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# The Secret Place of Prayer

By F. B. Meyer

**I**N PRAYER there must be deliberateness—the secret place, the inner chamber, the fixed time, the shut door against distraction and intruders. In that secret place the Father is waiting for us. He is as certainly there as he is in heaven. Be reverent, as Moses was when he took the shoes from off his feet. Be trustful, because you are having an audience with One who is infinite sympathy and love. Be comforted, because there is no problem he cannot solve, no knot he cannot untie.

God knows even better than we do what we need and should ask for. He has gone over every item of our life, every trial, every temptation—the unknown and unexpected, the glints of sunshine on the path and the clouds of weeping. He listens to our forecast and requests, and rejoices when they accord with his infinite foreknowledge; or he may give us something better and more appropriate to our case.

"He will recompense thee." If he does not remove the cup, he will send an angel to strengthen; if the thorn remains unremoved, he will give more grace. You may be sure that, in some way or other, your heavenly Father is going to meet your particular need. It is as certain as though you heard him say: "Go your way, your prayer is heard: I will undertake, trust me, leave all in my hand!"

When you have once definitely put a matter into God's hands, leave it there. Do not repeat the committal, for that suggests that you have never made it. Your attitude thenceforward is to look into God's face, not to ask him to remember, but to say: "Father, thou knowest, understandest, carest. I know whom I have trusted and am persuaded that thou wilt not fail."

There is a prayer which is without ceasing; but surely that is not the reiterated request for the same thing, but the blessed interchange of happy fellowship. Use not vain repetitions, as do the heathen, who think that they will be heard for much speaking, but count him faithful that promised! This reckoning of faith is probably the loftiest attribute of prayer, for faith is the quiet assurance of things not yet seen!

## MARCH 9 (FRIDAY) — WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

"Every prayer that is really such—that is, which flows from the inward necessity of the soul—God answers."—Olshausen.

"Any heart turned God-ward feels more joy in one sweet hour of prayer than e'er was raised by all the feasts on earth since its foundation."—Bailey

"More things are wrought by prayer than the world dreams of. What are men better than sheep or goats, that nourish a blind life within the brain if, knowing God, they lift no hands of prayer both for themselves and for those who call them friends."—Tennyson.

"To pray as God would have us, with all the heart and strength and reason and will, and to believe that God will listen to our voice through Christ, and verily do the thing he pleaseth thereon, this is the last, the greatest achievement of the Christian's warfare on earth."—Coleridge.

# MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

**RUBY SALZMAN IN AFRICA.** On Feb. 19 Miss Ruby Salzman of Kankakee, Ill., went by plane to the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa, to resume her ministry as one of our missionaries on the Cameroons mission field. Farewell services were held for her by the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill. on Sunday evening, Jan. 28, and by the Immanuel Church, Kankakee, Ill. on Sunday evening, Feb. 11.

**CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS.** The appeal for the "Builders" for the month of March 1962 will be for the Cedarloo Baptist Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Rev. Bernard R. Fritzsche, Church Extension pastor, has written a stirring message about this church for this issue (see page 12). About 3200 of our people have enlisted as Church Extension Builders. But MANY MORE are needed! How about YOU?

**BIBLE SUNDAY, MARCH 11.** Most of our churches and Sunday schools will observe Bible Day on Sunday, March 11. Program material has been sent to all churches. An illustrated two page leaflet with an announcement about Bible Day has also been sent to our churches that can be used as an insert for the church bulletins on March 11. The offerings on Bible Day are to be designated for the distribution of Bibles and Christian literature on our mission fields, by the "God's Volunteers" team and by Church Extension pastors on their mission fields.

**MISSION PROJECTS.** There are at least 200 missionary projects that are assigned each year to our churches and church organizations, conferences and youth groups as well as to many individuals. These range from \$40.00 to several thousand dollars. The projects are for the support of our missionaries, hospitals and clinics, schools and national workers. Dr. R. Schilke, general missionary secretary, carries on most of the correspondence pertaining to these worthwhile mission projects.

**NOW WE ARE 82.** The 60 page booklet with the thrilling story of all of our 82 missionaries serving on five mission fields of the world is now ready for distribution. Notices and order blanks have been sent to the pastors. The colorful, illustrated brochure is available at 60 cents each and 50 cents for two or more copies, postpaid. It was prepared by the promotional department of the denomination in cooperation with the secretarial staff.

## NEXT ISSUE

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# Editorial

## The Miracle of the Bible

Our Bible Day observance on Sunday, March 11, 1962, calls attention to the miracle of the Bible. We stand in awe before this wonder that "all scripture is given by inspiration of God" (2 Timothy 3:16) and that through its revelation, communicated to us by its written message, "God hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son" (Hebrews 1:2).

Today the Bible sends forth its light and saving message as never before in the world's history. This, too, is God's miracle that the Scriptures are still being translated into new languages and dialects until "every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." The amazing and effective output of the printed page makes it possible for God's Word to touch almost every mind and life on this planet today. Through the ministry of your Publication Society and your gifts on Bible Sunday, you can have a part in this miracle of God today, as God's Word is read and believed around the world.

The printed page opens the hearts of people to God's revelation of his grace and love. "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God" (Romans 10:17), by reading and studying the Scriptures. What wonders are recorded in the testimonies of those who have found the Christ, their Savior, in its precious pages! "The Bible is the only source of all Christian truth; the only rule for the Christian life; the only Book that unfolds to us the realities of eternity."

Through the reading of the Bible the hearts of people are opened by the Holy Spirit to receive God's gifts of grace and forgiveness. This is the key that can unlock the doors to many sin-burdened souls. And your gifts on this Bible Sunday, assisting in the distribution of the Scriptures and Christian literature, can be these keys of blessing to many people. The Word goes out to the Spanish American people and Indians in their Sunday schools, Vacation Bible Schools, homes and sick rooms because of your faithfulness in this important ministry.

This, too, is God's miracle that God can take the small and sincere gifts of Sunday school scholars and of his people and multiply them until his Word can be placed into the hands of people throughout the world. It always amazes me how the Gospels and New Testaments can be printed and distributed for only a few cents. The Bible should be in every home, read by every family in this so-called "Christian America." But our Church Extension pastors can tell you how many homes are pagan without God's Word. They too are God's missionaries, distributing the Scriptures in these homes and encouraging the study of the Word.

In this age with its burdens of sin and tensions of spirit, the Bible can speak to every human need. It is the Bread of Life to satisfy every hunger of the soul. It is the Gospel of good news for every burdened heart to hear. How eager we should be to send out this light and truth of God through every means of communication, every missionary opportunity, and every type of the printed page. This is God's miracle of Bible Sunday, the blessing of this day that can be yours!

"I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word."

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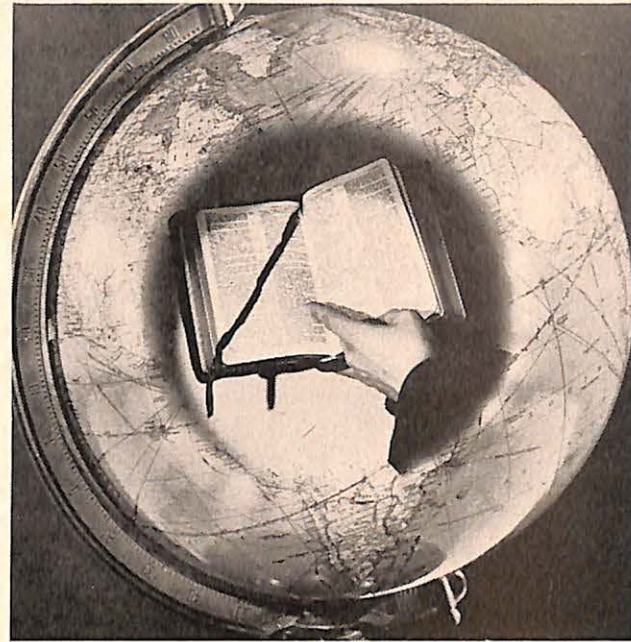
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# The Bible for the World

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THE BIBLE has an amazing ability to persist and bring light. Here is a Book, really a collection of books, a library composed centuries ago. The Bible has had the peculiar ability to survive the collapse of civilization with which it has been associated and to bring light to the dark ages that have followed.

Our generation is one in which the familiar world about us is being rapidly altered almost past recognition. Many are terrified by the vague shadows of the unknown future. Ours is not the first generation in which this has happened. In similar ages of revolution and transition the Bible has been handed on—a torch to lighten the unknown pathway, a light in the darkness and chaos.

The Bible perpetuates the Gospel light in lands where it has been all but crowded out by persecution. For exam-

ple, in the nineteenth century, for about twenty-five years the then recently planted Christian communities in Madagascar were subjected to severe persecution by a non-Christian ruler. The Christians were young in the faith, for missionaries had been present less than a generation. All missionaries were compelled to leave. Yet on the eve of their expulsion, knowing that persecution might be impending, the missionaries rushed to completion their translation of the Bible.

During the years of persecution that followed, although the Government attempted by violent measures to deprive them of their books, the Christians cherished their Bibles and reproduced copies by transcribing them by hand. Not only did the Christian communities continue, but many additional converts were made. The way had been so prepared that, when rulers more fa-

vorable to the faith came to the throne, Christianity spread. The light had not been put out.

From early in the seventeenth century until past the middle of the nineteenth, Christianity, once flourishing, was proscribed in Japan. Torture and death were meted out to any who were discovered to have retained the faith and who refused to recant.

Late in this period an official on duty in one of the ports, Nagasaki, chanced to see a book floating in the harbor. When it was retrieved, it proved to be in a strange language. It was a Dutch New Testament. Like other educated Japanese, he could read Chinese. He thereupon procured a Chinese translation of the New Testament, and he and his brother studied it.

### KEY TO LIFE ETERNAL

A few years later they heard of a foreigner who could explain the Book to them and visited him, one of the earliest Protestant missionaries in Japan. In due time they braved the anti-Christian laws and asked for baptism, and thus were among the first Japanese to receive that rite from Protestants. Both remained true to the faith found through the pages of the Book. In his later years one of them worked at translating it from Chinese to Japanese. The other became a local Methodist preacher. Several other members of the family became faithful Christians. The Bible had brought its light into a corner where the darkness had seemingly crowded it out.

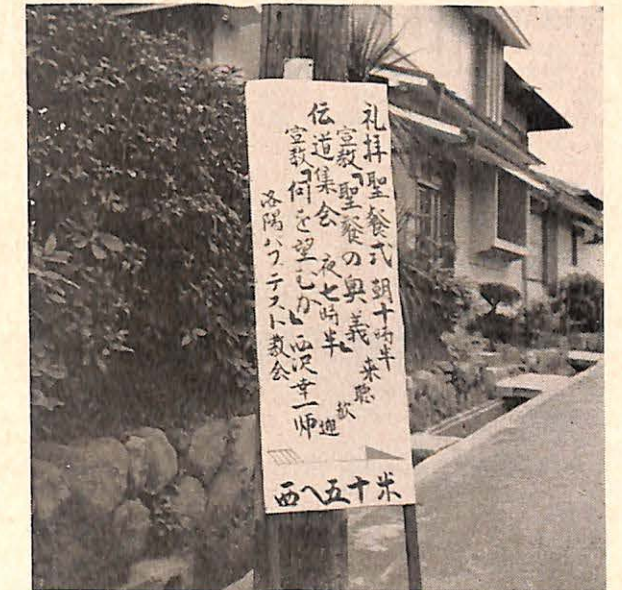
Sometimes the Bible brings its light into the despair of one who has never before known it. Years ago, in India a young Brahmin had a New Testament handed him on a train. He never learned the name of the donor, but the gift came at a most opportune time. He had lost his faith in his inherited religion. He was in the dark and was

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At the Workers' Conference in Ise,  
Japan, church problems and missionary  
needs were considered . . .

# Together for Christ in Japan

By Rev. Fred G. Moore,  
Missionary in Ise, Japan



The bulletin board with announcement of services in front of the Rakuyo Baptist Church, Kyoto, Japan.

AS THE LAST notes of a familiar hymn of praise died away in the Baptist church of Ise, Japan, our attention was focused on these wonderful words of testimony and challenge from the Apostle Paul: "For we are not as many, which corrupt the Word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ" (II Cor. 2:17).

Thirteen people had gathered around a conference table in Kyoto drawn by the bonds of Christian love, and intent on seeking God's further leading for the development of our testimony and witness for Christ in Japan. The date was Thursday, January 4, 1962. The participants in this Workers' Conference were six of our missionaries and our Japanese pastors, church workers, and Bible School students.

### REPORTS OF CHURCHES

After this brief devotional time which set the spiritual tone of our conference, attention was turned to a review of God's many blessings as they were poured out upon our churches and stations during the past year. The Ise Church has continued "stedfast in the faith," witnessing special blessings during the Deeper Life Conference in May, which culminated in the ordination of the Rev. Yoshio Akasaka, and a very wonderful, Spirit-led evangelistic campaign later in the year.

The Matsusaka Station, while facing many obstacles and the great need for a resident worker, nevertheless continues to hold forth the Word of Life in that city. Our second church, the Rakuyo Baptist Church of Kyoto also had a year of rich spiritual experiences, notable among which was the dedication of its lovely new chapel in April and the wedding in December of Brother Nishizawa, the mission worker with the Kyoto church.

Our "Christian Center" in Tsu re-

ported definite growth and development, and among all our churches and stations many precious souls have been drawn to the Savior. We rejoiced also over the development of our cooperative Bible School program, which is drawing together three missions in the Osaka area toward the making of a Bible School and later a Seminary for the training up of young men and women of this land for the Gospel ministry.

### SPIRIT OF UNITY

One aspect of our Workers' Conference this year, which will long be remembered and for which we are especially thankful, was the wonderful spirit of cooperation and "togetherness" which we experienced. This was evidenced as our voices blended together many times in the singing of familiar hymns. None of us would claim to be a great singer, but our combined voices sounded like a real choir! We tape-recorded one of these hymns, and adding personal greetings from each one, sent the tape on to Brother Hisashi Murakami whom many of you have met since he is continuing his studies in Sioux Falls College and at our Seminary.

Although we had met mainly to seek God's leading through a maze of problems facing us, this spirit of unity was truly thrilling. Without sacrificing our distinctive Baptist prerogatives of freedom and liberty within the Lord's leading, we were directed by the Holy Spirit to a place of deep mutual understanding and a truly united outlook regarding the work committed to us in this land.

One of the items discussed at our Workers' Conference was the marriage situation—which may sound rather strange to your ears. But here in Japan the Christian young people face a very real and very serious problem. When a

young person nears "marriageable age," about 20, he or she comes under a great deal of family pressure to get married, since an unmarried offspring is considered an offense to the family—particularly an unmarried daughter. Naturally, Christian young people want to have Christian life partners, and establish a Christian home.

