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Counting The Cost

By President Frank Veninga, North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota.

"EDUCATION DOESN'T cost; it pays." So reads an advertisement of the University of South Dakota. While this is an undisputable fact, one cannot overlook the stark reality of tremendous financial expenditures in acquiring an adequate education. During the past two decades the total cost of theological education has mounted phenomenally, virtually doubling between 1940 and 1950, and again between 1950 and 1960.

Eight Baptist seminaries indicated that the per capita cost of training a student is high, ranging up to \$4,473 per year and with an over-all average of \$2,590. The student contributed 12.1% toward this expenditure. Annual operating budgets of nearly all Baptist seminaries affiliated with the A.A.T.S. are in excess of \$200,000. Endowments are high, some in the millions. Library budgets are constantly on the increase. Faculty salaries must keep pace with rising living costs.

The North American Baptist Seminary is no exception to the national trend. It costs \$2,000 per year to train one student. Of this amount the student pays \$200 in tuition and fees and the balance is absorbed by the denomination. It costs approximately \$6,000 to train a man for the Gospel ministry. The Seminary budget of 1952 totalled \$55,600 and in 1962 it had increased to \$100,675.

We are pressing on toward full accreditation. In order to reach this coveted goal, it will mean increased expenditures and expanded budgets. Pressing needs—more students, enlarged library, advertisements in religious periodicals, additional colorful brochures and attractive leaflets, audio-visual materials—must be met. It is of utmost importance for individuals and churches to support the total denominational budget, from which sources the Seminary receives \$70,000 for the current year. We cannot expand unless funds are generously contributed to our total enterprise.

You might ask, "Dare we spend so much of the church's money to operate and maintain a seminary?" We can only answer your question by asking this one, "Can the church afford not to provide the very best training that can be made available for the future leaders regardless of cost?" Will you not join us in prayer that, as the Lord guides his stewards, designated gifts may come for these present needs. The generous investment of finances in the education of those, whom God has called, should have first claim on the money of Christians. Yes, theological education is becoming increasingly expensive. But it is worth every single dollar!

FRONT COVER

The front cover picture shows two young people in a ripening field of grain. These typify the two wonderful times of life—youth in the blossom time of strength and beauty, deeply in love with each other, going forth to conquer the world, and the harvest season when it is time to bring in the sheaves of golden grain. The picture is a Luoma Photo.

HARVEST HOME

The "Harvest home" we sing with cheer,
Now that abundance crowns the year;
The God of harvests now we praise,
To him our thanks a tribute raise;
For he our anxious care relieves
While reapers home come bringing sheaves
Till filled are cellars, barns, and bin,
With harvests which are gathered in.

—J. Byington Smith.

MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

VISION OF FAITH. This colorful, narrated presentation of the Missionary and Service Program of our denomination will be shown in many of our churches this fall. The 58 pictures and narration about the ministry of our denomination in striving to attain its \$1,050,000 budget were prepared by Rev. David J. Draewell. Pastors should arrange for a showing of "Vision of Faith" in their churches immediately.

SEPTEMBER BUILDERS. The gifts of Church Extension Builders in September will go toward completing the new Education Unit of the Trinity Church, Kelowna, B. C. (Read the illustrated article on page 13 of this issue.) Sunday, Sept. 22, has been set aside as Extension Builders' Sunday for the enrollment of new Builders in all churches. Your church should be an Honor Church in this ministry. (See next issue of the "Baptist Herald.")

GOD'S VOLUNTEERS. In a few days the young people selected for the two teams of God's Volunteers will begin their training at the Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. The training period will be held from Sept. 3 to 29. A busy evangelistic program has been prepared for these dedicated young people. Their example should challenge you to make a good sized contribution to this program.

MISSIONARY BIBLE TEACHER. Dr. A. J. Harms, formerly on the faculty of the Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and now residing in Pomona, Calif., will begin his ministry as the denominational Missionary Bible Teacher this fall. (Due to a slight illness, Dr. Harms cannot begin his ministry in September. Remember him in prayer). Confidently, we expect God to bless this ministry by Dr. Harms uniquely and bountifully.

HARVEST FESTIVALS. Many churches in the United States and Canada will be observing their Harvest Festivals soon. The crops have been plentiful in most places and God's blessings have been beyond our merits everywhere. Remember that these occasions are really MISSION FESTIVALS. When we thank God for his many spiritual blessings, let us remember to bring a generous, sacrificial Mission Offering and lay it on God's altar. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God." God loves a mission minded church and a cheerful giver!

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NUMBER

"Every Family — With Firm Foundations"

Editorial

Fervent In Business

Is work the result of a curse? Some people think so. The Bible says that God punished Adam and Eve for their disobedience and sent them from the Garden of Eden to work in "the sweat of thy face." But in the ages since then, men have seen how their labor can bring glory to God and edify their lives. These are Christians who are fervent in business, who are "about the Lord's business."

Too many people today have grown soft and have to be coddled. They feel that life owes them a living. Their standards are mostly materialistic. They try to do as little as necessary. Their work is largely boredom. They will observe Labor Day only as another holiday without understanding its real significance and the Christian message that it conveys.

If we belong to God, "in whom we live and move and have our being," then the work of our hands must be the Lord's business. This is the profound truth emphasized by the Apostle Paul in Romans 12:11. "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." Another translation expresses it in this way: "With unflagging energy, in ardour of spirit, serve the Lord." J. B. Phillips presents this truth more pointedly: "Let us not allow slackness to spoil our work, and let us keep the fires of the Spirit burning as we do our work for God." In each instance, this is a call to every Christian to be fervent in the Lord's business.

To experience the blessing of work from the Christian point of view, we need to find the right answers to three questions. The first of these is: **What can I do?** There is something that each one of us can do in advancing God's Kingdom and in gearing our lives to God's purposes. God has entrusted certain gifts to each of us. Blessed is that man who wins two, three or five other talents with those given to him in answer to this all important question. The labor of our hands, the work of our profession, the service of our lives can witness for Christ in some way or other if we are divinely led in going about the Lord's business.

The second question is equally perplexing and important: **Where are there opportunities?** What doors has God opened for me? They will be found usually at your front doorstep, round about you, in your area of activity. Don't look to greener pastures in some distant field, for you may have to discover the diamonds in your own backyard as Russell Conwell described them in "Acres of Diamonds." God still opens these doors of opportunity in your vicinity if you will open your eyes to see them near at hand.

The third question is typical of our day: **How much must I do?** This is the wrong kind of question to ask if you are going to get the most out of life and to enjoy God's greatest blessings. Only he who makes the best of every situation, who works at "a cathedral" in every job he undertakes, who does everything to the glory of God will recognize God's command to him. His faithfulness in response to this command will be a sufficient reward for him.

This is good counsel for consideration on Labor Day: "Let us keep the fires of the Spirit burning as we do our work for God. Be fervent in the Lord's business!"

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This dedication sermon stresses the sacred responsibility of every Christian church to declare God's teaching, to reveal his purpose and to communicate Christ's life to a needy world

The Church's Place in a Needy World

By Rev. George H. A. Robinson, Pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Wausau, Wisconsin

THE DEDICATION of a church building is a rare privilege for any congregation, and, even when this happens, it involves a singleness of purpose and determination with all the members working and praying together. When we see a building completed, our hearts are made glad.

The Apostle Paul is writing to a young pastor concerning his responsibilities in the city of Ephesus. If you will go back to chapter 1 of I Timothy, beginning with verse 3, you will find why he wrote this exhortation to this young pastor. Our text seems to sum up all that has been said, "That thou mayest know how men ought to behave themselves in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and the ground of truth" (I Tim. 3:15). In my imagination I see Paul, looking out on the monuments of some city and moved by the Spirit of God, as he wrote this word about the church and its place in the world.

The word "pillar" here describes an elevated column. Sometimes one solid

block of masonry stood out like the Cleopatra Needle on the Thames embankment. Very often it was one column built of many parts of different stones or bricks.

The word "ground" simply refers to that on which the column rests. Let me say at the very beginning, the church is built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets and that foundation is based on a rock which is none other than the Lord Jesus Christ. (Eph. 2:20).

As you look at the Statue of Liberty, two things arrest your attention. First, the figure of liberty, and second, when the night comes, the light flashes out. Thus, we have the truth of this text. The elevation of a Person in the Lord Jesus Christ through the church, and the flashing of a light! The Christian Church is the medium by which the truth is to be proclaimed, and elevated so that men may see it. This is to be published to the city, to the nation, and to the world. In the Christian faith we have centrally a Person. Thus, the

one business of the Christian is to reveal the Person—to flash the light—to proclaim the Word.

The church apart from the Lord Jesus Christ is a useless structure, however beautiful it may be, however complete in organization, however perfect in all its arrangements, however rich



REV. GEORGE H. A. ROBINSON
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and increased with good. If it is not revealing the Person and lifting him so that people may see him, then it is without any value. The church has a twofold meaning in the New Testament. First, it has reference to a house; a dwelling place to worship, such as we are dedicating this day. Second, the church has reference to a company of souls governed by God. Through this second definition, God makes his will known, declares his teaching, reveals his purpose, communicates his life, and marches ever onward toward the ultimate goal of his determined purpose.

The question now is, How is the church to fulfill that responsibility? The Bible says by preaching the Gospel and living it. There are five ways in carrying out this obligation.

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Discover the ways by which you can exert your Christian influence. See the harvest of young and old who need to be won for Christ. This is your responsibility

You Must Look Out Upon Your World!

By Rev. Wilmer Quiring, Pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

THE CHRISTIAN ADULT comes out of a busy, indifferent and often hostile world into the quiet and favorable atmosphere of the church. It is tempting to remain in such an environment as long as possible and to enjoy the warm fellowship of like-minded believers. These times of Bible study and worship experiences are carefully guarded and eagerly enjoyed. He feels much like the Apostle Peter and the other two disciples with Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration. This experience is wonderful; let us prolong it as much as possible!

But the needy valleys beckon and the inspiration received on the mountain top must find expression in service. While the source and usual environment of Christian education is the church, Christian education always takes place in the world. You must look out upon your world!

THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST

Any adult training in our churches which does not also stress the needs of outside service is missing the mark. It is true that unless Christianity begins with the individual, it does not begin. It is also true that if it ends with the individual that faith will be small and shriveled. Our basic view of Christian education is to enable persons to grow within the fellowship of the church. It is to produce enlightened churchmanship but it must produce responsible citizenship as well.

Every Christian is under the lordship of Jesus Christ. The Christian does not submit only some part of himself, such as his hours of worship and prayer, to God. Faith is a commitment of the whole person. That includes his family life, his leisure, and, not least, his daily work.

Paul says that God is "entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us" (II Cor. 5:19b-20 RSV). As ambassadors we do not have the business of living in the privileges of the most congenial and comfortable Christian fellowship we can find. An ambassador goes into foreign territory to represent his sovereign government. So all Christians are commanded to go out into the world to represent God and his divine government. They are not to expect the world to be congenial for Christian living. For the most part, it is alien

territory where the genuine Christian witness will seem remote from customary ways of life. Our churches must teach that every Christian by his dedication to Christ is an ambassador of God inviting others, by word and deed, to accept the lordship of Christ over their lives.

YOUR CHRISTIAN INFLUENCE

As you look out upon your world, discover the ways by which you can exert your Christian influence. Each one's circumstances are different and he must proceed as the Lord leads and as talents permit. But some ways will be suggested in which the adult is responsible to the community and the world.

First of all, let it be thoroughly understood that when the adult is supporting the local church and its ministry by his money and talents he is already having an influence upon that community and the world. That which the church is continually doing has its effect both on the people and the life of the community. This can not always be enumerated and documented, but the Holy Spirit is using the worship services and teaching ministries to ac-

complish his purposes. When adults fully participate in the life and work of the church, these needs are being met. They are bearing effective Christian witness to the redemptive grace of God in daily Christian living and service.

Having said that, let us now proceed to the special ways in which the adult Christian can help his community and world. He must exert Christian influence in helping to solve the spiritual needs of his community. This can be done in a special ministry to reach the children of the neighborhood for Christ. A vast number of boys and girls are outside of the influence of our Sunday school. Some of these boys and girls live in your neighborhood. Perhaps you are the one who can bring them within the sound of the Gospel.

Certain groups can be formed to offer special services to those in jails, rescue missions and other public institutions. Hospital visitation of the neglected could be another area of concern. There are often those who never receive any visitors and would welcome a friend. The nurse in charge could give this information and would help anyone who had a genuine concern for the person who is ill.

SEE THE HARVEST!

There is an increasing number of the elderly in the communities who could greatly benefit from interested Christians. It has been found that as people grow older their interest in the things of the spirit also grows. They often hesitate coming to the church after they have neglected it for so many years. Christ is needed in their lives, and the Christian must bring the Savior to them. Look out upon your community and see the harvest of young and old who need to be won to Christ.

Along with the spiritual needs which we recognize as our primary concern in the church, let us also see that there is Christian influence to be brought upon the social, economic and political needs of our community. Every adult who belongs to the church belongs also to the community. Here is a responsibility too! We need to recognize our responsibility to the Word of Christ, on the one hand, and to our fellow human beings on the other.

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SANCTUARY OF THE IMMANUEL CHURCH, WAUSAU, WIS.

At the dedication of this worshipful church in Wausau, Wisconsin on Sunday, April 21, 1963, the pastor, Rev. George H. A. Robinson, preached this sermon, "The Church's Place in a Needy World." The report about the dedication festivities appeared in the June 6, 1963 issue of the "Baptist Herald," page 19.

The second of a series of articles
on "Baptist Heroes of Religious Liberty"
for the Baptist Jubilee Advance Year . . .

John Clarke In Search of Religious Freedom

To Clarke belongs the singular honor of contributing much toward establishing the first government on earth which gave equal liberty, civil and religious, to all men living under it!

By Professor Hugo Lueck, North American Baptist
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JOHN CLARKE OF NEWPORT, R. I.
from a painting in the Redwood Library, Newport, R. I.,
and printed in the book, "Fighters for Freedom."

