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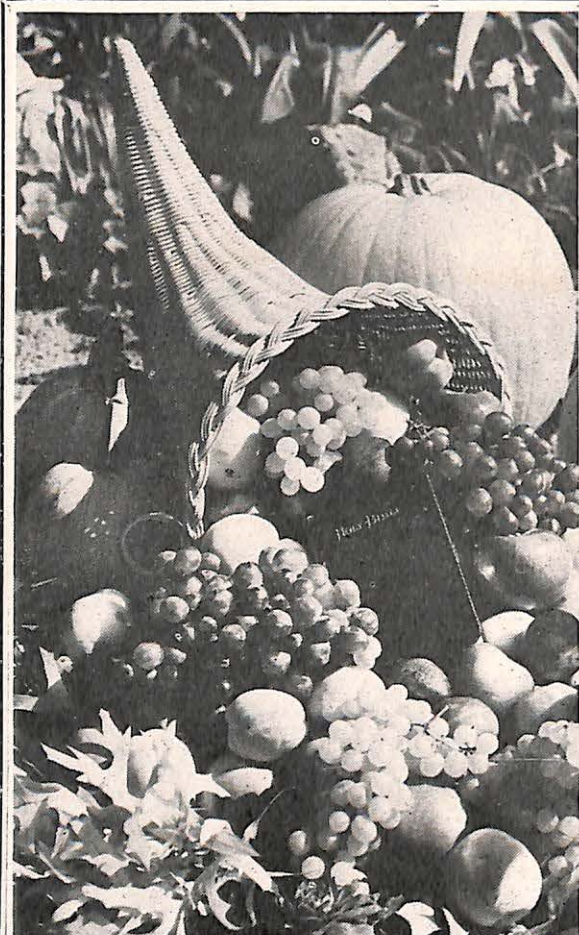
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Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of "The Watchman-Examiner," has stated that there is even "divine purpose in our reading. As the Creator made the human eye and brain instruments of intelligence, so has he created the literature which you may read. Only man knows the wonder and glory of gathering thought and life from a printed page. For the apparently lifeless, cold, plain writing or type can stimulate vastly more than food, can awaken a soul to the sublimest living." Your Publication House is such a source of spiritual inspiration if you will make constant use of it.

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Consider the Publication House as yours. It belongs to you. It is our denomination in action for Christ in the distribution of Christian literature. It can serve you in many wonderful ways. Pray for this House of yours on Publication Sunday, November 10, and keep its channel of blessing ever open for you.

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Such book treasures which you bring  
home or give to another person  
can prove to be a "joy forever" . . .

## Give Yourself a Gift!

By Rev. Harold W. Gieseke, Pastor of the Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

THERE WAS a spring in the step of Pastor Grayson as he walked down Centerville's Sycamore Street that crisp October morning. He had a delightful errand to perform. It was one of those rare days when the pastor proposed to give himself a gift! This is how it all came about.

An old friend of his father's lived in Centerville. Hearing that the young seminary graduate was coming to take his first church, he had gone out of his way to visit the new-comer. They had talked of the past, and of the pastor's sainted father, now in heaven, and on departing, the older man had handed the young preacher a check for \$50.00.

"I want you to spend this on yourself," he had said. "Don't give it away. Perhaps you'd like to spend it on your library."

Paul Grayson liked the idea and he was on his way to the Christian Book Store to see what \$50 could buy. It turned out to be one of those "once-in-a-lifetime" days and the book treasures he brought home proved a "joy forever."

Stepping inside the store, Pastor Grayson found the shelves wonderfully exhilarating. Through college and seminary days he had come to know and love good books. They were among God's choicest gifts to men. He reflected that God's Greatest Gift was revealed in a Book—the most treasured of them all! Here was an entire store filled with volumes about that Book and the "Sun of Righteousness" who illumed all its pages. Here for the browsing and the buying was the spiritual wisdom of centuries, the unimaginable labor of ten thousand saintly hearts and hands.

### SELECTION OF BOOKS

The young pastor knew that his real problem was selection. Among so much that was good, what was the best for him? After a brief chat with the clerk, he made an important first choice. Four things, he remembered his seminary president saying, should be in reach of every serious-minded preacher: a dictionary; a good English Bible with helps; the Greek New Testament; and the church's hymnal. (Grayson thought he could add a few!) He had all four, but he did need a new dictionary.

So he bought the red-jacketed Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dic-

tionary, which proudly announced itself as "the first completely new desk dictionary in ten years." It was not only new; it was the best. He took the thumb-notch index style, priced at \$6.75.

Should he spend \$50 and not buy a Bible? His shelves were already filled with a wide variety, including all the new translations. Now another met his eye—the *Holman Study Bible*, using the text of the Revised Standard Version. The young pastor had reservations about some of the verses and he did not use the R.S.V. in the public reading of the Word of God, but he did regard it as an invaluable study tool. Here he found a neat survey and outline of each Bible book; five important essays by such respected scholars as F. F. Bruce and Carl F. H. Henry; and a R. S. V. concordance, which he had often needed. This time, he took the cloth-bound "working" volume that cost \$8.95.

### SERIOUS BIBLE STUDIES

The new cleric now faced a big decision. Could he spend \$14.00 for a single book? It reminded him of the time his wife had purchased her fur coat! He looked longingly at *A Greek-*

*English Lexicon of the New Testament* by Arndt and Gingrich and then made the plunge. He bought it and got the finest Greek lexicon on the market today. Once it was Thayer. Now it is true that every serious student of the New Testament needs to own and to use Arndt and Gingrich. Paul Grayson made a quick calculation. He had spent \$29.70 and he had only bought three volumes!

Now he sought some help in sermon preparation and Bible study. One of his best friends had said, "Get Whyte!" so he added the two volumes of Alexander Whyte's *Bible Characters*, a perennial classic. No one, he discovered, has ever turned such deep, spiritual scrutiny upon the Bible's men and women as "Whyte of Free St. George's." Here was background reading for a life-time of Bible character preaching.

A volume of sermons by a master craftsman seemed a "must"; Grayson chose *"The Gates of New Life"* by James S. Stewart. If only he could have sat in North Morningside Church in Edinburgh, Scotland and heard these 25 messages from the lips of the scholarly New Testament professor! But now he had them to ponder!

He needed a book on the preacher's task. So he picked up a brand-new one by famed (and now retired) Episcopalian rector, Sam Shoemaker called *"Beginning Your Ministry."* He found it filled with sober, Spirit-inspired advice for preachers young and old.

### "SWEETER THAN HONEY"

By adding a few cents of his own, Pastor Grayson discovered he had enough for one more "pocket-book" of sweetness. It was Dr. V. Raymond Edman's *"Sweeter Than Honey."*

The president of Wheaton College meditates on what the Bible says about honey, and interspersed are John Oxenham's delightful poems. One, he thought, was just the word for him:

"Is your place a small place?  
Tend it with care!—  
He set you there."

The clerk totaled \$50.65!

Back in his study with his eight volumes, Paul Grayson thanked God for his old friend and his new books. He had given himself a marvelous gift! Out of sheer gratitude, he took

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All over Africa the picture for  
evangelism stays generally bright and the  
opportunities for Christian literature are growing . . .

## Christian Literature for Africa

By Kenneth Taylor, Director of Moody Literature Mission

OPPORTUNITIES FOR literature distribution are almost unlimited in most parts of Africa, but a more aggressive approach is needed in many areas if maximum coverage is to be achieved. This is the conclusion I reached after visiting literature distribution centers throughout Africa.

One of the more recent, but highly effective means of distribution is by mail. In Morocco, a country where Muslims held sway for centuries, 20,000 young people, mostly in their late teens and early twenties, are studying the Life of Christ through a series of free correspondence lessons.

And now the same wonderful thing is happening in the neighboring lands of Algeria and Tunisia (though we understand the 8,000 students in Tunisia have recently been prohibited from continuing.)

### GOSPEL BY MAIL

Until recently it has been a common experience for missionaries in these lands to go for years without fruit or harvest. In all Morocco, with its burgeoning population of 13,000,000, some missionaries guess that in 1960 there were only several hundred baptized national Christians (others hopefully set the Christian population as high as 2,000 or more). But now as a result of this correspondence course, several hundred have signed their written profession of faith in Christ.

This Gospel by mail campaign began in 1960, with the circulation of handbills which brought a quick response from several hundred applicants. These first students were sent additional application forms to give to friends and relatives. The result was a fantastic burgeoning of response from a formerly closed population.

Last summer in Algeria, within a few days of the Algerian peace with France, a team of missionaries began door to door sale of Gospels with free tracts and application forms for correspondence courses. The results have been comparable with those in Morocco.

### PRINTING STRATEGY NEEDED

In Chad, where there is the only printing plant in the country for Christian literature, there is a fast-growing printing program in five languages, with an exciting editorial program developing.

Here is also one of the few bookstores in West Africa that is stated to be profitable, though this probably

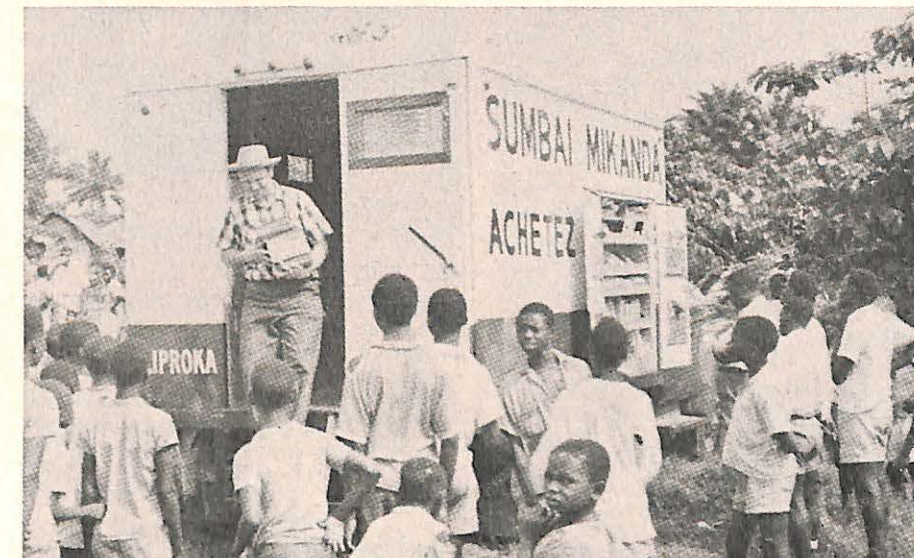
does not take into consideration missionary salaries. With the bookstore is a reading room of growing popularity.

The problem in (formerly) French West Africa is not lack of customers, but lack of plans to reach them. Of the few bookstores, most have the traditional concept of "being there" to gladly serve the public if it comes in to buy. Needed is a realization that the bookstores should become part of a much larger strategy, with salesmen pressing out to the markets and sidewalks and offices, with reading rooms and lending libraries, with an active, strongly-promoted mail order system to missionaries and pastors in "the in-

read; whether it is Christian or Communist does not disturb them.

What shall we say more? For time fails to tell of the 30 evangelical bookshops in Nigeria, the plans for four new van routes there, the 150,000 copies of *African Challenge* going out monthly, the 50,000 Moody Colportage books sold annually there in Nigeria and Ghana, the 500,000 distribution quarterly of vernacular gospel sheets and the development of a strong editorial center to produce Africanized manuscripts.

All over Africa the picture for evangelism stays generally bright (there are exceptions). In many areas it seems to be growing brighter despite



### CHRISTIAN LITERATURE FOR AFRICAN COUNTRIES

A Congo Inland Mission worker restocks the display of Christian literature of the mobile bookstore as eager Africans gather to see for themselves and to read.

terior," and with a direct monthly contact with each church in its area by means of booktables in the churches. This is especially needed in the Cameroon, where there are so many Christians and organized congregations and almost no distribution system.

In Kasai Province, Congo—the size of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois combined—a \$100,000 distribution program has recently gone into effect with spectacular results. Thousands of dollars worth of Bibles and other Christian books and booklets have been sold from a book van, while several new bookstores and depots have begun operation since last fall. The people in this area will buy anything they can

the new climate of nationalism, materialism and Muslimism.

South Africa has strong Christian literature programs, both indigenous and exogenous, in Zulu, English and Afrikaans.

East African missionaries met in March to discuss a strong combined tract development program. Kenya's Christian literature output is growing fast. Even Ethiopia with its tiny three per cent literacy rate will probably see a quarter million tracts and magazines distributed this year.

Pray much for Africa and for those trying to adequately use the present great and growing literature opportunities confronting the church.

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to enriched Christian living and teaching . . .

# Building Your Church Library

By Rev. L. Bienert, Business Manager of the Roger Williams Press

**B**OOKS ARE considered windows to the soul, enlarging one's vision. In like manner, the church library is the doorway to enriched Christian living and teaching.

There is still a need to sweep away some cobwebs of misconception about the term "church library." A century ago this term signified some vague, faraway collection of dusty volumes and manuscripts into which theologians occasionally delved—a collection that had no concrete relationship to everyday living. In more recent years, we have come to look upon the church library as an attractive room in our church in which one finds exciting adventures, heart-warming human interest stories, missionary challenges and inspiration for Christian living—all through the pages of the books awaiting us on the library shelves.