### MARRIAGE PROBLEMS

Of course, your missionaries and our Japanese workers stress the necessity of this, too. But there simply aren't that many "eligibles" among the churches, and especially the men are in short supply. Therefore the pastor or missionary is often asked, either by the young person or the family, to act as intermediary in finding a mate. In our Workers' Conference we considered several possible solutions to this predicament, and found that some church groups even operate Christian "marriage bureaus" in an attempt to meet this urgent need. We covet your prayers that we may continue to be led of the Lord in dealing with this marriage problem and be able to offer practical help to our young people.

The training of lay leadership in our churches in Japan was a matter of earnest discussion at our Workers' Conference, just as this same problem is faced by our churches at home. The general spiritual nurture of all of our believers was another topic of discussion. With many of our believers facing active persecution for their faith from their family members, and facing a general unsympathetic society, this is a vital issue. How do you advise a Christian brother who works six days a week from early morning until late at night, when he asks if it is all right for him to do his shopping on Sunday, his only day off? Yes, we do need God's guidance in dealing with these many

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## BIBLE SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 1962

An inspiring observance in North American Baptist churches.

### YOUR GIFTS ON BIBLE DAY WILL

- Send Bibles to the Indians on the Canadian reservations for church services and school classrooms.
- Enable our missionaries in Japan and the Cameroons of Africa to distribute Bibles in their evangelistic witness for Christ.
- Provide Bibles, New Testaments and evangelistic tracts to "God's Volunteers" team and Church Extension pastors.
- Provide Bibles and Christian materials for the Vacation Bible Schools on the Spanish American fields of Colorado and Texas.

Read the Bible Day message in your Church Bulletin

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Look into the faces of the Indians  
coming to the Baptist Chapel to hear  
the Gospel story of Christ . . . .

## Great Hours for the Indians

By Rev. R. Neuman, Missionary to the Indians on  
the Bull Reserve, Alberta



John Bear of the Montana Reserve of Alberta who as Indian Chief was instrumental in inviting North American Baptists to open a mission work among his people.

THERE ARE MORE than 180,000 Indians in Canada, grouped into about 600 bands and living for the most part on 2,217 tracts of land that have been reserved for their use. The North American Baptist General Conference carries on a work among the Crees in the Hobbema Agency of Alberta, Canada. In this Agency, more than 200 Indians live, scattered on four reserves. From this Bull Reserve, you shall now hear of the activities and experiences by the resident missionaries.

### A FRIENDLY WELCOME

Bull Reserve lies near Wetaskiwin, Alberta, a city 40 miles south of Edmonton, on Number One Highway to Calgary. It has pleased the Lord to guide us so that we were able to return and resume work as missionaries. We thank our heavenly Father for this privilege. How long we can be God's servants here, he only knows. "To Be Faithful" is our motto.

Our arrival on Bull Reserve meant that the Grymaloskis were to move to the Montana Reserve, 20 miles south of here. This they were willing to do, so that we might join them in the work among the Cree Indians. It made little difference to us as to which Reserve we were to serve, except that the living quarters on the other field are too small for our family. Our family has grown in number and size and, really, we are quite happy about it.

We arrived on the Bull Reserve several days prior to the moving van. It was rather inconvenient, to be sure. However, relatives of ours had providentially arrived to rescue us from starving—and to have fellowship in the Lord. One of the first visitors to the Mission was the Chief. Toothless but with his warm smile, he showed us a genuine welcome, and we felt much more at home.

That same evening, both he and his wife welcomed us in a visit to our house, and presented us with gifts of garden produce, potatoes and onions. Their visit was brief but very much appreciated. Since then, numerous people have called to welcome us back, our own people, as well as Roman Catholic friends.

Our first Sunday with the people here called for a dual service. This was a farewell for the Grymaloskis and a reception for us. A goodly number of people came. Words of farewell and greeting were spoken by the Indian people. Lunch was served outside in front of the church on the lawn. This was served by the Indian girls and Mission workers.

One of the highlights of the day's



Rev. and Mrs. R. Neuman, missionaries to the Indians on the Bull Reserve of Alberta.

service was the naming of our boy, Sheldon Mark. During the course of our fellowship on the lush lawn, Mr. Joe White said to me, "I like to give your boy a Cree name." "That is fine," I said. After some thought and meditation he asked for the boy. While I stood beside him, he addressed the people in his own language. Then he took Sheldon in his arms and announced his special chosen Indian name.

This he will always take with him, through life. Wherever he goes the name, Gay-hew, meaning Eagle, will go with him. The people seemed pleased and agreed, responding with smiles of satisfaction and with soft whispers to one another. I thanked Mr. White for this distinguished honor, especially for conferring the name of their very famous bird, the Eagle, on our boy. A prayer of thanks was offered to God for his blessings before all left for their homes.

Thanksgiving Day was another very happy event on the Reserve in the Benke Memorial chapel. It seemed that everyone present joined in the Thanksgiving service, even the non-Christians. Is that possible? I often felt that way about our services on the Reserve. Often, you feel the strong hunger and desires of non-Christians that they would so much like to be one of us and join us in the spiritual blessings of God.

### "BREAD FROM HEAVEN"

The church in front was decorated with many fine food things. And we have so many varieties these days. In the midst of all was the precious Bible, God's Bread from Heaven. Scattered here and there were other Bibles and New Testaments that our Mission Headquarters has made possible just before Christmas through the Bible Day offering. Words of thanks were brought by Whites and Crees, praising God for his bounty to man. This was exciting and exalting. I spoke on

the text, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his Holy Name" (Psalm 103:1-12).

It has been a Thanksgiving Day every Sunday since then on this Indian Reserve. Two services conducted each Sunday are only a small part of the program on the Reserve. Since the "Study" of the Indian work has been undertaken by Professor Dunger of our Seminary, we feel considerably more at ease to reach out into other areas of the Indians' lives in order to reach the whole man for Christ. It is essential to include all of the Indian, and not just his soul, as we seek to win him and establish him in the Word.

I wonder if this isn't what the Apostle Paul meant in Romans 12:1, "I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." My heart was strangely warmed and revived during the period that I was privileged to accompany Dr. Dunger on this Mission Tour. The deep insight and understanding of Dr. Dunger are something rare in people today, but very much appreciated by the missionary.

### THE CARPENTRY PROGRAM

On the Bull Reserve we have ventured out on a new phase. Already a carpentry program has been started with the men. The Band has voted money from their band funds for materials. The Louis Bull School near the Benke Memorial Chapel is used for this purpose. The men are greatly enthused about the project. Two kitchen cabinets for their new houses are in the making. One is 11 feet wide and the other 8 feet.

These cabinets will be finished and installed with all the modern facilities that you can find in any house outside the Reserve. In a few years every new house on the Reserve will have one of these cabinets. We face no problems in working together. It is my responsibility to coordinate the work, draw up the plans, and keep the men busy—as well as keep them from cutting their fingers off.

So far we have succeeded in all three. We never begin the day without prayer. I gather the men around me, and we seek God's care, protection and will. Perhaps through this medium, we can reach some for Christ.

Let me share our weekly program with you. Monday is cabinet building day with the men. Tuesday we go to Montana Reserve to visit with Mrs. Grymaloski and family. After supper, we go to one of the homes on the Montana Reserve for Bible study and prayer. Mr. Grymaloski is away all week at the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton completing his high school. We are usually at Grymaloski house for supper, and at the same time we have the privilege of fellowshiping with our Christian teacher on the same Reserve, Leila Malokoff.

On Wednesday, 10 miles from our

Mission, 25 youngsters in grades 4, 5 and 6 wait for me to give them Bible instruction for one hour in the afternoon. In the evening of the same day, our Bible study and prayer is held in a home on the Bull Reserve. Thursdays, the women meet for sewing and worship. Here I give a lesson, illustrated with chalk drawings on the blackboard. This is convenient because we have these meetings in the school house near the Mission.

The Band also meets on Thursday evening for various purposes with the missionary. Just before Christmas we met to discuss the proposed changes in the Indian Act, the Christmas program, and buying of treats. After Christmas, we met to discuss our carpentry program. This program is open to all faiths. All these programs are under the auspices of the Baptist Mission and

seek. I believe God put that hunger there, just as he put that star in the sky to guide the hungry of heart.

The light of that star led our Indians to the chapel that night. Ever since then, Light has led Indians to Jesus, and we have had the privilege to kneel with them at the altar to join them in presenting their hearts to Christ. On Christmas Eve all seemed to be aware of this essential—Christ. God was present. Children and adults looked their best.

The adult Indians participated in the preliminaries. Bert Crane led the song service. Mr. Joe White read the Christmas story. Jim Stoney led the assembly to the Throne of Grace. Chief James Bull welcomed the people. It was a great meeting. Yes, it was Christmas, the celebration of Jesus' birthday, of a Babe in Bethlehem's manger, a stable.



BENKE MEMORIAL CHURCH, BULL RESERVE

Joe White, his wife and their grandchildren pictured in their buggy several years ago in front of the Benke Memorial Chapel on this Indian Reserve.

the responsibility of the resident missionary. The school has been turned over to us. Nothing can take place within its walls of which we do not approve. We are thankful for that. It is a busy life with no time for lonesomeness.

### CHRISTMAS EXCITEMENT

Then came Christmas! The editor has allowed me space for the story of Christmas celebrated with our Indians. Christmas is such a wonderful time. There were 140 "natives," with a few whites scattered here and there, who filled the little chapel on Christmas Eve. The sight was inspiring! Every brown shiny face showed excitement and anticipation. Some faces showed a deep hunger for God's peace and salvation. This was the same hunger that drove the Wise Men to Bethlehem to

Yes, he was born in great humility. The Indians feel a great kinship with him. As they remember him, born as the Prince of Peace, they wonder about the White Man and of his plans for war.

If only you could attend a service on the Reserve, when these chapels are packed full with Indian people, young and old, you would receive a lift from seeing the radiance in their luminous eyes as they worship Christ and you would also notice the spiritual radiance on their fine brown faces as they take part in the service and program. This was Christmas! The missionary's great hour! A time for happy and generous giving, giving to the Prince of Peace and to their friends. "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, and good will to men."

We want to convey our sincere thanks to our many churches and friends for your remembrance of us and our Indian people. In the Name of our Blessed Redeemer, you have done much to make this a blessed Christmas on this Reserve. It was one of the best ever. To God be the glory for the great things he has done!

### A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Life is a grindstone, and whether it grinds a man down or polishes him, depends on the stuff he is made of.—Rev. Stanley Williams

Sixty Indian Agency and governmental officials, educators, denominational leaders and missionaries attended this unique conference . . .

## First Indian Mission Workers' Conference

By Rev. William Sturhahn,  
Northern District Secretary



The Indian family of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Keepness on the Muscowpetung Reserve to whom our Mission is trying to minister in Christ's Name.

PROFESSOR DUNGER, during his tour last summer through the Indian mission fields, proposed an Indian Mission Workers' Conference. But we did not have much of an idea how to go about planning such a conference. It was a new venture for the home mission workers. Quite frequently these new ventures, planned without previous experience, turn out surprisingly well.

The invitation to this conference was extended to all workers, members of the mission committee, pastors and congregations who had any connection or interest in the work among Indian people. We had also invited workers from other missions, as well as government people and Indians.

A total of sixty people registered for the two day sessions, indeed, a gratifying response. This first conference was held in the Calvary Baptist Church, Wetaskiwin, Alberta on Jan. 12 and 13, 1962.

### CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

In planning the program we had several objectives: 1) to acquaint ourselves with the Indian people, their culture and background; 2) to awaken a deeper concern and cooperation among our own church people and pastors, and 3) to improve our own mission as messengers of Jesus Christ among the Indians.

The response was very gratifying, and we believe that we made considerable progress in reaching the objectives. The first day was a day of information and orientation. Mr. Gooderham, District Superintendent of Indian Schools, gave two exceedingly interesting lectures. From his personal contact with Indians and from his studies, he brought some Indian anthropology and a cultural survey. He was reared on Indian reserves, since his

father was a government agent in Southern Alberta.

Why does an Indian upon an inquiry usually say, "yes," and then does not keep his promise? The answer "yes" was given in confirmation that he had understood the question, and not as a reply to the question itself.

Mr. Gooderham, as an educator, outlined government policy in regard to present and future education among the Indian people. It is hoped to achieve a gradual integration of Indians with the white man's culture through the process of education.

### INDIAN RESERVE PROBLEMS

An excellent supplementary lecture was presented by Mr. Wm. Wutternee, Regional Liaison officer of the Citizenship Branch. Mr. Wutternee is himself full blooded Indian, has practiced law in Regina, and is now concerned about progress among his own people.

A third and most worthwhile contribution was made in a lecture by the man who works daily and most intimately with the Indians. Mr. I. F. Kirkby is superintendent of Indian Affairs, or generally known as the Indian Agent on the Hobbema Indian Agency. He spoke about the relationship between the Canadian government and the Indian people and the particular problems among the Indian people. It was made quite clear that government officials, though deeply concerned as individuals, can only cope with problems as far as the law will permit them. Problems of moral living and spiritual degeneration can only be dealt with by Christian missionaries.

Our own Rev. Arnold Rapske, teacher of Christian Education at the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, gave two valuable lectures on "Teaching Adults and Methods." Although the purpose was basically to improve our ministry of teaching among the In-

dians, the subject was of such vital importance to our entire church ministry that it might well have been a Sunday school teachers' course.

### OUR MISSION WORK

The second day of the conference emphasized our own work, and was designed to draw attention to the difficulties and to the wide scope of mission work among the Indians. Missionary Philip Grabke of the Muscowpetung Reserve in Saskatchewan gave a realistic picture of life and living among the Indians of Saskatchewan. So did Rev. B. Johnson, a Baptist minister of North Battleford, who has a mission work and a keen concern for Indians of Saskatchewan.

Miss Broderick, Social Welfare Worker of Indian Affairs, presented a view into the tremendous task of dealing with the social problems of morals and health among the Indian people. There is no all-inclusive formula in dealing with these problems. The often repeated formula, which officials and workers find most successful is TLC—(tender, loving care).

Our executive secretary, Dr. F. H. Woyke, addressed the conference on Friday night, speaking from his wide experience on "World Missions." A Round Table session, composed of N.A.B. workers and pastors, summed up the findings and results of the mission work and the conference. Miss Minnie Kuhn of our Cameroon Baptist Mission gave a comparative view of the work among the Negroes in Africa and the Indians of Canada. There exists a remarkable similarity in culture and attitude of these two peoples. We can therefore learn and accept a great deal of methods used by our missionaries in Africa. One of the immediate needs is the establishment of an indigenous church among the Indians.

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BAPTIST HERALD

Senior adults need to be challenged to enlist in concentrated programs of Bible study in Christian service . . .

## Mr., Mrs. and Miss Adult in Your Church

By Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, General Secretary of the Department of Christian Education

A TYPICAL REPORT which we receive quite often from our churches states: "Since the recent workers' conferences for children, youth and adults, we decided to follow through with some more improvements in our children's and youth departments of our Sunday school." We rejoice that Sunday school leaders are concerned about a better teaching program for children and youth, but **WHAT ABOUT A BETTER TEACHING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS?**

Our denominational program has centered a greater emphasis upon youth and children during the past decades with designated personnel and programs to guide our churches in this vital phase of our Christian teaching program. This past year the delegates at the General Conference decided that a section on adult work be created in the Department of Christian Education in order that this large segment receive more specific attention in our churches. At the annual meetings of the Department of Christian Education, a Committee on Adult Work will begin planning suggested programs which we believe will help our churches to improve still further the teaching ministry of Christ with adults.