THE REFORMATION gave us the Word of God and Protestant churches, but it did not give us religious freedom. Even in America religious freedom, which we take for granted today, was not established from the beginning. It had to be gained by intensive struggle. The Puritans of New England, who had left their home country because of persecution, established their own churches in the new world but they did not grant the same privilege of worship to men of different religious convictions. This privilege they claimed solely for themselves.

John Clarke was born in England in 1609. He was a physician in London. He was a Separatist and perhaps already a Baptist before coming to America in 1637. To his bitter disappointment, he did not find freedom among the Puritans of New England as he had expected. The authorities in Boston in the colony of Massachusetts were just as intolerant as those in England.

CLARKE'S NEW COLONY

At the time of Clarke's arrival in the New World, a controversy raged in the Puritan church in Boston. A certain Mrs. Hutchinson and her followers had been banished from Boston for holding private religious meetings and refused to conform to the prescribed form of worship. With others who were out of sympathy with the intolerance of the Massachusetts authorities, John Clarke boldly resolved to plant a new colony

with religious freedom.

First, they went to the north (now New Hampshire), but finding the place too cold in winter, they moved south until they came to Roger Williams at Providence, who received them "courteously and lovingly." He helped them in selecting and purchasing from the Indians the Island Aquidneck in Narraganset Bay, which was renamed Rhode Island and there the colony of Newport was founded.

Clarke's new colony was numerically much stronger than Roger William's colony at Providence and it also contained more culture and political experience and wisdom. In 1647 Rhode Island together with Providence and other new settlements in Narraganset Bay were incorporated as "Providence Plantation" under a charter which Roger Williams secured in England. Later this became the state of Rhode Island.

Roger Williams received more than his due for the code of laws adopted in 1647. It was Clarke who was mainly responsible for setting up this form of government. This code received the highest praise from competent judges. The Baptist historian, A. H. Newman, says: "It would be impossible to find a document of the kind in which the rights of the individual are more carefully guarded." It concludes as follows: ". . . and otherwise than thus what is herein forbidden, all men may walk as their conscience persuades them, every one in the name of his god. And let

the saints of the Most High walk in this colony without molestation in the name of Jehovah, their God, for ever and ever."

Although constantly busy with the affairs of state, Clarke did not neglect his religion. Right from the start of his colony in 1638, he was "a physician and preacher to those on the island," as Winthrop, governor of Boston, describes him in the same year. A meeting house was erected by the colonists and a church organized with John Clarke as pastor and teaching elder. This church was not a Baptist church at first, since the Hutchinson group, who came with Clark to the island, were members in it also.

BAPTIST PASTOR AND MISSIONARY

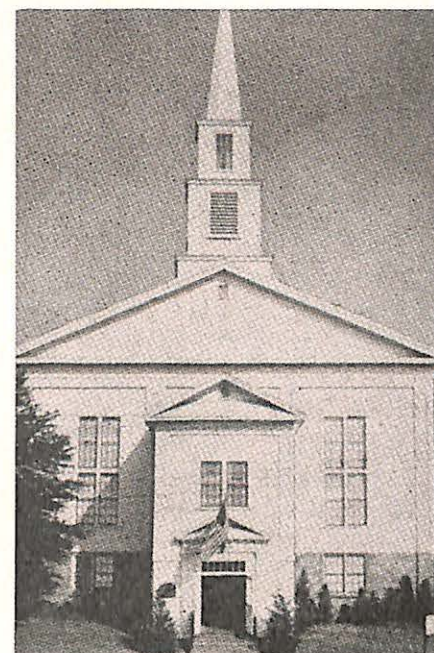
In a few years, about 1642, dissention arose and the congregation was broken up. Out of that, a new group emerged as a Baptist church with John Clarke as leader. The earliest record in which it is described as a Baptist church is in 1648. The membership in that church was small but with strong Baptist convictions. Clarke was quick to get in touch with any who had similar interests. Missionary tours were made and members were added from remote sections, even when they continued to live at a distance.

There was a small Baptist group led by Obadiah Holmes at Seekonk, Massachusetts, which was also visited by Clarke for preaching and the administration of baptism. But the Massachusetts authorities soon forbade these

meetings, and almost the whole group moved to Newport and joined Clarke's church in 1651. In the same year Clarke visited one of his members at Lynn, Massachusetts, accompanied by two other elders of the church. All three were arrested and sentenced to pay a fine or be "well whipped." Some friend, unknown to him, paid Clarke's fine of 20 pounds and he was released after a month's confinement.

A VISIT TO ENGLAND

Soon after his return from jail, his colony was in peril and Clarke went to England to represent his colony at the English court. For more than twelve years Clarke remained in the mother country working for the interests of the settlement. Finally in July 1663, he obtained from King Charles II a royal charter for Rhode Island and Providence Plantation. It is evidence of his skill to obtain such a charter against the entreaties of the older Puritan colonies. This charter declares "that no person within the said colony,



The United Baptist Church, Newport, Rhode Island, shown above, shares with the First Baptist Church, Providence, the honor of being one of the first Baptist churches in the colonies. The Providence church was founded by Roger Williams (c. 1604-1684). The United Church was founded by John Clarke (1609-1676), who served for many years as the first pastor. Mr. Clarke was influential in securing the second Rhode Island Charter in 1663 granted by Charles II of England.

at any time hereafter, shall be anywise molested, punished, disquieted, or called in question for any difference of opinion on matters of religion."

Clarke's labor in England saved the existence of the colony, but his accomplishments have not been fully appreciated.

It was during his long stay in England that he published his very famous writing, "Ill News from New England," which did more than any other publica-



—American Baptist News Service Photo

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND—The grave of John Clarke is marked by the plain upright stone in the center above. The stone on the right bears the name of Elizabeth Clarke, his first wife. Another on the left bears the name of Jane Clarke, his second wife. The stone which marks his own grave reads as follows:

To the Memory of
Dr. John Clarke

one of the original purchasers and proprietors of the island and one of the founders of the First Baptist Church in Newport, its first pastor and munificent benefactor. He was a native of Bedfordshire, England, and a practitioner of physics in London. He, with his associates, came to this island from Massachusetts in March, 1638, O.S., and on the 24th of the same month obtained a deed of it from the Indians. He shortly after gathered the church aforesaid and became its pastor. In 1651 he, with Roger Williams, was sent to England by the people of the Rhode Island colony to negotiate the business of the colony with the British ministry. Mr. Clarke was instrumental in obtaining the charter of 1663 from Charles II, which secured to the people of the state free and full enjoyment of judgment and conscience in matters of religion. He remained in England to watch over the interests of the colony until 1664, and then returned to Newport and resumed the pastoral care of his church. Mr. Clarke and Mr. Williams, two fathers of the colony, strenuously and fearlessly maintained that none but Jesus Christ had authority over the conscience. He died April 20, 1676, in the 66th year of his age, and is here interred.

tion to call the attention of the world to the intolerance of New England Puritanism. His argument for liberty of conscience was so persuasive that it called forth a storm of protests from various quarters of England. Sir Richard Saltenstall sent a public rebuke to Massachusetts' leaders for their "tyranny and persecution."

HIS FAMOUS PUBLICATION

In this pamphlet Clarke says: "I testify that no servant of Christ hath any liberty, much less authority, from his Lord to smite his fellow servant . . . To smite is an argument of a domineering, proud and lofty spirit, which is far from a spirit that is meek and lowly . . . Our Lord, being also that Prince of Peace, doth so far dislike such practices as these among any servants of his, that he hath expressly declared, that he by no means will have a striker to supply the office of an elder or steward therein, no, nor any that is of a lordly nor domineering spirit, nor yet one that is froward and will soon be angry . . . And indeed for a man to act in the name of the Lord, and not to have a word or warrant for him, is high presumption. Do to others as ye would that others should do unto you

. . . to persecute or enforce others is contrary to Christ's representation of believers as lambs in the midst of wolves."

Clarke proves his statements with many quotations from Scripture. "This outward forcing of men in matters of conscience toward God to believe as others believe and to practice and worship as others do, cannot stand with peace, liberty, prosperity and safety of a place, commonwealth or nation." He maintains that there cannot be peace or justice "so long as there is an outward power to uphold the advantages of some upon religious accounts, and so persecute others who for conscience sake toward God, dare not, yea cannot conform to their way."

FAITHFUL TO THE END

There was great rejoicing throughout Rhode Island and Providence Plantation that the aspiration of the colonists for liberty of conscience had been secured by Clarke. After his long absence, he returned from England and continued to perform great service for the colony. Even after his retirement in 1672, his advice was frequently sought and only six days before his death he

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"By Challenging Others I, Too, Must Go"

The Story of Rev. and Mrs. Gerhard Schroeder, Missionaries to West Cameroon, Africa by Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary

THE WRITER'S acquaintance with Rev. and Mrs. Gerhard Schroeder has been over a period of twenty years. He first met them in their teenage years when he became their pastor at the Central Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, in the late fall of 1943 and he was privileged to minister to their spiritual needs for more than six years. In 1944 at a missionary rally, Gerhard made a public declaration that he would follow the Lord wherever he would lead. During the writer's last year as their pastor, Gerhard served as young people's president at Central Baptist Church.

It was thus only natural that Gerhard Schroeder should write his first letter in 1951 to the writer (who by then was General Missionary Secretary) and inform him of his plans for preparation for the mission field and seek advice as to the training required. In that letter he referred to his commitment which he made in November 1944.

Almost twelve years had gone by since the writing of that letter. The fields of interest had changed in the course of his studies, but his interest in missions had continued. In his final application for missionary service he wrote: "My original purpose or goal was the mission field, yet as my training progressed I felt led to transfer to Christian Education and finally completed my theological work toward the B.D. degree."

GODLY PARENTS

Gerhard is the youngest of eight children born to Rev. and Mrs. Peter Schroeder. He was born at Overstone, Manitoba, Canada on June 5, 1928. His father was a Bible colporteur for many years and then entered missionary work among the Dukhobors in southwestern British Columbia.

The family moved to Edmonton, Alberta while Gerhard was still very young. Concerning his home he says: "One of the most vivid recollections of our home life was our family devotions which were held every day after the evening meal. It was here that my first spiritual training was initiated, and we as children were conscious of our need personally to confess Christ as Savior and Lord. This was never forced upon us, and so it was not until I was twelve years of age that I made my personal commitment to Jesus Christ."

In June 1942 he was baptized by Rev. E. P. Wahl and became a member of the Central Baptist Church in Edmonton. Here he found his spiritual home in the various activities of the church. He was most active in the young people's group and for several years held

MISSION PACKET

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the office of president. Here among Central's young people he found his future helpmate, Edith Schultz. They were married on June 24, 1950.

Edith was born at Edmonton, Alberta on March 20, 1929 as the first of two daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Schultz. At the age of seven she lost her father through the grim reaper of death. Her mother was left with the responsibility of "raising her two daughters without a father."

Concerning her home she says: "Regular attendance at Sunday school and church with my family was part of our life as long as I can remember. . . . What we did not receive in the realm of the material, my mother made up in her loving care for us. Her faith in God was shown in all areas of her life. It was through her Christian testimony and witness that I was led to accept Christ as my personal Saviour about the age of twelve."

In December, 1942 she was baptized by Rev. E. P. Wahl and became a member of Central Church in Edmonton. Here, too, she was very active in the young people's groups of the church.

EARLY COMMITMENTS

The first commitment is always the personal commitment to the Lord when



REV. AND MRS. GERHARD SCHROEDER
Newly-appointed missionaries to the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa.

he becomes our Savior and Lord. This commitment both Gerhard and Edith Schroeder made in their twelfth year of life. But other commitments to life's task must follow. God is calling all of us to one task or another. Do we commit ourselves to his will?

Gerhard Schroeder made his commitment to missionary work at a missionary rally in November 1944. It was then that the mission fields were first vividly brought to his attention since God spoke to him in that rally. He responded to that call of God by making a public declaration to follow the Lord where he would lead.

As many others he, too, tried to escape the reality of that experience in the years that followed. But God continued to lead him through various other experiences until he realized that he could not escape God's call and then he sought to prepare himself for whatever God would have him do.

Edith Schroeder had similar experiences. She says: "The challenge of missions was often presented in our church and touched my heart. Praying about this matter, I felt that because of educational and financial limitations I would not be able to serve Christ in this way. However, I was willing to let the Lord lead my life and, if he worked it out, I would be willing to go wherever he wanted me to go. Years later when my husband expressed his desire to go into full time service for the Lord and possibly some day this would be on the mission field, I could not help but be in full agreement with him." Here is an inner and quiet commitment to the Lord which is just as genuine as an outward declaration.

PREPARATION FOR SERVICE

Upon the full realization that God was calling him and that he could not escape this call, Gerhard Schroeder sought to prepare himself and to seek the necessary training. He took one year of studies at the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton and then re-enrolled at high school in 1951, which he had left earlier without completion, and graduated from Alberta College in Edmonton in 1952. He then came to Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Ill., in 1952 and graduated in 1955 from the Christian Education course. The following year he enrolled at Elmhurst College and then transferred to Wheaton College and graduated in 1957 with an A.B. degree in Christian Education. He then enrolled at Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago from where he received his M.R.E. degree in Christian Education in 1959 and his B.D. degree in theology in 1960.

During his student days, Gerhard Schroeder was very active in the For-

est Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill. One year he served as student assistant to the pastor, Rev. R. Kern, and during his senior year at Northern he had many occasions to serve as interim student pastor without being so called while the church was pastorless. Many practical lessons were learned.

Mrs. Schroeder did not formally continue her education beyond high school. Hers was the lot of earning a living while her husband worked his way through school. But, nevertheless, she has the innate ability and character to render a very effective service at the side of her husband. Miss Irma Grieger of the Forest Park Baptist Church gives her this very fine tribute: "Edith is not an aggressive person, but she possesses a quiet charm and dignity which appeal to me, and I believe to others. . . . Her thoughtfulness. . . was much appreciated. We felt we could call on her in time of trouble if necessary. . . and I did."