We realize that it is economically impossible for every person in a church to purchase all of the books and other resources which he needs for his spiritual growth and enrichment. These must therefore be made available for his use in some other way. A church library meets this need. The church is the one institution of our society which is primarily concerned with the development of Christian personality. Therefore, a collection of materials that will help individuals to live as Christians should be a vital part of every church's trust.

While there are some who need to be stimulated in the matter of reading, every church has a number of ardent book-lovers. Since it is impossible to read everything, readers should choose that which is worthy of the precious moments spent in reading.

## GETTING STARTED

How does one get started in this exciting adventure of building a church library? A library does not automatically happen; it must be started through efficient, systematic, vigorous effort. The idea of a church library must generate from one or more book lovers—often the pastor, a member of the Board of Christian Education, or some other avid reader who is interested in the spiritual growth of church members.

One of the first steps to be taken is to find a qualified individual to serve as librarian (usually under the direction of the Board of Christian Education or a Library Committee). This person ought to be dependable, show enthusiasm, love good books, and have

a vision of what a library ought to be and ought to do. Once you have found this person, you are well on your way to building a successful church library.

The next problem to be faced is finding a good location for your library. This is especially true if your church was built before the importance of church libraries was recognized. To begin with, a church library need not be an elaborate set-up with walls of books. Often just one shelf of carefully selected books will be a good beginning.

The best location is on the main floor in a place that is most accessible to the most people. Such matters as good ventilation, heat, and lighting should be taken into consideration. Unless there is absolutely no other recourse, do not place the library in a hallway, in the church office, in the pastor's study, or in any room where general meetings are held. Experience has taught that these places do not afford sufficient privacy for a church library. Find the best room possible. Then clean up, paint it, secure shelves and other necessary equipment.

## SECURING BOOKS

Speed in filling up library shelves is not the important thing. It is more important that each book in the library be one of quality that will meet the purpose of the library. It is therefore important that the librarian and library committee select books for quality

rather than quantity.

The best method for securing funds for books is to designate an amount in your church budget for library books each year. The more funds are available for the library, the better will be the selection and number of books. Cash donations from interested friends are always welcome additions to the library fund.

Another successful way to help build a library is for persons to give books for birthday gifts and other occasions with the stipulation that they be put into the church library after they are read.

Members of the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wisconsin had \$40 to begin their library. When a book display was set up by the Roger Williams Press to emphasize Library Week, members became so enthused that they purchased more than \$40 worth of additional books which they themselves would read and then donate to the church library.

The Parma Heights Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio at a similar occasion placed a card in each book displayed. The card listed the title, author and price of the book. Members then selected the books they wanted to purchase for the library and signed their name on the card. The librarian then gathered the cards and later collected the money from the donors. These are excellent ways to begin a church library.


## PROMOTING THE LIBRARY

To make sure that acceptable books are purchased, let the librarian post a list of "Books Wanted for Church Library." Interested people may then select and purchase these books as gifts to the library. A "Suggested Library List," available free of charge from the Roger Williams Press, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Ill., will help you in making your selections.

The Library Committee should decide on the hours and rules pertaining to the use of the library. This information, along with suggestions on how to use the library, should be shared with the congregation. An attractive bulletin board will remind people to use the library. Every week some item should be added, a poster changed, or a new book substituted for an old one.

An alert librarian will often have some display of books on a special subject in the library shelf. Announcements or inserts should be placed in

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**OUR FATHER**

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the printing sensation of the 20th century . . .

# The Reading Explosion!

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber of Forest Park, Illinois, Promotional Assistant.

**"O**F MAKING MANY books there is no end" (Ecclesiastes 12:12). One wonders what Solomon would say if he were living today. Perhaps the same thing but not in such a matter of fact way.

Reading has become one of the greatest blessings of mankind. But conversely it has also alerted us to its great dangers. While many authors appeal to the highest and best in human nature, others appeal to the lowest and worst. Critics are not always concerned so much with the subject matter of a book as they are with its literary value. Therefore, a book can be obscene and still be considered a literary masterpiece.

The reading explosion is following closely in the path of a literacy explosion. For over thirty years Dr. Frank C. Laubach has brought his literacy charts and "Each One Teach One" movement into the ranks of the "Silent Billion" because his highest aim in teaching illiterates is to extend the Gospel. Today practically every missionary society in the world takes advantage of his methods in order to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the illiterate and lost.

## READING HABITS

The danger is apparent here also, for as soon as the missionaries teach the illiterates to read, the communists immediately jam the bookstalls with their literature. Much of the unrest in underdeveloped countries is due to the fact that millions of new literates read the wrong books. The reading explosions have sometimes brought about political explosions.

Among the so-called privileged countries the reading habits have also changed—not all for the better. Television has made a great many average readers curious to know more about people, places and things. Their limited research has led them to take time to read something more in length and depth than the average magazine article. In spite of all the dropouts, there are a great many more readers with a higher educational background than there were a generation ago. High school and college graduates are much more common and their interest in the arts, sciences and travel has broadened and deepened their literary appreciation.

The Christian reader is also much better informed. Religious publishing houses are meeting the challenge of the so-called laymen market. Books



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on religious subjects are no longer limited to the minister's library. This is particularly true of books relevant to the spiritual life. Many laymen have far more interest in their Christian growth than ministers give them credit for. The printed word has often changed the course of people's lives where the spoken word failed.

Church libraries have also influenced the reading habits of Christians. Books on theology, church history, religious biography and general devotional topics line the shelves with other inspirational volumes. Children and young people are forming habits through this service which was not available to the former generation. Adults, though not as regular in their visits to the church library, are finding much help and inspiration from Christian literature not ordinarily found in public libraries.

## PAPERBACK BOOKS

Almost everyone in North America is aware of the rise in book sales. The home library with its expensively bound classics, which were dusted but never read, is a thing of the past. We are overwhelmed in our day with a paperback explosion that reaches out into almost every corner of the continent. Drug stores, grocery stores, department stores, railroad, bus and air

terminals are always well stocked with a large variety of the latest paperbacks, many featuring the more lurid covers and titles.

Less than twenty years ago the paperback was suspect because it was limited to the dime novel, the western thriller and the sensational murder mystery. Today this is no longer true. Last year there were approximately 14,000 paperback titles in print in the United States alone, including many in the field of religion. About 200 publishers have entered the paperback book publishing field. It is the greatest printing sensation of the twentieth century. The classics, the best sellers and Christian books of all kinds can now be purchased for 35 cents to \$2.00. The entire Bible can be purchased for as little as 50 cents. Although you can buy a cheap Bible there is no such thing as a cheap salvation, nor a cheap Christian life.

Formerly, the cheap paperbound books were read and quickly discarded. Today they have an attractive format with glossy varnished or laminated covers, many of them regular book size, which do not look out of place with other handsomely bound volumes on the library shelf. Because they are so inexpensive, every sincere church member can build up a good Christian library in the home.

All well known religious publishing houses have special paperback series which can be purchased through the Roger Williams Press, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois.

## BOOKS OF LIVING INSPIRATION

Broadman Star Books feature such well-known authors as George W. Truett, B. H. Carroll, H. E. Dana and W. O. Carver. The messages and expositions are heart-warming and informative because these men have been a living inspiration to thousands.

Abingdon has outstanding titles such as *Monk in Armor*, the dramatic story of Martin Luther; *The Greatest Words in the Bible and in Human Speech*, the words which echoed in the lives of men and women in the Bible; *The Glory of God*, a book of poems and prayers by one of God's well-known suffering servants; *If I Were Young*, themes wonderfully attractive to young people; *The Story of America's Religions*, an informative book for all ages.

Moody Pocket Books are among the least expensive with a variety of authors and titles that range from 29

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# The Best Book I've Read in 1963

Outstanding religious books read and studied by some of our pastors this year.

**THE PURSUIT OF GOD** by A. W. Tozer. Christian Publications, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.—1948—Paper \$1.50; Cloth \$2.75.

Rev. J. G. Benke

One of the books that has been a real blessing to me has been *"The Pursuit of God"* by the late A. W. Tozer. This book has also been read by several members of my congregation and by them has been recommended to others. A copy will be placed in our church library.

*"The Pursuit of God"* sets forth the longing of the individual for God and all he has for the believer. It deals with the deep things of God and the riches of his grace. It is not a collection of sermons. It does not deal with the pulpit and the pew but with the soul athirst for God. It is theology, not of the head, but of the heart. The ten chapters are heart searching and the prayers at the close of each helped me experience the nearness of God.

Here is a book for every pastor, missionary and Christian. It is written in simple language and can be of great help to Christians, giving them a better understanding of God. The modern scientist has lost God amid the wonders of God's world; this book is a modest attempt to aid God's hungry children to find him.—Jothan G. Benke, Pastor of the West Center Street Baptist Church, Madison, South Dakota.

**SCIENCE RETURNS TO GOD** by James H. Jauncey.—1961—Zondervan Publishing House—Cloth, \$1.95; Paperback, \$1.00.

Rev. Wesley A. Gerber

*Science Returns to God* was a blessing and inspiration to me because the writer seeks to convince his readers that science is not contrary to the Scriptures, but with its parallelism, one complements the other. The conflicts that still exist are not between science and religion but rather in man's limited understanding of God and the laws of the universe. It seems almost daily that knowledge is increasing to the understanding of science in relation to God. To me, this is God's revelation how everything fits into a plan.

Mr. Jauncey in his book says, "Scientists throughout the world are frightened men. This does not mean that they are unduly pessimistic, but it does mean that they are fully aware of the dangers that are facing civilization." This, he says, "is the major reason why so many scientists are returning to God as a final and only answer to the problems of the world."

Praise God that the very advances of science have been conducive to a



religious faith. There remains, however, the church's responsibility to present Christianity in such a way that it will capture the imagination and conviction of the scientific mind.

My personal prayer is that with this increased knowledge, man's interests might be more God-centered. With science increasing one's understanding of the Bible, surely God should be better known.—Wesley A. Gerber, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Durham, Kansas.

**OUR HEAVENLY FATHER** by Helmut Thielicke. Harper and Brothers, New York—1960—\$3.00.

Rev. Paul Siewert

There are various reasons why I consider this book of such high esteem. First, because it gives expositions on one of the greatest prayers ever prayed. Here is a series of vivid, heart-stirring sermons on the Lord's Prayer, charged with unusual power. The author endeavors to convince his readers that prayer opens new horizons for every needy soul.

Secondly, this book is scholarly. It is written by one of Germany's most outstanding contemporary preacher and scholar. The book is not simply a re-organization of old clichés but is written in a fresh and stimulating language. It comes to grips with some of the real problems sometimes connected with the Lord's Prayer.

Thirdly, the book is practical. The sermons that the book contains were preached by Dr. Thielicke to anxious congregations in Germany during the last World War. Some of the meetings were interrupted by the war sirens. One can sense in the book that the preacher was speaking to anxious people whose only refuge was God.

The author, Dr. Thielicke, will be guest lecturer at our North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, No-

vember 1-3 of this year.—Paul Siewert, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

**ENCOUNTER WITH SPURGEON** by Helmut Thielicke. Fortress Press, Philadelphia.—\$4.75.

Rev. E. A. Hoffmann

This book has 283 pages and is divided into two parts. The first part (45 pages) deals with Helmut Thielicke's encounter with Spurgeon. Here Thielicke, the Lutheran theologian, admires Spurgeon, the great Baptist theologian of the 19th century. He also gives us a summary of what Spurgeon really means to him. In the second part of the book we have "Lectures To My Students" and two sermons by Charles Haddon Spurgeon. Here Thielicke does not interpret, but only selected the lectures and the two sermons by Spurgeon and included them in the book.

I was deeply impressed and also blessed by reading this book. In the first part, Thielicke points out that like Spurgeon so we, who are called to preach the Word, must not live spiritually beyond our means. "For he (Spurgeon) gave out only what flowed into him in a never ceasing supply from the channels of Holy Scripture." Not only was Spurgeon concerned with our spiritual health and vigor but "the body too just like our heart is ordained to be a servant." Our aim should be to develop spiritually and physically for the Master's use.

From the second part of the book, I shall only cite one of the many blessings received from Spurgeon's lectures. Concerning public prayer—Spurgeon says we should pray to the Lord and not preach an indirect sermon. He goes on to say, "We may aim at exciting the yearnings and aspirations of those who hear us in prayer; but every word and thought must be Godward, and only so far touching upon the people as may be needful to bring their wants before the Lord. Remember the people in your prayers, but do not mold your supplications to win their esteem."—Ernest A. Hoffmann, Pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

**NEW LIFE IN THE CHURCH** by Robert A. Raines. Harper and Row, Publishers.—145 pages—\$3.00.

Rev. H. W. Berndt

*New Life in the Church* was the book which impressed me most this year, because it stopped me short and made me do some serious thinking about myself and the church of which I am a member. Dr. Raines began some serious thinking and action in the church of which he was pastor about the job of the church and how it could best be carried out. Concrete

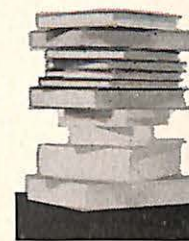
results of his thinking and action are graphically described in this book.