### MATERIALS FOR ADULTS

In addition to the evaluation of Sunday school lesson materials for adults, there are plans for research and evaluation of Training Union materials available from several publishers, which may be recommended for us by our churches. Our Sunday evening services, which are often supported by a limited number of members, need revitalization through a renewed challenge of Christian education opportunities.

Adults today are finding a great challenge to pursue some additional educational program either at local high schools, colleges, universities or community-sponsored classes for additional training. Local churches must recognize a responsibility in this craving within adults and provide opportunities through classes in Bible study, Christian home and family and other areas which will meet the interests and needs of adults.

Sunday evening activities in our churches need to include more than just young people's meetings. The groups which have sponsored a Sunday evening program of study for the entire family are experiencing revital-

ized support by their people providing, of course, that specific needs are discovered and met through such a program.

A segment of our adult population, which is growing at a very high percentage rate both in the United States and Canada, are the senior adults who have attained age 65 and older. Medical science has been largely responsible for lengthening the life span from 49 to 68 years during the past half century. In the United States we now have approximately 16 million people over 65 years, and it is estimated that by 1875 there will be 21 million people in this category.

The need for learning does not cease when an individual reaches 65. Quite to the contrary, we find that, according to the Adult Education Association statistics, there are more than one million adults, ages 60 and over, who are involved in formal education programs. Many are enrolled in refresher courses with the aim to become employed again. What should these statistics mean to the church with its life-giving Gospel message? There are many who during employment gave only limited time and effort to become familiar with and to understand more fully the message of God as revealed in the Bible. Senior adults with an abundance of time need to be challenged to enlist

in concentrated programs of Bible study and Christian service.

### AREAS OF SERVICE

In your church there may be a dozen or one hundred members past 65 who need to become involved in the program of Christian education. There are many who are in an age range beyond 65 but who could still render unique service, such as teaching, because of their rich spiritual testimony and because their abundance of time provides the opportunity to devote more hours toward the study of God's Word. Other areas of service in which able-bodied senior adults can share include the ministry to shut-ins; distribution of the church bulletins through the mail, which involves addressing and sorting; decorating the church for special occasions; serving as speakers at organizations in the church; enlisting prospects for church and Sunday school through contacts made by personal visits or through telephone calls. These and many other creative services are areas which your church may have in its ministry for its members.

Senior adults need not be shelved or considered as second-rate church members because they are 65. To the contrary, they should be enlisted to continue in even a greater measure their vital and creative ministry for Christ. The Adult Committee of our denomination's Department of Christian Education will provide guidance for local churches to carry on a more effective ministry WITH senior adults.

### YOUR CHURCH AND ADULTS

We are grateful that many of our churches have active Boards of Christian Education with sub-committees on children's work and youth work. We urge you also to add a sub-committee on Adult Work should seek to coordinate the present program for adults and assist in working out with all adults new ways to enlarge this vital ministry in your church.

All of our churches already have active women's organizations which are very often an example of the possible accomplishments when adults are challenged to be active in the Lord's work. Although women's organizations have been successful in our churches, we do recognize that not all women in local churches are participants in some phase of the church's ministry. More

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Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, general secretary of the Department of Christian Education.

March 1, 1962

The faraway land of the Maoris, of amazing scenic beauty, of 15,000 Baptists . . . .

# New Zealand, the Wonder Land

By Rev. E. P. Wahl from the "M.S. Seven Seas" on its world cruise.

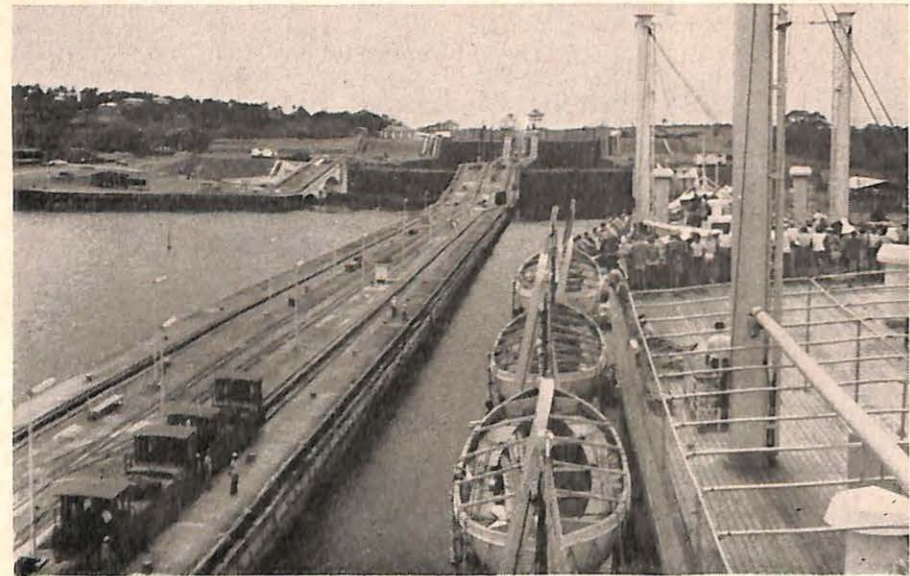
FROM EUROPE by way of the Panama Canal, we arrived in Wellington, New Zealand, over five weeks. Coming through the canal was an unforgettable experience. The excessive heat, the high humidity, the exciting tropical scenery and the marvelous construction of the canal made its indelible impression upon us.

The length of the canal from coast to coast is somewhat over 40 miles. The first operations for the cutting of the canal started in 1882. After several interruptions, the feat was finally completed in August, 1914.

Today great plans are being laid to convert the Panama Canal into a waterway without locks. The attendant cost of such an immense project is estimated at \$2,500,000,000 and would give employment to 37,000

days. However, we returned to Wellington three times before starting on our return trip. We also had the privilege of having the mayor of the city, His Worship, Francis J. Kitts, travel with us for approximately two weeks. Mr. Kitts has been a member of Parliament and is an influential member of the Labour Party of New Zealand. Thus it enabled us to get a great deal of valuable information about the country and its people. Some of this we desire to pass on to the readers of the "Baptist Herald."

New Zealand at one time lay at the bottom of the sea, with the waves breaking upon a few barren mountain peaks thrust above the surface. At one period, great natural convulsions threw up the mountain ranges of the country, and in succeeding ages rain, wind



THE "M.S. SEVEN SEAS" IN THE PANAMA CANAL

The ship on which Rev. E. P. Wahl serves as chaplain is shown in the first locks of the Panama Canal. The electric motor that pulls the ship through the locks can be seen at the left, foreground.

workers for ten years. Then the channel would be much deeper and twice as wide at its narrowest points as compared with the channel of the present canal. It would make it a wide waterway, unimpeded by dangerous curves. Passing through the canal now takes a vessel about eight hours. Converting it into a wide waterway would cut that time in half.

## MAYOR OF WELLINGTON

In Wellington, the capital city of New Zealand, we disembarked over 500 of our passengers and spent two

and frost loosened the softer parts and carried them downward to form the lowlands and plains of New Zealand.

At one remote period, New Zealand was a great ice-field. The pathways of massive glaciers, as they ground their way down the mountains, may still be seen today. When the ice age had passed, plant life established itself again and formed the present-day green and pleasant land. Another great force that helped to make the North and South Islands, of which New Zealand consists, were the volcanoes. A

reminder of those far-off days is the still active volcano on the North Island.

## THE FIERCE MAORIS

On December 18, 1642, when two small Dutch ships discovered New Zealand, they found it inhabited by brown people. We can not definitely say where these people had come from or when they arrived on the islands. Neither do we know whether they were the first human beings ever to come to this part of the world. These brown people, found in New Zealand by the white man, are called Maoris.

It is thought that when the Europeans first made their acquaintance, the Maoris numbered more than a hundred thousand. Many tribes with chieftains were found on the North and South Islands. They were a warrior people. Frequently tribe was at war with tribe. They were often chivalrous in warfare and true to their own code of honor. They could be cruel. They hardly knew the meaning of forgiveness. The law of revenge was one of their greatest passions. Never was an injury forgotten, and this was one of the chief causes of their frequent wars. It is supposed that this passion for revenge accounted in some degree, at least, for that horrible custom of cannibalism. To eat their enemies was to heap upon them a final and everlasting insult and indignity. Many of the first settlers of white people and such who warred against the Maoris were devoured by them.

## FIRST MISSIONARIES

Samuel Marsden was the first missionary to come to preach the Gospel to the Maoris. On Christmas Day 1814, the New Zealanders heard for the first time the Gospel story in their own land told by Marsden and translated sentence by sentence by Ruatara, a warrior chief, who had been among white people for some time and had even traveled to London, England on an English boat on one occasion. By 1837, when Marsden paid his last visit, a great change had come over the natives in northern New Zealand. They loved the missionary and respected his message. Marsden had lived to see the first fruits of the harvest he had sown.

Marsden was an Anglican missionary. He was soon followed by the Wesleyans. Often the missionaries were threatened to be killed and devoured, and the mission station was plundered and burned. But they never gave up and were repaid by seeing Maoris being

changed by faith in Christ Jesus and finally by the Maoris themselves taking the Gospel of Peace to their own people. Today the Baptists of New Zealand are carrying on a sacrificial mission work among the Maoris.

Abel Tasman was in charge of the expedition sent out by the Dutch who discovered New Zealand. The natives attacked Captain Tasman's company killing several of them. After serious efforts to make friends of the natives and failing, Tasman sailed away with nothing on the map of the world to represent New Zealand except a crooked line. One hundred and twenty-seven years later an expedition sent out by the British Government came to find out what lay behind the ragged line that Tasman had put on the map. This expedition was led by Captain James Cook, and the first landing of white men took place on Saturday, October 7, 1769.

## CAPTAIN COOK'S EXPEDITION

As the expedition sailed along the east side of the North Island, they met with several encounters with the natives and for the first time the Maoris made their acquaintance with the deadly weapon that the white man had—the musket. From then on the natives sought to get muskets from the white men by paying any price asked. Evil traders of the whites took advantage of the situation and introduced the first guns among the Maoris, with which many whites were later killed. Cook was in charge of three expeditions to New Zealand and planted the British flag on the same.

White men now started to come from different parts of the European continent to this new land. There were the explorers, sealers, whalers, traders and adventure seekers. Finally in 1826, fifty colonists arrived, hoping to settle in this new world. The pioneer days were most difficult and many of the early settlers did not survive the hardships. The Maoris killed and ate many of the white people.

Could the Maori wars have been prevented? That is a question that now can never be fully answered. Perhaps the answer might have been "yes" had everyone kept the Golden Rule. In the main, the Maori was a patriot and fought, as he thought rightly, for his land. For ten years warfare was carried on between the Maori and the white man. And not until 1881 did it come to a full agreement between the brown and white men.

In the year 1852, Great Britain passed a law granting New Zealand the right of self-government. In 1854 the first New Zealand Parliament met. The country then had a population of only 5,000 white men. Today the population is about two and one half million whites and 161,000 brown. Although the history of New Zealand is a short one, the Dominion may boast of a rapid development. The two Islands are prosperous. At present there is no unemployment. As early as 1898, the Old

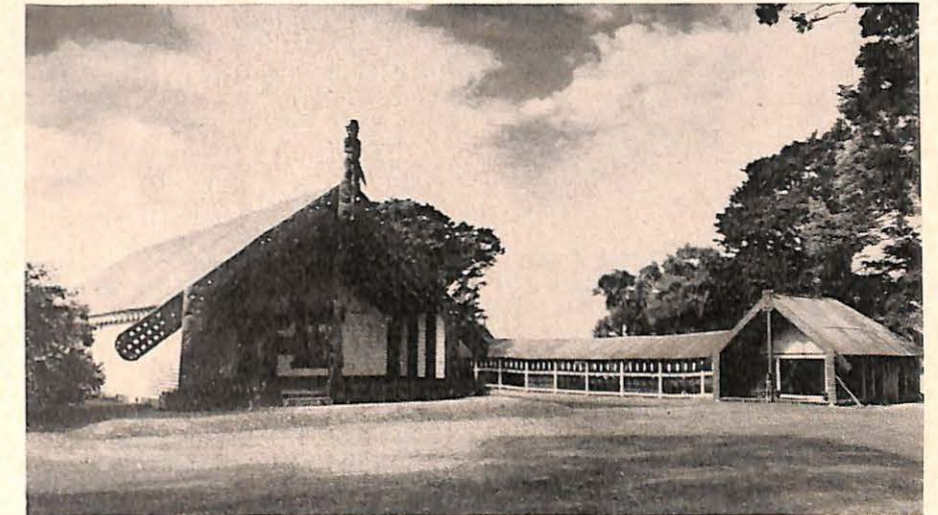
Age Pension Act was passed. Thus New Zealand blazed a path that was afterwards followed by other Commonwealth countries.

## SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

In 1939 the historic Social Security Act came into operation in this land. This measure substantially increased the Old Age benefits and introduced four new classes of monetary grants, providing for the relief of orphans, of payments to the sick, of special grants for the relief of hardship, and of a universal superannuation scheme, in which every New Zealander, rich or poor, might participate on reaching the age of sixty-five.

shortage of pastors among some of the denominations, the Baptists have been able to train sufficient church workers and ministers at their Theological school in Auckland to supply their present needs.

At present, great stress is being laid on introducing the "All-Age Sunday School Idea." Hitherto only children went to Sunday school. Southern Baptist leaders from the United States have helped our New Zealand brethren to get started on the idea of having all the family attend Sunday school. Many feared such a scheme might reduce the attendance at the Sunday night services. However, it has proven to do just the opposite. In less than two



MAORI MEETINGHOUSE IN NEW ZEALAND

This meeting house at Waitangi, New Zealand is a symbol of the greatness of the Maori tribe and also serves as a social center.

From the beginning of the early settlements, the Church was a strong influence in the life and rule of the country. The Free Church people of Scotland made a wonderful settlement on the South Island as early as 1844. They bought the land from the Maoris. A valuable piece of the same was set aside for the building of churches and schools and for providing ministers and teachers. A group of Church of England people started another settlement in similar manner. Even today Sunday is a quiet and peaceful day throughout the nation. All places of business are closed, and even many restaurants lock their doors on the Lord's Day.

## BAPTISTS IN NEW ZEALAND

The Baptist churches in New Zealand are wide awake and spiritually invigorating. There are about 140 Baptist Churches here with a total membership of somewhat over 15,000. The Word is being preached faithfully. The evangelistic note is strongly emphasized. An aggressive missionary program is followed. Besides a healthy Church Extension program, the mission work among the natives is carried on under great sacrifice.

