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- Tens of thousands of Baptists from 7 cooperating B. J. A. bodies will attend this Rally in Atlantic City, N. J., May 22 to 24, 1964.
- Many will enjoy the famous Boardwalk along the ocean (see front cover) and all will be inspired by the great program and the thrilling oratorio (see page 13 of this issue).

### 34th GENERAL CONFERENCE

- The entire family can enjoy the 34th General Conference in Sacramento, Calif., July 13 to 19, 1964. Children's activities and a supervised nursery will be announced in May.
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EDITORS OF THE NEW BOOK, "BAPTIST ADVANCE"

Dr. Davis C. Wooley, secretary of the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, receives manuscripts from representatives of Baptist bodies in the BJA for the book, "Baptist Advance." Left to right, members of the editorial committee are: Abner Langley, secretary of Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec; Albert N. Rogers, Seventh Day Baptist Conference; Edward Starr, American Baptist Convention; Dr. Wooley; Martin Luther Leuschner, North American Baptist General Conference; Edward Freeman, National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc.

## MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

**EXTENSION BUILDERS.** In April the 4000 Church Extension Builders have been making their \$1.00 contributions to the new project at Creston, British Columbia. Attendance at the first services has been very encouraging, but a first unit building is urgently needed, as reported by Rev. R. Milbrandt, pastor. In May the \$1.00 contribution will be designated for the Memory Lane Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas to help them in the reduction of their indebtedness. Rev. Gordon J. Voegelé, pastor, reports that the membership has risen to 39, Sunday school enrollment is 60, and average attendance at morning worship services is 54. "People are moving into this area constantly and our church is at a strategic location to minister to them."

**BOARD OF MISSIONS.** From April 21 to 24 the Board of Missions is holding its annual sessions at Forest Park, Ill. The Board will wrestle with many problems and be confronted with urgent mission needs: opening of a new field in South America, more missionaries for Cameroon, Africa and more funds for the Osaka Biblical Seminary, greater evangelistic outreach at home and abroad, a possible third team of God's Volunteers, and launching out with new Church Extension projects. Pray for the closing sessions of the Board of Missions!

**MISSION BOOKS.** The manuscripts have been completed for a new 110 page book on our Japan mission field to be called, "Opening Doors in Japan." The nine chapters were written by the missionaries. It will be a fascinating and informative book to read, and it can also be used as a study course volume. Copies of this book will be first available at the General Conference sessions in Sacramento in July.

**GENERAL CONFERENCE.** Registration figures for the 34th General Conference at Sacramento, Calif., July 13 to 19, are rapidly mounting. Local committees are now working energetically to complete all arrangements and to provide for your comfort during the Conference days. Reservations for the Conference Train via the "California Zephyr," leaving Chicago on July 11, have now risen to 75. This will be a grand feature of your Conference experiences if you can join the train party and Post-convention tour. But your reservation must be made SOON.

## NEXT ISSUE

KNOW THE BEST!

Rev. Fred G. Moore  
Kyoto, Japan

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## Editorial

### The Christian Witness at the Fair

The New York World's Fair, hailed by promoters as the greatest and most spectacular Fair ever held anywhere, will feature a strong religious overtone. There will be more religious exhibits at the 1964-1965 grounds in New York City than at any previous Fair. The tens of millions of people who will pass through the gates into the Fair grounds will hear the Gospel message and gain profoundly important Christian impressions as never before at a World's Fair.

Among the seven different religious exhibit buildings, we can describe at least five of them with their impressive displays and their unforgettable Christian message. In a prominent location between the Fair's lovely Lunar Fountain and its sweeping Arch of the Americas, visitors will see a pavilion dramatically different from all the others. It's distinguishing feature is an 80-foot tower supporting an illuminated cross, visible day and night far across the fairgrounds and proclaiming the theme: "Jesus Christ, the Light of the World." In this Protestant Pavilion you will see inspirational exhibits prepared by some 21 denominations and groups: the charred Cross of Coventry which has stood in the ruins of the old Coventry Cathedral of England for the past 24 years, the colored film "Parable" and other films, and a 43-foot stained glass window interpreting Biblical events.

In this Pavilion you will find the prominent and colorful Baptist Exhibit, showing the growth of Baptists in America since 1664, interpreting the teachings of Baptists, depicting their missionary outreach, and demonstrating the religious liberty that has always been advocated by Baptists. Lights, color, movement and graphic displays in this exhibit will keep the fairgoer spellbound during his visit.

Near the main entrance to the Fair your attention will be drawn to the Billy Graham Pavilion, where a spectacular, wide-screen film called, "Man in the 5th Dimension," will be shown 12 times a day. The dynamic message and glorious color of this film in swift sequence will present the giant galaxies and living microscopic organisms of the universe, the cultures and civilizations of the heroic past as they are summoned to bear testimony to the glory of God and the spiritual nature of man with the climax reached in Jesus Christ.

In the Pavilion of 2,000 Tribes you will see how the Bible is translated into primitive, previously unwritten languages. The Wycliffe Bible Translator's auditorium features a five-scene, 100 foot mural (see pages 12 and 24 in this issue), depicting the conversion of an Amazon headhunter to Christianity.

"Sermons from Science," the very popular Christian films prepared by the Moody Institute of Science that have been shown in tens of thousands of churches and at the Seattle World's Fair, will be continuously presented in another building dedicated to the Christian witness.

Certainly Michelangelo's "Pieta," one of the greatest masterpieces of art that is thought by many to be the most nearly perfect sculpture in Christendom, will be a thrilling center of attention for you at the Fair. Here in New York you will have a better view of the statue than was possible at the Vatican in Rome.

Everywhere there will be music gardens and quiet chapels for meditation and personal worship to enable you to "think on these things" of eternal worth and glory that you have seen. You too will be amazed at the Christian witness at this World's Fair!

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## SOUTH AMERICA, FROM BUENOS AIRES TO THE AMAZON

South America is a many sided panorama of need and opportunity. Where will God provide us as North American Baptists with a field of service? We covet the prayers of God's people for this task.

By Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary



The statue of Christ on the summit of Corcovado overlooks the city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and the famous bay with Sugar Loaf Mountain in the distance.

**S**ANTIAGO in Chile concluded our survey trip southward along the western coast of South America. We had no plan to travel farther south in Chile which extends in a narrow strip to the southern tip of South America. Actually we made no serious survey of Chile for various reasons. Santiago was more or less a stopping place on the way, and one day there had to suffice.

From Santiago we crossed the continent, Chile and Argentina, to Buenos Aires on the east coast of Argentina. Once again we flew over the high Andes mountains shortly after leaving Santiago and then for almost three hours had the plains of Argentina below us.

### WEEKEND IN BUENOS AIRES

Buenos Aires has two airports, one quite close to the city, the other over 30 miles out. We arrived at the latter on Saturday, Jan. 25, and were met by Rev. Conrad Ihlow, pastor of the German Baptist Church in Buenos Aires, Rev. Nicolaus Wall from Viala, Entre Rios, and two lay brethren, Hess and Leitner, in their private autos. We received a very warm welcome from the brethren and an unbearably hot welcome in the weather.

Over the weekend we were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Geil, whose children have recently immigrated to Milwaukee, Wis. Their retired parents will follow them as soon as they can arrange for the disposal of their home. They have been in Buenos Aires for over 30 years and the heat of summer is wearing them down in their age. In anticipation to coming to U.S.A., father Geil is taking up the study of English and is already able to understand and to speak it somewhat. He takes the healthy view, even at his age, that you must understand and speak the language of the country where you reside.

Our conference with the German brethren was held that same evening. In Buenos Aires they have only one church with the other 15 churches located north, mainly in the northwest Province of Misiones which is sandwiched in between Uruguay and Paraguay, and a few churches also in the provinces of Entre Rios, Chaco and Formosa. Their total strength is about 1300 in membership. Though they are organized into a present German Baptist Association, they do hold membership in the Argentinian Baptist Convention. This gives them access to the International Baptist Seminary located in Buenos Aires. Rev. Conrad Ihlow is himself a graduate of this seminary and had been on its faculty some ten years ago or more.

The province of Chaco, Formosa and Corrientes offer numerous opportunities for mission work in Spanish. In a number of their cities, there are a goodly number of former German-speaking people who have bridged over the language problem and prefer the use of Spanish. Though Baptists within the Convention have made great strides forward and number about 200 churches in Argentina, there are still many places which have no established evangelical witness. Rev. Conrad Ihlow made a study of this some time ago and stated that Argentina has over 3,200 places where the evangelical witness is missing. Among these are two cities of 50,000; five cities of 25,000; 171 cities of 10,000; and the rest of less than 10,000 population.

We were unable to make contact with our Southern Baptist correspondent, Rev. Wm. W. Graves, until early Monday morning. Thus the Lord's Day was spent in fellowship with God's people in the German Baptist Church in Buenos Aires where I spoke in three services. On Monday forenoon Mr. Graves met us at the train station and gave us of his time to mid-afternoon to

acquaint us a bit with the city and with Baptist work.

Greater Buenos Aires has a population of over 5,000,000. Baptists have over 50 churches in this city alone. Their International Baptist Seminary has over 200 students enrolled of which some 60 are women. Mr. Graves drew our particular attention to the problems of Corrientes where at present there is only one Baptist church. Argentina as a whole has much more religious freedom at present than what it had in the past.

### URUGUAY AND PARAGUAY

In Uruguay we made only one stop, one day, at the capital city of Montevideo, a lovely modern city of over one million population. Rev. James Bartley, Southern Baptist missionary, awaited us at the airport in the evening and took us to Lancaster Hotel for our night's lodging. We had delightful fellowship with him and his family. Mr. Bartley is a radio ham operator and has a weekly contact with a similar operator in Chicago. Later I learned that the following Thursday he made contact by radio and telephone with my wife and told her of our visit.

Every new contact we could make along the way was made gladly. Such an unexpected contact was made through Mr. Bartley with the Mennonite Seminary located in Montevideo and with Rev. Nelson Litwiller, the Secretario General. Mennonite Brethren are not connected with this seminary. This seminary has about 46 students enrolled in a five year course, of which the fourth year is practical work.

Baptists are not too strong in this country. They have about 21 churches totalling 1,400 members. Of these about one-third are in Montevideo. Here they also have a small Bible Institute work of a four year course where eight students were enrolled this past year. Uruguay has had separation of church and state for many years and thus re-

ligious liberty. However, this liberty has not exactly brought about a ready response to the Gospel. On the contrary, the state emphasis is very much on materialism and atheism. God is spelled "god." Easter has been replaced with travel week. Religion receives little or no recognition.

A visit to Paraguay was also in our plan. It did not follow chronologically after Uruguay, mainly because of plane connections. It followed after South Brazil but I mention it here in order to keep the two countries together. The visit to Asuncion, Paraguay had as its main reason the medical phase of missions.

My flight took me from Sao Paulo, Brazil to Asuncion, Paraguay on Feb. 7th. I took this trip alone since my companion, Mr. Edmund Bohnet, had changed his further travel plans and had left for home from Sao Paulo. Health reasons necessitated this change. I am thankful to him for his companionship till Sao Paulo, and I only regret that he could not be with me the rest of the trip to share in these remaining experiences.

### CITIES AND JUNGLES

Rev. Leland Harper, director of the Southern Baptist Hospital in Asuncion, met me at the airport and brought me to the Gran Hotel for the night's lodging. Otherwise I was his guest most of the time and enjoyed the lovely hospitality of Mrs. Harper in their home. Asuncion is a very modern city of about 300,000 population. The old German military spirit down to the goose-step characterizes the army, contingents of which we saw in practice. There are only two other cities of any notable size in Paraguay: Concepcion to the north and Encarnacion to the south.

