains to the

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Mr. and Mrs. John Penner of Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario, members of the Immanuel Church in St. Catharines, on their 60th wedding anniversary.

East. Since there are green trees all about this area, we named our Home "Evergreen Baptist Home."

On Sunday, Nov. 26, a large number of members and friends from the Vancouver Baptist churches gathered at the building site for the ground breaking exercises. Rev. I. Faszer made fitting introductory remarks. The song, "Mighty God, We Worship Thee" was sung by all present. Now it was time for the turning of the sod: Mr. John Sauer did so for the Life Members of

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Bohnet of Anaheim, Calif., at their 60th wedding anniversary celebrated by their family and many friends. They are members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim.



the organization, Mr. A. J. Klaassen for the society as president, Rev. I. Faszer for the planning committee, Mr. Albert Sauer for the finance committee, Rev. O. Patzia for the promotion committee, and Mr. M. Luecking for the board of trustees. We thank God for this beginning. We would invite older people of North American Baptist churches not only in British Columbia but from beyond our province who entertain the thought of going to a Senior Citizen Home, to write to us: Rev. Phil. Daum, 6850 Fraser St., Vancouver 15, B. C., Canada.

Phil Daum, Reporter

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### Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bohnet Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Fifty friends paid tribute recently to Mr. and Mrs. H. Bohnet, long-time residents of Anaheim, Calif., on the happy occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Their son, Mr. Edmund E. Bohnet, and family were hosts.

Mr. Bohnet, a retired carpenter-painter and native of Romania, came to this country to North Dakota when a boy of 9 years. Mrs. Bohnet, with her brothers, came from Germany to the same state. On Nov. 21, 1901 in the Germantown Baptist Church, N. Dak., they were married. They have two sons: Arno A. Bohnet of Lodi, and Edmund E. Bohnet of Anaheim, Calif.; also the following grandchildren: Donna and Gary Bohnet, Lodi; Arline Bohnet O'Briant of Torrence; and Donald Bohnet of Anaheim, Calif. In 1935 they came to Anaheim and became members of Bethel Baptist church where they have performed years of faithful service in various capacities including 4-5 years for Mr. Bohnet as church clerk.

At their reception the diamond anniversary theme was carried out in the tiered wedding cake topped with pink and white roses with silver leaves. During the first gathering of friends, Rev. H. John Vanderbeck, pastor of Bethel Church, offered a prayer of thanks to God for these Christian witnesses throughout the years and prayed for God's continued blessings on them. Later in the day Rev. Kenneth Fischer, pastor of the Magnolia Baptist Church where the Edmund Bohnets are members, also offered a prayer for the honored couple.

Ruth M. Mellen, Reporter

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Rev. Milton Quiggle of Minneapolis, Minn., a member of Dayton's Bluff Baptist Church, St. Paul, who was commissioned for missionary service in Africa on Sunday, Dec. 10, 1961.

## 82nd NAB Missionary Commissioned

Report of the commissioning of Rev. Milton Quiggle of Minneapolis, Minn., for missionary service by Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Secretary.

Mr. Quiggle's parents, brother and sister and their families and former Sunday school teacher were in attendance.

The statement of Mr. Quiggle's appointment to mission service by the Board of Missions was read by Rev. H. J. Wilcke, chairman. Rev. Adam Huber, former Board chairman, read the Scripture passage and offered prayer. The commissioning message on Isaiah 61:6 was given by Dr. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary. Dr. Curtis B. Akenson of Minneapolis' First Baptist Church and Professor Edwin J. Omark, dean of St. Paul's Bethel Seminary, spoke of the missionary and his important relationships to the church and in education. Mr. Richard Kampfer, moderator of the Dayton's Bluff Church in which Mr. Quiggle holds his membership, presented him with a gift from the church to be used for books by the missionary.

The commission was given by Rev. J. C. Gunst, Central District Secretary, followed by the consecration prayer offered by Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom. Musical numbers were rendered by the church choir directed by Richard Benert; a trio by Carolyn Venarchick, Doris Patet and Betty Campbell; and a piano and organ rendition of "The Holy City" by Lillian and Doris Patet. Rev. Milton Quiggle opened his heart

with personal comments concerning his joy in following the Lord's call to the mission field. Following the closing hymn and benediction, he requested the audience to grant him an important wish and to sing, "I Know God Loves Me." (Gott ist die Liebe). At the reception that followed, ample opportunity was given to all the friends to wish God's manifold blessings to accompany Mr. Quiggle to the mission field in Africa.

