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One Pilgrim's Faith

A THANKSGIVING THOUGHT

"Thus out of small beginnings greater things have been produced by His hand that made all things of nothing, . . . and as one small candle may light a thousand, so the light here kindled hath shone unto many; yea, in some sort to our whole nation."

GOVERNOR William Bradford wrote this over 300 years ago, in his "History of Plymouth Plantation." He was giving thanks to the Almighty who had helped the Pilgrim Fathers to survive one of the most desperate ventures in the history of colonization.

"One small candle" lighted near Plymouth Rock on a dull December day in 1620 had burned with a steady flame that no misfortune could quench. Bradford was justly proud that this tiny, feeble flame had been a lighthouse to the great Puritan migration that spread over New England.

Yet he spoke, too, as a prophet; for the story of that stout-hearted little band of faithful men and women, as retold by teachers, historians and poets, has steered manly courage and quickened spiritual forces in "our whole nation"—a far greater one than that which Bradford knew. "Out of small beginnings"—one weebegone band of Englishmen at Jamestown, and another, equally miserable, at Plymouth; both refused to admit themselves beaten, and lived to establish the twin nuclei of the American nation.

May not we, too, be in an era "of small beginnings"? Three centuries is but a moment in the history of the world. Ahead of us lie infinite possibilities for good and for evil, for peaceful development and total destruction. Let us have confidence that Divine Providence, who kept alight that "one small candle" from which a thousand have been lit, has some great purpose for the million candle-power nation to perform.

We know that perfection can never be attained in human affairs and that the graph of man's progress passes over mountains and into valleys—yet the curve has tended upward. Looking back over the centuries, certain evils like human slavery have been eliminated, but every form of good has endured. Somehow, the eternal values are kept alive; it may be by a tiny group of men and women tending a feeble flame, as did the Pilgrim Fathers.

So, these words of Bradford not only illuminate the past but predict the future. They give us confidence that the "one small candle" lighted near Plymouth Rock may become a blazing star of peace and human brotherhood to the entire world.

—Samuel Eliot Morison

THANKSGIVING DAY SCRIPTURE

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: to shew forth thy loving kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.—Psalm 92:1-2.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.—Psalm 95:6-7.

YOUR THANKSGIVING OFFERING

From Nov. 22 to 29 Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week will be observed in all North American Baptist churches with **YOU** expressing your gratitude to God for all the blessings he has showered upon you. Use the offering envelopes sent to the churches. Place your offering on God's altar and **thank the Lord!**

NOVEMBER 22 to 29, 1964

MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

As you prepare to make your THANKSGIVING OFFERING for the missionary and service program of our denomination, read these deeply moving testimonies by several of our missionaries. Your joy in giving will be multiplied!

MISS TRUDY SCHATZ. The first Sunday back at Bango in Cameroon, we went to the Bible School graduation at Ndu. Thirteen men graduated and all have churches. There are so few ordained pastors that some of the churches have a boy, who has only completed his 8th grade, serve as pastor. You may recall that I talked about the Mah Church. It's a real thrill to know that they have a pastor now and have built a larger church. I also told you Bango was building a new church and this past Sunday I worshipped there. It is very nice and the people seem very happy to have completed it.

MISS RUTH RABENHORST. Let me share a few items of praise with you from our Cameroon Mission Field: In May all eight of the students in our FIRST official Nurses Training class passed their Preliminary Examination. We were able to open a new Dispensary in Bangolan in June. The response has been very great. We look for a harvest of souls as well. We recently visited Nseh Church. What a tremendous spiritual growth was evident over the past year! Due to illness, a number of Peace Corps Volunteers have been in my home for nursing care. The Lord has opened opportunities for us to witness and we rejoice that at least one life has been greatly changed.

REV. AND MRS. C. RICHARD MAYFORTH. Are missionaries trying to do the impossible in coming to Japan to tell the people here of the gift of God's love, his own Son? No, it is not an impossible task. It is difficult. It will take a lot of effort and work. It will take many people praying together but this is what God has asked us to do. With him anything is possible.

INDIAN MISSIONARIES, THE NEUMANS. On a recent Lord's Day at the Indian Baptist Church the service lasted for two hours from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and no one cared. After the Spirit did his work in our hearts and in our midst, we gathered around the Lord's Table to remember
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GOD'S VOLUNTEERS START TRAVELING AND WITNESSING

Sandra Scheffler and
Anita Schlehner

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Editorial

Thanksgiving Takes Practice!

At this Thanksgiving season we shall be reminded frequently to count our blessings. But what is a "blessing" anyway? Is it merely a big turkey dinner? Is it a bumper crop? Is it a 1965 model car or a brand new house? "Blessed is the man that trusteth in thee"—so the Psalmist defines blessedness. That person is blessed who has experienced God as his refuge and salvation, who has built his life under the shadow of the Eternal's wings, who possesses God himself as the source of his life and strength.

Richard R. Caemmerer suggests that blessings are not simply comforts. The Apostle Paul found out in discomfort and under the devil's thorn in the flesh what it means to trust in God who said to him: "My grace is sufficient for thee, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." The author goes on to state that to count your blessings means to look behind the surface comforts and to find God himself at work in the heart with his quiet gifts of peace and contentment and with his great gift of faith itself.

This suggests that real, lasting thanksgiving takes practice. Such thankfulness is not the product of a command. It is much more than the rubbing of one's hands in excited glee over what we are enjoying. Gratitude grows within us as we take the necessary steps towards the inward look, the inspection of life, the recognition that God is always near at hand, revealing his purposes to us and making us completely dependent on him.

This is year-round, genuine thanksgiving. It takes practice day by day to "be thankful without ceasing." Such thanksgiving is God at work in the heart, transforming us as his children into his likeness, keeping us so, and unfolding all of life, comfortable and otherwise, as the working out of his plan for us.

This means that the Christian who wants to be thankful must face up to God himself and to his purposes for him and why he is our heavenly Father through the love of Jesus Christ. He needs to reinforce within himself that trust in God through Christ and his Word—and to do it daily. Then he will see the glory of all of God's gifts to him—especially the wondrous gift of Christ, his only begotten Son—and will say with ecstasy: "Thanks be to God for his unspeakable Gift!"

This practice should mean more to us than being conscious of God's blessings. Let us *give* thanks! Let us *show* the evidences of our gratitude to God. Let us tell each other about how grateful we are to God for his Gift and for his gifts. Let us become sensitive to the needs of the world and to God's call to each one of us to take the gospel to those in spiritual darkness. God has entrusted these many blessings of life to us for a purpose—that we might be a channel of blessing to others.