The Baptist work in Paraguay is small but it is organized into a Convention. There are about nine organized churches with several missions totalling about 700 members in all. Four of these churches are located in Asuncion. The hospital ministry of the Baptists is notable and has recently received national distinction for its service. The hospital has a 40 bed capacity and connected with it is a four year course in nurses training. As elsewhere, so also here, the medical work has its unique problems and is expensive. The monthly operation cost is about \$11,000, of which about \$3,000 is mission subsidized. A foreign trained doctor must first be revalidated, and this may take three or four years.

The Mennonite mission work in Paraguay takes on a different nature, even in the medical phase. Because of Mennonite Settlement areas in years gone by, certain governmental concessions were obtained, applicable only to them within their colonies. Rev. H. J. Franz of the Mennonite Brethren gave me an insight into Mennonite history and mission. Their mission is mainly among their own people, though of late they do branch out among the nationals.

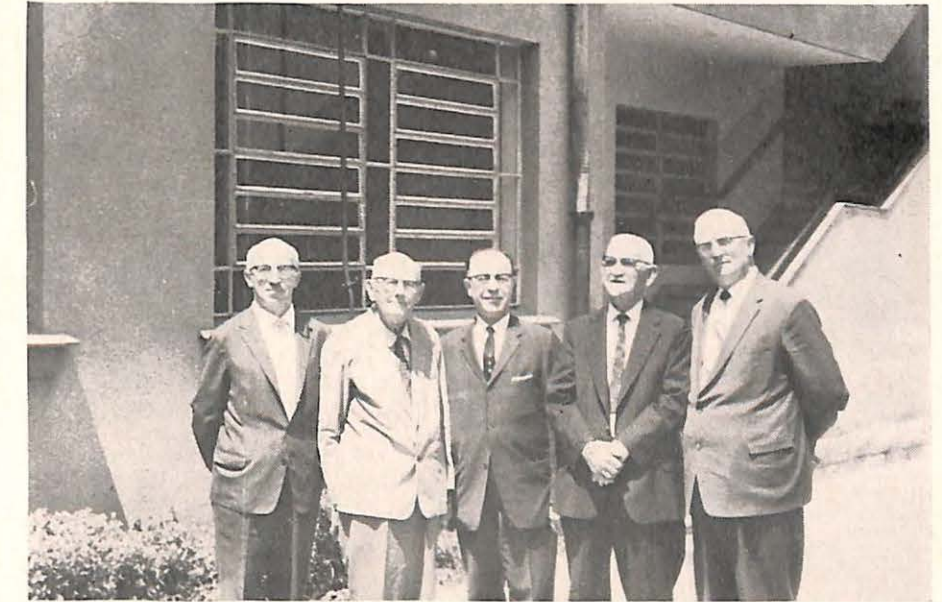
Paraguay has numerous Indian tribes in the interior jungle areas, some somewhat civilized, others still savage. One of these tribes, about 400 presently, has been resettled along the banks of the Paraguay River, across from Asuncion. This tribe has become very commercialized. I had the opportunity of visiting it in the company of a New Tribes missionary who with his family has finally received permission to live in the midst of this tribe.

After more than a year of living among them and serving them, they gradually begin to see signs of encouragement. The Lord has given them one convert in the person of a young man. We had hoped to witness a service on this Sunday morning but such

to Brazil. He is now retired, living in Panambi, his last church which also celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1956. When he heard of our coming, he just had to come to Porto Alegre and greet us.

We also met the father of Rev. John Ziegler, also retired after many years of service in the ministry. Mr. Wurster had arranged for a delightful fellowship and feast for the six of us at the Restaurante Palacio do Comercio. Among the numerous sights in Porto Alegre, Mr. Wurster also gave us a personal tour of Tannhauser Shirt Factory with its 300 employees, of which he is the director.

Our conference was held with the brethren Ziegler and Wurster. The



BAPTIST FRIENDS AT PORTO ALEGRE, BRAZIL

Left to right: Dr. R. Schilke (center) visits with Baptist ministers of Brazil at Porto Alegre: Emil Wurster, F. Matschulat, George Ziegler and John Ziegler.

did not materialize. Only recently have services among them begun, but these are unpredictable. It takes a lot of grace to continue. Otherwise these Indians are quite friendly. They are very much interested in the tourist from the point of view of material gain. You take no picture without paying for it. But the Gospel is of no interest to them.

### PORTO ALEGRE, BRAZIL

South Brazil was sandwiched in between Uruguay and Paraguay. Upon leaving Montevideo on Jan. 28th, we arrived in Porto Alegre, Brazil by evening. Mr. Emil Wurster and Rev. John Ziegler of the German Baptist Church met and greeted us at the airport and took us to Umba Hotel for our lodging. All conferences were left for the next day since it was getting quite late.

Porto Alegre is a modern port city. Many Europeans have settled here in years past. The German Baptist Church celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1948. Here I had the happy privilege of meeting Rev. Frederick Matschulat who graduated from our seminary in Rochester, N. Y. in 1909 and went back

German Baptist work is located mostly in the western part of the state of Rio Grande do Sul, with the exception of the church here in Porto Alegre and the church in Sao Paulo. It numbers in all 16 churches with a total membership of about 2,600. Though organized separately into an Association, it holds membership in the Brazilian Baptist Convention, but somewhat more loosely organized than what I found in Argentina, perhaps because of a greater strength in and by itself.

Thus far, the main work has been to their own people in the German language. But a noticeable change is taking place. A goodly number of their churches are becoming bilingual and with it a mission to the community begins. Brazil is Portuguese in language. Their young people are like our young people and the language learned in school becomes the preferred language.

### WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY

Before coming to Sao Paulo we made two stops: at Florianopolis in the state of Santa Catarina and at Curitiba in

the state of Parana. At Florianopolis our Southern Baptist correspondent was away at camp and vacation with his family. However, he had not forgotten us. To meet us, he sent his high school son, John Joe, Jr., back to the city. John and his Portuguese friend went out of their way to make us welcome and tell us about their work.

The State of Santa Catarina has often been referred to as "the forgotten state." It does not have large cities though it has a total population of about two million. Florianopolis has a little over 100,000 and is the capital city. Baptist work is also small. There are about 15 churches with a total membership of 500. One Baptist missionary couple presently resides in the whole state, here in Florianopolis. But two more missionary couples are expected soon.

In contrast to this, the city of Curitiba in the state of Parana is a modern, fast growing city of 400,000. Our one day in Curitiba was spent solely with the Mennonites. Rev. Erven Thiesen had come here some 14 years ago to become the director of an orphanage at Uberaba, about seven miles from Curitiba. Out of this 70 children orphanage has grown a school and a church in the neighborhood. The Mennonite Brethren have also begun a Bible School ministry in a three year course. They had 14 students last year. In the heart of Curitiba within several blocks from the university the M.B.'s are now erecting on a newly acquired corner a Youth Center and Student Home to work with university students.

Our next stop was Sao Paulo, a city of 4,000,000 people. Its tempo impressed us as being much more European and even American than many of the other South American cities. Here our experiences were varied. At the airport we were met by Rev. Harvey Headrick, Southern Baptist missionary, and also by Rev. Helmut Fuerstenau,



Magnificent new edifice of the Baptist Church in Brasilia, capital of Brazil, with the pastor, Rev. Edward Berry, in the foreground.

pastor of the German Baptist Church. We arrived here on Saturday, Feb. 1. Mr. Fuerstenau invited us to be guests in his home and we gladly accepted and enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the home. However, the terrible drought in Sao Paulo this summer brought an unusual mosquito plague to the city. We were forced to seek higher sleeping quarters which we found the following day on the 23rd story of Hotel Othon Palace.

On Sunday we were guests for lunch at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Headrick and there also met two other missionary couples of Southern Baptists. We are deeply indebted to Mr. Headrick for all this time and trouble in helping us straighten out our flight schedules,

which had run into a real snarl here at Sao Paulo.

#### BAPTISTS IN SAO PAULO

Baptist work in Sao Paulo shows great strength. The city has about 100 Baptist churches with another 180 in the rest of the state of Sao Paulo. A Seminary Institute is also located here. On Sunday morning we had the privilege of hearing Rev. Ruben Lopez preach in his Vila Mariana Baptist Church. This has been his only church since seminary days. He took it when it had a membership of 100 and by God's grace has built it to its best membership of over 600. An educational program in a day school and a clinical medical work are also the outgrowth of the work of the church. Mr. Lopez is presently the president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention which numbers around 170,000. On Sunday afternoon I preached at the German Baptist Church and continued my conference with Mr. Fuerstenau.

Here in Sao Paulo we also took a little time for one of the official tours of the city. An entire university city is under construction, the likes of which we have seen nowhere else. On Wednesday morning Mr. Bohnet took farewell and proceeded homeward.

I continued that same morning northward to San Jose do Rio Preto where I met three missionary couples of the Baptist General Conference who began a mission in this area some ten years ago. Their senior missionary, Rev. Donald Goldsmith, came from another city to meet me here. Returning to Sao Paulo by bus and by train gave me the opportunity of seeing the countryside which reminded me very much of driving in our states of Iowa and Minnesota. It also gave me opportunity to visit a Conservative Baptist missionary at San Carlos, Rev. John Stuckey, who is working within the framework of the Brazilian Baptist Convention.

#### BRASILIA AND THE AMAZON

The trip from Sao Paulo to Asuncion, Paraguay has already been mentioned. On leaving Asuncion on Feb. 9th, I flew directly to Rio de Janeiro via Sao Paulo. Wycliffe was again my main contact in Rio and Rev. Dale W. Kietzman awaited me and lodging was had in the home of their missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. James Agnor. Unknowingly I had come to Rio in the midst of Carnival days and hotel space was taken for weeks ahead. One day is really not enough for this queen city of about 3,500,000, the former capital of Brazil, but that was all the time I had.

In the forenoon Mr. Kietzman became a true guide as he showed me sections of the city, past the Maracana Stadium, the National Museum, the famous Copacabana Beach, and up to the top of the Corcovado with its famous statue of Christ given to the City of Rio by France. (See picture on page 4). It is kept by the city for the

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# Vessels for the Master's Use

The annual Cameroon Missionary Conference at Bamenda, Africa was a time of spiritual inventory for our missionaries and of festive rejoicing with national leaders of the Cameroon Baptist Convention

By Mrs. Gerhard Schroeder of Great Soppo, West Cameroon

A BLESSED AND meaningful Christmas was experienced by the missionaries in the Federal Republic of Cameroon as they came together at the Annual Cameroon Missionary Conference. As in previous years, the place was Bamenda in the picturesque grasslands of West Cameroon. A time of spiritual as well as physical refreshment was enjoyed by all from the day of our arrival until we departed.

Self-examination and a determination to be more faithful in accomplishing the Master's task were the results of the thought provoking theme, "Fit for the Master's Use" (II Timothy 2: 20, 21). Our hearts were stirred to action as each phase of the work on the field was woven into this theme by Ardice Ziolkowski, nurse at Banso and our most capable program chairman.

#### NEW HEADQUARTERS' BUILDING

It was indeed a privilege to attend the official opening of the new Cameroon Baptist Mission headquarters building of the Cameroon Baptist Convention at Bamenda on Sunday, December 22, 1963. A brief summary of Cameroon Baptist Mission history was brought by the acting field secretary, Rev. Ben Lawrence, and a short history of the Cameroon Baptist Convention was given by Pastor John N. Nfor, the executive secretary of the convention. Following the program, an opportunity was given to inspect the buildings. We praised God for his marvelous leading in the past and we look for great things in the future under his guidance.