Then there is also a fervent foreign mission spirit. New Zealand Baptists have missionaries in India, Pakistan and New Guinea. Although there is a

years 45 churches have adopted the "All-Age Sunday School Idea" and are greatly blessed by this venture.

I experienced great friendliness among our Baptist people of New Zealand and wish them God's blessing on their fine work.

## FIRST INDIAN CONFERENCE

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Only by accepting responsibility will the Indian Christian grow to become "saints, without blemish" before the Lord.

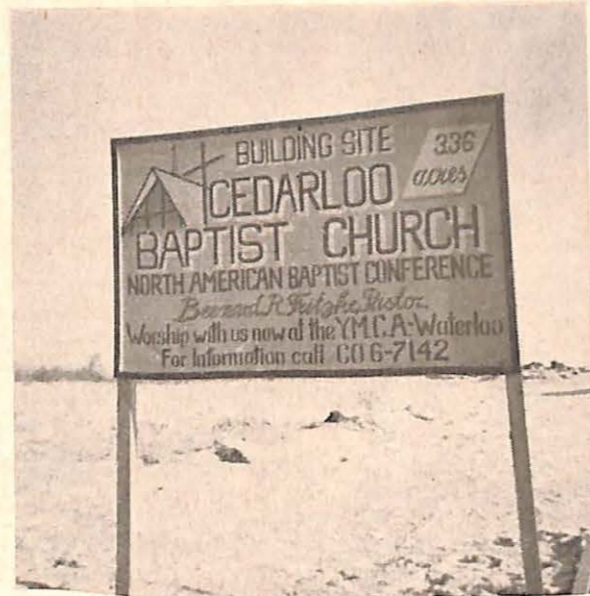
As an interesting addition, the conference visitors were given a guided tour in a chartered bus through the two Indian Reservations where North American Baptists are working. Our missionaries Rev. R. Neuman and Mr. A. Grymaloski, were our guides.

An added result of the conference might be found in the words of the wife of the chief of one of the reserves, who wrote us: "It (the conference) shows us the way of our Christian white people. And I will explain this to our people on the Montana Baptist Mission and also to others." If by such conferences we can confirm to the Indian people that we want to bring to them the healing, helping hand of our Savior Christ, we are more than grateful.

Ten thousand "Builders" needed for this  
Church Extension project in March 1962 . . .

## Cedarloo Needs You!

By Rev. Bernard R. Fritzke, pastor of the Cedarloo Baptist Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa (now meeting in the YMCA, Waterloo, Iowa).



Sign on the building site of the Cedarloo Baptist Church of Iowa. YOU can help to put the church building there!

WHERE ARE the 7,000? I understand that we have about 3,000 persons now enrolled in the Church Extension Builders Club. We thank God for the 3,000! But we are still 7,000 short of the denominational goal of 10,000 Church Extension Builders hoped for! Why do I begin this way? Because this program strikes at the very vitals of my decision to come here to this place as your missionary!

### FAITH AND SACRIFICE

Three factors weighed heavily on my mind and "tipped the balance" in my mind for me to leave our flourishing field in West Fargo, North Dakota to take up the challenge here. First of all, I had a deep conviction that we should have a North American Baptist church in the Waterloo, Iowa area. This area is surrounded by our Iowa Association churches. For many years they have lost people moving into this section. We must conserve our strength if we would grow and do more missionary work abroad.

Then, too, this is one of the fastest growing areas of all of Iowa. Here is a missionary opportunity to reach the masses.

Secondly, I had faith in our Iowa Association churches. They had voted to accept this as their special project. I believed that with their backing in prayer, interest and contributions, a church would be able to get underway. They are now proving their faithfulness.

Thirdly, I was informed of the then coming program of Church Extension Builders, soon to be launched. This enthused me. Having the conviction that the people of our denomination would have the vision and the enthusiasm to rise to the occasion, making funds for a building available through this program, I felt free to follow the call to come here.

After much prayer and work, God opened the door to the purchase of a 3.36 acre tract of land for \$10,080.00. At \$3,000.00 an acre, this was a very reasonable purchase for this area. The

land is strategically located on the top of a hill overlooking both Waterloo and Cedar Falls. Our name "CEDAR-LOO" reflects the name of the area on the borderline of these two cities. It helps to locate our future site.

Since October 1961, churches of the Iowa Association have added \$4,267.02 to date (January 1962) to the down payment of \$3,080.00 made by the Church Extension Committee. This leaves a principal balance of \$2,732.98 still to be taken care of on the price of the land. Our confidence is that the Iowa Association churches will soon complete this phase of the project here. Naturally, the Cedarloo Church has had its part in this program too.

### 15 CHARTER MEMBERS

Things are beginning to open up for us here at the Cedarloo church. On January 7 we met for our organizational service. Kneeling in prayer before God, we asked for his presence and guidance. The Lord gave us both. For an hour amid tears of joy, we shared our testimonies of God's faithfulness and his saving power. In all, fifteen people requested membership.

Following the meeting, one of the families invited the church over to their home for sandwiches, cookies and coffee. Somehow, even in this lunch hour, we felt a closeness to each other that had not been there in such abundant measure before. We had now reached the place, where not only in organization, but in actual confidence, love and mutual enjoyment of each other's fellowship, we truly had become a church.

Blessing was heaped upon blessing for us. For on the following Sunday, January 14, 45 people shared in our first baptismal service. Five persons were immersed in the lovely tiled YMCA pool. What a moment of inspiration that was for us!

The services are showing encourag-



The group of the Cedarloo Baptist Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa, (left), at the organizational meeting, and the pastor, Rev. Bernard R. Fritzke, (right), in his study.

**SPRING CONVOCATION**  
MARCH 13 and 14, 1962  
NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST SEMINARY  
SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
**DR. CARL F. H. HENRY**  
of Washington, D. C.  
Editor of "Christianity Today"  
Five lectures (open to the public)  
on  
"The Gospel's Relevancy for Modern Life"

ing signs of growth. Our people are witnessing. Recently it was the pastor's privilege to lead a young couple to Christ in their home. They are coming to the services. We have a long list of prospects of people who are unsaved and who have not been reached by any church. These we are striving to win. Our next major hurdle in doing an effective job here is to have our own building.

### NEW BUILDING NEEDED

A community does not whole-heartedly accept a church until they have their own facilities in which to meet. We are experiencing this. Many more would be coming if we had our own building. Also the YMCA is about six miles from our land site, making it impossible to concentrate on our immediate area. Schools are not available for rental any nearer. At the YMCA in downtown Waterloo, we are also removed from all residential areas, but it seems that we will have to meet there until we can have our own edifice. The need for our own building is urgent. The sooner we can have it, the better! We would be thrilled and most grateful if our first unit could be constructed by the fall of 1962.

In a recent School Board presentation, facts were shared that the city of Cedar Falls is expected to double its population in the next twenty years. The future holds glorious possibilities. We must move ahead now with faith, vision and confidence. Three thousand Church Extension Builders is a good beginning. We praise God for them, but we need 7,000 more.

Can you afford to give \$1.00 a month for ten months of the year to help build a new church each month? Have you enlisted in the club yet? If not, do it now. Remember CEDARLOO NEEDS YOU!

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March 1, 1962

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

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Hisashi Murakami of Japan, a student at Sioux Falls College, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Young people of the church went to the Crestview Baptist Church, Minot, N. Dak., on Sunday, Feb. 1st. They wanted to study this Church Extension project at first hand. A Clinic for North Dakota pastors, deacons and their wives was held at the Harvey Church on Feb. 22. Denominational leaders at the Clinic were Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Forest Park, Ill., Rev. J. C. Gunst, Minneapolis, Minn., and Rev. William Sturhahn of Winnipeg, Manitoba. Rev. Henry Lang is pastor of the church.

● On Sunday, Feb. 4, a baptismal service was held in the Baptist Chapel, Warren, Mich., at which 10 people were baptized by Rev. Walter Stein, pastor. A portable baptistry, 7 x 4 x 4 feet in size, has been built by members of the church. This is probably the first such portable baptistry made of plywood and used in our denomination. At the communion service on that Sunday Rev. Walter Stein received these and four others into the church's fellowship by letter and testimony. On Sunday, Jan. 21, Dr. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary, was the guest speaker at the services. A total of 125 persons were present in the morning service and 100 in the evening service. The choir of 24 voices is directed by Mr. Guenther Peitsch. His wife, Ruth, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Otto Patzia, is the church organist.

● Rev. H. P. Kayser of Mt. Clemens, Mich., a retired minister of the denomination, was called to his heavenly Home on Sunday morning, Jan. 21, at 82 years of age. He had been ill for a period of about two years. Following his ordination in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1910, he served for five years as one of our devoted missionaries in the Cameroons, West Africa. Thereafter he was a district missionary in Montana and pastor of the Germantown Church of North Dakota; the Parkston and Tripp churches of South Dakota; the McDermot Avenue Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba; and several other churches. His wife predeceased him. He leaves to mourn his homegoing a daughter, Alma; a son, Albert, and his family.

## BIBLE FOR THE WORLD

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groping for light. To him in his need the Scriptures brought the glad news of the Light of the World. He believed and accepted. The step cost him much, yet he persevered and became one of the outstanding leaders of the Church in India.

Why has this Book persisted from age to age and from civilization to civilization? Whence this amazing power to bring light to nations

and individuals? Why does the Bible meet the deepest needs of men? It is because it is the Word of God. It is because it tells of Christ. The Old Testament leads up to him; the New Testament contains our enduring record of his birth, his life, his words, his death, his resurrection and his effect, through the Holy Spirit, upon his early followers and on the formation of his Church. The perpetuation of that light has involved human hands passing it on from one to another. It is because it has been treasured in the hearts of the faithful, and transmitted by them to others, that the light has never gone out.

It must continue to be so. We of the present generation must see to it that the next generation is nurtured in the Bible. We ourselves must so let it illumine our own lives, that we become witnesses to its power. This light will never go out. In these days we must see afresh that, so far as in us lies, all men shall be led by it into the ways of lasting peace.

## CHRIST IN JAPAN

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matters, and we ask for your prayers that we may lead our Christians on to a strong, vibrant, victorious faith.

The Workers' Conference also reminded us of the many Macedonian calls continually pressing upon us. One of our Christian young men who graduated from the university in Tsu is working in the large city of Ueno, in "our" Mie Prefecture. "Can't you come and begin a Gospel work in this city?" he pleads. In Osaka, very near the cooperative Bible School, several Christians would like us to begin a work there. Perhaps the most heart-rending plea comes from the city of Nagoya, just 1½ hours from Tsu, but the fourth largest city in Japan—already several of "our own" Baptists are living and working there, with no real Baptist or even similar Gospel church to attend.

### MACEDONIAN CALLS

Yes, the calls come—but whom can we send? And what about the financial resources needed effectively to carry on the work, and to lead us on into expansion? Please pray with us that the Lord himself may supply these needs through his faithful servants in the homeland, and thrust forth his workers into this great harvest field. Perhaps that needed worker is you!

Again our hearts seemingly melted together into spiritual oneness, as our Conference drew to a close on Saturday afternoon. After an earnest session of fervent petition before the Throne of Grace, we closed our meeting with our hands clasped together singing, "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love . . ."

Praise God for his great mercies and blessings in these precious days!

# MARCH OF EVENTS



● Former President Herbert Hoover declared that Christmas this past year was marked "with the tide of atheism rising to more violence than at any time since the Sermon on the Mount." Calling upon believers everywhere to fight this rise of atheism, the former Chief Executive said: "This Christmas should be a rally of all the religious faiths to preserve the minds of mankind from degradation."

● Christian business men in the Philippines are being challenged by the Philippine Bible Society to discover imaginative ways to distribute Scriptures. Two outstanding results to date, according to a report received by the American Bible Society, are a handbag manufacturer who inserts a copy of the Gospel of John in each purse and a plastics manufacturer who places a Scripture Portion in each clothing bag.

● The American Bible Society reports that circulation of Scriptures in Uruguay in 1961 broke all previous records. This is due in part to a "Bible Army" consisting of over a thousand laymen who have promised to sell or donate at least one Bible a year. Several seminary students have been giving their holidays to Scripture colportage, and groups of young people have been giving their Saturday evenings to Bible distribution in their neighborhoods, going out "with baskets full of Scriptures in teams of two or three."

● HAVANA, CUBA (CNS)—Fidel Castro's government forbade the observance of Christmas as a religious festival in Cuba during the recent holiday season. Instead Cubans were admonished to rejoice in "Cuba's first Socialist Christmas" and the fact that illiteracy had been banished from the island. Traditional Christmas shopping was banished with the suggestion that Cubans "buy only necessary things so that no one will go without because of you." Sources inside Cuba indicate that only half of the 700 Protestant churches are still open. Oppression of religious groups in Cuba was first felt by the Roman Catholic church. Now the same methods are being applied to Protestants. All importing of Christian literature is now being prohibited and Protestant broadcasters are gradually being removed from the air.

● Three New Christian Radio Stations in Ecuador.—The Minister of Communications of Ecuador has given permission for the functioning of three new evangelical radio stations at Colta, Ambato, and Macuma. The Colta station is located in the heart of a region inhabited by 100,000 Quichua Indians. Macuma is in the territory inhabited by the Jivaro Indians, who until only a few years ago were notorious head-

shrinkers. Christian radio stations are a powerful means of witnessing, because of the great popularity of battery-powered radios, even in the most remote regions of South America.—*Sunday School Times*

● The American mother of more than 8,000 Egyptian orphans is dead at the age of 74. Though she has only one blood relative—a sister—her surviving family numbers 1,400 to whom she gave her constant love and attention

until her death. Lillian Thrasher—affectionately known as the "Nile Mother"—founded her famous orphanage approximately 50 years ago when she arrived in Egypt as an independent missionary at the age of 23 and received one starving infant from a dying mother. From this small beginning and against overwhelming odds, she established one of the world's largest orphanages.—*The Watchman-Examiner*

## BAPTIST BRIEFS

● **Seminary Hopes to Open in Poland.** Polish Baptists have been waiting several months for permission from the Ministry of Education to open their theological seminary in Warsaw. Buildings erected partly for the use of the seminary were dedicated early in September. "We expect to receive this permission in the very near future," said Pastor Alexander Kircun. "There are eight candidates for the seminary from our church," he added, "and a few from other churches."

● Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, was speaker at a united Baptist assembly at Immanuel Baptist Church, Bangkok. Thai, English and Chinese Baptist churches of the Bangkok metropolitan area participated. One of these churches, the Maitrichit Chinese Baptist Church of Bangkok, has been in continuous existence for 124 years. Dr. Nordenhaug, whose visit to Bangkok was one of several stops in a tour of Asia, told the group that the Baptist World Alliance seeks "to minister the human need and to create better un-

### FRONT COVER

Dr. Paul Gebauer, superintendent of our Cameroons Baptist Mission in Africa, is shown on the front cover of this issue of the "Baptist Herald" in action in the chapel of our Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Behind him is a poster announcing a meeting of the Bender Fellowship, a missionary society composed of students and their wives. Dr. Gebauer has served as our missionary in West Africa for 30 years and his wife has had a similar memorable service record of 25 years. They are now on furlough with their residence established in McMinnville, Oregon. Dr. Gebauer is traveling extensively at present to our churches and missionary conferences in an inspiring promotional ministry. EDITOR

derstanding among all people."