Our heavenly Father wants us to be thankful. Our sincere gratitude, demonstrated by our gifts laid on his altar, brings us into closer fellowship with him. But as we return to show our thanks to God, let us remember how important it is for us to stay in practice with our thanksgiving!

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THE SOURCE OF THANKSGIVING

The redemptive act of God is so significant that, when a man is redeemed and transformed by the love of God, he takes on a whole new set of values, one of which should be "In everything give thanks!"

By Rev. C. Salios of the Glenbard Baptist Church,
Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

THANKSGIVING DAY can be used to look back over the months that have passed, so that we can take an inventory of our lives. Quite frequently, when we are urged to take this inventory, we are also exhorted to give thanks for the many blessings of the past. But an exhortation to give thanks must of necessity be short-lived. In child training we say that two magic words are "please" and "thank you," but somehow we do not learn the true meaning of being thankful by being admonished that this is what we ought to do.

THE APOSTLE PAUL'S ANSWER

Actually one day, Thanksgiving Day, is not our main concern but all of our days and our whole life are to be brought into focus. And I believe that a truer approach to thanksgiving is to ask, "What is the source of genuine thankfulness?"

The expression of the source of thanksgiving is what Paul is getting at, I believe when he writes to his friend and fellow-worker Titus. This is what Paul said in Titus 3:4-7:

"But when the kindness of God our Saviour, and his love toward man appeared, not by works done in righteousness, which we did ourselves, but according to his mercy he saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, which he poured out upon us richly, through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that, being justified by his grace, we might be

made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."

Proper and continuous thanksgiving arises out of the grace of God. I could roam all over the Bible to talk about the subject of "grace" because of the profusion of statements on that subject. But limiting myself to the passage quoted above (Titus 3:4-7), let me make these comments:

THE GRACE OF GOD

1. Grace is defined as the kindness and love of God poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ. This kindness and love is undeserved because man initially turned his back on God. However, God not only gives us what we do not deserve but he gives it to us "richly" through his Son, Jesus Christ.

2. The extent of this grace is "toward man" and this we understand to be any person. There is no race barrier, no societal barrier; no economic barrier, no physical barrier.

3. The purpose of this kindness and love, this grace, is expressed in these words: that he might save us, that he might wash us (from our sins), that he might effect a re-birth or new birth in us. This spiritual new birth is brought about by the coming of the Holy Spirit upon us. In other words, the purpose of God's grace, his kindness and love, toward us is that we might be saved and live according to his will and not our own.

Therefore, I think that I can safely say and scripturally state that without his salvation a certain attitude of life

predominates and with his salvation a different attitude should prevail. The different attitude should be that of a grateful heart and this gratitude is not seasonal. It is not because of some special material benefit that comes unexpectedly into one's life. It is not a thousand and one other things that we have or receive, but it is an inward attitude wrought in us by the Holy Spirit when we receive Christ as our personal Savior.

Therefore, when we think of the source of thanksgiving, we can say:

I. Gratitude arises and flows constantly out of God's gracious act.

The Bible declares that the grace of God has appeared bringing salvation to all men. (Titus 2:11). Christ came to express the kindness and love of God. In his death upon the Cross, man can be forgiven and reconciled to God. This act of redemption touches the most basic problem of man and consequently solves that problem and meets his most basic need: that of coming into a right relationship with God. Man then comes out of a state of being lost to that of being found; out of night into day; out of confusion into order; out of unrest into peace; and out of a thankless spirit into deepest gratitude.

The redemptive act of God in Christ is so significant that, when a man is redeemed and transformed by the love of God, he takes on a whole new set of values. It goes without saying that one of the new values should be, "In

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"Every day will I bless thee, O God, and I will praise thy name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable" (Psalm 145:2-3).

Go Ye, and Serve!

Those who heard this message at the Women's Session of the 34th General Conference in Sacramento, Calif., will never forget these words: "Remember, if you mean business about praying, God may ask you to become the answer to that prayer." Read . . . and go quickly to serve your Christ with thanksgiving!

By Miss Laura E. Reddig, Cameroon Missionary for 26 Years.

FOLLOWING the dismal heartache and heartbreak of the crucifixion of their Lord, the women went to the tomb on that first Easter morning. Coming to embalm their dead Master, their thoughts must have been very sad. Their hopes had been so high, and now . . .

But wait! The huge stone they had worried about was rolled from the tomb's door. An angel's voice called to the women: "Do not be afraid, for I know you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here." New fears clutched the hearts of the astonished women until the angel's message flashed with atomic force into their consciousness: "He is risen! Come and see . . . and go quickly and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead." They departed quickly, with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Since that glorious resurrection morning, these marching orders have resounded around the world to men and women whose lives have experienced the redemptive touch of the Lord Jesus Christ. This command began a chain-reaction which has reached down to us today, and right here now, where we are. We hear again today the command of the Savior given on that first Easter morning: Go ye, and SERVE!

OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST

1. *Why should we serve him?* The clearest sign of our belonging to Christ is our obedience to his commands. **WE WILL WANT TO SERVE HIM** because of his own example. He came to serve. (Matthew 20:28).

Service is the natural and normal expression of hearts which overflow in love to the Lord. Serving others is an investment of our ALL for Jesus' sake, investing in someone we believe in, someone we love! Knowing **WHY** we serve will determine the how and when and where of our service. When we belong to Christ, we serve him in tangible, visible ways in our world today.

Maria Amboh, a tiny leprosy patient in Cameroon, let her expansive heart enfold lonely and friendless new patients. She brought little gifts to Zimbi, patted her arm and smiled at her. This began a friendship where love bridged language barriers, and where Christ became real because Maria just had to love everyone. Zimbi will have many more years of leprosy treatment, but she is not afraid, and she is not alone. Maria Amboh's service for her Lord has opened a fascinating new world

for this lonely leprosy patient.

SERVE WITH GLADNESS

2. *How shall we serve?* Serve as if you considered it a rare privilege to serve Christ. Each portion of our service must be dedicated to distribute his love to the many who know him not. To all the women of our Woman's Missionary Unions, your missionaries give a hearty "THANK YOU" for the very real evidence of your love for Christ which we handle on the field in the White Cross supplies you send to help in our medical outreach.

In obedience to Christ's commands, you are serving the Cameroon sick. Your testimony is there, and it brings your missionaries endless joy and honor to Jesus' Name.

