

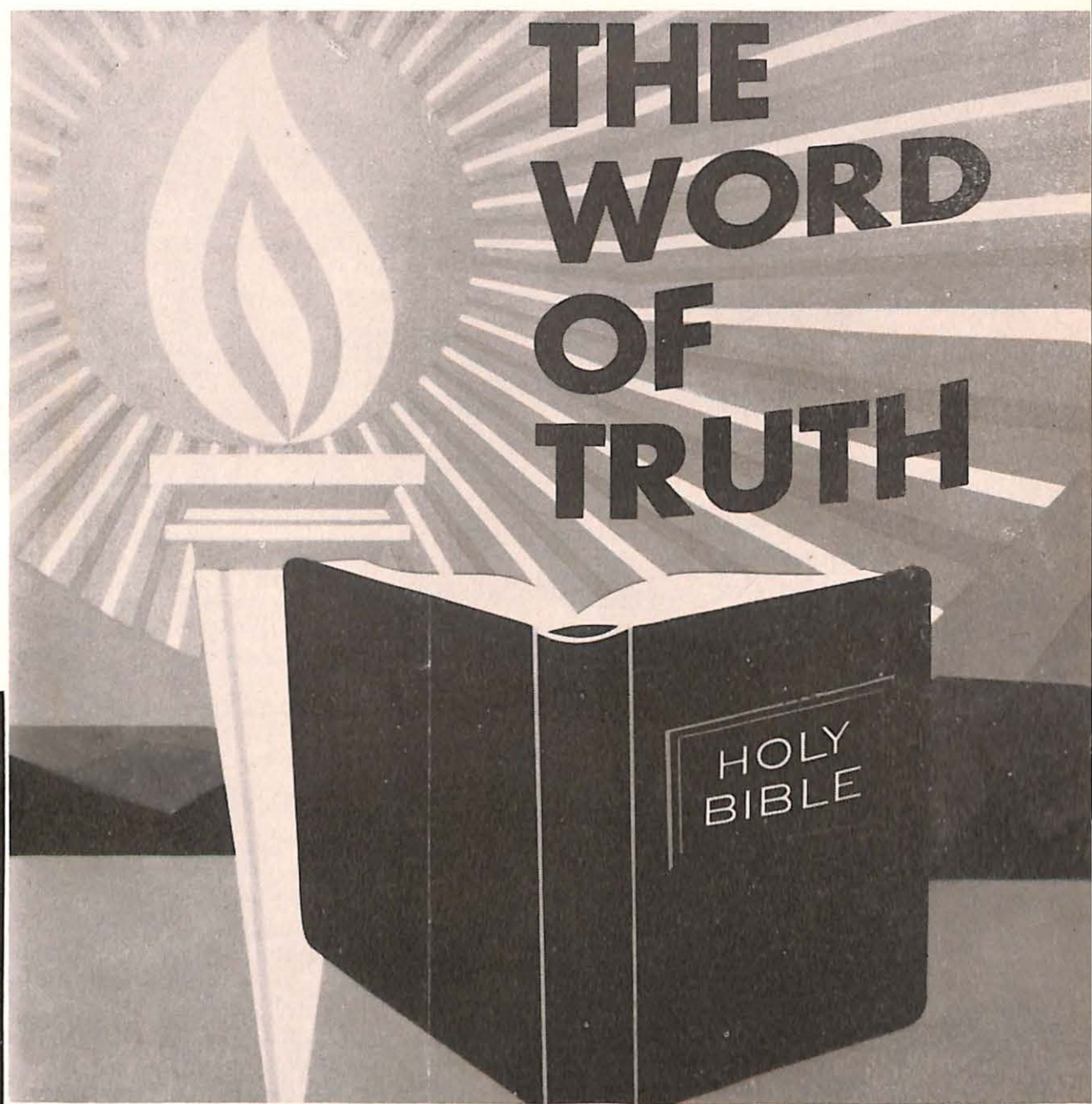
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LOYALTY TO THE SCRIPTURES

Excerpts from an address by J. D. Freeman, Toronto, Ont., at the First Baptist World Congress, London, England, 1905.

THE SOVEREIGNTY of Christ and the supremacy of the New Testament as the rule of life are practically one doctrine. Whether we ground the authority of the New Testament in the fact that Christ gave it to us, or in the fact that it gives us Christ, the result is the same. The Christian consciousness and the Christian Scriptures are not, and cannot be, with us, two separate sources of authority. They are one in Christ.

The New Testament creates the Christian consciousness and appeals to the consciousness it creates. It also corrects the Christian consciousness and progressively justifies itself therein. Hence it is and must ever remain for us the word of final authority. It is the imperial sceptre of the Son of God.

It has been said that the chiefest contribution of the Baptist people to the Christian Church has been her succession of great preachers. That would not be strange if true. The Baptist principle has continually driven our preachers in upon the Scriptures. Standing there, they have felt the Rock of Ages beneath their feet. Standing there, they have beheld the glory of the Lord. They have gazed upon the cross red with the blood of redemption.

The Baptist preacher has never needed to go peeping cautiously about to see what other men were doing, or to put his ear to the ground to listen for the Word from human lips. It has been for him to hear what God the Lord would say and to speak the Word from his mouth. Hence through all the messages of our great preachers, there has ever throbbed the deep awful, gracious note of Calvary.

THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH

THE open Bible—what a priceless Treasure—
A Mine where gems of truth flash forth their light;

A Book that speaks of mercy without measure;
A Lamp to make the pilgrim's pathway bright;
A Fount of Life to those whose souls are weary;
A Voice of Peace above the toil and strife;
A Guide to men whose ways are rough and dreary;
A Heavenly Manna to sustain their life;
A Well of Water for the thirsty stranger;
A Refuge from the burden of the day;
A Lighthouse set to warn from many a danger;
A Fingerpost to point the narrow way;
A Palace where the King dwells in his beauty;
An Armory where soldiers may repair;
A School where servants learn their daily duty;
A Garden where are flowers rich and rare.
Lord! May I love thy Book of grace and glory!
The Word that speaks to me of love Divine—
Teach me to spread abroad its old, old story—
I take it to my heart—I make it mine!

THE BIBLE DAY OFFERING, MARCH 10, 1963

Bible Day Offering envelopes have been sent to all churches. The needs are especially great this year to be met by your generous offerings.

- **NEEDED**—Several thousand Bible portions (Gospels) for Cameroon mission field.
- **NEEDED**—Bibles and New Testaments for distribution on the Indian and Spanish American mission fields.
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- **NEEDED**—Worldwide ministry of the American Bible Society, especially into 40 new countries in 1963.

MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

JANUARY CONTRIBUTIONS. The contributions of our people to the operating budget in January amounted to \$89,861.66 or a total of \$694,474.26 for the first ten months of the fiscal year. In order to reach the operating budget goal of \$805,000, we shall have to be faithful stewards in our giving ministry during the closing weeks prior to March 31st. The January contributions toward the total denominational budget amounted to \$98,873.39, making a total of \$795,408.52 for the first ten months toward the goal of \$925,000.

BIBLE DAY OFFERING. On Sunday, March 10, at the observance of Bible Sunday in many of our churches, an offering will be received for the distribution of Bibles and New Testaments on our various mission fields, by the God's Volunteers' teams and at Church Extension projects, and for our cooperative effort with the important work of world-wide Bible distribution by the American Bible Society.

EXTENSION BUILDERS, MARCH. The \$1.00 contributions of Church Extension Builders in March 1963 will be designated for the Brush College Baptist Chapel in Salem, Oregon. This work is prospering under the leadership of Rev. Arthur Brust and with God's continued blessing. Read about the promising Church Extension field on page 10 and make your contribution cheerfully with a prayer for the new church.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCES. A team of four missionaries and of several denominational workers has been participating in the first of a series of Round Robin Missionary Conferences in the Southern Conference area, Oklahoma, Kansas, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois in January and February 1963. With mounting interest, keen participation and generous offerings, thousands of our church people are receiving a wonderful insight into our mission fields. Be sure to attend these conference sessions in your area!

NEWS OF MISSIONARIES. Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson of the Kumba field, Cameroon, are on their way to the United States, visiting relatives for several weeks in Europe. They expect to arrive in New York by early April. Rev. and Mrs. K. Goodman have

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Editorial

God Is Love — In Every Language!

GOD IS LOVE! That is the Good News of the Bible that shines from its pages whenever this Book is opened and read. These are the wonderful words that transform the lives of people whenever the gift of God's love in Christ Jesus is accepted. This is the heart of God's revelation—the Bible in miniature—that God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son!

This wonderful verse of John 3:16, or some part or all of the Bible, has now been translated and printed in 1,181 languages and dialects, so that men, women and children "to the uttermost parts of the earth" may hear the the message of the Gospel in their own tongue. Wrapped up in this simple statement is a world of romance—the romance of Wycliff putting the Word of God into the tongue of the common people of England in the 14th century; of Carey giving to India the Bible in 34 languages by his own prodigious and almost unbelievable labors; of Morrison buried from the world in China for 13 years and translating the Word for that great empire.

It is the romance too of the Bible colporteur finding his way into the neglected homes of the frontier and crowded city; pushing his wheelbarrow of Bibles into Japanese villages or leading his heavy-laden donkey into the mountains of Argentina; and winding his way up the rivers in Thailand to the accompaniment of the chattering of monkeys and in the shade of tropical foliage. It is the romance of the printing press, from the days of Gutenberg's crude hand machine, slowly turning out its first book—the Bible—page on page, to the almost human mechanism of the 20th century, turning out its millions of copies a year.

God meant everyone to have the Scriptures, but not everyone has them. God wants that all men should be saved, but this message of God's love must be communicated by us to others. It needs to be told and told again with loving concern, with personal conviction, with passionate earnestness. We need to remind ourselves of the great price that God paid in revealing his love to us on the Cross.

If we love these people of the world, who have never heard of God's revelation of love in his Word, then we must double our efforts so that they may have the Gospel in their own tongues and receive it in their hearts. To do this properly is going to cost a great deal of money for the printing and distribution of these Bibles. This is the high cost of loving in Christ's Name!

The American Bible Society with the British and Foreign Bible Society is committed to underwrite half the cost of Scripture production and distribution in 40 new countries in 1963! Twenty-five of these are in Africa, six in Asia and nine in Latin America. As North American Baptists, we are now cooperating with the American Bible Society in this worldwide ministry, besides distributing Bibles and Gospel portions on our mission fields and through our Church Extension projects.

Remember the high cost of loving in the light of God's great sacrifice on the Cross on Bible Sunday, March 10, 1963. Fill the offering envelopes and pray that we, too, might look with loving compassion on those who are still living in spiritual darkness without the light of these wonderful words of revelation: **GOD IS LOVE!**

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WHAT DARKNESS CANNOT DIM

A Bible Day Message
By Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo



TO MANY IN INDIA THE BIBLE BRINGS LIGHT

THE BIBLE READING program sponsored by the American Bible Society was sparked by the request of a Marine on Guadalcanal who asked his family to join him in reading certain verses from the Bible each day. It has now become worldwide. THE BOOK FOR EVERYONE reminds us that the glory of God through Jesus Christ, in the minds and hearts of all men, can yet make this a different world.

There are two things the Bible never takes into consideration. The Bible never takes geography into consideration: it leaps across the barriers of the nations and disregards the frontiers of peoples; it is at home in every land and language.

Then, too, it never takes time into consideration. Written thousands of years ago, it is as relevant today as when the words were first recorded. It is meant for all lands, all languages and all times; the Bible belongs to the ages; the Bible lights up the road to significance.

A GOD-GUIDED LIFE

Almost every page is aflame with the story of what man can do when he is willing to let God take possession of him. It is always saying, "Look what you can do with life when it is God-guided!"

A Moses may think himself inadequate for the responsibilities which confront him; but when he places his hands in the hands of God, he becomes one of the five great men of history and the founder of a great nation. A plowman in Tekoa becomes a prophet of social justice; a tax collector, never a popular man, becomes the writer of the First Gospel. A slave girl becomes the instrument through which a

general is cleansed of leprosy; an intolerant bigot becomes a preacher of the Gospel of love. The stone which the builders reject becomes the headstone of the corner.

Beneath the thin surface of the humblest are inestimable values. Deep in the human heart are talents which grace can transform and glorify. In spite of what you say, man is made a little lower than the angels, capable of thinking God's thoughts after him. "What can a man give in exchange for his soul?"

If you ever doubt the worth of life, go to Calvary and read the story of Christ dying for you. To an age overwhelmed with frustration and insignificance the Bible calls out, "Put yourself in the hands of God and leave yourself there." There are no iron curtains to keep the power of God out.

THE PRECIOUS BIBLE

When Evangeline Booth returned from a world tour for the Salvation Army, she told me of a little village in India where lived families of the robber caste. The village was full of thieves and thugs. Every attempt by the government to stamp out the wrong failed. Then the government resolved to destroy the village entirely and scatter the people.

But the Salvation Army asked if it could have a chance to do something to save the village before the decree was carried out; so a little band of Salvationists preached on the street corners and in the rice fields. The redeeming grace of Christ began to work in the village. The chief of the robber caste was converted, and the entire village population was baptized. Stealing stopped; not a complaint was made against them. The village had

been made over.

The police thought this was too good to last and, sure enough, robberies broke out. The police sent a secret agent to shadow the leader. They saw him late one evening, slinking down a narrow trail with a bundle under his arm wrapped up in a newspaper. They were sure he was at it again. They followed him to his home, and then they watched through the window as he entered his house, closed the door, gathered his family about him and unwrapped the bundle. They expected to see loot tumble out.

To their surprise they saw that the bundle was a Bible—borrowed from a neighbor in another village. The children gathered about him near the light, and through the open window was heard a clear voice reading: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

GOSPEL OF REDEMPTION

This is the Book which pierces the darkness of sin and offers redemption. Some years ago, early in my ministry, I came to know and to befriend a man who was later convicted of murder. I stayed with him through his long trial and his imprisonment in Sing Sing. I visited him often in the death house. One day I asked the guard who was always with me when I talked with him if I could give him a copy of the New Testament. The guard looked the book over very carefully and handed this New Testament to this condemned man through the steel screen which separated us.

I remember well the last visit I had with him a week later. It was his last night on earth; the following

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THE BIBLE — INSTRUMENT OF MISSIONS

The Bible is a missionary book, one of God's great instruments for winning lost men and women in every nation.

By Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, General Secretary
of the Baptist World Alliance



After his conversion to Christ, Andreas Din (right), a former Muslim priest in India, opened a tea stall near a crowded bus stop in the bazaar and now reads the Bible's good news to other Muslims.

ONE OF THE KEY roles of the Bible within the redemptive purpose of God is linked with missions. Several of the books of the New Testament were written in connection with the missionary activity of the Christians in the first century. The Bible is a missionary book, one of God's great instruments for winning lost men and women in every nation. Christian missionaries are therefore eager to make the Bible available in the language of the people among whom they serve.

Perhaps the earliest translation of large parts of the Bible was into Syriac, and probably the first translation of the whole Bible was made by Bishop Ulfilas (311-381) who endeavored to convert the Goths to Christianity. The Latin Vulgate completed by Jerome in 404 became practically the only Bible in use until the Reformation.

In 1383 Wycliffe translated the Vulgate into vigorous English. It was copied by hand and could not therefore

be widely distributed. But after the invention of movable type and the printing press a surge of translations made the Bible available to the common man in his own language.

William Tyndale's translation of the New Testament, printed in 1525, and Miles Coverdale's Bible of 1535 were indispensable factors in the English Reformation. The Reformation in central Europe was in no small measure carried forward by Luther's translation of the Bible into German. During the 16th century the Bible was translated and printed in the languages of most European nations.

CAREY AND JUDSON

William Carey, pioneer Baptist missionary, easily holds the record for Bible translations. He arrived in India November 11, 1793, where he remained until his death June 19, 1834. With the assistance of native scholars Carey translated the whole Bible into six

languages (Hindi, Bengali, Sanskrit, Assamese, Oriya, and Marathi), the New Testament into 23 additional languages, and one or more of the gospels into five more dialects, making a total of 34 languages in which the Bible or portions of it became available to the people in the Far East through the labors of William Carey.

Adoniram Judson completed the translation of the Bible into Burmese on January 31, 1834. On that day he wrote: "I have knelt down before him with the last leaf in my hand, and imploring his forgiveness for all the sins which have polluted my labors in this department, and his aid in future efforts to remove the errors and imperfections which necessarily cleave to the work. I have commended it to his mercy and grace, I have dedicated it to his glory."

Probably most of the Bible translations in the world today were made by missionaries. In every continent they labored long and hard to translate the Bible into many languages and dialects.

TRANSLATIONS IN 1181 LANGUAGES (LATEST COUNT)

The printing and distribution of the Scriptures have been largely the work of Bible societies. The British and Foreign Bible Society was founded in London in 1804. Up to that time the Scriptures had been published in 71 languages. The American Bible Society was organized in 1816. Since then numerous Bible societies have been formed, and 23 of them are associated in a world organization known as the

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BIBLE DAY LITERATURE

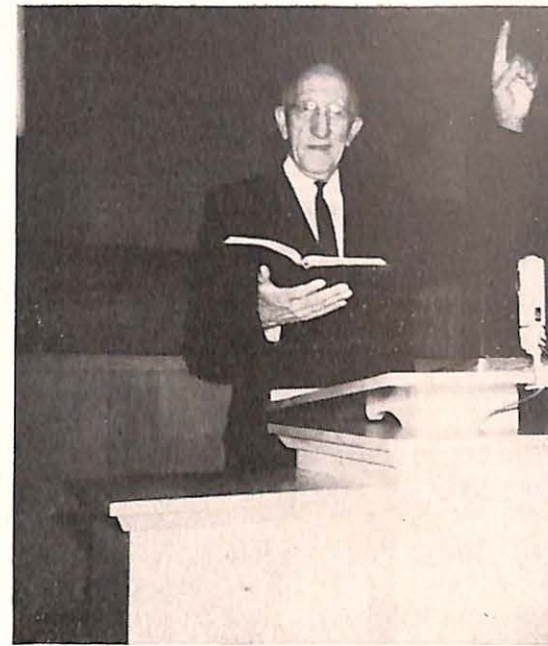
- Read the Bible Day insert and leaflet, "Bibles Now Through the Churches" to be distributed in your church bulletins on Sunday, March 10.
- Use the Bible Day Offering envelopes that have been sent to the churches. Read about "The Bible Cause in Africa" on the back page of the bulletin insert. Pray for this important ministry of Bible distribution.

MAKE BIBLE SUNDAY A DAY OF BLESSING FOR ALL!
SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1963

On Wings of Grace

The greatest need of today is the Gospel of Christ, preached in power and dedication of life!

By Rev. Herman Palfenier on the completion of 15 years of faithful service as Denominational Evangelist.



Rev. Herman Palfenier behind the pulpit preaching the Word of Life. On March 31, 1963 he will complete 15 years as denominational evangelist and will retire from this active ministry.

BLESS THE LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name." With these words of the Psalmist, I would like to begin my swan song as denominational evangelist for they express perfectly the feelings that dwell within my heart and mind at this time. What grace and what mercy have accompanied me on my manifold journeyings during the fifteen years of my labors as evangelist within the framework of our beloved denomination!

Words cannot express nor convey the full meaning of all that God has wrought. I shall never be able to give full expression to the debt I owe him for the strength he gave in times of weakness, and the grace he granted when loneliness, discouragement and temptations threatened to overwhelm my soul and heart. I remember the joys he gave in the preaching of the Gospel, the fellowship which was mine with the wonderful pastors and their families, and the faithful people of our denomination. Without them, all my labors would have been in vain. Truly, the Lord has been good to me!

MY WONDERFUL HELPMET

But I must not forget the wonderful helpmeet whom the Lord gave me! She bore the brunt of the burden of responsibility at home and for the family, and what a grand success she has made of it! Her love to the Lord and to the work of our denomination has ever been the secret of her strength and marvelous patience. Because of all this, the Lord was pleased to win precious souls unto himself! To him be the glory!

What wonders of grace we have seen! Truly, the word of Paul is true: "Where sin abounded, grace has

superabundantly abounded." Soul stirring experiences come to my mind. In the midst of a revival among the young people of a church, how the Holy Spirit brought convincing, convicting and converting grace in such a measure that the pastor of the church said: "I have been in the ministry over thirty years, but I have never seen the like of this!"

Families on the brink of divorce were reunited. The shackles of besetting sins were untied; the cries of despair and hopelessness changed to shouts of joy. Redemption was experienced from the bondage of sin and spiritual ignorance, pride and self-sufficiency. As one lady, whom the Lord has used marvelously since in the winning of souls, said: "You took away every argument I had. It was like scales falling off my eyes." Time nor space do not permit me to go on if I were to count up all that which the Lord so wonderfully performed in answer to prayer and faithfulness on the part of God's people. All that would fill the pages of a book.

STATISTICS OF 15 YEARS

During the past 15 years, Rev. H. Palfenier has conducted about 304 evangelistic campaigns besides bringing many messages in other services. The converts who have been won for Christ during these years could easily compose 15 small churches. A number of these converts have gone into full-time Christian service as pastors and missionaries.

Mr. Palfenier will be available for service in churches as evangelist, special speaker or interim pastor with all arrangements to be made directly with him at 4207 Russell Ave. N., Minneapolis 12, Minn.

The greatest need of today is the Gospel of Christ, preached in power and dedication of life! The world is still lying in the wicked one! The nations and the peoples of this world are distraught and perplexed as never before. What and who shall redeem them from their sins? Only Christ! This conviction is rooted more firmly in my heart than it ever was before. The towers of Babel that man seeks to erect can only bring more confusion and frustration. Even the United Nations is not the answer. The one unifying force is the power of God in and through the Gospel.

The love of God shed abroad in the hearts of people will do more than all the efforts of man unaided by, and apart from Christ, than all else. If only professing Christians were aware of that more fully! Even in our own churches, there are many who do not seem to care. They live within the circle of their own narrow concerns and desires and plans. They care little for the redemptive purposes of God which should be realized through them unto the salvation of souls and the renewing of the moral and spiritual structures of society and the nations. Even those nearest and dearest to them do not stir them to action and dedication of life toward that end.

ARISE, PEOPLE OF GOD

Some churches have not had real soul saving meetings or revivals for years. One elderly brother exclaimed, after the completion of our meetings in his church: "Praise God, we have had an old-fashioned revival. Not in twenty years have we had something like this!" Should not the challenge of the hour and of our time stir us as believers to do our utmost for him

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From the Sacred Ganges to the Valley of Kashmir

Impressions of India by Mrs. Emma B. Meier of Portland, Oregon



Ceremonial bathing in the sacred River Ganges, Benares as photographed by Mrs. Emma B. Meier.

FROM MY DIARY: July 31. New Delhi to Srinagar, Kashmir. Good breakfast: pancakes one inch thick. Electricity goes off 9-12 daily. Power shortage. Walk down 6 flights to lobby, Ashoka Hotel. Board Jet for Srinagar 11:30. Sit beside young Kashmiri engineer. Stimulating conversation. Arr. Srinagar 13:30. Bus to OBEROI PALACE HOTEL on Dal Lake, 6000 ft. above sea level. Cool. High mountains all around. Scenery heavenly!

KASHMIR! What a welcome relief from the heat and humidity of Central India were these four restful days in this lovely Valley of Kashmir, the "PARADISE ON EARTH" of the Persian poets! And the flight to Kashmir is one I shall not forget, for I happened to sit beside a young Kashmiri engineer, who had just seen his sister off for America and was returning home to Srinagar.

We were soon engaged in a lively conversation which went on even over our luncheon trays. He spoke an excellent English, seemed eager to talk with an American and, after a bit of small-talk on various subjects, he asked quite pointedly: "What are your

impressions of India?" That was a big order!

I began by telling of the things that had impressed me most—how I had sat in awe and wonder before the inimitable Taj Mahal, first in the soft glow of sunset and then in the bright light of the sun the next day. I told of how I enjoyed Jaipur with its rose-colored PALACE OF THE WINDS, and Amber, nearby, where we rode in state on elephants up the hill to the Old Palace and wandered through its spacious marble halls set with myriads of tiny mirrors. I told of how I had been deeply moved at the sight of hundreds of pilgrims bathing in the sacred River Ganges at Benares and of our surprise in Calcutta, when our bus was stopped on a downtown street and the traffic snarled, all because a sacred cow had chosen to lie down in the middle of a narrow street.

Then he pressed me with the question: "But what about people?" Somewhat reluctantly I told him that what had struck me most forcibly and persistently was the INERTIA I saw everywhere. Wherever we drove or walked, we saw men squatting on the ground in front of their huts or shops, their knees drawn up to their chins,

simply squatting for hours on end. Even in the fields we saw them in this position, doing nothing, in striking contrast to the Japanese we had recently seen, always bent over, busily working with their rice plants.

The young engineer interrupted me suddenly with an emphatic: "You are so right! INERTIA is the right word. It is the curse of India." And with deep emotion he said that this was not confined to the lower classes but permeates all levels of culture and that he had to contend with it in his own family. He wants to come to an American university to continue his studies in engineering, but is being discouraged by his father and his grandfather, both well-educated men. They cannot understand why he should want to study, since he has a job and security and social standing.

We discussed the probable causes of this inertia, what effect climate, economic conditions, even religion might have. He confessed that as a child he had been very religious and as a student had "looked into" many religions, including Christianity, but was at present "uncommitted."

I could not help wondering what

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In Jaipur Mrs. Meier (3rd from left on elephant) rode in state on an elephant up hill to the Old Palace with its halls of mirrors. At the Taj Mahal Park at Agra she saw lawn mowing being carried on by sacred cows and their driver in primitive style.



February 28, 1963

Discipline in the Christian Family

God has laid down certain principles in his Word for Christian parents to follow and for the blessed destiny of their children.

By Rev. Herbert Vetter of Missoula, Montana

THE PROBLEMS AND responsibilities of parenthood are stupendous in these days, and apart from the help of the Lord no parent can expect his children to turn out right.

However, God has laid down certain principles in his Word to which we must give heed. Don't expect God to do it all, for he will not help you if you do not give heed to the counsel that he has written down for you in the Bible. There are some parents who think that all that is necessary is to provide for their children until they grow up and are on their own. They consider that they have no responsibility for the moulding and fashioning of their children's lives.

As someone has said, "I do not know, yet it seems to me that only weeds are left to unfold naturally!" What kind of children would you have,—untended weeds or God tended flowers? Oh, that we might exercise the same simple God-given attention in the spring time of our children's lives as the gardener uses on his precious flowers.

PARENTAL AUTHORITY

The first and perhaps most important principle is that of the unquestioned authority of father and mother in the home. Parents must stand before the child in the place of God until the child knows God for himself. It is a fact that there is a period in child-life when as yet the child has no clear idea of God, when for him, therefore, the parents stand in the

place of God. Dr. Morgan has said, "What God is to the adult, parents are to the child—lawgiver and lover, provider and controller." Parents then must personify and establish the authority of God before their children.

This was the thing that Eli failed to do and, as a result, his two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, grew up to be what we can call, "Good for nothings!" They committed all kinds of sin, and finally God had to step in and slay them. God's Word says that "Eli's sons made themselves vile and Eli restrained them not" (I Sam. 3:13). Eli just let them grow up and exercised no real fatherly authority over them. Oh, it says that he got after them for what they were doing, but they were simply words with the boys who had never learned to fear and respect their father in the home.

The only way that this fear and respect can be fostered in a large measure is through the use of the hickory stick. As Dr. Fuller has often said, "We need to apply the board of education to the seat of knowledge." As someone else has cleverly put it, "The only way you can knock sense into some children's heads is to start at the bottom."

I know that this is unpopular today, and I am reminded of an article I read recently about a little fellow who was hardly three years old. It told of the incident when a butcher knife was taken away from the little fellow. Immediately he purpled with rage and threw himself headlong on the floor, kicking and beating the

linoleum and screaming like ten thousand devils, "I want it! I want it!"

Now the article actually congratulated the mother who allowed the little fellow to carry on his temper tantrums for ten minutes without even lifting a finger in word or deed to stop him. The article pointed out how that in this way no damage would be done to the child's ego. This is indeed the teaching that many are giving heed to today.

Is it any wonder that young people today grow up to disregard what their parents say, and then what the law says, and finally what God says? I don't think so.

THE POWER OF EXAMPLE

But now let us notice that this authority must be coupled with a godly parental example—the two must go hand in hand. Parents must live what they preach. They must be able to say to their children what Paul said to his converts, "Those things, which ye have both learned and received, and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace shall be with you" (Phil. 4:9).