● **Beirut Makes Ready For Baptist Youth.** Robert S. Denny, associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, reports from Beirut, Lebanon, that hotels there will make approximately 3,000 beds available to delegates to the Sixth Baptist Youth World Conference. The conference, scheduled for July 15-21, 1963 will add the appeal of Holy Land travel to the normal advantages of a world meeting. The housing committee in Beirut has allotted accommodations for 1,812 delegates to seven travel agents, Mr. Denny said. Another 1,000 spaces are available in the city, and still more in resort hotels on the Lebanon mountainside only a half hour away.

● **Witnessing Laymen Are Greater Than Bombs.** Mr. Howard Butt, a Baptist Layman and grocery chain executive from Corpus Christi, Texas, told a Christian layman's workshop in Washington, D.C., that if every one of the more than a thousand men present would be a living witness to God in the home and on the job, "the upheaval in Washington would make the 50 megaton bomb look puny by comparison." More than 100 nationally known lay leaders had parts on the plenary and group sessions of the interdenominational, interracial meeting. Another Baptist, Brooks Hays, special assistant to President Kennedy, told the laymen "it would be impossible for me to discharge the obligations of my office without summoning to my aid the resources of Jesus Christ." He termed Christian men in government service as "fellow-craftsmen with Christ in building a better world." But he admitted it sometimes is difficult to push through, against political odds, the things a Christian knows to be right. "I ask God for strength to do what I know is right," he said "and I find that faith has an answer to fear."

● Rev. Elvin Schuelke of Chicago, Ill., pastor of the Mission Baptist Church, presented his resignation to the church on Wednesday evening, Jan. 24. It was accepted with sincere regrets by the congregation, effective Feb. 15th. Mr. Schuelke, who has served since 1958 as the first pastor of this German-speaking church, intends to continue his studies in the Chicago area.

● The Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. Dak., has extended a call to Rev. Isador Faszler, pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his ministry in the Ashley church on March 15, succeeding Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer. Mr. Faszler has served as pastor of Vancouver's Bethany Church since 1957.

● On Sunday morning, Jan. 21, the Inglewood Knolls Baptist Church, Inglewood, Calif., dedicated 250 new copies of the "North American Hymnal." An impressive service of dedication, prepared by Rev. E. Mittelstedt, pastor, was used. From Feb. 4 to 11 a "Spiritual Life Crusade" was held with Rev. Paul Green serving as evangelist and Mrs. Paul Green rendering an appreciated musical ministry. Mrs. Green also plays the double belled euphonium.

● The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Goodrich, N. Dak., will celebrate its 50th anniversary on Sunday evening, March 18. Miss Delores Henne, Cameroons missionary nurse, will be the guest speaker. Mrs. Albert Schmidt of Goodrich, N. Dak., has announced: "We invite all former members, former pastors of our church and their wives to be present for these festivities. Please let us know if you can come."

● "The Temple Visitor" of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., has reported that the total giving of the church in 1961 amounted to over \$63,000 which represents an average contribution per member of more than \$110. More than \$12,000 were given for missionary purposes. On Sunday, Jan. 14, a total of 519 persons were present in Sunday school and 525 in the morning services of the church. Rev. Robert Schreiber is the pastor.

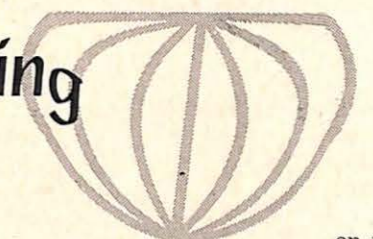
● Dr. M. Vanderbeck brought his interim ministry at the Bismarck Baptist Church, Bismarck, N. Dak., to a close on Feb. 4th, prior to the coming of the new pastor, Rev. Allan Strohschein, who began his ministry on Sunday evening, Feb. 4th. Beginning with Sunday, Feb. 11, Dr. Vanderbeck began an interim pastorate in the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. Dak. The pastor-elect of the Ashley Church is Rev. Isador Faszler of the Bethany Church, Vancouver, B. C.

● Rev. Adolph Braun, pastor of the Redeemer Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., joined two other North American Baptist ministers of the Detroit area on a mission tour of South Amer-

ican countries in February. Rev. H. H. Riffel and Rev. E. Arthur McAsh are the other NAB pastors on this trip to Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Brazil. Mr. Braun will likewise report for "Baptist Herald" readers about his observations and adventures on these South American mission fields.

● Rev. R. Kern of the Ridgwood Baptist Church, N. Y., and the editor spent several pleasant hours on Saturday

## what's happening



afternoon, Jan. 13, in visiting Rev. and Mrs. Paul Wengel in their home (59 Westminster Road, Lynbrook, L.I., N. Y.). Although Mr. Wengel is confined to his house because of illness, he is keenly alert and follows denominational news events with much interest. Through the pages of the "Baptist Herald" he would like to send his personal greetings to the readers of this publication.

● Rev. John E. Grygo, editor of "Der Sendbote," was the guest speaker at the German Mission Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba, on Sunday morning, Jan. 21, where Rev. Waldemar Laser is the pastor. On that Sunday evening Mr. Grygo spoke at the German and English services of the McDermot Avenue Church at which Rev. H. J. Waltereit is the pastor, and took part in the program of the German young people's society. On Monday Mr. Grygo conferred with officials at the National Publishing House in Winnipeg, the printers of "Der Sendbote."

● During March and April Miss Minnie Kuhn, missionary in West Cameroon, Africa, will visit many churches and missionary conferences beginning with the South Fort George Church and Bethel Church of Prince George, B. C., on March 4. She will be speaking about our Cameroons mission field in churches of British Columbia, Iowa, Wisconsin, Kansas and several churches in the Twin Cities of Minnesota. She will spend some time with her three supporting churches: Third Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba; First Church, Watertown, Wis.; and Oak Street Church of Burlington, Iowa.

● Shortly before Christmas, the congregation of the Snowview Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, moved into its beautiful church sanctuary. The new pews arrived two months ahead of schedule and were used by the congregation on Sunday, January 21. The church has a seating capacity of about 200. It is almost entirely glass enclosed, giving it a very attractive ap-

pearance. Attendance at the worship services has been from 125 to 165, as reported by Rev. Harold W. Lang, pastor. Dedication services for the new church have been scheduled for Sunday, March 18.

● On Tuesday, Jan. 16, the student body of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., had the privilege of hearing Dr. Josef Nordenhaug of Washington, D.C., general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance

on the theme, "Giving A Reason For the Faith That Is In You." On Jan. 15, Dr. Lewis A. Brown, a veteran missionary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Societies to the Republic of Congo, was the chapel speaker. Rev. Roy Work director of Town and Country Work for the state of Nebraska, spoke at the chapel hour on Jan. 17.

● The McDermot Ave. Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Man., has extended a call to Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer of Ashley, N. Dak., the pastor of the Ashley Baptist Church since 1954. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his ministry in Winnipeg on April 15, succeeding Rev. H. J. Waltereit, pastor-elect of the Ridgmont Baptist Church, East Detroit, Mich. The McDermot Ave. Church of Winnipeg has also called Mr. Reinhold Kerstan, a student at the Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as its assistant pastor. He has accepted that he would begin his ministry in Winnipeg on June 1st.

● From Feb. 18 to 23 the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., held its annual Bible Conference and evangelistic meetings. Dr. S. Franklin Moody, former pastor of Chicago's Moody Memorial Church, was the Bible speaker. Two sessions were held daily, one at 10:00 A.M. and the other in the evenings. From Feb. 25 to March 4 the evangelistic meetings are being conducted by Rev. Elton Crowell of Lancaster, Calif. He is the author of a book and of many magazine articles, a composer of many magazine choruses, a speaker on television and radio broadcasts and a former pastor. The soloist during the meetings is Miss Rose Arzoo, a zoomanian of San Francisco, Calif. Rev. Aaron Buhler is pastor of the church.

● The guest speaker at the services of the Bethel Baptist Church, Harvey, N. Dak., on Sunday, Jan. 14,

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# The Shattered Wall

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

By Sallie Lee Bell

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## SYNOPSIS

Dr. Harlan Rawlins, a young physician, was praised for his skill in performing a difficult operation. Afterwards, he and Mary Hodges, a nurse, went to a restaurant for dinner and for a drive in the cool of the evening. But Dr. Rawlins was so busy with his profession that he could not be serious about any girl. Mary refused to see him again. Then he started dating Helen Warren, a very pretty nurse, even though she was going rather steady with Roger Edwards. But she assured him that there was nothing serious between herself and Roger. However, the two men got into a fight over the girl. Mr. Edwards was struck down and was left unconscious. Dr. Rawlins decided to leave town. He went as far as he could go until he abandoned his car. Then he took a bus to the strange sounding town, "River's End." There he took an assumed name, Howard Ramsey, and got a job in a snack bar on the ferry boat. One afternoon, someone put a coin in the nearby coke machine. A girl's voice caused him to raise his eyes and look at her.

## CHAPTER FIVE

HARLAN wasn't conscious of it, but there was a scowl upon his face, a reflection of his bitter thoughts, but when he saw her standing there with a timid smile upon her delicately curved lips, his gloomy thoughts faded into oblivion and the scowl left his face. She was beautiful, with a fragile sort of beauty that appealed to him as no flaming beauty could have done. She had golden brown hair that was cut rather long and which hung in a page-boy bob about her face. Her eyes were large and gray, with long lashes that curled up from them and made them seem darker than they were. Her skin was clear and flawless, with faint color tinging its whiteness. She wasn't very tall and she looked quite young.

When she saw the scowl upon his face, the brief smile vanished and she said hesitantly, "I'm sorry to bother you, but the coke machine doesn't work. I wonder if you could help me."

He gave her a smile and assured her that he would do his best to help her. He went to the machine and opened

it while he adjusted the spring that controlled the bottles. He put in another coin and a bottle dropped out just as it should. He gave it to her with another smile.

"There you are," he said. "Sorry you had the trouble."

"Thank you," she replied and turned to go outside.

He didn't want her to go. He wanted to talk to her. She was the first person in so long who had even spoken to him, except to ask for what they wanted, that he couldn't let her go. He followed her to the door.

"I haven't seen you before," he remarked, saying the first thing that came to his mind. "Do you live in River's End?"

"No, I live on the other side, in Westwego," she told him as she sipped the coke. "I work in the Sunset Cafe, the best restaurant in town," and she gave him a bright smile, a smile that made her seem even more lovely.

"I'll have to visit that cafe and see if you're telling the truth," he said as he returned her smile.

He didn't realize how handsome he was and how attractive he was when he smiled. It had been so long since he had felt like smiling that he thought he had forgotten how.

"I tell the truth most of the time," she said, then a shadow crossed her face and the smile died.

"Of course I was joking," he hastened to tell her. "Won't you sit down? It's rather lonely here at this time of the day and this job is awfully dull. Would you mind if we talked until the ferry lands?"

She said she didn't mind and they sat down together. He was glad that there were few passengers on the upper deck. He didn't know that she was glad that he had asked her to talk to him, for he was just as attractive to

her as she was to him. All the others she had met in the cafe were either too dull and uninteresting or else too forward, trying to date her when she feared their attentions.

"These towns have funny names," he remarked as they sat down. "River's End and Westwego. I could have picked more attractive names for them."

"I was told by someone that when the settlers first came here, they were discouraged when they found no way across the river or around the lake. They felt that they had really reached the end of everything. They were almost out of food and they feared the Indians. Others arrived and they finally built a little canoe that could take them across the lake. Some of them went on, while others settled and a few remained in River's End. It seems that when the travelers left they called back to the others, 'West we go. Better go with us.' Those who remained behind, jokingly called the settlement Westwego and they never changed the name."

"Some story, but interesting," he remarked. "They're both beautiful little towns, much more attractive than any other towns along the road."

"You're new here at the snack bar, aren't you? I don't remember seeing you before."

"Yes, I haven't been here long," he told her, the old fear returning. "I've been in college and then in the service, so now I'm roaming around for a while before I settle down to work."

"What kind of work?" she wanted to know.

He realized what a stupid lie he had told and for a moment he was at a loss for an answer.

"That's a question for which I have no answer," he confessed. "I suppose you would call me a drifter, trying to make up my mind to settle down after

seeing the world for a while. I was stranded when I arrived here, so I took this job until I decide to move on again."

"Let's hope that you'll like it well enough to stay here," she said. "I haven't been here very long myself, but I like it here and I think I'll stay."

He wanted to ask her where her home was, but he was afraid she might ask him more questions about himself, so he refrained from asking her.

"Then you're alone, I suppose," he ventured.

"Yes," she said sadly. "All of my people are dead. I never knew my mother. She died when I was a baby and my father married again and lost interest in me, so I decided that I'd get away where I wouldn't be a bother to him any longer. I think he was glad to be rid of me."

"Are you satisfied over there in Westwego?" he asked.

"For the present. I have a job and they're not always easy to get. I've had dreams of seeing the world, but that takes money. Perhaps some day some rich man will come along and sweep me off my feet and we'll see the world together." She laughed an embarrassed little laugh. "That sounds silly, doesn't it? I suppose I was just thinking out loud. I used to have dreams like that when I was a child and read of princes and princesses in fairy tales. But those things seldom happen in real life. Princes are practically non-existent and rich men aren't looking for waitresses in a little hick town like Westwego. I'll have to be contented until something better shows up."

"Sometimes it's hard to be contented when we long for something that's far beyond our reach. It makes us restless and unhappy, feeling like we're in prison with no way of escape."

"Is that the way you feel?" she asked with wide eyes.

He realized that he too had been thinking aloud and that he should watch his words more carefully.

"Isn't that the way we feel sometimes when our dreams fail to come true?" he countered.

"I suppose so, but that's the way I feel so often. Like a prisoner with no hope of escape and I feel that I could scream, for all the good it would do."

"Fellow prisoners," and he smiled into her suddenly darkened eyes. "It would sound more cheerful if we said just two drifters on the river of life who've met while drifting downstream. Let's hope that we'll go side by side for a while at least, shall we?"

"You must be a poet," she told him. "Let's hope that we do."

"How can we if I don't know your name? My name is Howard Ramsey."

"I'm Deidre Fleming," she told him.

"Deidre? That's a strange name. Somehow it doesn't suit you. It seems like Dorothy would suit you better. Then when I knew you better, I could call you little Dot."

Her eyes widened as if she were suddenly frightened and her mouth flew

Are you a  
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open, but she quickly recovered herself and said with a shrug. "I never liked the name, but my father said my mother got it out of some book. Perhaps some day I'll change it to Dorothy and I'll let you call me Dot."

The frightened look left her eyes and a smile flitted across her lips.

The ferry was approaching the landing and she rose to go.

"It's been nice talking to you," she remarked as she rose to go below.

"I'm not going to let you drift from me, little drifter," he told her. "I'll be getting very hungry tonight. Will you be at the cafe to serve me?"