MISSION INTERESTS

Upon graduation from the seminary, Gerhard Schroeder was ordained into the Christian ministry at Edmonton, Alberta in July, 1960, together with his brother, Peter Schroeder, who graduated from the Christian Training Institute that very year. For the past three years, he served as pastor of the First Baptist Church at Bellwood, Ill. He and his wife put forth every effort "to bolster the mission work of the church." Their home was a welcome place for missionaries. Missionary conferences were regularly begun in his church. Contacts with the denominational office were maintained. His personal missionary interests were periodically revealed.

Concerning these experiences he wrote: "It has been through this (mission emphasis in my church) that my own life has been challenged anew to give myself for service in God's place of leading. As I have tried to challenge our youth to 'go into all the world,' the realization has come again that I, too, must be willing to go."

THE VISION "TO GO"

God has his own way and his own time to deal with his children. This was true also in the life of the Schroeders. As pastor of a church, it is easy to let your roots down in the work of the Lord at home and let others go to the foreign field. Recently they were again made aware of the needs on the mission field. This came about in the following way.

In the Round Robin Missionary Conferences of last February in their church and in other of our churches in the Chicago area, the challenge of missions revived their former vision and call. A cablegram from Rev. Fred C. Folkerts from West Cameroon came to them in an unexplainable way. It merely read: "If you are considering the mission field, I cannot urge you enough." Mr. Folkerts wrongly guessed that in stating the educational quali-

O LORD,
there is none
like thee, neither
is there any God
beside thee,
according to all
that we have
heard with our ears.

I CHRONICLES 17:20.

cations of a candidate, without giving his name, the writer had Mr. Schroeder in mind. But God made no mistake.

Without knowing about this cablegram, the writer telephoned Mr. Schroeder about a week later and spoke to him about the need on the field and where he might fit in. This manifold leading of the Lord became convincing evidence to them that now was the time to go. The application followed and the appointment as missionaries to West Cameroon was given in April at the annual sessions of the Board of Missions.

Upon arrival in Cameroon, West Africa, they are to be placed at the Baptist Teacher Training Center at Soppo. Along with teaching religious courses, his major assignment at the beginning will be to supervise the building pro-

gram of the school. For this Mr. Schroeder is admirably qualified since he had years of experience in building and carpentry.

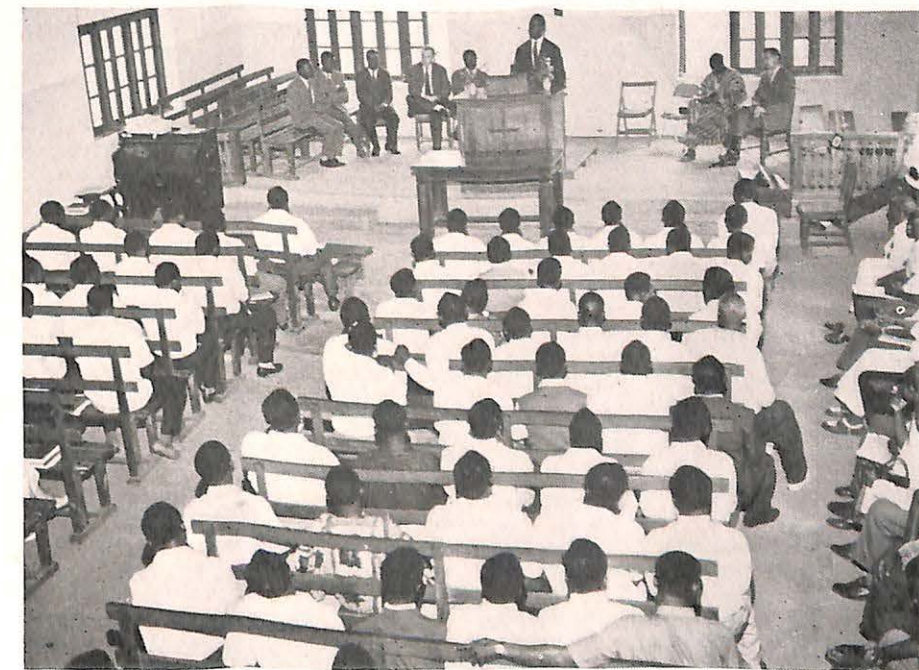
Mr. Daniel Granzow of the Forest Park Baptist Church gives him this very fine tribute: "I hesitate to say that Gary is a 'rare find' since I am not given to the use of superlatives, but I think he is an exceptional find. I think that his ministry in Africa will prove to be very successful. The combination of talents and abilities that he has will be a great asset, particularly in foreign missionary service."

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

On June 16, 1963 Rev. and Mrs. Gerhard Schroeder were commissioned to foreign service by the church which they served these past three years. Rev. Fred C. Folkerts had just returned from Cameroon, and as a former classmate at Northern Seminary, he brought the commissioning address. Members of our Forest Park Office staff, Dr. Frank H. Woyke and Rev. David J. Draewell, participated in giving the charge to the candidate and to the church.

At the time of this writing, the church they served has also adopted them for missionary support for the amount of \$1000 per year. The Ridgmont Baptist Church of East Detroit, Michigan has also adopted them for missionary support in the amount of \$1,500 per year. God's blessings will return to these churches for their interest in missions.

On August 1st Rev. and Mrs. Gerhard Schroeder sailed from New York, N. Y., for West Cameroon, Africa. Our prayers follow them as they go, and may their example challenge others to follow!



COLLEGE STUDENTS AT THE BTTC OF SOPPO LISTEN ATTENTIVELY
Government officials of education, conference leaders and Baptist missionaries address students at the Baptist Teacher Training College at Soppo, West Cameroon.

A Decade of Conscious Preparation

The Story of Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Kwast, Missionaries to West Comeroon, Africa by Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary

LIFE in this day of advancement and change demands that we give our best, we must be thoroughly prepared for the many problems and tasks which we later face. Our preparations for these tasks dare not be haphazard but must be wisely planned. There is no short cut to thorough preparation. Years of study must be spent to equip oneself for the other years of service which follow.

Lloyd E. Kwast is one of these young persons who sought thorough preparation for whatever tasks might follow. Upon high school graduation, he contemplated entering Michigan State College (university at present) as an electrical engineering major. When he sensed the call of God to Christian service, he sought thorough preparation for that.

In his final application for missionary service he wrote: "Since the fall of 1951 I have consciously been preparing myself for service with Christ." This is a decade and more of preparation for what now confronts him in missionary tasks.

Mrs. Kwast, the former Sharon Lea Gilliland, also sought to prepare herself for life's task as best she could. She contemplated college education which, however, was interrupted at the end of her second year by her marriage to Lloyd E. Kwast on April 17, 1959, whom she had met at the California Baptist College in Covina, Calif., while he studied there at the seminary.

LIFE'S EARLY INFLUENCES

Concerning his birth and early influences, Lloyd E. Kwast wrote: "On the 27th day of August in the year 1933 I was ushered into this world. My existence was commenced in the hallowed surroundings of the old parsonage of the Holmes Street Baptist Church of Lansing, Michigan. In 1933, prior to his marriage, the Rev. John E. Grygo (now editor of 'Der Sendbote') roomed with my parents who lived in the church parsonage. Born of devout Christian parents (Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kwast), I was reared to revere the truths of Scripture and early felt their claims upon my life. Through my inherited contact with the church I frequently came in contact with great men and women of God as a young boy. Often preachers, missionaries, evangelists, and denominational workers were dinner guests in our home. I can vividly recall being especially challenged by the stories and pictures of visiting missionaries."

Lloyd has one younger brother. His uncle (mother's brother) is Dr. Reuben Jeschke, president of Sioux Falls Col-



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lege. His aunt, (mother's sister) is a pastor's wife, Mrs. Eric Kuhn.

CONVERSION AND BAPTISM

In special meetings under the evangelistic efforts of Rev. Wm. Hoover, Lloyd made his first public profession of commitment to Jesus Christ on Feb. 11, 1944. He was soon thereafter baptized by Rev. Herman Riffel and became a member of the Holmes Street (now Colonial Village) Baptist Church at Lansing. He says: "Since my conversion, in a sustained manner, I have experienced the gracious operation of the Spirit of God in my life. This experience gives me the assurance that I am a child of God."

Mrs. Kwast's early life was not as rich in Christian influence, but by the grace of God she rose above the circumstances of her surroundings. Sharon Lea Gilliland was born at Pomona, Calif., on Oct. 27, 1938 to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gilliland. While she was still an infant, her home was broken by divorce and there followed the heartaches and resentments of childhood which generally result from such circumstances and to which such children especially are subjected. Much of her early childhood was spent with her godparents. Again after graduation from high school she went to live with them.

While there and working at a finance company, she was encouraged by a friend to attend the First Baptist Church of Pomona, Calif. The young people in the college department of

that church were planning to attend a college conference at the Forest Home Christian Conference located in the mountains of southwestern California. Sharon was invited to attend and joined the group. At this conference she accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and Lord of her life. From that time on, life has been new and different. She was baptized in 1957 by Dr. Edward Cole and became a member of the First Baptist Church at Pomona.

To become a child of God is always the first step in the Christian life. But that still does not settle the question of our place of service in the family of God. Some may come to a realization of what God wants them to do in a natural development as they grow in grace and knowledge. Others may go through an inward struggle until they come through victoriously. God does not deal with us in one and the same way.

Lloyd E. Kwast wanted to enter the field of electrical engineering upon his graduation from high school. In it he saw a glorious future of success. But God had other plans for him. His pastor, Rev. Herman Riffel, counselled with him and encouraged him to consider a full-time Christian vocation for his life work. Others, too, encouraged him for they saw in him special God given talents. "After several sleepless nights of struggle within my soul," he said, "I committed myself to the leading and will of God for my life. This commitment has in subsequent years led me into paths of unspeakable joy and fulfillment."

TESTED BY THE WORD

Concerning this experience Rev. Herman Riffel says: "Lloyd's Christian experience is deep enough and his background and experience thorough enough that he would not be apt to make a decision to go to the mission field unless deeply moved by the Spirit of God and thoroughly tested by the Word."

Mrs. Kwast sensed an inner call of God to become a missionary even before she became a Christian. She said: "By the age of ten years I sensed unquestionably that God wished to use me for missionary service of some kind. Although I was not a Christian, this conviction remained with me through the years to the time that I found Jesus Christ as my own."

Thus upon becoming a Christian, she realized that additional preparation was necessary if this inner call was to come to fruition. Consequently she took immediate steps to enroll in college and seek such preparation for whatever task God had for her. She consequently enrolled at the California Baptist Col-

lege in Covina in the fall of 1957 in order to prepare herself for Christian service. "Uppermost in my mind and heart," she said, "was becoming a missionary, the fulfillment of my childhood dreams."

Her church gave her a \$400 scholarship for her second year of college. This was certainly a good investment and is something which other churches could imitate to help worthy young people.

Rev. Kenneth L. Fischer, pastor of the Magnolia Baptist Church in Anaheim, Calif., and presently mission secretary of the Pacific Conference, gives both of them this very fine testimony: "Lloyd is blessed in having an exceptionally fine wife, who is a great encouragement to him. Both these young people are dedicated, cooperative, and willing to work. My personal opinion is that both Lloyd and his wife are very well fitted for missionary service."

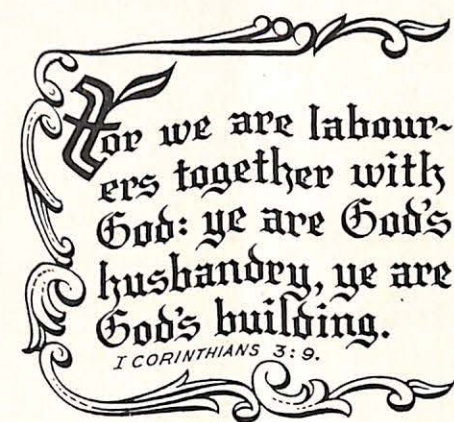
A DECADE OF PREPARATION

Lloyd E. Kwast in his application for missionary service described these years of preparation very concisely and I let him speak by quoting him: "I have endeavored to prepare myself spiritually and systematically studying the Scripture; by cultivating a growing, personal friendship with Jesus Christ through prayer and devotion; and by associating myself with the saints of God in the ministry of several local churches. I have prepared myself educationally by attending and graduating from a three year Bible Institute with a diploma of graduation (Grand Rapids Baptist Theological Seminary Department, Bible Institute 1951-54), from a four year liberal arts college with a B.A. degree (California Baptist Theological College at Covina 1954-56), and from a theological seminary with a three year professional degree of B.D. and a M.R.E. degree in Christian Education (California Baptist Theological Seminary at Covina 1956-60 and 1963). In addition to this, I have taken university post-graduate studies in education (University of the Pacific 1960-61).

"My preparation also includes some practical experience. During my Bible Institute days I belonged to a Gospel team, travelling male quartet, and the choir. As a member of these groups I had numerous opportunities to preach and give my Christian testimony. From 1957 to 1959 I served on the staff of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim as director of Christian education. For one year following this I was student assistant pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church of Stockton, Calif., as director of Christian education."

SPLENDID MISSIONARY COUPLE

Such conscious preparation should make Lloyd E. Kwast a missionary well equipped for the tasks which await him. Those close to him and who know him are convinced of this. Rev. Aaron Buhler, neighboring pastor at the First Baptist Church in Lodi, Calif., says:



"The impression that I get from knowing the candidate very well is that he would be like a bird let out of its cage if he were given the chance to put his ability to work in the field of education not only as an administrator but also as a classroom instructor. He is very thorough. It is my conviction that he and his wife would make a splendid missionary couple."

Rev. Wm. Hoover, his present pastor



This former Baptist Mission house at Victoria, West Cameroon, with palm trees towering above it, has a commanding view of Victoria Bay and of the surging waters of the Atlantic Ocean.—(Photo by Dr. Paul Gebauer).

at the Bethel Baptist Church in Anaheim, Calif., says: "I believe that we as a denomination could consider ourselves very fortunate to have Lloyd Kwast as one of our missionary teachers. He is above average in his qualifications for such a calling. I believe he has the innate ability and the scholastic qualifications of a very proficient teacher."

