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What Faith in God Means To Me

Judge Luther W. Youngdahl, United States District Court for the District of Columbia

America needs God. Grave warnings of this vital need are revealed in every area of our national life. This great country, settled by thousands of devout people in eager search for religious freedom, is endangered by a moral and spiritual paralysis.

Look about you and you will see signs of the tragic weakening of our very national foundations. You will find it revealed in the breakdown of the home, in mounting divorces and increased juvenile delinquency, in the apathy and indifference of our citizens, in lawlessness, graft, and corruption, in the increased emphasis upon bigness, power, and material gains.

These and many other evidences of spiritual decay are a grim reminder that we have drifted dangerously far from God. It is time to take stock of the spiritual resources of America.

Great, proud America, with seemingly limitless natural resources, mighty in war and peace, has, it so often seems, lost sight of God. We have deluded ourselves into believing that we are self-sufficient and require no divine direction. Through remarkable success in science and technology we have made advances in the material world which seem to leave no place for God in our scheme of things.

Christian faith has guided our nation through many stormy days. We must rely upon Christianity to sustain us now in the most crucial test of all, for no scientific discovery or increased material resources can make good the spiritual deficit which endangers man in this age.

This is basically an individual matter; there must be a change of heart. Only Christ has the power to bring this about. He alone can make a man see that he can and must be different.

Particularly we must devote ourselves to helping youth find the promise that Christ brought to the world. I know how important this is because I was fortunately blessed with Christian parents who showed their children the role that Christianity and the church must have in life. Through this, they led me to accept the Lord as my Savior, and this greatest gift has been one which has been my constant source of strength and inspiration. We have a solemn obligation to help the children of our nation gain these benefits of spiritual training.

God waits silently and patiently for us to accept the salvation he holds out to us. O blind and insecure America, awake, look up! These are days which require a purpose and mission on the part of Christian men and an abiding faith to carry you over the treacherous road ahead.

—American Tract Society.

MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

AUGUST CONTRIBUTIONS. In the next issue you will be able to study an important statistical table. Our people contributed \$42,308.18 toward all denominational causes during August 1962. This is somewhat higher than the contributions of August in previous years. Since April 1, 1962 we have contributed \$255,768.00, which is about \$40,000 more than in similar periods in 1961 and 1960. But we shall have to do even better than that—much more—if we are to meet the budget goal of \$805,000 for the year, and \$120,000 for the special funds.

CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS. The Brook Park Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., is facing some serious financial difficulties in its new building program. Read the article on page 8 by Rev. Adam Huber and you will understand why every Church Extension Builder ("and why aren't you one?") should give gladly to this project in October 1962.

GOD'S VOLUNTEERS. The 11 young people of the two God's Volunteers teams are busy in their first evangelistic campaigns of the fall. From Oct. 9 to 21 team No. 1 is busy in the Grace Church, Medicine Hat, Alta., and team No. 2 at Southey, Sask. From Oct. 23 to Nov. 4 team No. 1 will be at Harvey, N. Dak., and team No. 2 at Mott, N. Dak. Pray for these young people in their glowing witness for Christ and make your \$5.00 contributions as "God's Volunteers Prayer Helpers."

CAMEROONS MISSIONARIES. Miss Ida Forsch has returned from the Federal Republic of Cameroon on her furlough and is now at her home in Carbon, Alta. Miss Ardice Ziolkowski and Miss Ruth Rabenhorst left England for Africa on Sept. 13 by freighter and should be on the mission field in West Cameroon by this time.

1963 MISSION PACKET. Read the article on page 9 of this issue about the wonderfully exciting Baptist Jubilee Advance Mission Packet. It is available through your pastor at 35 cents per packet, but several combination offers have also been announced. All of the 22 pieces of literature in this large bargain packet with their colorful stories, informative leaflets, inspirational booklets will be interesting reading material for you.

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Editorial

Can You Be Counted On?

The Christian who can be counted on in all kinds of weather and under varying circumstances is the joy of a pastor's heart. These are the kind of laymen who should be the pillars of our churches. They are the disciples of Christ who are honored by belonging to "the inner circle."

Dependability has almost become a lost art in the hectic world of today. There are so many irons in the fire for every one of us that we become easily self-centered. The ties of loyalty to various institutions have been loosened in our modern day and sometimes even severed. We are apt to think of No. 1 first and last and to show it in our lack of concern for others or in our unwillingness to assume responsibility in some demanding undertaking.

What about this personal question: Can your pastor count on you? How do you rate before God in your dependability to your pastor and within your church? Would you get a good grade, just passing, or possibly a failure? There is a great deal that every layman can do in supporting his pastor. In fact, the success of your church will depend to a large extent on the spiritual support that you show your minister.

You can uphold his ministry by earnest prayer in his behalf. You can express an encouraging word to him for his ministry. You can gladden his heart with an occasional gift or book. You can volunteer your services for work that needs to be done. You and your family can demonstrate your support by attending the church services faithfully. You can help in putting over some new project as you catch the vision of greater tasks with your minister.

Mr. Wayne A. Johnston, president and chairman of the executive committee of the Illinois Central Railroad, a Christian layman, gave his testimony recently in "The Christian Herald" by addressing himself to other laymen. It is very important to "Ask Rather, What You Can Do for Your Church." There are certain things to be done in a church that only its members—its laymen—can do. "When a layman has admiration and esteem and affection for his pastor, he shows it by pitching in and doing the things that need doing for him and for his church." Is that your type of dependability toward your pastor in your church?

The question of our editorial goes even deeper and becomes more personal: Can Christ count on you? This affects all of us—laymen and ministers, young and old alike. It concerns the important part that each of us has in the work of the Kingdom of God. It also concerns our greater participation in the ministry of our denomination through the positions we can occupy, through gifts we can give, and through an intensive loyalty to its program.

"In an arch, each single stone, which, if severed from the rest, would be perhaps defenceless, is sufficiently secured by the solidity and entireness of the whole fabric of which it is a part." Boyle is hereby stating that Christ needs you, that your denomination can make use of your talent, and that there is an important place for you in the Kingdom of God. How do you rate? Can you be counted on?

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<p>IMPORTANT DATES</p> <p>Sunday, Oct. 14—Harvest and Mission Festival Sunday. Inserts for bulletins have been sent. Programs by Sunday schools.</p> <p>Sunday, Oct. 21—Laymen's Sunday. Baptist Men will participate in many church services.</p> <p>Sunday, Oct. 28—Reformation Sunday to be observed throughout the Christian world.</p>	<p>IMPORTANT LITERATURE</p> <p>"Share With Christ"—Read this 12 page, illustrated brochure carefully.</p> <p>1963 Missions Packet—Read about Baptist Jubilee Advance packet in this issue.</p> <p>Church Family Subscription Plan—Watch for the exciting announcement about this revised plan in a new brochure.</p>
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A challenging message by one
of our NAB laymen for
their dollars in October 1962 . . .

Faithful at Any Cost!

By Mr. Philip Dockter of Medina, North Dakota

WE ARE LIVING in days when costs and prices speak loudly. We hear much about the high cost of living nowadays. How we consider prices on shopping days, except when the thing we are shopping for is for someone we love and count dear! Then the price is not too great or the cost too much.

But looking at it from the spiritual point of view, what is the cost of being a Christian, a follower of the Lord, of living a Christian life? Does our Christianity cost us anything at all? And, above all, are we faithful in giving what it costs?

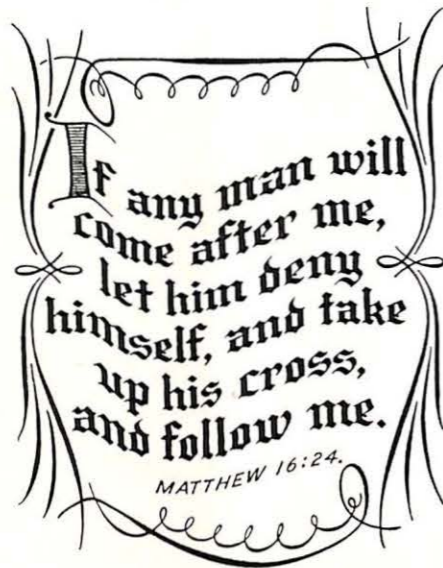
Jesus in speaking to great multitudes said: "If any man come to me and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:26-27).

THERE'S A PRICE TO PAY

In considering the cost of being a disciple of our Lord, it seems the price is the thing we cannot afford to pay. We like to be Christians according to our own recipes. We read of a certain scribe who wanted to follow the Lord. The Christian way of life to him seemed an easy way. But the Lord said to him: "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head" (Matthew 8:20).

To the young man who had kept the commandments and thought he was pretty good, Jesus said: "Sell that that hast and give it away and come and follow me." In meditating on these Scriptures, it makes us say with the disciples of old: "Who then can be saved?" (Matthew 19:25b). But Jesus said: "These things are impossible with men. But the possibility lies with God—he has the ability." God is able to make grace abound (II Cor. 9:8), to save to the uttermost (Heb. 7:25) and to keep from falling (Jude 24).

Let us consider some Bible characters who were faithful at any cost. Paul says in Romans 15:4: "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope." When was there a more serious time than today in which we need that hope?



But we find that in these days many people put their hope and trust in material things, in things which they can see with their physical eyes, which they can handle with their hands. In Romans 8:24-25 we read: "For we are saved by hope; but hope that is seen is not hope. For what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that, we see not, then do we with patience wait for it."

ABRAHAM'S FAITHFULNESS

Of Abraham we read that he was called to leave country, kindred and his father's house to go "unto a land that I will shew thee" (Genesis 12:1). Let us try to imagine the hardships of traveling, lodging, distance, etc., in that day, when they had no cars and planes. Abraham was faithful. My Christian friend, we are called with a holy calling. (II Timothy 1:9). We are children of the heavenly King, and this is wonderful!

We find that Abraham was tested, and this even demanded his own life's blood as he was asked to slay his only son as a sacrifice. I believe that the most heart searching thoughts must have gone through his heart and mind. While on the way, as the lad turned to his father and said: "Behold the fire and wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" In modern day language, he would have said: "Daddy, we have the wood and fire, but we have no lamb." Little did he realize that he was that sacrifice. But in all

this Abraham was faithful, not counting the cost!

In the life of Job, we see him as he was permitted to be sifted in the mills of Satan until property was gone and his family was taken. This caused Job to say: "Naked came I out of my mother's womb and naked shall I return thither; the Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." When at last his health was taken, his wife turned to him and tested him saying, "Dost thou still retain thine integrity? Curse God and die. In all this did not Job sin with his lips, but was faithful," and later he could say, "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

HEROES AND MARTYRS

Of Daniel we read that he was faithful to his God, even to the extent that he was thrown into the den of lions. This resulted in the king trembling and spending a sleepless night. In the morning he cried with a lamentable voice, "O Daniel, servant of the living God!"

The three Hebrew children proved their faithfulness in not serving strange gods or worshipping the golden image. They were thrown into the fiery furnace. Then the king in his astonishment noticed a fourth one accompanying them and said, "Did we not cast three men bound in the midst of the fire? I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." Friends, are we serving a living God, a risen Lord, so that it causes someone to recognize it in our lives that we are children of the Most High and living God?

In the New Testament, we see a John the Baptist who stood up for the right. He was beheaded. Church history tells us that the most of the apostles died as martyrs for Christ's sake. A Stephen, who was stoned for preaching the truth, could say: "Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God."

Let us be faithful! For he, the Son of God, is now there making intercession for you and me. (Romans 8:34). May the cost not be too great to be faithful. Would we be willing to take the stand with David when he said: "I will surely buy it of thee at

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BAPTIST HERALD

Are you taking a vacation
from Christ — or have you
given your vocation to him?

Putting Christ Into Your Vocation

By Lloyd Householder, Vocational Guidance Counselor, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee

A YOUNG ministerial student, testifying of his salvation experience, said he and his wife were watching television one night when the door bell rang. Answering the door, he found an insurance salesman there. He reluctantly invited the salesman in. Soon they were engaged in interesting conversation.

Before talking about insurance, the caller inquired subtly about the young man's spiritual life. Finding that he was not a Christian, he put aside his portfolio, and took out his Bible. For two hours he read Scripture passages and testified of Christ's power in his own life.

A DATE WITH DESTINY

The young man accepted Christ as his Savior. Later, this young man felt impressed to preach the Gospel. So he returned to school to prepare.

"If that insurance salesman had not been interested enough in my spiritual welfare to put aside his insurance papers and testify of Christ, I might never have come to know him as my Savior," he said.