HOW shall we serve? With gladness! Let us volunteer eagerly with our time, talents and treasures whenever and wherever a need arises. Spontaneous self-giving for Jesus' sake is a service he accepts. Blessings are multiplied if we volunteer.

Our New Hope Settlement overseer, Samuel Gabe, and wife Katrina had rich blessings serving strangers, playing host, providing food which was really meant for their own 20th wedding anniversary. Not until the next day did they fully realize what a joy

it had been to forget self in serving others . . . joyfully!

"GO QUICKLY!"

3. *When should we serve?* The angel said, "Go quickly!" That means now, today! We miss life's most satisfying experiences when we postpone some little service, some kindness, some friendliness. Certainly, we want to do it, but at a more convenient time . . . when our own needs and desires are satisfied. Only then do we find that the opportunity is lost forever . . . and we have failed our Lord.

Let us fill our todays with loving concern for others. Today our hospitals and maternity centers are open doors through which many thousands of Cameroonians pass each year. This work continues to grow, and our White Cross list grows correspondingly. Our midwives and nurses are extending your love and ours into the villages, thus multiplying opportunities for Christ's message to be proclaimed. Today these doors of service are open to reach thousands who would never darken a church door. Christ's love constrains and impels us to serve today, now!

THE NEEDY WORLD

4. *Where to serve?* Instant world communications have brought the peoples of the world, and their needs, right into our living rooms. No longer can we say, "We didn't know they needed our help." We need to pray for a sensitiveness to the needs of others and rely upon God's promises to help us meet these needs.

I cannot help but include here a word of praise and deepest gratitude to God for the privilege of being one of your representatives in the Cameroon mission field. He has constantly taken my few loaves and fishes and has multiplied them to bring his blessings to many, and I look forward to more years of service for my Lord.

What a challenging thrill to learn of our Woman's Missionary Union's newest venture into "Meals for Missions." This will take your prayers to far away places of the world. And, remember, if you mean business about praying, God may ask you to become the answer to that prayer.

Forward we will go, in the service of the King.

Go ye . . . and serve.

Go joyfully.

Go in Christ's footsteps.

Go . . . serve now . . . in Jesus' name.



Miss Laura E. Reddig and Rev. Fred C. Folkerts, Cameroon missionaries, look over the curios and pictures in the mission exhibit at the General Conference in Sacramento, Calif. (Photo by Don Bohnet).

Anywhere God Would Have Me!

Introducing Miss Barbara Jean Stroh of Grand Forks, North Dakota as missionary to West Cameroon, Africa.

By Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary

WE OFTEN sing the well known and much loved song, "Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go; anywhere he leads me in this world below," but how often do we experience the application of these words and of this promise in our lives? Barbara Jean Stroh of Grand Forks, North Dakota can see the hand of God in her life in a very real way and gives testimony to this commitment of her life to Christ "wherever, whenever, and however he would have me serve." God's leading in her life seems to be well expressed in the words of the third stanza of the above song:

*"Anywhere with Jesus over land and sea,
Telling souls in darkness of salvation free;
Ready as he summons me to go or stay,
Anywhere with Jesus when he points the way."*

EARLY MISSIONARY INTEREST

Barbara Jean Stroh was born to John and Louise Stroh on Nov. 30, 1940 at Grand Forks. She is the fourth of six children, four brothers and one sister. Her parents' home was always a welcome home and stopping place for visiting ministers and missionaries. This brought her into early contact with mission interests through these visiting servants of God. In addition to that her church, the Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, became the summer church home for many missionaries and missionary candidates who took the summer linguistic course at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. She became acquainted with many of them and heard about their work and thus said, "God's work being carried on by his servants was very familiar to me."

At the early age of ten years, after a Vacation Bible School session, she accepted Christ as her personal Savior. She was baptized shortly thereafter by Rev. G. K. Zimmerman and became a member of the Grace Baptist Church at Grand Forks. Here she found ample opportunity to serve her Lord in Sunday school, young people's work, and choir. Such opportunities furthered her missionary interest. To the question how long she had considered missionary service, she answered, "Since the age of 12."

Not long after her conversion, Barbara began to realize that God had some plan for her life if only she would let him have complete control. At a summer camp at Camp Bentley during one of the evening services as one of the campers sang a song based on the



BARBARA STROH
N.A.B. missionary now teaching at Saker Baptist College, Victoria, Cameroon, Africa.

words in Isaiah 6:8, she committed her life to the Lord in a quiet prayer: "Here am I, Lord, send me." She did not make her decision public at that time for she feared that no one would understand her since she was then only 11 or 12 years of age. In fact, she herself did not fully understand this commitment to God's plan for her.

For several more years she attended Camp Bentley. Questions began to trouble her. Why did God not make his way plain to her? She felt God had called her to be a foreign missionary, but she did not know how to prepare herself for such a life task, nor just where God would have her go. Questions such as these do come when one becomes impatient and desires to know beforehand what God will only reveal in due time. That summer she took her problems to Rev. L. Bienert, then one of the ministers in the area at camp, and together they brought these problems to the Lord in prayer. His counselling brought new assurance to her and she learned to trust God that he would surely lead in the path she was to follow.

GOD PROVIDES FOR TRAINING

By that time Barbara was a senior at Central High School in Grand Forks. She began to think about furthering her education. Since she did not know

to what type of missionary work she would be called, she felt that nurses' training might perhaps stand in good stead, and so she decided accordingly. Suddenly the problem of finances loomed up before her. Her parents could not afford to pay for her continued education. God's leading was again apparent to her at that time. Shortly before she graduated from high school, she was awarded a scholarship which started her out in college. She enrolled at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks in the fall of 1958. During the first semester she came to realize that nursing was not to be her vocation and so she transferred to the field of elementary education.

While attending university, she also secured a part-time job to assist her with finances. Nevertheless, education is costly and financial problems arose repeatedly. Again God taught her to trust him. One evening after work, she found a \$50.00 check at her home given her by a member of her church. Upon thanking him for it, he told her that he had no peace in his heart after hearing her testimony at church until he had written out that check for her. God was speaking to him and through him to her. At another time, a close teacher friend gave her a check to cover the entire tuition for one semester at the university. God was good!

At the university Barbara attended the Inter-Varsity meetings. During her senior year, Inter-Varsity held a missionary convention at Urbana, Illinois. Several of her friends urged her to go, but she had no finances to pay for the expense of the trip. She had almost dismissed the idea of attending when she was given a scholarship from Inter-Varsity for the convention. She went and through that convention experienced a broadening of her view of missions. She came to see that God could use missionaries in almost every area of service. Again she renewed her commitment to God to go anywhere he would lead.