A MORE SIGNIFICANT MINISTRY

Concerning his present call to the mission field Lloyd E. Kwast wrote: "During the years of preparation I never experienced a specific call to become a 'clergyman,' 'educational director,' or 'youth director,' etc., but my

calling has been quite strongly that of being a faithful servant and minister of Jesus Christ in whatever profession or vocation he may lead me . . . In recent months I have experienced a spirit of increasing unrest regarding my life of service to Christ. I feel that through a sense of unfulfillment God is attempting to lead us to a more significant ministry for him. Thus we make this application for missionary service, having been led of God so to do."

The application was considered and appointment as missionaries to West Cameroon was given to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Kwast at the annual session of the Board of Missions. Upon arrival in West Cameroon, they are to be placed at the Baptist Bible Training Center at Ndu, constituting the third missionary couple on the staff of that institution.

At the Pacific Conference in Lodi, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Kwast were commissioned to foreign missionary service on June 16, 1963. Rev. Joe Sonnenberg and Dr. A. J. Harms participated in that commissioning service. On July

14th Mr. Kwast was ordained into the Christian ministry by the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim. This was another highlight in his life.

OUR PRAYERS FOLLOW THEM

Thus with these recent highlight experiences, Mr. and Mrs. Kwast sailed from New York on August 1st bound for Cameroon, West Africa. At the time of this writing two churches have already adopted them for support: Magnolia Baptist Church of Anaheim, Calif., for \$1,000 per year and the Colonial Village Baptist Church of Lansing, Mich., for \$1,200 per year. Certainly, the interest and prayers of these churches and of all of us follow them!

E. K. Martin, Education Secretary in Cameroon, Africa

A dedicated, well trained African is now in charge of our educational work in the Federal Republic of Cameroon.

By Missionary Ben Lawrence,
Acting Field Secretary



Missionary Ben Lawrence (left) greets the Honorable M. Ndamunkong, Minister of Education and Social Welfare, at the CBM School Administration Conference at Soppo, with Mr. E. K. Martin, Education Secretary, and Mr. W. Rentz, Missionary. (Photo by Cameroon Information Service).

ON JUNE 30, 1963 I had the rare privilege of turning over the responsibility for the entire educational work of the Cameroon Baptist Mission to an African, Mr. E. K. Martin. This was done in a very brief ceremony during the church service on the occasion of the opening of Saker Baptist College.

To many the occasion may have been insignificant, but it is vitally important when considered as a step in the establishment of an indigenous church. An African is now in charge of our educational work! A missionary has been displaced—a goal which we are constantly working toward in the expansion of Christ's Church throughout the world.

This occasion is significant, too, because of the weight of the responsibility of the position involved. No other position in our mission commands so many personnel, affects so many people, directs the use of so many funds nor has such a direct influence on the policies and formation of the Government of this small territory. The attitudes, opinions, actions and voice of our Educational Secretary have far reaching effects throughout this small territory.

PREPARATION FOR THE TASK

It appears that God has long ago begun to prepare Mr. E. K. Martin for this task. He was born at Victoria on January 27, 1906. He is a great grandchild of King William of Bimbia who first gave permission to Alfred Saker to establish a mission at Victoria. He was educated at the Victoria Government School (now not existent) and was one of the first students at the Normal College in Buea (also now not

existent).

He was employed to teach in the Normal Colleges at Buea and later at Kumba. From 1947-49 he attended the University of London where he successfully completed the Associateship in Education.

On his return from England, he was appointed Education Officer for Government and was later appointed Acting Principal of the Normal College at Kumba.

In 1953, he retired from Government Service and entered politics. He was the first elected member for Victoria Southwest in the then Southern Cameroons House of Assembly.

He served as a Director of the Cameroon Development Corporation from 1949-1959 and was awarded the M.B.E. (Member of the British Empire) by the Queen of England in 1956.

E. K., as he is affectionately known, is married to Hannah Nene Steane, the daughter of a leading educationalist in early Cameroon. They have six daughters and two sons, some of whom now hold very prominent positions in Cameroon life.

E. K. is a deacon and the moderator of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Victoria, and was president of the Cameroons Baptist Convention, 1961-1963.

In 1962, E. K. agreed to teach for us at B. T. T. C. Soppo. As the pace of Africanization increased, it became obvious that he was the one to become Education Secretary on July 1, 1963.

The hour has come—it is now upon him. Though he is adequately prepared, he needs your prayers. He is responsible for the administration of:

- 128 primary schools
- 2 secondary schools
- 2 teacher training colleges
- over 600 teachers

and 18 missionaries and expatriate staff.

This operation involves about 13,000 children at the present time. Remember him in this hour for which God has fitted him!

ALMA ZIMMERMAN'S DEDICATED MINISTRY IN CAMEROON

A FEW DAYS AGO one of our finest missionaries left Cameroon. Her term of service was not long, but the impact which she left behind for Christ has not been excelled. It is difficult to describe.

Where does one start? With the hours of work that she put in over and above her duty? With the volume of Christian literature she produced after her regular work was done? With the physical effort she gave to put to practical use some of the material prepared by others? With her willingness to accept more work without hesitation? With her modest and unassuming manner? With her devotion to Christ and the progress of his Kingdom?

Miss Alma Zimmerman came to West Cameroon as a volunteer for one year. She received no salary and is not professionally a "missionary." Perhaps the best testimony of her service is that your missionaries formally requested that she consider becoming one of them.

In our hearts Alma is one of us. We pray for God's continued leading in her life and would be pleased if it were in God's will that she return to Cameroon.

Now Alma will be home with you. She has served you and Christ well. Show her that you appreciate it!

BAPTIST HERALD

In September Church Extension Builders will make their gifts of \$1.00 for the completion of the Church Extension building in Kelowna, British Columbia . . .

Let's Finish the Building in Kelowna, B.C.

By Rev. E. H. Nikkel, Pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, Kelowna, B.C.

THE TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH of Kelowna, British Columbia was organized March 23, 1961 with 68 charter members. With much prayer and planning, we were able to buy a suitable property on the east side of the city, where a residential center has been built. We were able to secure a corner of about one and a third acre, which will give us ample parking space.

\$5000 STILL NEEDED

At the ground breaking service of our Sunday school educational unit, we had the joy of having Dr. R. Schilke in our midst, who participated in the program. At this service all the branches of the church pledged themselves to be faithful and loyal to God and the church. At the cornerstone laying service, Rev. J. Sonnenberg, Western District secretary, was able to be with us and take part.

The size of this building is 40 by 130 feet with an adjoining auditorium 42 by 62 feet. The Lord has given the people a mind to work (Neh. 4:6). By the first Sunday of October 1962, we were able to move into our new building. As soon as the roof, doors, windows, and heating system were installed, we began our services. We had invited the mother church (Grace) for



EDUCATIONAL UNIT, TRINITY CHURCH

The unfinished Educational Unit of the Trinity Baptist Church, Kelowna, B.C., which will require at least \$5000 to complete the task.

this occasion and with friends we had over 300 people present.

We are indeed very grateful to the Lord for this great achievement. We now have ample room for our Sunday school classes. We had an enrollment of 148 the first Sunday in 1962. At the present we have an enrollment of 196.

We are still continuing with our

building program as funds permit. We buy the material and by volunteer labor we do the work. In the last few weeks the plywood was put on the floor in the hall and the auditorium. We are now planning to place the tiles as far as we are able to raise enough money to pay for them. The building is far from finished on the outside and the inside. The building committee estimates that about \$5000 will be needed to complete the task. It is our hope to be able to dedicate the Educational Unit in the near future.

The evangelistic outreach in this community is very promising. Our Friday night, which we call "Family Night" or "Children's Hour," have proved to be a great blessing. We cover the same material that we would offer in Vacation Bible School. During the eight months from September to the end of April, we had an average attendance of 71.

PROMISING PROSPECTS

Humanly speaking, the prospects look very good. There are many children in the area, and the adults who have been contacted are showing a genuine interest in the work. In addition to a building, we are praying for the Lord's continued blessing upon the work so that our consecrated teachers may be able to lead the boys and girls to the Lord for salvation. A baptismal service was held on July 28 when candidates were baptized. This brings our membership at the present to 105.



MALE CHORUS, TRINITY CHURCH, KELOWNA, B.C.

Members of the Male Chorus sing quite frequently at the services of the Trinity Baptist Church, Kelowna, British Columbia.

August 29, 1963

MARCH OF EVENTS



● **ISRAEL'S RELIGION POLICY.** Israel's new premier, Levi Eshkol, has pledged that he will continue the policies of his predecessor, David Ben-Gurion, on religious matters. In reply to criticism from two widely divergent sources—those who want to establish a theocratic orthodox Jewish state and those who want a complete separation of religion and government—he said, "reciprocal understanding and tolerance are needed."—*The Sunday School Times*.

● **PROTESTANT-CATHOLIC "DIALOGUE" HELD IN COLOMBIA.** Fifteen Protestant and 11 Catholic clergy and laymen met in Bogota, Colombia, South America, for an "informal and friendly exchange of ideas" on inter-confessional relations in their country. The conversations were unprecedented in this predominantly Roman Catholic country. Details of the meeting were not announced, but it was reported that subjects discussed included evangelization of nominal Christians and non-Christians, the problem of proselytism, and anti-Protestant and anti-Catholic literature. A leader of the Catholic participants was Father Alfred Morin, rector of Bogota's archdiocesan Major Seminary, who invited Protestants to attend a similar meeting at his seminary. The priest also presented a major paper on Protestant-Catholic relations in Colombia.—*The Baptist Times*

● **TRACT MANUSCRIPTS WANTED.** Moody Press of Chicago is in the market for suitable tract manuscripts. The tracts should run five to six hundred words in length with a salvation emphasis. Peter F. Gunther, chairman of the Moody Press Tract Committee, 820 N. La Salle St. Chicago 10, Ill., further explains: "We are particularly looking for tracts that have a general appeal and would be suitable for children and young people. We could also use some special-day tracts, such as for use on Independence Day and Valentine's Day." Copy for the tracts should be typed and submitted on 8½-by-11-inch white, opaque paper, double-spaced, with at least one-inch margin on each side.

● **THE EISENHOWER CENTER.** Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower has expressed a desire to members of the Eisenhower Library Commission for a prayer room in the Eisenhower Center at Abilene, Kansas. It would enable visitors to pause and "consider their future and their Creator," he declared. The former president declared that "we need a time frequently when we think about something besides a dollar or a nickel or another cigaret. I think it would be a fitting addition

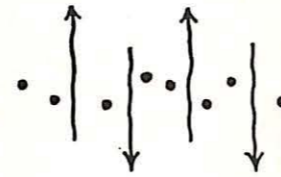
and one that would help to recognize some of the ideals that have made us great. I think we need a place where we can sit and ponder our inner thoughts." Eisenhower added that this nation's founders believed in divine guidance and that all great governments of the world were built on a belief in a divine Creator.

● **SERMONS FROM SCIENCE AT NEW YORK.** Authorities of New York World's Fair, 1964-65, have granted free of charge 20,000 square feet of land for the presentation of Sermons from Science. Construction of

the pavilion is a project of the newly-formed United Evangelistic Committee, headed by Pastor Stephen F. Olford of New York City's Calvary Baptist Church. Prominent Council of Reference personnel include Oregon Gov. Mark O. Hatfield and Dr. Elmer W. Engstrom, president of RCA Corporation of America. The Sermons from Science pavilion will be located in the industrial area of the Fair, adjoining the Japanese exhibit and the Eastman Kodak Building. It will capitalize on the scientific theme of the Fair as it endeavors to reach many multitudes.

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BAPTIST BRIEFS



● **Missionaries Expelled from Cuba.** The Cuban government expelled two Southern Baptist missionaries last month following two days of house arrest. Dr. Lucille Kerrigan and Miss Ruby Miller said that authorities would give no reason for the expulsion. Four Southern Baptist missionaries still remain in Cuba.

● **"Baptist Standard" of Texas.** Editor E. S. James of the Texas (Southern) Baptist Standard chided his denomination for doing "so little to secure justice and equality for all men." He said he was ashamed that President Kennedy had to call on ministers for help to solve a moral problem. "Why did not we ministers of the Gospel act first and seek the moral support of government?" he asked. His editorial concluded with: "When the welfare of a human being is at stake the Christian must put aside prejudice and personal pleasure in the matter and come to that being's defense."

● **Southern Baptists in 50 States.** Southern Baptists now have churches in all fifty states. The last state without Southern Baptist representation was Vermont. The first congregation was established there several weeks ago in the town of South Burlington.

● **Brooks Hays of Arkansas.** Brooks Hays, former Congressman from Arkansas and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, told a convention of 7,000 Southern Presbyterian laymen that "we must achieve justice" in the race question. Now a special assistant to President Kennedy, he called for Christians to participate in political life and urged co-operation between white leaders and "Negro

moderates." "We need only apply our Bible," he said. "The ministry of Jesus Christ has tremendous social implications."—*The Sunday School Times*.

● **\$20-Million For Missions.** The American Baptist Convention, holding its annual meeting in Detroit, approved plans for a \$20,000,000 world mission campaign. The drive will raise funds for capital improvements of missions buildings, construction of new buildings and pioneering steps in evangelism throughout the world. Robert L. Weaver, acting director of the proposed mission fund campaign, said that the money the church hoped to raise would put at the disposal of missionaries and other Baptists abroad new tools and facilities that would make it possible for them to do more effective work.

● **Baptists in Estonia.** Writing in the *Eastern Daily Press*, J. Hampden Jackson, a writer on affairs in Eastern Europe, gives the opinion that the persistence of the Christian faith in Estonia is a continuing surprise to the Russians. "Evidence of Estonians' persistence in Christian faith crops up again and again in the press," writes Mr. Hampden Jackson. "One paper notes that Baptists have been holding prayer meetings among patients in a sanatorium: 'Under their influence a number of the latter have turned to Baptism, since the doctors, nurses and other employees of the sanatorium neglected making atheistic propaganda among the patients.'"—*The Baptist World*.