That insurance man's testimony will be multiplied many times through the ministry of the young pastor. No doubt, he little suspected that he had a date with destiny the night he rang that door bell!

In like manner, thousands of men across America today should realize their obligation to use their vocations as vehicles for carrying the Christian message. Every method is necessary if the world is to hear the Gospel.

Christ commanded every Christian to testify of him. This is further underlined by Paul's statement in Ephesians 4:1, "I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called." The vocation to which Paul refers is the Christian calling.

In other words, the Christian's vocation is living life for Christ—full time. One may be engaged in any of a thousand occupations, but as a Christian, his vocation is the profession of his Christian faith—his calling.

Such an approach to vocation—practiced—would revolutionize our Baptist churches. It means every man would give a true account of himself in his occupation, in terms of what the Christian Gospel has meant in his own life. There would be less "shortcuts" if

real Christianity was practiced in business every day! The quality of the salesmanship and the worth of materials would improve.

ROUTINE BUSINESS DAY

In the second place, consider what an impact Christian men could have through their business associations—if they dared to use these contacts for Christ!

Perhaps one of the real weaknesses of 20th Century Christianity is the fact that Christians fail to carry into the world of work the principles and teachings learned at church. Perhaps it is more important for a man to be a real follower of Christ on Wednesday or Thursday than on Sunday.

An outstanding surgeon once resolved he would use his vocation for Christ. Before each surgical operation, he paused to pray. As he took time to ask God for guidance and strength during surgery, many of his nurses and fellow doctors were strangely moved at his faith in his silent testimony.

Before dismissing a person from the hospital, he joined the patient in a prayer of thanksgiving for his new health. Now retired, he's still a man of influence in the community. In his retirement years, serving as surgeon-physician at a state mental hospital, he has found the place of service which is

perhaps more significant than his entire professional career.

In another case, a young man, reared on a farm, caught a vision early in life of what Christ could do through him. With his limited education, he couldn't understand how Christ could use his life. As he matured, he became an adept appraiser of timber.

This young man began to buy and sell timber. Eventually, he established a lumber company.

Pursuing his early talent for farming, too, he began to buy and sell cattle. In the ensuing years, he entered the import-export business in lumber and cattle. His business prospered, and he became wealthy.

Throughout his financial success, his church prospered, too, for he always returned to God his tithe. Rather than taking a vacation from Christ when he found business success, he let his vocation be what it should be for God.

Readers of I Corinthians 12 are reminded that God has given spiritual gifts to every man. Each person has his own talent and ability for serving in this world. Christ's Kingdom could not move forward if every Christian was a preacher, missionary, or church staff member.

TOOLS OF CHRISTIAN WITNESSING

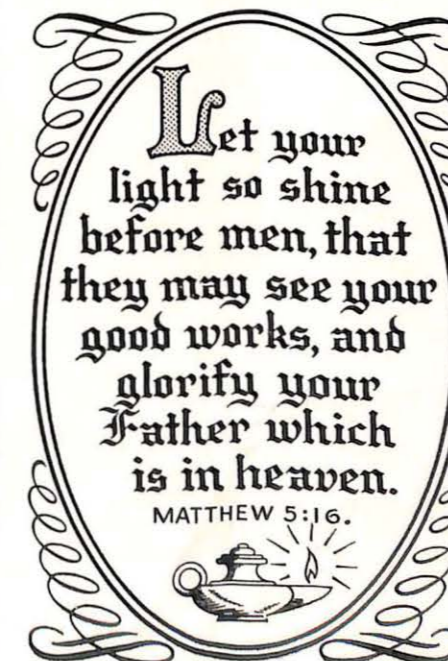
While it's necessary to have these men with specialized training to lead others to serve Christ in the church, nonetheless, each Christian is a vital link in sustaining Christ's Kingdom. Each bricklayer, farmer, lawyer, technician, engineer—regardless of occupational expression—must join hands to share the Gospel. Each Christian should use his occupation as a tool of Christian living and witnessing.

Baptist churches are giving more and more attention to life commitment. Many young people are facing seriously the question, "What will God have me to do with my life?"

Perhaps you, as a trusted adult friend, can mean much in a young person's making a meaningful life commitment. But your own life must be an accurate yardstick.

Are you taking a vacation from Christ—or have you given your vocation to him? "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (I Corinthians 10:31).

—Reprinted from the "Brotherhood Journal."



An important missionary conference in

Austria and attendance at the B.W.A.

Executive Committee meetings in Norway were

combined with a pleasant 25th wedding anniversary trip . . .

Assignment in Europe

By Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference

MY WIFE and I were married at the King's Highway Baptist Church, Bridgeport, Connecticut on June 5, 1937, with the late Reverend Emil Berger officiating. Since I was at that time a teacher at our Seminary, we spent most of our honeymoon traveling to various camps, associations and conferences in connection with my summer assignments. The high point of our trip was our attendance at the General Conference sessions in Portland, Oregon. It was a happy and memorable summer for us.

When it became evident in June of this year, just twenty-five years later, that I would be going to Oslo, Norway to represent our fellowship at the Baptist World Alliance meetings and also to Vienna, Austria for a conference about the missionary work there, my wife and I agreed to make the trip together as a kind of twenty-fifth wedding anniversary celebration.

OUR ITINERARY

We enjoyed a restful trip across the ocean on the "S. S. Rotterdam," landed at LeHavre, France and proceeded immediately on to Paris. This was my wife's first visit in Paris, so that we thoroughly enjoyed the usual tourist attractions: walks along the Champs Elysees, window shopping and watching the crowds; visits to the Louvre Museum, the Arc de Triomphe, the Opera and the Eiffel Tower; and trips to the Invalides, Malmaison, and Versailles, famous because of their connection with Napoleon and other French emperors.

Our further trip included stops in Brussels and Bruges, Belgium; Vienna, Austria; Berlin, Germany; Copenhagen, Denmark; Stockholm, Sweden; and Bergen and Oslo, Norway.

VISIT IN VIENNA

We shall long remember our stay in Vienna, August 3-7. Although no longer a center of world power, Vienna is still a delightful place to visit, for the city and its people have a charm that is all their own. A tour of the Vienna Woods, celebrated in music, was a special treat for us.

On Sunday, August 5, we had the privilege of participating in the services of the Baptist church on Mollardgasse, the center from which Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Appel carried on their

ministry in recent years. It was a special day in the life of the church, for it was the day on which the new pastor, the Reverend Ferdinand Schalk, and his family were welcomed. Dr. Rudolf Thaut, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Union of Germany, delivered the sermon at the morning service.

At the evening service both Dr. Thaut and I reported concerning the work of our respective denominations. Brother Schalk is a gifted and consecrated servant of God. The Vienna church is confidently looking forward to an expanded ministry under his able leadership.

OUR AUSTRIAN MISSION

In connection with our stay in Vienna it was my privilege to discuss with Dr. Thaut and the pastors in Austria the recommendations of our General Missionary Society for a transfer of missionary responsibility for Austria to the Baptist Union of Germany, a step that had been suggested by Dr. W. J. Appel. Such a change would be intended to provide a source for pastors for the Austrian fields as well as for closer missionary supervision. Our talks revealed that both the Austrian and German brethren were well pleased with our recommendations.

Although final arrangements for the transfer await the approval by a larger gathering of Austrian and German representatives early next year, we are hopeful that the transfer of missionary responsibility can be effected as of April 1, 1963. North American Baptist financial support would continue on a diminishing scale for three further years. I assured the Austrian Baptist folk that, even if our missionary relationship is changed, North American Baptists will always cherish the happy associations of the past and will continue to pray for the work in Austria.

BERLIN—CITY OF TENSIONS

Our trip to Berlin was a pleasant surprise. Because of the difficulties involved, we had already abandoned the idea of going to that beleaguered center. When Dr. Thaut stressed the importance of such a visit, and offered to make telephone appointments at both the Bethel Deaconess Home in West Berlin and the Baptist office in

East Berlin, we eagerly decided to go. The most convenient access to the city is by plane from Hanover to Tempelhof Airport in West Berlin, and this is the route that we took on August 9.

Representatives of the Bethel organization met us at the airport and gave us a cordial welcome. The deaconesses belonging to this "Mother House" are doing a truly remarkable work! Most of them serve as nursing sisters in various hospitals, operated by Bethel, among which is a beautiful new hospital in West Berlin. Others serve as church missionaries or in various social service activities in the homeland. Still others serve on foreign mission fields. Sister Eva, who visited America a number of years ago, is the efficient and dedicated "Frau Oberin." We humbly thank God for the ideal of service exemplified in these deaconesses.

THE BERLIN WALL

One cannot be in Berlin long before becoming keenly aware of the tensions under which the people live. We were there just before the first anniversary of the infamous wall separating West and East Berlin. To the people in West Berlin, the wall is a sign of danger. Is it a sign of Western indecision or weakness? When will it come down? If not, does this mean that they will never again be able to visit with relatives on the other side? Is this barrier to become a prison wall for West Berliners, until they too come under the domination of Communism? Should one desert West Berlin, or should one have faith in the promises of the Western Powers to defend the freedom of West Berlin? Although the city is prosperous and the people are outwardly gay, there are cold war questions that press in relentlessly upon every West Berliner.

As Americans, it was possible for us to arrange for a visit with friends in East Berlin. It is extremely hazardous to evaluate conditions there on the basis of such a brief stay; yet there are some impressions that are obvious to a visitor within a few minutes. The first obvious impression is one of poverty as over against West Berlin. This is evident from the fact that the rebuilding of the city is proceeding at a snail's pace; from the scarcity of

shops and the empty shop windows and shelves of those that are there; and even from the clothes that people wear.

It is no secret that foodstuffs are very scarce in East Germany. Meat has been in short supply for a long time and is now severely rationed. This year the potato crop was very meager, so that there is now also a great shortage of potatoes, a staple of the East German diet.

Another inescapable impression in East Berlin is the apathy of the people. Not only is traffic very light, but people move about as if in a spirit of hopelessness. Here it is evident that the wall is not a prison wall for West Berliners but for those in the East. When twilight comes, there is hardly a soul in evidence in East Berlin, for at night it is a dead city.

BWA MEETINGS IN OSLO

Our last visit was in the beautiful city of Oslo, Norway. Nestled in the hills and by the water, it is a city of friendly and freedom-loving people, of lovely parks and stately buildings.

On Sunday, August 19, we attended the services of the First Baptist Church in Oslo and were delighted to learn that this is the home church of two general secretaries of the Baptist World Alliance: Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn and Dr. Josef Nordenhaug!

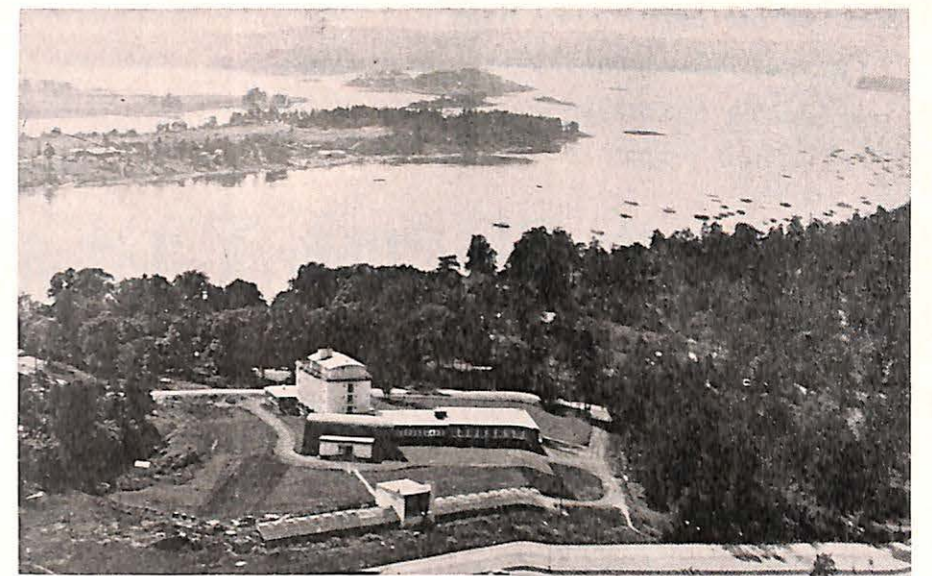
The Alliance meetings were held at the Baptist Seminary in Stabekk, a suburb of Oslo. The Executive Committee sessions took place August 20-21, with a concluding session on August 24 to receive the reports of the various commissions. A total of sixty-four members and proxies from six continents were in attendance.