I ask you, Are you setting good examples for your children? What about your prayer life, your Bible study, the words you speak in the home? Yes, what about your attendance at God's house? Are you regularly in church with your children or is it a kind of hit and miss sort of thing? Children are quick to catch on, whether these things are of primary or secondary importance in your life.

Authority and example must go together. There are those who speak of certain parents as being too strict, and they point to children who have gone bad because of it. If you want to know the reason, it is because authority has not been coupled with a godly parental example. The two must go together.

But now let us notice how that parental authority and example must be coupled with parental discipline that is based on love. It is no accident that children are dependent upon their parents for so many years. They are in our hands for years, all for the purpose of being led and trained and taught and warned and admonished and corrected and disciplined. This then is our monumental responsibility with our children, a charge covering some twenty years and more.

There is now a tendency on the part of some parents to shirk their responsibility and to try to throw the spiritual nurture of their children over

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BAPTIST HERALD

"God's Volunteers" Across the Continent

Reports of Teams I and II and of their glowing witness for Jesus Christ

TEAM II IN THE SOUTHLAND

By Ronna Merrick, Reporter

Palm trees swaying in the breeze. Warm sunshine streaming down. From 90° in the afternoon to 26° one night. This was Donna, Texas from Jan. 4-13, the first campaign after Christmas for Team II of God's Volunteers.

Rev. Herman Palfenier joined us on Jan. 6 to begin his ministry as guest evangelist. Our hearts were warmed as several people responded to the invitation to dedicate their lives to the Lord. Victories were won in their lives.

Interspersed with our visitation and evangelism work were a trip to the Gulf of Mexico with a couple from the church and a trip to Reynosa, Mexico with Rev. George E. Conway, pastor. An incident in Mexico will remain in our minds. We entered the large Catholic Church, and as we stood there, a small Mexican woman entered. She fell to her knees and with two lighted candles in her hands, she shuffled her way to the altar across the cold, stone floor. She was doing penance. How we praised the Lord that day for his redeeming love that led us out of fear and darkness into his light!

On the last Saturday of our stay in Donna, we were privileged to take part in the chapel service at the Rio Grande Bible Institute. Mr. Palfenier's message was related to the students by means of an interpreter. Many of the students are young couples learning Spanish in preparation for work in Mexico; others are Mexican students. It was an encouragement as we looked upon those in preparation for full-time service for the Lord.

Early on Jan. 14, Rev. Herman Palfenier and the team set out for the Mowata Baptist Church in Branch, Louisiana to begin our work with Rev. Alex Sootzmann.

Visitation in this area was limited because of poor weather conditions.

We praise and thank the Lord for his guiding and protecting hand as we have traveled these many miles.

TEAM I OUT IN THE WEST

By Kathy E. Dockter, Reporter

Our LaSalle, Colorado campaign was a reunion for members of Team I of God's Volunteers after the Christmas holidays. Jarene, Marilyn and Owen left Minneapolis in "Schmoe" and picked up Bernie in Smith Center, Kansas. Judy traveled by train to LaSalle and Kathy by bus.

Everyone was ready to kick over the traces. Marilyn Woyke, our program chairman, immediately went to

work organizing all the musical selections we were to use, and got our voices back into singing order. Jarene Gunst, our secretary, started her work on all the necessary correspondence which goes with the team's activities. A record of our expenses for the Christmas vacation had to be recorded on file by our treasurer and statistician, Judy Hoelzer.

Bernie Thole, our car custodian, had "Schmoe," our auto, rearing to go. Kathy Dockter was trying to pick up bits of information for the readers of the "Baptist Herald." Owen Sowadny,

moved, souls were rededicated and many saints revived. It was wonderful to serve on the LaSalle field. We got to know those who are comparatively far from any sister churches as well as having the privilege of working with Rev. Fred Fuchs and his family.

We started our three day, two night trip to Colfax, Washington on Monday morning. The drive was enlightening and beautiful as we crossed the foothills of the Rockies in "Schmoe."

Our Crusade for Christ meetings began the evening of our arrival in Colfax, and continued for a week and a



GOD'S VOLUNTEERS TEAMS I AND II

Both teams of "God's Volunteers" (Team I at left and Team II at right) along with their director, Rev. Walter Hoffman, (center), are photographed in front of the Christian Training Institute building, Edmonton, Alberta (Photo by Prof. Roy Seibel).

our group leader, cracked the whip, gave a growl, and off we started with renewed energy for the second half of our campaign. Rev. Walter Hoffman flew to Denver, Colorado, where the team met him and brought him back to LaSalle.

Rev. Fred Fuchs orientated us into the work on the LaSalle field. The weather limited us as far as our calling was concerned, but we did do some prospect calling and went out canvassing for two days. As the spirit

half. Our work with Rev. F. E. Klein was that of prospect calling. With the beautiful new church that went up in Colfax, there came the opportunity for many open doors to prospects for church attendance and salvation. The team was also utilized in approximately ten radio broadcasts, which means a lot of extra programming but also means open channels to people who never darken the doorway of a church.

We took part in Sunday school openings, as we do in all the churches we serve. We were also used in several youth meetings rendering personal words of testimonies and songs. A skit acting out the five types of people we meet in a canvass was used.

We are not able to save souls... We are out in this work glorifying God with what he has given us. Certainly, we as a team are edified as we, through the wooing of God's Holy Spirit, are instrumental in leading souls to Christ... Pray to that end!

MARCH SCHEDULE OF "GOD'S VOLUNTEER" TEAMS	
TEAM I	
March 3-10—Salt Creek Church,	Dallas, Oregon.
March 13-20 — Immanuel Church,	Portland, Oregon
TEAM II	
March 3-10 — Immanuel Church,	New York, N. Y.
March 17-24—Fleischmann Memorial	Church, Philadelphia, Pa.



The Bethel Baptist Church, Missoula, Montana of which Rev. Herbert Vetter is the pastor. This message on the Christian Home was preached to this congregation.



The newly dedicated Educational Unit of the Brush College Baptist Chapel (left) of Salem, Oregon, a Church Extension project of the Bethel Baptist Church and of the denomination. Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Brust of the Chapel are in the center picture.

Brush College Chapel, Salem, Oregon

Dedication of this \$25,000 Educational Unit and Church Extension project reported by Mrs. Adelyne R. N. Rocks of Salem, Oregon

IT WAS WITH heartfelt fervor that the over-flowing congregation in the Bethel Baptist Church, Salem, Oregon, sang "Now Thank We All Our God." November 18, 1962 was a special date in the hearts and minds of the members of this church. God "had blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love." The evidence of the blessings was the Brush College Baptist Chapel, which was dedicated to the Lord on this date.

EDUCATIONAL UNIT

Under the able leadership of our pastor, Rev. Everett A. Barker, a study committee was elected in January 1958 to study the long range needs of the church. In March 1959 this committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. W. C. Heringer, recommended to the church that we assume the responsibility for directing the work of a small American Sunday School Union effort outside the city. Rev. Clemence Auch was appointed to direct the work until he felt led in June to accept the pastorate of the Carroll Avenue Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schirman went from Bethel Church as superintendents of the small Sunday school. In the spring of 1960 Mr. William Wuorinen, a student at Western Conservative Baptist Seminary in Portland, Oregon, was appointed to assist in the work on week ends. He commenced a worship service and the group met in the humble surroundings of a Grange Hall. He served the group until June 1962.

After many frustrating experiences, the Lord led us to purchase three acres on a beautiful site in the Brush College area of West Salem for \$6,000.

Plans were drawn for an Educational Unit as the first of a three stage development program, followed by ground-breaking in October 1961. The first unit is planned with 2,000 square feet on each floor, which will include

CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS — March 1963

The contributions of Church Extension Builders in MARCH 1963 will be designated for the Brush College Baptist Chapel of Salem, Oregon, a joint project of the denomination and of the Bethel Baptist Church, Salem, Oregon. Rev. Arthur Brust is the Church Extension pastor.

a chapel, five classrooms, lavatories and a Sunday school office. The daylight basement is to be completed as the need arises. It will include additional classrooms, kitchen, storage and a social room.

George Schirman and Elton Kuper were engaged by the church on salary to direct the construction, with many others donating valuable hours of labor. The Chapel was constructed at a cost of \$25,000 including furnishings and some landscaping, but excluding the basement.

REV. ARTHUR BRUST, PASTOR

The Christmas program in 1961, with 115 people in attendance, was the

SPRING CONVOCATION

March 26-27, 1963

NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST SEMINARY

Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Five Lectures on "The Pastor's Evangelistic Ministry" DR. SAMUEL SOUTHARD Associate Professor, Psychology of Religion, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

In order to assure accommodations, all reservations must be made by March 20. The cost, including meals and housing, is \$3.50.

first meeting held in the partially completed building. Rev. Daniel Fuchs, our denominational Church Extension director, and Rev. Joe Sonnenberg, Western District secretary, met with our committee in December. It was felt that a full-time pastor was needed to develop the new work. The denominational Church Extension Committee suggested calling Rev. Arthur Brust of Lodi, Calif., as the first full-time pastor, with the responsibility for the salary being shared by Church Extension and the Bethel Church.

Rev. Arthur Brust accepted the call and commenced his ministry on July 1, 1962. Under his able leadership the work is growing and a good foundation is being laid for what promises to be a good opportunity to be in on the ground floor of a new area. The chapel project is on a mother-daughter relationship with the Bethel Church with five families presently helping with the new work. The project is administered by a Chapel Board with members elected from both groups.

DEDICATION CEREMONIES

Dedication ceremonies included a fellowship dinner on Friday evening, November 16, with an emphasis on Christian Education. Rev. Joe Sonnenberg spoke at the 11 A.M. Worship Service and at the Dedication Service in the afternoon, which was shared by community leaders and members of our Oregon Association churches. The theme for the week end was "Launching Forth With Christ." The blessed day was consummated with a communion service conducted by Pastor Everett Barker and the deacons from Bethel Church.

The Lord has blessed the start of this infant effort, and we trust that we may be faithful to the Lord in accomplishing his will for this future church.

THE BIBLE — INSTRUMENT OF MISSIONS

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United Bible Societies.

The whole Bible has now been translated into 221 languages, one of the Testaments into 277, one gospel or a Bible book into 667. So today the Bible or portions of it are available in 1165 languages. But still there are a thousand languages without any Bible translation, which represent about five per cent of the earth's population. Every man on earth ought to have the Bible available in his own language.

In the early days of American history Bibles were imported from England. The first Bible printed in America was a translation by missionary John Eliot into the language of Massachusetts Indians. The second Bible issued in America was a German edition printed by Christopher Saur at Germantown, Pennsylvania, in 1743. The first English Bible was printed in America by Robert Aitken in Philadelphia in 1782 just six years after the independence of the United States.

INCREASE OF LITERACY

The population of the earth is increasing at an exploding rate. The task of teaching the masses to read is also proceeding at a fantastic pace spurred by the methods of Frank Laubach and others. There are now one million new readers in the world every week. What will they read?

It is estimated that 300 million people in Asia have learned to read since 1945. The Bible societies had calculated that 100 million Bible books were needed, but the Communists offer four times as many books. The Far East, the Arab world, Latin America, eastern Europe, and the new nations in Africa are being showered with printed materials which threaten to engulf the world with teaching contrary to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

PUBLISHING RELIGIONS

Buddhism and Islam are increasingly becoming publishing religions. When Mohammed (570-632), the prophet and founder of Mohammedanism, appeared on the scene of the Arab world, there was no translation of the Bible in Arabic. Most of the Arab-speaking people were illiterate at that time and the Christians evidently thought that it would not pay to put the Bible into their language. The Koran appeared and Islam marched to power as Arab people learned to read and recite their holy book. What if it had been the Bible?

Much is being done to give the Bible to the people of all nations in our day.

The American Bible Society received \$1,065,650 from the churches in the United States in 1961. More than twelve million copies of Scriptures were sent overseas, a 30 per cent increase over 1960. Of these 2,042,000 went to Argentina, 1,595,312 to Brazil, 906,660 to Cuba, 1,039,647 to Korea, 2,791,277 to India, 2,505,305 to Japan, and the rest to other lands. The total

THANK YOU, ANNUAL READERS

For the first time in 18 years, the entire printing of 4,000 copies of the ANNUAL has been sold out. You who possess a copy are to be regarded as unusually fortunate. If your church has a few copies left, we urge you to rush to buy them. They are already quite scarce. No more copies are available from the Forest Park headquarters office. Sorry! But we are grateful to all of you for your enthusiastic response to the 1963 ANNUAL. Enjoy the reading of it throughout the year!

EDITOR.

number of volumes produced by the American Bible Society in 1961 was 33,415,676.

BIBLES IN RUSSIA

In 1956, 50,000 Russian Bibles were printed in Moscow. In 1957 a Baptist edition of the Russian Bible in 10,000 copies was also printed in Moscow. They were soon sold out. Last year the American Bible Society offered to supply Russian Bibles to the Moscow Patriarchate of the Orthodox Church. The offer was courteously turned down by the Russian Orthodox churchmen with the explanation that adequate facilities are at hand for printing the Bible in the U.S.S.R. We shall eagerly look forward to the news that new printings of the Bible are actually under way there.

But this and all that the many Bible societies and mission organizations

are doing is not enough. More Bibles are needed. Furthermore, the distribution alone does not suffice. Just as in the days of Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch we must hear the Spirit say: "Go near, and join thyself to this chariot." The Holy Spirit may guide a man to understand the Bible without a human teacher, but in Acts 8:29-31 he used Scripture plus a human evangelist to win the high official.

The Bible is God's message of grace to lost men, the good news that "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself" (2 Cor. 5:19), and a summons to sonship through repentance and faith. Let us help put the Bible within the reach of every man in our world, and be ready to interpret the Word of God by life and word to every person within our reach.