TO SERVE WHERE GOD LEADS

Barbara graduated from the University of North Dakota in June, 1962 with a B.S. degree in elementary education. The following year she taught in a public school at Grand Forks. During the summer of 1963 she worked as a student missionary in our Spanish-American Mission in the San Luis Valley. Working together with our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. David Keiry and Rev. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens, she came to know by first hand experience

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Christ Is My Missionary Purpose

Introducing Miss Katherine Ann Hunt of Portland, Oregon as missionary nurse to West Cameroon, Africa.

By Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary

THE FIRST question in our "Missionary Application for Service" form, which candidates are asked, is: "What is your attitude toward the statement that the supreme and controlling aim of foreign missions is to make Jesus Christ known to all men as their Savior and Lord?" To this question Katherine Ann Hunt of Portland, Oregon replied as follows: "If this was not the chief aim, I believe the missionary purpose would be defeated. Until every man has had the opportunity to hear of Jesus Christ and to know him as Lord and Savior, the missionary work will not be done. I feel that everything else related to missionary work should remain secondary to this aim." To the more personal question, "What is your missionary purpose?" she replied: "My missionary purpose is to help others to find the joy of knowing Jesus Christ as their personal Savior."

PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF CHRIST

Katherine Ann Hunt was born to C. Maynard and Katherine F. Hunt on Oct. 3, 1939 at Portland, Oregon. She has two older brothers and one younger sister. She gives testimony to her Christian parental home where family life was a happy one and where the family enjoyed doing things together in a family spirit. Katherine lived in the suburban area of Portland all her life. The family always had a large vegetable garden and at times raised chickens. She spent many summers during her grade school and high school picking strawberries and beans.

Katherine remembers going to Sunday school and church at a very early age. She was baptized into the Methodist church at an early grade school age, "too young to know the true meaning of baptism," as she herself states it. When she was in her third grade, the Glencullen Baptist Church was built in the area where her family lived. She does not remember how she got started attending it except that it was much closer to her home and at that time the family had no car. Her father's background had also been Baptist.

FELLOWSHIP IN CHRISTIAN CIRCLES

In February 1950 Katherine attended revival meetings which were conducted in the Glencullen Baptist Church by our denominational evangelist, Rev. Herman Palfenier. It was during those meetings that she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. In March 1950 she was baptized by immersion by Rev. John Kimmel and be-

came a member of the Glencullen Baptist Church.

During the years of her grade school, Katherine enjoyed the activities of a group of girls known as "Bluebirds." Her mother was one of the leaders of these "bluebirds." Then she joined the Campfire Girls and was quite active in this group for the last years of her grade school. A Bible study hour was held in a bus near her school once each week and she faithfully attended it. Here she found fellowship with other Christians her age. In addition they developed a group of 12 and 13 year olds called "Real Life." They met one night a week.

At this time she also became active in CBY meetings of her church. Daily she set aside time for prayer and Bible study when she knew that she would not be disturbed. She felt the need of prayer throughout the day and the strength derived from this fellowship with God. Concerning prayer, she states in her application form: "Prayer has become very important to me throughout the years. I feel the need of prayer almost continuously throughout the day for him to guide me in the right path or in making the right decision or to help me help someone else. Without prayer, things seem to fall apart."

CONCERN FOR NEEDS OF PEOPLE

Katherine attended four different



KATHERINE ANN HUNT
N.A.B. missionary-nurse stationed temporarily at the Bansa Baptist Hospital in Cameroon, Africa.

high schools in the suburbs of Portland, due to the frequent moving of her parents at that time. Her second and third year were taken at the Tigard High School which she enjoyed most and during which she was most active in various school projects.

In her church and in CBY meetings varied missionary fields were studied and various missionary speakers were heard. This created an interest in her heart for missions and missionaries, and she made some of these the object of her prayer every day.

Following her high school days, Katherine attended the Portland State College (1957-1959) and then enrolled at the University of Oregon, School of Nursing, in Portland (1959-1962). In March 1962 she received her B.S. degree in Nursing. While at college and nursing school she developed a feeling of the need of God by many people. She had heard of the problems of people, but all of a sudden they became a reality to her. She belonged to the Nurses Christian Fellowship group and in this group they prayed for the problems of their patients and of the world and that they might be a witness for Jesus Christ.

CHRIST'S CALL TO SERVE

Katherine felt that she needed to take care of more than the physical needs of her patients. Concerning this spiritual need she said: "I with a classmate helped to lead two others to accept Jesus Christ as Savior. I feel that in some small way I have helped some of the many unmarried mothers, who came to our hospital, renew their faith in God and that he forgives all sin."

This interest of hers led her to write to our Missionary Society early in 1962. At that time she was not at all sure if God wanted her service on the mission field. Even as she wrote for information, she had a mental reservation that there might be no need for her and she was somewhat counting on this as a possible answer from God. However, the answer she received was quite unexpected. There was a definite need for a missionary nurse in Cameroon, and the field had asked for the appointment of an additional nurse. The writer encouraged her to make application for appointment in order that she might further qualify for the midwifery training scholarship. The reply she received brought further questions to her mind. Midwifery and obstetrics were not her interest. However, before she knew what happened, she found herself engaged in an obstetrical ward in the Multnomah County Hospital.

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Baptist Understanding of Christian Truth

News releases from Washington, D. C., for a better understanding of the Baptist Witness in today's modern world.

BAPTIST JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON (BPA)—The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs in semi-annual session here authorized the development of a program for a Baptist research center in the nation's capital.

The need for a Baptist research center in Washington has been under study since 1961. The public affairs committee authorized its director, C. Emanuel Carlson, to proceed with the initial developments for such a program, with the hope that specific recommendations could be brought at the committee's next meeting in March 1965.

The committee also authorized special study of the physical facilities and needs of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, on both a short and long range basis. The committee offices are located on the fourth floor of the Baptist Building in Washington. The building, a renovated dwelling is owned by the District of Columbia Baptist Convention and the Baptist World Alliance.

Speaking of the possible research center Carlson said it should be "conceived as a center for the promotion of continuous research and study of the meaning of our Baptist understanding of Christian truth."

Possible programs of the center could be an educational service working with Baptist colleges, universities and seminaries; brief courses for pastors wishing to refresh their sense of relevance of the gospel to present-day issues; and expansion of the present Washington internship program enabling Baptist professors, editors, and responsible leaders to have first-hand research experience on the Washington front.