Dr. Joseph Nordenhaug, general secretary, reported that Baptists in the world now total more than 24 million, four times the number reported when the Alliance was organized in 1905.



IMPOSING BUILDINGS FOR BAPTIST SEMINARY

The new modernistic buildings of the Baptist Seminary in Norway house the classrooms (left), the spacious dormitory and dining room (center), and the chapel (right), striking in appearance.



BAPTIST SEMINARY IN BEAUTIFUL STABEKK, NORWAY
Here, in this suburb of Oslo, Norway, the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee held its important sessions in August 1962. Dr. F. W. Woyke took a leading part in these memorable sessions.

VATICAN COUNCIL INVITATION

The question concerning the matter of sending an observer to the Second Vatican Council in Rome involved lengthy and animated discussion. Monsignor J. G. M. Willebrands of the Vatican Secretariat had indicated in writing that if Baptists desired to send an observer, an invitation to do so would doubtless be forthcoming. Twenty-seven members spoke to this question.

The resolution that was finally adopted amounted to a negative reply to the Vatican. The exact wording of the resolution was as follows:

"The Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance in session at Stabekk, Oslo, August 20-24, 1962 asked the General Secretary to

thank Monsignor J. G. M. Willebrands, Secretary of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, for his courteous communication of April 18, 1962, and to state that after careful discussion of the issues involved it is not agreed that it would be desirable for the Baptist World Alliance to encourage a formal invitation to the forthcoming Second Vatican Council, but would assure the authorities of the Roman Catholic Church of its hopes and prayers that the forthcoming Council will contribute to an increasing understanding of the will of God and the unity of his people."

The Relief Committee reported that 500 refugees from Cuba had been settled in cooperation with various Baptist conventions and that refugees in various parts of the world are still in need of help.

The next annual meeting of the Executive Committee is to be held at Baylor University, Waco, Texas from August 19-23, 1963.

BWA COMMISSIONS

During the days of August 22-24, 1962 the four Alliance Commissions held their meetings. My report concerns mainly the discussions of the Commission on Evangelism and Missions, of which I am a member. Three papers were presented on the following subjects: Dr. Rudolf Thaut on the topic, "Is The Theological Debate Relevant to Evangelism?"; Dr. J. Middlebrook on the topic, "In What Ways Do Changing Conditions Affect the Methods of World Missions?"; and Frank H. Woyke on the topic, "What Means Are Available For Concerted Stress on Evangelism Among the BWA Member Conventions?"

Major recommendations of the BWA mission were:

1. A call to all member bodies to

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Story of the Brook Park Baptist

Church, Minneapolis, Minn., for which
Church Extension Builders are giving
Their dollars in October 1962 . . .

Advances on Church Extension Frontiers

By Rev. Adam Huber, Church Extension Pastor of the Brook Park Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

THE BROOK PARK Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., is one of your Church Extension enterprises which is just a little over three years old. In these few years we have seen the hand of God upon us in many spiritual blessings.

In numbers we have grown from 30 to 60 members, and our potential for future growth is good. Our Sunday attendance almost always exceeds our membership, and at times virtually doubles it. We are able to carry out a well balanced program of activity to aid our people in their spiritual advance. We have seen remarkable growth in those who have put forth the effort, but on the other hand we have had to have much patience with such who need to be spoon fed.

A GREAT INVESTMENT

One of the greatest handicaps in Church Extension is the problem of financing the work. In most of these new areas, practically the only meeting places available are school houses in the vicinity or other inconveniently located buildings in which to begin the new work. Generally, the boards or owners of the buildings are not too favorably inclined, so that as soon as possible a building program must be undertaken.

To finance a building program is practically impossible because banks and loan companies need securities which a young church cannot produce. So we are leaning heavily upon you who, by God's grace, are his chosen people to stand with us as we launch out in complete faith and trust.

Church Extension Builders have been a marvelous help in this program, and we hope that many more will join this band of God's elect who are investing dollars in one of the greatest enterprises of our age. Let us assure you that the need is great, but your reward



Rev. Adam Huber, pastor of the Brook Park Church, Minneapolis, Minn., broke ground for the new building to cost about \$30,000 on Sept. 10, 1961. This has been a great adventure of faith as this congregation has launched out for Christ.

will be even as great as you invest in souls.

BUILDING PROGRAM

A year ago our church met on its building site to break the ground for a planned first unit. It was to be a basement church with only the narthex above ground. The south side of the basement was to be mostly exposed so that the room would be well lighted. This building was to cost us in the neighborhood of \$30,000.

Our people were thrilled to launch

out in this adventure for our Lord, and it was a joy to see the building take shape. Inclement fall and winter weather hindered the construction, but by the first Sunday of February 1962 we held our first meeting in our own building, though still incomplete. When

the contractors had finished their part of their building program in April 1962, we discovered that our finances had been overdrawn. Of necessity, the building had to remain in its unfinished state until now, but we hope that by October or November we will be able to apply the finishing touches.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

In our basement auditorium, we now have a seating capacity for about 200 people. There are no posts or other obstructions in this spacious room which is used for Sunday school classes and worship services. We are anticipating a sizeable increase of membership by baptism and transfer of letters in the fall months.

Will you pray for us as we launch out in these very needy areas, our suburbs, to invite people, to teach them the truths of God's Word, to lead them to salvation in Christ and then to receive them into our churches? Surely, every dollar that you give as Church Extension Builders will help to lighten the burdens of God's saints in these new churches.

Many of these pioneers, who are the backbone of the work, are bringing great sacrifices for their Lord. Pray for them that they may endure with patience as we strive to make advances on our Church Extension frontier.



The Brook Park Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn., under construction (right) and as it appeared in April 1962 (left) before landscaping had been completed.

The 1963 Mission Packet with

22 pieces of exciting missionary
literature will soon be available . . .

What a PACKET for 35 Cents!

By Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Secretary

THIS IS NOT a barker's announcement that is unduly exaggerated. This is more than the shouting of words that become repetitious. This is the real thing—the genuine article! The 1963 Mission Packet that will be available late in October for the Baptist Jubilee Advance program is the GREATEST and MOST WONDERFUL assortment of literature ever offered to North American Baptists.

This is the fifth in a series of packets that have been prepared for our churches as our participation in the Baptist Jubilee Advance program. You have seen and have been greatly blessed by the Soul Winners' Packet, the Bible Reading Packet, the Stewardship Packet, and the Church Extension Packet in previous years. But the missionary objectives before us in 1963 are so challenging and the opportunities for service so numerous that we confidently believe that the demand for the new Mission Packet will be unusually large. Four thousand are being prepared for immediate distribution.

BAPTIST JUBILEE ADVANCE

1-2. Christ's Great Commission (Matt. 28:19-20) has been translated into "Twenty Imperatives" in practical terms that will challenge and inspire all North American Baptists throughout 1963. In this colorful, 6 page leaflet, you will find scores of things to do for Christ and to pray for in the mission task that God has entrusted to us. This is thrilling "Evangelism Through World Missions."

"Baptist World Missions" is an eight page brochure that will inform you about Baptist mission fields in 110 countries of the world, the victories that have been won for Christ, and the work of all the many Baptist Mission Societies. A two page map illustrates this extensive work. This is the first time that this prodigious job has been attempted to give you a bird's-eye view of the entire Baptist missionary work in the world.

BIBLE STUDY BOOK

3. A mission book on Jonah, entitled "Called Twice," of 32 pages has been prepared by Rev. Harold W. Gieseke of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. It has been prepared in attractive booklet form to be used in church services, by Bible study groups, and in prayer meetings or in your own inspirational

devotional reading. This provocative, helpful Bible study book is available ONLY in the packet. It alone is well worth the price for this packet.

4-6. Three new leaflets on the Cameroons Mission Fields have been prepared by Dr. Paul Gebauer. All of this material is new with attractive illustrations, prepared in Paul Gebauer's inimitable and delightful style. The leaflets present the educational work (Make Disciples of All Nations), the medical work (Heal and Say . . .), and the ministry of the Cameroons churches. (Teaching Them to Observe).

7-10. Other informative, illustrated leaflets tell the latest story of our missionary work in Japan and in Austria as well as among the Indians of the Canadian reservations and the Spanish Americans in Colorado and Texas. If you want to know what is happening on the mission fields at present, you will have to read these latest leaflets.

11-13. Three other leaflets present some important information on mission-aided churches (answers to many questions), missionary conferences (how to organize them), and Church Extension fields (what is happening in this denominational outreach).

14-16. You will often use these three leaflets to be found in every packet. One of the leaflets presents all of the missionaries' addresses on foreign and home mission fields. Another leaflet gives an exhaustive bibliography of the finest missionary books that can be secured through the Roger Williams Press. A third leaflet is the 1963 Bible Reading Calendar.

17. Do you want to be informed about the "Each One Teach One" reading method that has stirred the hearts of millions of people in 96 countries of the world and has helped them to

read the Bible for themselves? There is a new passion in the hearts of these millions to learn to read and to accept the Gospel through the reading of God's Word. This beautiful book of 26 pages is included in the packet. It is a revelation of world missions in action under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

18. The Missionary Education program in the local church with its needs, objectives and spiritual motivation is described by Dr. George A. Dunger of our Seminary faculty in this interesting article. It is also included in the packet.

19-22. Four other leaflets are found in the packet—"Praying for Missionaries" (with helpful suggestions), "Why Reach the Moon?" (with a stirring challenge by Clyde H. Dennis), "How Did They Do It?" (the missionary story of Jesus' disciples), and "How God Taught Me to Give" (an unforgettable lesson in stewardship).

ONLY 35 CENTS

All of these 22 pieces of literature with hundreds of pages in a bulging packet can be yours for only 35 cents. Yes, what a packet this is for the price of about a loaf of bread or less than a dozen eggs. Your pastor has received the order forms for the Mission Packets. Tell him as soon as possible that you want one or several of these packets. Separate orders can also be sent to North American Baptists, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois.

Don't delay in starting your reading enjoyment of this wonderful Mission Packet. It will take you weeks and even months to glean all the exciting things and informative data in these leaflets, booklets and colorful material. Believe us, there will be an avalanche of orders for the 4,000 packets.

MISSION PACKETS — 1963

35 Cents Each Packet (All 22 pieces of literature). Order your packet through your pastor or write to the Forest Park office.

Three Packets for \$1.00 postpaid.

Mission Packet and GO (64 page, picture album of the Cameroons, Africa) Both for only 85 cents.

Mission Packet, GO (Album), and George A. Dunger's book, "At God's Command"—\$1.50 for all three. (Ordered separately, these would cost \$2.35.)



INDIAN MISSIONARIES AND FRIENDS, MUSCOWPETUNG RESERVE

Rev. and Mrs. Philip Grabke, left, missionaries to the Indians on the Muscowpetung Reserve until August 1962, Center: Chief John Gambler and his wife. Right: Jim and Isabel Keepness and six of their seven children. The parents are Christians. Their children are now going to the public school at Edenwold, Sask.

Our Muscowpetung Indian Friends

Story of the summer events on the Muscowpetung Indian Reservation near Edenwold, Sask., by Rev. Philip R. Grabke, former missionary to the Indians.

AGAIN IT HAS been our wonderful privilege to minister to the spiritual needs of the Indian children on the Muscowpetung Reserve of Saskatchewan through our Vacation Bible School. The Misses Karen Brachlow and Barbara Hirsch, both of St. Paul, Minn., Ruby and Marlin Molberg of Southey, Sask., and Irmgard Kutrieb of the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton assisted in this ministry.

A BIBLE SCHOOL

The missionary, with the help of two Indian men of the reserve with their cars, was responsible for transporting the children to and from the Bible School. Mrs. Grabke, the missionary's wife, prepared dinner for the hungry multitudes at the school and boarded the five workers. The classes commenced at 9:30 A.M. and concluded at 3:30 in the afternoon.

The closing program was the highlight of the Bible School. The Beginners Department, led by the Molberg sisters, rendered a program of songs and Bible verses which portrayed the truths of their daily lessons. Miss Brachlow was in charge of the Primary group that dramatized their activities of the week. Miss Hirsch and her Junior pupils performed exceptionally well. It thrilled our hearts to see what could be done with these Indian children in only one short week. Miss Kutrieb supervised the handwork and held the children spellbound with her stories.

On the following Sunday, August 5, the missionaries brought a farewell message to their beloved Indian friends. It was extremely difficult to leave the many wonderful friends whom we have made during the course of our ministry among these nationals in the province

of Saskatchewan. Who will now look after their physical, material and spiritual needs with the missionary gone from the field? What will happen to those who know and love the Lord? We were faced with these and other questions which we committed to God who is faithful and who understands. You who have stood by this mission field on the Muscowpetung Reserve will pray as never before for the work among our Indian brethren.