"Not tonight. I'm off today, but tomorrow I'll be on duty until closing time."

"Then I'll curb my appetite until then," he said.

She gave him a parting smile as she left him. He went to the window and watched her as she left the ferry. She walked with graceful stride while the breeze blew her hair in disorder about her face. The day seemed suddenly brighter and his gloom disappeared for the time being. She was the prettiest girl he had seen for a long time. He compared her to the ones he had known at the hospital, but none of them seemed to possess the same attraction that she did for him.

He wondered if there was anyone in whom she might be interested. Perhaps that was why she was satisfied to remain in this hick town. He hoped that there was no one. But what if there was one? What difference could that make to him? What if she had responded to the attraction he had felt for her? There could never be anything but friendship between them. And he wanted more than friendship.

Suddenly he longed for love and companionship such as he had never longed for before, such as he had never even wanted to think about before. There had been no room in his life for love. He had but one purpose and one desire, to reach the top where his goal hung as a shining trophy for him to reach out and possess.

Now there was no goal in sight and the longing for love and companionship took possession of him. He wanted that more than anything in life just now, for the loneliness was eating into his very soul. But that one thing could not be denied him. He had closed the door upon that blessed gift by his own foolish act. How could he ever ask love from any girl, with the shadow of fear hanging over his head, the shadow that might never be lifted? If, years from now, he could be married and he should be able to travel with his wife to the faraway places she might long to see, there would be

the ever-present fear that someone might recognize him, a chance meeting at an airport or a depot, a touch upon his shoulder, arrest, trial—the end of everything.

He went back to the counter and sat down, utterly dejected, with despair flowing over him in waves that crushed him and left him in the sea of hopelessness. He was indeed a prisoner, a prisoner behind bars that he had forged himself and from which there was no escape.

WHEN HARLAN got off from work and left the ferry, his spirits were lifted for the time being out of the gloom in which he had been living for what seemed like an eternity. The days were just a succession of monotonous routine. He slept as late as he could so that the day wouldn't seem so long as he sat there behind the counter moping and trying to read, roused occasionally to serve a customer, going to a lonely meal and sitting in the hotel lobby or else walking aimlessly along the streets until time to go to bed.

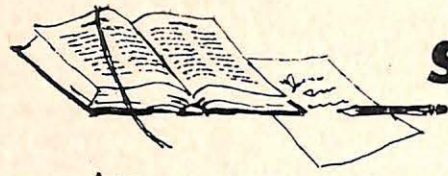
Sometimes he would go down to the lake and sit there on one of the benches in the little parkside area that bordered the lake and stare into the darkness, seeing dimly the mountains rising in the distance. Then he would go to bed to toss to and fro while he tried to stem the rising waves of despair that swept over him through the night hours. It was then that he couldn't get rid of the memories of the hospital, the emergency night cases, the anxiety of relatives waiting tensely for the result, the late snacks after the ordeal was over, then sinking wearily but contentedly into bed and a dreamless sleep.

Torture wracked him as he fought against those memories, of the hope that rose within him as he saw his ambition being fulfilled and knowing that he would soon be on his own, beginning the practice that would lead him to the top. He fought anew the battle each day to end it all, since he could see no hope for the future. It would be the same thing, defeat despair, and hopelessness.

But on this evening when he went off duty there was a small ray of light in the darkness. He had something to look forward to. He would see Deidre the next evening. He was amazed at himself that the mere meeting with this girl could change his outlook on life even as much as it already had. He couldn't understand why he should have been so attracted to her from the first. Perhaps it was because he was so desperately lonely and because it had been so long since he had talked to a girl, that anyone would have aroused his interest.

No matter what the reason was, he knew that he was impatient for the next evening to come and he looked forward to it as if it had been some exciting adventure.

(To Be Continued)



# sunday school lessons

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

**A TEACHING GUIDE**  
Date: March 11, 1962

Theme: **THE OBLIGATION TO BE TRUTHFUL**

Scripture: Exodus 20:16; Proverbs 12:17; Matthew 12:33-37; 26:69-75

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** Because Jesus said, "I am the truth," he expects his children to be truthful.

**INTRODUCTION:** The courts in our land look upon truth very seriously. It is always a solemn moment when the clerk administers the oath and the witness swears or affirms to tell the truth. Throughout the questioning, he is continually on guard because he knows that if he utters a falsehood he can be arrested for the crime of perjury. Our judicial system must be established on the truth or our entire society would fall apart. Where the courts look lightly on the truth, government is at its lowest level.

The first lie that was ever told was used as a means of protection. "Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive." It didn't work in the Garden of Eden, but the descendants of Adam and Eve have used it ever since. Man can still not be convinced that truth protects us and falsehood exposes us. The simple truth is one of the basic characteristics of the sincere Christian. When he "walks in the truth," he has no difficulty in telling the truth.

**I. TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS.**  
Exodus 20:16; Proverbs 12:17.

When the Israelites went out of Egypt, their very existence and survival depended on two things: faith in God and faith in each other. This commandment helped them to establish righteousness with God as well as the years of their wanderings they realized how necessary it was to have the protective care of God. But they also had to learn how important it was to protect each other. Honesty and truthfulness were shields they could not do without. They could not have survived if it would have been said of them as it was said of the people on the island of Crete: "The Cretians are always liars" (Titus 1:12).

**II. TRUTH REVEALED BY WORDS.**  
Matthew 12:33-37.

Jesus had been charged by the Pharisees of casting out demons by the prince of demons. He thereupon denounced the wickedness that would cause persons to call so good an act as the healing of the sick a work of the devil. The Pharisees, by their words and acts, revealed what they were real-

ly like inside. Their wicked character was exposed. The blossoms and leaves of trees may look similar, but once the fruit begins to form it can no longer hide its identity.

**III. TRUTH AND CONSEQUENCES.**  
Matthew 26:69-75.

Many of us have defective vision in our foresight. But all of us have 20-20 vision so far as hindsight is concerned. Peter was no exception in this stage of his Christian experience. He thought he was much stronger than he really was. In spite of all his "positive thinking" (Matt. 26:33-35), Peter still had weak and negative thoughts. The spirit of self-confidence can only be strengthened by the Holy Spirit of truth. Peter, the rock, was still emerging out of the sinking sand.

**Questions for Discussion:**

1. What is the difference between Judas' betrayal of Christ and Peter's denial of Christ?
2. In which area of your life is truthful witnessing most difficult?
3. Is the silent lie as serious as the spoken lie?
4. Keeping Peter in mind, what untruthful situation was most embarrassing to you?

**A TEACHING GUIDE**

Date: March 18, 1962

Theme: **THE SIN OF GREED**

Scripture: Exodus 20:17; Luke 12:13-21

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** Get your earthly possessions in such a way that they will not get you.

**INTRODUCTION:** This is one of the few commandments that deal with the inner state of man rather than with his outward acts. To covet, in the sense it is used here, means to have a deep and persistent desire for something that rightly belongs to another person. With such an attitude, it is impossible to have a brotherly spirit toward your neighbor. Ultimately it leads to scheming and to evil action. (Compare Deuteronomy 5:21). Greed, on the other hand, implies an abnormal desire to possess. A person may be rigidly honest, but his determination to put the accumulation of material things above everything else of value is his moral weakness.

Covetousness and acquisition are, in their normal state, not wrong. Paul said, "Covet earnestly the best gifts" (1 Cor. 12:31). Food, clothing and shel-

**A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

Let not the past ever be so dear to us as to set a limit to the future.  
—From "Prayers of Peter Marshall"

ter must be acquired. But these are not the only things to acquire. Don't let their acquisition blind you to your spiritual needs!

**I. COVETOUSNESS AND OUR SOCIAL STATE.** Exodus 20:17.

Even during Israel's time, there was danger of people wanting to keep up with the Joneses. Today, with all the material things to be had plus the fact that they are constantly brought to our attention, the desire to have what our neighbors have is even more intense. The importance of this commandment lies in the fact that you cannot covet what your neighbor has and at the same time covet his friendship and good will.

Even among Christians, the covetous spirit is often evident when someone else's gifts of singing, speaking or leadership are desired. Paul dealt with this problem in the Corinthian church (1 Cor. 12).

**II. MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL VALUES.** Luke 12:13-15.

Covetousness is not punishable by civil laws. Many court cases are the result of a covetous spirit.

The young man who came to Jesus wanted him to represent him in a court case. He was not interested in what Jesus taught spiritually, only in what he could do for him materially. When reading verse 12 it is clear that he was not even listening to what Jesus was saying.

**III. A FULL BARN AND AN EMPTY SOUL.** Luke 12:16-21.

We don't know whether the young man took the lesson to heart. He probably went away disappointed because he expected Jesus to help him recover a lost inheritance, and all he received was a parable. If he was as spiritually blind, as we think he was, he did not even apply the lesson to his own case.

The rich fool had no desire but the desire to accumulate, and he put himself in the center of his accumulation instead of putting himself in the center of God's grace. It is difficult to build big barns and big souls at the same time. That is why Jesus put the emphasis on seeking first the Kingdom of heaven, then the barns can be built much more easily.

**Questions for Discussion:**

1. Is it just as wrong to covet things we cannot pay for as to covet the things of our neighbor?
2. How can we accumulate needful and desirable things without being covetous?
3. Does God require our souls from us only at death?

## OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

### Eastern District

#### Baptism and Wedding Anniversary at Jamesburg, N. J.

The year of 1961 has been one in which God has favored us at the First Baptist Church, Jamesburg, N. J., with manifold blessings. Earlier in the year we were privileged to have a week of "Deeper Life" meetings with Rev. Richard Sparling as our speaker. At a recent Sunday morning service our hearts were blessed as we witnessed the baptism of seven persons who had recently given their lives to the Lord. That same evening our pastor, Rev. Arthur W. Boymook, extended the hand of fellowship to ten new members, for which our hearts rejoice.



Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart of Jamesburg, N. J., members of the First Baptist Church, on their 55th wedding anniversary day.

We were also privileged to celebrate the 55th wedding anniversary of one of our fine elderly couples of the church, Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart. As a token of our esteem for this couple, the church gave them a copy of the New English Bible. This past year we were able also to renovate the exterior of our parsonage, pay for our new organ and purchase new choir robes. Our motto as a church for the New Year is "The Bible Through in '62." This we trust will enrich our spiritual lives and help us to be better witnesses for our Master.

Grace Epp, Reporter

#### Mortgage Burning and Baptism at Gladwin, Mich.

Many things have been happening recently at the Round Lake Baptist Church, Gladwin, Mich. The ladies of our church had many blessings as they met with the women of our two sister churches in the area, Alpena and Auburn, for a combined Ladies Retreat which lasted two days. It was held at the Good News Camp, seven

miles from Gladwin.

Recently we had the privilege of burning our church mortgage in a morning service and then uniting in the church social hall for a time of fellowship. The mortgage was for a fine addition that had been built on our church. A letter was sent to Rev. Albert Fadenbrecht thanking him for the part he had in having the foresight to start this much needed addition, when he was the pastor here.

In December we climaxed our year with a baptismal service. We had the privilege of baptizing Mr. Holland Grove who had paid for our new baptistry. We also enjoyed seeing a high school girl and two young boys go through the waters of baptism on their confession of faith in Christ.

Arlene Franck, Reporter

#### Farewell to Director of Christian Education, Cleveland

Sunday evening, Jan. 21, the Parma Heights Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, along with the Erin Avenue Baptist Church held a farewell service for Miss LaVerna Mehlhaff, director of Christian Education. Miss Mehlhaff has been with the Parma Heights Church ever since its beginning six years ago. Before that she served as church missionary at the mother church, Erin Avenue, for four years.

The following leaders of various departments gave words of appreciation for her faithful ministry and also presented her with parting gifts: Mrs. Mildred Ferritto, president of the Women's Organization; Karen Hall, representing Pioneer Girls; Charlotte Garrison, president of the Senior C. B. Y.; Carl Guenther, Jr., superintendent of the Church School; Richard Schubert, chairman of the Deacon Board; Mrs. Emanuel Wolff, representing the North American Ministerial Association; and Pastor David J. Draewell. Miss Mehlhaff then gave her response. Miss Mehlhaff will well be remembered by many in the Cleveland area for her winning smile, her ready response to do whatever task was asked of her, and her splendid sense of humor. The young people will especially miss her counseling and her taxi free service.

Miss Mehlhaff has heard God's voice advising her to go home for a while to her parents in South Dakota, and she is waiting upon the Lord to lead further in her life.

Mrs. Walter Miller, Reporter

#### Baptismal and Week of Prayer Services at Toronto

The Christmas season at the German Baptist Church, Toronto, Ontario, was brightened for us with messages by our pastor, Rev. Otto Ertis, as Jesus was presented to us as the world's wonderful Saviour. The Christmas offering by our congregation amounted to more than \$1,000.

Our church was filled to capacity on Sunday, Jan. 8, for a baptismal serv-



Rev. and Mrs. Otto Ertis of the German Baptist Church, Toronto, Ontario. The church honored Mr. Ertis recently on his 50th birthday.

ice. Our pastor baptized seven persons who had made decisions for Christ in evangelistic services in November 1961. This was the third baptismal service in our church at which Brother Ertis officiated. In addition to these, four persons were also received into the church's fellowship by letter at the communion service.

During the first week of January, we observed the Week of Prayer using the theme, "The Witnessing Church." These were blessed hours for us in Christian love and fellowship. We were joined by members of the "Evangeliums Kirsche" and the "Christlicher Gemeinschaft." These prayer services were held alternately in these churches. This was the first time that the members of these German-speaking churches could meet together in Week of Prayer services. Our church also surprised and honored Rev. Otto Ertis on his 50th birthday on Nov. 20, 1961 with an inspiring, informal program.

Elisabeth Diebow, Reporter

#### Ridgewood Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Marks 107th Milestone

Dignity and simplicity were the keynote of the 107th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, Jan. 14, at the Ridgewood Church, Ridgewood, N. Y. We had the special privilege of having Dr. Martin L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Illinois, with us to participate in the happy event. Dr. Leuschner pointed out that this church is historic and unique in that three of its former pastors returned for second pastorates; we have had a fine musical tradition; Rev. J. C. Grimmell, son of the founder, translated "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" into German; Rev. Paul Wengel was instrumental in translating and compiling hymns in our "North American Hymnal"; and several of our pastors have become seminary and college professors.

Using the text of Joshua 4:7, our guest reviewed the story of the living memorial stones and urged his hearers to apply to their lives the truths that the great God of the Old Testament still lives, that he cares about us and that he is still building his Church. Following a fellowship dinner, the various branches of the church pre-

sented reports on their year's activities. Mr. Leuschner brought a message on I Peter 2 and said an anniversary program testifies to the fact that we are a Christ-honoring people. Our own pastor, Rev. Rubin Kern, in concluding the celebration said: "We have looked back, looked up and now we are going ahead in our service to Christ."