Following high school and Minnehaha Academy in Minneapolis, Minn., Mr. Quiggle studied at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, Ill., and then went to the University of Minnesota and Bethel Seminary of St. Paul for his educational preparation. He was ordained in 1955 by the First Baptist Church of Minneapolis after he had served at Vernon Center for six months. He has also rendered an interim ministry at Bethany Baptist Church in West Duluth and Dayton's Bluff Church of St. Paul.

In January 1962 he will be on his way to Africa as our 82nd missionary under appointment. He is scheduled to serve as a missionary teacher at the Baptist Teacher Training Center in Soppo, West Cameroon. The prayers and best wishes of a host of God's people in our churches will accompany him to his field of service.

540. Approximately 300 meals were served in the newly decorated basement of the church. The combined offerings for the building fund were \$630.85.

The church was organized on March 14, 1958 with 11 members. Since then several pastors have served temporarily. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler began their work with the Faith Church on August 25, 1961. Under the leadership of Rev. Alfred Weisser and a number of sister churches along with their pastors, ground breaking services were held on Sun-

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Dedication services for the Faith Baptist Church, Selby, South Dakota were held on Sunday, Nov. 5, 1961. Rev. J. C. Kraenzler is the pastor of the church.

## Obituary

### MRS. EMILIA KRISCHENOWSKI of Hettinger, North Dakota

Mrs. Emilia Krischenowski of Hettinger, N. Dak., was born on Jan. 21, 1886, at Eigenfeld, Russia. She passed away at the Hettinger Community Hospital on Nov. 23, 1961, at the age of 75 years. She was united in holy matrimony to Mr. Wm. Krischenowski on Jan. 17, 1903, and together they came to the United States in 1906. She was baptized upon confession of faith in June 1947, at the Baptist Church of Bison, S. Dak. Her husband passed away in 1953. In 1955 she came to Hettinger, where she was a faithful member of the Grace Baptist Church until the time of her death.

Surviving relatives include five daughters: Mrs. Philip Ketterling of Hettinger; Mrs. Gus Barth of Bowdle, S. Dak.; Mrs. Ernest Kalland of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Mrs. Gordon Dix of Morrison, S. Dak.; and Mrs. Wm. Hanson of Reedley, Calif.; four sons: Andrew, Bill and Edward of Calif., and Alex of Bison, S. Dak.; 28 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

RONALD DERMAN, Pastor

### MR. JOHN H. RAUSER of Bismarck, North Dakota

Mr. John H. Rauser of Bismarck, N. Dak., was born in Romania on March 9, 1897, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rauser. He came to the United States with his parents in 1902 to McLean County, north of Mercer, N. Dak. He was converted in his youth and united with the Tabor Baptist Church. On Feb. 13, 1917 he was united in marriage with Amalia Knippelberg. He occupied himself with farming until 1946 when they moved to Bismarck and united with the Bismarck Baptist Church, where he was a deacon for several years. He passed away in a local hospital on Nov. 23, 1961.

He is survived by his bereaved wife; four sons: Herbert of Mercer, N. Dak.; Johnnie, Roland and Arnold of Bismarck, N. Dak.; and his mother, Mrs. Minnie Rauser, of Elk Grove, Calif.; five brothers: William and Henry of Elk Grove, Calif.; and Edward of Martin of Lodi, Calif.; and four sisters: Lizzie Turtle Lake, N. Dak.; Mrs. Emil Barrett of Bismarck, N. Dak.; Mrs. Frank (Ricka) Meyer of Elk Grove, Calif.; and Mrs. Jake Mantz of Elk Grove, Fresno, Calif. The memorial service was conducted by Rev. E. Broeckel and attended by many people as a visible evidence of his standing in his church and community.

Bismarck, N. Dak. EMANUEL BROECKEL, Officiating Minister

### MR. HOWARD E. ELLINGER of Cedar Falls, Iowa

Mr. Howard Edward Ellinger of Cedar Falls, Iowa was born on August 17, 1910 at Stout, Iowa. He lived in the Parkersburg area all his life with the exception of the last few months, having moved to Cedar Falls, Iowa. On June 19, 1935 he was united in marriage with Bernice Wiley at Farmington, Minn.