A CHRISTIAN VICTORY

Just before leaving the reservation, the missionaries, together with the Northern Conference Mission Committee and the co-ordinator of missions, Rev. William Sturhahn, launched an integration program for our Indian people. The parents of 15 of the Indian children had signed a petition requesting that their children be taken out of the Catholic Day School and be driven by bus to the town of Edenwold, Sask., and integrated into their public (white) school.

This is a great victory for our Christian witness, but our Indian people will face many hardships in the weeks to come and will be in need of our prayer support—more now than ever before! Lack of proper clothing and the inability to provide adequate food for the children's lunches will cause some of them to look back to the old system. We know that God's grace will be sufficient and we hope that the Indians will seek it continually.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we look back upon our missionary service under godly, consecrated men like our mission co-ordinator, Rev. William Sturhahn, the members of the Northern Conference Mission Commit-

tee and the members of the Board of Missions of our General Conference. We thank God for this blessed and wonderful privilege that has been ours. We shall always remember how you as our faithful supporters have stood by us with your sacrificial gifts and prayers. It has not been in vain! Some day when we see Christ's blessed face many of us as Baptists will be standing alongside some of our Indian brethren.

We would like to conclude with this verse that is our prayer: "Finally brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified, even as it is with you" (2 Thess. 3:1).

ASSIGNMENT IN EUROPE

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stress 1964 as a Baptist World Year of Evangelism.

2. A manifesto on missions that "calls all Baptists, in view of the larger populations of today, the formative changes in many lands in a technological and nuclear age, the revival of ancient faiths and the challenge of modern ideologies, to a more dedicated obedience to Christ's Great Commission, 'Go ye into all the world'."

WONDERFUL MEMORIES

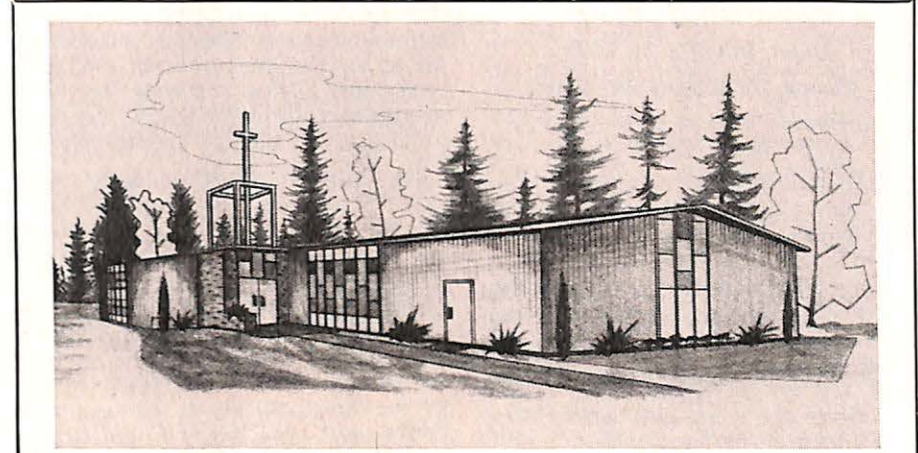
Our assignment in Europe finished, we boarded a plane in Oslo at six o'clock on the evening of August 25th, arriving in New York City that same evening. Although happy memories of our trip will stay with us for years to come, we nevertheless shared the feeling of many travelers that the best part of a trip is the arrival at home.

Sierra Heights Church Extension Project

Story of the ground breaking ceremony and building plans of the Sierra Heights Baptist Church, Renton, Wash., by the pastor, Rev. Ervin Gerlitz.

ELEVEN MONTHS after their first meeting for Sunday school and worship, the Sierra Heights Baptist Church Extension Project of Renton, Washington has begun building the first portion of its Sunday school unit.

The unit will have 3568 square feet of floor space. It is a split level design with Sunday school rooms on two levels at the rear, and at the front a chapel seating about 125 persons. Exterior construction will be of vertical cedar siding with a small area of brick veneer around the entrance. Bids have been received and approved. The estimated cost of construction is \$5.00 a square foot. The builder is a member of the new church.



The architect's sketch of the first unit for the Sierra Heights Baptist Church, Renton, Wash., with Sunday school rooms and a chapel with a seating capacity of 125 persons.

GROUND BREAKING SERVICE

The ground breaking service for the new building was held on Sunday afternoon, June 17. This date was selected because the service was planned as a part of the Pacific Conference which was convening at the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Wash., at that time. This enabled many friends and interested prayer partners to be present who would not otherwise have been able to participate. There were about 115 present. The building offering at the service amounted to \$167.71.

Dr. Martin Leuschner of Forest Park, Illinois was the honored guest speaker at both the morning church service and at the afternoon ground breaking ceremony. Others who participated were Rev. Joe Sonnenberg, Western District Secretary; Rev. Kenneth Fischer, newly elected chairman of the Pacific Conference Mission Committee; Rev. Herbert Schauer, chairman of the Pacific Northwest Association Church Extension Committee; as

well as other conference pastors and several members of the newly organized church.

VISIT BY DR. SCHILKE

On Sunday, August 19, Dr. Richard Schilke spoke during the Sunday school and morning service giving a very much appreciated background of our denomination and its missionary outreach. Almost every Sunday during the summer, visitors from our North American Baptist churches have visited our services. We appreciate the interest and prayers of our brethren.

During the summer months four more members have been added to the 25 charter members. Prospects for continued growth are encouraging, especially as we anticipate moving into an adequate building right in a new housing area.

● POCKET TESTAMENT LEAGUE IN ECUADOR. Sooner or later the Pocket Testament League teams distributing copies of the Scripture expected fanatical opposition to take a violent form. It finally happened as they were conducting an out-door meeting in Saquisala, Ecuador. As they preached and distributed Spanish Gospels of John there was a sudden hail of stones, and the sound-truck was pelted with rotten fruit and vegetables. Fortunately, no one was seriously hurt. Quite the opposite was the reception they met in Quito, where the President of Ecuador treated them most cordially and gave them a letter of endorsement. The mayor of Quito gave permission for open-air meetings anywhere in the city. The team visited six army quarters, distributing Gospels and preaching to infantry, paratroopers and engineers.



Ground breaking service held by the Sierra Heights Baptist Church, Renton, Wash., on Sunday, June 17th, with church leaders, including the pastor, Rev. Ervin Gerlitz (left), using the shovels and with the large crowd of members and friends in this beautiful out-of-door setting.



sunday school lessons

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

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 21, 1962

Theme: THE SON OF GOD

Scripture: John 6:35-40; Philip-
pians 2:5-11.

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: What you think of Christ will determine your thoughts toward yourself, toward your fellowmen and toward God.

INTRODUCTION: Every child, and particularly the one in the Christian home, asks the question of his parents: "What is God like?" The parents, in turn, are inquisitive on a higher level and direct the same question to those who are considered authorities on matters of theology. Of course, the question can never fully be answered in this world. But this mystery of the unknown adds to the joy of the Christian because it instills in him the desire to know more and more about God. In addition, he lives in a constant state of anticipation because he knows that his desires will be satisfied and fulfilled in the life beyond.

So, for the time being, God has given us as much of himself as it is needful and necessary—"God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself" (2 Corinthians 5:19). And Jesus said, "He that hath seen me has seen the Father" (John 14:9). Christ is the ultimate physical and spiritual revelation of God.

I. JESUS AS THE BREAD AND WATER OF LIFE. John 6:35-37.

Bread was a common, ordinary and very necessary staple in the lives of people. Jesus had satisfied their physical needs when he fed the five thousand. They were probably hoping that he would repeat the miracle, for this was an easy and a cheap way of getting their daily bread. Jesus did not deny the fact that man's body must have essential food if it is to be kept alive. But he wanted them to understand that what is true physically is also true spiritually. Just as he is able and willing to provide for them physically, so he is able and willing to provide for them spiritually. But he cannot do this so long as their physical appetite is so important that they have no appetite for the things of the spirit. The hunger for the bread of life and the thirst for the water of life must take precedence over their physical desires.

II. JESUS AS THE GIVER OF EVERLASTING LIFE. John 6:38-40.

There is no earthly substitute for the security that Christ can give us. If we fully commit our lives into his care, then Christ commits himself to care for our lives. Moody once said, "I thank

God for the 'whosoever' of the invitations of Christ. There is no man so far gone, but the grace of God can reach him." Bread and water can give us existence for a few years, but faith in Christ will give us everlasting life.

III. JESUS AS THE MIND OF GOD. Philippians 2:5.

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." There is a two-fold truth in this verse, for this mind of Christ which is to be in us is also the mind of God. The full meaning can be understood if we would let the thought and pattern of our lives be fashioned after the thought of Christ. This is one of Paul's most beautiful and most meaningful expressions. Instead of giving the Philippian believers a lot of rules and regulations, he merely requested that they let the mind of Christ rule and regulate their daily lives. It is simply and obediently being led by the Spirit and not by the law.

IV. JESUS AS THE LAMB OF GOD. Philippians 2:6-11.

The whole passage speaks of the loving obedience of the Son to the Father. Verse 6 would be better understood if translated: "Who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped." That is, Jesus did not consider his divine nature as something which would give him position among men. He did not use his heavenly state to make his earthly state easy. Rather, he emptied himself of all that and took upon himself the form of a servant—so much so, that he poured out his life for us. The Lamb that was slain is today the King of glory.

Questions for Discussion:

1. In what way was Christ our servant and in what way are we his servants?
2. How do you develop a spiritual hunger and thirst?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 28, 1962

Theme: THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture: John 16:4b-15.

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: The Holy Spirit is living proof that we have not lost the presence of Christ when he departed from us.

INTRODUCTION: One of the most comprehensive definitions of theology which I have read is this: "Theology is an orderly statement of what we believe concerning God and his dealings with men." Every creed, every church covenant and every doctrinal affirmation has included the simple statement;

"I believe in the Holy Spirit." Just six words, easy to read, easy to memorize, but never fully understood, never fully grasped and too rarely fully experienced!

The success or failure of a Christian is dependent on the measure of the Holy Spirit in his life. He will only take over where the Christian lets go. His is the only dictatorship that is in the best interest of man, but he will dictate only where you permit him. He is not a substitute for God. He is God—the third Person of the Trinity.

I. THE HOLY SPIRIT AS COMFORTER. John 16:4b-7.

We do not know which work of the Holy Spirit is most important, but Jesus seemed to feel that what the disciples needed most of all for the time being was a Comforter. They were full of sorrow because Jesus was going to leave them. Think what it would mean to lose a friend like Jesus! To offset the shock, Christ promised them the Comforter. His Presence would always be near them.

Such a comforting thought prompted Maltbie Babcock to write:

"I envy not the Twelve.
Nearer to me is He,
The life He once lived here on earth
He lives again in me."

II. THE HOLY SPIRIT AS TEACHER. John 16:8-11.

The disciples' task was to go forth and to preach and to witness. But they could never do it in their own power. They would need the power of the Holy Spirit which would lead them and guide in their teaching, preaching and service. Their teaching would not even make the world conscious of their sin. They would not repeat or ask forgiveness, or seek salvation unless and until they were made aware of their sin through the Holy Spirit. He must reprove before he can save. Conviction of sin, righteousness and judgment can only be preached through Spirit-filled men.

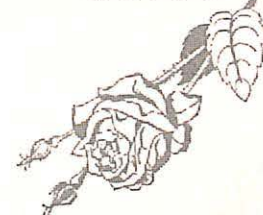
III. THE HOLY SPIRIT AS REVEALER. John 16:12-13.

Revelation did not stop with the coming of Christ. In some respects, we can say that true revelation began with Christ and is continuing through the Holy Spirit. Every sinner as well as every Christian must seek his own revelation. With Paul they can then say: "When it pleased God—to reveal his Son in me" (Gal. 1:15, 16).

The Holy Spirit quickens the memory as well as the understanding. He leads and guides and prompts in prayer. He produces the fruit of the Spirit and he

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We the Women



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

LET'S GO TO ST. LOUIS!

The 3rd Continental Assembly of the North American Baptist Women's Union will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, on November 13-15, 1962. We hope that many of you are planning to attend this great gathering of Baptist women from eleven convention groups. The theme for this Assembly will be, "I Will Build My Church."