● **1965 Baptist World Congress.** Conrad Willard, pastor of the Central

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● **Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Kolke of Maspeh, Long Island, N. Y.,** have announced the birth of a son on July 12 who has been named Raymond Daniel. Mr. Kolke is the pastor of the Second German Baptist Church of New York, N. Y.

● **Rev. and Mrs. LeRoy Keimele of North Freedom, Wis.,** have announced the birth of a daughter on July 10 who has been named Laurie Ann. Mr. Keimele was ordained by the Baptist Church of Linton, N. Dak., on June 18, 1963 and began his pastorate at the Baptist Churches of North Freedom and Rock Springs, Wis., on July 1, 1963. This is his first full time pastorate.

● **The First Baptist Church of Steamboat Rock, Iowa** has extended a call to Rev. Elton O. Kirstein of Marion, Kansas to become its pastor. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his ministry in the Steamboat Rock church on September 15, succeeding Rev. Kurt W. Marquardt, now of Mason City, Iowa. Mr. Kirstein has served as the minister of the Emmanuel Church of Marion, Kansas since 1960.

● **Rev. and Mrs. Henry Lang and their family** moved into the eight room house on the property of the Baptist Home, Bismarck, N. Dak., on July 3. Mr. Lang is serving as the chaplain of the Home for the Aged. The home adjoining the administrator's house was built at a cost of \$24,000. From July 13 to 20 Mr. Lang represented the Bismarck Home for the Aged at the Baptist Homes and Hospitals Conference held on the beautiful grounds of the American Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, Wis.

● **The "King's Koraliers" of the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wis.,** presented a concert of sacred music on Sunday evening, July 28. This program was sponsored by the Senior C.B.Y. The "Koraliers" are composed of Janet Krause, Nancy and Ronnie Norman and Tom Bender, with Bill Wurtz as the accompanist. The offering was designated toward the Wisconsin Mission Project in the partial support of Ruth Rabenhorst, missionary nurse in Cameroon, West Africa. Rev. Donald N. Miller is pastor of the church.

● **On Sunday, July 14, Rev. R. Jaster of Onoway, Alta.,** baptized three adults and 6 teenagers on confession of their faith in Christ. The out-of-door baptism took place at nearby Lake Saint Ann. The interior of the church has recently been redecorated and other improvements have been made at a cost of \$600. On June 24 a time of fellowship was held at the Onoway parsonage for the NAB ministers of Edmonton and vicinity and their families. Thirty-two adults and ten children were present.

● **The moving van which carried the household goods and library of Rev. and Mrs. Robert S. Hess from Peoria, Ill., to Costa Mesa, Calif.,** was involved in an accident with the total loss of all the

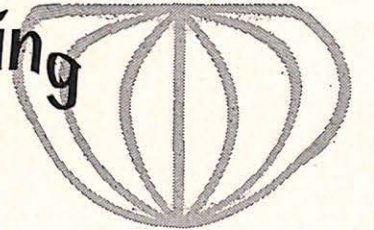
goods involved. Mr. Hess wrote: "Most of the things can be replaced but some of my books, papers and files can never be replaced." On Sunday, July 21, the Harbor Trinity Baptist Church of Costa Mesa, Calif., held a reception for Rev. and Mrs. Robert S. Hess with neighboring NAB pastors taking part in the inspiring program.

● **Rev. Helmut H. Riemer, pastor of the Shroyer Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio** for the past 7½ years, has re-

istry at the Bismarck Home on September 1st. He is now serving as acting administrator with the resignation of Rev. E. W. Krentz, effective Sept. 1. Mr. Weisser has served as the pastor of the Baptist Church of Herreid, S. Dak., since Jan. 1, 1958. He will serve the days on a church on forthcoming Sunday on a temporary basis.

● **Rev. E. A. Hoffmann, pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.,** baptized a young man

what's happening



signed effective Sept. 15, 1963. He has announced that he will be entering the Graduate School of Ohio State University at Columbus, Ohio this fall in the Department of Psychology. For some time he has been interested in the area of counselling and he hopes "by this additional training to become prepared to work with individuals, either on a college campus or in some other specialized situation," as he wrote in his letter of resignation to the church.

● **The Woman's Missionary Society of the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif.,** held its annual Family Picnic at Pearson Park on Tuesday, July 16, with 120 persons in attendance. On Sunday evening, July 7, Rev. Lloyd E. Kwast, missionary to Cameroon, Africa, brought the message. He is "a son" of the Bethel Church. An article about him and Mrs. Lloyd E. Kwast appears in this issue of the "Baptist Herald." The Vacation Bible School was held by the Bethel Church from August 12 to 17. Rev. William Hoover is pastor of the church.

● **Mr. Eilert Peter Fehr of East Grand Forks, Minn.,** died of accidental drowning while fishing on July 9. He was a trustee of the Grace Baptist Church, Grand Forks, N. Dak., and had spent many hours painting the new church building in recent days. Among those who survive are his widow and seven children, among whom are two Cameroon, Africa missionaries: Dr. Peter E. Fehr, medical missionary; and Mrs. Harold W. Lang, wife of the missionary-appointee soon to leave for Africa. The obituary of Mr. Eilert P. Fehr appears on page 23 of this issue.

● **The Baptist Home at Bismarck, N. Dak.,** has extended a call to Rev. Alfred Weisser of Herreid, S. Dak., to serve as the Home's administrator. He has given the call a favorable answer and announced that he would begin his min-

on Sunday evening, July 7, and received five new members into the fellowship of the church. The Vacation Bible School was held from July 8 to 12 with the closing exercises held on Sunday evening, July 14. Mr. G. Gerstlauer, the school's superintendent, was in charge of the service. The church is making intensive preparations for its 120th anniversary to be observed from Nov. 1-3, 1963. This is the oldest church in the North American Baptist General Conference.

● **On Sunday, Aug. 4, the many friends of Mr. August Freudenberg of Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.,** and members of the Inglewood Knolls Baptist Church, Inglewood, Calif., gathered at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wetzler, to celebrate Mr. Freudenberg's 100th birthday. He is one of the two living charter members of the Inglewood Church (formerly Fifteenth Street Church of Los Angeles) founded in 1886. The centennial birthday celebration was a most joyous occasion for all in attendance, glorifying God and his guidance and grace through the many years. Rev. Edmund Mittlestedt, pastor of the church, brought a brief message at the birthday celebration.

● **Miss Dianne Schilke of Oak Park, Ill.,** a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. Schilke, spent the two months of July and August in Turkey as an exchange student in the program of the American Field Service. Dianne received a scholarship to study abroad this summer and to live with a family in Turkey, (the family's name is Mr. and Mrs. Sabri Sekercioglu at Deliklitas, Turkey), while a student from Turkey lives and studies for the summer in Oak Park, Ill. Dianne's summer life amidst Moslem minarets, Turkish shish-kebabs, city walls, world famous cities

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Duala Hymnal for Africa

The Promotional Department and Roger Williams Press at Forest Park, Ill., prints 1000 copies of the Duala Hymnal for the Cameroons Baptist Mission churches.

THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT and the Roger Williams Press at Forest Park, Ill., have recently printed 1,000 copies of a 206 page hymnal in Duala, a language used in Cameroon, Africa, for use in the coastal Baptist churches.

This hymnal was originally published in 1928 in Africa under the supervision of Missionary E. R. Suevern. The translation into Duala had been made by Alfred Saker, Emily Saker, August Steffens and others. The plates for the hymnal were still on file in the Chicago printing house after all of these years. However, some of the plates were missing and photographs had to be made of these pages from the only copy of the hymnal on hand. Plates were then made from these photographs.

The book contains 404 Gospel songs and hymns. The hymnal is without notes. It has been very popular since 1928 in the coastal churches, but the

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hymnals were beginning to show the wear and tear of the years. So the urgent request for these 1,000 copies was sent to the Forest Park office by the missionaries and Cameroon Baptist churches. The printing was done on the multilith machines at the headquarters' office. The difficult job of stapling these good-sized hymnals was also carried out by the office staff. The entire lot of 1,000 hymnals has been shipped to Rev. G. Ben Lawrence, acting field secretary, in West Cameroon, Africa for sale in the Baptist churches there to the glory of God!

An Unusual Vacation Bible School

The Berean Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif., with 19 members conducts a Bible School for 118 children, representing many races and nationalities.

A VACATION Bible School was conducted daily for two weeks at the Berean Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif., concluding with a public program on Friday evening, July 5. Pupils from six to sixteen years of age, 118 in number, were enrolled, with an average daily attendance of 116 pupils and staff members.

Dr. Donald G. Davis, pastor, was the director of the school. A staff of 16 teachers worked together to make the school a success.

The missionary offering of \$31.91 was designated to the Bible School of the Cameroon Baptist Mission in West Africa. An offering for the expenses of the school was received at the public program.



VACATION SCHOOL, BEREAN CHURCH, LOS ANGELES

A total of 118 children, representing various races and nationalities, were enrolled in the Vacation Bible School of the Berean Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif., which has less than 20 members. Dr. Donald G. Davis, pastor, is at right (2nd row from rear).

HARVEST AND MISSION FESTIVALS

The programs and recitation materials for the observance of Harvest and Mission Festivals by our Sunday schools and churches in October 1963 have been sent to all pastors. The programs can be used as bulletin inserts. The offerings will be designated for MISSIONS. The suggested date for the program is Sunday, Oct. 13, but any other date in the early Fall can be selected.

EDITOR

THE CHURCH'S PLACE IN A NEEDY WORLD

(Continued from page 4)

1. The church is to fulfill its obligation by living it. D. L. Moody said, "The Christian man is the world's Bible, and in the majority of cases a Revised Version is needed. The Spirit of the Bible is not revealed to the unregenerate man until it is revealed in the lives of men and women who believe it." II Corinthians 3:2-3 says, "Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men."

2. The church is in the world to preach the Gospel. Yes, it is still true that Jesus Christ does forgive sin and prepares one for heaven now. Acts 4:12 says, "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." The evangelists have no power in this message save as that message is backed by the testing of men and women who have been pardoned and who live in the power of God's forgiveness.

3. The church is in the world to make eternal protest against all the things that spoil. The church of Jesus Christ stands to be against anything that hinders men and women in their lives, ruins character within, and maims spiritual progress. We stand beneath the cross to protest against all that is wrong.

4. The church is in the world as a great instrument of divine philanthropy. Hospitals, rest homes, care for the aged, feeding the hungry, rescue missions,—all come out of the preaching of the Gospel. The Bible teaches that if the love of God possesses our hearts, we will seek to help our fellow man in physical need.

5. The church is in the world to proclaim the great ethics of God, not by announcing a Code of Ethics. We have them in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. But this is proclaimed by men and women so motivated by the love of the Lord Jesus Christ, going out in the places of community and professional life, telling and manifesting in their daily lives the power of a Savior to forgive sin and to keep us until that wonderful day when he shall call the Church unto himself. There is a Person the world needs to see. God grant that we may lift him high!

REV. AND MRS. HERMAN PALFENIER ARE HONORED

On Sunday evening, June 16, Rev. and Mrs. Herman Palfenier were honored by a recognition service for their faithful years of labor in God's Kingdom by the Faith Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mr. Palfenier has served as pastor to three congregations for many years and as denominational evangelist for 15 years.

Warm greetings from friends, pastors, churches and denominational leaders were read after which our service was enriched by the use of poetry and music composed by Brother Palfenier.



Rev. and Mrs. Herman Palfenier of Minneapolis, Minn., are honored at a recognition service held for them by the Faith Baptist Church.

A J. B. Phillips New Testament translation was presented to them as a small token of our love. Rev. Daniel Fuchs, director of evangelism, our special guest, paid tribute to Mr. Palfenier for his sacrificial service in the Lord's work.

A time of fellowship followed at which sincere congratulations by those present were given to this humble and beloved couple who have enriched the lives of many people. We are thankful that the Palfeniers are members of our church and city, and wish them many more happy and fruitful years of service.

Mrs. Olney Johansen
Church Historian

PERSONAL "THANK YOU"!

Since it is impossible for me to respond by personal letters to all of my friends who have sent their expressions of love and appreciation for the special recognition service arranged by the Faith Baptist Church of Minneapolis, I wish to thank you through the pages of the "Baptist Herald." Thank you and God bless you!

H. Palfenier

LIFE AT ITS BEST

The man who has begun to live more seriously within, begins to live more simply without.—Phillips Brooks

August 29, 1963

I Go to Church on Sunday Night

A Testimony and a Challenge by Rev. Frank J. Kolk, Calvary Baptist Church, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

First: Because when I was saved I united with a Baptist church and I promised to attend its services. Since most North American Baptist churches have Sunday night services, I do not want to break my promise.

Second: Because I have an appointment with the Lord Jesus that I must keep. I do not want to disappoint him.

Third: Because I love lost souls and I want to be present on Sunday night with my fellow Christians to help win the lost to Jesus. When our churches are filled on Sunday night with Spirit-filled Christians, the lost will be saved. Also, we cannot expect the unsaved people to come to church when the members don't come.

Fourth: Because I want to see the doors of the church open. Each time I am absent, I am casting my vote to close the doors of the church. How

many times have you voted to close the doors of your church?

Fifth: Because I wouldn't want to live in a city of no churches and so I am doing all in my power to keep them open on Sunday night.

Sixth: Because the theater and other places of amusement are open and I don't want anyone to question my allegiance to Christ. I do not say that all people who do not go to church Sunday night are in one of these places. Many of them are, but I am saying that by your absence from church on Sunday night you may cause one to doubt your love, loyalty, and devotion to Christ and his work.

Seventh: Because Sunday morning whets my appetite for more Gospel music and preaching. "Once on Sunday is enough" is the devil's adage.

BEATITUDES FOR MARRIED COUPLES

BLESSED are the husband and wife who continue to be affectionate, considerate, and courteous long after the wedding bells have ceased ringing.

BLESSED are they who have a sense of humor and laugh together, for this is a handy shock absorber in everyday problems.

BLESSED are the married couples who abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages.

BLESSED are they who love their mates more than any other person, who joyfully remain faithful to one another, and continue to build for their family.

BLESSED are they who attain parenthood, for children are a heritage of the Lord.