Meditating on God's Word and listening to the testimonies by some of the newer missionaries prepared our hearts for prayer time each day. As we met in small groups to pray for the needs of the field, we were guided by special requests which had been prepared by Mr. Norman Haupt, principal of the new school at Ndu. We were reminded that God is still a prayer answering God and if we but ask, believing, he will surely answer. The words of the hymn, "My Prayer" by P. P. Bliss, became our prayer. The Bible study, "A Vessel Unto Honour," taken from II Timothy, was brought by the Rev. Harold Lang of the Ndu field. He instructed, admonished and challenged us to greater heights of service for our Lord.

Each day we were reminded that we are vessels accomplishing the Master's task through education, medical work and evangelism. Reports on the women's work and girls' club were presented. A look at the evangelistic outreach brought reports on how God has

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#### A MUSICAL TREAT

Pianist Harold F. Lang thrilled the missionaries and audiences at the Christmas Musical Cantata during Christmas Day 1963.

blessed in the past, but we were also reminded that much needed to be accomplished if we were to see growth in our African churches. Pastor Nfor challenged the missionaries to assist

and to encourage the churches in every way possible in the Cameroon Baptist Convention. The importance of literacy in evangelism was presented and suggestions were made as to how we could help others to read God's Word for themselves.

#### THE HARVEST IS GREAT

Attention was drawn to the medical outreach with interesting charts, graphs and maps to help us better understand the work. Informative talks were given on the latest findings in medicine by our missionary doctors. Those of us who are new on the field found such topics as "Physical and Mental Health of Missionaries" and "Problems and Adjustments of Missionaries" most helpful, indeed.

The acting field secretary discussed our total missionary outreach, taking us back to last year's theme, "The harvest is great, but the labourers few." With facts and figures he very clearly pointed out the areas where we have advanced and where there is still much room for expansion. For effective results he urged us to pray more specifically for the entire work and to be more consistent in our efforts. This left us with a greater concern for the salvation of the African people.

On Christmas Eve we joined our voices with the African Christians to

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#### DEDICATION OF HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Left to right: Pastor Nteff, president of the Cameroon Baptist Convention; Field Secretary Ben Lawrence; Pastor John Nfor delivering the dedication message; Missionary Norman Haupt, District Officer's wife; Mr. E. K. Martin; and representative of the Bafreng Council. Boxes are for the field pastors.



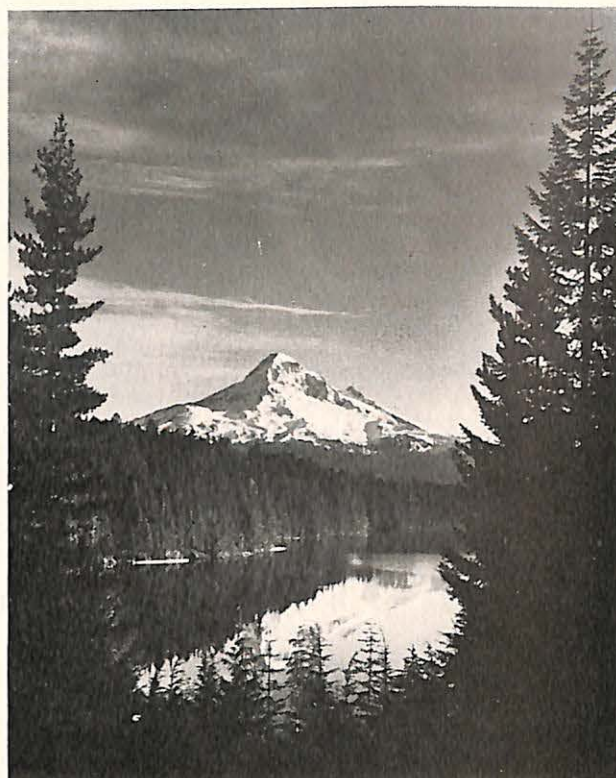
#### INCA RUINS AT CUZCO, PERU

Left to right: Senor Fernando Vigil, Mr. Ed Bohnet and Dr. R. Schilke visit the world famous Inca Ruins in Peru on their survey of South American countries.

# OREGON INVITES YOU!

Oregon is a land of plenty. It has a wealth of scenic treasures to offer: the grandest stand of virgin timber in the U.S.A.; the Columbia River Gorge with its falls and towering cliffs; rivers, high lakes and its rugged rock-bound coast where rolls the mighty Pacific.

By Rev. Clarence H. Walth, Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas, Oregon



MT. HOOD OF OREGON

Here is grandeur on a sweeping scale. The majestic 11,245 foot summit of Mount Hood like "a giant in the sky" is mirrored in the calm waters of Lost Lake. (A. Devaney, N. Y., Photo).

**R**OGER BABSON, world renowned for his predictions, recently wrote an article for one of Oregon's leading newspapers, in which he describes a few of the more extraordinary resources of the state of Oregon. "You have a great future" was the general theme of Mr. Babson's prediction.

Those who have studied Oregon's history will remember that God not only blessed the land with many natural resources but also with numerous religious pioneers, who remind us of what the Psalmist said: "And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper" (Ps. 1:3).

Some of you have been told that Oregon has the most beautiful natural scenery in the world. The writer of this article would like to extend an invitation to all our "Baptist Herald" readers to visit Oregon this summer in connection with the trip west to our 34th General Conference in Sacramento, July 13 to 19. If you have previously seen Oregon, you will naturally enjoy visiting again to see what we are about to describe.

## OREGON'S SCENIC WONDERS

Swift, modern transportation makes Oregon an easy stopover, regardless where you live on the North American continent. Since Oregon is due west of Chicago, you can travel the 1,940 miles to Oregon and have only one day's

travel left to Sacramento.

Bounded on the west by the mighty Pacific, north by Washington, east by Idaho, and south by Nevada and California, Oregon is a land of high mountains, broad valleys and surging rivers.

With the exception of the high mountains and desert area in the eastern part of the state, Oregon is never excessively hot nor cold, and is perpetually green.

Like Italy and Southern France, it is located between the 42nd and 46th parallels. Being in such a latitude, Oregon basks in a particularly mild climate. Because there are no extremes of heat and cold, there is a delightful freedom from high and uncomfortable humidity.

Some of the unusual attractions to watch for include the scenic wonder of the Columbia River Gorge, which drinks up the crystal clear water from famous Multnomah Falls, second high-

est falls in the United States. Along this same route vacationers will see Bonneville Dam, with its fish ladders over which sleek salmon may be seen leaping.

Majestic Mt. Hood, fifty miles east of Portland, is the center of year-round recreation. Perpetually snow-capped, the 11,245 foot mountain is encircled by the scenic Mount Hood Loop Highway.

## PORTLAND, "CITY OF ROSES"

Oregon offers vacationers a fishing and hunting paradise. From its deep-sea waters and sparkling mountain streams come some of the finest dietary morsels. During summer and fall months, thousands of fruit trees yield their luscious gems that lure and tempt any traveler to stop and "rest a spell."

In Portland, Oregon's largest city, you'll be able to see the much talked about Lloyd Center, which claims the unique record of being the world's largest shopping center under one roof. If you strike it right on the day you come through Salem, you may find the governor, the Hon. Mark O. Hatfield, in his office at the Capitol Building. He is a gracious Christian statesman with a vibrant faith and testimony that is felt when he shakes your hand. He is an active member of Salem's First Baptist Church.

In the southeastern part of the state you'll find fabulous Crater Lake. You'll never forget it...one of the bluest bodies of water, and deepest, in this

BAPTIST HERALD

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

MAY 2-3, 1964

Saturday Evening, May 2—Banquet Speaker, Rev. Art Patzia, Carbon, Alta.

Sunday Morning, May 3—Baccalaureate Speaker, Rev. Walter Kerber, Yorkton, Sask.

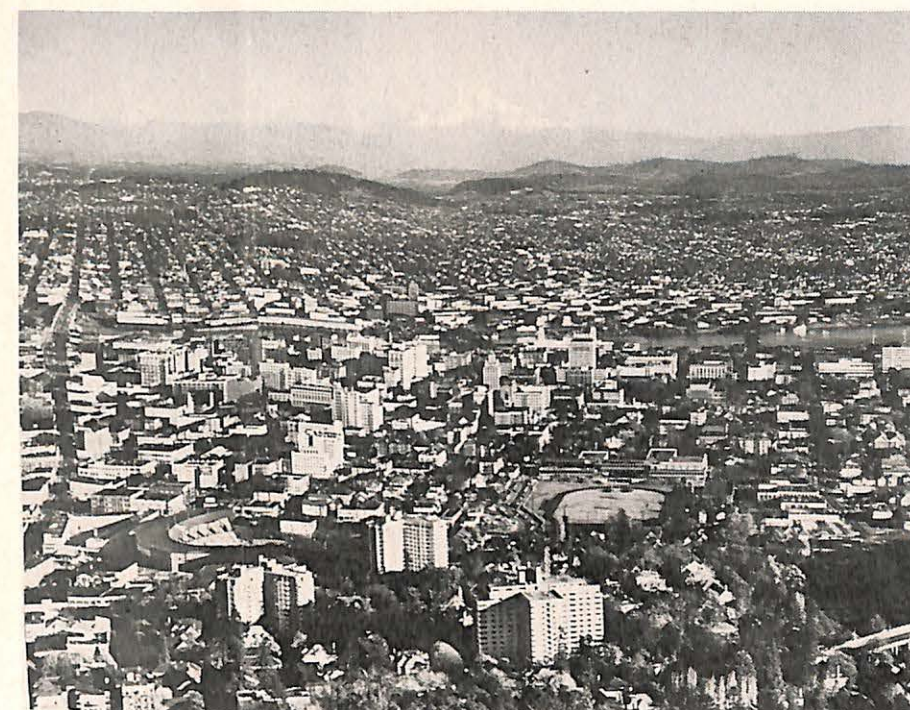
Sunday Afternoon, May 3—Commencement Speaker, Dr. J. C. Gunst, Minneapolis, Minn.

country. Don't by-pass Crater Lake.

State Recreation Areas have become a great tourist attraction for the state. Many of these areas permit overnight camping, with picnic facilities right in the heart of God's creation. Oregon possesses more virgin timber than any other state, according to the American Automobile Association. You'll enjoy the natural beauty of Oregon, and you'll want to come back.

## NORTH AMERICAN CHURCHES

Oregon's first North American Baptist church was founded in the year 1879 near Portland, and is known as the Bethany Baptist Church. In addition, eight other churches have been established, and they bid you a cordial "welcome to Oregon!" Trinity Baptist Church, Immanuel Baptist, and Gencullen Baptist, all of Portland; Wichita Baptist, Milwaukie; Southwood Park Baptist, Tigard; Stafford Baptist, Willsonville; Bethel and Brush College,



MT. HOOD OVERLOOKS THE CITY OF PORTLAND

Portland, Oregon, located near the head of the river navigation for deep-sea vessels, is the Columbia Empire's gateway to the seven seas of the world. It is a thriving industrial and seaport city of some 402,300 people, a transportation hub of rails, steamship and airplane routes.

Salem; and Salt Creek Baptist, between Dallas and Sheridan, Oregon.

Nicknamed the *Beaver State*, you'll find it a pleasure to travel to the General Conference by the Oregon route. Many of us will be here to greet you in the name of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Oregon invites you... Welcome!