The first assembly held at Columbus, Ohio, in 1952 was the beginning of real fellowship and a better understanding among Baptist women of this continent. The meeting in Toronto, Canada, in 1957 brought increased numbers of interested women from every group. Now in 1962 in St. Louis we anticipate our largest and most enthusiastic attendance. Three thousand women are expected to attend.

Baptist women leaders from every continent will be in attendance. Many of these dedicated women will be featured during the Assembly. Some of the speakers will be Mrs. Billie Davis, missionary to Latin America, educator, writer, speaker; Mrs. Remedios Vaflor, faculty member at Central Philippines University, Iloilo, Philippine Islands; Mrs. Edna Lee de Gutierrez, 1st woman president of the Nicaraguan Baptists Convention; Mrs. Olivia S. DeLerin, president of the Woman's Missionary Union of Mexico; and Mrs. Edgar Bates, chairman of the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance will be the honored guest and bring the closing message.

Other program features will include a Panel on Evangelism; the observance of the Emancipation Proclamation by way of a dramatic presentation; and the luncheon "South of the Border" will be a time of fellowship and inspiration.

Sessions will be held at the Kiel Auditorium and the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel. The names of some of the hotels in St. Louis are given in the September-October issue of the "Broadcast" in the president's letter. The headquarters hotel will be the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel. Make your own hotel reservations as soon as possible so you will be able to stay where you wish.

Plans are being made to have a display section and thus share ideas.

October 11, 1962

From the Professor's Desk

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

Do all religious scholars agree with the view you have presented with regard to the image of God in man?

All scholars do not agree with the view presented in previous articles. It may be said, first of all, that while there may be glimmerings of truth concerning the image of God in philosophical thought, we are wholly dependent upon divine revelation for a clear, full description. Scripture passages which expressly refer to the divine image in man are Genesis 1:26, 27; 5:1, 3; 9:6; I Cor. 11:7; Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10; James 3:9.

"IMAGE" AND "LIKENESS"

In Roman Catholic theology an unwarranted distinction is made between the synonymous terms, "image" and "likeness." It is held that "image" designates the natural image (personality) and belongs to the very nature of man as man, including spirituality, freedom and immortality. "Likeness," Catholics claim, designates the moral image (righteousness and holiness) and is a superadded, supernatural gift given to make obedience easier in view of concupiscence, which is a natural tendency of the lower appetites (but not itself sin, according to Catholic doctrine).

Sometimes the "likeness" is described as a merited product of obedience, a reward for the proper use of nature, and by it man is enabled to merit eternal life. In the Fall Adam lost only the likeness; the natural image remained unimpaired. The natural man is now in a moral condition similar to that of Adam before the Fall, but before being endowed with original righteousness (the superadded gift). This explains the shallow view of sin and the idea of the basic goodness of human nature in Roman Catholic thought. What was lost through the Fall can be regained through the sacraments of the Church.

Most Lutheran theologians restrict the image to the moral qualities, original righteousness. They do not include the natural endowments of man (personality) in the image at all. Hence, they can say that man entirely lost the image of God through the Fall.

Among the various modern views is the very influential doctrine (quite similar to the Lutheran view) that the image of God in man is not something substantial in the constitution of man, as is personality, but is some-

thing simply relational. This is the view of Soren Kierkegaard, Karl Barth and a host of contemporary theologians. Man stands in the image of God only when he is mirroring God's spiritual nature in his life. It occurs when man obediently responds to God's confrontation. It is the point of contact between God and man which is experienced in an act of true worship. In such an experience, man at times resembles God and thus (and then) stands in the divine image. This may be called the Existential view.

GROWING INTO GOD-LIKENESS

The writer feels that there are keen insights in both the Lutheran and Existential views, and they serve vividly to point up truths which are contained in the more traditional view. But they do not tell the whole story as described in the Scripture data, which seem to include human personality as a constituent and substantial part of the image of God in man.

Pelagians and Socinians altogether discounted the idea of an original state of holiness. They held that man was created, not in original righteousness, but merely in a state of primitive innocence or moral neutrality, but endowed with free will to enable him to choose equally between good and evil. The image of God consisted in the free, rational personality and dominion over the lower animals. Schleiermacher saw the image of God as a certain natural receptivity for the divine, an innate capacity to answer to the ideal, and an ability to grow into God-likeness.

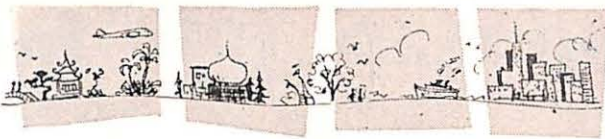
A modern evolutionary view distinguishes between the image in which man was created and lost in "the Fall" (happiness and responsive obedience), and the image acquired by "the Fall" (reason and intelligence). That is, man lost one image and gained another. By sinning, man created himself in another image, one in which he gained rational powers and moral responsibility. This came about in the process of evolution when *Homo* became *Homo sapiens* through his first act involving moral accountability. In so doing, he lost his animal-like innocence and happiness and gained a rational and moral nature. Man secured an acquired image at the expense of losing the created image. Sometimes this is called "the paradox of the fortunate Fall," or "the Fall upward," because man gained far more through original sin than he lost.

If you have an outstanding year book or a clever program, will you kindly send them to Mrs. Harm Sherman, Aplington, Iowa, not later than October 30? Since it will be impossible to

return these to you, will you send an extra copy that you may have?

Make plans now to go to St. Louis and participate in the blessings that will be in store for you there.

MARCH OF EVENTS



● **BEST SELLER IN INDIA.** Although only about 1.75 per cent of the population of the 440,000,000 citizens of India are Protestant Christians, the Rev. Dr. A. E. Inbanathan, General Secretary of the Bible Society of India and Ceylon reports: "The Bible with its Portions tops the list of books sold in 1961 as the best seller. No other book, religious or secular, has an annual sale in India nearing 3,000,000." Now in two leading nations of Asia, India and Japan, the Bible ranks as the best seller.

● **BIBLE TRANSLATION IN POLISH.** A new translation of the Gospels into Polish is due to appear within a few weeks, the entire New Testament early in 1963, and the complete Bible 2 or 3 years later. This is the work of an interdenominational commission of Protestant scholars and clergymen which has been engaged in the project for several years. Rev. Andrzej Wanta, Polish Lutheran bishop, is chairman of the commission. The new version, called the "Millenium Bible," is due to be completed just as Poland is celebrating its thousand years of history. —The Watchman-Examiner

● **FREEDOM IN INDIA.** The philosopher-statesman, Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, on assuming his new office as President of India, called upon the Indian people to preserve the nation's traditional "hospitality to varied beliefs" and "freedom from the tyranny of dogmas which has been the secret of our strength." "In national concerns we adopt democracy not merely as a political arrangement, but as a moral temper," he said. "We realize that freedom has no meaning save in the context of equality, and that there can be no equality without economic justice. These ideals . . . are not possessions to be defended, but goals to be reached."

● **STAMP COLLECTING IN EAST GERMANY.** New regulations by the East German Communist government bar stamp collectors from making topical collections of stamps with religious subjects or designs. Stamp collecting is a popular hobby in East Germany. Some 420,000 persons have registered as hobbyists to permit them to carry on correspondence and exchange stamps. Government inspectors will have the right to visit collectors' homes to see that collections do not include religious stamps. Confiscation and heavy fines will be inflicted on collectors found with the forbidden material.

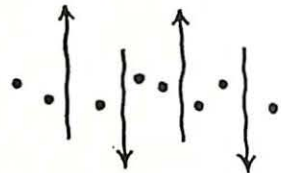
● **7TH MENNONITE WORLD CONFERENCE.** About 7,000 Mennonites swarmed into Kitchener, Ontario, a city of 74,000, to attend the 7th Mennonite World Conference from August 1 to 6.

The Mennonite church claims some 212,000 members—some 53,000 in Canada—in 12 branches of the main faith. A delegate from Frankfurt, Germany said 45,000 Mennonites in Russia are not allowed to worship publicly and are still suppressed. The conference heard Rev. Leland Harder of Elkhart, Indiana, outline the history on contrary movements within the 437 years old faith—isolation on communal farms and an increasing drift to the cities. —Winnipeg Free Press

● **PICTURE OF CHRIST BANNED.** The White supremacist South African

government has banned the painting, "The Black Christ," from further showing in Johannesburg, Africa. The painting depicts the crucified Christ with the face of South Africa's Negro Nobel prize winner, Alfred John Luthuli, who has been banned from speaking in South Africa. Two Roman centurions under the cross have the faces of Prime Minister Hendrik F. Verwoerd and Justice Minister Balthazar Vorster. The artist, Roland Harrison, of Cape Town, a non-white, claimed he meant to show only the "universal spirit of Christianity." —Associated Press

BAPTIST BRIEFS



● **Hungarian Baptists Plan Anniversary in 1963.** Hungarian Baptists are planning the celebration in 1963 of the 90th anniversary of organized Baptist work in Hungary. Josef Nagy is president of the Hungarian Baptist Union. The first Baptist witness was in 1846 when three young Hungarians returned from Hamburg, Germany, where they had been converted and baptized. They won a few converts but this work was not permanent. Continuous Baptist history in Hungary dates from the arrival of Heinrich Meyer in Budapest in 1873. He became the pioneer Baptist missionary and organizer in the country.

● **Baptist Conference in Finland.** The Swedish-language Baptist Union of Finland at its annual conference in Helsinki, June 8-11, voted to buy land for camp grounds in Monäs, Osterboten. It is to be paid for with funds already raised by the young people's union of the denomination. The grounds will be used for youth camps and conferences. Just over 100 delegates attended the conference in Helsinki. Rev. Max Söderberg was elected chairman of the union. Seventeen Swedish-language Baptist churches in Finland report a total membership of approximately 2,200.

● **Baptist School Wins Chicago Honors.** The Mounds-Midway School of Nursing Chorus, St. Paul, Minn., won first place in the Women's Choral Division of the Chicago Music Festival on Saturday.

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August 18. The following day the students were the guests of the North Shore Baptist Church and furnished special music for the morning worship service. In the evening the Chorus sang at Moody Memorial Church. The 40-voice Chorus recently toured the Midwest and before competing in the Chicago Festival, won similar honors at the Minneapolis Aquatennial. Press, radio and television coverage greeted the students as they returned to the Twin Cities.

● **Women's Conference in Africa.** Seventy-six women from 10 African countries, the U.S., and Canada attended the third session of the Baptist Women's Union of Africa, held at Sadler Baptist Secondary School in Kumasi, Ghana, June 22-27. The Union is part of the Women's Department assisted with the program: Mrs. Edgar Bates, of Canada, chairman; Mrs. Maurice Hodge, of the U.S., secretary; and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, also of the U.S., treasurer. Panel discussions and conferences gave opportunity for delegates to report on Baptist women's work in their countries—Congo, Ethiopia, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Nigeria, Cameroons, Kenya, and Ghana.—The Watchman-Examiner

● **Northern Seminary Awards Contract.** President Browne has announced that on July 3 Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill., awarded the contract for its new campus near Oak Brook, Illinois. The Power Construction Company of Oak Park, Ill., received the contract with a bid of \$1,258,000 plus \$200,000 for site improvements and architect's fees, for the first phase of construction. The contractor, also constructing the new campus of Bethany Biblical Seminary adjacent to the Northern site, has begun work and assured occupancy by Sept. 1, 1963.

● Rev. and Mrs. Donald Patet of Applington, Iowa have announced the birth of a daughter on Sept. 5, who has been named Janice Kay. The Patets also have a 6 year old son, Jeffrey. Mr. Patet is pastor of the Applington Baptist Church.

● Mr. Milton Quiggle, missionary in the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa, who has been stationed as a teacher in Soppo, spent several weeks in August at his home in Minneapolis, Minn. He returned to the United States by plane at his own expense during the school recess and holidays. He returned to Africa by plane on Sept. 7th and resumed his teaching ministry on Sept. 10 at Soppo.

● The First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., conducts two radio broadcasts every Sunday morning. From 8:00 to 8:30 A.M. a program is broadcast over KCVR - FM (1570 KC) with Christian music and a message. The Sunday morning worship service is broadcast over the same station KCVR - FM. Rev. Aaron Buhler, pastor, has reported that "the sick and shut-ins of the area have repeatedly stated that the broadcasts have been a real blessing to them."

● Dr. A. J. Harms of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., a member of the Seminary faculty, was a guest of the National Conference of the Mennonite Brethren held in August in Huron, S. Dak. He extended greetings from the North American Baptist Seminary and its president, Rev. Frank Veninga, as well as from the North American Baptist General Conference. The conference responded most heartily and made these fraternal greetings a part of their official minutes.