BLESSED are they who remember to thank God for their food and who take time daily to read the Bible and pray.

BLESSED are those mates who never speak loudly or disrespectfully to one another and who make their home a place "where seldom is heard a discouraging word."

BLESSED are the husband and wife who regularly worship in their church and who work together for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

BLESSED are they who arrive at a satisfactory mature understanding concerning financial matters.

BLESSED are the husband and wife who humbly dedicate their lives and their home to Christ and who practice the teachings of Christ in the home.

—Adapted by Ella May Miller and contributed by Mrs. Edwin Michelson, La Salle, Colorado

A VISIBLE BEATITUDE

A child of God should be a visible beatitude for joy and happiness, and a living doxology for gratitude and adoration.—Spurgeon.

NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE SESSIONS AT HUTCHINSON, MINNESOTA

The Northwestern Conference sessions at Hutchinson, Minnesota, July 10-14, have made lasting impressions upon the delegates and visitors. The timely theme, "Guidance for Service" (Psalm 73:24) contains a challenge for everyone.

Dr. R. Schilke's provocative messages during the Quiet Hour each day on "God's Call to Service; God Sends Us to Serve Him; God Empowers Us for Service; and We Serve Together With God" brought the realization to the hearers that this is a work that must be carried out under the directive of God himself.

Dr. J. C. Gunst challenged each one present with his denominational reports. His keynote address made us aware of our required places in the Kingdom's work and of the urgent need of our filling our place of service.

The banquet on Saturday evening sponsored by the CBYF was one of the highlights of the conference. Rev. Bernard Fritzke brought a heart-stirring and challenging message. It was a joy to welcome the Cedarloo Baptist Church of Cedar Falls, Iowa into our Northwestern conference.

The Women's Program with Mrs. H. J. Schulz of Winnipeg, Man., as speaker was a challenge to us. The Men's Program with a panel answering questions was informative and rewarding. The closing mission rally, with Dr. J. C. Fluth bringing the message as well as the challenge, brought this blessed conference to a close. We left this conference with this burden upon our hearts that we must do our utmost for our God while it is yet day.

Raymond F. Dickau,
Reporter



sunday school lessons

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

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: September 8, 1963

Theme: REJECTED BY HIS BROTHERS

Scripture: Genesis 37:17b-28.

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: It is difficult to understand how God can work amid so much resentment, hate and jealousy.

INTRODUCTION: Because we re-member Joseph much better in the later years of his life in Egypt, it is easy to forget his faults and failings in the earlier years in the home. In refer to as a "spoiled brat." His father was certainly responsible for much of his behavior by showing such obvious partiality for one son as over all the others. Joseph soon became boastful and proud. His conceit and tactlessness were all too evident when he gloatingly related his dreams to his brothers and to his father. It was even rebuked him.

Joseph was also a talebearer who, perhaps also encouraged by his father, tattled on his brothers. The flaws in the character of Joseph should not be used to excuse the brothers, but neither should all of the blame be heaped upon them. The entire family relationship was involved.

I. THE FATHER'S FAVORITE.

Genesis 37:17b. Since the death of Rachel, his favorite wife, Jacob seemed like a lonely man. And because Joseph was born out of a deeper love relationship, he directed the love which he had for Rachel upon her firstborn son. The coat of many colors which he made for Joseph seemed to indicate his intention of transferring the privileges of the first born upon him. Simply wearing the coat of many colors on all occasions gave him a sense of superiority and importance, which he made no effort to hide.

II. THE BROTHER'S JEALOUSY.

Genesis 37:18-24. Although Joseph was rejected by his brothers, they themselves also had the feeling that they were rejected by their father. Jealousy is a burning and destructive passion which is difficult to control under certain circumstances. The brothers were unable and unwilling to control their jealousy. A noted physician has a chapter in his book entitled, "The High Cost of Getting Even." Joseph's brothers were consumed with the desire to get even, no matter what it would cost. They were

willing to go the limit: "Let us slay him."

This scene reveals some of the confusion and mixed-up feeling in the family of Jacob. There was no word of brotherly greeting, no thought of mercy or love, no sign of gentleness or family affection. The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob seems to have been taken completely out of the picture.

III. THE HUMILIATION OF JOSEPH.

Genesis 37:25-28. The coat of many colors, which was Joseph's prized status symbol, was taken away from him. It signified his position of honor and now suddenly he was unfrocked. From a highly favored son, he found himself in the position of a helpless prisoner, and from prisoner he fell to the lowest level of humanity, that of a slave. The brother's revenge seemed to have been successful, and not even their father's uncontrollable grief made them feel sorry for their sin. The most unlikely thought in their minds was that God's purpose and design were interwoven in their evil act.

Questions for Discussion:

1. Discuss Romans 8:28 in connection with the life of Joseph.
2. How can parents help to bring about a spirit of love and understanding among their children?
3. What would have happened if Joseph would have planned to get even with his brothers?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date September 15, 1963

Theme: JOSEPH IN EGYPT

Scripture: Genesis 45: 4-15.

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Rendering evil for evil will not eliminate evil; only returning good for evil will stop it.

INTRODUCTION: The story of Joseph moves along quite rapidly, but many years passed between the beginning of his slavery and the position in which we find him in today's lesson. The years in the service of Potiphar, in prison and in Pharaoh's court made a great change in the life and character of Joseph. He is no longer the spoiled, conceited favorite son and brother, but a mature, modest man of authority, who knows how to delegate authority and how to organize one of the most important functions of the government.

The thought that he would ever be reunited with his brothers and father was far removed from his mind, and even more so from the minds of his

brothers and father. So far, at least in the minds of the brothers, the secret of Joseph's disappearance was safe. The many years that passed without news of his being alive seemed to be proof enough that they had nothing to fear. Yet God does work in mysterious ways his wonders to perform.

I. A DRAMATIC REVELATION.

Genesis 45:1-4. The intercessory speech that Judah made in behalf of Benjamin must have moved Joseph deeply. He could not only see but also feel the change that had developed in his brothers over the years. They had real compassion for their aged father, Jacob, and a more mature brotherly love for each other and, in particular, Benjamin. By identifying himself, Joseph also revealed a different character. He did not remind his brothers of his dream and say, "I told you so." He was their master, their judge, and they were wholly in his power, but none of these things entered his mind. Instead of being proud of who he now was, he was humble in the fact that God planned it all. The heart of the entire drama is not that Joseph and his brethren were revealed to each other, but that the whole plan of God was suddenly made clear.

II. GOD'S PLAN.

Genesis 45:5-8. Long before the years of plenty and famine came to pass, God had already planned and prepared for it. There was no hope of survival except in Egypt, and God had given Joseph his high office for this very purpose. The plan, however, was centered around Israel and its survival. Joseph was aware of God's wonderful provision when he said: "God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance". The process by which Joseph landed in Egypt may look like the work of Satan, but the end result reveals God's marvelous plan.

III. PLANS FOR A REUNION.

Genesis 45:9-13. There is no joy comparable to that of loved ones being reunited with God in their midst. All the material things are forgotten in planning to bring a separated family together. The anticipation is so intense that everything must be done as quickly as possible. The years of separation cannot be restored, but the new life together must begin as soon as possible.

IV. LOVE COVERS ALL.

Genesis 45:14-15. "Love shall cover the multitude of" (Continued on page 24)

OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

● **Ochre River, Man.** On May 5, 1962 the women of the Grace Baptist Church, Ochre River, Man., organized their Woman's Missionary Society known as "The Helping Hands of Ochre River," under the leadership of Mrs. Shirley Bushkowsky. At the first meeting 23 ladies were present. Our present membership is 28. During our first year we held 10 meetings. The women had been busy doing White Cross work. Our first year of activity was climaxed with a yearly program. The theme was "And They That Be Wise Shall Serve." Bountiful blessings have been experienced in the past year.—(Mrs. H. Bushkowsky, Reporter).

● **Women's Sessions, Dakota Conference.** It was an inspiration to be among the women attending the Women's Missionary Luncheon meeting held Friday, June 21, during the sessions of the Dakota Conference at the West Center Street Church, Madison, S. Dak. Mrs. Jothan Benke, our very capable president of the Conference W.M.U., presided at the meeting. Mrs. Edward Kopf of Plevna, Montana led in an inspiring devotional, "Go Ye." Mrs. Otto Fiesel of Selfridge, N. Dak., directed our thoughts to the 23 departed sisters in an impressive memorial service. The sanctuary of the church was filled that afternoon for a unique presentation of choral readings and singing, arranged by Mrs. Leland Friesen of Emery. The inspiring message of our missionary to the Cameroons, Mr. Ernest Zimbelman, was a fitting climax. The offering, designated for Church Extension and Japan, amounted to \$325.78. The new officers are: president, Mrs. Donald Richter; vice president, Mrs. Henry Lang; secretary, Mrs. Argo Broeckel; and treasurer, Miss Louise Westerman.—(Mrs. Norman Miller, Reporter).

special events

● **Watertown, Wis.** An impressive recognition service was held at the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wis., on July 7, for the choir, choir director, pianist and organists. The program included a dramatic presentation and violin solo depicting "The Touch of the Master's Hand," a duet, and a meditation by the pastor, Rev. D. N. Miller. Certificates of Recognition were presented to all choir members and special awards and recognition were given to the director, Mrs. Roger Norman; the pianist, Miss Nancy Norman; and to the two organists, Mrs. Art Krueger and Mrs. L. J. Lange, who for many

CHURCH DEDICATION AT ABERDEEN, S. D. ON SEPT. 15

The Calvary Baptist Church of Aberdeen, S. Dak., is expecting to dedicate its new church edifice on Sunday, Sept. 15. All friends and former members of the church are invited to attend the dedication festivities at the morning, afternoon and evening services on that day. Dr. Frank H. Woyke of Forest Park, Ill., will be the guest speaker. Letters can be written to Rev. Irvin H. Schmuland, 516 Second Street N., Aberdeen, S. Dak. The church is located on 8th Ave North West in Aberdeen.—Willard Tesky, Church Clerk.

years have attuned the hearts of the worshippers to God through their consecrated service at the organ. Mrs. Roger Norman graciously responded in behalf of the choir and expressed the heartfelt gratitude of the members for this service of recognition. She also made mention of the late Mr. A. W. Krause, who for many years was the efficient and faithful choir director.—(Mrs. J. J. Abel, Reporter).

● **Trinity, Warren, Mich.** Sunday, July 14, was a special Missionary Day at the Trinity Baptist Church, Warren, Michigan. Miss Vera Thiesen, missionary nurse to the Belgian Congo for 14 years, spoke of conditions in that land before independence and afterwards. In the evening, a commissioning service for Miss Shirley Chumley, missionary appointee to the Belgian Congo, was held. The choir sang "Send the Light" and Mrs. Vance Crane sang a solo. Several ministers participated in the commissioning service with the prayer of consecration given by Rev. J. Thiesen of the Africa Inland Mission Board. (Mrs. Clarence Wheeler, Reporter).

VACATION SCHOOLS

● **Herreid, S. Dak.** The Vacation Bible School of the Herreid Baptist Church, Herreid, S. Dak., was held June 10 to 14 with an enrollment of 65 pupils, 6 teachers and 6 helpers. The theme was "The Church Is for Everyone." An offering for missions was brought daily by the children. One person was saved. A potluck picnic was held at the City Park on Friday afternoon which the children enjoyed. A closing program was presented to a large audience on Sunday evening at the close of the school, at which we were privileged to listen to the Bible stories, memory work and songs which the children had learned. Mrs. E. A. Bischke served as director and Rev. A. Weisser, pastor, had charge of the morning devotions.—(Mrs. Herbert Rudolph, Reporter).

● **Benton Harbor, Mich.** A new record was made at the First German Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Mich., with an enrollment of 92 children in the Vacation Bible School held this year. We were thankful for the many children who came and for the 16 teachers and helpers. The week held a great blessing and enjoyment for the youngsters since the morning hours were occupied with singing, daily lessons, memory work, handcraft and refreshment time. The week was concluded with a picnic on Friday afternoon and in the evening a program was presented at the church with many of the parents and friends in attendance. Rev. W. W. Knauf and his wife were in charge of the school.—(Mrs. Reinhold Hartwig, Reporter).

● **Bethany, Portland, Oregon.** The week of June 24 to 28 found the Bethany Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon filled with activity. Vacation Bible School was held each morning for the Beginner, Primary and Junior Departments with Mrs. Bill Jenne, Mrs. Fred Schaefer, and Mrs. George Haberman as superin-



The choir of the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wisconsin, with Mrs. Roger Norman, choir director, at the right (middle row).

tendents with a total enrollment of 86 children. Teen-age Bible Time was held from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. during the same week with Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Schulz in charge. There was a field trip to the Union Gospel Mission with participation in the Gospel service by the young people, a field trip to a Jewish Synagogue to observe the rites and symbols of the Jewish faith and many interesting discussions, inspiring studies in God's Word. The total enrollment for Teen-Age Bible Time was 25. The offering taken during this week was designated for Church Extension.—(Mrs. Fred Schaer, Reporter).



Young people of the Bethany Church, Portland, Oregon in "Teen-Age Bible Time" who went on a field trip to a Jewish synagogue to study the Jewish symbols.

● **Erin Ave., Cleveland.** The Erin Avenue Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio sponsored its annual Vacation Bible School, June 17-28. It was a time of activity, work, and service as the church sought to serve its community. The average attendance for the ten days was 149 children and 32 staff members. Many students and almost the entire staff recorded perfect attendance. The students' offering, which totaled \$80, was designated especially for the children's work of our N.A.B. Spanish-American Missions. The closing program by the pupils was attend-

ed by 280 members and friends of the church. We as a church praise the Lord for the blessings he has given us and particularly for the wonderful spirit of co-operation and service which prevailed in school. Thanks to this, the work "could almost be termed a 'breeze'," said Superintendent Mrs. M. E. Beach.—(Miss Vicki Heflin, Reporter).

ies in Japan. Officers elected to serve the coming year are: Rev. O. Patzia, moderator; Rev. E. Strauss, vice-moderator; Rev. B. Milner, secretary; Mr. A. Hass, treasurer. Special emphasis was given to the development of the Department of Christian Education in interchurch activities. For the three divisions the following directors were elected: Rev. E. Strauss, (children); Rev. B. Milner, (youth); Rev. J. Kornalewski (adults). A special commission was set aside in order to reorganize and adjust the constitution of the Association to the new structure. Our greatest attention was focused on the Church Extension project in Richmond, B. C. The church was recognized and accepted with 26 charter members. The convention was closed with the traditional Musical Festival on Sunday afternoon (German) and in the evening (English) presented by the combined male and mixed choirs of the Ebenezer, Bethany and Immanuel churches under the direction of Mr. H. Sturhahn.—(Bert W. Tutschek, Reporter).