## VESSELS FOR THE MASTER'S USE

(Continued from page 7)

sing the familiar Christmas carols and listen to the account of Christ's birth as recorded in his Word. The presentation of our Christmas Musicals on Christmas Day was one of the highlights of the conference. Under the able direction of Mr. Donald Witt of the Cameroon Protestant College, the missionary choir lifted their voices in adoration and praise of the birth of our Savior and King.

In keeping with the theme, the conference room was beautifully decorated by Miss B. Westerman. The food committee, consisting of Mrs. Eugene Stockdale, Mrs. Donald Witt and Miss Gerry Glasenapp, provided tasty, well planned meals. Interesting Bible stories and film strips were provided for the children by Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Strauss and Miss Laura E. Reddig.

Prayerful consideration and time were given to matters of business and the election of officers for the coming year. Rounding out the program with music and sports, each moment of the day was planned for our benefit.

As the missionary family gathered around the table of the Lord's Supper, one felt it was a fitting climax to this year's conference. Our hearts were stirred as various persons related how God had blessed them and how victories had been won through him during the past year. In the spirit of fellowship with Christ and with one another, we came to the close of a remarkable missionary conference.



BONNEVILLE DAM OF OREGON

The spillway dam at Bonneville Dam, 40 miles east of Portland, Oregon is located in the North of main channel of the Columbia River. The entire Bonneville Dam project consists of a power-house, navigation lock, and fishways, in addition to the spillway dam, and was built at a cost of around 100 million dollars under the supervision of the War Department, U. S. Army Engineers. (Photos by Portland Chamber of Commerce).

April 23, 1964



Luther Rice (left) and Adoniram Judson (right), the first two Baptist missionaries appointed by the "Triennial Convention" in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1814.

## Luther Rice, Christ's Apostle of Missions

*This servant of God called the Baptist churches together in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1814 to form the first national organization among Baptists of America to support foreign missionaries. This 150th anniversary is being observed in 1964.*

By Professor Hugo Lueck, North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

**T**HE GREAT FOREIGN mission movement of the American Baptists, whose 150th anniversary is being celebrated in 1964, originated not with experienced religious leaders or with influential pulpit orators but with young college students. God used youthful enthusiasm and dedication to begin his work in foreign fields.

When Baptists had increased more than tenfold through the great revivals, interest in missions also increased. But the many churches were all autonomous and independent, while mission work needed a united effort. Right from the beginning, the Baptist fathers realized the need for co-operation. Associations were formed, the first one as early as 1707 in Philadelphia, Pa. Through them also, missionaries were engaged on the frontier and among Indians.

### NEED FOR COOPERATION

However, liberty loving Baptists were a little suspicious of associations, lest such organized agencies outside the local church endanger the independence of the local congregation.

At the beginning of the 19th century, a new working method was introduced—mission "societies," which were voluntary organizations and more acceptable than associations. The first missionary society was started in 1802 in Massachusetts. Others followed rapidly: 1804 in Maine, 1806 and 1807 in New York, 1809 in Connecticut, 1911 in New Jersey, etc.

These local societies confined their interest primarily to the home country, although interest in foreign lands was also awakening. The fact that Wil-

liam Carey had started a Foreign Mission Society in England also helped to promote the already growing interest in foreign missions. But American Baptists had as yet no national organization such as would be needed for a greater outreach into heathen lands.

### LUTHER RICE AND HIS FRIENDS

In 1802 Luther Rice, a 19-year-old farm boy, was converted and joined the Congregational Church of his home in Northborough, Massachusetts. Young Luther soon was keenly interested in missions. He felt an inner urge for the Christian ministry and entered Leicester Academy for his high school training. He paid his expenses by teaching during vacations and giving singing lessons at night. In 1807 he entered Williams College in Massachusetts where he soon found a few fellow students with similar interest

### A PROCLAMATION

WE PROCLAIM the year 1964 a YEAR OF JUBILEE among Baptists in North America, when we shall give thanks for the fellowship we share in the mission God has given us. We shall examine ourselves and confess and repent of those faults within us that cause the light of life to burn fitfully in this gusty world. We shall pray that the Holy Spirit, whose fire burned in Rice and Judson, may give us the light that will illuminate every man in the world. We urge the Baptists of North America to join in the Jubilee Celebration in Atlantic City, New Jersey, May 22-24, 1964.

in missions.

This small group of students one day went to a nearby meadow, where at a haystack they prayed and dedicated their lives for missions to the heathen. Luther Rice and three of them later entered Andover Congregational Seminary, where they found another three students, among them Adoniram Judson, also interested in the same subject.

Eventually six of these young men petitioned the Congregational Massachusetts Association, which met at Bradford in 1810, to be sent to the East. The conference was so moved by this appeal that "gray hairs were all weeping" as the young men spoke of their plans. As a result the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (Congregational) was founded and four of these young men were appointed as missionaries, among them Judson, while Luther Rice was omitted.

### EXPERIENCES AND DIFFICULTIES

Rice, however, would not give up. He had set his heart upon going. He was permitted to do so upon the condition, that he would himself raise the money necessary for his outfit and passage. Only six days remained before the ordination of the missionaries. Rice set out at once upon horseback, in the middle of winter, travelled day and night and was back at the end of six days with the necessary funds.

This was an indication of his energies and abilities which characterized his later life work. Not even his bride could hold him back. She was unwilling to accept the hardships entailed and broke her engagement with Rice. Jud-

son and his newly wedded bride sailed immediately. Rice sailed a few weeks later, unmarried.

Their destination was Calcutta, India where the British Baptists had their mission with Carey. During the long voyage Judson searched the Scriptures on the subject of baptism to fortify himself against the Baptist position. But after prayerful study, he became convinced of believer's baptism with the result that, when he arrived in Calcutta, he and his wife were baptized in September 1812 by Mr. Ward, Carey's co-worker in India. Luther Rice, who arrived later, had come to the same conclusion and was also baptized in November.

Both missionaries were in a dilemma. They had been sent out by a Congregational Board. They had now become Baptists and were without any financial support. But this was only the beginning of trouble for them. India was ruled by the East India Company which was opposed to missionaries, especially Americans. England and America at that time were not on friendly terms. They were told that they must return to America at once. They asked leave to settle in some other part of India, but this was refused.

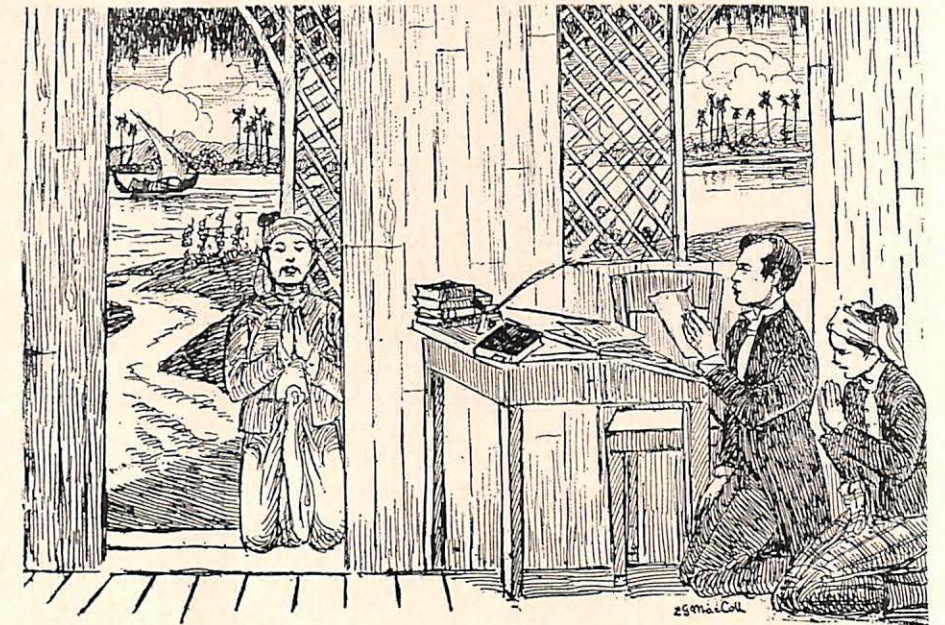
After many more difficulties, by God's miraculous help Mr. and Mrs. Judson were able to get to Burma. Rice had to return to America to seek aid from the American Baptists for their two missionaries whom they now had in the East without knowing it.

### BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

The Baptists were ready for this new challenge. Rice went to Boston, Massachusetts, where Dr. Baldwin was pastor. He and Rev. Bolles of Salem immediately supported him. Through Rice's story, interest was generated everywhere. He was appointed as agent to visit all parts of the country and to enlist churches and individuals for the cause. He journeyed throughout the entire country and met with most encouraging success.

Baptists throughout the country agreed to call a convention to meet in Philadelphia where in 1814 the "General Missionary Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States for Foreign Missions" was created. Soon it became known as the "Triennial Convention" because its meetings were held every three years. Its president was Dr. Furman, the greatest pulpit orator of the denomination and pastor of the First Baptist Church at Charlestown, South Carolina.

The managing board of the Convention consisted of 21 members with Dr. Baldwin of Boston as president and Dr. Staughton of Philadelphia as corresponding secretary. Luther Rice was appointed as first missionary of the Board, but was asked to continue temporarily his promotional work in the States, which he did for a long



Adoniram Judson on his knees dedicates the completed Burmese Bible in 1834 "to the glory of God." He and his wife were the first missionaries appointed by the Baptists at their "Triennial Convention" in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1814. The promotional work for this mission endeavor was carried on by Luther Rice.

time and so was prevented to go out again to the foreign fields. The Judsons were also appointed and authorized to begin their work in Burma.

### PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia became the headquarters of the Board. Torbet in his "History of the Baptists" says: "It was most fitting that at the birthplace of the national government, Baptists should have attained an organic unity, which at the same time protected the autonomy of the local churches."

Through these circumstances, and mainly through the work of Luther Rice, the Baptists were united in a nation-wide effort for mission work, which accomplished so much in heathen lands for the glory of God and the good of men.

At the second meeting of the Triennial Convention in 1817, Rice reported that he had travelled 7800 miles on horseback during a very short time, collected nearly \$3,700, and aroused interest for missions everywhere. His journeys were "through wilderness and over rivers, across mountains and valleys, in heat and in cold, by day and by night, in weariness and painfulness, in fasting and loneliness."

### ADVANCING MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Rice was not only promoting missions, but more than anyone he advanced the cause of ministerial education. His experiences had taught him that the ultimate success of foreign missions depended upon a trained ministry. He was deeply interested in the new Baptist theological school at Philadelphia. He urged the founding of a college in Washington, D. C., and through his efforts land was procured and a building erected, capable of ac-

commodating 80 students. Rice was appointed as agent and treasurer. About that time he originated the "Columbia Star," a mission paper.

His labors and responsibilities were overwhelming. Difficulties arose and the expenses of the college were not met. Rice became sick, because of all his anxieties. But he labored on in unshaken faith of its success and saw his wishes partially fulfilled before he died.

### RICE'S UNDYING GREATNESS

He sacrificed his life for the welfare of the institution which he had organized. During a collection tour through the South, he was taken ill and soon after died on September 25, 1836 in the house of his friend, Dr. Mays. He was buried at the Point Pleasant Church, Edgefield District, South Carolina. His dying request was for his beloved Columbia College. "Send my sulky and horse, and baggage to Brother Brooks with directions to send them to Brother Sherwood and say that all belongs to the College."