He accepted Christ as Savior and was baptized on Dec. 2, 1945 and became a member of the Calvary Baptist Church where he was a member at the time of his death. His departure from this life was caused by an automobile accident on Dec. 7, 1961. He attained the age of 51 years, 3 months and 19 days. He is survived by his deeply bereaved wife; two sons: Bob who is with the Air Force stationed in Michigan, and Bill who is at home; 3 granddaughters; his father of Stout, Iowa; two sisters: Mrs. Victor Blaney of Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. Peter DeBeer of Odebolt, Iowa, and one brother, Glen, of Grundy Center, Iowa. Rev. H. Lohr brought the message of comfort from 2 Cor. 5:1-10, and the pastor was in charge of arrangements.

Calvary Baptist Church Parkersburg, Iowa RAYMOND F. DICKAU, Pastor

### MRS. ANNA PERLICH of Salem, Oregon

Mrs. Anna Perlich of Salem, Oregon was born Feb. 22, 1879 in Rheinplatz, Germany and passed from this life Nov. 15, 1961 at the age of 82 after a few weeks of illness at home. She came to the United States in 1895 at the age of 16. Mrs. Perlich was converted to faith in Christ and was baptized in San Francisco, Calif., on March 27, 1898. She was united in marriage to Robert Perlich Nov. 30, 1899 by the late Rev. Gustav Schunke. The young couple moved to Salem, Oregon in 1901 where they engaged in farming until their retirement in 1935. They served as church custodian for a number of years and this past August 5 were recognized with a remembrance for having been members of the Bethel Baptist Church for 60 years. They have been regular in church attendance except for occasional illness.

Mrs. Perlich leaves to cherish her memory her husband and three daughters: Mrs. Emilie Weikum, Salem; Mrs. Bertha Moore, Portland and Mrs. Gertrude Olson of St. Helens, Oregon; and two sons: Silas Perlich of Brooks, Oregon and Gus Perlich of San Fernando, Calif., as well as 13 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Bethel Baptist Church Salem, Oregon EVERETT A. BARKER, Pastor

## REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

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### Missionary Conference at Ebenezer Church, Vancouver

The week end of Oct. 20-22 was set aside by the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver, B. C., for a Missionary Conference. Together with our local sister churches, we were privileged to have Dr. and Mrs. Paul Gebauer and Dr. R. Schilke as guest speakers on this occasion. We became acquainted with the vital work of the foreign mission fields and also with the work of our home mission fields through the first-hand reports of our guest speakers.

Cottage prayer meetings preceded a revival campaign, held Nov. 5-19 with Rev. E. Barker of Salem, Oregon as evangelist. Many persons were brought under conviction of their sin and God's children were brought closer to him through the challenging messages of Mr. Barker. The spirit of revival still lingers on and we are indebted to our pastors, Rev. O. Patzia and Rev. P. Daum, for their dedicated ministry in our church.

Mrs. Eugen Lueck, Reporter

## Northern District

### Evangelistic Services at Central Church, Yorkton, Sask.

The Central Baptist Church, Yorkton, Sask., was very happy to have had Rev. G. P. Schroeder as Evangelist in our church. Our meetings lasted two weeks, Nov. 5-17. Through the messages Mr. Schroeder brought our people have been inspired and greatly challenged to greater heights in the Lord. Our evening services were conducted in the English language and the morning Bible Study in the German language. This Bible Study was one hour in length and indeed edifying to our people. The attendance was very good. The remarks of our people were: "These were the best attended meetings the church has ever had."

We are thankful to Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Lodi, Calif., for the services he rendered in our church and we

praise God for the tremendous blessing he has poured out upon us. Yorkton is a very challenging field for us and we are happy to be in the Lord's work.

Walter Kerber, Pastor

### Farewell for Pastor and Family, Camrose, Alberta

After the Sunday evening service, Nov. 26, at the Fellowship Baptist Church, Camrose, Alberta, a farewell was held for Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Fritzke and Marlo in the church parlors. A lunch was served. Mr. Larry Foss led in the thanksgiving prayer. Deacon Art Gerber was the chairman. The program featured a trumpet solo by Melvin Miller. A duet was given by Mrs. Richard Hickman and Mrs. Art Gerber.