Marion von Ahnen, Reporter

## Central District

### Deeper Life Meetings in Shattuck, Oklahoma

"BACK TO GOD THROUGH THE BIBLE" was our theme to open the New Year with a week of "Deeper Life Meetings" at the EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH, Shattuck, Okla. Rev. Dan Kolke, our pastor, led us in a series of inspiring studies on "The Letters To The Seven Churches" in the Book of Revelation. The meetings closed with a baptismal service on Sunday night, Jan. 7th. At this time five converts were baptized and received into our church. We then joined in the communion service to praise our Lord.

On Jan. 2nd we held our annual business meeting and the following officers were elected: Roy Kretz, Fred Schoenhals, Harvey Deal, deacons; Mrs. Victor Klein, clerk; Rueben Schoenhals, treasurer; Philip Shaefer, trustee; and Harvey Deal was re-elected for the 13th consecutive year as Sunday school superintendent. We are grateful to God for Harvey's dedicated and faithful service over these years.

Mrs. Albert Pshigoda, Reporter



Rev. Daniel Kolke (right), pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Shattuck, Okla., and five young people whom he baptized recently.

Left to right: Curtis Pshigoda, Linda Schoenhals, Larry Schoenhals, Marilyn Kelln, Leslie Pshigoda, and Rev. Dan Kolke.

### Deeper Life Meetings at Grand Forks, N. Dakota

The Grace Baptist Church, Grand Forks, N. Dak., started the new year on Jan. 1st with "Deeper Life" meetings held nightly through Jan. 7th. Rev. Norman Vernon, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Wayne, Mich., who for the past 14 years has been completing a new building, brought the messages, leading the congregation

in searching the Scriptures. Mr. Vernon will be going to South America in the spring to minister to missionary personnel on the field.

We have realized anew that the Word is powerful and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart (Hebrews 4:12). Many vows were made during this week assuring us of the Holy Spirit's working and continuance under the able and consecrated leadership of our pastor, Rev. Willis Potratz. Musical selections were rendered each evening with Mrs. Willis Potratz at the piano and Mrs. Charles Balogh at the organ. Mrs. Chester R. Faul, Church Reporter

### Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Max Pawlisch

The North Freedom Baptist Church of North Freedom, Wisconsin observed the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Max Pawlisch on Sunday evening, Dec. 3. To the strains



Mr. and Mrs. Max Pawlisch of North Freedom, Wis., at their 50th wedding anniversary celebration held in the Baptist Church.

of the wedding march played by Mrs. Lawrence Ulrich, the honored couple was escorted to the platform by Cheryl and Linda Dickie, their great nieces.

With Ben Pawlisch, a brother of Max, as master of ceremonies, a fine program was presented, revealing the high esteem in which the Pawlisches are held. Our pastor, Rev. Norman Miller, made very fitting remarks, choosing as his topic: "How to Be Happy Though Married," and presented to them a beautiful lamp as a love token from the church. The Pawlisches held Open House on Wednesday, Dec. 6. Both daughters, Mrs. Clarence (Dorothea) Smith and Evelyn, were present to rejoice with them.

We had the pleasure of having the "Musical Messengers" with us this past year and on Nov. 26 it was our privilege to have Rev. J. C. Gunst, Central District secretary, as our guest speaker. We have launched our Scripture Memorization program, meeting with the various groups every Sunday evening before the service. Much encouraging interest is being shown.

Mrs. Harvey Seils, Reporter

#### REPORTS

All reports for the "Baptist Herald" should be sent promptly and kept within the limit of 175 words.



Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Loehr of Milwaukee, Wis., members of the Immanuel Baptist Church, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in December.

### 60th Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. E. Loehr

Early in December the Immanuel Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., extended congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Loehr on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Throughout the years they have served their Lord in various capacities and are held in high esteem by their fellow members and friends.

Ewald Loehr who emigrated to the United States in his youth, was employed as a tool and die-maker and designer in which he was engaged until his retirement. In 1893 he found his Lord and was baptized by the Rev. Jacob Merkel. Mrs. Loehr, nee Lydia Sonneborn, was born in Monee, Ill. For a number of years she taught school and served as church organist. We thank God for the day she found her Lord and joined her husband's church. She served one year as president of the Woman's Missionary Union of the North-western Conference.

Of their five children only the twins are living: Mrs. Helen Palaski and Mrs. Ruth Adams. May God be near and comfort this beloved couple and keep them in his watch-care!

Lynn Shepherd, Reporter

### Outstanding Events of Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas

The last quarter of 1961 was filled with much activity for the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas. In October our Board of Education initiated a month's emphasis on "Family Worship in Every Home Every Day." Dr. Douglas H. Gallagher led four weekly meetings of the combined three women's societies in Bible studies. A new Home Department has been organized with plans, among other things, to send some member of the church into each confined person's home with a discussion of the Sunday School lesson. In November Dr. Gallagher led the Primary and Nursery workers in four weekly training studies of two hours each.

This fall saw the Lorraine church take a special interest in Church Ex-

tension with a concentrated effort for Memory Lane Church of Wichita, Kansas. A sizeable offering was received. On Thanksgiving Eve Rev. Edwin H. Michelson was at our church with a "thank you" and a progress report.

On Christmas Eve our choir, under the direction of Jona Baltzer, presented Bernard Hamblen's "This Heavenly Child." In place of a regular tableau, colored slides were projected. These had been made by local people with live animals in pasture and stable. The year closed with the blessing of a baptismal service. The hand of fellowship was extended to six new members the Communion Service which was a fitting end to the old year and a challenge to the new!

Mrs. Paul Peters, Jr., Reporter

### Recent Events at Aplington Baptist Church, Iowa

The Aplington Baptist Church of Aplington, Iowa held its annual Thanksgiving Service on the Wednesday evening preceding Thanksgiving Day. The offering totaled \$3274.38. On Dec. 17, the Junior High Departments of the Sunday school presented the Christmas pageant, "And There Was Light." The traditional Christmas Eve program was presented by the Nursery, Pre-School and Kindergarten, and Primary Departments on Dec. 24.

Our church has been richly blessed through the furlough stay of Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Stockdale and family. Dr. and Mrs. Stockdale are members of the Aplington church. At the New Year's Eve service, Dr. Stockdale, whose parental home is in Aplington, showed slides of the medical ministry at the leprosy settlement. The various church organizations presented gifts to the Stockdales at Christmas, helping to outfit them for their return to the field.

A baptismal service was conducted on Sunday evening, Jan. 21. Nine children and one adult followed the Lord in obedience to his command. Most of these confessed Christ as Saviour during the fall meetings with Dr. Ralph Powell of the North American Baptist Seminary. These and three other adults were extended the hand of fellowship at the communion service on Sunday, Feb. 4. Rev. Donald Patet is pastor of the Aplington church.

Mrs. Swanetta Oldenburger, Reporter

## Northern District

### Grant Park Church, Winnipeg, Moves Into Building

Sunday, January 7th, was a memorable day at the Ribbon Cutting Service held at the Grant Park Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Man. In answer to our prayers and hopes, we were able to move into our new building. Guest speaker for the opening day service was Rev. H. J. Waltereit of the McDermot Avenue Church, Winnipeg. Special music was rendered by the Morris Band under the direction of Waldemar Remple and the 30 voice Grant Park choir under the capable leadership of Mr. Fred Thorne. Attendance for the opening day service was approximately 320. Participating in the Ribbon Cut-

March 1, 1962

### Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fenske

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fenske were honored by relatives and friends on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary at a reception held in Faith Baptist Church of Regina, Sask., on Dec. 12, 1961. Miss Joy Martens, eldest granddaughter, was in charge of the register which was signed by 200 guests. Seated at the head table with the celebrants were the bride's two sisters and their husbands: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Scheirer of Lemberg, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Kratt of Milwaukee, Wis. Jake Neufeld, master of ceremonies, introduced Mayor Henry Baker who presented a plaque to the couple on behalf of the city. Messages of congratulation were received from Prime Minister John Diefenbaker, Lt. Gov. F. L. Bastedo, Ken More, MP, Premier W. S. Lloyd and The Gideons International in Canada. The program consisted of several musical selections and the playing of a tape recording from their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Martins, missionaries in Aruba, Dutch Antilles.

Down through the years both Mr. and Mrs. Fenske have sought to serve the Lord in their home, church and community. In 1916 the Fenskens moved to Nokomis, Sask., where Mr. Fenske served as deacon and Sunday school superintendent in the Nokomis Church. Mr. Fenske has served on the Board of Directors of the Haven of Rest Home for the Aged for the past 15 years, and has been a faithful supporter of the Gideons organization for about 12 years. The celebrants have seven children: Gordon of Toronto, Earl of Medicine Hat, Mrs. Edgar Martens (Ruth) of Aruba, Dutch Antilles, Lloyd, Harvey and Norman of Regina, and Irene of Caronport. There are 20 grandchildren.

Dilys L. Browatzke, Reporter



Ribbon cutting service at the Grant Park Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Left to right: Harry Bergstresser, church treasurer; Dan Walters, Building Committee chairman; and Rev. R. Grabke, pastor.

ting Service was Harry Bergstresser, church treasurer; Dan Walters, Building Committee chairman; and Rev. R. Grabke, pastor.

The size of the building is 74 by 48 feet which consists of an auditorium with a seating capacity of 300, a caretaker suite, a church kitchen and 9 potential class rooms. Located on Grant and Wilton, it promises to be one of the more attractive and modern buildings in this area. Plans are under way for the erection of a nine story apartment with underground parking next to the church building. The estimated cost of the building is \$45,000. The property was purchased by the McDermot Ave. Church a year ago for \$17,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fenske of Regina, Sask., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 12, 1961 at a reception held in the Faith Baptist Church of which they are charter members.



### Christmas Season at McDermot Ave. Church, Winnipeg

A very fine program was presented on Christmas Eve by the Junior Department of the Sunday school of the McDermot Ave. Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba, under the able leadership of Mrs. H. Waltereit, Junior Superintendent, and the assistant, Mr. John Kokot. The church, accommodating approximately 800 people, was filled to capacity for this annual event. New Year's Eve was devoted to a farewell for our former assistant pastor and his family, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert

Miss M. Martin, Reporter

Bushkowsky, who had served us for 5½ years. The newly formed brass band provided musical numbers before the service.

Representatives of the various organizations thanked Mr. and Mrs. Bushkowsky for their faithful service and wished them well in their new undertaking at Ochre River, Manitoba. A gift of a chair was presented by the church. May God grant them many useful years in this new venture and make them a blessing to many! After a brief period of fellowship, the remainder of the year was spent in worship and prayer under the guidance of our pastor, Rev. H. J. WALTEREIT.

Mrs. Alice Parr, Reporter

### Pastor's Reception at Zion Church, Drumheller, Alberta

God has richly blessed the Zion Baptist Church of Drumheller, Alberta. In March a Woman's Missionary Society was formed which is the first in the history of our church. Nine ladies joined the Society then and now we have a membership of 13. Although we were without a pastor for most of the year, we had several special speakers, ministers and members of our congregation serve us from the pulpit. From the 16th of July until the 10th of September we were privileged to have Mr. and Mrs. Cornie Wiebe with us. Mr. Wiebe is a theology student at C. T. I. They proved to be a real blessing to us.

The climax of the year came on Dec. 3rd when we welcomed Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Ohlmann and their four children into our midst. The church was filled that evening for the induction service. Rev. Wm. Muller from Carbon, our neighboring church, was chairman of the evening. We are thankful to God for his goodness in sending us "a shepherd." The Ohlmanns are the first occupants of our new, modern parsonage, which was built last summer. The parsonage is located in the city of Drumheller.

Mrs. Ron Bertsch, Reporter

### Anniversary Program, Woman's Missionary Society, Olds, Alta.

It was a blessed event to attend the annual celebration of the Woman's Missionary Society of the East Olds Baptist Church, Olds, Alberta. The dialogue, "Something different," stressing not to lose the spiritual outlook, was presented by Mrs. Margaret Haerle and Mrs. Hilda Unger. Another dialogue, "We Must Shine," presented by seven ladies, challenged us to be faithful always. A memorial service reminded us that we are but a link of a great chain. All special numbers, including three songs by the ladies' choir directed by Mrs. Velma Hiller, were enjoyed by all.

From the reports given we gather that 354 sick calls were made by twenty-nine members during the past year, and that a sound missionary spirit has been present at all meetings, activities, and at work done "for the Master's sake." Rev. H. A. Pohl, pastor, challenged us to look ahead and stand prayerfully behind the new officers: Mrs. Frieda Huber, president; Mrs. Velma Kuehn, vice-president; Mrs. Margret Pohl, secretary; Mrs. Rose Fried, treasurer.

Margret Pohl, Reporter

## Western District

### Farewell for Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Remple, Missoula

The Bethel Baptist Church of Missoula, Montana, is growing and we have a strong Sunday school. We are planning to add to our Educational Unit, for which we have purchased property, as soon as possible. Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Remple were with us for eight years. They have now left for Tacoma, Washington. On Sunday, Jan. 14, Rev. C. T. Remple preached his last sermon and in the evening a reception was held in their honor under the leadership of Herbert Schmutz.

Leaders of every branch of the church spoke words of appreciation. Our 20 voice Men's Chorus rendered its gratitude through the song, "Which Way Shall I Take?" Gideon Grenz spoke for the Sunday school and Richard Schmutz for the choir. Martha Oelkie spoke on behalf of the German Ladies' Aid, and Violet Wernath presented the Remples with a picture of "The Montana Mountains" from the Tabitha and Miriam Societies. Following a song by our Sextet, Gene Hochhalter spoke for the C. B. Y. Fellowship.

Comments from the Junior Department and the Men's Brotherhood were made by Leo Kramer and Bud Wernath. A response was given by the Remples.

Mrs. Caroline Eder, Reporter

### God's Blessings, Swain Oaks Church, Stockton, California

The people of the Swain Oaks Baptist Church of Stockton, Calif., are grateful to God for his many blessings. It is just a little over two years ago that the church was organized and it will be two years in May that the first public service and Sunday school were held. Since then we have experienced a steady growth.

In 1961 we received 20 members by letter, 12 by baptism and one on the statement of faith. Our membership at the end of 1961 was 88. However, several are waiting for baptism and others to be received into the fellowship by letters. Our Sunday school is well organized and staffed with consecrated teachers and officers. At present our attendance is over the 100 mark. The worship services are regularly well attended with many visitors frequently. The Wednesday night prayer meetings are attended by 35 to 45 people. The Woman's Mission Society is very active in missionary projects and other spiritual interests. Since the new year we have also started a church choir.

The financial record speaks of the faithfulness of our people in the things of God. Our 1961 income was \$16,490.00. Of this \$1,000 was a gift from the First Baptist Church of Lodi and \$500 from the Temple Church of Lodi. We were able to erase all of our indebtedness on the organ, the church pews and all furnishings of the church, and also pay off \$5,950.00 on our building loan and \$1,131.00 interest.