WHAT DARKNESS CANNOT DIM

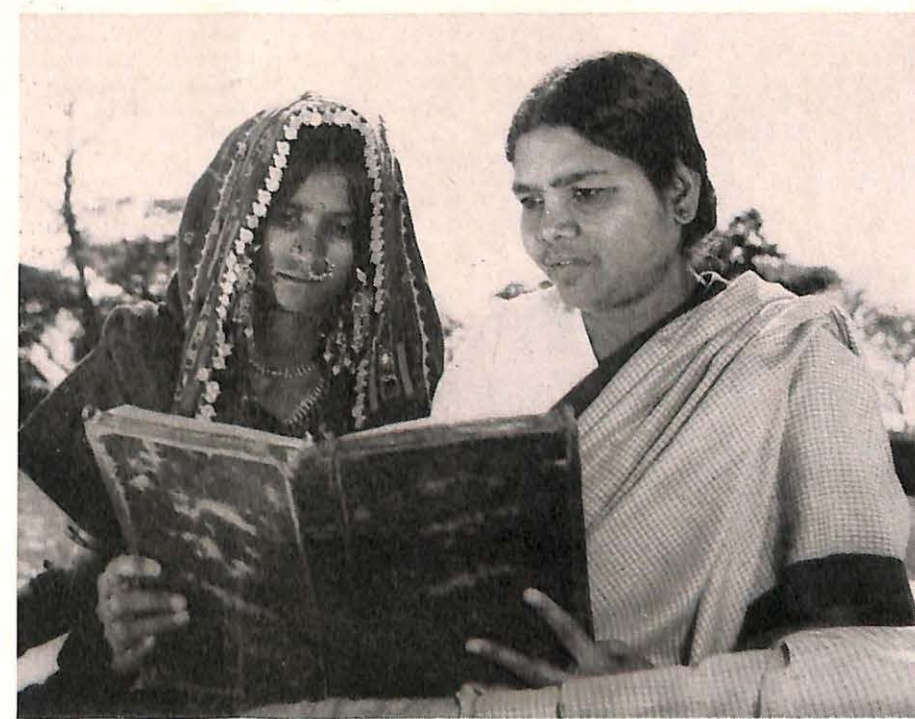
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morning he paid the penalty. As I walked through the corridor with the guard, he heard me come, and walked to the door of his steel cage and said to me, "That man Luke wrote a great story." His face was lit up with a light and a peace that I have never seen before.

It would be Luke—the Gospel of redemption for all those who have lost their way; for sheep that are lost; for lilies that fade and for prodigals who step across the pathway of indiscretion. "Be merry! for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found."

This is the Book which sheds a light which no darkness can dim.

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A SUGALI CONVERT (LEFT) READS THE BIBLE WITH A CHRISTIAN

The Bible is God's message of grace to lost men and women, the good news that "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself" (2 Cor. 5:19).

Book Reviews

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

EXPOSITORY PREACHING WITHOUT NOTES by Charles W. Koller. Baker Book House—1962—132 pages—\$2.50.

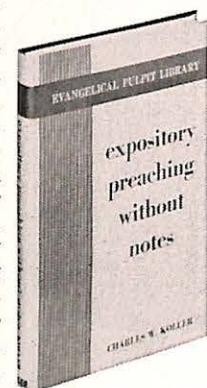
The present preaching pattern is undergoing a much needed change. Many ministers still seem to be interested in timely topics, and the temptation is to preach on the latest headline in the newspaper rather than on the old chapter heading in the Bible. But expository preaching is gaining quite a few new converts, and a number of books have appeared which have developed a renewed interest. Dr. Koller's volume fills a much needed exposition on the "how."

At first glance the minister and seminary student may shy away from the title: Expository Preaching yes; without notes—no! Before passing judgment on the title the reader ought to examine the author's interesting and informative introduction.

A book of this type should not be read merely from "cover to cover." It should be studied and referred to again and again. There is no doubt that the minister will find much material that was covered in his homiletic course. But he will also find that much of it was covered by the mantle of forgetfulness. On the other hand, the author has a great deal of fresh and interesting material gathered out of his personal and long experience which has something other than a cut and dried textbook flavor.

The chapters are short and not burdened with extraneous or superfluous matter. If there is one that appealed particularly to the reviewer, it is the chapter on "The Homiletical Devices." The expository sermon in the Appendix sounds like one of Dr. Koller's favorites. But since the author is well known to this reviewer, he would prefer hearing it to reading it.

Dr. Koller is still affectionately remembered as the minister of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church in the Atlantic Conference and as special speaker in many of our churches even during his long ministry as president of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.



SERMONS FOR THE JUNIOR CONGREGATION by George W. Bowman III. Baker Book House—1962—118 pages—\$1.95.

For many pastors it is more difficult to prepare a sermon for juniors than for the adult congregation. Mr. Bowman has chosen a wide variety of subjects, written them in an interesting style and adapted them to the experience for this particular age group. Some can be illustrated with simple objects readily available; but all of them can be presented without them if the minister so desires. The author has taken Biblical truths, made them alive and understandable and applicable to life.

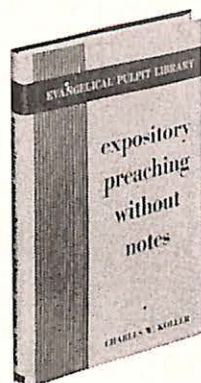
HOW TO INCREASE CHURCH ATTENDANCE by James L. Christensen. Fleming H. Revell Company—1961—126 pages—\$2.00.

The book is not recommended to ministers and deacons who are interested in the mere mechanics of increased church attendance. Mr. Christensen does not offer a whole new category of gimmicks, high-powered publicity stunts, sensational programs and hidden persuaders in order to improve the statistics. The manual is based on the premise that to increase attendance the church must major in loving persons as persons. Method and prescription have a secondary place and purpose. When the major premise is solidly established, then the attendance problem can be further resolved by theological analysis, psychological evaluation, practical suggestions and the organization of the program. Never must it be looked upon as "the pastor's job." Increasing attendance in the fellowship of the church is every Christian's responsibility.

ISRAEL IN PROPHECY by John F. Walvoord. Zondervan House—1962—138 pages—\$2.50.

In the light of the fast moving events in the world today, it is understandable that some Bible scholars review and examine the prophetic writings in the Scriptures. Interpretation and re-interpretation are constantly in the minds of many students of the Bible.

The author, who is president of Dallas Theological Seminary, has the scholarship necessary to pursue this important subject. Naturally the new State of Israel plays an important part in the prophetic picture. From the



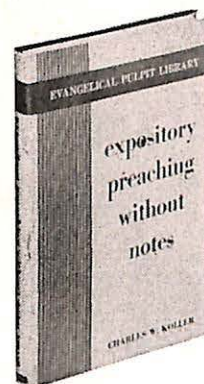
New! EXPOSITORY PREACHING WITHOUT NOTES

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Dr. Chas. W. Koller

This is a book for any minister desiring to increase his pulpit power. Those who are preparing for the gospel ministry will welcome its basic and helpful instruction and advice. Dr. Koller is President Emeritus of Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago.

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present he goes into the past, beginning with the promise to Abraham and looking to the future in the glorious restoration of Israel. His recent visit to the Holy Land furnished President Walvoord with some interesting and important information which he incorporated into his subject.

GENESIS AND EVOLUTION by M. R. DeHaan, M.D. Zondervan House—1962—152 pages—\$2.50.

Probably no radio preacher is better known than Dr. DeHaan, whose serious prophetic messages are heard throughout the nation every Sunday. As the author of about 20 books, he is also known as a distinguished writer. Both his radio ministry and his books reflect two primary themes—prophecy and the inspiration and preservation of the Scriptures. He is an ardent defender of the faith!

In "Genesis and Evolution" the author claims that the test of faith to the rest of the Scriptures depends on one's attitude to the first verse of Genesis. Here is where fact or fiction begins, and death, sin, salvation, heaven and hell will have different meanings depending on the initial premise.

Scripture references are liberally used to undergird all his arguments.

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Special Stewardship Report

An Encouraging Word and an Important Challenge by Rev. David J. Draewell, Secretary of Stewardship and Higher Education

A SMILING Seminary Senior recently exclaimed to me with evident joy, "I'm in the home stretch now." It is always an exciting experience to put the finishing touches on a successful venture. We have quite a different feeling, however, about projects which we begin with enthusiasm but do not carry through to completion.

As you know, our denominational fiscal year ends March 31, 1963. So far, like Paul, we have "fought a good fight" to reach our challenging goals. We cannot yet, however, echo his words, "I have finished my course." The end of the course is in sight but time is quickly running out. Only a supreme final effort of sacrificial stewardship will bring us to a victorious conclusion.

\$805,000 BUDGET GOAL

It appears at the date of this writing that we shall reach our basic budget goal of \$805,000. It also appears that our \$70,000 allotment for special projects will be oversubscribed. It further seems likely that our total goal figure of \$925,000 will be attained. The one aspect of our financial program which still lies outside our grasp is the \$50,000 goal for "Denominational Advance."

How vital is "Denominational Advance" to our missionary and service program? It is simply the difference between standing still and moving forward. Since it is impossible, practically speaking, really to stand still, it is the difference between advancing or retreating in our God-given Kingdom enterprise.

Every year we see more clearly the growing needs of the world. Every year we come closer to running out of time for meeting these needs. Every year, therefore, our response to these needs must be greater. The world needs it! God commands it! Our Christian concern must provide it!

DENOMINATIONAL ADVANCE

At the General Council meeting last May, the various departments of our denomination requested the following needed areas of "Denominational Advance":

1. Appointment of an additional Seminary professor.
2. Increase in Church Extension efforts.
3. Assuming our rightful share in Osaka Biblical Seminary building costs in Japan.
4. Sending of an additional missionary couple to the Japanese field.
5. Purchase of a needed station wagon for our Austrian mission.
6. West Cameroon Building Projects.
7. Sending of another missionary couple to West Cameroon.

February 28, 1963

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else.—Charles Dickens.

These projects, in addition to others, will be considered by the General Council this May as it decides on the allocation of advance funds. "Denominational Advance" funds come only from your basic budget contributions in excess of \$805,000. If you wish to make possible this kind of advance, you must give your contributions to the General Missionary and Benevolent Fund.

January's basic budget giving was \$89,862. This could mean approximately \$22,000 for Advance as all budget contributions in excess of \$67,129 for each of the months of January, February, and March will go for expansion needs.

Centuries ago Moses said to the children of Israel: "This is the thing which the Lord commanded, saying,

Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, and an offering of the Lord." The response of God's people was so great that it was later reported to Moses: "The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work which the Lord commanded to make."

Will the \$50,000 "Denominational Advance" goal be reached by March 31? The answer depends completely upon the value which God's people place upon God's work.

THE BIBLE

Century follows century — there it stands.
Empires rise and fall and are forgotten — there it stands.
Dynasty succeeds dynasty — there it stands.
Kings are crowned and uncrowned — there it stands.
Storms of hate swirl about it — there it stands.
Atheists rail against it — there it stands.
Profane, prayerless punsters caricature it — there it stands.
Unbelief abandons it — there it stands.
Thunderbolts of wrath smite it — there it stands.
The flames are kindled about it — there it stands.

The Bible of Abraham Lincoln

By J. C. Penney, Christian Businessman

THE BIBLE was the first book with which Abraham Lincoln became acquainted. As was the custom then, his step-mother taught him to memorize passages from it before he could read. He read it as long as he lived, and a copy was always on his desk in the White House. Whether he regarded it in the same light as the frontier preachers of his youth, I am not prepared to say. However, it exercised a profound influence over his life, thinking, writings and speeches.

His whole attitude is summed up in his own words: "I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this book that you can on reason and the balance on faith, and you will live and die a better man."

Although he was not a member of any church he exhibited the cardinal virtues of a Christian. Convinced that God had raised him up for the specific purpose of abolishing slavery, he said, "I know there is a God and that he hates injustice and slavery . . . I know that I am right, for Christ teaches it, and Christ is God."

When some doubted the wisdom of issuing the Proclamation of Emancipation, he said, "I promised God that I would do it." Explaining that, he said, "When things were going against us at Bull Run and everywhere, I went alone to God and spoke to him, and said, 'If You will give us Gettysburg, I prom-

ise that I will issue a proclamation that will make the black man free.' God gave us Gettysburg, and the proclamation must be issued."

Early in life Lincoln was assailed by doubts and was more or less of an unbeliever. These appear to have been dissolved by time and illuminating experiences in life. Certainly during the White House years he was as earnest a seeker after God and Truth as ever approached the Throne of Mercy.

Of this he said, "When I left Springfield I asked the people to pray for me. I was not a Christian. When I buried my son, the severest trial of my life, I was not a Christian. But when I went to Gettysburg and saw the graves of thousands of our soldiers, I then and there consecrated myself to Christ."

He prayed before Gettysburg and, as he expressed it, "Soon a sweet comfort crept into my soul."

To a Judge Gillespie he wrote, "I have read on my knees the story of Gethsemane, when the Son of Man prayed that the cup of bitterness might pass from him. I am in the garden now, and my cup of bitterness is full and overflowing."

No President mentioned prayer or called the people to exercise it as often as Lincoln did. His life, private and public, addresses and behavior show every evidence of a truly Christian spirit.

—Christian Herald

MARCH OF EVENTS



• **CHURCH ATTENDANCE IN FINLAND.** New statistics from Finland show that about 3 per cent of the population there attends church on an average Sunday. In some towns the figure is as high as 15 per cent, but in a number of industrial areas it is less than 1 per cent. About 6 per cent of the population has signed the civil register and thus does not belong to the Lutheran state church. Of these it is estimated that about 60 per cent are communists and about 20 per cent Social Democrats.

—*The Christian Century.*

• **CEYLON.** The Ceylon Auxiliary of the Bible Society of India and Ceylon commemorated its 150th Anniversary last year. A Scripture and Art Exhibition was held in Colombo. In addition, a series of six lectures on "The Bible—A Contemporary Book" was presented by outstanding speakers under the auspices of the Bible Society of India and Ceylon and the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association. News coverage included a double-page spread in a Colombo newspaper.

• **NAZARENES EXPAND.** During 1962 the Church of the Nazarene began mission work in Chile and Bermuda and organized a church in the Republic of Panama, thereby bringing to 43 the number of countries in which the denomination works. Members in the U. S. supported that work with a record per capita giving of \$147.78, an increase of \$3.63 per member over the 1961 figure, when the church had the highest per capita giving of any U. S. denomination of more than 100,000 members.

—*The Christian Century.*

• **TAMIL CONCORDANCE.** After seven years of waiting, Ceylonese and Indian Christians were made glad last year as the Tamil Bible Concordance was published. Missionaries have been active in this area for more than 200 years. Tamil was the first Indian language in which the Bible was translated. This immense volume of 878 pages was produced in Colombo, Ceylon, and printed in Madras, India, and sells for 15 rupees (about \$3.25). The compilation of this work was done by the Hon. R. N. Asirvatham, a retired supreme court judge of Ceylon.