Words of farewell were given our pastor and family by representatives of various departments of the church: Mr. P. A. Weisser spoke for the Sunday school; Enos Lamprecht for the young people's society; Mrs. Richard Hickman for the Ladies' Mission Circle; Mr. P. A. Link for the Men's Brotherhood; and Mr. R. G. Soderstrom for the congregation. He also presented the Fritzkes with a lovely parting gift. A few well chosen words of thanks were expressed by Mr. and Mrs. Fritzke. Our best wishes go with our former pastor and his family as they continue to labor for the Lord in their new field at Trochu, Alberta.

Mrs. R. G. Soderstrom, Reporter

## STARTING A SUNDAY SCHOOL

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work, such as a Sunday school, provides all these. But of course, much disappointment can be involved if we do not fully trust God, looking to him for guidance and strength. I certainly will never forget these experiences of campaigning, teaching Sunday school and Vacation School in Melville. These will remain as precious memories to me. I only wish I had more of them."

## PROGRESS MADE

The first Sunday school we held was very small with four students. However, by the month of June we had 32, and today there is an enrolment of 35. Royce Baron, a young man, does a very fine job to superintend this work. We know that God's hand is upon this work. Immediately from the beginning this work has been self-supporting. The Sunday school, the rental of the building, Vacation School expenses are all carried by the Melville mission work itself. But what would happen to the mother church at Fenwood, if so much interest were put into this mission work? The result? The young people tried the same visitation program in this rural area. Homes were visited which were always thought of as no potential. The result was seen in eleven new students in Fenwood in a week's time.

We are thankful to the C. B. Y. F. young people who were obedient to the command, "So Send I You!"

## CHURCH MUSIC

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**IDENTIFY OURSELVES WITH ITS MEANINGS.** Music does not have the power to make God's love greater than it is. Music can add nothing to God. But music does afford the most direct and effective avenue into the human heart and, among the arts, it is an avenue which God is pleased to use and encourage.

## A LAUNCHING PAD

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powerful influence in the life of a church, perhaps even an example for the adults to follow, an example of sincere Christian growth and service.

"So send I you . . ." This phrase need not cause us to project our vision to a time ten years from now, or a place hundreds of miles away. Even today's modern rockets lose their thrust without an effective launching pad! "So send I you, to stay at home and serve me . . ."

## CHURCH DEDICATION

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day afternoon, April 23, 1961. With the financial help from our N. A. B. Mission, we were able to move our building to its present site several months ago. Members and friends of the

church have completely modernized and redecorated the auditorium and basement at a total cost of approximately \$5,500. In addition, several thousand hours of work and several gifts were donated by the members and friends of the Church. The Lord has given us a great concern to strengthen the work and to win people for Christ on this mission field.

## WE THE WOMEN

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most pertinent missionary news so that each of us can pray and give with real understanding. We wish, also to make you more fully aware of "our" denomination and its scope. We hope to give you inspirational reading, successful ideas from other conferences and circles. We will draw your attention to activities of Christian women around the world. In all, this is a periodical designed just for us women and for our particular needs. At this time, each group or circle is to receive five copies to distribute, plus several of the copies to your minister's wife.

Now, President, for those many women who write to tell us they feel they need to know more about our Woman's Missionary Union, this is your golden opportunity. Members' names listed can be written on the covers of the BROADCAST and checked as that member reads it.

## CHRIST NEEDS YOU

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to the Lord who has called you, he will also enable you to perform the task he has called you to do.

It will be a joy and peace just to know you are in his will. What a blessing it will be to minister to the sick and sorrowing with the Word of Life! Who could ask for a greater reward than to witness the spiritual growth of his people as he faithfully feeds them on the Word. Or what could compare with the satisfaction and thrill that come to your heart when you have led someone to the Lord, realizing that you have had a part in delivering a soul from hell and adding it to the Kingdom of God.

The life of a pastor certainly is not an easy one. Neither is it without many problems and hardships. But the blessing, even in this life, far outweighs the hardships, let alone the blessings that will be yours in eternity. Peter says, "Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind, neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away."

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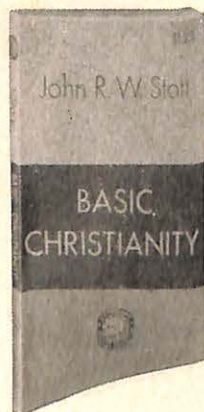
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