He was a powerful and eloquent preacher, "dignified in appearance and unusually attractive in his style." He declined two enticing calls—in 1815 to the presidency of Transylvania University at Lexington, Kentucky, and also that of Georgetown College, Kentucky, because all his energy and thinking were absorbed by the great object of his life—missions and ministerial education.

His zeal and untiring energy accomplished for the Baptist Foreign Mission enterprise at home what Adoniram Judson did for it abroad. To quote Torbet again: "The great debt of Baptists to Luther Rice for his determinative influence upon the denomination deserves more attention than it has received."



FROM SAVAGE TO CITIZEN, the 10 by 100 foot five panel painting (this is panel No. 3) at the New York World's Fair in Wycliffe's Pavilion of 2000 Tribes, depicting the conversion of a head-hunter, Shapra Chief Tariri of Peru.

## Wycliffe's Pavilion of 2000 Tribes

A spiritual adventure awaits you at this religious pavilion at the New York World's Fair that is devoted exclusively to foreign missions.

WYCLIFFE'S PAVILION of 2000 Tribes at the New York World's Fair is unique for two reasons: it is the only religious pavilion devoted exclusively to foreign missions, and it features a significant original mural. The 10 x 100 foot five-panel painting by Douglas Riseborough symbolically depicts the moving conversion of a head-hunter, Shapra Chief Tariri of Peru. It is sure to attract art lovers as well as missions-minded Christians. According to *Look Magazine*, "aesthetes will probably skip the Fair. There really isn't enough art"—but the Riseborough mural, "From Savage to Citizen," is a striking exception.

Chief Tariri of the Shapra tribe of Peru appeared on Ralph Edwards' "This Is Your Life" program featuring translator Rachel Saint in 1957. Viewers will long remember the radiant smile of the regal Indian transformed by Christ through the Word of God translated into his jungle tongue. Tariri had earned his tribal prestige by beheading his victims and shrinking their heads. "Christ overcame me," he said upon his conversion.

The 5-scene mural by Douglas Riseborough depicting the spiritual biography of Tariri symbolically epitomizes the mission of the Wycliffe Bible Translators. Two young women trans-

lators lived among the head-hunting Shapras until they learned to speak Tariri's unwritten language. Then they translated the message of the Bible, and Tariri was one of the first to believe the Good News. The result: a revolution in the jungle!

Wycliffe's 1424 members working in 330 tribes in 16 countries translate the Bible for neglected tribesmen like Tariri. Wycliffe Bible Translators is a nonsectarian service mission with international headquarters at Box 1960, Santa Ana, California.

## Baptist Exhibit at N.Y. World's Fair

BAPTISTS OF THE United States and Canada will present a colorful witness for Christ in an exhibit at the New York World's Fair, using the theme "For Liberty and Light." It was designed and built by General Exhibits, of Philadelphia. The exhibit will occupy a space 24 feet by 25 feet in the Protestant and Orthodox Center. Combining their forces in the exhibit are six Baptist conventions, including the North American Baptist General Conference.

The exhibit for the World's Fair is in eight modules, each one six feet wide, with an arch covering it. Each module illustrates one phase of church life, from left to right as follows:

1. Spread of denominations in U.S.A. by counties.
2. History of Baptists.
3. Growth of Baptists in America since 1664.
4. Teachings of Baptists.
5. Missionary outreach of Baptists.
6. Religious liberty advocated by Baptists.
7. Higher education in Baptist schools.
8. Hospitals sponsored by Baptists.

Lights, color, movement and graphic displays characterize the exhibit. In each of four of the modules there are five telephones on which the listener can hear a brief message by a qualified speaker: On history, by Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette (retired), noted church historian of Yale University; on teaching, the Honorable Brooks Hays, formerly special assistant to the President of the U.S.A. and now Professor of Political Science, Rutgers University; on liberty, the noted singer Marian Anderson; and on missions, Miss Jacqueline Horton, daughter of a missionary family.

Items in the exhibit include an exact reproduction of the original Gutenberg Bible, the first book to be printed with movable type, and an original modern art object of welded metal to illustrate the theme of "Liberty and Light." Harper and Row, publishers of New York, N. Y., have made available an illuminated map showing the major religious denomination in each county of the United States.



BAPTIST EXHIBIT AT NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR

Lights, color, movement and graphic displays characterize the exhibit with eight modules covered by arches (see three above) illustrating several phases of church life.

# The Baptist Jubilee Celebration

Announcement about the Baptist Rally program to be presented in Atlantic City, N. J., from May 22-24, 1964

THE INSPIRATION of the missionaries, Adoniram and Ann Haseltine Judson, in Burma and the Baptist heritage of 150 years of missionary outreach with the Gospel of Christ will be dramatized at the Baptist Jubilee Rally in Atlantic City, N. J., May 22-24. More than 25,000 people will throng the boardwalk along the white sands and the breaking waves of the ocean and will trek to the Memorial Auditorium for the memorable week end program.

### OUTSTANDING SPEAKERS

Each of the speakers, who has already made Baptist history, will stir the great audience of tens of thousands to a greater witness for Christ. The Honorable John G. Diefenbaker, former Prime Minister of Canada; Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette, outstanding Baptist historian; Dr. John Soren of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, president of the Baptist World Alliance; and Dr. Theodore F. Adams of Richmond, Virginia, Baptist pastor, author and television preacher, will arouse and mold the thinking of these throngs of Baptists at this Rally.

Two unusual highlights will probably outshine all other speaking events on the program. The Honorable Dean Rusk of Washington, D. C., United States Secretary of State, will address the Rally on the theme, "For Liberty and Light," on Saturday morning which in importance will probably be "like the shot heard around the world." On Sunday afternoon Billy Graham, evangelist, will ring the bells of heaven with a closing Gospel message to resound wherever the reports of the Rally are sent.

Equally inspiring will be the musical programs. On Saturday night the orig-



DR. THEODORE F. ADAMS

of Richmond, Virginia  
the presiding chairman of the Baptist Jubilee Rally at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

inal oratorio, "What is Man?" based on Psalm 8, will be presented by the Baltimore Symphony and the "Singing City" group (see picture below) of Philadelphia, Pa. The music for this oratorio was composed by Ron Nelson of Brown University and the words were written by Samuel Miller of Harvard. Thor Johnson, conductor of the Chicago Little Symphony, will conduct the symphony orchestra. A registration fee of \$2 will be charged for anyone who wishes to register for the Saturday evening program only. Those who have shared in the plans for the oratorio state emphatically that this will be one of the greatest musical events in all

Baptist history!

But in addition, plans are being made to have Dorothy Maynard, Negro contralto, to sing at the Baptist Rally, to have Van Cliburn appear on the program with several musical selections, and to have "The Singing Churchmen" of Oklahoma present "The Testament of Freedom."

### STIRRING DRAMA

Thrilling drama, heart warming testimonies and the story of Baptist beliefs will likewise have the spotlight of attention focused on them. "The Quest of all People for Freedom" is the title of a 40 minute original drama to be presented on Sunday morning. Christian Nationals from mission fields of the world will speak on Saturday afternoon. These will include our own Flavius Martin of Cameroon, Africa and Hisashi Murakami of Japan. Panel groups will discuss provocatively our Baptist Distinctives and Differences. "A Baptist Message" will be adopted.

Registration for the Jubilee Rally will be \$4.00 single or \$5.00 for husband and wife. This amount will include a copy of the 500-page 150th anniversary volume, "Baptist Advance," for each single registration or each couple registering. (See page 2).

This celebration in Atlantic City, N. J., marks a century and a half of Baptist witness and progress since the establishment in 1814 of the first National Baptist missionary organization. The Triennial Convention established that year in Philadelphia, Pa., united the scattered Baptist churches in the cause of missions. This Jubilee celebration, May 22-24, 1964, ought to be the bugle call to all Baptists to let the light of the Gospel witness light every man in the world with the knowledge of Christ as Savior.



"THE SINGING CITY" OF PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Approximately 150 Singing City choir members will sing the first rendition of a new oratorio "What Is Man?" commissioned by seven North American Baptist bodies. The new work will be presented in Convention Hall, Atlantic City, N. J., on Saturday evening, May 23, in connection with the Baptist Jubilee Advance Sesquicentennial Celebration, May 22-24. Mrs. Elaine Brown is the founder and director of the group. (An American Baptist News Service Photo).

# Baptist Concerns in Today's World

Reports of recent sessions of the Administration Committee of the Baptist World Alliance and of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

## BAPTIST ALLIANCE LEADERS SEEK END OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

**ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—**(BWA)—Members of the Administrative Committee of the Baptist World Alliance have expressed their concern over racial disturbances in various parts of the world and joined "with all other men of good will in sincere effort to eradicate discrimination anywhere in the world."

Their action, taken at the committee's semi-annual meeting here, came in response to receipt of a resolution from the Baptist Convention of Scotland and expressions of concern from Germany.

The committee gave much time in a lengthy session to program planning and other arrangements for the 11th Baptist World Congress to be held in Miami Beach, USA, June 25-30, 1965. A basic program outline presented by Theodore F. Adams, past president of the Alliance, was approved, and possible speakers from all sections of the world were suggested.

Conrad Willard of Miami, chairman of local arrangements committees, said that 6,500 hotel rooms ranging from \$5 to \$8 per night per person already have been arranged in 55 of the resort area's 400 hotels. Congress sessions will be held in the Miami Beach Convention Hall and at the Orange Bowl in Miami.

Robert S. Denny, associate secretary of the Alliance, said that railroad and bus lines operating on America's East Coast have announced special excursion rates for congress delegates.

## MIAMI CONGRESS STUDY PAPERS BEING PUBLISHED

**WASHINGTON, D. C.—**(BWA)—The Baptist World, monthly publication of the Baptist World Alliance, is printing a series of study papers designed to acquaint Baptists of the world with issues to be discussed at the 11th Baptist World Congress, meeting in Miami Beach, USA, June 25-30, 1965.

The first set of materials is based on work of the BWA Commission on Religious Liberty and Human Rights and is printed in the March issue.

Readers are invited to save these articles for their own study and for leadership of discussion in their churches. The same material will be published later this year in booklet form, so it can be used for study courses in the churches.

"This series will be of value to those planning to attend the Miami Beach sessions." The Baptist World said, "It will be a helpful guide also to all Bap-

tists who are interested in the Church's message on the issues of our day."

## BAPTIST NEWSMAN WILL REPORT VATICAN COUNCIL

**ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (BPA)—**A Baptist newsman will report on the third session of the Vatican Council II, which meets in Rome Sept. 14 to Nov. 20, 1964.

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs voted to send its associate director, W. Barry Garrett, back to Rome to cover the Council's session this year. The Committee, which was in semi-annual session here, has its headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Garrett reported on the second session last year. His 14 reports from Rome were sent to Baptist publications in the United States. European Baptist Press sent several of his stories to publications throughout the Continent.

An accredited news correspondent in the Senate and House press galleries and the White House in the Nation's Capital, Garrett is also the Washington regional editor for Baptist Press, news agency of the Southern Baptist Convention. He also operates a separate news service from the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs for publications of other Baptist conventions throughout North America.

## BAPTIST COMMITTEE HITS RELIGION AMENDMENTS

**ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (BPA)—**The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs in semi-annual session here reaffirmed "its conviction that laws and regulations prescribing prayers or devotional exercises do not contribute to a free exercise of religion."

The action of the Baptist Committee was taken in view of "a trend in many parts of our land to assume that prayer and devotional experiences of children are and should be subject to legislation by boards of education." Members of Congress are feeling a rising pressure to amend the Constitution to permit such regulations by boards of education or by state legislatures.