• **SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER.** WASHINGTON, D. C. In Washington ground will be broken soon for a unique interfaith assembly and worship center which will be topped by a flame that will burn day and night, symbolizing man's belief in eternal life and eternal spiritual values. The building will house the Spiritual Life Center of American University, a Methodist-re-

lated institution, and will be erected on its campus. The \$350,000 building will be named in honor of Abraham S. Kay, Washington businessman and philanthropist. The 300-seat chapel also will be used for the university's Faith and Freedom lecture series and for other special lecture programs dealing with religious or ethical subjects.

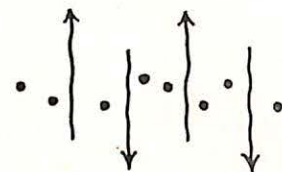
—*The Watchman Examiner.*

• **ARCHEOLOGICAL DISCOVERIES.** The ancient city of Shechem, which figures prominently in Old Testament history, has yielded more of her secrets to American archeologists. Although

excavations were begun there in 1913, it was not until last summer that the temple area was uncovered. In reporting on the discovery, Harvard University archeologists said they have been able to reconstruct the early history of the city, which was the area where Abraham and Jacob both built altars to the Lord (Gen. 12:6, 7; 33:18-20). Later, Joshua rallied the Israelites there. Jeroboam used it for his capital for some time, and later it became the chief city of the Samaritans. Although Jehovah was worshiped at Shechem, so were Canaanite deities.

—*Sunday School Times.*

BAPTIST BRIEFS



• **Decision of Scottish Baptists.** Scottish Baptists, at their annual assembly in Edinburgh voted to wait another year before final decision as to whether the Baptist Union of Scotland should apply for membership in the World Council of Churches. A committee appointed last year to make a recommendation requested 12 months more for their study, and this was approved almost unanimously by the assembly.

• **Harvest of Souls in Guatemala.** "These are the most responsive days I have known in seven years in Guatemala," says A. Clark Scanlon, missionary. "God has given me 85 professions of faith through personal work and preaching this year." This experience is being shared by Southern Baptist missionaries all over Guatemala. Twenty-three people gave their hearts to Jesus during a four-day revival in Guatemala City. Twenty-one made professions of faith during an eight-day campaign in Puerto Barrios. Twenty-five were won to Christ in Mazatenango. In Escuintla, fourteen made professions, five rededicated their lives, and another five ceased to be secret disciples and asked for baptism.

• **Another Judson.** Thra Judson a Karen pastor in the Toungoo hills of Burma, baptized 42 persons on the 150th anniversary of the baptism of Adoniram and Ann Judson in the Lal Bazar Baptist Church in Calcutta, India. The candidates for baptism came from the villages of Maung Lweh Gyi so that Thra Judson, an ordained minister, might baptize them. (He was ordained to the gospel ministry by Erville E. Soward and others in 1947.)

Unordained pastors helped. Communion was served to four hundred people in an outdoor service, as the chapel was too small.

—*Missions.*

• **Cowboy Band in Japan.** The Cowboy Band of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, has accepted an invitation from the Japan Baptist Convention to participate in the Japan Baptist New Life Movement next spring. The band has made three overseas tours in Europe and has traveled more than a million miles since it was organized in 1923. The colorful band is distinctly "Texan," dressed in gold cowboy shirts, faded levis, cowboy boots and hats, purple neckerchiefs, and scarred leather chaps. The evangelistic crusade is aimed at reaching the entire 94 million population of Japan with the Gospel message.

• **Polish Baptist Conference.** Polish Baptists gathered at Rodosc, Assembly Centre near Warsaw, for their triennial conference. Delegates totalled about 90. The Rev. Aleksander Kircun of Warsaw was re-elected President of the Baptist Union, to serve until the next meeting, in 1965. Approximately 600 people attended morning and evening services in the new Baptist church of Warsaw on the last day of the conference. At the morning service, which lasted three hours, 11 candidates were baptized. Major emphasis in messages was on evangelism and other church work. Commissions dealt with youth work, ecumenical relations, world peace and publications. In the week following the general conference Baptist pastors held their own conference with 30 in attendance.

—*Baptist Times, London*

• **The Shell Creek Baptist Church** near Columbus, Nebr., has extended a call to Rev. Paul F. Zoschke of Brooklyn, N. Y., pastor of the Evergreen Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y. since 1954. Mr. Zoschke has responded favorably to the call and announced that he will begin his pastorate in the Shell Creek Church on March 10, succeeding Rev. Lyle Wacker, now of Corn, Okla.

• **At the Watch Night service** held in the Immanuel Church, Woodside, N. Y., Rev. Assaf Husmann, pastor, baptized four converts. The annual business meeting of the church held on Jan. 30 featured important reports from all the church organizations. Fifteen young people from the church attended the Winter Retreat at the Paterson YMCA Camp in New Jersey over the weekend of Jan. 13.

• **Since Jan. 20 Dr. M. Vanderbeck** of La Crosse, Wis., has been serving as the interim pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Lemmon, S. Dak. This church was organized last year and is considered as a Church Extension project of the denomination. It has been served by Rev. Jerry Vilhauer of Bison, S. Dak., from time to time, and by a seminary student last summer. There is encouraging promise for growth in the future at this Lemmon church.

• **The First Baptist Church of Chancellor,** S. Dak., has extended a call to Rev. Norman Miller of North Freedom, Wis., to become its pastor. In accepting the call, Mr. Miller announced that he expected to begin his ministry in Chancellor on April 7th, succeeding Rev. Herman L. Effa, now of Linton, N. Dak. Mr. Miller has been the pastor of the North Freedom and Rock Springs Baptist Churches of Wisconsin since 1959, where he received 27 new members into the churches during that time.

• **Miss Helen Lohse** of Center, Colorado, missionary on the Spanish American field in the San Luis Valley of Colorado, has announced her engagement to Mr. Frank Tomlinson of Oxnard, Calif. He is related to the Baptist minister of Center, Colorado. Miss Lohse has also announced that the wedding would be held on April 13th. She has served with wonderful mission field for almost nine years and will be greatly missed by the Spanish Americans as well as by the denomination.

• **Week of Prayer services** were held in Kelowna, British Columbia by eight evangelical churches, including the Grace Baptist Church of our conference. At the well attended German and English Joint Service held at the Grace Church on Friday, Jan. 11, Rev. E. H. Nikkel of the Trinity Baptist Church spoke. Other Baptist ministers who participated in the services were Rev. R. Kluttig and Rev. J. B. Kornalewski. All of the services were sponsored by the Kelowna Ministerial Associ-

ation. The theme for the week was "The Changeless Word for a Changing World."

• **Since Dec. 30 the pulpit** at the Garcias Ranch Baptist Church, Rio Grande City, Texas, is being supplied by Rev. Reuben Wedel of Pharr, Texas who will continue to serve as the in-

Scheuffler, Mrs. Kasselmann and Mrs. Harold De Werff, and a violin selection by Mrs. Edgar Sturtz. Forty women are members of the society.

• **Rev. and Mrs. Warren W. West,** and their family of four children, were installed in an impressive service at the Evangel Baptist Church, Newark, N.

what's happening



terim pastor. He is an elementary school teacher who speaks Spanish fluently. He and his wife have adopted two Spanish boys. Mr. Wedel serves every Sunday morning and evening in the church services and also participates in the Sunday afternoon youth meeting with their Baptist Training Union program. Rev. Raymond Castro, the former missionary, is now serving in California.

• **The Woman's Missionary Society** of the First Baptist Church, Ellinwood, Kansas held its anniversary program on Monday evening, Jan. 21, in connection with a series of Missionary Conferences scheduled that week in the Kansas churches. Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., brought the message. Mrs. August Krueger, president, was in charge of the program that featured a devotional message by Mrs. George Salem, a musical number by Mrs. Emil

J., last fall. William Kettenburg, chairman of the Board of Deacons, presided. Five neighboring pastors participated in the service. Mr. West came to Newark from the Trinity Baptist Church of Nashua, New Hampshire. He was the president of the Conservative Baptist Association of New Hampshire. He has become the 8th pastor of the church, founded in 1852, and has succeeded the late Rev. G. Harold Hill who died Nov. 11, 1961.

• **From Jan. 27 to Feb. 3 the Trinity Baptist Church,** Portland, Oregon observed "Youth Week" with Rev. Dave Grant of Los Angeles, Calif., as the guest speaker. He is known as the "Ambassador to Teens" and is a recording artist on the Corner Stone label where he combines his talents as baritone singer, trombonist and dramatic reader. On Sunday morning, Feb. 17, Rev. Gideon Zimmerman, general secretary of the Department of Christian Education, served as the guest speaker. Dr. John Wobig and Rev. Bruce A. Rich are pastors of the church.

• **Rev. Theo. W. Dons** of Sterling, Kansas, an NAB pastor and former denominational evangelist now in retirement, continues to be very active in the Christian ministry. He served as supply pastor at the Bethany Church near Vesper, Kansas, and the Baptist churches of Ellsworth and Mulvane, Kansas. He spoke on "The Renewing of the Rural Church" at a district conference of the United Church of Christ held at Partridge, Kansas in February. He will serve for a week of meetings prior to Easter Sunday at the Baptist Church of Mulvane, Kansas near Wichita.

• **Dr. J. C. Fluth,** medical missionary who has served at the New Hope Settlement in Cameroon, Africa until the accident that brought him and his family back to the United States for medical treatment, has requested a leave of absence for the next few

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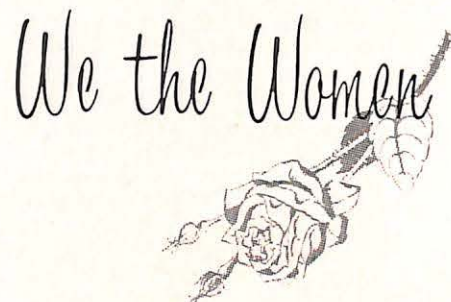
MARCH 1963 MISSION FIELD

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BY MRS. HARM SHERMAN
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From the Professor's Desk

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

What are the additional objections to the view that the soul of a child is propagated by the parents (traducianism) rather than being a direct and immediate creation of God (creationism)?

Sometimes creationists assert that the traducian view affirms that, after the original creation of the universe, God works only mediately and thus leads to a somewhat deistic conception of God's relation to his creation. But this is a gross and unfair representation of traducianism, for no scholar who teaches that the soul of a child is generated by its parents would thereby imply that God does not at times also work miraculously or supernaturally in the universe when that suits the divine purpose. That is, the creationist is guilty of the logical fallacy of extension of argument. One must admit that God's usual relationship to the world is that of mediate rather than immediate operation.

The continued divine creation of souls moment by moment does seem, as Delitzsch states, to be inconsistent with God's relation to the world, especially with reference to what may be considered as natural processes. And certainly this does not at all imply that God does not act supernaturally in such spiritual and divine activities as regeneration and sanctification, or, for that matter, even in the performance of miracles when such is according to his extraordinary providence. Traducianism, as such, no more denies the possibility or actuality of God's intervention into the course of nature than Creationism would.

Creationists also feel that the traducian theory leads to insuperable difficulties in Christology. If Christ derived his human nature from Mary, then it must be sinful and guilty, because it participates in the original sin of the human race. But the obvious reply to this is the Virgin Birth, which teaches, not only that Jesus had no human father, but also that the human nature derived from Mary was purified from original sin. There was a miraculous or providential shielding of Jesus' human nature from sin, both

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, MARCH 1

World Day of Prayer will be observed in special services across the United States and Canada and on six continents on Friday, March 1st, for the 76th year. The women in NAB Missionary Societies are planning extensively for Prayer Day services. Korean women wrote this year's worship which is based on the theme, "More Than Conquerors."

A BIG CONTRAST

"To live above with the saints we love—
Oh, that will be glory!

To live below with the saints we know—
That's a different story!"
—The Prairie Overcomer

in conception and in the entire prenatal period by the operation of the Holy Spirit, so that it was kept free from the pollution of sin.

This consideration leads naturally into the most conclusive objection against creationism, one which the creationists themselves frankly admit is "the decisive argument against Creationism" (L. Berkhof, *Systematic Theology*, p. 200). That is, if it is affirmed that the soul is originally sinful at birth (original sin), this makes God, either directly or indirectly, the creator of sinful souls. The problem is, how do souls get to be sinful if God creates them, for certainly God would not create evil souls. If it is held that he creates souls pure but they become sinful by being put into a body which corrupts it, it is readily admitted by creationists that this would involve God, at least indirectly, as the author of moral evil. But the more serious and conclusive objection is that this would make sin something physical (the corrupt body makes the pure soul sinful), which no Christian theologian wants to assert.

TRANSMISSION OF SIN

Precisely at this point is seen the distinct advantage of the traducian view which very naturally and readily accounts for the transmission of original sin. If the child derives its soul from the parents, then it realistically participates in the sin of the human race. There is a racial solidarity, or unity, both physically and spiritually. Creationists admit that this seems to offer the best basis for the explanation of the inheritance of moral and spiritual depravity, which is a matter of the soul rather than of the body. It is exactly this consideration which makes the question of Job so pertinent, "Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one."

Interestingly enough, some creationists, such as L. Berkhof, after attempting to make out a case for this view, speak thereafter as though they are traducianists. This is undoubtedly because the evidence for the realistic unity of the human race, psychically as well as physically, are so impressive that they cannot be overlooked or escaped.

DISCIPLINE IN THE FAMILY

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to the church, preacher and Sunday school teachers. But this will never work, for the Scripture says plainly, "Ye fathers provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

Such parental responsibility requires divine guidance regarding the books our children read, the clothes they wear, the money they spend, the pleasures they desire, the friendships they form, the schools they attend and a host of other things too numerous to mention. What a trust, what a guardianship, what a responsibility!

Do not think that children will grow up right by themselves for the Scripture says, "The rod and reproof give wisdom but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame" (Prov. 29:15). Oh, how many times that is being proven throughout the homes of America today. Then again it says, "Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul" (Prov. 29:17).