● Rev. William L. Schoeffel of Des Plaines, Ill., brought his ministry at the Immanuel Community Baptist Church of Des Plaines to a close on Aug. 5th. He has served as a Baptist minister for 43 years, of which 37 years were in the North American Baptist General Conference. He is "now retired officially" although he is still ready to render a supply ministry. On Sept. 16th he preached at the Home Coming service of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kenosha, Wis., of which he was formerly a pastor.

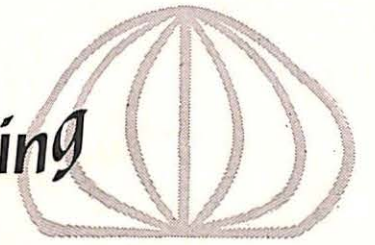
● The West Center Street Church of Madison, S. Dak., conducted a Vacation Bible School this summer with 66 children enrolled. A baptismal service was held on July 15 for five young people. Homecoming Sunday was observed on Sept. 30. Special meetings were held by the church from Sept. 23 to 28 with Rev. Herman Effa of Chancellor, S. Dak., as guest speaker. A number of the Sunday school children have received pins, wreaths and bars for their faithful work in the Scripture Memory program. Rev. J. G. Benke is pastor of the church.

● The work at the Napier Parkview Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Mich.,

is steadily going forward, as reported by Rev. R. Shepley, interim pastor. All departments have been well supported during the summer and attendance at the prayer services has increased. The Pulpit Committee is still seeking a new pastor to succeed Rev. William Hoover. The Board of Trustees recently purchased a lot adjoining the church property where it is expected

Carl Linder, Rev. Laurence R. Prast is pastor of the church.
● The Immanuel Baptist Church of Jackson Heights (formerly New York City), N. Y., held its dedication services for the new church building on Sunday, Oct. 7th. The first services in the new lower auditorium of the church were held on Sunday, Sept.

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the Youth Activities Building will be constructed. A committee charged with the arrangement of such a building has recently been appointed.

● The Clinton Hill Baptist Church, Union, New Jersey, held a Vacation Bible School from August 6 to 17 with an enrollment of 159 children. The school was conducted under the direction of Mrs. Harold Mayland and by a fine staff of teachers. Beginning with Sunday, Sept. 16, Rev. John D. Fissel, pastor, began a series of messages on Abraham, God's Man of Faith, entitled, "The Pathway of Faith to a Life of Victory." On Sept. 12 the Woman's Missionary Society emphasized "Our Educational Institutions in the Cameroons" and saw slides on this phase of the mission work in Africa.

● The Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., observed Christian Education Month from Sept. 2 to Oct. 7 on the theme, "A True Gauge to the Space Age." The successive Sundays emphasized these themes: "College Day, Rally Day, Family Day, Adult Day, Promotion Day and New Year's Day." On Sunday, Sept. 2, the "Challengers," the young people's department of the church, took charge of the evening service with Dave Reese, Jr., bringing the message. Dr. W. J. Appel will bring his interim ministry to a close at the end of October and Rev. Eldon L. Schroeder will begin his pastorate at the church on Sunday, Nov. 4th.

● The Woman's Missionary Society of the Forest Baptist Church, Munson, Pa., held a Mother and Daughter Tea on Mother's Day. The afternoon tea was preceded by an appropriate program. The days of July 23 and 24 found this same group out at a camp at Black Moshannon for a missionary retreat with Mrs. Kenneth Goodman, Cameroons missionary. The inspirational and enlightening talks by Mrs. Goodman helped the women to understand mission work in a new light. The retreat closed with the regular missionary meeting, as reported by Mrs.

9. The new choir director is Mr. Emil Guddat and the new organist is Miss Margaret Stuermer, who was the official General Conference organist in 1946 in Tacoma, Wash. Beginning with Oct. 14, an English worship service precedes the German service at 9:00 A.M. From Oct. 14 to 21 Rev. Henry A.M. Pfeifer of Cleveland, Ohio, will be serving as the evangelist in services to be held every evening. Rev. Assaf Husmann is the pastor of the church.

● The Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., held its first Vacation Bible School from Aug. 8 to 17 with 133 children enrolled and with an average daily attendance of 97. Teachers and helpers on the staff numbered 27. Mrs. Robert L. Francis served as the school's director with Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Harold W. Gieseke heading up the departments. The daily mission offerings of \$83.54 were designated for Miss Ruth Rabenhorst, Cameroons missionary. The Bloomfield Hills Church is supporting Miss Rabenhorst with \$500 annually as part of its missionary program. The closing exercises of the Bible School were held on Sunday evening, Aug. 19, with 173 persons present. Rev. Harold W. Gieseke is the pastor.

● On August 19 Rev. E. Arthur McAsh, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich., for the past 18 years, presented his resignation to the congregation effective Sept. 16. He stated that it had always been his "dream after leaving the pastorate at Ebenezer Church to spend a sabbatical year in study before continuing in another field of Christian service." He is now taking graduate studies at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. Subsequently, he will wait upon the Lord's guidance for further service. Mr. McAsh also stated: "I hope in the years to come to retain my interest and fellowship in the ministry of the North American Baptist General Conference whose ministry has meant a great deal to me during this pastorate."

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SYNOPSIS

Dr. Harlan Rawlins, a young physician, left town because of a fight with another man, Roger. He abandoned his car and took a bus to the strange sounding town, "River's End." He took an assumed name, Howard Ramsey, and got a job in a snack bar on the ferry boat. There he met a girl, Deidre Fleming, who lived in Westwego, across the river, and worked in the Sunset Cafe. He struck up a friendship with her and they had several pleasant dates together. One afternoon Harlan witnessed an accident in which a little girl was critically injured. He went to the girl's aid, thus saving her life. Later Dr. Mead put Harlan in charge of the hospital management. Harlan persuaded Deidre to go to a church service with him. The pastor brought a powerful sermon on sin, and Deidre arranged for an interview with Rev. Marvin Jacobs. She was led to a saving faith in Christ and told by the minister that she would have to straighten some things out. She left by bus for her home to face up to the evidence against her in a business deal. Harlan quit his job and went back home to confess his part in the tragic fight. Both of them now had peace, no matter what the outcome would be.

CHAPTER TWENTY-ONE

It was almost dark when Harlan arrived at the hospital. He had taken a room at a hotel and waited until this hour. It was the time when he would be least likely to meet anyone who might recognize him. He wanted to see Dr. Harkness before he saw anyone else. He had the taxi let him out at the side entrance. Nearby was the parking lot for the interns and visiting staff. Most of them would be gone at this hour.

He looked around fearfully as he walked toward the entrance and he realized bitterly that he felt just what he was, a criminal returning to the scene of the crime, fearing discovery. A car drove up and parked nearby and he stepped behind a tall shrub near the walk until the occupant of the car should go in ahead of him.

The man got out of his car and came toward the entrance. Harlan got a good look at him and almost stopped breathing. This young man looked like Roger, but Harlan couldn't believe

that it was really Roger. He thought that his eyes were playing some trick, or that his imagination was running away with his reason. He had to be sure and without thinking of his fear of being seen, he stepped out and confronted Roger.

Roger stared at him in surprise and Harlan was sure. It was Roger, alive and well.

"Well, Dr. Rawlins!" Roger drawled. "Wonder of wonders! You've come back from the dead. What brought you back after all this time?"

"I—I—thought that—you—" Harlan stammered.

"Yes, I know what you thought," Roger interrupted. "You thought you had killed me and you ran away. What brought you back?"

"Can we get into your car for a little while, so that we can talk?" Harlan asked.

"Yes, I'd like to have the story of your travels," Roger said. "Now let's have it," he said when they had gotten into Roger's car. "It must be an interesting story."

"I see you still hate me," Harlan remarked sadly. "I can't blame you."

"I can't say that I do, but I don't exactly love you. Can you expect me to when you almost put me out of business permanently?"

"You know I didn't realize it would happen like it did. How could I know that you would hit that sharp rock? Believe me, I've suffered for what I did. Thank God I didn't kill you!" Harlan cried fervently.

"But you thought you had and you ran away like a scared rabbit. When I was able to know what was going on around me and I heard them talking about your disappearance, I lay there enjoying the thought of what you were thinking and what you were suffering. I knew that fear would

follow you every step of the way and I knew how you would suffer over the knowledge that you had ruined your career. I finally got over that and I didn't hold any grudge against you, because Helen was so concerned about me that I knew she really loved me. She and I are married now and I'm so happy with her that I can't hate you. If you hadn't run away, she might never have turned back to me."

"I'm glad that you two are happy," Harlan told him. "I came back to face whatever was in store for me here. I knew that I faced a prison sentence for killing you, but I had to come back. It's true that I suffered and I regretted the wreck of my life, but I'm glad for one thing that happened during my exile. I accepted Christ as my Savior and I'm sure that I might never have found time for that if I had remained here and if this had never happened."

"You mean that you got religion?" Roger asked in surprise.

"If you put it that way. When that happened, I knew that I would have to come back here and pay for what I had done. How I thank God that you're alive and I'm not a murderer!"

"What do you intend to do, now that you know the truth?" Roger asked.

"I'm on my way to see Dr. Harkness. I know he usually stays in his office late on this day. I wanted to tell him the truth before I saw anyone. But now I suppose everyone knows the truth, that I thought you were dead and that I played the coward."

"No, they don't," Roger told him. "I never told anyone the truth about that night, not even Helen. I was in a pretty bad fix when they found me. They thought I was dead and for a while it looked like I wouldn't make it. I was unconscious for quite a while. Of course they couldn't find out from

me what happened. When I regained consciousness, everyone was talking about your disappearance. They had the police look for you, but they didn't get very far, for you had just dropped out of the picture. I thought at first that I'd tell them the truth, but I was so happy when Helen was so concerned about me, that I decided to let you just stay away and suffer. That would be better than having you dragged back here, if they could find you. You had made a mess of your life and I was getting well, so when they asked me what had happened that night, I told them that someone slugged me and that was that. Now are you going to tell Dr. Harkness the truth?" he asked skeptically.

"Yes, I still intend to tell him. I don't ask you to like me, Roger, but try not to dislike me too much. I'm sorry for everything, but I'm so thankful that I'm not a murderer that I can face anything. Thank you for giving me this time."

Roger held out his hand. "Here's wishing you the best. You really are different. I know how you have suffered, for it shows in your face. I have no hard feeling, believe me."

"Thanks," Harlan said as he took the proffered hand.

He found Dr. Harkness on the point of leaving. When he saw Harlan he uttered a gasp of amazement.

"Why, Doctor!" he exclaimed. "We feared that you had met with foul play. Where have you been all this time?"

"I've been playing the coward and I've come back to tell you the truth," Harlan told him. "May we sit down?"

Harlan told him the whole story, not sparing himself in any detail while the doctor listened gravely.

"Only God knows what I've suffered all this time," he said when he had finished, "but only God could give me the courage to come back and confess the truth. I thought all along that I had killed Roger and murder rested on my soul like a weight that I couldn't carry and yet that I couldn't get rid of. Not until I saw Roger as I came in here did that weight lift. Now I thank God that it has gone at last. Nothing else matters. You see, Doctor, I'm not the same person I was when I ran away. I was a miserable coward then, but I've accepted Christ as my Saviour and He has given me the courage to come back and take my punishment. My only desire in life now is to please Him."

"Have you lost your ambition about your career?" the doctor asked gravely.

"No, I haven't. I want to go on with my career if that is possible, for that has been my whole life and, under God, it still is."

"I don't know what arrangement will be made for you here," the doctor told him. "Of course your place has been filled, though not as ably as you filled it. There is no place at present for you on our staff."

"All I ask is that you let me finish

CORRECTION

Professor Hugo Lueck of the Seminary faculty feels that his article in the August 30, 1962 issue (page 5) of the "Baptist Herald" should have been entitled, "Great Ejectment of 1662" since it is somewhat incorrect to speak of this important event in 1662 as "The Beginning of the English Reformation." EDITOR.

my time here so that I can begin my practice. As I said, I'm so grateful that I'm free from the guilt of murder that nothing else matters."

"I'll see what we can do. I don't know what to tell the staff about your disappearance," he said.

"As far as I'm concerned, you may tell them the truth, though Roger says that no one knows it."

"I'll tell them what I think best," the doctor replied. "I won't lie to them, but I hope that I won't have to tell them the whole truth. I shall say that circumstances of a personal nature compelled you to leave and that we would prefer that no questions be asked. That may satisfy them. I don't know."