The Committee opposed such proposed constitutional changes. It also hit appeals by political leaders "for the establishment of religious acts through legalized means to arouse public sentiment." The Committee said, "This we regard to be in bad taste as a violation of the principle of separation of church and state."

In its statement the Committee appealed "to Baptists everywhere" to inform themselves about principles of

freedom and to insist to their legislative and political leaders that the role of the churches and of state agencies should be kept separate.

While the Committee contended that it is not the role of public schools to conduct devotional exercises, it said that "it is the business of the public schools . . . to transmit the cultural legacy of our land." "This requires," it continued, "the objective recognition of religion as part of the experiences of the people and as one force operating in our society." But a tax-supported agency attended under compulsory school laws should not be an instrument to advance commitments to God, it said.

Since the Supreme Court's decisions on prayer and Bible reading in the public schools 110 members of Congress have introduced 132 measures proposing constitutional amendments on religion in public schools. Hearings have not been scheduled yet, but indications are that they will be held some time this year.

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs is maintained by eight national Baptist bodies in the United States and Canada, of which the North American Baptist General Conference is one. C. Emanuel Carlson is the executive director. The Committee's office is in Washington, D. C.

## RELIEF APPEAL FOR HAITIAN BAPTISTS

**ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—**(BWA)—Thirty-four Baptist chapels were completely destroyed when Hurricane Flora swept across Haiti, Adolfs Klaupiks told the Baptist World Alliance Administrative Committee at its meeting here. Another 26 chapels were badly damaged. Approximately 100 Baptists were among the 3,000 persons killed.

His report, as coordinator of the Alliance's world-wide relief and rehabilitation program, followed a seven-day personal survey of damage on the Caribbean island.

"There is no estimate possible of private property loss, such as dwelling houses and other damages," Mr. Klaupiks said. "The amazing thing about the Baptist people in Haiti is that there is no despair among them. They are going on with their work, even under this heavy burden."

The committee endorsed an appeal for the sending of relief to the island, especially for the rebuilding of the chapels.

Mr. Klaupiks said that one gift of \$10,000 has been channeled to the 42,000-member Baptist Union of Haiti, and that other funds are desperately needed.

● **Dr. and Mrs. Eugene R. Stockdale** of Bamenda New Hope Settlement in West Cameroon, Africa have announced the birth of a daughter on March 8th who has been named Debra Marie. This is their fourth child.

● **The Temple Baptist Church** of Calgary, Alberta has changed its name to the Grace Church. Rev. Adolph Janz, who has been serving as the minister of the church, has announced that he will bring his ministry there to a close in June 1964 and will rejoin the Janz Evangelistic Team that has been serving throughout Canada, the United States and Europe.

● **Rev. Rudolph Woyke**, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., had the privilege of baptizing five adults and two teen-agers on Sunday, March 22, and receiving these and Miss Alda McDonald into the church's fellowship at the Communion Service on Thursday evening, March 26. On March 22 Mr. Woyke preached on the topic, "Baptism, Palm Sunday, The Cross."

● **The First Baptist Church** of Bellwood, Ill. has extended a call to Rev. R. I. Thompson of George, Iowa, the pastor of the Central Baptist Church since 1960. He has given the Bellwood Church a favorable response and has announced that he will begin his ministry there on May 1st. He will succeed Rev. Gerhard Schroeder who is serving as missionary in the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa.

● **On Sunday afternoon, March 15**, an organ recital was held at the Namao Park Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta, a mission of the Central Baptist Church. A large audience was present to hear the musical program on the newly acquired organ and also to participate in the offering designated for the \$1,375 purchase price of the organ. Rev. Herbert Hiller is pastor of the Central Church and Rev. Richard Hohensee as the associate pastor serves the Namao Park Church.

● **On Palm Sunday evening, March 22**, Rev. Donald N. Miller, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wis., brought a biographical sermon on Adoniram Judson, the first Baptist missionary to Burma. His sermon topic was "A Man to Remember." At the Union Good Friday Service for Protestant churches of Watertown, Mr. Miller spoke on the first word from the cross and the Baptist Church Choir sang during the three hour service.

● **Rev. George D. Henderson**, NAB missionary in West Cameroon, Africa, who is studying at present at Georgia University, Athens, Georgia and working towards a graduate degree, held "a one man exhibition" of Cameroon crafts and paintings at the Georgia Museum of Art from March 16-30. Many favorable comments were made by the public and in the newspapers about this striking and colorful ex-

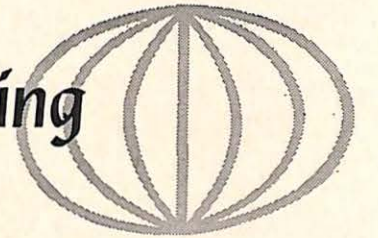
hibition. Some of Brother Henderson's paintings will be displayed prominently in the mission exhibit to be featured at the 34th General Conference in Sacramento, Calif., from July 13 to 19.

● **Members of the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church**, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., have had a vital part in the ministry of the Chinese Bible Church of Detroit, Mich. Because of their prayer-

ducted by Rev. H. G. Dymmel during the Sunday school hour for all those interested in this Gospel ministry in the German language.

● **On Sunday, March 15**, the Snowview Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, recorded 217 people at the Sunday school, 167 at the morning worship service and 137 at the evening service. A Special Encampment program was

## what's happening



ful interest and support, the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church Bulletin featured the story in the 10th anniversary program, held from April 3-5, on its front cover. For 6½ years the Chinese Bible Church met at the Detroit Bible College and for the past 3½ years the services have been held at the Central Christian and Missionary Alliance Church. Dr. A. Dale Ihrie is pastor of the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church.

● **From Palm Sunday, March 22**, to Easter Sunday, March 29, Dr. A. J. Harms, Bible Missionary Teacher of the denomination, conducted Holy Week services at the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill. With Sunday, April 5, the German worship services held at an earlier hour on Sunday mornings were discontinued by the Forest Park Baptist Church for the first time in its 74 year history. A Bible study in German will be con-

held that Sunday evening in which many Pioneer Girls and their leaders took part. The Buffalo Bible Institute Choir presented a concert on Sunday morning, April 5. From April 14 to 24 special meetings were held with God's Volunteers and their director, Rev. Walter Hoffman, rendering an appreciated ministry. Rev. W. C. Damrau is pastor of the church.

● **Plans to build a \$200,000 unit** of retirement apartments for 36 persons at the Bismarck Home for the Aged, Bismarck, N. Dak., have been announced by Rev. Alfred Weisser, administrator in behalf of the Board of Directors. The new facilities will be designed to meet the needs of the younger retirement age group who wish to acquire adequate housing at a reasonable cost. Construction of these units is planned for some time this summer, probably in July or August. At present facilities of the Home house 160 residents, including 34 nursing care residents. The present facilities are valued at more than \$830,000.

● **On Feb. 28 another large shipment** of White Cross hospital supplies left the headquarters building in Forest Park, Ill., bound for the mission field in the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa. This shipment with a gross weight of 4,639 lbs. left New Orleans, La., on the Delta Lines on March 9 for Victoria, West Cameroon. The contents of this shipment included 25 bales, 8 cases and 5 crates, representing hundreds of White Cross supplies, all the way from safety pins, sample medicines, assorted bandages, baby jackets, blankets and diapers, to surgical sponges and bolts of muslin. These supplies also represent the faithful work and generous gifts of our Women's Missionary Societies and the sacrificial ministry of Mrs. Erika Borrmann in preparing these supplies for shipment to the mission field in Africa.

## 25 YEARS AGO APRIL 1939

● Senior students at the Seminary, Rochester, N. Y., have accepted calls to churches as follows: Mr. R. Schilke to Minitonas, Min.; Mr. Helmut Waltereit to Camrose, Alta.; and Mr. Rudolf Milbrandt to Calgary and Craigmyle, Alta.

● From April 6 to 16 the Seminary Glee Club made a tour of the Atlantic Conference churches beginning with Meriden, Conn., and closing with services in Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Walter Marchand was director of the Glee Club.

● The Central Baptist Church of Waco, Texas, on April 21 surprised its pastor, Rev. A. Becker, on his 75th birthday. He had served the church since 1925. Mr. R. E. Engelbrecht was the toastmaster at the birthday celebration.



# We the Women



BY MRS. HARM SHERMAN

## AN INVITATION TO ATLANTIC CITY

For some time we have been reading about the inspiring program and activities that have been planned for us as Baptists when we meet in Atlantic City, New Jersey, May 22-24. At the Third Baptist Jubilee Sessions we will be celebrating 150 years of Baptist progress. Thousands are expected to attend, filling the 40,000-seat Convention Hall.

Of great interest to us as women will be the Women's Fellowship Luncheon which will be held at the Marlborough-Blenheim Hotel on Friday, May 22, at one o'clock. Our theme for the luncheon will be the same as for the Baptist Jubilee Advance, "For Liberty and Light."

Dr. Zelma George, world traveler, diplomat, social worker, home maker and active member of the Antioch Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio, has been chosen as the speaker. The hopes, aspirations and problems of peoples around the world have long been the intimate concern of Mrs. George. Early in her career, she served as Dean of Women at Tennessee State University in Nashville. Later she earned a two-year Rockefeller Research Fellowship. She has also been a case worker and worked in juvenile courts in Chicago, Ill. In 1958 President Eisenhower appointed her a member of the President's Committee to the White House Conference on Children and Youth which met in Washington, D. C. In 1960 she was appointed by President Eisenhower as a member of the U. S. Delegation to the XV General Assembly of the United Nations. A recognized authority on Negro music, Dr. George studied voice at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, and studied pipe organ at Northwestern University.

Greatly in demand as a speaker, Dr. Zelma George invariably arouses enthusiastic comment for her forthright observations and dramatic delivery. As one college president said: "Dr. George is an extraordinary woman, a scholar, an artist and a human being. She is at once a message, a challenge and an inspiration."

The luncheon is limited to 500 women. So that means if you are planning to attend you must purchase your ticket as soon as possible since they are to be sold on a "first come, first served" basis. The price of the tickets will be \$3.25 including gratuities.

# From the Professor's Desk

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

Please explain more about the gift of speaking in tongues. What are the regulations governing its use to which you referred?

The private use of speaking in tongues is for personal worship and communion with God, and for self-education (I Cor. 14:2, 4a). It is an ecstatic, emotional utterance intelligible only to God. The public use is for a sign to unbelievers as a validation, confirmation or authentication of the Gospel witness (v. 22). And it is also a sign to unconvinced believers, as it was in the Book of Acts (10:44-46; 18:24-19:7) when the Gospel was introduced into new geographical areas or at critical junctures in the life of the Church. The Gentiles' speaking in tongues broke down the suspicions of Jewish believers. When interpreted, it serves the purpose of edification of Christians (I Cor. 14:26).

The Apostle Paul emphatically de-emphasizes the gift in comparison to the other gifts, especially to prophecy (I Cor. 14:1-6, 19). Tongues appear last in the lists of spiritual gifts (I Cor. 12:4-10, 27-30) and is omitted in the list of Romans 12:6-8. The regulations governing its use are as follows: everything must be done decently and in order (I Cor. 14:40); not more than three speaking in tongues in a single service, and then not simultaneously but in turn (v. 27); if there is no interpretation, there may be no speaking in tongues (v. 28).

## EVENTS AT CORINTH

There are indications that tongues are associated with spiritual immaturity (I Cor. 13:11; 14:20). The Corinthians prided themselves on their possession of the gift, which had become a source of confusion and disorder in their church. They were preoccupied with glossolalia, exhibiting an almost childish delight in its exercise—a kind of playing with the supernatural.