Walter Pope Binns, Falls Church, Va., was re-elected chairman of the public affairs committee. Bryan F. Archibald, Haddonfield, N. J., a former chairman of the committee, was elected vice-chairman. An operating budget of \$106,320, including special funds for the research program, was adopted for 1965.

BAPTISTS UPHOLD FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION

WASHINGTON (BPA) — Baptists from nine different conventions in North America agreed here that "free exercise of religion" depends upon the prevention of government interference in religion.

Approximately 200 Baptists, in a three-day consultation, repeatedly emphasized that the individual's response

to God is voluntary and cannot be coerced by government. The free exercise of religion was one of the liveliest issues in the country following Supreme Court decisions barring required religious exercises in the public schools.

At least four Baptist bodies earlier took positions in support of the First Amendment to the Constitution, opposing the so-called "prayer amendments." These were the American Baptist Convention, Baptist General Conference, North American Baptist General Conference, and the Southern Baptist Convention. The 200 Baptists were gathered here for the 8th annual religious liberty conference. The conference theme was "The Meaning of the Free Exercise of Religion."

Working in 12 study groups, they discussed such questions as (1) why Baptists are concerned with the free exercise of religion, (2) what benefits come to the nation and to the individual from the free exercise of religion, (3) the school policies necessary for the practice of free exercise of religion in both public and parochial schools, (4) what public policies are necessary for the free exercise of religion, and (5) what the church policies and responsibilities should be in free exercise.

Reports from the study groups repeatedly emphasized the voluntary nature of man's response to God. They upheld the free exercise of religion as a God-given right "essential to the fulfilling of the individual's responsibility to God."

Represented in the conference discussions were the American Baptist Convention, Baptist General Conference, Baptist Federation of Canada, National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., North American Baptist General Conference, Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

POLITICIANS ASK FOR LEGAL RELIGIOUS NATION

Members of the United States Congress continue to introduce bills to establish by law that this nation is religious and that it recognizes God. Baptists throughout their history have opposed official religion and insist that response to God must be voluntary. They believe that a genuine religious experience is a result of the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of people rather than response to constitutions, kings or government authority.

The latest proposal to establish religiousness of the nation is a bill to add the words "under God" to the preamble to the Constitution. Sen. J. Caleb Boggs (R., Del.) and 11 other Sena-

tors made the proposal. Boggs explained that his purpose was to "add a spiritual dimension to the Constitution that the Supreme Court would consider in deciding any cases before it."

"IN GOD WE TRUST"

Zeal for a national motto, "In God We Trust," has picked up considerable support. While the motto has been required on all coins since 1955, the 87th Congress instructed the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to include the motto on various denominations of paper money.

During the 87th Congress the House of Representatives in a gesture to strike at the Supreme Court ordered "In God We Trust" to be inscribed in gold letters above the chair occupied by the Speaker of the House. Then, further slapping at the Supreme Court, bills have been introduced ordering the architect of the Capitol to inscribe in the structural stone or marble of the Supreme Court building the words "In God We Trust." Others ask that the inscription be put inside the courtroom itself "in gold letters of sufficient size to make the phrase legible throughout the courtroom."

Nineteen Senators earlier in the year proposed a constitutional amendment that would provide for religious laws in all of the states. The exact wording of their proposal is as follows: "Nothing contained in this Constitution shall prevent the enactment by any state of any law with respect to religion; except that no state shall enact any law establishing any organized church or religious association of any faith, denomination, or sect as a preferred or favored church or religious association, or enact any law prohibiting the free exercise of religion."

Another bill would require the inscription "In God We Trust" to appear not only on the money of the nation but on all postage stamps, stamped envelopes, and postal cards.

CHRISTIAN AMENDMENT

A perennial proposal is the so-called "Christian amendment." It would amend the United States Constitution by establishing Christianity as follows:

"This nation devoutly recognizes the authority and law of Jesus Christ, Saviour and Ruler of Nations, through whom are bestowed the blessings of Almighty God." Although these proposals are always made with great vigor, no hearings on any of them have been held, except the "Christian amendment" several years ago. With the convening of the 89th Congress next January another batch of similar bills will be dumped into the legislative hopper.

The Prodigal Son in Your Community

Translation of a deeply moving story that appeared first in the Baptist publication "Die Gemeinde," in Germany, by Rev. David T. Priestley of Junction City, Kansas, a former Seminary exchange student in Hamburg, Germany.

THE WORSHIP service is over. Carl goes aimlessly through the streets. He must be alone for a while to straighten out his thoughts. For a long time he has not been in a church. Now this sermon today has really affected and upset him. Didn't it apply directly to him?

They had spoken of a son. This son demanded one day his part of the inheritance from the father. He left the parental home and went abroad. Here he squandered the inheritance and fell into extreme poverty and need. One day he decided to return and to confess his guilt. He felt no longer worthy to live as a son of his father. So he wanted to be only his servant. The father, however, put on a great feast and received his son with honor again. So we also would be forgiven, the pastor had explained, if we would give up our wrong stubbornness and confess our sins.

This sermon had moved Carl deeply. Admittedly, he had not fallen into poverty and need. He had also not demanded his inheritance and squandered it. But some time ago he had left his mother in defiance and obstinacy. How had it come to that?

THE HUMAN STORY

One day he met a girl at work. She was new in his department. He liked the girl immediately. And she also found him likable. They went out together several times. Then he introduced her to his mother. To begin with, she liked Ruth. But that soon changed. Ruth seemed too fickle to his mother. Ruth was always well dressed and, in general, paid attention to smart appearance. But she had saved nothing in all the years she had worked. And she never lent a hand when he brought her home for supper. According to that, she appeared to have little regard for housework and to understand very little about it.

Then one evening his mother said to him, "Carl, how long are you going to keep going with this girl?"

"We want to marry soon," he had answered. Immediately, his mother's face became hard, as he had never yet seen it on her. It frightened him. Even today he remembered clearly how a shiver passed through him.

Then his mother said sharply, "Nothing will come of this as long as I live, or . . ." He had left the room. During the following days, they did not speak with each other. But he thought continuously about the "or . . ." What had his mother wanted to say? Finally, it had developed so far that they were

to be married.

His mother did not approve. "Either me or the girl," she said. He had chosen the girl and had moved. Since then he had not seen his mother.

Until now he had always thought that the mother alone was guilty of the separation. One thing was certain: her fears had been wrong. In the beginning it was not always easy in his marriage with Ruth—for either of them. But then Ruth suddenly adjusted herself to everything. He often wondered at it. In addition, he learned to know the joy of personal responsibility. And through all the difficulties of the beginning, they grew ever more closely together. All the more he felt himself to be in the right against his mother. Why had she been so hard and unrelenting?