● **Atlantic Conference Pastors, Bradley Beach.** The ministers of the Atlantic Conference, besides their families, had an inspiring time at the Bradley Beach Baptist Cottage, as they gathered for their annual sessions from June 24 to 28. Dr. George A. Lang, professor at our North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., spoke for four consecutive evenings on the "RELATIONSHIPS OF THE MINISTER." Drawing on his own experiences and wide reading and observation, Dr. Lang enriched the sessions with his interpretations of the themes. Rev. Art Williams of the Open Air Campaigners of Newark, N. J., told of this method of evangelism as it has been developed up to this time. A practical demonstration of the method was given at a beach near Long Branch, N. J., by a group of young people from Newark. The possibilities behind this effort reaches all types of people wherever they may happen to be. Discussions enlivened the sessions.—(H. G. Kuhl, Reporter).

of the weekend was the campfire on Saturday night when a number of young people brought their testimonies for Christ. Another retreat is being planned for the fall of this year in the Indianapolis area. It is hoped that a larger group will attend.—(Rev. Richard Christeleit, Reporter).

● **British Columbia Association.** The Bethany Baptist Church of Vancouver, B. C. was host to the British Columbia Association from May 16 to 19. The theme was "From Darkness To Light" (Acts 26:18). Guest speakers were Dr. A. S. Felberg, president of the C. T. I., Edmonton, Alberta; Rev. J. Sonnenberg, Western District Secretary; and Rev. and Mrs. F. G. Moore, missionar-

conferences and associations



Young people and leaders from Dayton, Ohio and Indianapolis, Ind., in attendance at their first Youth Retreat.

● **Youth Retreat At Dayton, Ohio.** From May 17 to 19 the Dayton, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana youth groups held their first Youth Retreat in many years at the E.U.B. Camp Grounds, Camp Miami, Germantown, Ohio which is southwest of Dayton. Seven young people from the Bethel Church of Indianapolis, five from the Community Church of Xenia, Rev. Richard Christeleit and Rev. John Ziegler, pastors, and their wives, as well as Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Nicholson, youth leaders of the Bethel Church, Mrs. Pat Davis and Rev. John Binder of Forest Park, Ill., were the campers and leaders. A series of classes taught by Rev. John Binder on the subjects, "The Organization of the CBYF" and "How To Have and Plan Successful Meetings and Socials," were presented. The spiritual highlight

evangelistic services & baptisms

● **Bethany, Portland, Oregon.** On Sunday, June 9, Rev. Arthur Schulz, pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon, baptized six people following the evening worship service. Those who followed the Lord in baptism were Judy Steele, Karen Schaer, Lee Feiken, Dennis Bays, Chuck Ingram and George Haberman.—(Mrs. Fred Schaer, Reporter).

● **Lorraine, Kansas.** The Lorraine Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas held a farewell for Dr. and Mrs. Douglas A. Gallagher on Sunday evening, July 14. Jona Baltzer of Hillsboro, Kansas led the evening song service and rendered a vocal solo, "How Beautiful Upon the

Mountains." Dr. Gallagher used Acts 20:32 as a basis for his farewell message, "And Now I Commend Thee to God." Afterwards, Mr. Walter Schmidt introduced those who presented gifts to the Gallaghers. Mrs. Roscoe Craig and Mrs. Leon Janzen, representing all three ladies societies, presented a pink linen tablecloth and napkins and a pair of boudoir lamps to Mrs. Gallagher. Mr. Walter Schmidt, representing the church, presented to Dr. Gallagher 25 volumes of Old Testament commentaries by Kiel and Delitzsch. Miss Judy Rolfs, CBY president, gave a stereo record from the CBY group. Dr. and Mrs. Gallagher responded with their personal thanks. Mrs. Arthur Kruse had baked



Rev. F. H. Fuchs (left, rear), pastor at Eureka, S. Dak., and 11 persons whom he baptized on Sunday, June 30.

the cake for the fellowship hour that followed in the Fellowship Hall.—(Mrs. Delmar Williamson, Reporter.)

● **Eureka, S. Dak.** On June 30, the First Baptist Church of Eureka, S. Dak., experienced the joy of seeing their pastor, Rev. F. H. Fuchs lead eleven candidates through the waters of baptism on confession of their faith in Christ. On the following Sunday the church received into its membership 18 new members: 11 by baptism and 7 by letter.

● **First Church, Leduc, Alta.** On Sunday evening, June 23, the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta had the privilege of witnessing a baptismal service at which Rev. Paul Siewert, pastor, baptized six young people upon the confession of their faith in Christ. All six of these young people completed the church membership course and were extended the hand of fellowship at the Communion Service on Sunday, June 30. Previously this year, eight adults were received into the fellowship of the church as well.—(Mrs. Helen Siewert, Reporter).

Character is not made in crisis—it is only exhibited.

—Dr. Robert Freeman.



Rev. Paul Siewert of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta and 6 young people whom he baptized on Sunday, June 23.

CHURCH RECEPTION

● **Eureka, S. Dak.** The First Baptist Church of Eureka, S. Dak., welcomed its new pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Fuchs, and family on Sunday, June 2. Sunday school attendance for the first Sunday reached a high of 200. The reception service was held in the evening with Rev. E. Oster of Leola, S. Dak., serving as master of ceremonies. Rev. M. Falkenberg of Venturia, N. Dak., brought challenging thoughts for the congregation and new pastor. Representatives of all church organizations brought words of greetings and welcome. Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fuchs responded with the singing of a duet and by expressing words of appreciation. Refreshments were served to approximately 300 members and guests.

LOOK OUT ON YOUR WORLD

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In this regard the quotation from Phillips Brooks still has value for us today. He said to his church members:

"I plead with you for all that makes strong citizens. First, *clear convictions*, deep, careful, patient study of the government under which we live, until you not merely believe it is the best in the world, but know why you believe. And then a *clear conscience*, as much ashamed of public as of private sin, as ready to hate and re-hate and vote down corruption in the state, in your own party as you would be in your own store or church; as ready to bring the one as the other to the judgment of the living God;

"And then, *unselfishness*. An earnest and exalted sense that you are for the land, not alone the land for you. And then, *activity*; the readiness to wake and watch and do a citizen's work, untiringly, counting it as base not to vote at an election, not to work against a bad official or for a good one, as it would have been to shirk a battle in the war."

RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP

A program of Christian education which does not encourage, inspire, and dedicate its members to the needs of Christian citizenship is negligent of its duty to its members and to society.

A growing area of concern which will be increasing in Adult Christian Education will be that of the ministry to the aging. Along with the spiritual needs of this group, there are economic and social needs that are very pressing. If economics is preventing people from rounding out their years in decency, self-respect, service, and love, it becomes definitely a concern for the church.

Look out upon your world and see how it can be met. The aging must be helped to use the growing years of leisure in a more satisfactory way. As you look out upon the world of the aging, you will find ways to help them both in the church and in the

community. Survey the field to see the needs, visit them in their need and provide opportunities for visitation and help recreate the aging through special activities.

The well rounded program of Christian education of the adult will produce an enlightened churchmanship, responsible citizenship, meaningful fellowship and rewarding recreation.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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and foreign languages will be reported later to readers of the "Baptist Herald."

● **On Sunday evening, June 30, the Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.,** saw their young people in action. Eighty-one persons attended the program, "Youth and the Church," with Mrs. Nick Uzelac directing the Junior CBY and Mr. and Mrs. Jack White directing the CBY. The program featured brief messages from the group presidents, testimonies by the young people, special musical numbers and readings. Responses were given by Mr. Clarion Cooke, deacon board chairman; Mr. Herbert Barsuhn, S. S. superintendent; Mrs. Jack Prestel, Missions Committee; and Rev. Harold W. Gieseke, pastor of the church. The church held its Vacation Bible School from August 5 to 16.

● **The Bethel Baptist Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich.,** was blessed by the services of several North American Baptist Seminary students in July and August. Rev. and Mrs. Etan Pelzer were called by the church to work primarily with young people during July. Mr. Pelzer is a 1963 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary. He is awaiting a call from one of our NAB churches. Mr. Hisashi Murakami, student from Japan at the Seminary is serving the church in August. He was introduced to the church on Sunday morning, August 4, and showed pictures of the Japanese work that evening. The church has also agreed to share the services of Mr. Murakami with other NAB churches of the Detroit area during August.

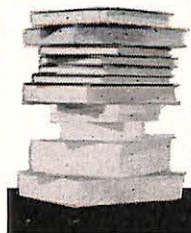
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BOOK REVIEWS

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

DCE, A CHALLENGING CAREER IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION by Louise McComb. John Knox Press—1963—79 pages—\$1.50 (paper).

The DCE is commonly used as a "nickname" for the Director of Christian Education.

One has the desire to express a wish while reading the book and saying: "If only Directors of Christian Education were like that!" Miss McComb has the ability to write out of the rich experiences of her work and to express in non-technical terms the various problems and duties of a very specialized ministry. She speaks of the compensations and the joys of such a service, but she is also frank in speaking of the discouragements, disappointments and disillusionments. Yet she is convinced that for her, this is the life!

THE WORD MADE FLESH by Lance R. Shilton. Zondervan Publishing House—1963—120 pages—\$2.50.

Judging from the title of the book the reader may get the impression that this is a theological treatise on the Incarnation. The unique division of the table of contents as well as the quality of the reading material ought to be more clearly indicated in the title.

The sermons and meditations are highly inspirational and intensely practical. They have a progression not ordinarily followed in other books of this type which the thoughtful reader can readily appreciate.

Mr. Shilton can be described as a successful, warm-hearted evangelical preacher who has brought a new spirit into the Church of England in the Commonwealth of Australia.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE by W. Carry Mavis, Ph.D. Zondervan Publishing House.

Not too many years ago the word "psychology" was suspect, particularly in conservative theological circles. It was an intruder, a meddler and a disturber of the Christian who thought of his experience in purely spiritual terms. Today we know that the word "psychology" is used in reference to behavior patterns that are as old as the human race. Because this is the dialect of our age, it ought to be understood in order to be used effectively, even in the experience of the Christian.

Mr. Mavis does not deny the work of God, Jesus Christ, nor the Holy Spirit. This, in effect, is his main concern. The three parts of the book—

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SALVATION HISTORY by Eric C. Rust. John Knox Press—1963—325 pages—\$6.00.

Mr. Rust is a true historian who is not only concerned as to what happened in the past, but is also interested in gathering the past into a significant pattern of meaning. To him there are no bare historical facts without the recognition of the human factor.

Putting Jesus Christ in the center of history, he traces the history of salvation through the Old Testament, measuring the process in terms of the mighty acts of God. The Graeco-Roman world is not overlooked, for God is also active in what is often termed "secular history." God has so ordered world history that the final act of salvation was actualized. The fulness of time came when there was evidence of both political and religious bankruptcy.

In the New Testament the author points out how God lifted history, with all its sin, up into his redemptive purpose through the medium of a historical life—the life, death and resurrec-

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The ordinary layman may have a little difficulty with the theological terminology, but the teacher, minister and student of the Bible will find Mr. Rust's work both interesting and provocative in its interpretation.

ANOTHER LOOK AT SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISM by Norman F. Douty. Baker Book House—1962—224 pages—\$3.50.

The average Christian thinks of the Seventh-Day Adventist as one who is similar in faith and practice except that he keeps the Sabbath instead of the Lord's day. But compared to all his other eccentric interpretations of Scripture, the keeping of the Sabbath seems like a minor doctrine.

Mr. Douty's book is well documented and free from a derogatory type of criticism which is often hurled at those whose theology is suspect. He is fair in letting the Seventh-Day Adventists defend their position, but he does not hesitate to uphold the basic historic position of Christianity while attacking their defense. Most of the tenets of the Seventh-Day Adventists, which are quoted in the book, are taken from an extensive publication entitled: "Seventh-day Adventists Answer Questions on Doctrine." This 700 page volume was edited in 1957 by a group of their leaders, Bible teachers and editors. Other sources are also quoted, in particular those of Mrs. Ellen G. White whose writings are considered to be divinely inspired. An entire chapter is devoted to her visions. William Miller and his dates of the termination in 1844 are examined to a considerable degree. But it must be remembered that Mr. Miller was in no sense a Seventh-day Adventist. His consideration came from the fact that he appeared in a number of Mrs. Ellen White's visions.

Ministers and teachers would find it profitable to become acquainted with their beliefs on inspiration, man, death, Christ, salvation and of course the Sabbath. The chapters on prophetic chronology and eschatology may be

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Obituary

(Obituaries are to be limited to about 150 words. A charge of five cents a line is made for all obituaries.)

MR. JOHN DYCK of Chilliwack, B. C.

Mr. John Dyck of Chilliwack, B. C., was born in Russia on July 11, 1874 and was received into his heavenly home on July 9, 1963. At the age of two, he came with his parents to Kansas and in 1895 they moved to Winkler, Man. In 1939 he went to Vancouver, B. C. where he operated a local grocery store until his retirement in 1946 and settling down in Chilliwack, B. C. At the age of 15, he accepted Christ and was baptized upon his faith by his late father, Rev. D. Dyck. He loved the Lord and his church, attended it regularly, supported it loyally, and served in various offices with great faithfulness.