There seem to be three sides which segregate and merge themselves throughout the book. First is the idea that the church has lost the extremely important sense of her mission. We must somehow force ourselves away from all the interesting detours we have taken. Once again we need to barrel down the road of devotion to Christ, which we prove by introducing him to others. Through this the Holy Spirit can bring them to crisis and commitment.

Second, "the Church's ministry is always a ministry of preparation, of getting people ready for the coming of the Spirit... (p. 71)." The Holy Spirit is not our slave, but we must prepare grooves of grace along which he can work.

Third, conversion, commitment, growth and discipline take place best in the close fellowship of other Christians, where mutual encouragement and constructive criticism can take place. He feels this best happens in small groups of persons who come to an awareness of their "koinonia (fellowship) in Christ." He gives specific guides for the developing and programming of these groups. The result is a practical manual as well as an easy to read, but searching, message on the needs of us and our church today.

If you are a Christian, who is really concerned about the effectiveness of your church today, I invite you to read this book. Please, however, be ready to read it expecting that the Holy Spirit is going to give you some urgent advice about what he wants you to do.—Herbert W. Berndt, Pastor of the Grace Baptist Church, Racine, Wisconsin.



## BOOK REVIEWS

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

**THE CENTURY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT** by E. M. Blaiklock. InterVarsity Press—1962—158 pages—\$1.25 (paper).

An analysis of the first century Christians and the final emergence of the New Testament set in the primary areas of Palestine and Rome and the Mediterranean world.

**A DISTINCTIVE TRANSLATION OF GENESIS** by J. Wash Watts. William Eerdmans Publishing Company—1963—154 pages—\$1.95 (paper).

As professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Watts has brought his scholarship to bear on the first and very important book of the Bible. Some very distinctive features of the Hebrew text are reproduced which are not ordinarily incorporated in any other text. A valuable textbook for the student of the Bible.

**SPEAKER'S HANDBOOK FOR OCCASIONAL TALKS** by C. B. Eavey. Baker Book House—1963—153 pages—\$2.50.

All of us get "stuck" sometimes and don't know what to say when called upon to give a brief message. Mr.

Eavey has thought starters for almost every occasion: business groups, chapel talks, secular organizations, young people, adults or other miscellaneous groups. Both ministers and laymen can make use of this informative and inspirational material.

**THE APOSTLE PAUL** by Roland Q. Leavall. Baker Book House, 1963—128 pages—\$2.95.

There are many good books written on the life of Apostle Paul, but the student of the Bible will appreciate the work done by Mr. Leavall. There is nothing to compare with its conciseness, its distinctive outline form and its discussion value. It may not be thorough nor complete enough for the seminary classroom, but it lends itself very well for those who have difficulty in keeping the facts of Paul's life in chronological and categorical order.

**AT THE MASTER'S FEET** by H. H. Hargrove. Baker Book House—1963 211 pages—\$2.95. (Evangelical Pulpit Library.)

The Sermon on the Mount has always been a rich source for topical sermons. But the nine messages included in this volume are expository in nature, and as such they present the outstanding characteristics of the Sermon which are: instruction, exhortation and appeal, in a more meaningful way.

**COME WITH ME TO THE HOLY LAND** by Harriet Louise Patterson. The Judson Press 1963—312 pages—\$4.95.

If you do not care to go through an historical account about the Holy Land which informs you merely of facts and figures and names and places, then this is a book you should not neglect to read. It is excitingly as well as reverently written. Miss Patterson is an ordained minister and teacher and has visited the Middle East and Holy Land more than thirty times. She is also known as a tour escort and director and consultant for Middle East-Holy Land tours.

No one planning to visit the Holy Land should fail to read this excellent book beforehand and then refer to it repeatedly on the tour. Every place and event has much more meaning when read in the light of the author's knowledge. The Holy Land becomes

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# GOD'S OPEN DOOR

More than 3000 Christians, sitting on the grass of a football field and basking in the warm sun, attended the 9th Cameroon Baptist Convention at Ndu, Federal Republic of Cameroon, closing with a memorable communion service.

By Missionary Laura E. Reddig

**L**ONG BEFORE THE actual sessions of the 9th Cameroon Baptist Convention were held at Ndu, West Cameroon from May 3 to 5, the blessings began to flow through "the open door" for the 24 Baptist pastors at their own retreat. Besides the joys of "togetherness," there were Bible studies led by Rev. George Lang; the youth work was presented by Mr. Norman Haupt; the educational work was explained by Mr. D. K. Musa (a former tutor at Cameroon Protestant College, and now a government Education Officer); and politics in today's Cameroon was discussed by the Honorable John Nsame, a member of Federal House of Assembly.

The Baptist women had an early, musical start two days before the Convention with a colorful parade through Ndu Market area. They climbed up the hill to the church, singing as they went, but they had to meet in the yard because plastering was going on inside. Mrs. Stephen Langwa (better known to many as Elizabeth Bubiya) was chosen president of the Women's Union for a second term.

She delighted the women by presenting "Mister" Langwa, her husband, to them. He responded with words of gratitude to God for giving him such a wonderful wife. The applause was heart-warming. It was the writer's privilege to attend these women's meetings (and audit their accounts!) When the treasurer reported a considerable amount received from interest on their money in the bank, another remarked that this money, used today in God's work, would yield a more eternal interest.

## 3000 PILGRIMS

On Friday morning, the "pilgrims," representing over 16,000 Baptist Christians from 336 churches in West Cameroon, trekked up the hill to one of the largest Baptist churches in this area. Pastor John Nfor introduced the Convention theme in his welcome ad-

dress: "An Open Door Which No One Can Shut." (II Cor. 2:12b; Rev. 3:8). He spoke of several doors mentioned in the Scriptures: John 3:39; John 10:16; Rev. 3:20. He pointed out how Jesus opens doors to a richer and fuller life to all people everywhere, today and forever.

As Pastor Nfor closed his welcome address, the outdoor crowd clamored to become a part of the Convention. There were more outside in the yard than were packed in the large church. Having no city auditorium or school gymnasium to hire for such an overflowing crowd, the Baptists moved en masse down the hill to the school playground. No walls to limit attendance here! And where benches were lacking, green grass was plentiful for the audience to sit upon! And miracle of miracles, in this month of many rains,



Evangelist Momadu, the first Christian African to bring the Gospel to the Grasslands, greets Missionary Laura E. Reddig, longest in service of Cameroon missionaries.



Elizabeth Bubiya (behind the mike) and other women's leaders are presented to the 3000 people gathered for the Cameroon Baptist Convention held on the football field at Ndu.

not one service was rained out.

There were four visitors from the East Cameroon Baptist Convention, and they were both pleased and surprised at the strength and spirit in evidence among their "west side" brothers. These visitors included the E. C. B. C. President, Rev. Paul Mben-de, who is also an executive officer of the Baptist World Alliance; the general secretary of their Convention, and the president of their Women's Union. They reported that they were representing 11,904 Baptists in East Cameroon.

## CONVENTION LEADERS

The Convention theme was carried out in "opportunity" speeches: opportunities in the home; in the church, association and field; in giving; in difficulty; and in public life. (Two of these speakers were Cameroon women!)

President E. K. Martin, in his address, pointed out clearly the progress made during the past two years. This included independence and West Cameroon becoming a part of the Federal Republic of Cameroon. He mentioned the many doors which the Convention should enter but could not because it lacked funds. Would this young organization take up the challenge of greater responsibilities in Christ's work in the Cameroon, or would it fold up for lack of support? Mr. Martin suggested we consider three steps to new life and strength for each Baptist: (1) greater concern for others, (2) a sense of God's call, and (3) drawing near to God.

The Convention appointed Pastor Solomon Nfomi, former CBC Executive Secretary, to become their Youth Worker. He has attended a special Boys' Brigade Training School in England this summer. Reports were given about the various students now studying in England or America. The seven Cameroon Baptist Convention schools, because of lack of support, would come

under Cameroon Baptist Mission management. The Convention gave wholehearted support to the appointment of Mr. E. K. Martin as the C. B. M. Education Secretary. Dr. Chaffee gave a report of the advances in the medical work, especially in the training of nurses and midwives.

## COLORFUL DRAMATIZATIONS

Every Convention must be spiced with dramatizations. The Coastal women helped us all to understand "The Rich Man and Lazarus" as never before. The students of our Baptist Bible Training Center at Ndu thrilled everyone with "Pilgrim's Progress." Singing is the ingredient which gives any vast audience a feeling of oneness. Many talented leaders led us in a great variety of Gospel songs, but Mrs. Sarah Mokake and retired Evangelist Momadu were by far the favorites. Can you imagine this audience of 3000 singing on the open field at Ndu? No wonder passersby stopped to watch and to listen. It was heart-warming.

A short but important highlight of the Convention came when the Field Secretary, Rev. Fred Folkerts, presented the Convention with its Certificate of Incorporation and the seal for documents. Special words of thanks will be sent to the vice president of the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Mr. John Ngu Foncha, and to Dr. Paul Gebauer for their help in getting this official recognition.

## PICTURES ON FOOTBALL FIELD

Evening services on the same football field, under a brilliant African moon, consisted of colored slides and film strips by the writer, and devotions by one of the pastors. The screen was a sheet tied high above the goal posts, making it possible for the audience to view the pictures from either side of the screen! Many outsiders came for the pictures and stayed to hear the messages each evening.

The prolonged but interesting elec-



## FIVE ORDAINED BAPTIST PASTORS

Pastor Stephen Nteff (in white robe), the new president of the Cameroons Convention, gives the challenge to the five newly ordained Baptist pastors. (Pictures by Laura E. Reddig.)

tions gave the Convention the following new officers: president, Rev. Stephen Nteff; vice-president, Grasslands, Rev. Solomon Baah; vice-president, Forest Area, Mr. Jacob Ewolle; executive secretary, Rev. John N. Nfor; and treasurer, Mr. Martin Ikome. These new officers were presented to the convention by Mr. E. K. Martin, the former president, on Sunday morning.

Sunday! By far this was the brightest and greatest day of the Convention! The early morning Sunday school classes were gathered in groups of 25 to 50 with a Bible School student for each group. One thought of Jesus feeding the five thousand after settling them in small groups on the hillside. Every available bench of Ndu vicinity was brought out for the Convention, but with the Sunday crowd of over 3000, over half the people stood or sat down on the grass. This was the third day on which the Cameroon Baptists basked in the warm sun, and for the coastal delegates, that sun felt mighty

good at cold Ndu!

Highest of all the Convention highlights was the service in which five young men were ordained into the Christian ministry. Rev. George W. Lang, principal of the Baptist Bible Training Center, brought the ordination sermon. He pointed out that the Church of Jesus Christ is a costly thing, entrusted only to special people. Their qualifications are the highest, because it is the work for eternity. Using Ephesians 5:25b and 27, Mr. Lang said that the work of a pastor was a good work, with Jesus as the great Shepherd and each pastor as an under-shepherd.

The 24 Cameroon pastors and five Americans joined in singing "My life, my love I give to thee." They formed a good-sized circle, and one at a time, the candidates entered while the pastors hummed the same song. Pastor Philip Nshing read a verse of challenge to each of the five men. By the time the fifth man knelt in the circle, there were 33 hands on his head!

The new pastors are: Abel Koni of Ndu, Jacob Molar and Manasses Nji of Binka, Isaiah Shei of Nsop, and Samuel Vinyoh of Banso. Pastor Nteff, the new president of the Convention, brought the charge to the newly ordained ministers, stressing that the time is short and that there is so much to do. Watch and wait in all things. Never hurry. God has an answer for everything. Pastor Lucas Ndichafa gave the charge to all the churches, urging them to pray for more men to enter God's open doors of service to win the Cameroon people to Christ.

## CLOSING COMMUNION SERVICE

Rev. Fred Folkerts, C. B. M. Field Secretary, brought the closing address in speaking of the five essentials of the apostolic traditions which must be carried on in our churches today: the crucified, risen and exalted Christ as Savior of men; we are all sinful men

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## DR. CHAFFEE AT THE CAMEROONS CONVENTION

Dr. Leslie M. Chaffee of the Banso Baptist Hospital gives a thrilling report about the amazing progress of our Mission's medical outreach.

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# Commitment to Christ for Missions

The story of Rev. and Mrs. C. Richard Mayforth, newly appointed missionaries to Japan, by Dr. R. Schilke, general missionary secretary.

TO SOME YOUNG people the call of God to Christian service, either at home or abroad, may come suddenly, almost cataclysmically, and they yield themselves to the Spirit of God under the impulse of such an experience. To others the call of God may be a series of experiences in their early Christian lives. Each such experience may bring a response in some form of commitment to Christ to be used in his service. Together these experiences and commitments ripen to fruition as the call of God becomes clearer and more specific as to the type and place of service in which God would have them.