Yes, the Bible says, "Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him" (Prov. 22:15). There is another Scripture verse that many in this soft generation scarcely believe is found in the Bible. It is found in Proverbs 23:13-14, "Withhold not correction from the child; for if thou beatest him with the rod, he will not die, thou shalt beat him with the rod and shalt deliver his soul from hell (Prov. 23:13-14). Of course, a good whipping does not kill a child; it does not even harm him. In fact, he will likely learn so much from the whipping that he will repent sooner, behave better, live longer and happier, and be delivered from hell forever.

But perhaps you say, "I'm not that cruel. I love my child too much for that." Again listen to the Scripture, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son; but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes (early)" (Prov. 13:24).

OUR CHILDREN'S DESTINY

So it is even with God for we read, "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth" (Heb. 12:6).

But someone says, "It hurts me too much, and I can't stand punishing my children." I know that it hurts, as it does all faithful parents who love their children. But dare we be so selfish and so considerate of our feelings that we would let our children grow up to live like the devil, all in order to spare our own feelings? No, my friends, let us as Christian parents be faithful in our God-given responsibility of disciplining our children.

I close by saying, "Upon us as parents, upon our faithfulness and obedience to the Word of God rests in a large measure the future destiny of our children. God help us to be faithful!"



CHURCH EXTENSION PLANS FOR SACRAMENTO

N.A.B. pastors plan for the new Lincoln Village Church, Sacramento, Calif.—(left to right), Walter F. Kerkan, Eric Kuhn, Aaron Buhler and G. G. Rauser.

New Church Extension Project in Sacramento

By Rev. William Acton, Church
Extension pastor at Lincoln Village,
Sacramento, California

With joyous anticipation we look forward to our new work in Lincoln Village, Sacramento, Calif. We have accepted this call because we feel the work of Church Extension to be the most important work we can do in these critical days. We begin the work in Lincoln Village with the assurance of the help and cooperation of everyone in our North American

Baptist Fellowship. We cannot do the job without this help from everyone. Without the support of all of our North American Baptist people we could not attempt this work.

We especially appreciate the enthusiasm and unity of the Northern California Church Extension Committee in regard to the Lincoln Village project in Sacramento. Their attitude and cooperation make the work a real joy. We request the intercessory prayers of everyone in our behalf that we may have holy boldness to teach the Word of God in Lincoln Village. We pray daily that we shall be faithful to this high and holy calling.

FROM THE GANGES TO KASHMIR

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will happen when he comes to the University of Iowa, whether he will meet students whose genuine commitment will help him find what he is seeking.

HOSPITABLE PEOPLE

One other little incident out of Kashmir. In a folder describing the country I read: "The people of Kashmir are very hospitable. If you ever get stranded in an out-of-the-way place, you can be sure of being well looked after." We found this to be true. By a strange coincidence I met a friend there who was returning to Portland, Oregon after a two-year's stay in Egypt; she traveling eastward, I westward.

She had had dinner with me at the Oberoi Palace Hotel. We had finished about ten o'clock and now she wanted to return to her hotel in Srinagar, about five miles away. But the last bus had left, the taxi drivers had just gone to dinner and would not be available for hours. The hotel clerk seemed unable to help her. Then I noticed a white-robed-turbaned-and-bearded gentleman, who had been

standing near by, step up and whisper something to the clerk.

He turned to my friend and said, "This gentleman is offering you his car and chauffeur to take you to your hotel." And there was no thought of trying to pay for this favor. That would have been an insult.

My friend, who is now on our college staff, reminded me of this incident just a few days ago and we both smiled as we remembered this white-robed Hindu knight who so graciously helped a lady in distress.

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A Teacher's Thrill

The story of an Indian boy's experience and of a teacher's joy related by **Rev. William Sturhahn**, Northern District secretary.

LEILA MALAKOFF is a teacher on one of the Indian Reservations in Alberta, Canada, where we as Baptists have an established mission. She is a fine Baptist girl. She teaches the Indian children, not only with the purpose of giving them the ABC's of secular knowledge, (and she is very good at that), but one of her chief purposes is to lead the Indian children to an acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior. This is very difficult, since many of the children, at least by their outside appearance, are quite uncommunicative.

A TEACHER'S LETTER

A few days ago I received a letter from Miss Malakoff which begins: "I just had to write to you today and let you share in the greatest blessing that the Lord could bestow at this season. Today I had the thrill of leading my first little Indian soul to the Lord."

The name of this Indian boy is Larry Standing on the Road, age 9, in Grade III. In his school work and alertness he is above average. Miss Malakoff describes him as "a real eager beaver and as bright as a brass button."

Here is what she writes about this particular experience: "Two days ago I asked Larry to stay after school, and I'd let him have another part for the Christmas program because he'd learned his other one so well. As I looked over a verse. I noted that it was for a boy who had asked Jesus into his heart.

"I guess I can't give it to you Larry, or can I?"

"From the brief conversation that followed I could see Larry was concerned, so I reminded him that if he had any questions he could ask me at any time. Today Larry came back after school had been dismissed and said, 'Miss Malakoff, I have a question to ask. Would you help me ask Jesus to come into my heart.'"

A BOY'S TESTIMONY

"By the intelligent answers he gave to my questions, I could see he knew what he wanted and was well aware of the meaning of sin and salvation in Christ. In answering my questions he was able to quote applicable verses. His prayer showed a maturity beyond his years and background, and his beaming face was a genuine testimony. I asked him how he knew Jesus heard him and if he really did come into his heart.

"There was no doubt in his face as he said, 'I know he did, cause I feel real happy now and I know I'll go to heaven.'"

Then there follow a few comments

in the letter which make me appeal to the readers of the "Baptist Herald" in our North American Baptist family to be much in prayer about Larry. The teacher writes: "I can't help but praise the Lord for his moving in this life. I know Larry has great potential and will certainly need our prayers. Even in his own home he can be a real testimony. His dad is in jail again, and Christmas probably won't be such a happy time for them."

To me it seems that here is a challenge to us as North American Baptists to pray this young boy through to a victorious Christian manhood. Larry's path will certainly not be an easy one, even after he has faced the realities of home-life and witnessing. We rejoice and thank God that he has used the talents of a consecrated Baptist teacher and want to share with Miss Malakoff the thrill she experienced when Larry Standing on the Road accepted the Lord.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

from Recent Chapel Activities at Fort Riley, Kansas

By **Chaplain Clinton E. Grenz**, Battalion Chaplain, 1st Engineer Battalion, Fort Riley, Kansas

IMAGINE YOURSELF attending a Sunday evening worship service where the pastor leads the congregation in the singing of a few hymns, prays, reads the Scripture and then passes out paper and pencils to the congregation asking them to write for 20 minutes on the theme, "What does Jesus mean to you?"

As a pastor or youth leader, you will find it to be a rich and rewarding experience reading the papers. For the congregation it will give them the opportunity to express their innermost convictions concerning their faith in Jesus Christ.

STUDIES ON "LIFE OF JESUS"

In recent weeks we had such an experience in the Sunday evening vesper services at Forsyth Chapel No.2, Fort Riley, Kansas. Thirty-one young men and women came to the evening vesper service to begin a series of studies on the "Life of Jesus." We gave them the opportunity during the first service to express their feelings, understanding, and convictions of Jesus Christ. We want to share with you, our Christian brothers and sisters, two papers these young people shared with us in this unique service.

From an older soldier comes this

THE FRIENDLY, GRACIOUS
MRS. A. A. SCHADE
1885-1962
A Personal Tribute
by Rev. Walter Stein
of the Fellowship Baptist Chapel
Warren, Mich.

When I came to Rochester, N. Y., as a student of our seminary, I found a wonderful Christian friend in Mrs. Emma Schade, the wife of Professor A. A. Schade. She had her home open for the students, and in this fine Christian home we found much comfort for our troubled souls. The home of the Schades was our second home.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas time when many of the students went home, Mrs. Schade would open her home to the boys who had no home to which to go. My mind is filled with lovely memories of our selfless sister in Christ who would do everything possible to bring happiness and comfort to the lonesome students. Very often she would invite us to her table to share the delicious dinners with her family. Making sacrifices for the welfare of others was her constant aim. We will never forget the labor of love in behalf of the prophets. I count it a great privilege to having known Mrs. Schade during the years at the seminary.

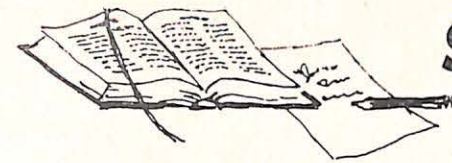
confession: "Thank you, Chaplain, for giving me this chance to see in writing what I do believe and don't practice. I will with all my heart and soul try to become a better Christian, husband, father and man through Jesus Christ. God will and can forgive my sins which is the greatest blessing anyone could receive." This man then quotes John 3:16 and continues to pour out his heart and soul on paper concerning his own understanding of Jesus Christ.

"WHAT CHRIST MEANS TO ME"

From another young soldier, just out of basic training come these words of conviction. "Christ means life, hope, peace and love. He is my Savior, Lord and Friend. In him I put my hope and trust. May my whole life be dedicated to serve the Lord and do his will." This young man is presently being used in our Forsyth Sunday school teaching staff.

Pastors and parents, pray for the Christian men and women in the Armed Forces. They need your prayers, your letters of encouragement, your love and concern. Pray that their faith may be strengthened and deepened in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ so that other men will be touched by the inner spiritual flame of these Christian men in uniform.

BAPTIST HERALD



A TEACHING GUIDE
Date: March 10, 1963
Theme: THE LIFE OF SELF-GIVING SERVICE

Scripture: Mark 10:32, 35-39
THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Christians are not special people who ask for special service; they are special people because they give special service.

INTRODUCTION: Pleasure becomes very tiresome unless it is given to others. This is also true of service. In the last decade we have become self-service conscious largely because of the high cost of personal service. There is, however, no self-service counter or machine for the dispensing of will. The people who render the best service are not the ones who contribute the most money or supply the greatest amount of material help, but those who give most of themselves.

If giving depended on wealth, then we would be of all men most miserable. Frederick W. Robertson, an English preacher, once said: "It is not the possession of extraordinary gifts that makes for extraordinary usefulness, but the dedication of what gifts one has to the service of God." Of the first Christians it was said: "First they gave their own selves to the Lord" (2 Cor. 8:5). The self must also come first in our service to others.

I. THE LIFE OF SACRIFICIAL GIVING. Mark 10:32.

No matter how often Jesus tried to share his suffering and death with his disciples, they could not believe that their beloved Lord and Master would come to such an inglorious end. His disciples loved him, but they could not share his burden. It was therefore necessary for Jesus to be alone with his thoughts which he could share only with his heavenly Father. Perhaps he was wrestling with another temptation. In Galilee he could have continued as a much sought after teacher and healer. In Jerusalem certain death awaited him. But in seeking life long contentment and popularity in Galilee, a whole world might have been lost.

II. THE LIFE OF SELF-SEEKING. Mark 10:35-41.

Jesus could have had reason for discouragement. After spending so much time with his disciples, they seemed to have learned so little. They were still very much interested in what they could get—not in what they could give. Like spoiled children, they wanted Jesus to grant their desire even before they stated their request.

sunday school lessons

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quest. While Jesus was contemplating his suffering and death, the disciples were building air castles for themselves. They wanted the glory without the cross, the throne without the battle, the abundant life with a minimum of effort.

With a great deal of kindness and patience, Jesus took them aside and tried to tell them how wrong they were. But their hearts and minds were still so preoccupied with an earthly kingdom that they did not see the spiritual kingdom.

III. THE LIFE OF HUMBLE SERVICE. Mark 10:42-45.

Jesus does not condemn the desire for greatness as long as you have the right standard of greatness. When he said, "whosoever of you will be the chiefest," he gave indication that there is room at the top. However, you will never get there by proudly counting your servants but only by humble service.

Questions for Discussion:

1. Why were the disciples so amazed when Jesus went before them?
2. Were the ten disciples displeased with James and John because they were so much better than they?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: March 17, 1963

Theme: JESUS DEMONSTRATES HIS AUTHORITY

Scripture: Mark 11:15-18, 27-33.

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Jesus did not demonstrate his authority just to let people know who was "boss," but to let people know what was wrong.

INTRODUCTION: This lesson seems like a contradiction of what Jesus taught in last week's lesson. His emphasis was on obedient servants and humble service, and now Christ gives us an insight into his power and authority. The question of service and authority arises because you must make a decision as to whom and what you will serve. A dishonest man may have an obedient servant and a corrupt government may demand honorable service. This is where God demands a moral choice: "Choose you this day whom ye will serve." Jesus could not "minister unto" the priests and elders in the temple because they were not performing their ministry unto God. When people serve God, they do not need a demonstration of his authority.

I. CHRIST'S AUTHORITY IN THE HOUSE OF GOD. Mark 11:15-18.

The temple was the most important

center for the religious life of the Jewish people. Solomon built the first temple and spared no expense in its erection. It existed until the time of its destruction by the Babylonians. Zerubabel returned with a number of exiles and rebuilt the house of God, although it was not nearly so elaborate and ornate. Herod the Great, when he became ruler of the Jews, constructed a third temple on the original site, and, as the disciples indicated, it took 46 years to build. It was the show place of Jerusalem when Jesus came upon the scene.

Those who kept the temple, and those who were supposedly the spiritual leaders, converted religion into a business, and not a very honest business at that. Jesus was in his Father's House and he was about his Father's business when he cleansed the temple. He believed that there are times when immediate and radical action must take place. Appointing a committee and passing resolutions often result in very little action. Where Christ is the highest authority, no other means is necessary.

II. CHRIST'S AUTHORITY VERSUS MAN'S AUTHORITY. Mark 11:27-33.

Any fool can ask a thousand questions that a wise man is unable to answer. It is always good to remember that if you want an honest answer you must ask an honest question. A person may ask a question simply to make an impression or to draw attention to himself. The scribes and Pharisees had only one purpose in mind when they approached Jesus with their questions; they wished to ensnare him, and, if possible, make a public spectacle of him. They desperately wanted him to lose face in the eyes of the public.

Since no one had ever been bold enough to do what Jesus did, they wanted to know by what authority he did these things. It is interesting to note that they did not bring up the question of right or wrong in the cleansing of the temple; only Jesus' authority was questioned.

Jesus boldly pushed the attack into the camp of his opponents by bringing up the question of John the Baptist, and they suddenly found themselves in the most precarious of all positions—on the fence.