He is survived by his wife, Cathrine; and his sister, Suzi; both of whom cared for him during his illness with great devotion; 2 other sisters: Mary and Ida; 4 brothers: David, Abraham, George and Isaac. He was preceded in death by one brother (Peter) and two sisters (Helena and Cathrine). Also surviving are four children: Mrs. John (Mary) Hamm of Prince Albert, Sask.; Mrs. Raymond (Marjorie) Sturgeon of Hubert of Man., and two sons, Arnold and Hubert of Seattle, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Rev. Lloyd Priebe of Vancouver, B. C. assisted the undersigned in conducting the funeral service.

Victoria Avenue Baptist Church
Chilliwack, B. C.
BERT W. TUTSCHEK, Reporter

MR. JANS E. POPKES of Aplington, Iowa

Mr. Jans E. Popkes of Aplington, Iowa was born May 10, 1885, near Austinville, Iowa. His early life was lived in Aplington and vicinity. The major part of his life was spent in farming, with the exception of approximately five years, during which time he was engaged in business in Aplington. He confessed Jesus Christ as his Saviour, and on May 16, 1915, was baptized and united with the Aplington Baptist Church. He remained a faithful member and follower of his Lord until the time of his passing.

In 1959 he and his brother retired from farming and moved to Parkersburg. After a brief illness, he passed from this life on June 1, having attained the age of 78 years and 22 days. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Rennie Stukenberg; one brother, Peter; two sisters-in-law; three nieces; three nephews; and other relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted on June 4 at the Aplington Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. Donald Patet, officiating.

Aplington, Iowa
DONALD PATET, Pastor

MRS. MARGARET SCHATZ of McClusky, North Dakota

Mrs. Margaret (Grandma) Schatz of McClusky, N. Dak., was born July 24, 1867 and passed away July 10, 1963 at the Bismarck Hospital, having reached the age of 95 years, 11 months, 16 days. She was born in Neusatz, South Russia almost a century ago. We do not know too much about her early life except that at the age of 20 years she was united in marriage to Mr. Adam Schatz at Berlin, Russia. Two years later the couple immigrated to the United States, first settling at Menno, S. Dak. Twelve years later the opportunity to homestead brought them to this area and they made their home on a farm in Sheridan County in Whittacker Township.

In 1925 they retired from active farm-life and moved to McClusky. In 1940 her husband passed away and Grandma Schatz made her home in the Baptist Home in Bismarck for most of the past 23 years. Mrs. Margaret Schatz was the last surviv-

ing charter member of the McClusky Baptist Church where she had been a member for many years. Rev. B. W. Krentz, administrator of the Home in Bismarck brought the funeral message.
McClusky, North Dakota
W. G. GERTHE, Pastor

MRS. ALVINA WERK of Chilliwack, B. C.

Mrs. Alvina Werk, nee Fritzsche, of Chilliwack, B. C., was born on Dec. 19, 1878 in Russia and went to be with the Lord on June 24, 1963, having reached the age of 84. She accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age. She was a dearly beloved saint of God whose life was a source of inspiration to all who knew her. On June 9, 1902 she was united in marriage to Fred Werk and they came to Canada making their home at Ebenezer, Sask., for three years and then living most of their lives in Fenwood and Hobbart, Sask. They retired in 1950 and moved to Chilliwack, B. C. where they resided until the time of her passing. By the grace of God they celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary last year.

She leaves to mourn her devoted husband Fred Werk; four daughters: Mrs. Walter (Lydia) Wilkie; Mrs. John (Elsie) Nessel and Miss Clara of Chilliwack, B. C.; Mrs. Lloyd (Emily) Taylor of Fenwood, Sask.; four sons: William and Edward of Fenwood, Sask.; Henry of Chilliwack, B. C. and Ray of Vedder Crossing, B. C. Also surviving are 41 grandchildren, 38 great grandchildren, 3 brothers, and 4 sisters.

Victoria Avenue Baptist Church
Chilliwack, B. C.
BERT W. TUTSCHEK, Pastor

MR. EILERT PETER FEHR of East Grand Forks, Minnesota

Mr. Eilert P. Fehr of East Grand Forks, Minn., was born on Dec. 28, 1909 at Manfred, N. Dak., and died by accidental drowning on July 9, 1963. Since 1925 he had been engaged in farming in rural East Grand Forks. He came to know the Lord personally at 15 years of age. In 1925 he was baptized by Rev. Frank Balogh and received into the membership of the Grace Baptist Church, Grand Forks, N. Dak. At present he was serving as a trustee. He had served in this position previously. He had also served as assistant Sunday school superintendent.

On Feb. 24, 1931 he was married to Clara Luithle of Hebron, N. Dak. He is survived by his widow; his children, Peter Jr., presently of St. Paul, Minn.; (Marjorie) Mrs. Harold Lang of Cleveland, Ohio; (Jean) Mrs. William Rath of Vista, Calif.; Walter in the Republic of Congo; Eric of Fargo, N. Dak.; Carol and Robert at home; his father, Peter Fehr, Sr.; a brother, Jake, of rural East Grand Forks; a sister, Mrs. Agnes Bauer of Adrian, Minn.; and five grandchildren. Among the many other things, he will be remembered for the hours he gave in painting in our new building in recent days.

Grace Baptist Church
Grand Forks, North Dakota
WILLIS POTRATZ, Pastor

MR. CHARLES SCHULTZ of Winnipeg, Manitoba

Mr. Charles Schultz of Winnipeg, Man., was born in Wolynien, Russia, Sept. 4, 1886. As a young man he came to Canada, settling in Winnipeg where he resided 64 years. On May 2, 1913 he was united in marriage with Auguste Miller. In March 1909 he was baptized upon confession of his faith in Christ and united with the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church. His Christian faith was expressed in service to his Lord in several ways, but especially as a member of the choir and church trustee. In the latter position, his church honored him with the title, "Honorary Trustee," after 25 years in this office. It remained his personal joy and responsibility to keep the church building in condition to be used for worship. He was a devoted husband, a loving father, a friendly neighbor, and a faithful Christian.

Mr. Schultz passed away July 9, 1963 at the age of 76 years, 10 months and 5 days. He leaves to mourn his devoted wife; and the two children: Leo of Toronto; one daughter; Mrs. Violet Streuber of Brandon; 5 grandchildren; one brother; and two sisters.

McDermot Ave. Baptist Church
Winnipeg, Manitoba
A. W. BIBELHEIMER, Pastor

MR. CHRISTIAN J. FISCHER of Ashley, North Dakota

Mr. Christian J. Fischer, of Ashley, N. Dak., was born Dec. 2, 1862 at Bergdorf, South Russia. At the age of 17 years he spent six months in the war with Turkey and Russia. In 1884 he entered regular

military service in Russia and was promoted to a high ranking officer. After his discharge he was united in marriage to Fredericka Trefz on Jan. 9, 1889 in Russia. In 1889 he came to the United States and settled in the Ashley vicinity. In 1897 he became a child of God through faith in Christ and became a member of the Jewell Baptist Church and later the Ashley Baptist Church. He served as deacon and Sunday School teacher.

His first wife passed away on July 11, 1942. On Jan. 23, 1943 he was united in marriage to Magdalena Biederstedt. She passed away one year later. On Jan. 11, 1944 he was united in marriage to Magdalena Wolf. He had enjoyed good health all of his life except the past months. He passed away at the Ashley Hospital May 30th after reaching the age of 100 years, 5 months and 28 days.

He leaves to mourn his death his wife and the following children: Christian C., Ashley, N. Dak.; Jacob C. and Fred, Aberdeen, S. Dak.; Magdalena (Mrs. Ferdinand Haux), Sacramento, Calif.; Carl, Ashley, N. Dak.; David, Fort Totton, N. Dak.; Samuel, Rapid City, N. Dak.; Emmanuel, Ashley, N. Dak. 19 grandchildren; 39 great grandchildren; and one great grandchild. Rev. Ervin H. Schmuland, pastor of the Calvary Church, Aberdeen, S. D., and the local pastor brought brief messages.

Ashley, North Dakota
ISADOR FASZER, Pastor

MRS. ALMA BERTSCH of Ashley, North Dakota

Mrs. Alma Bertsch, nee Gruenelch of Ashley, N. Dak., was born Jan. 13, 1915, on a farm near Ashley. She passed away quietly at her home on April 22, 1963, to be forever released from the suffering and frailty of the body, having reached the age of 48 years, 3 months, and 9 days. Mrs. Bertsch grew up in the vicinity of Underwood, N. Dak. There she committed her life to Christ for salvation. Later she was baptized on July 25, 1937 and united with the Underwood Baptist Church. In May 1940 she transferred her membership to the Ashley Baptist Church.

On March 30, 1939, she was united in marriage to Reinhold K. Bertsch. By the permissive will of God trying days came to this home when Mrs. Bertsch became critically ill. It pleased the Lord to answer the prayers of her family and church and grant her 12 years to spend in rearing her family in the fear and admonition of the Lord. She leaves to mourn her departure, her devoted husband; four sons, Leslie and Raymond, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Stanley and Robert, at home; two daughters, Janice and Shirley, at home; three brothers; and four sisters.

Ashley, North Dakota
ISADOR FASZER, Pastor

MARCH OF EVENTS

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● ECUMENICAL WORK CAMPS. One thousand Christian young people from some fifty countries are taking part in the 1963 Ecumenical Work Camps program of the World Council of Churches. In 50 camps, scattered in 32 countries of Asia, Africa, Europe, the Middle East, South America and the United States, they are digging ditches, plastering walls, helping widen a road, clearing underbrush, laying foundations, caring for homeless children, and doing scores of other jobs to help others. Each camp is international, interracial and inter-confessional with 20 to 30 young people ranging in age from 19 to 30 working under the supervision of two directors. They have volunteered their labor and are paying for the cost of their travel to and from the site. Ecumenical Work Camps were begun in 1947 by the Congregational Christian Service Committee (USA) as a means of giving youth a chance to help in the post-war reconstruction of Europe. The program came under WCC auspices in 1950.—*The Baptist Times*.



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BOOK REVIEWS

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a little confusing to the layman but valuable nevertheless.

THE MODERNS by William C. Fletcher. Zondervan Publishing House — 1962 — 160 pages — \$3.00.

The author has attempted to put into a few pages what would require volumes if the subjects were treated more extensively. It is, therefore, to be read and studied from the standpoint of an introduction to a vast and complex area of theological thought.

Only a very short biographical sketch and the main points of their theological positions are incorporated in each chapter. Schleiermacher is portrayed as the father of modern theology with his emphasis on the feeling or awareness of absolute dependence. Ritschl gloried in his solid, logical (though dull) dogmatism and in his confidence in the act of the moral will to make the Kingdom of God his own. Harnack emphasized, or more correctly, re-emphasized, the fact that Christianity is a historic religion, and stressed the "simple essence" of the Gospel. In Kierkegaard it is difficult to find a system. He was revived by the Christian existentialists. Tillich has a "Greenwich Village" type of theology which appeals to people outside the church. Under his "Method of Correlation," he emphasizes speculation only on matters which are of immediate concern as being useful. Barth's peculiar modernism is evident in a movement away from the excesses of modernism and back to the historic

church and to the language of the church. Logic and experience do not play a major role in the Christian's life, according to Barth, but every facet of theology must confine itself to what God has revealed of himself. Bultmann is probably the most radical theologian in regard to the Scriptures. He symbolizes the "demythological" idea of the Bible, although this word is often misunderstood when related to him.

Whether the number "seven" in this instance has any religious significance in modern or conservative thought, I do not know. But Mr. Fletcher has chosen seven of the most outstanding modern theologians for this condensed study. They were written up in this book by a conservative for conservatives.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

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sins" (1 Peter 4:8). There was no formal or ceremonial repeating and confession of past sins. Forgiveness is most real and sincere when it is felt in the heart and in the soul. Joseph and his brothers were happy to forgive and forget and anxious to start a new life.

Questions for Discussion:

1. Why is it so difficult to see God's plan in our lives when things seem to go wrong?
2. Is it always necessary to go through trouble and sorrow in order to find God and his plan?
3. Was it right for Joseph's brothers to do evil that good may come?

JOHN CLARKE

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attended the General Assembly giving counsel. He died in harness when death suddenly overtook him in 1676. He left most of his property for religious and educational purposes in the colony. His last act was to establish a free school, said to have been the first of its kind in America.

He was a man of great abilities which he used faithfully for the good of others taking care for their bodies and souls with his whole heart and mind. Arnold, governor of Rhode Island, said, "He was a ripe scholar, learned in the practice of two professions, besides having had large experience in diplomatic and political life . . . With all his public pursuits, he continued the practice of his original profession as a physician and also retained the pastoral charge of his church."

Allen in the "Biographical Dictionary" says: "He possessed the singular honor of contributing much toward establishing the first government upon the earth which gave equal liberty, civil and religious, to all men living under it."

BAPTIST BRIEFS

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Baptist Church of Miami, has been elected chairman of local arrangements for the 11th Baptist World Congress which will meet in Miami Beach, Fla., USA, June 25-30, 1965. An executive committee of seven members is expected to name chairmen for some 25 or 30 subcommittees to handle all local arrangements for the Congress. Meetings of the Congress will be held in the Miami Beach Exhibition Hall which has seating accommodations for 15,000 people, with at least two evening meetings held in the gigantic Orange Bowl, a football stadium in Miami.

● **Baptist Responsibilities to Migrants.** All over Europe people are moving from one country to another in search of work and a new life. In Western Germany there are some 700,000 migrant workers with 750,000 in Switzerland and 25,000 in Holland to mention only three countries. Baptists have a two-fold responsibility in this matter. First, they must care for Baptist migrants; secondly, they must use every opportunity of evangelizing these groups of people who find themselves in a new country. For this purpose the European Baptist Federation held a Conference on Migration in Lisbon, Spain on June 7 and 8, at which delegates from Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Holland, Spain, Denmark and Great Britain were present, together with Portuguese friends and Americans working in Lisbon and Madrid. Dr. Rudolph Thaut, secretary of the German Baptist Union, and Pastor S. Corda, an Italian working among migrants in Switzerland, gave first hand accounts of the work that is being done.—*The Baptist Times*.