Rev. and Mrs. C. Richard Mayforth have both had such a series of experiences and responded to these in committing their lives to Christ for whatever he would have them to be or do. Reared in the same church, the First Baptist Church of St. Joseph, Mich., their lives have been an inspiration and encouragement to each other since their high school days. Their individual interests found a ready response in each other. God dealt individually with them and called them into his service.

As they prepared themselves for such service, they also became convinced that they could travel the way together better than alone. Thus, following college days and upon seminary enrollment, Mr. Mayforth says: "Frances became Mrs. Mayforth, and together we travelled to the west coast." This took place on Sept. 1, 1957. The Lord has since blessed their home with two children: Bart Eric, born on March 27, 1961 at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and Ruth Diane born on July 11, 1963 at Kyle, Texas.

## EARLY RECOLLECTIONS

Charles Richard Mayforth was born on May 28, 1935 at Chicago, Ill., as the first of four sons to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Joseph Mayforth. His early recollections of Sunday school are those of "a Swedish Baptist Church in Chicago." He still remembers one teacher who took special interest in her students and took them to her home for lunches and to the parks and zoos, and "who taught us about Joseph and his coat of many colors." At the age of five years, the family moved to Benton Harbor, Mich., where his father found employment. After visiting several churches in the area, they were attracted to the First Baptist Church of St. Joseph, Mich., where the Rev. L. H. Broeker was then and still is now the pastor. This church has been "home" to him ever since.

At the time that he was in his fifth

grade at Fair Plain School, Richard made a public confession of faith in Christ during a week of evangelistic meetings at the church. Later he recalled that the decision to go forward was largely social pressure and that the time in the inquiry room was quite confusing. However, a beginning had been made. That night as he drove home and in discussion with his father, the assurance flooded his heart that Christ had redeemed him and that he was a child of God. A new peace, which he had not known before, filled his being. About two years later, on Easter Sunday, 1947, he was baptized by Rev. L. H. Broeker and became a member of the visible and local church.

## FRANCES MAYFORTH

Frances Diane Sobieski, now Mrs. Mayforth, was born on May 11, 1936 at Los Angeles, Calif., as the first of two children to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Sobieski. Her father was a travelling salesman and his business brought him and his wife to Los Angeles at the time of her birth. Four years later her father died. Her mother raised the two children by herself during the next seven years. She always took them to a rural Sunday school in rural Benton Harbor where Rev. L. H. Broeker of St. Joseph held Sunday afternoon services. This Sunday school was a missionary outreach of the First



TEA CEREMONY IN JAPAN

With grace and skill, these Japanese women conduct the tea ceremony in this home.

Baptist Church of St. Joseph. This interest influenced Frances in her own young life to think of missions. She remembers her mother saying to her in her Junior High age that perhaps some day she would be a missionary.

Through the work of the Rural Bible Mission and the Radio Kids Bible Club she memorized Bible verses. The one in Romans 3:23 became especially important to her. It first provoked her but then led her to see herself and her need of a Savior. At the age of 12 she accepted Christ as her Redeemer. In the spring of 1948 she was baptized by Rev. L. H. Broeker and became a member of the St. Joseph church.

## YEARS OF INCREASED ACTIVITY

High school years were years of increased activity for both, Richard and Frances, in school and church. At school Richard was keenly interested in science, math, English, speech, and in special activities such as the band and drama. At church he sang in the choir and taught in Sunday school. He was elected to various offices in the young people's group. Camp during the summer months was of great interest to him.

At Gull Lake during a laymen's week and retreat, God's Spirit spoke to him through Mr. Harry Kahn of "Men for Missions." He definitely knew then that whatever place Christ would have for him in his service, "a major emphasis in his ministry would be the missionary outreach of the church." As a boy he was very much interested in some day becoming a pilot of an airplane. This interest later changed to an interest in the Air Force chaplaincy. After this Gull Lake weekend experience, he knew that his burden would be for missions.

The four years in high school at St. Joseph were active years for Frances. She held membership in various school clubs. Church activities included choir, young people's work, and teaching fifth grade girls in Sunday school. After graduation from high school in 1954, Frances took up nurses' training at the Swedish Covenant Hospital, School of Nursing, in Chicago, Ill. She received her R. N. diploma in 1957.

## COLLEGE & SEMINARY DAYS

Upon graduation from high school in Benton Harbor, Mich., C. Richard Mayforth enrolled in Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill. He majored in sociology but found an interest in many other areas. Extra curricula interests included Chapel Choir, Chicago South Side Sunday Schools, and visitation at Cook County Hospital and Swedish Covenant Hospital. The latter included a very special personal interest,

for here a young lady of special interest was taking her nurses training. His interest in the chaplaincy was kept alive during his college days and he began to think in terms of seminary training. The advice of his house mother to choose a school of equivalent academic standing and a visit by Dr. Carnell, then president of Fuller Theological Seminary, to Wheaton College Chapel led him in the direction of Fuller Seminary for his further training.

At Fuller Seminary he took the course leading to a B.D. degree. His church activities were found in the Berean Baptist Church where Dr. Donald G. Davis is pastor. At the seminary he experienced a change of interest. He began taking the chaplaincy course but found that there was a long waiting list to get into the service. Furthermore, a goodly number of other men headed for the chaplaincy had previous military experience which he felt made them much better qualified. His previous commitment to Christ for missions led him to take an active part in the Fuller Missions Fellowship.

## INTERVIEW WITH DR. SCHILKE

He was further challenged "to give God a chance to call him by making himself actively available to his own mission board." Thus it was in the summer of 1959 that he sought an interview with the writer, who was then at Hume Lake for a week of camp with our N.A.B. California Association Family Camp.

That interview at first brought our Cameroon mission field into perspective. However, there were obstacles in the way. His sociological major at Wheaton College did not qualify him for the openings then available. This and other factors of interest brought Japan into view. This interest in Japan was strengthened by the associations during one quarter at Fuller with Rev. Edwin C. Kern from Japan who was then home on furlough. Others, knowing our conference and knowing the Mayforths, suggested to them that they would be well suited for Japan in their temperament and preparation.

A further year at our seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., was suggested to him to gain an insight into our denomination's approach to missionary work. This he also desired to do upon graduation from Fuller Seminary in 1960. However, illness, medical bills, and the promise of an addition to the family made it necessary to seek summer and fall employment and then to enroll for the second semester only, 1960-1961, at our seminary in Sioux Falls.

## A TIME OF WAITING

Application for missionary service in Japan was made to our Missionary Society in the spring of 1961. That spring the Board of Missions could not meet all requests for appointment



Bible Class students at a party held for them by Missionary Lucille Wipf at her house in Ise, Japan.

and so Mr. and Mrs. Mayforth were advised to seek service in one of our churches. This they did. Work in the Southern Conference was found through our Student Service Plan for the summer of 1961, and then a call from the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kyle, Texas was extended to them to which they gave a favorable response.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Missions in 1962 their application was favorably acted upon and they



REV. AND MRS. C. RICHARD MAYFORTH, MISSIONARIES

Following their ministry of two years at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kyle, Texas and their Japanese language studies at the University of Texas, Rev. and Mrs. C. Richard Mayforth are now in Japan as North American Baptist missionaries witnessing to Christ as Savior.

were appointed as missionaries to Japan. However, budget financing could not include them that year. Thus, they were advised to continue their service at Kyle for another year. This year 1963, they could be included in our denominational budget and were informed that they should be ready for an early fall sailing. The two years of pastoral experience were invaluable to them. During this last year they also took up the study of the Japanese

language at the University of Texas at Austin on a part-time basis and with the approval of their church.

On Aug. 19, 1961 C. Richard Mayforth was ordained to the Christian ministry in his home church at St. Joseph, Mich., together with his brother Ronald who was then studying at our seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. On July 21, 1963 Rev. and Mrs. C. Richard Mayforth were commissioned to missionary service at the Southern Conference convening at the church they were serving. Dr. J. C. Gunst, Central District Secretary, and Dr. A. J. Harms, Missionary Bible Teacher, together with other brethren of the Southern Conference participated in this inspiring service.

## AT KOBE, JAPAN

Rev. and Mrs. Mayforth sailed from San Francisco on Sept. 19, 1963 for Kobe, Japan. During this first year they will be residing at Kobe and be engaged in the study of the language. God's people in our churches are rallying around them. Mr. and Mrs. F. Winkler, members at the Pilgrim Baptist Church in Philadelphia, Pa., hearing of the need, sent a \$1,000 contribution to help send another missionary couple to Japan. This was applied to the sending of the Mayforths. At the time of writing the following churches

have already adopted them for project support: Colonial Village Baptist Church, Lansing, Mich., for \$1,000; Redeemer Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., for \$1,000; Immanuel Baptist Church, Kankakee, Ill. for \$2,000.

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## The Glory That Was Greece!

By Miss Frieda Redlich of Winnipeg, Manitoba, a Member of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church.

**A**FTER A SHORT flight through the clear blue skies from Tel Aviv, Israel, we soon found ourselves at Helleniko Airport, a little south of Athens, in Greece.

Greece is a small country that lies in the southernmost part of Europe, occupying the lower part of the Balkan Peninsula. Four-fifths of this country is mountainous and is fringed with countless islands. It is shaped like a dragon's paw, or an unfinished jigsaw puzzle with its island pieces scattered around it.

### THE ACROPOLIS

First among the cities of Greece is Athens. In the classical period, Athens was the foremost of the city states, the biggest, most beautiful, prosperous and cultured. This is still true of Athens today, a city with a population of about 1,500,000, nearly one-sixth of the country's people.

Many Greeks deplore this trend from country to city, but urbanization is as strong in Greece as it is elsewhere. As one drives towards the city, one can see how it is spread out on higher ground around the Acropolis and Mount Lycabettus, and extends up the slopes of Hymettus and Parnes.

We too, like most visitors who arrive in Athens, went to see the Acropolis first of all. On a flat top pedestal of rock, 200 feet above the

plain, the ancient Athenians built their Acropolis or "high city."

The Parthenon, or "Virgin Temple," is the largest building on the Acropolis, whose marble columns are ghostly white by moonlight, tawny at noonday and rose-tinted at sunset. Under the Turkish Rule of 1687, the Parthenon had become a storage house for ammunition; the Venetians fired on it and scored a direct hit. It is little short of miraculous that as much of the Acropolis, as is standing today, should have withstood this bombardment.

### HISTORY OF THE AGES

A generation or so later, the Erechtheum, with its famous Porch of the Maidens, was built. A small but perfect temple rose to Athena Nike, the Wingless Victory, wingless so that victory could never fly away from Athens. The great entrance gate, the Propylaea, was never completed.

Look out through these entrance columns across a gully to some lower hills, each with historical associations: the Philopappus, where Socrates downed his fatal drink of hemlock; and the Pnyx, where Athenian citizens used to meet to make laws.

Closer is the Areopagus, a hump of rock with worn steps cut into the side, where the elders of Athens met in discussion, and Mars Hill where the Apostle Paul preached his famous



### THE RUINS OF DELPHI

The Apostle Paul witnessing to the Greeks of Christ: "Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you" (Acts 17:23).

sermon. (Acts 17:22-31). A long quotation from the Book of Acts is inscribed in Greek on a bronze tablet there.

Athens also has many Roman ruins, for the Romans conquered Greece in 146 B. C. Hadrian, a cultured Roman emperor, was a Philhellene (lover of Greeks) and had many beautiful buildings erected in Athens. Among them is a Roman Arch built on the plain below the Acropolis. This arch, known as Hadrian's Arch, divides the new Athens from the old. Also at the foot of the Acropolis is an open air theater built in the 2nd century A.D. by Herodes Atticus. It is still in use today.

### CITY OF CORINTH

The drive from Athens to Corinth along a modern new highway reminded me of the hair pin curves of the highways of both Jordan and Israel. Only this highway appeared to be hugging the side of the mountains, which dropped into the sea. We stopped at Daphni and visited a famous Byzantine church of the 11th century and saw

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### THE ACROPOLIS AT ATHENS, GREECE

In Athens one must look up to the Parthenon, the largest building on the Acropolis, which is world renowned in Greek history and art, and to Mars Hill where the Apostle Paul preached his famous sermon. (Acts 17:22-31).



### THE FIRST CBYF CONGRESS AT COLLEGE CAMP, WILLIAMS BAY, WIS.

Approximately 200 young people from North American Baptist churches, representing 17 states and 4 provinces, attended the first CBYF CONGRESS held at College Camp on the beautiful shores of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

## Young People Attain "Freedom in Truth"

Report of the First CBYF Congress Held at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, by Kathy Norman of Watertown, Wis.

**T**HE GEORGE WILLIAMS College Camp on the beautiful shores of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin was the setting of the first national C.B.Y.F. Congress, August 19-25. There were approximately 200 young people present representing 17 states and 4 provinces. Alberta, Canada, had the largest representation of 35 young people.

The theme for this first Congress was "Freedom in Truth" (John 8:32), and a different aspect of it was presented each morning by Dr. Ralph Powell, professor at the N.A.B. Seminary, Sioux Falls. These messages proved to be a real challenge as we began to think deeply on things which were somewhat abstract and yet so true and relevant to our daily lives. We soon realized that this week would not be one of "spoon-feeding" but of really "biting into and chewing the meat."