Questions for Discussion:

1. Why did Jesus refuse to answer the question of his authority?
2. Name some of the areas in our church which need cleansing today? Where would Jesus begin?
3. How long do you suppose the temple remained clean?

our denomination in action

special events

● **Bethel, Anaheim, Calif.** Rev. George Breikreuz, concluded two years as the minister of Christian education at the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., on Jan. 13th. Expressing appreciation to him, Mr. Robert Martin, moderator, presented a farewell gift from the church of a Wycliffe Bible Commentary. Mr. and Mrs. George Breikreuz and their children. David and Karen, moved to Elgin, Iowa in January where he became pastor of the First Baptist Church. Esther Breikreuz' conscientious Christian service, wherever and whenever it was needed, will also be remembered by the Anaheim church.

● **Oak Bank, Man.** On Sunday, Dec. 2nd, the Baptist Church of Oak Bank, Man., held a dedication program for its new organ and piano. Rev. Paul Siewert of Leduc, Alta., brought the dedication message and Rev. William Sturhahn, Northern District secretary, offered the dedication prayer. An organ and piano duet was also a feature of the program. Rev. Milton Falkenberg is pastor of the church.

● **Grant Park, Winnipeg, Man.** "Loyalty Dinner" was held on Feb. 1st by the Grant Park Church, Winnipeg, Man., in launching its Every Member Canvass. Rev. David J. Draewell of Forest Park, Ill., was the guest speaker. Since the new year, Rev. R. Grabke, pastor, has welcomed 25 new members into the church, 7 by baptism, 3 by testimony and 15 by letter of transfer.

● **Carbon, Alta.** On Sunday evening, Dec. 30, the Carbon Baptist Church, Carbon, Alta., honored Rev. and Mrs.

Willy R. Muller and the family at a farewell service prior to their going to a Church Extension project in Edmonton, Alta. Representatives of various church organizations expressed their appreciation to the pastor and his wife for the 9 years of faithful and fruitful ministry. They were presented with a gift of money, several smaller gifts from organizations and the book, "Reminiscences," with one page allotted to each family of the church for pictures, greetings, and review of past events.

● **Lorraine, Stafford, Ellinwood.** A

three church missionary conference conducted simultaneously in the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, the Calvary Baptist Church of Stafford, and the First Baptist Church of Ellinwood, Kansas from Nov. 28 to Dec. 2 enriched the people with new missionary inspiration and interest. Missionaries Florence Miller, Bernice Westerman and Rev. Elmer Strauss were the articulate leaders of the services. A combined Friday night rally at Ellinwood featured the missionaries plus the two Seminary students, Hisashi Murakami and Flavius Martin, who brought challenging testimonies.

special seasonal programs

● **Aberdeen, S. Dak.** The month of December was crowded with inspiring programs for the Calvary Church, Aberdeen, S. Dak. On Dec. 9 the CBYF presented its Christmas program. The Ladies Mission Society held its annual program on Dec. 16. Children's Night was observed on Dec. 23 featuring the theme of "Christmas Stars." Progress is being made on the new church building. The old church building and a former church site have been sold successfully.

● **Lorraine, Kansas.** The annual Christmas program at the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas, featured the cantata, "Come, Hear the Story," presented by the Junior Choir under the direction of Mrs. Paul Schroeder. Recently Dr. Douglas H. Gallagher, pastor, baptized 7 converts and received these and two others into the church's fellowship. The missionary offerings received by the church at its annual missionary conference and at special services have been very gratifying, as reported by Mrs. Paul Peters, Jr.

● **Zion, Milwaukee, Wis.** At the Thanksgiving Festival held by the Zion Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., an offering of \$2,367.94 was received, of which \$1,100 was designated for the mission field in West Cameroon, Africa. Members of the Mission Church of Chicago were guests and Rev. E. Radant of that church brought the message. On Nov. 19 Rev. John Goetze of Milwaukee's Zion Church baptized three converts. Sixteen persons were received into the church during 1962. The Woman's Missionary Society held its annual Christmas program on Dec. 9.

● **Arnprior, Ont.** At the Watch Night Service of the First Baptist Church, Arnprior, Ont., the deacons conducted the opening devotional hour with Mr. Emil Woermke, senior deacon, in charge. The precious moments of the past year were reviewed. A flannel-graph story of Psalm 23 and the song, "The Lord Is My Shepherd" sang by Rev. and Mrs. Eldon Janzen, brought this inspiring service to a close. Musical selections and testimonies were given throughout the evening.

● **Paul, Idaho.** On Dec. 23 the CBYF of the First Baptist Church, Paul, Idaho, and advisors enjoyed Christmas caroling at the homes of elderly members, a nursing home and the local hospital. The Christmas Sunday school program held on Dec. 24 with the sanctuary packed to capacity, featured many recitations and songs by the Sunday school scholars. At the Watch Night Service, the film "Betrayed," sponsored by the CBYF, was presented. The old year was ended with an hour of singing, Bible reading and prayer.

● **Faith, Minneapolis, Minn.** A three-dimensional Watch Night Service was held by the Faith Church, Minneapolis, Minn. Rev. J. C. Gunst spoke on Leviticus 26:11-14 in connection with the mortgage burning of the outstanding indebtedness papers on the church building. This was followed by

a time of fellowship and the observance of the Lord's Supper. These services were interspersed with musical selections by the choir, young men's quartet, girl's trio, trumpet trio, and God's Volunteers' members vacationing in the Twin Cities.

● **Portland Ave., Tacoma.** The Portland Avenue Baptist Sunday school, Tacoma, Washington, presented its annual Christmas program, Dec. 23rd. A large audience heard "The Story of Christ's Birth" effectively brought by the Primary and Junior departments in recitation and song. The reverence and beauty of the program were enhanced by the young people's choir in a candle lighting service and the singing of many beloved carols. The stage was decorated with greenery, candles and a Christmas tree. Pastor C. T. Remple re-emphasized the meaning of Christmas in a brief message and Dr. W. J. Appel gave the benediction.

● **Capilano, Edmonton, Alta.** On Dec. 23, at the Capilano Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta the mixed choir presented "Glory In Excelsis," a cantata. Over 200 people were in attendance. On Dec. 30, nine new members were welcomed into the church's fellowship—five by baptism, held at the beginning of the service; and four by testimony and letter. The CBYF group was in charge of the Watch Night Service on Dec. 31. During the first hour the film, "Walk the Tight Rope," was shown. On Jan. 18th the annual Church Supper was held, at which time the church officers for 1963 were introduced and the reports of the church were presented.

● **Missoula, Montana.** On Sunday evening, Dec. 23, at the Bethel Baptist Church, Missoula, Montana, the Christmas story was presented beautifully in the cantata, "Come, Let Us Worship," by the Junior Choir under the direction of Mrs. Violet Wornath and accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Diana Wornath. Dean Grenz was the narrator. At the Watch Night Service, the young people were in charge of the first hour. The last hour consisted of musical numbers by the German people, male chorus, ladies' trio and a message, "The Old and the New," by Rev. Herbert Vetter, pastor.

● **Sacramento, Calif.** The Woman's Missionary Society of the Willow Rancho Baptist Church, Sacramento, Calif., had Mrs. William Dalton as its guest speaker for its December meeting. She and her husband have been serving as missionaries in Pakistan. Sunday, Dec. 16, was Youth Participation evening with the youth groups in charge of the program that featured the film, "A Teen-Age Christmas." A special event of the Christmas season was the Festival of Christmas Music which was presented on Dec. 23, under the direction of Mr. Wilfred Rueb. It included numbers from the choir, male chorus, and other singing groups and soloists.

Young people's choir of the Portland Ave. Baptist Sunday School, Tacoma, Wash., singing at the Christmas program



woman's missionary societies

● **Ashley, N. Dak.** The Woman's Mission Society of the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. Dak., observed its "Golden Milestone of Progress and Reflection" on Sunday, Dec. 9. Members of the Berlin and Ventura Societies were present as special guests at this 50th anniversary program. The Ladies' Chorus was directed by Mrs. I. A. Faszer. An interesting history of the society was given. Rev. I. A. Faszer, pastor, spoke on "Milestones." In keeping with the golden anniversary theme,

each member wore a gold corsage.

● **Bethel, Anaheim, Calif.** The Woman's Missionary Society of the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., met Tuesday evening, Jan. 15. The meeting opened with singing led by Mrs. Bettie Thiesen. Mrs. Ann Chase, program chairman, introduced Cathy and Georgia Anne Eggert who played an accordion duet, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." The theme, "Your Body—God's Temple," was explained by Mrs. Alta Isbell in the reading of I Cor. 6:19, 20 and Romans 12:1, 2. Keeping our bodies well was vividly portrayed in the film, "Time and Two Women."

evangelistic services & baptisms

● **McClusky, N. Dak.** At the Watch Night Service held by the Baptist Church, McClusky, N. Dak., Rev. E. R. Oster received six people—two married couples and their children—into the fellowship of the church. During November special meetings were held at McClusky with Rev. Henry Lang of Harvey, N. Dak., as the guest speaker, during which God's bountiful blessings were experienced.

● **Arnprior, Ont.** At the Week of Prayer services from Jan. 8 to 11, for all the Protestant churches of Arnprior, Ont., Rev. Adolph Braun of Warren, Mich., served as the guest speaker. Rev. Eldon Janzen is president of the local Ministerial Association. Mr. Braun also conducted evangelistic meetings in the First Baptist

Church of Arnprior from Jan. 13 to 18. Many decisions were made for rededication for Christ during these memorable days.

● **Sidney, Montana.** The Watch Night Service was held at the First Baptist Church, Sidney, Montana, with the young people presenting the play, "Mine Eyes Have Seen." Then an impressive baptismal service conducted by Rev. Arnold M. Friez, pastor, followed with four candidates following the Lord in the baptismal waters. The last hour was spent in meditation and the Lord's Supper when the hand of fellowship was extended to those who had been baptized.

● **Elsmere, Delaware.** On Sunday, Dec. 30, Rev. Richard W. Sparling, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elsmere,



Junior Choir of the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas, in action on Christmas Eve. (Photo by Vernon Splitter).



Most of the 25 new members received by Rev. R. Grabke (right, rear), pastor of the Grant Park Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Man., by baptism, testimony and letter. (The two girls in the front row had not as yet been baptized when the picture was taken).

Left to Right, back row: Walter Deverell, Jr., Ted Weaver, Lawrence Jones, Rev. A. Baumgarten, George Szalamacha, Harold Christian, and Alban Montgomery. Front row: Marian Weaver, Gail Jones, Dorothy Szalamacha, Linda Cunningham and Doris Montgomery.



Thirteen of the 14 new members received by Rev Richard Sparling (front) into the Elsmere, Del., church.

Del., baptized 8 converts in an impressive service. On Jan. 6th these were extended the hand of fellowship into the church. The baptismal group is shown in the accompanying picture, along with others who were received into the church's fellowship. Another group has been formed for instruction in the Christian life and in church membership.

● **Carbon, Alta.** On Sunday morning, Dec. 30, a large group of members and friends of the Carbon Baptist Church, Carbon, Alta., and of the Zion Baptist Church, Drumheller, Alta., gathered at Carbon to witness a joint baptismal service. Rev. Fred H. Ohlmann, pastor of the Zion Church, brought the message and baptized five candidates. Rev. Willy R. Muller of the Carbon church baptized seven converts, including his two daughters, Joy and Rebecca. At the Watch Night and Communion Service, Rev. Willy R. Muller extended a hand of fellowship to the seven who had been baptized and to two others who came into the Carbon church by letter.

CBY (youth) fellowship

● **Herreid, S. Dak.** The annual Sing-spiration of the North-Dakota Young People's Rally was held on Dec. 27 at Herreid, S. Dak., with 100 young people present. The afternoon service featured vocal and instrumental numbers by each of the churches represented. A mass choir sang in the evening service. Mr. Flavius Martin, student at the Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., inspired the crowd with a stirring message.

● **Ellinwood, Kansas.** A Youth Conference was held on a recent Saturday at Ellinwood, Kansas with over 100 Kansas C. B. Y. young people, sponsors and pastors attending. Seminars and discussion groups, interrupted only by the lunch served by the Ellinwood ladies, capably led by the missionaries confronted the C. B. Y.ers squarely with the missionary challenge of the denomination. Following the theme of the conference, "My Witness for Christ

to a World in Crises," Rev. Elmer Stauss, the speaker, presented the call of Christ to youth to serve him as missionaries at home and abroad. A significant number of young people publicly indicated their willingness to follow where he leads.

ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

● **Lodi, Calif.** Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pletz of Lodi, Calif., members of the Temple Baptist Church, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Jan. 12 at their home, 700 West Lockford St., Lodi, Calif. Mr. Pletz attended our Seminary in Rochester, N. Y. for two years (1900-1902). Because of his contracting and building experience, he was always interested in church buildings and Sunday school units. Both have been active in recent years in the Anaheim, and the First and Temple Churches of Lodi, Calif. They have three children: Mrs. George Schmiedt and Mrs. Gustave Burgstahler of Lodi, and Paul Pletz of Anaheim, Calif.; also 7 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

● **Corona, S. Dak.** On Sunday, Jan. 13, the Corona Baptist Church, Corona, S. Dak., honored its pastor and family,



Rev. Willy R. Muller (right), pastor of the Baptist Church, Carbon, Alberta, and 7 persons whom he baptized on Sunday, Dec. 30th.

MISSION NEWS

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booked passage by boat on March 13 to return to Cameroon, Africa. Miss Ida Forsch of Calgary, Alberta will sail for Africa on June 11, and Rev. and Mrs. Elmer C. Strauss and family will leave on July 11 for Cameroon.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pletz of Lodi, Calif., on the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary observed on Jan. 12, 1963.

Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Dachtler, Jim, Daryl and Lisa Ann, at a farewell dinner. The afternoon program featured the skit depicting some of the happenings during their ministry in Corona. At the evening service two young married women and four Sunday school pupils were baptized. Mr. Elmer Harms reported: "We praise the Lord for the Dachtler family and for the blessings we have received while they were with us."

● **Rapid City, S. Dak.** A reception for the new pastor, Rev. W. D. Dachtler, was held by the South Canyon Baptist Church, Rapid City, S. Dak., on Wednesday evening, Jan. 16. A program of welcome was given with the charge to the church and to the pastor brought by Dr. M. Vanderbeck, who served as the interim pastor for several months. After the program, a time of fellowship was held and the congregation met Mr. and Mrs. Dachtler and their three children: James, Daryl and Lisa Ann.