But in this sermon today the question now hit him: Hadn't he incurred guilt for himself when he left his mother so abruptly? Should he take the first step toward reconciliation? Should he go to his mother, as that son to his father, confess his guilt and ask forgiveness?

Now he stands in the streetcar. He is agitated. How will his mother receive him? Is it insanity, what he is doing?—There is the door which earlier had been so friendly. He rings. Tired steps shuffle across the floor. The door is opened.

"Mother!"

"Carl? You, here? What do you want from me?" There is rejection in her voice. He must gather all his courage.

"I was in church today again for the first time in a long time."

"So?" She sounds doubtful. "My son in church? What do the likes of

you look for in church?" Now he sees clearly the marks of bitterness which have dug themselves in around her mouth since he last saw her. His heart goes out to her.

"Yes, I was in church today. And the pastor read a story about a son who left his parents' house to go his own way. One day he returned and confessed his guilt to his father. And now I have come to admit my wrong and to ask forgiveness." The latch clicks in the door. His mother has not answered him. Numbed, he staggers down the steps. All right, no reconciliation. No apology. He could have guessed. This way was madness.

DIVINE FORGIVENESS

After the noon meal, he tells his wife everything. She tries to console him. "You must give your mother time, Carl. Just think, it isn't easy for her. For years now she has been alone. She will have become embittered and can't change so quickly. And she had scarcely expected your visit. Besides, our marriage isn't at an end."

In the afternoon Carl cannot begin anything. He thinks again and again about his wife's words and about the luckless attempt with his mother. Was it wrong that he had asked for forgiveness? Had he only spoken tactlessly? Or should he have waited, waited in case the door opened again? Nonsense. His mother would never agree to the marriage. He knew his mother. She would never forgive him.

Toward evening, the doorbell rang suddenly. Carl went to the door.

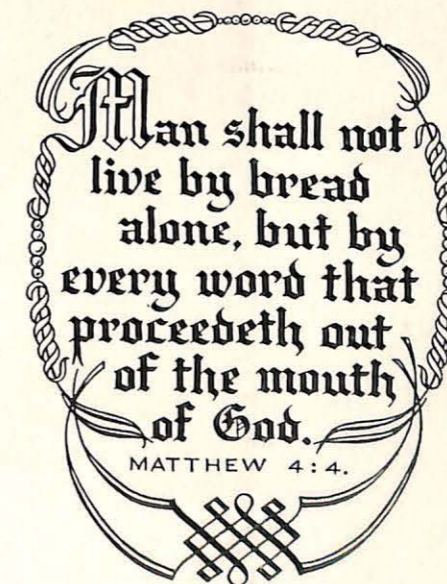
"Mother!"

"Yes, Carl. I have come—to ask forgiveness from both of you."

"You . . . ?"

As they were sitting in the living room, she explained, "You both know, how much I was against your marriage. I never once believed that this marriage would make good. Carl had to choose between us two. He chose you, Ruth. Then I never wanted to see either of you again. —And then you came today. In the first moment all the resentment and all the bitterness of the last years came up in me anew. I had believed that I could never forgive you."

"After I had calmed myself, I read the story in the Bible that you spoke of. Suddenly, it became clear to me: I am also like the prodigal son. I am guilty, too. I need forgiveness for what I have done to you. I have prayed year-in, year-out: 'Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.' But I have never considered what that might mean for me. Today I have understood it. And so I have come."



Sensing the Need Among the Indians

Introducing Mr. and Mrs. David M. Harrison,
missionaries on the Montana Indian Reserve
in Alberta, Canada

By Dr. R. Schilke
General Missionary Secretary



John Bear, former chief of the Montana Indian Reserve, who invited us to open a mission and school for his people in 1946.

OUR MISSION to the Indian people on the Montana Indian Reserve in the province of Alberta, Canada was officially begun in 1946. The late Rev. Fred W. Benke had a missionary heart for the Indian people in Alberta and visited them on their reserves from time to time, holding meetings and preaching the Word of God to them. This resulted in an official invitation from the chief of the Montana Indian Reserve, Mr. John Bear, to come and open a mission and a school for his people. This Reserve did not have any mission working among its people at that time and it was considered a heathen Reserve.

FIRST INDIAN MISSIONARY

The Northern Conference Mission Committee accepted this invitation and through the General Missionary Society undertook our first official mission work to the Indian people. Miss Twila Bartz, who graduated from the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago in 1946, was appointed as the first missionary and began her work that summer.

There has been a considerable change of missionary personnel on this Reserve in the course of the years. Rev. and Mrs. R. Neuman followed Miss Bartz in 1948 and served until 1953 when they were moved to the neighboring Bull Reserve. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Derrmann served from 1953-1956. Mr. Joseph Hufnagel served from 1956-1960. Mr. and Mrs. August Grymaloski served from 1960-1962. Mr. Peter Aaldyk served as a student for one year and then Mr. and Mrs. Peter Aaldyk served together for the following year on a supply basis till the summer of 1964.

Such frequent changes of personnel are not good for the work and the In-

dian people did not take kindly to some of these changes. The mission work was at times adversely affected and at times became very discouraging. Nevertheless, it was continued with the result that a revitalization has come about in the last few years. This year Mr. and Mrs. David M. Harrison were appointed as missionaries to the Reserve and began their ministry with the month of June, 1964.

PERSONAL HANDICAP

David M. Harrison was born on July 10, 1936 at Mountain Lake, Minn., to John and Lois Harrison. In his own



MR. AND MRS. DAVID M. HARRISON our missionaries to the Indians on the Montana Reserve near Ponoka, Alberta.

words he says: "I was the first born in a family of five in a poor country home. Both my mother and father worked to support the family. There were many strangers who entered our home to take care of us while our parents worked. The family seldom went to church or participated in community affairs. At the time I was five years of age, our family moved to the city of South St. Paul, Minn."

David's school life was hindered by a hearing handicap. In his second grade he was placed in a school for the deaf, though he was not totally deaf. There he learned to communicate through means of lipreading, vibration, and the spoken word. Along with the others he was treated as though he was totally deaf. This experience awakened in him a desire to help other people in need and with handicaps, and one of his goals was to become a social worker.

After nine years in this school, he wanted to break away from the handicap division and enroll in a regular high school. He realized that he would face many problems but he desired to live a normal life. He made the adjustment in high school and participated in all the regular high school activities. This gave him the sense of belonging which he greatly needed. After graduating from high school in 1955, he worked at odd jobs until he found employment with the Internal Revenue Department.