"And I don't care. I'm free at last and I'm too happy to think of anything else but that."

They rose to go and the doctor put his arm around Harlan's shoulders.

"I respect you for what you've done and what you've said," he told Harlan. "I'm sure that everything will work out all right for you. You've always been my favorite of all the young men who have been with me. Now I care more for you than I ever did before."

"Thank you, Doctor." Harlan had difficulty keeping his voice steady. "You'll never know how much I appreciate those words."

He left the hospital and hailed a taxi. His heart was singing a new song and his spirits soared. He was free! Free forever from the guilt of murder, free from fear and regret. Even if he never regained his position on the staff, he would still be happy, for he would be free to carry on the work that he loved.

When he reached his room he dropped to his knees and poured out his heart in thanksgiving to the Lord who had released him. As he got into bed he had but one thought. That was to find Dorothy and to learn how she had met her test and what had happened to her.

He had prayed that the Lord would deliver her in some way, yet he wondered what had happened to her. He knew that if she had written he would never get the letter, for he had left no forwarding address. Never having received any mail while he was in River's End, he never thought about it when he left there.

He decided that he'd go and see for himself just what had happened to the girl he loved. With that thought he went to sleep, happier than he had

ever been in his life, for there was nothing between his soul and his Savior.

The town where Dorothy lived was just a short distance from Harpersville. The same highway passed through both places. That accounted for the fact that they had both taken the same road when they had fled. She had taken the bus that passed along the same highway that he had taken several months later in his mad flight in his car.

Fortunately, he knew the name of the firm where she had worked. That was his only point of contact. They would be sure to know what had happened to her when she had returned, for the case would be reopened when she gave herself up. The town wasn't large and he had no difficulty in finding the place.

On his way there he thought how terrible it would be to have to see her in prison. He determined to do everything in his power to get her released. He would hire the best lawyer that he could find.

The company had several offices on the second floor of the building. In the front office there was a grilled window and a glass partition facing the door, a safe behind the partition and beyond that there was another office where he could hear a typewriter clicking rapidly through the half open door.

He introduced himself to the man behind the grilled window and stated his errand.

"I would like to know if you can give me any information about a young lady who used to work here. Her name is Dorothy Foster."

The man looked him over for a moment, then asked, "Are you a friend of hers?"

"Yes, I am, and I'm very anxious to see her," Harlan told him.

The man smiled, then went to the door and called, "Miss Foster, there's a young man to see you."

When she came through the door, she uttered a little gasp and stood there staring at him with wide eyes. He was speechless for a moment and returned the surprised stare while the man looked at them both and a grin spread across his face.

"Howard!" "Dorothy!" they both finally gasped in unison.

"I didn't know how to find you, so I came here," Harlan finally managed to say. "I never did get a letter from you, so I never knew what had happened."

She came around the partition while the man wisely left them together and closed the door behind him.

"I didn't have to go to prison," she told him. "How good the Lord was! It all seemed like a miracle and how I wished that I had come back sooner. When I returned, I went at once to the friend who had posted my bond. I told him how sorry I was that I had

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OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

Eastern District

Vacation Bible School at Bethlehem, Pa.

"Patriots for Christ" was the theme of the Vacation Bible School at the Calvary Baptist Church, Bethlehem, Pa. Pupil enrollment numbered 65. The average daily attendance was 57 pupils. The school was well staffed with 14 teachers and 14 workers. The



Vacation Bible School pupils and teachers at the Calvary Baptist Church, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The enrollment of pupils numbered 65.

boys and girls expressed their interest in the course and were challenged under the capable leadership of their departmental superintendents. Mrs. Herbert Dorrow was superintendent of the Beginner Department. The superintendent of the Primary Department was Mrs. John Dorozowski. Miss Janet Leeb superintended the Junior Department.

The school opened on June 20. It concluded with the demonstration program on July 3. The invitation was extended to parents and friends who attended the program to receive Christ as Savior and Lord of their lives. Through the ministry of the Spirit of God at the Vacation Bible School, and the diligence of some of our fine workers, some of the pupils have come into the Sunday school.

Mrs. Wallace B. Rich, Director

Baptismal Service at Baptist Church, Elsmere, Delaware

It was a wonderful day for the First Baptist Church, Elsmere, Delaware when a father and son for whom many prayers had been offered came forward recently and accepted Christ as Savior. A young daughter who had been baptized recently was instrumental in helping both brother and daddy to make their final decision. Another couple, coming from a Methodist Church, came forward. These four gladly followed the Lord in baptism on Sunday, August 19. Two other candidates came to us by letter. One man is asking to be licensed as a lay preacher. Another young man of the church is sensing the call of the Lord

and is beginning preparations for a full time Gospel ministry. All praise to God from whom all blessings flow.
Christian Peters, Pastor

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sommerfeld Observe Golden Anniversary

Two hundred and twenty-five relatives and friends attended the Open House in honor of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad L. Sommerfeld of Benton Harbor, Mich., in the Napier Parkview Baptist Church dining parlors on Sunday after-



Mr. and Mrs. Conrad L. Sommerfeld of Benton Harbor, Michigan, at their golden wedding anniversary celebration held in the Napier Parkview Baptist Church.

noon, August 12. A three-tiered wedding cake baked by a niece, Mrs. Chester Brunke, centered the buffet table. On the table also were two candelabra arrangements of gold candles, yellow snapdragons and ivy. The punch bowl was presided over by Miss Martha Sommerfeld, the only granddaughter. Mrs. Kenneth Sommerfeld poured from a silver coffee service. Also assisting at the buffet table were: Mrs. Ray Sommerfeld, Mrs. Edward Rode, Mrs. Dena Ackerman and Miss Martha Ginter, nieces of the anniversary couple, and three grandsons, Thomas, Peter and Bradley.

The gift and guest book table, decorated with a fan arrangement which formed a money tree, was attended by Mrs. Mable Neary and Miss Patricia Peters. A table of various pictures taken during the last fifty years was centered with a large floral arrangement of yellow and white mums. Mr. Sommerfeld, a retired book bindery foreman, enjoys gardening and fishing. Both are active members of the Napier Parkview Baptist Church of Benton Harbor. Mr. Sommerfeld was a deacon for many years and his wife a Sunday school teacher of long standing.

R. Shepley, Reporter

Junior Camp, Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Warren, Mich.

On August 6th, 26 boys and girls, aged 8 to 12, of the Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Warren, Mich., began a 175 mile trip north to spend four days at "Silver Acres Camp" near Glennie,

Michigan. A caravan of seven cars was needed to transport the group. It was the first attempt by the church to conduct camp and was made possible free of charge by one of the joint owners of Silver Acres Farm. Mr. Hugo Wahl, brother of one of our members, Mr. Gust Wahl. Two one-hour study periods were held each day during which the pastor, Rev. Walter Stein, and his wife were able to reach the boys and girls with the Word of God. Also a half-hour devotional time was spent with the counselors each morning.

The facilities on the farm were excellent. Sufficient lake frontage plus a dock and raft made swim-time very enjoyable for the group. The hayloft of a large barn was used as sleeping quarters for the 13 boys. The Sunday after camp, the staff and campers reported to the church on the activities and blessings of this first junior camp. On August 19th at the close of the morning service one of the campers and his father came forward and made decisions for Christ.

Paul K. Meyer, Camp Dean

Farewell for Pastor, Parma Heights Church, Ohio

On Sunday evening, August 26th, a farewell program was given by the Parma Heights Baptist Church of Parma Heights, Ohio for Rev. and Mrs. David J. Draewell and son Timothy. Members of the church, as well as friends from the Snowview, Erin Avenue and Hillcrest Baptist Churches were present. All organizations of the church expressed their appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Draewell for their ministry among us. Special music was rendered for the occasion. Mr. Draewell has responded to God's calling and has accepted the position as Secretary of Stewardship and Higher Education of the North American Baptist General Conference.

Bernice Miller, Reporter

Central District

Baptism of 7 Converts, Germantown Church, N. Dak.

The Germantown Baptist Church near Cathay, N. Dak., can say with the Psalmist: "This is the Lord's doing, it is marvellous in our eyes." On Sunday, August 12, the undersigned had the joy of baptizing seven candidates upon their confession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. On the following Sunday the hand of fellowship was extended to them and a communion service followed.

For these blessings we thank the Lord. We praise the Lord for what he has been doing in our midst these days and will trust him for continued blessings.

Germantown Baptist Church
Cathay, North Dakota
William Effa, Pastor

Farewell Dinner and Youth Rally, Plevna, Mont.

Sunday, August 19, the First Baptist Church of Plevna, Montana honored its pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Zepik and Lois, with a farewell dinner. The afternoon program consisted of words of appreciation from the different organizations of the



Children and leaders of the Junior Camp held by the Fellowship Baptist Chapel, Warren, Mich., at "Silver Acres Camp."

church. Their new field of labor is at Shattuck, Oklahoma.

During August 24-26, the church was host to the Badlands Rally with a large number of youth attending from nine churches. Dr. George Lang and Mr. Flavius Martin of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., were the guest speakers, and the messages were both inspiring and challenging.

Ruth Sieler, Reporter

Youth Crusade Sponsored by Churches, Victor, Iowa

The Victor Baptist Church, Victor, Iowa and several other churches of the area sponsored a Youth Crusade, August 12-19. The spacious high school auditorium was rented for this purpose. Rev. Jere Brubaker of Lancaster, Pa., of Youth for Christ International served as evangelist. The spirited preaching of this gifted, friendly and humble young man stirred the hearts of all. Gilbert Haffer, a student at Wheaton College, served as song leader.

Over sixty young people formed the Youth Choir which sang every evening. The pastor, Rev. Fred Schmidt, was

happy to report that more than 30 young people decided for Christ, either for salvation or rededication. We thank God for the young evangelist, Mr. Brubaker. We can heartily recommend him for similar Youth Crusades in other churches.

Mrs. Darrel Cordes, Church Clerk

Baptism of Six Converts, Berlin Church, N. Dak.

Sunday, Aug. 19th, was designated as the time for our Sunday school picnic, of the Berlin Baptist Church near Fredonia, N. Dak., but, more important, it was also the day of commemorative burial of six candidates into the death of Christ at Lake Hoskins. They had come to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ during the past year.

The forenoon was taken up with the Sunday school and preaching services out at the lake. After some singing by the congregation in the afternoon, a brief message on baptism was given by the pastor, Rev. David Littke, and the beautiful ordinance of baptism was carried out under the heavens. The candidates then received the hand of fellowship into the church and joined us at the communion table by lakeside. The weather conditions were most favorable for the occasion and we could all say that Heaven never was nearer!

Theo. Wolf, Reporter

Dedication of North American Hymnals, Gackle, N. Dak.

One hundred new "North American Hymnals" were dedicated at the Grace Baptist Church, Gackle, N. Dak., on Sunday evening, August 19. The initial impetus for securing the new hymnals came as a result of a number of memorial gifts given to the church in memory of Mrs. Rosina Remboldt, one of the pioneer members of the church, who passed away about a year ago. Some additional funds were needed to make possible the purchase of 100 hymnals, so it was opened to the congregation to assist in this matter. In less than one month, enough additional money had been given to make possible the ordering of 100 hymnals.

A fitting dedication service was held with the pastor, Rev. Bernard Edinger, in charge. An unexpected blessing in



Baptismal candidates, Germantown Church, North Dakota

Left to right: Mrs. Marvin Link and her sons: Norman and Gerald; Marla and Brian Burgstahler; Timothy and Duane Broschat. Rev. Wm. Effa, pastor, at right, back row.



Six new members received into the First Baptist Church, Elsmere, Delaware, by baptism and letter by Rev. Christian Peters towards the close of his ministry in the church.

the service was that the daughter of a former pastor and the family attended and the husband and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hochhalter of Bismark (Mrs. Hochhalter is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Rutsch) sang several numbers. The new hymnals are now in use and greatly add to the blessing of the services.

Mrs. Ted Speidel, Clerk

Baptism of Eight Converts, Temple Church, Milwaukee

We of the Temple Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., are happy to report the near completion of our building addition which consists of rooms for our Sunday school classes. We are anxiously awaiting the time when our classes can occupy the rooms. The dedication of the unit is to take place on Sunday, Nov. 18th.