After Dr. Powell had presented the theme, we divided into groups for discussion to share our own ideas on the subject, to grapple with these issues and to discuss them with one another. The questions and comments resulting were then taken back to a Talkback or Colloquy where representatives from each group presented a panel of "experts."

### THIS DRAMA OF LIFE

Dr. Bernard Schalm, professor at the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, presented a study on I John each day with the stress placed on the Christian and his relationship to Christ, the world, his fellowman, his church, and himself. This study made us realize again the important role we as Christians play in this drama of life.

Other sessions were held which were of great interest. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary of the General

Conference, presented "Who are the NAB's," which was not only informative but also stimulating as we considered the part we as young people play in our denomination. Miss Martha Leypoldt, professor at NAB Seminary, Sioux Falls, led a discussion on "C.B.Y.F. Organization and Planning" giving us some ideas to help stimulate and challenge our local C.B.Y.F. groups. "Church-Related Vocations" were ably presented by the NAB Seminary president, Rev. Frank Veninga. It was a real challenge to realize the great field of service in the Christian church and the part we can have in it. Mr. A. Ahlquist, biology teacher in Minneapolis-St. Paul area, presented a very informative and pertinent talk on "Dating and Mating." Many young people went to extra sessions on this for counsel in this important area of our lives. Dr. Robert S. Denny, Youth Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D. C., presented "Current Religious Liberty Issues in America," opening our eyes to prob-

lems concerning religious freedom today.

Evenings at the Congress were packed full of interesting and challenging activities. Rev. John Binder, Congress director, presented the keynote sermon the first evening, "We Want Freedom," followed by a Congress sing. One evening was set aside for a special mission emphasis, at which Rev. Fred Folkerts, field secretary of Cameroon, brought the challenging message, "Our Mission in the Cameroons."

Other special events were a moonlight cruise, a time of games and getting acquainted, a roll call of the states and provinces represented in the form of skits and musical numbers, a Congress Musicales, and a bus tour to the NAB Headquarters in Forest Park, Illinois. The Sunday morning speaker was Dr. Denny who spoke on "Baptist Youth and the Struggle for Freedom Around the World."

### OUR FREEDOM IN CHRIST

The last evening, Rev. David Draewell, secretary of stewardship and higher education, brought the dedication message on "Freed to Serve." Some outwardly indicated their answer to God's call that night, and others, in their cabins or to themselves, expressed their renewed dedication to God to serve wherever and in whatever way he would lead.

As we ended this week of challenging mountaintop experiences, we realized that we are indeed "freed to serve" in Jesus Christ and we are attaining "freedom in truth" as we live our lives for him. Pray for each one, who spent this week at Congress, that this desire to serve will remain and that we will continue to grow in Christ. Pray for all NAB young people as we prepare to carry forth the freedom found in Christ in the years which lie ahead.

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## MARCH OF EVENTS



● **MALAYSIA TO BE ISLAMIC STATE.** While the constitution of newly established Malaysia says other religions "may be practiced in peace and harmony," Islam will be the religion of the federation. Further, the code says state law may control or restrict the propagation of other faiths among Moslems. The Prime Minister of Singapore said it was his understanding that restrictive legislation would not be introduced.—*Sunday School Times*.

● **AMERICAN LEPROSY MISSIONS.** The 57th annual meeting of American Leprosy Missions will be held on October 17, 1963, at the First Baptist Church, Washington, D. C. Among the highlights of the all-day parley will be a special observance of the 50th anniversary of *Pete the Pig*, historic symbol of leprosy relief in Sunday schools and churches over the country. Wilbur Chapman, construction engineer of Chicago and Baltimore, will be honored for his role in starting the famous piggy bank program which has resulted in raising millions of dollars for the world's leprosy victims. Dr. Paul W. Brand of London and Vellore, India, medical missionary, noted orthopedic surgeon, and pioneer in leprosy rehabilitation, will be the main speaker at the public meeting closing the conference.

● **EVANGELISM STRATEGY FOR LATIN AMERICA.** Representatives of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, the Latin America Mission, the Navigators, Overseas Crusades, World Vision, Youth for Christ, and other agencies are meeting in San José, Costa Rica, to plan a comprehensive strategy for future evangelism in Latin America. Dr. R. Kenneth Strachan, general director of the LAM, host for the conclave, said the meeting could have "profound effects" on the future of evangelism. For the first time in the history of evangelical work in Latin America, an all-Latin American committee on evangelism has been formed, representative of the conservative wing of Protestantism.—*Sunday School Times*.

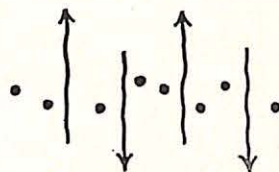
● **HEIGHTENED RELIGIOUS TENSION IN ISRAEL.** Friction between Jewish and non-Jewish religious groups in Israel is increasing. Following a mass rally of the Anti-Missionary League, at which rabbis complained about unfair proselytizing by Christian groups, representatives of almost all of the Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, and Protestant communities sent an unprecedented joint letter to Premier Eshkol, calling the charges "ignorant or malicious." The groups said they were "quite ready for any government inquiry." They denied attempts to win converts by exploiting economic

or social difficulties. Converts "moved by genuine religious motives" are accepted only after a lengthy waiting period, the letter said.—*Sunday School Times*.

● **SOUTH DAKOTA HONORS MISSIONARY.** Congress has approved a joint resolution accepting a gift by the state of South Dakota of a statue of the Rev. Joseph Ward (1838-1889), pioneer Congregational missionary and educator, as that state's famous American to be commemorated in Statuary

Hall. Dr. Ward will be honored as founder of South Dakota's public school system, as founder and president of its first college, Yankton College; as author of the state's motto, "Under God the People Rule," and as a leader in political development of the state in the formative years before its admission to the union in 1889. The widely-respected clergyman lectured throughout the United States on behalf of Dakota missions, both those for the white settlers and the Indians.

## BAPTIST BRIEFS



● **Southern Baptist Sunday School Goal.** A Sunday school enrollment goal of 10 million by 1970 has been set by the Southern Baptist Convention. The goal was announced at the semi-annual meeting of the 58-member Sunday School Board of the SBC. Present Sunday or Sabbath school enrollment is listed at more than 7,500,000. The Board elected Rev. J. Robert Smith, pastor of First church, Statesboro, Ga., as its president, and Beecher Ford, Nashville layman as chairman of its 18-member executive committee.

● **Central Africa Baptist Convention.** The Baptist Convention of Central Africa, organized in January, held its first annual meeting July 6-9 at the Baptist assembly grounds near Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia. Delegates from 39

churches were present for two days of evangelistic conference and two days of business sessions. The first edition of *The Baptist Witness*, the Convention's quarterly newspaper, was released during the meeting. It is edited by Rev. Aaron Ndlovu, pastor of two churches in the Bulawayo area. Rev. Abel Nziramanga is Convention president.—*The Watchman-Examiner*

● **Baptist Church of Warsaw, Poland.** Over 600 persons attended a three hour choral concert of Passion music in the Baptist church of Warsaw, Poland. The program was presented by the Orthodox Church choir of Warsaw. Among those in attendance were representatives of the Methodist, Reformed, Lutheran, United, Adventist, Marian, Polish Catholic and Roman Catholic churches. The program, described as "a very excellent evening of Passion music" by the Warsaw Baptist pastor, Aleksander Kircun, included the singing of Psalms 103 to 140, the Beatitudes, and the Lord's Prayer.

● **"Black-White Program in Germany.** Recently a new program has been initiated by the Baptist young people of Germany. It is called "Black-White." The German young people have invited young Africans from the mission field in Cameroon to come to Germany for special professional education and training. During their stay in this country, they will live and work together with the young German Baptists. After having received their training, they will go back to Africa accompanied by a young German Baptist who is to stay and work for one year at the side of his African friend in the field of the profession as well as in the mission work. The money for this project is being raised by the Baptist young people of Germany.—*The European Baptist*.

● **Miss Gertrude Schatz, missionary nurse in Cameroon, Africa, and Miriam Holzimmer, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer, of Mbem and Warwar, Cameroon, arrived in Chicago, Ill., by plane on Sept. 5.** Miriam Holzimmer will study in the United States during the next year, and Miss Schatz will reside in Winnipeg, Manitoba during her forthcoming furlough year. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. Schatz of Vernon, B. C.

● **The new Maternity Center at Mbem, West Cameroon, Africa, was dedicated and opened for its greater ministry in Christ's Name on Friday, Aug. 16.** Miss Betty Mantay and Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer carried out an impressive dedication service for the new building. A number of the grass-land missionaries were present for the memorable occasion. It has also been announced that Miss Geraldine Glase-napp, who has been teaching at the Mission School in Victoria, has been transferred to the Bansa Baptist Hospital staff in early September.

● **On Friday, Aug. 30, a farewell reception was held by the Baptist Home, Bismarck, N. Dak., in honor of Rev. and Mrs. B. W. Krentz who had served as administrator and housekeeper for the Home, respectively, since 1952.** The reception at the G. P. Steak House was attended by Board members and their wives and by Rev. Alfred W. Weisser, the new administrator, and Rev. Henry Lang, present chaplain, and their wives. Mr. George Kessler, a member of the Board of Directors, was in charge of the program.

● **The Riverview Baptist Church, West St. Paul, Minn., has announced that Mrs. Barrett Seeley has accepted the church's call to become Director of Music.** Miss Marian Peter is serving as the director of the church's Scripture Memory Program. There was a record enrollment of 125 children and 25 staff members at the Vacation Bible School held this past summer. During the two week school, 15 boys and girls accepted Christ as their Savior. About 25 young people of the Riverview Church attended several camps and the CBYF Congress this summer. Rev. Harold E. Weiss is pastor of the church.

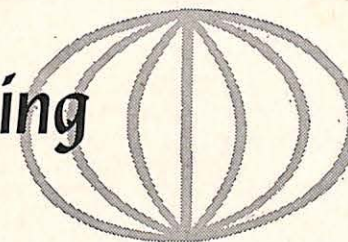
● **Dr. and Mrs. John E. Knechtel of Chicago, Illinois, observed their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 8th, at an open House celebration held in their honor by the son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Knechtel in Mt. Prospect, Ill.** Dr. Knechtel, now partially retired, has served as minister of several NAB churches and is still practicing as a neproth. They were married on Sept. 10, 1913 in Proton, Ontario by the late Dr. John Leypoldt. He has served as pastor of the following churches: Central, Edmonton, Alberta; Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Grace, Chicago.

● **Allen P. Schantz, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Schantz of Saguache,**

Colorado and a student at the San Louis Valley's Mountain Valley High School in Saguache, has been named one of the outstanding 11th grade science students in Western Colorado. He is among four western Colorado students who will compete for an all-expense paid trip to the 1963 National Youth Conference on the Atom to be held Nov. 7 to 9 in Chicago, Ill. Allen is an associate pastor of the Spanish Baptist Church and state president for

Dorcas Guild of the Foster Ave. Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. The dedication prayer was offered by Rev. John Lewis of the Acacia Community Presbyterian Church. Rev. Walter Schmidt of the Baptist Church, Norridge, Ill., delivered the dedicatory address. Mr. Edward Meister, the Home's superintendent, served as chairman of the impressive service, which was held in the chapel of the Home due to inclement weather.

## what's happening



Pioneers for Christ. He is an accomplished musician on the French horn and winner of the CBY of Arizona Instrumental contest.

● **Recently Rev. Berthold W. Tutschek of Chilliwack, British Columbia, resigned as pastor of the Victoria Ave. Baptist Church which he had served since 1958.** His resignation was effective Aug. 31st. Beginning with Sept. 3 he entered a teaching position at a Junior High School in Edmonton, Alberta. He and his family have moved to Edmonton, where three of his children can now avail themselves of a university education and where he can attend summer sessions at the University of Alberta to further his own education. Mr. Tutschek stated that he is not "giving up the Christian ministry, but wants to be better prepared for it."

● **On Labor Day afternoon, Sept. 2, a Flag Dedication program was held at the Central Baptist Home for the Aged, Norridge, Ill.** The flag and 30 foot flag pole in the spacious front yard were gifts for the Home from the

● **The Immanuel Baptist Church, Woodside, N. Y., held its Vacation Bible School from August 19 to 30 with 75 children enrolled and with an average attendance of 53.4.** The director was assisted by five teachers and six helpers. The closing program on Sunday evening, Sept. 8, presented the children in action and also featured the dedication of new flags. From Nov. 3 to 10 the church will hold evangelistic services, largely in German, with Rev. William Hoover of Anaheim, Calif., as evangelist. The church is making plans for its 70th anniversary to be observed on Sunday, March 8, as announced by Rev. Assaf Husmann, pastor.