SPIRITUAL HUNGER IS SATISFIED

During this time there was no Christian influence to direct his life. Nevertheless, he began to sense a loneliness and incompleteness in his life and became aware of a spiritual hunger. Through activities in Y.M.C.A. and social clubs, he sought a change and satisfaction, but did not find that which

could satisfy his soul. One Christmas he was invited to attend the Riverview Baptist Church in St. Paul to hear a musical program. While there he sensed the spiritual atmosphere for which his soul hungered. He came to see that Christ was the answer to his quest. On New Year's Eve of 1957/58 he accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. In the spring of 1958 he was baptized by Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom and became a member of the Riverview Baptist Church.

His life was transformed. His attitude and ambitions changed. He soon felt the need for more training to prepare himself better for some profession to work with people. In 1958 he enrolled at Bethel College in St. Paul, Minn. In 1959 he took a further year of college at the St. Cloud State College. In 1960 he enrolled at the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, Alberta and studied there for two years. In 1962/63 he took a further year at the University of Minnesota. Then he returned to C.T.I. in 1963 and graduated with a B.Th. degree in 1964.

GOD'S CALL TO SERVICE

From the time of his conversion, David was not idle in his Christian life and witness. The church became the home base of his spiritual activities but he wanted a wider outreach. He thus became active in Union Gospel Mission work among children and in Y.M.C.A. in addition to Sunday school and C.B. Y.F. groups. He became active as a Sunday school teacher, Sunday school superintendent, Junior Church leader, camp leader and Vacation Bible School teacher.

In college he was active in Inter-Varsity and in a soul winner's club. During his college years he sensed the need for missions and through his witnessing and study he was led to consider the Christian ministry as a call from God. Consequently he enrolled in the theological department at the Christian Training Institute, as stated above. Here this call to the Christian ministry, which had ripened though his interest to work with Indian people



A CHRISTIAN WEDDING FOR AN INDIAN COUPLE

Percy and Rosie Buffalo (left) cut the wedding cake after they were married by Rev. R. Neuman in the Indian Bull Reserve chapel and Chief James Bull extends congratulations at the church's dinner celebration.



Chief Felix Buffalo of the Samson Reserve and Joe White of the Bull Reserve (left) at the Indian Days Celebration held at Hobbema, Alberta, near both of our Indian mission fields, and one of the Indian girls (right) on horseback in the parade at the Indian Days Celebration.



in a missionary type of ministry, came towards the end of his theological training. God led him step by step. In fact, others saw this possibility in him long before David himself became aware of it.

Rev. S. Donald Ganstrom once asked the writer if there would be an opening for David Harrison to work with the Indians should he go to the Christian Training Institute and get the necessary theological preparation. It is the writer's opinion that Mr. Ganstrom was perhaps largely influential to bring David to C.T.I. without revealing to him his thoughts. This he left to the Spirit of God and to the events of time.

GOD PROVIDES A HELPMATE

Catherine H. Harrison was born on July 2, 1940 at Three Oaks, Mich., to John and Eunice Brown as the second child in a family of two girls and four boys. Her father's work brought about a frequent moving from place to place, eleven times in 15 years. At the age of 12, the family moved back to Three Oaks where her parents still reside. At the age of 11, Catherine accepted Christ as her Savior. She was baptized in April 1956 by Rev. Edward Nelson

and became a member of a Baptist General Conference church in Sawyer, Mich. She became active in her church in youth groups and in the choir as well as in Youth for Christ and in camp counselling.

Her high school education was taken at Three Oaks where she graduated in 1958. From 1958 to 1960 she attended Bethel College in St. Paul, Minn. These two years in particular helped her to understand people and to recognize more fully her responsibility as a Christian to the needs round about her. While working part-time at a hospital, she became aware of the desire to become a professional nurse. Thus in 1960 she entered the Nurses Training program at Mounds Midway School of Nursing in St. Paul. In 1963 she received her R.N. diploma.

Mutual interests attracted David and Catherine to each other and the Lord had a plan for their lives. Following her nurses training and following his year at the University of Minnesota they were married on Aug. 17, 1963. Together they went to Edmonton, Alberta where David took his final year at C.T.I., and Catherine found employment as a nurse at the University of Alberta Hospital.

INDIAN NEEDS RECOGNIZED

During his final year at C.T.I., David Harrison had repeated opportunity to serve on weekends on the Bull Indian Reserve in supplying for Rev. R. Neuman. Of these opportunities he said: "The few times that I have served on the Bull Reserve I worked with the same fervent witness that I used in the slums of St. Paul, Chicago, the college campus, Y.M.C.A., and church. I enjoyed the work with the Indians as well as I enjoy work with children or with college students." The Indian people also took to him and appreciated his service.

The Northern Conference Mission Committee's attention was called to David Harrison and he was approached if he would consider working among the Indians as a missionary. The In-

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Highlights of the Seminary's New Year

The opening days of the new academic year at the North American Baptist Seminary brought spiritual enrichment and intellectual inspiration to students and faculty alike.

By Manfred T. Brauch of Sioux Falls, South Dakota

AFTER registration for the Fall Semester at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., on Sept. 14, 1964 had been completed, the "Seminary Family" struck out for the Lake Poinsett Methodist Camp, 90 miles north of Sioux Falls, to begin the 1964-1965 school year with the annual Seminary Retreat in the midst of God's creative handiwork and an atmosphere of true Christian fellowship.

ANNUAL RETREAT

The retreat proved to be an outstanding event which set the tone for the entire academic year. In keeping with the theme of the retreat, "The Seminarian Grows—Spiritually, Intellectually, Socially," Dr. Robert Smith, professor of philosophy at Bethel College, St. Paul, Minnesota, delivered three tremendously challenging and inspiring lectures on the need for growth in the areas outlined in the theme. All of us were stirred by Dr. Smith's mes-

Our fellowship was strengthened and intensified as Dr. George A. Lang and Professor Roy Seibel spoke on the topic, "God's Leading in My Life," and students and professors shared freely concerning the evidence of God's hand in the summer's activities and experiences.

SEMINARY FAMILY PICNIC

Recreational activities, coffee breaks, "kitchen-duty," junior orientation sessions, and times for personal devotion and meditation rounded out and en-



NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST SEMINARY RETREAT

Students and faculty members of the Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., at their third Annual Retreat held at Lake Poinsett, September 14-16, 1964.

sages, which came out of a wealth of knowledge and experience.