Corinth was the most important city of Greece in everything except education, which ranked very low at Corinth, while immorality was rampant (the city was known for its temple to the goddess Aphrodite in whose service prostitution was encouraged). The Corinthians came out of a culture that was accustomed to the ecstatic utterances of the pagan seers at Delphi. The church was filled with immature, over-zealous Christians who vied with one another over expressions of piety. Except for the problem situation over tongues at Corinth, there is no subsequent record of churches or believers speaking in tongues as the normative experience of believers.

It should be noted that the experience of tongues is not confined to Christian groups and sects. Tongues have been practiced by several of the religions of the Far East, by spiritualistic mediums and voodoo witch doctors.

In spite of the misuses of this phenomenon, it cannot be doubted that there is a genuine, Spirit-imparted gift, as was indicated in the previous article of April 9. Problems arise when the true gift is regarded as a spiritual superiority leading to pride or ostentation. Confusion which is out of keeping with orderliness, godliness and sobriety, must be scrupulously avoided. Christ, not the person possessing the gift, is to be the focal center.

## FOLLOWING THE MOVEMENT

When the attention shifts to the gift itself or to the one speaking in tongues, misuse of the gift has arisen. Where the exercise of the gift fails to build up in love and faith, the church suffers. Wrongly exercised, it can do more harm than good. Another danger arises when this gift is looked upon as a hoped-for shortcut to genuine spiritual maturity and power. Ours is an impatient age; we want quick results and immediate success. When the Holy Spirit is exalted to a place above Jesus Christ, there results a theological imbalance.

Frequently glossolalia is not a gift of the Spirit at all, but is the result of psychological manipulation. Sometimes those who are trying to help an individual "receive the gift" urge the person to start sounding certain rhythmic syllables in repeated alliterative phrases, as a sort of pump-priming device.

Nevertheless, even many who are critical of the new movement admit that God has somehow been pleased to work through it, at least some of it (and especially through that which is undeniably a gift of the Holy Spirit), and has brought blessing to countless people. Dr. John A. Mackay, former president of Princeton Theological Seminary, has followed the movement with interest and thanksgiving for its constructive, transforming influence. Even if it may involve much emotionalism, he states that "crude life is to be preferred to aesthetic death."

For the most part, the present movement is not characterized by the extravagances and excesses of earlier Pentecostalism. A salutary fact is the renewed and widespread study of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit whose ministry is to glorify Christ and to effect a greater unity among his children.



# sunday school lessons

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

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: May 3, 1964

Theme: CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES IN DAILY WORK

Scripture: Luke 12:22-31; I Thessalonians 4:10b-12

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: The first blessing God gave to man was the blessing of work when he put Adam and Eve in the garden "to dress it and to keep it."

INTRODUCTION: Jesus said, "My Father worketh hitherto and I work" (John 5:17). Work is necessary for life. If it is the right kind of work, it makes living a joy. The intermediate topic for today's lesson points out a very important truth: "Do you work for a purpose or a paycheck?" Does life consist in the pleasures you can buy with the money you earn or does life consist of the joy you find in doing your work? A famous professor of a university said he loved his work so much that he would gladly do it free of charge if he could afford it, and if it came to a matter of choosing between money and work he would not hesitate to choose work.

Not all of us feel so dedicated, for we know that the problem of earning and making a living is an important one. In our idealism we must also think of realism. Every family is dependent on the economic condition of the country in which they live. Unemployment is a tragedy when we realize how necessary are food, clothing, shelter, education and health.

I. THE MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL VALUES OF LIFE. Luke 12:22-26.

Begin with verse 13 and notice how this man was so concerned about material things that he had no ear nor heart for spiritual truths.

When Jesus said, "Take no thought for your life," he certainly did not mean that we are not to be concerned about it. We are not to indulge in needless worry for it reveals a lack of confidence and trust in a loving heavenly Father. There is more to life than food, clothing and shelter. There is a life to be lived.

In our affluent society we do not worry about having enough to eat but about what to eat; not about having clothes for the body but about having the latest style; not about shelter but about having the most modern house or apartment.

II. SPIRITUAL LESSONS FROM NATURE. Luke 12:27-31.

Jesus must appeal to nature as an example for man. Although in some

respects man seems to have fallen lower than nature, we must remember that through Jesus Christ we are able to rise far above nature. The lily, no matter how beautiful, will perish. But man, no matter how sinful, can have abundant life everlasting.

The Christian must learn to put first things first. He must be concerned about the things of God and then he can rest assured that God will be concerned about the things of man.

III. A WELL-BALANCED CHRISTIANITY. I Thessalonians 4:10-12.

The apostle is admonishing the Christians not to tear themselves apart emotionally in trying to get what they want. Some Christians have spiritual temper tantrums. They feel they must beg and agonize and scream in their prayers or else God will not hear them. It is much better to wait quietly in faith, doing what is necessary and needful and let the rest to God.

## Questions for Discussion:

1. How can we apply the principles of the New Testament to our modern management-labor relationships?

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: May 10, 1964

Theme: THE CHRISTIAN'S USE OF LEISURE

Scripture: Matthew 6:33; Mark 6:30-32;

I Corinthians 6:12-14, 19, 20; Philippians 4:8

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Leisure does not mean idleness. Rather, it means doing something different from the normal course of daily living.

INTRODUCTION: A generation or two ago people did not know what leisure was. The working day was long and hard, often lasting ten or more hours. What there was left of the evening was used for physical rest, and Sundays were quiet and free of all unnecessary activity.

Working conditions are far different today and wages much higher. Vacation resorts and traveling agencies are luring us away from home as much as possible. People are often more worn out by what they do in their leisure hours than from what they do in their working hours. Shorter working hours and longer vacations have created some problems for which many people are not prepared. Some have not learned the right use of leisure, and they regard it as a time to indulge in dissipation.

The Christian must learn how to use his leisure effectively so that he can also find time for rest, relaxation, the

cultivation of fellowship with others, and the upbuilding of his life in a wholesome and Christian way.

I. THE CHRISTIAN'S GUIDE FOR LEISURE. Matthew 6:33.

Th's same verse was called to our attention last week in reference to our daily work. It may seem strange to some that the same words of Jesus should be applied to the Christian's use of leisure. But it is just as important here, for even in our leisure we are to seek first the Kingdom of God. Whatever we do, we are to do for the glory of God and this includes our work as well as our pleasures. It is of particular importance to think of the Kingdom of God in our pleasures because the temptation is stronger to forget God and his purposes while we are enjoying ourselves.

II. THE CHRISTIAN'S NEED FOR REST. Mark 6:30-32.

Jesus was very practical about the needs of the body. He realized the importance and the necessity of rest. The Master as well as his disciples were emotionally and physically exhausted. There is a weariness that comes from being constantly among crowds of people. The human body can stand only so much. It is necessary to be alone occasionally to talk and have fellowship with a few intimate friends and to pray in order to restore the mental and spiritual powers.

III. THE CHRISTIAN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE BODY. I Corinthians 6:12-20; Philippians 4:8.

Paul meant that he is free to do many things but not all things would be good for him. Leisure must take into consideration the sacredness of the human body. Christian liberty does not mean that you can do as you please but as God pleases. Since our bodies are members of Christ, it is unthinkable that they should be used for sinful relationships. Our bodies are to be used as temples of God in which the Holy Spirit dwells. We are bought with a price, which includes our bodies, and as representatives of God, whose we are and whom we serve. Therefore, we must realize the responsibility of keeping our lives clean and holy.

Paul advises the Christians at Philippi to look at themselves from all of these viewpoints and then decide where to go, what to do and what to say.

## Questions for Discussion:

1. What is the difference between leisure and idleness?  
2. Why is it so easy to forget God during vacations and leisure time?



# OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**OAK BANK, MANITOBA.** The Oak Bank Baptist Church, Oak Bank, Man., would like to share some of our blessings and activities with "Baptist Herald" readers. On Jan. 5 Mr. L. Wilkes, our pastor, with three of his converts were welcomed into our church's membership by Rev. Wm. Sturhahn, Northern District secretary. There were many blessings enjoyed during our "Youth Week." Our CBY was host to the Whiteshell Baptist Church Choir. Miss Gertrude Schatz, missionary home



The Men's Fellowship of the Oak Bank Baptist Church, Oak Bank, Manitoba with Rev. L. Wilkes, pastor, 4th from the left.

on furlough, presented slides on the work at West Cameroons, Africa. A Men's Fellowship has been instituted with ten charter members. "The King's Messengers" of Strathcona, Minn., brought a great program in music and sermon in the auditorium of our Collegiate with 400 people in attendance.

**RAPID CITY, S. DAK.** The congregation of the South Canyon Church, Rapid City, S. Dak., held ground



Ground breaking service for new South Canyon Baptist Church, Rapid City, S. Dak. Left to right: Mr. Alvin Auch, Mr. Everett Crooks, Rev. W. D. Dachtler, pastor; Mr. Miles Taggart, contractor; and Mr. John Kwyzla.

breaking services on Sunday afternoon, March 1. Rev. W. D. Dachtler, pastor, opened the service with Scripture (Eph. 4:1-15) and prayer. Testimonies were then given by the chairman of the Building Committee, Alvin Auch; chairman of the Deacon Board, Everett Crooks; and a charter member, John Kwyzla, on what the building program meant to them. Mr. Dachtler introduced the contractor, Miles Taggart. He expected to begin construction of the 40 by 96 foot edifice in March. Just before Mr. Dachtler broke the ground, he exhorted us to use the talents God has given us that we might receive a blessing in seeing God's work going forward. We thank God for his wonderful leading and ask you to pray with us for his continued blessing as we build for God's glory. (Mrs. Dale Saunders, Reporter).

**WETASKIWIN, ALTA.** The Calvary Baptist Church, Wetaskiwin, Alberta has acquired property for expansion purposes. The church voted on Feb. 19th to buy another house for the people who live next door to the church and to trade places with them. This was done and now Calvary Church has a lot 66 by 130 feet for future growth and development. A Building Fund has been started. It is hoped that in the near future a new church can be built next to the present one and the old church remodeled into an educational unit. On Sunday, Feb. 23, six new members were received into the church making a present total membership 165. A total of 78 new members have been added to the church during the ministry of Rev. Wm. W. Sibley, pastor.

**HERREID, S. DAK.** On Jan. 21, the Baptist Men's Brotherhood of Herreid, S. Dak., held their Annual Pheasant Fry with the men of the church and their wives as guests. Rev. M. Gardner of the Baptist Church, Mobridge, S. Dak., was the guest speaker. A most inspirational message was given by him. The Men's Quartet of the Mo-



Members of Lydia's Missionary Circle of the First Baptist Church, Eureka, S. Dak., who presented their annual program recently.

bridge Church furnished the special music. Everyone found this an opportune time to become acquainted with the new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Iver Walker. This evening of Christian fellowship proved a blessing to all in attendance. (Howard Conway, Reporter)

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

**EUREKA, S. DAK.** Recently the women of the Lydia's Missionary Circle presented an annual program in the First Baptist Church, Eureka, S. Dak. The organ and piano prelude were played by Mrs. Delene Brockel and Mrs. Fred Fuchs, respectively. Song service was led by Mrs. Ervin Grenz, Scripture by Mrs. Harold Heupel, followed with prayer by Mrs. Calvin Diede. A vocal number, LIVING ABUNDANTLY was rendered by the group. The secretary's report was given by Mrs. Irwin Schaeffer. A ladies' quartet, consisting of Mrs. Ervin Grenz, Mrs. Reuben Kusler, Mrs. Irwin Schaeffer, and Mrs. Delene Brockel, sang, "Speak a Word." Mrs. Theodore Bertsch gave the treasurer's report after which Mrs. Ferd Fuchs rendered a solo. A play, "Lost and Found" was given by the members of the Circle. Mrs. Orwin Heupel acted as prompter. "Ring the Bells of Heaven" was sung by the group as Mrs. Delene Brockel closed the program with prayer. (Mrs. Irwin Schaeffer, Secretary).