● **The Bethel Baptist Church, Prince Rupert, British Columbia, celebrated its 10th anniversary on Sunday, June 30th.** Ten years ago this church was organized largely with German immigrants and refugees from Europe. At present the church numbers 55 in its membership, but 93 others have spent some time in the fellowship of the church and have since moved to other parts of Canada and the United States. The neighboring churches of Terrace and Kitimat, B. C., shared in the festivities of the anniversary program. Rev. Gerhard Gebauer, pastor of the Immanuel Church, Vancouver, B. C., served as the guest speaker. Rev. Jakob Rauschenberger is pastor of the Prince Rupert church.

● **The Church Extension Committee of the denomination has requested Dr. W. J. Appel to make a Church Extension survey of the area in Parsippany, New Jersey for a period of three months, beginning Sept. 1st, or as long as he feels necessary.** The small Littleton Baptist Church of Parsippany has requested membership in our conference. It was located in a placid rural community, but now finds itself in a

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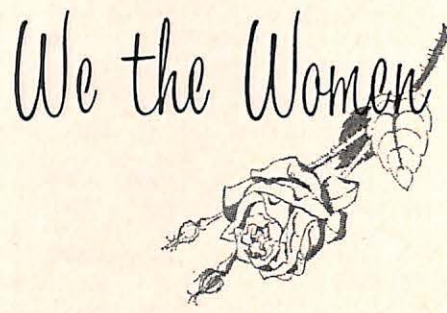
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### "I BOW MY KNEES"

What an inestimable privilege is ours to pray! Too often we do not avail ourselves of the greatest power under Heaven, that of prayer. There is value in united prayer, and our world today needs the healing power of prayer.

We will have another opportunity to unite our efforts in prayer on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer. Heretofore, this very important day was observed on the last Friday of December. Many of you will welcome this change of date, both as to day and also month. The theme for the program this year is "I Bow My Knees." It is based on Ephesians 3:14-21. The material was written by the European Baptist Women.

This Baptist Women's Day of Prayer will be observed on every continent. The European Baptist Women started this prayer movement in 1948 to mend the heartbreak of war through spiritual communion. Gradually each continent took up the observance, each year more women participating, until now it is a day of vast significance. The special offering to be received that day will be designated for the Women's Department and the Continental Unions to strengthen the work and witness of Baptist women.

PRESIDENTS, please notice on page 13 of the material that there is a "Tear-Off Page" to send with your offering. Directions for sending are also given, and so we would suggest that you read this material very carefully. A new treasurer was elected at the Third Continental Assembly of the North American Baptist Women's Union which was held in St. Louis last November. Kindly note the change and send your offering to: Mrs. Frank Wigginton, Alderson-Broadus College, Philippi, West Virginia. Be sure to include the "Tear-Off Page." On pages 11, 12, and on the top of page 13 of the Program Pamphlet, you will find the purpose and use of the offering.

Let us participate in this prayer fellowship with our Baptist sisters everywhere and renew our determination to join with them in evangelizing the world. "And it shall come to pass that, before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear" (Isaiah 65:24). Prayer achieves! Prayer brings results! Prayer wins victories!

## From the Professor's Desk

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

*With regard to the authority of Scripture to which the last article referred, what is the witness of the Spirit?*

All that was said in the previous article would not be complete if the aspect of the witness of the Spirit were not dealt with. The authority of the Bible rests on more than the words of the text alone. There must also be the illumination, enlightenment or witness of the Holy Spirit (John 6:63; 16:13; 1 Cor. 2:9-13); otherwise we might drift into a hyper-literalism or a merely intellectualistic insistence upon the words of the Bible.

### THE LIVING WORD

There is no spiritual life or vitality in the written words of Scripture unless the Spirit quickens us and speaks to us through them. The sentences of the Bible must be given life in our hearts for them to become the Word of God to us. A conviction must be wrought in the heart by the testimony of God's Spirit. Unless we experience this, the statements of the Bible are static and lifeless. We must avoid homage to the mere letter of Scripture as though there were some automatic or mechanical value contained therein. What we must hear is God speaking his eternal Word to us; we must encounter the Living Word in the written Word, evoking from us a response of submission and loving obedience.

The Reformers emphasized this doctrine of the witness of the Spirit. Luther said that the Bible is the cradle that brings us the Christ. Without the incarnate Word, Jesus Christ, the Bible is a dead letter. The design of Scripture is not only that we might know about God, however important that is; it is that we may know God himself and that we may have living fellowship with him. Because God is personal, the final revelation of him is a Person, Jesus Christ, not simply information or factual data about him or his historic saving acts (John 5:39; 20:31; Phil. 3:10). It is the Holy Spirit's ministry to reveal Christ in the Scripture, and his witness is indispensable for the efficacious working of the Word.

Thus, the Scriptures are really the instrument or means through which divine authority comes to us. In the last analysis, God himself is the authority; he is the ground, source and origin of authority in all matters; he is the key to the interpretation and application of Scripture. And it is only by the Holy Spirit "that we might know the things that are freely given to us by God." The words of the Bible are not an end in themselves; their

function is to point beyond—to a Person—to communicate the very life of God in Christ, to establish an "I-Thou" relationship. We must learn to listen obediently, repentantly, responsively, expectantly to God's voice breaking through to us directly and immediately.

### WITNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Soren Kierkegaard once said, "The Bible is a message from God with my name written on it." It is in this sense that the cliché, "the Bible becomes the Word of God," has a significant element of truth. Revelation must "get through," "be brought home" to the individual for it to be divine revelation to him. It must be subjectively appropriated for it to be what God intended it to be.

It is precisely this emphasis which is the decisive factor in relieving the Baptist position on the authority of Scripture of the unjust "paper pope" accusation made by Barth and Brunner. And in distinction from these theologians' position, Baptists have historically said that the Bible is itself objectively the very Word of God, whether any man receives it as such or not. It is not merely that the Bible contains the Word of God, or becomes the Word of God when God existentially "breaks through" to this individual at a particular time and place. It is itself the Word of God ontologically. Still, we must not make it an end in itself, for its purpose in the design of God is to reveal Christ and to communicate his saving grace to believing persons. This is what is meant by the witness of the Spirit to the authority of Scripture.

A recent book which deals masterfully with this topic is the volume by Bernard Ramm, *The Witness of the Spirit*, published by Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. (\$3.00), which the writer heartily recommends as containing a treasury of material for thoughtful reading and consideration.

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### SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE AT GREELEY IN COLORFUL COLORADO

By Kenneth Schmuland  
Conference Secretary

The 83rd annual Southwestern Conference convened from August 21 to 25 at Greeley, Colorado, at the Heath Junior High School. The First Baptist Church of LaSalle and our new Extension project of Greeley, the Sherwood Park Baptist Church, were co-hosts to the conference. Our guest speakers for these conference days were: Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Dr. J. C. Gunst, and Rev. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens—newly appointed missionaries to the San Luis Valley.

Each day was crammed with business and activity. We were richly blessed by the numerous special messages in song brought by soloists, duets, trios, quartets, ensembles and the combined choir of the host churches. All of the messages by our guest speakers were by challenging and spiritually enriching. The conference theme was "The Churches' Challenge in a Century of Conflict."

Dr. Leuschner, in his keynote address, spoke on "The Church's Place and Purpose in This Century of Conflict." Another highlight of the conference were the messages brought by Mr. Ahrens. The imprint of his direct and personal challenge concerning our work among the Spanish Americans

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cannot easily be erased from our minds and hearts. A further highlight of the conference was a panel discussion on "The Challenge To Evaluate Our Ecumenical Relationships." Four men were on this panel: Rev. Elton Kirstein and Mr. Charles Thole from our denomination and Rev. Nelson and Mr. Larson from the General Baptist Conference. Rev. Merle Brenner acting as moderator, stated, "This is an experiment in the exchange of ideas, opinions, problems and convictions." We were further challenged in such areas as stewardship by our Central District secretary; Church Extension by our extension pastors and the Church Extension Committee; Christian Education by our Christian Education secretary, Rev. LeRoy Schauer, and his committee; and Youth Work by the young people who attended this conference. These were indeed enriching days to everyone who attended, and it was shown in the willingness to give of our possessions so that others may come to know the Savior whom we love and adore.

### BOOK REVIEWS

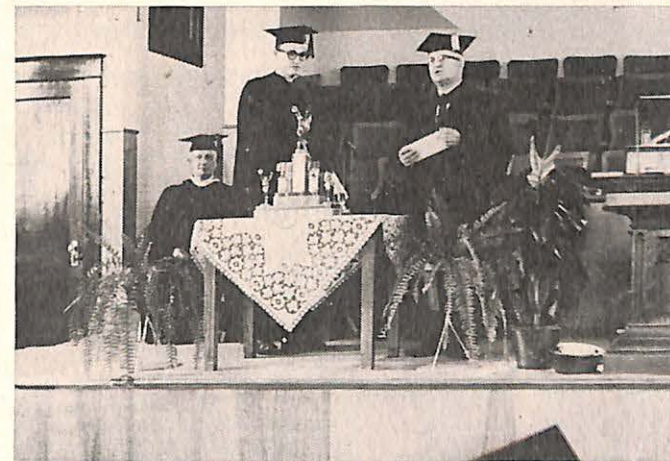
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more holy and more alive as you follow your tour guide and refer to Miss Patterson's description and interpretation. The Bible references are always given within the context of the book and, in order to get the full benefit and blessing, it is best to read the biblical account as well. The Bible is still the best guide book for those who know the Book and the Guide. The author's love for Christ and his Word are evident when she says, "No remembrance or retelling can equal the power of the record in the New Testament."

She does not hesitate to mention her disappointment in the so-called traditional holy places, which are based on vague evidence, and the fact that two churches lay claim to homes of Joseph and Mary in Nazareth. The cities of Bethlehem, Nazareth and others are much more important to her than the "X" which marks the spot of a holy place.

A few more, and better pictures, could have been included. And one wonders what prompted Miss Patterson to neglect such an important item as a map of the Holy Land.

But even for those who do not plan to go with the author to the Holy Land, the book will make the land live for them and help them to understand the Bible much better.



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# Indian Vacation Bible School

Report of the Vacation Bible School, held on the Indian Bull Reserve of Alberta, by Rev. R. Neuman, Missionary

THE INDIAN CHILDREN came from every direction and from everywhere, except the log huts. These do not exist any more on the Indian Reserve. Beautiful new frame houses stand in the place of the old log shacks on the Bull Reserve near Wetaskiwin, Alberta.

Yes, 50 of them, all with red skin, black hair, pearly teeth, and black sparkling eyes marched into the Benke Memorial Baptist Chapel on Bull Reserve this summer. They were under competent leadership and supervision.

The course followed this year was "Traveling God's Highway." We had two teachers sent to us by Student Service at Forest Park, Ill. They were Miss Sylvia Falkowski of Ebenezer, Saskatchewan who taught the Beginners; and Miss Marlene Bender of Carbon, Alberta in charge of the

Primary children.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Aaldyk also shared in this unique ministry on the Bull Reserve. Mrs. Aaldyk did a tremendous job with the Nursery children, the largest class. She had several Indian girls assisting her. Peter Aaldyk taught the Juniors. Mr. and Mrs. Aaldyk were the summer workers on the Montana Reserve. Rev. R. Neuman was director of the school, and Mrs. Neuman took charge of the missionary period.

It was a grand and full week, from Monday through Friday, and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day. The closing program was held Friday night with each class participating. The teachers presented their rewards to the pupils and shared in a wonderful evening of spiritual blessings.

## THE READING EXPLOSION

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cents to \$1.29. Those who are looking for stories for children have a large selection from which to choose.

Fleming H. Revell has some helpful series, especially for the minister. Sixteen volumes of sermon outlines by such pulpits as McGinty, Whitesell and McDermott sell for only \$1.00 each. For the church library, Revell's *Better Church Series* is recommended. These eight attractive and helpful books cost only \$1.00 each.

Eugenia Price's popular books which appeal to many women are available in paperbacks for \$1.25-\$1.50. The list is almost endless. Refer to your Roger Williams catalog or write for further information.

Our hope and prayer is that this reading explosion might help to bring about a new spiritual explosion which may be felt in the home, the church and community.

"Understandeth thou what thou readest" (Acts 8:30).

"Blessed is he that readeth" (Rev. 1:3).

## GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT

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a new five dollar bill and placed it in the church missions envelope.

The books Pastor Grayson purchased are listed below. With the possible exception of the lexicon and Dr. Shoemaker's volume, they would be just as interesting to lay people as to pastors. All of them are available at Roger Williams Press.

*Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary*, Merriam, \$5.75 and \$6.75.

*The Holman Study Bible*. Holman, \$8.95 and \$16.00.

*A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament* by Arndt and Gingrich, University of Chicago Press, \$14.00.

*Bible Characters* by Alexander Whyte, Zondervan, 2 volume set, \$12.50.

*The Gate of New Life* by James S. Stewart, Scribners, \$3.95.

*Beginning Your Ministry* by Samuel M. Shoemaker, Harper and Row, \$3.00.

*Sweeter Than Honey* by V. Raymond Edman, Scripture Press, \$1.50.