● **Westbrook, Santa Ana, Calif.** Approximately 100 friends met at the Westbrook Baptist Church near Santa Ana, Calif., on Sunday evening, Jan. 13, to bid farewell to their pastor, Rev. V. Donald Buell, founder of the Westbrook Baptist Church. As a farewell gift, the congregation presented to Mr. and Mrs. Buell a beautiful artificial flower arrangement for their coffee table. The interim minister on the Sunday following was Rev. Dick Grauer of Scott City, Arizona.

A FINAL WORD

"Men are like steel; when they lose their temper they lose their worth."
"No one makes independent tracks who stays in the rut all the time."
"It is a very serious thing to pray; because you may be taken at your word."

Obituary

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

LOREN LEE HUBER of Plevna, Montana

Loren Lee Huber of Plevna, Montana the seventh child of Chris and Esther Huber, was still born Nov. 13, 1962 at Ekalaka, Montana. His eldest brother preceded him in death at the age of 5 years in 1948. There remain to mourn Loren Lee, the parents, two sisters, Marilyn and Charlotte, and three brothers, James, Bennie and Kenny.

At the request of the mother the memorial service featured the hymn, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and the reading of Psalm 121.
First Baptist Church
Plevna, Montana

W. MILLER, Interim Pastor

MR. JULIUS MUTH of Swan River, Manitoba

Mr. Julius Muth of Swan River, Man., was born in Poland Nov. 28, 1874. He was called to his eternal rest Jan. 8, 1963, at the age of 88. He migrated to Springside, Sask., with his parents who settled in a farming area. In 1938 he started a business in Swan River, Man., from which he retired to live in Yorkton, Sask. In 1960 he came to live with his daughter, Rosina Jonat, at Swan River.

At an early age he believed on Jesus Christ as his Savior and became an active member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. He was married in 1901 to Julia Knoll which union the Lord blessed with 9 children. His wife having preceded him in death, he leaves to mourn his children: Henry of Springside, Sask.; Joe of Regina, Sask.; John of Rossland, B. C.; Alfred of Lake worth, Florida; Roland of Santa Barbara, Calif.; Harvey of Trail, B. C.; Mrs. Grace Gienow of Windsor, Ont.; Mrs. Emily Hoover of Anaheim, Calif.; Rosina Jonat of Swan River, Man.; 2 sisters, 25 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

Temple Baptist Church
Swan River, Manitoba

L. J. ZILKIE, Pastor

MR. THEODORE DONNER of Wishek, N. Dakota

Mr. Theodore Donner of Wishek, N. Dak., was born near New Danzig, Russia, Sept. 2, 1881. In 1884 he migrated to America, and settled in Danzig, N. Dak. In 1906 he purchased a farm south of Wishek and farmed until 1948, when he retired to the city of Wishek, where he made his home until his death, Sept. 27, 1962. His death on Sept. 27, 1962 came unexpectedly after having seemingly made a recovery from a serious farm accident. Beside his farm interests, he served in the state legislature for a number of years. His first marriage took place on Dec. 17, 1906 to Anna Pudwill. To this union five children were born.

He leaves to mourn his second wife, Johanna (Giedt) Donner, to whom he was united in marriage on April 14, 1946; his 4 daughters: Martha (Mrs. Grant Beveridge), Ashley, N. D.; Florence (Mrs. Stewart Jameson), Minneapolis, Minn.; Viola (Mrs. Milton Dieder), Bismarck, N. D.; Violet (Mrs. Julius Kaseman), Wishek, N. D.; one sister, and two brothers. He was baptized and united with the church upon the confession of his faith June 19, 1921 by Rev. August Heringer.
Wishek, North Dakota

CARL R. WEISSER, Pastor

MRS. STELLA ALBERS of Columbus, Nebraska

Mrs. Stella Albers of Columbus, Neb., daughter of Chris and Bertha Kohrs, was born in Kansas, March 21, 1905, and died in a Columbus Hospital on Dec. 8, 1962. She was united in marriage to Otto Albers

February 28, 1963



in 1931. Under the ministry of the Rev. P. C. A. Menard she was led to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and after baptism united with the First Baptist Church of Dickinson County, Kansas. For a time her home was at Stafford, Kansas. After marriage she became a member of the Shell Creek Baptist Church, in which she was active.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one infant son. Those who mourn her death are: her three children: Berniece (Mrs. Gus Mohrman), Rogers, Nebraska; Lorena, (Mrs. Robert Miller) and Mark of Columbus, Nebraska; two brothers: John Kohrs of Stafford, Kansas, and Hugo Kohrs of Hutchinson, Kansas; four sisters: Mrs. Augusta Jacobson, Delevan, Kansas; Mrs. Olga Wuthnaw of Abilene, Kansas; Mrs. Ruby Melhorn of Burlington, Iowa; Mrs. Alma Menke of Tripoli, Iowa; and three grandchildren.

Shell Creek Baptist Church
Columbus, Nebraska
LEROY SCHAUER and H. LOHR,
Officiating Pastors

MRS. SELMA ALSWAGER of Columbus, Nebraska

Mrs. Selma Alswager, nee Wetgen, of Columbus, Neb., was born on a farm near Platte Center, Neb., on March 3, 1905, and death came to her after a lengthy illness on January 7 at the Lutheran Hospital in Columbus. She moved with her parents to Columbus in 1920 where she lived for six years. On Feb. 2, 1926, she was united in marriage to George Alswager of Columbus. They lived on farms north of Columbus and near Platte Center until moving to Columbus recently. She received the Lord as her personal Savior, was baptized on July 6, 1919 and became a member of the Shell Creek Baptist Church. She belonged to the Woman's Missionary Circle, the choir and was active as teacher in the Sunday school.

Those who mourn her passing are her husband, George; one son, Lyle; and one daughter, Eleanor, Mrs. Allen Mohrman, both of Columbus; six grandchildren; two brothers: Otto Wetgen of Halsey, Oregon, Walter Wetgen of Columbus; and one sister, Mrs. Alma Prang of Columbus. Rev. LeRoy Schauer, pastor of the Redeemer Baptist Church of Columbus, Neb., and a special friend of the family, assisted in the services.

Shell Creek Baptist Church
Columbus, Nebraska
H. LOHR, Interim Pastor

MR. JOHN ROSEN of Missoula, Montana

Mr. John Rosen of Missoula, Mont., was born Feb. 23, 1885 in Russia and came to North Dakota in 1905 and to Missoula in 1928. He was married to Elizabeth Kurtz in 1909. He was employed by the Northern Pacific Railroad until his retirement in 1950. He died at the age of 77 on Dec. 13. Survivors include his widow; 7 sons: Harry of Mont Clair, Calif.; Albert of Walla Walla, Wash.; Oscar of Springfield, Ore.; Edwin of Seattle, Wash.; Jack of Brookings, Ore.; John of Missoula; and Gust of Eugene, Ore.; two daughters: Mrs. Martha Castonguay of Renton, Wash.; and Mrs. Erna O'Neil of Chewelah, Wash.; 3 brothers: Jake of Lodi, Calif.; Henry of Newburg, Ore.; and Andrew of Elgin, N. D.; and 2

sisters: Mrs. Christine Nault of Elgin, and Magdalena Boehler of Oakland, Calif.; 22 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. John Rosen received Christ as his Savior in 1927 and was baptized and joined the Bethel Baptist church in 1929. He attended the church faithfully as long as he was able. Now he has gone to be with his Lord which is far better.
Bethel Baptist Church
Missoula, Montana
HERBERT VETTER, Pastor

MRS. JACOB C. FISCHER of Aberdeen, South Dakota

Mrs. Lydia Fischer of Aberdeen, S. Dak., was born on Nov. 30, 1892, at Ashley, N. Dak. Stricken with a stroke while attending the Women's Missionary Society meeting Dec. 5th, she passed away on Christmas day at the age of 70 years. The last few conscious hours of her life were in God's house and with God's people. As a young maiden she accepted the Lord as Savior and followed him in baptism in June 1913, becoming a member of the Johannesthal Church—a branch of the Ashley Church. In 1947 she moved with her husband to Aberdeen, S. Dak. She and her husband were largely responsible for the beginning of the Calvary Baptist Church. Being a charter member she served as deaconess for 12 years with a devoted consecration.

On Oct. 27, 1914, she married Jacob C. Fischer. This marriage was blessed with seven children. Those mourning her departure are her beloved husband and four children: Alice, Mrs. Milton Schrenk, Ellendale, N. Dak.; Albert Fischer, Aberdeen; Helen, wife of Rev. Jacob Ehman, Goodrich, N. Dak.; Esther, wife of Raymond Hoffman, Senior student at the seminary and pastor of the Spring Valley Baptist Church; 10 grandchildren; three brothers and four sisters.

Calvary Baptist Church
Aberdeen, South Dakota
IRVIN H. SCHMULAND, Pastor

MR. JOHN HOFFMAN of Medicine Hat, Alberta

Mr. John Hoffman of Medicine Hat, Alta., was born in Russia Jan. 3, 1890 and died in the Calgary General Hospital Jan. 6, at the age of 73. He came to Canada with his parents in 1910, living in Winnipeg, Man., until 1911 when the family moved to Hilda, Alberta. He was married to Marie Kroecker in 1932 and continued to farm till 1940 when they came to reside in Medicine Hat. Mr. Hoffman found work with the Railroad in 1945 and remained in that employ till 1955 when he retired. He accepted Christ as his Savior at the age of 28 and was baptized by Rev. E. P. Wahl and added to the congregation of believers in Hilda, Alta. For 12 years he served as deacon both in Hilda and in the Grace Church of Medicine Hat where he was a member until his passing. He also served as Sunday school teacher for a good many years.

He leaves to mourn his passing: his beloved wife; 2 sons: Walter (our director of "God's Volunteers"), Minneapolis, Minn.; 4 daughters: Freda, Mrs. G. Koch, Calgary; Viola, Mrs. H. Martin, Medicine Hat, Alta.; Marjorie, Mrs. J. Bellerose, Oakville, Ont.; Gladys, St. Jean, Quebec; one brother and 13 grandchildren.

Grace Baptist Church
Medicine Hat, Alberta
P. T. HUNSICKER, Pastor

MR. GOTTFRIED KALLIS of New Leipzig, North Dakota

Mr. Gottfried Kallis of New Leipzig, N. Dak., was born Jan. 25, 1875 in Bessarabia, Russia. The family later moved to Rumania where Mr. Kallis accepted Christ as his personal Savior and soon thereafter was baptized and united with a Baptist church. In 1895 he was married to Louise Krause and in 1902 he moved his family to a farm near Alexandria, S. Dak. There he united with the Plum Creek Baptist Church. In 1905 Mr. Kallis homesteaded in the New Leipzig, N. Dak., community where he was instrumental in organizing the first Baptist church in the area. He remained a staunch member of the Baptist church in New Leipzig until his death.

Mr. Kallis leaves to mourn his passing, one brother, Mike Kallis of Missoula, Montana; one son, Jacob of New Leipzig; 4 daughters: Mrs. Andrew (Mary) Seitz, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Christ (Mathilda) Ruff, Burt, N. Dak.; Miss Emilie Kallis, Arthur, N. Dak.; and Mrs. Edie (Lydia) Oelke, Minot, N. Dak.; 23 grandchildren; and 64 great-grandchildren. Mr. Kallis passed away Dec. 19, 1962. Interment was in the Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery near New Leipzig.

New Leipzig, North Dakota
ALLAN GERBER, Pastor

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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months. He will remain in the Twin Cities at least until July 1st for continued therapy and precautionary measures. He has accepted a position in the department of physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University of Minnesota Hospitals, his Alma Mater, where he is filling a three fold role of staff member, graduate student and patient. His position can be terminated at any time when Dr. Fluth is able to return to Africa.

● On Sunday, Jan. 20, Rev. Fred Mashner conducted a dedication service of a missal stand and four offering plates which were presented to the South Hills Church, Erie, Pa., in honor of Mrs. William Siegrist, Sr., by her son, William, Jr., on the occasion of her 79th birthday and to be used in her memory. The beautiful gleaming golden service was accepted on behalf of the church by Merle Gibbens, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Siegrist, who is the oldest member in terms of membership years, was baptized at the age of 14 and has served the Lord with heart and hand in numerous offices for 65 years and is still active. Her cheerful disposition has been a joy and inspiration to all in the Erie church.

● Chaplain Clinton E. Grenz of the 1st Engineer Battalion, Fort Riley, Kansas, serves the Mt. Zion Baptist Church near Junction City, Kansas, every Sunday at the 11:00 A.M. worship service. He conducts an earlier Sunday school service at the Fort Riley post. The Headquarters Department of the United States Army has announced the promotion and commissioning of Chaplain Grenz to the position of *Captain* effective Dec. 26, 1962. At the monthly retreat for Protestant chaplains at Fort Riley on Thursday morning, Jan. 24, eleven chaplains and seven NAB pastors were present, besides Dr. Peter E. Fehr, Cameroon missionary. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, editor of the "Baptist Herald," led the three hour retreat on the two subjects: "The Witness of Christianity in Today's Troubled World" and "Christian Literature, the Invisible Weapons of Today's Christian Soldier."

ON WINGS OF GRACE

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who did all for us and for the souls who need him so much?

The nations rise up against God and his Anointed, and they cry: "Let us tear their restraining bands apart, and let us cast their shackles from us." The hounds of hell are abroad. We hear their deep-throated baying. They

rend and tear all who fall prey to them and their blood-lust. Man is seeking to tear God from the throne of the universe and to enthrone science and materialism as his gods! Will he succeed? No, a thousand times no! God is still on the throne.

Listen: "He who dwells in heaven laughs; the Lord derides them." We know that the Lord will be the final victor and speak the last word. But that does not absolve us from being faithful in the discharge of our obligation to make him known, whom to know is life eternal. The "Go ye" of the risen Christ has never yet been rescinded. It is still in effect, still pertinent, still relevant and still vital. As long as the dispensation of grace is not terminated by the coming Christ, just so long God's people must obey the marching orders of Christ!

Therefore, arise, O people of God, put on the whole armor of God; fight the good fight of faith! Then, in the day of his appearing, we shall not stand ashamed in his presence. If I had to live my life over again, I would lay it at the feet of my glorious Lord anew, with more dedication and surrender, with more love to him who loves me and gave himself for me, with more love to the lost and his people, so that the word of Paul might be indeed true in my life:

"That in all things he might have the pre-eminence!"

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