Our church has been blessed spiritually in many ways during the past months. We are grateful for the conversion of a number of our young people as well as several adults. On August 5th our pastor, Rev. Rudolph Woyke, had the joy of baptizing eight young people and two adults. The ones who followed their Lord in baptism are Toni Buck, John Carmichael, Hope Hatley, Susan Kureck, Gayle, Joy, Lee and Dean Ossanna, Mrs. Dianne Nasgowitz, and Mrs. Lois Weinatzl. These and Mrs. Lorraine Krauss received the right hand of fellowship at the communion service the same day. We pray that all may grow in the Christian life and that all may for many years be interested members of our church.

Mrs. June Hatley, Clerk



Nine of 11 persons received into the Temple Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., by baptism and letter by Rev. Rudolph Woyke (right).

Outdoor Baptism of Four Converts, Mercer, N. Dak.

It was a day of joy and blessing for the Baptist church at Mercer, N. Dak., when four of our young people followed the Lord in baptism. We gathered under the trees at the lake, and the quartet sang, "I Surrender All." Rev. A. Krombein, pastor, spoke on Mark 16:16. The three girls were saved during the time we had revival meetings with Rev. D. Little from Fredonia, N. Dak., as evangelist. The young man was converted during our Vacation Bible School. We thank the Lord for these young people who have dedicat-

ed their lives in his service.

We can also report of progress in the church. The services are well attended, and the young people are active in C.B.Y.F. under the efficient leadership of Miss Sharon Rust. Our Sunday school records show that it is growing spiritually as well as in numbers. We have a good staff of teachers. The Women's Missionary Society sponsored a supper at the park recently and a program of music with an illustrated talk on "The Christian Armor" was given.

Mrs. A. Krombein, Reporter

Woman's Missionary Union Sessions, Southern Conf., Waco

During the sessions of the Southern Conference at the Central Church, Waco, Texas, the Woman's Missionary Union held its annual business meeting Friday, July 13. A Ladies' Luncheon was given in the dining room of the church. Mrs. Walter Weber, guest speaker, spoke on "Our Stewardship as Christian Women." Mrs.



Rev. A. Krombein, pastor of the Baptist Church, Mercer, N. Dak., and four young people whom he baptized in an outdoor service.

George Dunger led in the closing prayer. Our business session was held in the afternoon with Mrs. Emil Schmeltekopf presiding. The woman voted to give \$100 to the National WMU Project and \$283.01 was applied to the Rio Grande City parsonage debt.

At the evening service, Mrs. Ed Munschke led the song service and Mrs. Walter Weber read Matthew 25: 14-30. Mrs. Ray Castro led in prayer. We were favored with a trio: Mrs. Chris Hansen, Lavanda and Mrs. L. B. Hinz. Rev. Walter Weber was in charge of the installation service. The officers for the year 1963 are as follows: president, Mrs. Emil Schmeltekopf, Kyle, Texas; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Walter Weber, Crawford, Texas; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Henry Nuss, Dallas, Texas; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Clarence Engelbrecht, Crawford, Texas; White Cross chairman, Mrs. Ernest Steindam, Waco, Texas. After a special number presented by a women's chorus, Dr. F. H. Woyke brought the message of the evening entitled "You are a Steward of Time and Talent."

Mrs. Clarence Engelbrecht, Secretary-Treasurer



Mr. and Mrs. John Reiman of Ebenezer, Sask., at their golden wedding anniversary celebration held in the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Northern District

Vacation Bible Schools on Alberta Indian Reserves

It was our privilege on the Indian mission field to have two competent young women from the Faith Church of Minneapolis serve us as teachers on the Bull Reserve from August 13-17. These girls were sent to us under the Student Service Plan. They were Miss Karen Brachlow and Miss Barbara Hirsch. Barbara was the able pianist, and Karen took charge of the closing program.

Here on the Bull Reserve the young women were in charge of the Junior and Primary classes, while Rev. and Mrs. Reily Neuman taught the Beginners and Kindergarten classes. The course taught was "Patriots for Christ." Our enrollment was 45, and average attendance 44. The closing program was held on Sunday morning, with an attendance of 100 present. The offering totaled \$15.00, which went towards the cost of the school. We are grateful for the fine work of these two young women.

R. Neuman, Reporter

50th Wedding Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. John Reiman

Mr. and Mrs. John Reiman of Ebenezer, Sask., celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on August 17th. A family dinner was held in their honor in the Ebenezer Church parlors, with flowers, nut cups and place cards carrying out the wedding theme. Fifty guests were in attendance and greetings were read from those who could not be present. Three greetings of special interest were from Prime Minister Diefenbaker of Canada, Premier Lloyd of Saskatchewan, and Frank L. Bastedo, Lieutenant Governor of Canada. All the children and grandchildren were present at this happy occasion.

The program of the evening consisted of addresses, readings and special music. On Sunday evening, Sept. 19th, the members and friends of the Ebenezer Baptist Church gathered to honor Mr. and Mrs. Reiman. Rev. W. A. Dickau presided and Mrs. Dickau presented the honored couple with flowers from the church. Rev. Walter Stein of Fraser, Mich., a son-in-law, brought the message for the occasion. Mrs. Donald Neibrandt, Reporter

Vacation Bible School, First Church, Leduc, Alta.

"My Bible and I", was the theme for one week of Vacation Bible School held at the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta from July 30 through August 3. Our total enrollment was 86, plus a teaching staff of 8. A fine closing program was presented on Sunday evening with the Teen Class opening with song service, Scripture and serving as ushers. Each of the four classes gave a 10 minute program which brought variety to the evening.

Our offering through the week of \$34.70 and the Sunday offering of \$35.38 went toward the education of the children of missionaries serving in foreign fields. Our teachers were as follows: Beginners, Mrs. Raymond Hammer and Grace Seutter; Primary, Mrs. Lawrence Roth and Maxine Jabs; Junior, Miss Darlene Hammer and Marie Kletke; Teens, Rev. Paul Siewert. Our prayer is that the children learned the necessity and the value of the Bible, God's Word, in their growing lives.

Mrs. William Peters, Director

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a price, neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing?" So let us as Christians be willing to pay the price that is required to live a Christ-like life.

The writer to the Hebrews says: "And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouth of lions?" (Heb. 11:32-33). In verse 36 it states: "And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted. . . ."

As we read these reports, we feel to say with Peter: "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." We are not worthy to be called the children of God, but by his grace we are able to abound.

Take a look at the world conditions with the threat of Communism around our country and within. It could be possible that we as Christians might be called to take our stand to suffer for Christ's sake. The question remains with us: Are we ready to pay the supreme sacrifice, to go all the way?

Let us once more refer to the Book of Hebrews: "We also are compassed about with so great a cloud of wit-

65th Anniversary, Martin, N. D.

Report of the 65th Anniversary Program held by the Martin Baptist Church, Martin, North Dakota reported by Mrs. Gilbert Kessler and Mrs. Royce Bender.

"Greater Heights with Christ" was the theme of the 65th anniversary program held by the Martin Baptist Church, Martin, N. Dak., on Sunday, August 12th. Guest speakers were the former sons and daughters of the church now in full time Christian service.

The Martin church was organized on July 18, 1897 with 18 charter members. Present membership is 136, with nine of these members baptized this past year by Rev. R. Christeleit and two accepted by church letter. Among the daughter churches established during these years were the Berlin station, Anamoose, and Rosenfeld churches, and Bethel Church of Harvey.

Former members called into full time service are: Alexi Nickolaus, Paul Zimbelman, Fred Knalson, all of whom have gone to their heavenly home; Otto Fiesel, pastor at Selfridge, N. Dak.; Edwin and Verna Michelson, formerly of the Cameroons, now of Wichita, Kansas; Lorenz Michelson, pastor, Walnut Creek, Calif.; Esther Schultz, Cameroons; William Keple, 1962 Seminary graduate, now taking graduate study at the University of North Dakota.

Mrs. Verna Michelson began the Sunday school service with her message, "Greater Heights Through the Sunday School." After the Junior Choir sang, Rev. Edwin Michelson

spoke on "Greater Heights in Young People's Work." The speaker for the worship service was Rev. Otto Fiesel. The women's chorus and a solo by Kirby Seibel added to the challenging message.

Neighboring churches joined us in the afternoon service when Rev. Robert G. Krueger, a "son-in-law" of the church, from Sioux Falls, S. D. spoke. Deacon Jacob Rust gave the history of the church and the choir continued the theme by singing a Negro spiritual, "Gonna Climb the Highest Mountain." A selection by the men's chorus and a duet by Mrs. Robert G. Krueger and Mrs. Deane Horne, daughters of the church, further inspired the audience. Rev. Edwin Michelson's message "Greater Heights Through Missionary Endeavor" brought the theme to a stirring climax. Deacon Walter Weinholtz presented an original essay entitled, "A Church Reflects."

A pamphlet with records and history of the past 65 years was presented to each one present at the afternoon service. Ministers who have faithfully served the church in the 65 years have been: Rev. P. Goling, Rev. R. Fenske, Rev. A. Heringer, Rev. H. Schmet, Rev. W. Paul, Rev. J. Schlipf, Rev. W. Wahl, Rev. O. Lohse, Rev. K. Gieser, Rev. G. Rauser, Rev. J. Kepl, Rev. J. Engel, Rev. L. Potratz, and Rev. R. Christeleit.



Guest speakers and leaders at the 65th anniversary program of the Baptist Church, Martin, N. Dak. Left to right: Deacon Walter Weinholtz, Rev. Otto Fiesel, Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Rev. Edwin Michelson and Rev. Robert G. Krueger.

nesses; let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith" (Heb. 12:1-3). Let us consider him who suffered for our sake, who

went the way of agony, Gethsemane and Calvary. Would we be willing to say with the song writer:

"The consecrated cross I'll bear, Till death shall set me free; And then go home my crown to wear, For there's a crown for me."

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run out on him and I promised to pay him back as soon as I could. I had a little money saved and I offered it to him. I told him he could take me back to prison. Then he gave me a big surprise. He said that not long after I ran away, they found the real thief. It was the janitor. He had stolen my keys while I was out at lunch and had duplicates made from them. He was caught in another robbery and shot. He then confessed the truth. They looked for me, of course, and all that time I was suffering and living in fear. If I had only known the Lord then, I wouldn't have run away. I would have trusted Him to prove my innocence and to deliver me."

"Two good things came of it all," Harlan said as he took her hands and drew her to him. "We both came to know the Lord and we met each other."

Then he told her what had happened to him, of his final surrender to the Lord and what had happened to him after his return.

"And my name isn't Howard Ramsey," he told her. "I'm Dr. Harlan Rawlins."

She uttered a surprised little gasp. "No wonder you knew so much about surgery," she exclaimed.

"I despised myself because I was living such a lie," he admitted with a tinge of sadness. "I shall write to Dr.

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Mead and to Pastor Jacobs and tell them the truth. I'm sure that the pastor will rejoice."

"I thought I'd write to him myself and tell him everything," she said, "but I've just kept putting it off. How glad I am that I went to him that day! People wouldn't believe that such things could happen to us in real life," she remarked. "That we two should meet in such a far away place and that there would be so much in our lives that was similar, two fugitives from a fear that didn't really exist."

"But it did happen," he replied. "I somehow feel that it was all in the plan of God for our lives, to teach us a lesson and to lead us to Him."

"I don't know, but I do know that my only aim will be to live in His will from now on."

"I don't want to go back without you," he said. "Will you marry me and go back with me? I don't know just what my life will be, but if you're willing to share it, I want you with me so that we can face the future together."

"I want to, but I don't feel that I should," she told him. "I couldn't walk out on my employer when he was good

enough to take me back. And I promised to pay my friend back the money he lost when I ran away."

"I can take care of that, if he didn't get the money back, but you do what you think is right about your job," he said. "You give your employer notice and I'll be back for you whenever you say. Will you be ready when I come back?"

"You know I will," she said.

He held her in his arms for a while, then he kissed her and told her goodbye.

"If you can't go with me, I'd better get back and see what my fate will be at the hospital. I'll come for you whenever you let me know."

"No matter what your fate may be, I want to share it with you," she whispered as she kissed him tenderly.

On the way back, there was but one thought in Harlan's mind, the strangeness of their meeting, the mercy and the love of God, and the hope for the future. So recently he had been without hope. But now hope held out a promise of happiness that could never end, for, no matter what might come, they would both have the peace of God in their hearts and the joy in the Lord that nothing could take away.

The wall of fear had been shattered and it would never bar their pathway again.

He bowed his head and offered a prayer of thanksgiving.

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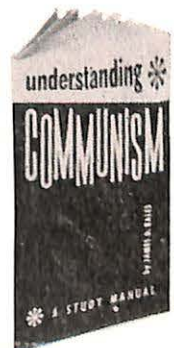
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