## LAYMEN'S SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

"For it's not by song or sermon that the church's work is done, It's the laymen of the country who for God must carry on."  
—Edgar A. Guest

### TEN MOST WANTED MEN

Dedicated to "Baptist Men" for Laymen's Sunday, October 20, 1963

1. The man who puts God's business above any other business.
2. The man who brings his children to church rather than sends them.
3. The man who is willing to be the right example to every boy he meets.
4. The man who thinks more of his Sunday School class than he does his Sunday sleep.
5. The man who measures his giving by what he has left rather than by the amount he gives.
6. The man who goes to church for Christ's sake rather than for himself or someone else.
7. The man who has a passion to help rather than to be helped.
8. The man who has a willing mind rather than a "brilliant" mind.
9. The man who can see his own faults before he sees the faults of others.
10. The man who is more concerned about winning souls for Christ than he is about winning honor.

### THE GLORY OF GREECE

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the beautiful mosaics there.

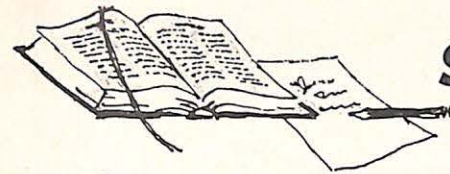
Greek Orthodox churches can be seen almost everywhere since 95% of the population belongs to this church. The remaining 5% are Protestants and Roman Catholics. As we drove further, the mountains gave way to rolling hills and valleys, and we saw olive trees (Greece is famous for its olives) and vineyards, different cereal grains and farm produce.

We crossed the Corinth Canal, built in 1893 by a French company, and soon entered Modern Corinth, which is spread out on the south side of the gulf, bearing the same name. On we went to Old Corinth and Ancient Corinth where we stopped to see the ruins of Roman shops, gateway to the market place, and the "Birra" meaning tribune, where the Apostle Paul preached to the people of Corinth.

### APOSTLE PAUL'S FOOTPRINTS

The coming of Christianity made a deep impression on Greek life. The Apostle Paul landed at Neapolis, now known as Kavalla, and first set foot on the mainland of Europe in answer to his vision of a man beseeching him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." Even today the Greeks are staunch attenders of their state church, but there are very few who actually believe in the saving grace of our Savior.

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## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 20, 1963

Theme: CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 10:33-11:1

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: A Christian cannot always think of what is good for himself; he must also think of what is best for others.

INTRODUCTION: This lesson is closely associated with the one under consideration last week. However, the emphasis last week was on the purity of the Christian while this week's lesson stresses the importance of his outward actions in relationship to others. A mature Christian must have the ability and willingness to relinquish personal liberty, when the occasion warrants it, for the good of others. The spiritual as well as the material welfare of others is a responsibility laid upon every Christian. His insistence on standing on his rights may inflict wrongs on his brother and neighbor.

The age-old question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" is faced again and again and we cannot shrug it off, for we know that the Lord is our keeper and Christ is our Savior. Jesus has demonstrated again and again in the lives of those who had a mission and a passion for others: "Whosoever will save his life for my sake, the same shall save it" (Luke 9:24).

### I. LAWFUL BUT NOT EDIFYING. 1 Corinthians 10:13.

There are many things you can say, and many opinions you can freely express, and you can stand on your constitutional rights without any hindrance from the law. There are also many things you can do and many places to which you can go without having your conscience disturbed. But a Christian's love and thoughtfulness prevents him from blurting out opinions and saying things that disturb the spiritual welfare of others who are still weak in the faith. This should not prevent the Christian to speak out courageously when clear questions of right and wrong are involved. But he should speak lovingly to those who are sincere but lack knowledge, clarity and strength.

### II. RESPONSIBILITY AND LOVE. 1 Corinthians 10:24-30.

Paul had a difficult problem in trying to answer a troublesome question of eating meat offered to idols. Chapters 8, 9 and 10 should be read in order to follow the details. The word "shambles" refers to the market place where

# sunday school lessons

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meat was sold. The buyer never knew whether or not his purchase came from an animal which had been used in sacrifice to the gods. Therefore, some Christians had strong fears and thought it best to refrain from eating meat altogether. Those who were better informed and were strong in their faith had no such qualms. Paul wanted to point out the "right" on both sides. Eating or not eating meat does not commend us to God (1 Cor. 8:8), but if eating meat will cause a weak brother to stumble, then the apostle is willing to refrain from it so long as the world stands. (1 Cor. 8:13).

### III. RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD.

It is easy for those who are strong, efficient and bright to lose patience with the weak, the slow and the dull. If we cannot always accept our responsibility toward them easily, then it is good to be reminded of our responsibility to God. It is for God's glory that we live and it is for God's glory that we help others to live. Life is a high and holy stewardship to be used worthily as the best representatives of God—dedicated to others, "that they may be saved."

### Questions for Discussion:

1. How is it possible not to offend anyone?
2. Did Paul have a right to say, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ"?
3. Is it right for mature Christians to shield the weak if they make no effort to strengthen their faith?

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

### A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 27, 1963

Theme: CHRISTIAN LOVE

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Love is the fulfillment of the law because it is the fulfillment of life.

INTRODUCTION: There are two desires that the true followers of Christ have—the desire for a perfect church and the desire to be a perfect Christian. But no matter how thoroughly we know our New Testament, it is impossible to find either. The church and the apostles, even at their best, had their failings. Again and again we see that the saints and churches were at their best when they were moved by love. Repeatedly we see what God was able to accomplish with the saints and the churches in spite of their imperfections. The love and grace of God are evident in the fact that he accepts us with our imperfections. The greatest mistake we

can make after we become Christians is to say: "Now that we are Christians we will wait until we become perfect before serving God." That time will never come so long as we are on earth. We can serve God imperfectly and yet have perfect love. The Lord accepts our motives, our desires, our willingness, even though the carrying out of them may be defective and immature. We must also remember that perfection from our side is still far from perfection from God's side.

### I. GOODNESS WITHOUT LOVE. 1 Corinthians 13:1-3.

It is surprising how much speaking and singing is being done in God's Name without the seal of love. Men are eloquent in the pulpit, and apparently effective and persuasive in their teaching, but it soon becomes evident that warmth and compassion are missing in their message. Others are great authorities on theology and church history, but all their religious knowledge has no value for the cause of Christ when the heart is lacking in love. It is even surprising how much faith a man can have without love. But a faith that moves mountains and not hearts is a wasted faith.

Some substitute philanthropy for love. They can give away their money, but are unable to give away their hearts. Many are willing to burn out their lives for a cause, but if the cause is not Christ it is a lost cause.

### II. THE NATURE OF LOVE. 1 Corinthians 13:4-7.

Paul is so overpowered by his feeling and concept of love that he literally pours out fifteen characteristics of Christian love. When he finally cannot think of any more, he comes to a climax by saying that "love endures all things." Such love completely trusts God and believes the best in men. The apostle, however, is a realist. He would not join in the song, "The world is dying for a little bit of love." He knows that it takes more than "a little bit." It took all the love of God to save us, and it will take all our love in his service if the world is to be conscious of the love of God.

### III. THE SURVIVAL OF LOVE. 1 Corinthians 13:8-13.

In order to make a lasting impression on the troubled church in Corinth, Paul emphasizes the greatest truth about love—it is indestructible and unconquerable. It will never disappear, never fail to accomplish its purpose and never end because it is the essence of God who is love.

Not all gifts are available to man for not everyone has knowledge, not

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## A CHRISTMAS GEM!

### THE STORY OF THE CHRIST CHILD

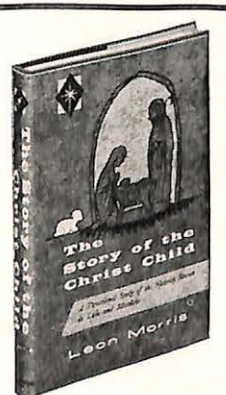
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## ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

● **Hutchinson, Minn.** On Sunday, Aug. 18, Rev. B. A. Itterman brought his ministry to a close at the Bethany Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Minn. He gave his final message at the morning service. In the evening a farewell program was held during which representatives of the various church organizations spoke words of appreciation for the ministry rendered by Rev. and Mrs. B. A. Itterman. A monetary gift was presented to them from the church. Afterwards a large group gathered in the basement for refreshments and a further time of fellowship. We wish God's continued love and guidance to be with them as they serve him at Stevensville, Michigan.—(Mrs. Robert Schwarze, Reporter).



Rev. and Mrs. C. Richard Mayforth, missionaries bound for Japan and their son examine the certificates making them "honorary citizens of Texas" which Mr. Kurt Lengefeld (left) of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kyle, Texas presented to them. (San Marcos Record).

● **Kyle, Texas.** With the admonition "not to lose your dream" as part of his message, Rev. John McKay of Kyle, Texas, gave a farewell to Rev. C. Richard Mayforth, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kyle, on Sunday, August 25. Following the worship service, a covered dish lunch was served to more than 125 persons. The head table held a driftwood arrangement with small articles carrying out the Japanese motif. Mr. Kurt Lengefeld of the church was in charge of the afternoon farewell program. He had written to Governor John Connally and obtained official certificates making the Mayforths honorary citizens of Texas. Miss Ruby Wiegand and her father, Mr. Adolph Wiegand, sang a duet. The Scripture reading was given

by Charles Schmeltekopf. Mr. and Mrs. Mayforth and their son, Bart, and baby daughter, Ruth Diane, left soon thereafter for Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, Michigan to visit relatives before sailing from San Francisco, Calif., on Sept. 19 for Kobe, Japan. Mr. Mayforth will attend a language school for missionaries at Kobe. The prayers and best wishes of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kyle, Texas, as well as of the entire denomination will follow them to Japan in their dedicated missionary service.

● **Missoula, Montana.** Revival meetings were held by the Bethel Baptist Church, Missoula, Montana with Rev. Joe Carlson of Lincoln, Nebraska as guest speaker. A number of people accepted the Lord as their personal Savior. Many others rededicated their lives. On Sunday, June 30, twenty-two persons were baptized by Rev. Herbert Vetter, pastor. On Sunday, July 7, thirty-two new members were welcomed into our church.—(Martha K. Oelke, Reporter).

● **Hutchinson, Minn.** The Bethany Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Minn., held a baptismal service on Sunday evening, Aug. 11. Rev. B. A. Itterman had the joy to baptize eight converts and to receive them into the fellowship of our church. We were also privileged to have Rev. Etan Pelzer, a recent graduate of the North American



Baptismal Candidates, Bethany Church, Hutchinson, Minn.

Front Row: Jerilyn Fratzke, Connie Peters, Caryn Fratzke, Kathy Fratzke, Marcia Peters.

Back Row: Rev. B. A. Itterman, Sondra Plowman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Plowman.

Baptist Seminary. and Rev. Elmo Tahrán, a former pastor, visiting with us that day. Mr. Pelzer was guest speaker in the morning service, and both men had a part in the baptismal service. Mr. Pelzer has accepted the call of our church and is now serving as our pastor.—(Mrs. Robert Schwarze, Reporter).

● **Randolph, Minn.** On Sunday evening, July 21, Rev. Eleon Sandau, pastor of the Randolph Baptist Church, Randolph, Minn., baptized three young people: Violet Guildner and two of the pastor's daughters, Mary Dawn and Cherry Sandau. Rev. Walter Hoffman and his family served us as a team in a series of "Crusade for Christ" services from August 25 to Sept. 1. Their ministry was unique and thrilling. Two persons accepted Christ as Savior, one dedicated himself to Christian service, and others were led to higher plains of service.—(Eleon L. Sandrau).

Rev. D. O. Heringer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, McLaughlin, South Dakota, and seven persons whom he baptized on confession of their faith in Christ as Savior.



● **Minitonas, Manitoba.** On July 28th, Rev. H. A. Pohl, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Minitonas, Manitoba, baptized twelve persons on confession of their faith in Christ. The baptismal service was held at the camp grounds of the Northern Manitoba Baptist Tri-Union at Wellman Lake. At the evening communion service the hand of fellowship was given to them, and they were received into the fellowship of the First Baptist Church of Minitonas.—(Margret Pohl, Reporter).



Rev. H. A. Pohl (upper right hand corner), pastor of the First Baptist Church, Minitonas, Man., and 12 persons whom he baptized in the waters of Wellman Lake, Man.

● **Fessenden, N. Dak.** On Sunday evening, Sept. 1, the First Baptist Church, Fessenden, N. Dak., had the privilege of witnessing a baptismal service at which Rev. Gordon Thomas, pastor, baptized eleven people upon the confession of their faith in Christ. Those who followed the Lord in baptism were: Mrs. Virginia Fuhrman, Mrs. Myra Severson, Mrs. Mayme Olschlager, Mrs. Helen Justus, Shelley Fike, Donna Fike, Patsy Lenz, Lois Lenz, Barbara Fuhrman, Phyllis Fuhrman and Robert Martin.—(Arthur Pepple, Clerk).