**EMMANUEL, MORRIS, MAN.** The Woman's Missionary Society of the Emmanuel Church, Morris, Man., presented its Spring Program on Sunday evening, March 15. Our membership stands at 53 at the present time, and it was our joy to donate approximately

\$650 to the cause of missions during the past year. To climax the evening, the ladies presented the dialogue, "Lost and Found." A Ladies' Chorus rendered well loved hymns between the various scenes. All those taking part joined in the singing of the final hymn, "Ring the Bells of Heaven." A mission offering was received during the evening. Our monthly meeting in February was devoted to White Cross Work with Miss Ida Hoffman, our White Cross Convener, in charge. It is truly a blessing for each one of us to serve the Lord in this way. (Mrs. C. Bergstresser, Reporter.)

## CBY (youth) fellowship

**VENTURIA, N. DAK.** The young people of the Venturia Baptist Church, Venturia, N. Dak., observed Youth Week from Jan. 26 to Feb. 2. On Monday evening, Jan. 27, they had as their guest speaker Rev. Fred Fuchs of Eureka, S. Dak., and on Sunday evening, Feb. 2, they presented a program with the Senior C.B.Y., giving the play, "Our Almighty God," and the Junior C.B.Y. presenting the play, "The Value of the Single Soul." Members of the Venturia Baptist Woman's Missionary Society were hosts to the noon meal and lunch at the Pastors' and Deacons' Clinic held at the Venturia Baptist Church on Feb. 18. (Mrs. Howard Breitling, Reporter).

**MCDERMOT AVENUE, WINNIPEG.** Youth Week was observed Jan. 26 to Feb. 2 at the McDermot Avenue Church, Winnipeg, Man. The young people served in various ways in the Sunday services and each evening was devoted to some activity. Monday was "Home Night" in which each member made a special effort to fellowship with his family. On Tuesday evening a tour was made to the St. Boniface Roman Catholic Basilica which proved very interesting. On Thursday a film was shown. The week concluded with a banquet prepared by the King's Daughters Society. Prof. A. Rapske of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton was the guest speaker. The Sunday school teachers were most fortunate to have Prof. Rapske for the following week in which he delivered 10 lectures on Christian Education Leadership Training. The participation of our church members (teachers and non-teachers) far exceeded expectations.

**SPRINGSIDE, SASK.** Youth Week was observed by the Springside Church, Springside, Sask., during the last week of February with Dale Hoffman, president, as chairman. The weeknights were summarized for the congregation as follows: Elizabeth Berg outlined the Monday night activities which consisted of testimonies, Bible verses, and a pancake feed. Jane Pullman brought

out the blessings that come when young people will take time with their families to have Bible reading and prayer, as was suggested for Tuesday evening. Hardy Breikreuz stated that the Wednesday night prayer meetings were not just for old folks, but that young people can surely benefit by attending. The activities and ministry of the choir practices which the young

people attend on Thursday nights were described by Patsy Yanke. Gerhart Pahl gave an enthusiastic report on the Friday evening visitation program to the senior citizens of the church fellowship. Rev. Fred W. Pahl gave two very challenging messages geared for Youth Week on "The Christian in Action" and "Arise, O Youth of God." (V. A. Pahl, Reporter).

## ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

**NAPOLEON, N. DAK.** On Sunday, March 1, Rev. Robert Hoffman brought his faithful ministry at the Napoleon Baptist Church, Napoleon, N. Dak., to a close. In the evening a farewell program was held with Ray Jesser, deacon, in charge. Rev. Herman Effa of Linton, N. Dak., brought the challenging message, "The Lost Secret of the Church" (Acts 12:5). The Linton Church Choir rendered two numbers in song. Various officers of the church, Men's Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Society and C.B.Y.F. spoke briefly and presented the Hoffmans with gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman responded by expressing words of appreciation. May God bless them in their ministry at Startup, Wash. (Mrs. Edwin Pfeifle, Reporter).



Mr. and Mrs. David Krell of Nokomis, Sask., on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary observed in the Nokomis Baptist Church.

**NOKOMIS, SASK.** On Jan. 12 after the Sunday evening service, the members and friends of the Nokomis Baptist Church, Nokomis, Sask., honored Mr. and Mrs. David Krell on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Mrs. E. Schroeder, a daughter, and Mr. E. Krell, a son, expressed their thanks to God and their parents for the Christian environment in which they were privileged to grow up. Mr. E. Semke brought congratulations on behalf of the church. The pastor used Psalm 127 as a basis for a short meditation, and on behalf of the church presented a gift of money to the honored couple. Mr. and Mrs. Krell were married in Russia on January 12, 1914. That same year they emigrated to Canada. Since 1956 they have been living in Nokomis where they are members of the Nokomis Baptist Church. (Rev. E. Hohn, Pastor).

**IMMANUEL, WOODSIDE, N. Y.** The 70th anniversary festivities of the Immanuel Church, Woodside, N. Y., were observed on March 7 and 8 in the beautiful edifice, valued at \$400,000, and with large audiences that virtually taxed the church's sanctuary. On Saturday night, a dinner for 230 people was held, addressed by Dr. W. J. Appel, Church Extension survey pastor. The 40 voice choir, directed by Mr. Emil Guddat, presented the thrilling German oratorio, "Israel's Flight from Egypt." Special numbers in the oratorio were rendered by Berndt Wolf, Helmut Golz, Eberhard Boeckel and Erika Stahr. Miss Margaret Stuermer served at the \$7000 Conn organ. The oratorio was re-

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## EVANGELISTIC SERVICES & BAPTISMS

**NAPOLEON, N. DAK.** The Napoleon Baptist Church, Napoleon, N. Dak., held a baptismal service on Sunday evening, Feb. 23. Rev. Robert Hoffman, pastor, had the joy of baptizing two converts. Dwain Zimmerman and Caroline Lachenmeier, on confession of their faith in Christ. These two were given the hand of fellowship into the church by the pastor at the communion service on Sunday, March 1. We praise God for this spiritual harvest in our church.

**MAGNOLIA, ANAHEIM, CALIF.** Hearts were blessed at Magnolia Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., with

Rev. Kenneth L. Fischer as pastor, as a week of special evangelistic meetings were led by Rev. Eldon Crowell. Mrs. Edith Crowell accompanied her husband in many musical selections proclaiming the Gospel message. Mr. Crowell's messages were a series entitled "The New Life Campaign." The church choir enhanced the meetings by faithfully bringing a special anthem each evening. A special program was presented nightly for the children below the fourth grade level. Over 50 decisions for salvation and dedication were made as lives were blessed by the

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## SOUTH AMERICA TRIP

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people as a national monument. Mixed in with this sightseeing, we talked about the work of the Lord in Brazil. Wycliffe has some 150 missionaries in Brazil working with about 23 of the 70 to 80 Indian tribes in the country. Much remains to be done. In the afternoon Dr. Hallock, whom I had already met in 1959 at BWA Commissions, described some of Baptist work to me and showed me part of it as time permitted: several of the churches, educational institutions, the seminary, the publication house, the printing establishment, and the social work center.

Rio de Janeiro has over 150 Baptist churches. The seminary, 56% mission subsidized, has 130 students enrolled. The publishing house, of which Dr. Hallock is director, supplies the convention with Christian literature. A unique feature is that Baptists have gone into the printing of Bibles, and over a million copies have already been printed to meet the tremendous need and response in Brazil.

### CAPITAL CITY OF BRASILIA

Who would have dreamed that 800 miles into the interior from Rio a new city could be planned, built, and the capital of Brazil relocated from Rio to Brasilia? Its impressiveness strikes one as the plane circles past the city as if to give its passengers a special view. The two days spent there were restful. The climate at this 4,000 feet elevation is ideal. The hospitality in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edward Berry was most cordial and very much enjoyed. Mr. Berry was born in Brazil, son of a pioneer Baptist missionary. He understands his people and is one among them. I had the opportunity of coming into a two day Baptist retreat at the Baptist Church in Taguatinga and enjoyed it. This is frontier land and its people have the frontier spirit. Since 1957 Baptist work has grown to number 16 churches with over 1600 members. The Memorial Baptist Church in Brasilia built with a grant of \$300,000 from the Jarman Foundation far exceeds anything which the Brazilian church could do, but it has given Baptists a name in Brasilia and placed the Baptist cause on the map. I am deeply indebted to Mr. Berry for showing me so much of Brasilia and crisscrossing the city with its present 250,000 people.

Plane schedules had changed and cut my time short by two days. Nevertheless, two cities on the great Amazon River could still be visited. Some 800 miles northwest from Brasilia lies the inland port city of Manaus. Rev. Loyd Moon, Southern Baptist missionary, met me at the airport. I became a guest in their home. Various Baptist groups are in this 200,000 populated city. Other missions are here likewise so that one feels that perhaps this place has had an adequate opportunity

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to hear the Gospel but still needs are present. In almost all cities the Catholic Church is located in the very heart of the city, opposite the main city square. My heart thrilled to see that Baptists had seized the opportunity of buying property and a building opposite one of the squares and are having a church in this strategic location. I could be present for the Thursday evening service.

### AMAZING AMAZON RIVER

The Amazon River is perhaps the largest river in the world. It reaches clear across northern Brazil and has its source in the Spanish countries on the western side of South America. Many rivers and tributaries feed into it to make it the mighty river that it is. The following day the plane took me for about 1,000 miles along this giant to the city of Belem. Here I arrived one day late, and failed to make contact with Dr. Thomas Halsell as planned. Thus hours were lost before I could reach the missionaries. Only the evening could be spent in their company to hear a little about their work in this area.

As in many places, so also here the plea for help was given. Belem has a population of about 400,000. Baptists have a Bible Institute here which has a four year course, had 49 students last year, and may soon take on the status of a seminary. The State of Para has about 23 Baptist churches. But north of this Para State is Maca territory which presently seeks statehood. It has only one Baptist missionary couple stationed there. There are several cities of 40,000 and 20,000 which have no evangelical witness.

At the mouth of the Amazon River lies the island of Marajo, an island as large as Ireland in size. Brazil is about the size of our United States without Alaska. Plans had been made by one of the missionaries, Rev. Glendon Grober, to take me to this island but time no longer permitted this. This island is apparently wide open as yet and has all the earmarks of the old romance of a virgin mission field, according to Mr. Grober. He himself feels an inner urge and call to enter it but institutional work in Belem thus far has kept him from it.

Early the following morning, Feb. 15, I left Belem for home. Three stops, Caracas in Venezuela, Santa Domingo in the Dominican Republic, and then Miami, Florida and my feet stood again on U. S. soil. Early that evening I was greeted by my wife and family at Chicago's O'Hare airport.

In this many sided panorama of need and opportunity, where will God provide us as North American Baptists with a field of service? To determine his will is not easy. We covet the prayers of God's people for this task. We desire an opportunity where our witness may become an opportunity for effective work. Above all, we desire God's will and not our own.