G. G. Rauser, Pastor

# Obituary

### MRS. BETTY B. CAPPELLER of Buffalo, New York

Mrs. Betty B. Cappeller, nee Bingel, of Buffalo, N. Y., entered into her glory on Thursday, December 14, 1961, after an illness of about two years. She was born at Holland, New York, but grew up and lived in Buffalo all her life. At 14 years of age she accepted Christ as her Savior, was baptized and received into the fellowship of Bethel Baptist Church by Rev. Albert Vogel. She was a much loved and a most faithful member of her church. Even during the time of protracted illness, she seldom missed a service.

Mrs. Cappeller is survived by her husband, John F. Cappeller, with whom she shared life for nearly 42 years; five sisters (one of whom is married to Rev. Hugo F. Schade, Kitchener, Ontario); and one brother. A son, Norman, preceded her in death. She influenced every area of our church's ministry. Those who knew her best found increasingly that her life was characterized by complete abandonment to the will of God. The impact of her life will long be remembered by all who knew her.

Bethel Baptist Church  
Buffalo, New York  
ALBERT FADENRECHT, pastor

### MRS. MARTHA HAEUSSER of Buffalo, New York

Mrs. Martha Haeusser, nee Caplik, of Buffalo, N. Y., was born on March 1, 1885 in Buffalo, N. Y., and went home to be with her Lord on Dec. 21, 1961, aged 76 years and 9 months. At the age of ten, she accepted Christ as her Savior and was baptized on Feb. 16, 1896 on confession of her faith in the old High Street Baptist Church. She faithfully served her Lord since then in her church, now the Temple Baptist Church.

In 1906 she was joined in marriage to Mr. John P. Haeusser, who preceded her in death in 1945. The Lord blessed this union with three sons: Carl J., Edward P., and Robert W., all of Buffalo. In her passing she is also mourned by one brother, Mr. William Caplik and four grandchildren. Her pastor

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needs to be done to fully enlist every woman in your local church to serve Christ and his Church.

Pertaining to men's work in our churches, there is still much that is wanting. Many young and middle-aged men are so involved in the daily task of providing for the family that they resign themselves to a passive role in the church. This has not removed the very essential need for being spiritually undergirded for the mountainous task adequately to provide for the family and self. Your local church must devise ways to work WITH the younger and middle-aged adults for a more effective program of Christian education WITH this vital age group.

Your prayers, encouragement and help will be needed by those who will have responsibility for adult work at the denominational level and at the local church level so that more practical and helpful programs WITH adults will come to pass in our churches.

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brought the message of comfort from II Cor. 5:7-8 to the family and many friends. The Lord is comforting the bereaved!  
Temple Baptist Church  
Buffalo, New York  
WALTER C. DAMRAU, Pastor

### MR. FREDERICK W. BOETTCHER of Cypress, California

Mr. Frederick W. Boettcher of Cypress, Calif., was born April 15, 1882 in Germany. He was born again at the age of 34 and baptized by Rev. Max Leuschner, one of our conference pastors. Mr. Boettcher was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Zebel on March 29, 1914. On their honeymoon the Boettchers came to America, arriving in Cypress, Calif., on May 2, 1914, residing there for the past 48 years. Mr. Boettcher united with the Magnolia Baptist Church in October, 1937.

He passed away on January 21, 1962, having reached the age of 79 years, 9 months and 6 days. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Boettcher, who resides in Cypress; two daughters: Mrs. Mary G. Wolff of Downey and Mrs. Mildred R. Wessel of LaHabra; four sons, Phillip W. and Donald, both of Anaheim; Paul G. of LaHabra and John R. of Cypress; 15 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Magnolia Baptist Church  
Anaheim, California  
KENNETH L. FISCHER, Pastor

### MR. SAM HAYES of Dike, Iowa

Mr. Sam Hayes of Dike, Iowa, was born on June 7, 1897 in Germany. He came to this country with his parents, who settled in the Dike, Iowa area. He lived his entire life here. On March 14, 1916, he was united in marriage with Miss Effie Reiter. This home was blessed with three children. He came to know Christ as his personal Savior in the fall of 1942, one day while he was working out in the field, and was assured of his eternal salvation unto the end, and to which he gave faithful testimony. During his confinement he made it a practice to witness for his Savior to all who visited. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Henry.

He went to be with his Savior on January 14, 1962, attaining the age of 68 years, 7 months and 7 days. He leaves to mourn his passing, his deeply bereaved wife; Edward and Earl of Dike, Iowa; Mrs. Etta Fink of Stout, Iowa; one half sister, Mrs. Dick Rewerts of Allison; one step brother, Sam Claassen of Grundy Center; one step sister, Mrs. John Freerksen of Eldora, all of Iowa, four grandchildren, relatives and a host of friends. Words of comfort were taken from Hebrews 11:10 by the pastor, Rev. H. Lohr assisted in the service.

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

### MR. JACOB ZIEGLER of Carbon, Alberta

Mr. Jacob Ziegler of Carbon, Alta., was born in Alt-Freudental, Odessa, South Russia on April 11, 1882. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Ziegler, brought him at 2 years of age to Long Lake, S. Dak. In 1905 he was married to Mary Nuss and established a home in the Long Lake district. This union was blessed with 8 children: Alfred, Edwin, Reinhold, Emil, Emma (Mrs. Reinhardt), Martha (Mrs. Ludwig), Helen (Mrs. Slagg), and Benjamin. In 1918 his wife passed away and the following year he immigrated to Canada.

In 1921 he married Mrs. Rosa Gackle of Hilda, Alta. This union was blessed with 4 children: Elsie (Mrs. J. Schmidt), Karl, Emanuel, and Daniel. In 1931 he professed faith in Jesus Christ, was baptized and received into the Freudental Baptist Church. In 1944 he retired to Carbon but the retirement was marred by the passing of his wife in 1945. On Christmas Day of 1946 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Andrees. He passed away after suffering a stroke on Jan. 8, 1962 at almost 80 years of age. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife; one brother, George of Calgary; two sisters, Mrs. Carolina Kappes of Carbon, and Mrs. Eva Metzger of Innisfail; 12 children; 45 grandchildren, and 15 great grandchildren.

Carbon, Alta.  
WILLY R. MULLER, Pastor

### MR. GOTTLIEB WEGNER of Gladwin, Michigan

Gottlieb Wegner of Gladwin, Mich., went to be with his Lord on Jan. 4, 1962 at the age of 86 years. He was born in Poland and came to Gladwin from Cleveland, Ohio, in 1901. On Feb. 1, 1962 he would have celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with his wife Amanda, who survives him with 7

### Homegoing of Mrs. C. B. Nordland, Oak Park, Ill.

Mrs. C. B. Nordland of Oak Park, Illinois, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Feb. 3rd, after an illness of several months. She was the wife of the Rev. C. B. Nordland who served as pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Illinois for many years. She was president of the Woman's Missionary Guild in the Forest Park Church at the time of her homegoing. The memorial service was held on Feb. 6th in the Forest Park Church with Rev. Richard Schroeder officiating.

children, as follows: 3 sons: Theodore of Gladwin, Alvin of Grosse Point Woods, Mich., and Lawrence of Orlando, Florida, who is an ordained minister of the Gospel; 4 daughters: Evelyn Seib of Grosse Point Woods, Ella Van Pamel of Detroit, Ruth Secord and Jeanette Kehoe of Lvonavia, Mich. Surviving also are two brothers: Gottfried and Henry, and 16 grandchildren. He was born again of the Holy Spirit and baptized in 1922 by Rev. Michael Wolf and became a member of the Round Lake Baptist Church. He fought a good fight—he finished his course—he kept the faith! Henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give at the day of his appearing. Services were conducted by Rev. Ernest Lautt and Rev. Leon Franck, Round Lake Baptist Church, Gladwin, Michigan.  
LEON FRANCK, Pastor

### MR. GUSTAV SCHMIDT of Millet, Alberta

Mr. Gustav Schmidt of Millet, Alberta was born near Rovno, Poland in March 1871 and passed away in 1961, reaching the age 90 years and 7 months. He was married to Pauline Pohl in 1893 near Rovno, Poland. This union was blessed with 7 children of whom two predeceased their father. In 1927, Mrs. Schmidt was called to her heavenly home. In 1899 Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt migrated to Canada and settled in the Leduc district temporarily and then later homesteaded on a farm near Millet, Alta. In 1901 he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized by Rev. G. Schunke of Leduc.

Mr. Schmidt was one of the pioneers of the Wiesental Baptist Church. Prayer and consecration crowned his spiritual life in the church. The extension of God's Kingdom was his deepest compassion. With gladness of heart he greeted every spiritual birth in the church to which he belonged. He leaves to mourn three sons, two daughters, 24 grandchildren and 45 great grandchildren, also a brother and one sister as well as a host of relatives and friends. Rev. R. Milbrandt of Calgary, Alta., officiated at the funeral service.

Wiesenthal Baptist Church  
Millet, Alberta  
REV. R. MILBRANDT, Correspondent.

### MRS. WANDA KIRSCH of Edmonton, Alberta

Mrs. Wanda Kirsch, nee Schindler, of Edmonton, Alberta, was born in Wolynia, Russia, Nov. 11, 1882. At the age of 6 years she came with her parents to Canada, and settled in Ebenezer, Sask. She was saved through faith in Christ, and baptized in 1901 by Rev. R. Fenske, into the fellowship of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Her marriage with Daniel Kirsch was blessed with 5 sons and 3 daughters, of whom one died in infancy. For 25 years the family engaged in farming and during these difficult years of drouth experienced many hardships. In 1928 they moved to Leduc, Alta., and after a brief stay in Vancouver, Mrs. Kirsch came to live in Edmonton and attended Central Baptist Church. In May 1961 her husband Daniel preceded her in death, and on Dec. 28th she also passed away, after a brief heart ailment at the age of 79 years.

She is survived by the 5 sons: Dan and Albert of Edmonton, Edwin of Vancouver, Walter of Olds, and Alvin of Faust, Alta.; 2 daughters: Mrs. Joe Hutch (Elsie) of Faust, and Mrs. Laura Jeffries of Edmonton; one brother, Ben Schindler of Yorkton.

and a sister, Mrs. Julia Wedman of Vancouver, 12 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Central Baptist Church  
Edmonton, Alberta  
HERBERT HILLER, Pastor

### MR. EMIL A. PUST of Lambert, Montana

Mr. Emil A. Pust of Lambert, Montana, was born in Stidnitz, Pommern, Germany on Feb. 2, 1887. He came to the U. S. with his parents in 1901 and settled near Holloway, Minnesota. While here he accepted Christ as Savior at the age of 21, was baptized and became a member of the Baptist Church two years later. In 1910 he came to Montana with his parents and settled near Bloomfield. In 1911 he settled on a farm southwest of Lambert where he farmed the rest of his earthly life. On Oct. 20, 1920 he was united to Sophia Hegemann at Wibaux, Montana. He was a charter member of the German Baptist Church at Lambert, serving as deacon and secretary for many years. When that church was moved to Sidney, he transferred his membership to the First Baptist Church of Sidney.

After a lingering illness for about the last year and a half, he was taken to the Community Hospital of Sidney where he passed away on Jan. 13, 1962 at the age of 74 years, 11 months and 11 days. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife, Sophia; two sons: Ervin of Lambert, and Leonard of Glendive; two daughters: Mrs. John Dyke (Adelaide) of Manhattan, Montana, and Mrs. Walter Smith (Velma) of Anacortes, Washington, 3 sisters; and 3 brothers. He also leaves 10 grandchildren. Services were held in the First Baptist Church of Sidney on Jan. 17, 1962.

First Baptist Church  
Sidney, Montana  
ARNOLD M. FRIEZ, Pastor

### MRS. IDA MARIE JESCH of Los Angeles, California

Mrs. Ida Marie Jesch of Los Angeles, Calif. was born in Harthorth, Conn., April 22, 1873. She departed from this life to be with the Lord on Jan. 7, 1962 at the age of 88 years and 8 months. In 1896 she was united in holy matrimony to Ernest H. Jesch. God blessed this union with 4 sons and one daughter. In 1937 her husband preceded her in death.

Mrs. Jesch was converted under the ministry of Rev. William Appel and upon confession of her faith in Jesus Christ was baptized on March 30, 1890. She united with the First German Baptist Church of Los Angeles (now Inglewood Knolls Church) where she was a faithful and diligent worker in the work of the Lord. For many years she was treasurer of the Ladies' Missionary Society and sang in the choir, always showing great concern for the work of the Lord. She was a wonderful mother, always devoted to her family. She leaves to mourn her passing 4 sons: Ernest, Martin, Julius and Norman; one daughter, Helen; one brother, A. E. Rapp; 6 grandchildren; and 4 great grandchildren.

Inglewood Knolls Baptist Church  
Inglewood, California  
EDMUND MITTELSTEDT, Pastor

### MR. JOHN G. KUEHL of Killaloe, Ontario

Mr. John Gottlieb Kuehl of Killaloe, Ontario was born in Hagarty Township, May 8, 1893 and departed this life at the Cottage Hospital of Pembroke, Ontario from a heart attack on Jan. 13, 1962 at the age of 68 years, 8 months, and 5 days. He and his wife were the founders of the Kuehl's General Store which in later years was expanded to two more stores. On June 15, 1905 he accepted Jesus as his Savior and on August 23, 1905 was baptized into the fellowship of the First Baptist Church of Hagarty by Rev. W. A. Schoen. He later transferred his membership to the Calvary Baptist Church. He loved his Lord and his church serving in various offices.

He was united in marriage to Tessie Ristow, Nov. 1, 1917. He leaves behind his loving wife, Tessie of the home; two sons: Melville and Orville of Killaloe; three brothers: Herbert of North Bay, Ontario; Henry of Killaloe; Alvin of Stuartville, Ontario; three sisters: Selma (Mrs. A. Jaster) of Douglas, Ontario; Dorothy (Mrs. Wesley Panke) of Golden Lake, Ontario; Alma (Mrs. Eric Scheel of Stuartville, Ontario); and 5 grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at the Zummach Funeral Home with Rev. A. Jaster officiating and at the Calvary Church with Rev. Norman Berkan officiating.

Calvary Baptist Church  
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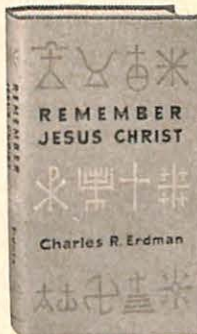
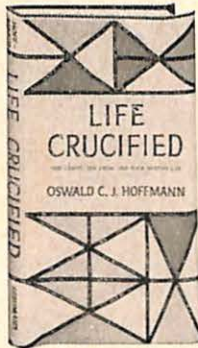
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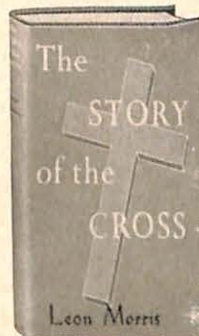
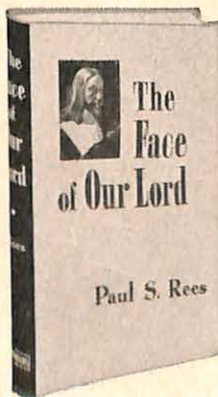
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