● **Camrose, Alberta.** On August 4th, the congregation of the Fellowship Baptist Church, Camrose, Alberta, met at Red Lake Camp for a baptismal service for eleven candidates. They were given opportunity to give their testimonies, which were a joy to all. Our pastor, Rev. Philip Grabke, gave an inspiring message based on Acts 2:41 and Matt. 28:19, 20. We then gathered at the lakeshore, where many hymns of praise echoed over the waters making a lovely setting as the candidates entered the water. Six persons baptized were from one family. Later the congregation as well as many visitors enjoyed a fellowship dinner together. In the evening Mr. Grabke and the deacons extended the hand of fellowship to all eleven persons, after which all took part in the communion service. Our prayer, as a church is that each one may continue to grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.—(Mrs. R. G. Soderstrom, Reporter).



Rev. Philip Grabke (right, rear row), pastor of the Fellowship Church, Camrose, Alta., several deacons of the church, and 11 converts whom he baptized in the waters of Red Deer Lake.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

● **Bethel, Anaheim, Calif.** Eighteen children found Christ as Savior and a similar number of reassurances resulting from six days of Vacation Bible School held at the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., with Mrs. William Hoover as director. Pupil enrollment was 167 plus 28 teachers and workers. Highest day attendance was 152. The lesson theme was "Living With Christ." Following the closing program, August 18, parents and friends visited classroom displays of lesson books, crafts and missionary exhibits.—(Mrs. Ruth Mellen, Reporter).

● **Brentview, Calgary, Alta.** The Brentview Baptist Church of Calgary, Alberta held its Vacation Bible School from July 29 to August 3. "Living With Christ" was the theme taught throughout the week under the direction of Alvin Effa with 20 teachers and assistants. The school had an enrollment of 200 with an average attendance of 175. On Friday evening a program was presented to parents and friends. A fine display of handwork was also shown. We praise the Lord for the joy of teaching and molding these lives.—(Velma Martens, Reporter).

● **Grand Forks, N. Dak.** Due to the fact that the Grace Baptist Church, Grand Forks, N. Dak., was in a building program and had no church facilities late last summer, the Beginner and Primary Departments held their Vacation Bible School at the Sheldon Preston home. There were 22 enrolled with Mrs. J. Werre as director and a staff of 7 teachers and assistants. The Juniors and Intermediates held a 2½ day camp out at the cottage of the C. R. Fauls. There were 31 enrolled with a staff of 12 and the director, Rev. Willis Potratz, pastor. It was a time of spiritual blessing and fellowship in both schools.—(Mrs. D. H. Munro, Reporter).

● **Zion, Drumheller, Alta.** A successful Vacation Bible School was held at the Zion Baptist Church of Drumheller, Alberta from July 29 to August 2. There were 51 children enrolled. Teaching the Beginners Class was Mrs. Quinton Bertsch; helping her was Mrs. Art Heinrich and Mrs. Emil Heinrich. The Primary Class was taught by Mrs. Fred Ohlmann and her helpers were Mrs. Paul Permann and Miss Myrtle Ohlmann. Rev. Fred Ohlmann taught the Intermediate Class with Mrs. Wilmer Forsch and Miss Doris Ziegler as his helpers. A very informative closing program was held on Friday evening, Aug. 2. A large number of parents and friends were in attendance to hear the children relate with great enthusiasm what they had learned. Following the program, everyone was invited to go to the lower auditorium where the handwork was on display.—(Mrs. Ron Bertsch, Reporter).

● **Grant Park, Winnipeg.** Over 330 children were registered in the Vacation Bible School of the Grant Park Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Man., with Mrs. H. O. Edwards as director, Rev. R. Grabke as pastor, and Oryn Meinerts from our Sioux Falls Seminary serving as summer worker. On the second day of our ten day school, we had to discourage further registration. A number of children accepted Christ, and the general spirit of the school



was wonderful. About 280 parents gathered for the closing program. Their interest in the school was shown in many ways, including an offering that more than covered the cost of the Vacation School. Last year, our Sunday school tripled as a result of our Vacation School contacts. Again this year we are making preparations for expansion in every department.—(Martha Martin, Reporter).

## special events

● **McLaughlin, S. Dak.** The choir of First Baptist Church, McLaughlin, S. Dak., recently presented a Hammond Organ to the church. Many years ago it was decided that we receive an offering once a month for this purpose. Mrs. Argo Broeckel presented the organ to the church after which Mr. Alvin Grosch responded appreciatively. The Junior Choir and a ladies' trio sang. Mrs. Grosch gave the history of the organ fund. The choir rendered several numbers in song. A duet with Susan Strobel at the piano and Jaynie Moser at the organ was played. Rev. D. O. Heringer, pastor, spoke on "Music in the Church" and offered the dedicatory prayer. (Mrs. Art Moser, Reporter.)

● **Redeemer, Warren, Mich.** The Redeemer Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., has had two long standing prayer requests answered almost simultaneously. As of Sept. 1st, Rev. Ray Niederer joined us as Director of Christian Education and Mr. Max Davey as Music Director. Mr. Davey will also direct our new fall visitation program. The completion of our church property is being realized as our beautiful black-topped parking lot, complete with cement islands and sidewalks, is now finished and holds approximately 450

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cars. Interior work is also being finished off with the partitions of new Sunday school class additions and additional work to the kitchen.—(Betty Wurtz, Reporter).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

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everyone can perform miracles, not everyone can prophesy—but every Christian can love. Paul is right when he says, "Make love your aim."

### Questions for Discussion:

1. If possible, read the little book called, "The Greatest Thing in the World" by Henry Drummond.
2. Does such a high standard of love discourage us or encourage us?
3. Compare what Paul says about love with what John says in his first letter.

## GOD'S OPEN DOOR

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in need of the remedy Christ offered for our sin; Christ, the only remedy for sin, and applying this remedy; repentance and faith, the proof of the remedy applied; and the Holy Spirit in us as we witness to this world.

Rev. Fred Holzimmer then brought the Convention to a beautiful close in gathering the Christians for the

Communion Service. At least 20 different tribes and languages were represented. But in this service, God gave a new sense of oneness, a new feeling of togetherness, a new sense of respect and appreciation for one another. We joined in thanksgiving for a Savior who could include us all in his love, asking his hand to guide each of us gladly to enter the open doors of service wherever we are. "An open door which no one can shut." Pray that we all may be faithful to his call, for Christ must depend on those who love him.

## MORE BOOK REVIEWS

**THE WAY OF THE CROSS** by J. Ralph Grant. Baker Book House—1963—173 pages—\$2.95.

These are outstanding sermons by an outstanding preacher. A man who preaches to five thousand people at least twice a week cannot afford to dabble in non-essentials. The First Baptist Church of Lubbock, Texas has buildings valued at over two million dollars and an annual budget of \$500,000.00. In such a religious affluency it is sometimes difficult for church and pastor to fade into the background. Dr. Grant does it by preaching on the theme that must ever be in the foreground—the cross of Christ.

**WRESTLERS WITH GOD** by Clarence E. Macartney. Baker Book House—1963—207 pages—\$2.95. (Evangelical Pulpit Library.)

When Dr. Macartney spoke, he had the attention of his audience. Now that he can no longer speak, he has the attention of his readers. *Wrestlers With God* is replete with outstanding examples of men in the Old Testament, all the way from Abraham to Manasseh, whose prayer life became evident in personal as well as national crisis. The various theories of prayer have very little affinity to the cry of the heart in times of danger, trouble and sorrow. It the last chapter the author expresses his understanding of the deepest needs of mankind. "A Prayer Every Man Makes" reveals the hunger and thirst of every sincere seeking soul.

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## Obituary

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

**MR. FRANK BRUCKER**  
of Edenwold, Saskatchewan

Mr. Frank Brucker of Edenwold, Sask., was born on March 29, 1905 in Austria, and on July 27 due to an accident he passed away suddenly en route to the hospital at the age of 58 years.

In 1914 the family emigrated to Canada, and settled near Seven Persons, Alberta. From there in 1919, they moved to a farm near Edenwold, Sask. In 1921 after his conversion, Frank Brucker was baptized and joined the Edenwold Baptist Church. He was active in church, serving as clerk and choir director for a number of years. He attended the Seminary in Rochester, New York for approximately two years. On July 16, 1930, Frank Brucker was united in marriage to Isobel Zepik and this marriage was blessed with one son. He leaves to mourn his wife; one son, Ronald; and four brothers.

Edenwold, Saskatchewan  
A. KLEIVER, Pastor

**MRS. JOHN HEISER**  
of Marion, Kansas

Mrs. John Heiser, nee Kleiber, of Marion, Kansas was born Sept. 3, 1891 and was called to her eternal reward on July 20, 1963. On Feb. 24, 1916 she was married to Mr. John Heiser. She accepted Christ as her Savior, was baptized and received into the fellowship of the German Baptist Church of Tampa, Kansas. She later joined the Strassburg Baptist Church of Marion, Kansas. Her faith and loyalty to Jesus, Christ remained steadfast to the end and was a source of real joy and hope.

Surviving her are her husband, John, of Marion; three sons: Harry of Tampa, Charles of Ramona, John C. of Herington; three daughters: Mrs. Ezra Schimpf (Catherine) of Marion, Mrs. Vic Heldebrecht (Neva) of Moundridge, Mrs. Lawrence Fessler (Leona) of Emporia; two sisters: Mrs. Jacob Socolofsky of Ramona, Mrs. Karl Seifert of Marion; one brother, Mr. Adam Kleiber of Tampa; and numerous relatives and friends.

Strassburg Baptist Church  
Marion, Kansas

DONALD DECKER, Pastor  
FRANCES BERNICE OHLHAUSER  
of Carbon, Alberta

Miss Frances Bernice Ohlhauser was born April 14, 1925 at Carbon, Alberta and received her early education in the Mosher School and went on to Calgary, Alberta to finish her high school. In 1936 she professed faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized and became a member of the Freudenthal Baptist Church of Alberta the following year. She joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1950 and remained in the service for approximately three years. In 1956 she began working with her cousin, Lester Bertsch, at Toronto and Keswick, Ontario and worked with him until her sudden death on June 24.

She leaves to mourn, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ohlhauser; two brothers: Arnold of Carbon and Norman of Sundre; one sister, Mrs. Gladys Bertsch of Carbon; and a large host of friends. Rev. Willy R. Muller of Meadowlark Baptist Church, Edmonton, conducted the funeral service and brought words of comfort based on 1 John 3:23.

Meadowlark Baptist Church  
Edmonton, Alberta  
WILLY R. MULLER, Officiating Minister

**MR. BENJAMIN J. MOSER**  
of Sherwood, Oregon

Mr. Benjamin J. Moser of Sherwood, Oregon was born in the community of Stafford, March 28, 1904, and was suddenly called to his eternal home on June 14, 1963. He was working on his farm when his tractor tipped over on him. He was united in marriage to Violet Underwood on Oct. 11, 1929 in Oregon City, Oregon. At an



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booming residential and business area. The church has purchased a three acre site for \$20,700 and hopes to build a first church unit in the near future. Dr. Appel will serve for the three month period as the interim pastor of the church and report his survey findings to the Church Extension Committee.

● **From Sept. 22 to 27 the West Center Street Church, Madison, S. Dak.,** observed Evangelism Emphasis Week with Rev. H. J. Wilcke of St. Paul, Minn., as the guest speaker. On Sunday, Aug. 11, the church had the joy of having two former pastors and their wives in attendance. Rev. Herbert Hiller of Edmonton, Alberta preached at both services and Rev. H. R. Schroeder of St. Paul, Minn., also participated. Members of the Women's Missionary Society and of the Ann of Ava Guild attended a special program at the First Baptist Church of Emery, S. Dak., on Wednesday evening, Sept. 4, when Mrs. Herman Bleeker reported about the Baptist Youth World Conference in Beirut, Lebanon and about her experiences in Egypt and the Holy Land. Rev. Jothan G. Benke is pastor of the Madison church.

## AUGUST CONTRIBUTIONS—N.A.B. GENERAL CONFERENCE

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conference	Aug., 1963	Aug., 1962	Aug., 1961
Atlantic	\$ 2,312.98	\$ 1,829.67	\$ 2,405.21
Central	10,967.74	7,392.35	2,617.67
Dakota	4,781.90	7,273.12	4,461.75
Eastern	374.15	552.38	1,436.73
Northern	2,227.82	8,502.54	2,806.40
Northwestern	4,274.33	4,485.26	5,038.11
Pacific	5,982.75	8,315.80	15,464.72
Southern	544.59	789.36	2,052.03
Southwestern	4,857.39	2,805.70	3,064.88
Inter-Conference	1,167.98	362.00	341.59
Total	\$ 37,491.63	\$ 42,308.18	\$ 39,689.09

### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

	Budget Contributions	Other Contributions	Total Contributions
For the month of August, 1963	\$ 34,515.06	\$ 2,976.57	\$ 37,491.63
For the month of August, 1962	34,739.21	7,568.97	42,308.18
For the month of August, 1961	35,131.39	4,557.70	39,689.09

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

April 1, 1963 to August 31, 1963	\$250,662.32	\$ 21,862.60	\$272,524.92
April 1, 1962 to August 31, 1962	255,768.00	49,237.83	305,005.83
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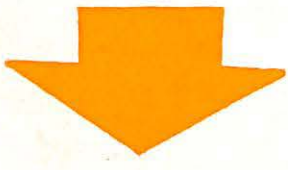
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