For the benefit of the seminary ladies, a fourth lecture, entitled, "The Lady in the Parsonage," was delivered by Mrs. Henry Lewis, who is presently president of the Ministers' Wives Fellowship of the larger Sioux Falls area. Everyone benefitted greatly from the insights which Mrs. Lewis brought to her subject and from the stimulating discussion which followed her presentation.

hanced a well-planned program. It was truly a wonderful retreat!

On Sept. 17, we settled down to academic existence and the struggle for survival in the halls of learning. With a mountaintop experience behind us, and the call of God before our eyes, we went expectantly and joyfully to the tasks before us. To break the strenuous routine of class sessions, seminars, and hours of pouring over books in the library, the "Seminary Family" gathered for the Fall Picnic at Sioux Falls'

McKenna Park on the afternoon of Sept. 29. Football, tennis, and a splendid picnic supper were greatly enjoyed by everyone.

DAY OF PRAYER

The highpoint of the term was reached on Oct. 1st, when classes were cancelled and students and faculty gathered for the semesterly Day of Prayer. It was a spiritually enriching experience for all of us. Two of our area pastors, Rev. Leland Friesen and Rev. Alvin Harsch, challenged us to live lives of intimate communion with our Lord. The presence of God was a reality as hearts and minds were joined in dynamic encounter with him through prayer. We shall not soon forget those hours spent together in his presence.

"Though separated by oceans, the Baptists of various continents are closely united by their worldwide fellowship through Jesus Christ." This statement became realized when, on Oct. 6th, the Swedish Youth Choir of the Sundsvell Baptist Church of Sweden presented a delightful concert of Swedish folk tunes and sacred music at the Seminary chapel. We were thrilled by the vocal melodies of these Swedish young people, who are dedicated to a Christian life and a Christian witness through singing. The choir, which is on a one month concert tour of the United States, came to Sioux Falls under the auspices of the American Baptist Convention and the Baptist General Conference.

LECTURES BY DR. LIPPARD

A climax in the Seminary's life was reached when the 20,000th volume was added to our library shelves. This occasion was given prominence through the coming of Dr. William B. Lippard, former editor of *Missions*, for our Fall lectures. He stirred and challenged us as he presented three highly stimulating lectures: "Christian World Missions Today," "World Fellowship of Baptists," and "The High Cost of International Blunders." Dr. Lippard, whose father was a 19th century graduate of our seminary in its Rochester days, has given a large share of his private library to the Seminary. We are grateful for his general contribution to our Seminary and denomination.

This has been the opening of the 1964-1965 school year. We have been enriched spiritually, we have grown intellectually, and we have become a more tightly knit fellowship which is seeking God's leading for the months and years ahead.

CONCERNS of Our Leaders and CARE of Our Churches

Report of Denominational Workshop Sessions
by Dr. M. L. Leuschner

The Workshop Sessions held at Forest Park, Illinois, Sept. 22 and 23, attended by all the headquarters secretaries, district secretaries, and heads of the cooperating societies were opened with an encouraging and hopeful note and pervaded with a profound concern for our churches and pastors. Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, emphasized this positive note in pointing out the denominational achievements and forward moving programs of the past few years. All others echoed this optimistic outlook on the ministry and plans of their societies and on the work in which we as a denomination are engaged.

DIFFICULT QUESTIONS

But as the Workshop opened in its devotional period with each one praying earnestly to the Throne of God, a profound concern for the spiritual care of our churches was voiced. Many questions remain unanswered as we reviewed the statistics and the reports before us. Why is the recruitment of students for the Christian ministry so

difficult? Why do we have so many pastorless churches? Why are so many of the ministers in the active pastorate so dissatisfied, with some leaving the ministry for secular work or other denominational fields? Why is our total net increase of membership so small from year to year? Why can't we undertake more new Church Extension projects?

These are difficult questions to answer but the members of the Workshop Session faced them frankly, gravely and hopefully. Studies are being made to get at the underlying facts. A committee is working hard to improve the procedures in placing our ministers in pastorless churches and new fields. Literature will be available in 1965 for our churches and pastors in connection with pastoral placement. Some of the literature in the STEP program is now being translated into German for the use of our German speaking churches.

DR. IHRIE'S OPEN FORUM

Dr. A. Dale Ihrle, General Confer-

ence moderator, attended the session in its closing hours. Tentative plans for the 1967 General Conference in Detroit, Michigan were discussed. Since there ought to be a channel of expression and discussion on important denominational programs and plans open for all of our people, Dr. Ihrle will conduct such a program or department in the "Baptist Herald" beginning with Jan. 1, 1965 in which he will answer all questions, discuss all critical reactions and allow for public expression as presented to him as the Conference moderator. This page will be entirely in his hands to be edited by him. Such questions for his consideration can now be sent to Dr. A. Dale Ihrle, 1032 North Brys Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.

Your denominational leaders are men and women of God who are burdened about the needs of our churches and people, who are concerned about the problems that vex our pastors, and who are giving themselves earnestly and with dedication to the spiritual care of our churches. In this spirit we are all united around the Throne of God's grace and power with this common petition:

"Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of thy tone;
As thou has sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children lost and lone."

GOD IS BLESSING THE WORK AT GREELEY AND HE NEEDS YOUR HELP NOW!

CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS

Your \$1.00 gifts in December will go to the new Sherwood Park Baptist Church building in Greeley, Colorado.

The new building has been partly completed but more money is needed. Greeley continues to grow as new contacts are made each week. Rev. Raymond Harsch, pastor, says: "Souls await our witness."

CHURCH EXTENSION AND YOU!

PRAY EARNESTLY and daily for the Sherwood Park Baptist Church of Greeley, Colorado. God's promises are true.

GET ENTHUSED about this work of the Lord. Many doors are open. God's people must enter.

JOIN THE BUILDERS as you share in the joys of helping Christ build his Church.

WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY

We are in the heart of the ministry—Christ through us is building his Church. He is using our witness to bring new souls into his Kingdom. Our group is a constant inspiration to me. They are seeking to follow God's will for their lives. Sherwood Park Baptist Church is Christ-centered and working to win others. —Janet Bohlender, Sophomore, Colorado State College.

I am glad to be part of a Church Extension church while at college. The atmosphere seems to be charged with newness and a desire to grow, expand, work and bring in.—Jim Strayer

As a youth sponsor, our church has offered a real thrill in seeing our fine group of young people grow in number and in Christ. —Mrs. Darrel Giggy.

My church means a great many things to me.

At this particular time during the erection of a new building, I also find a challenge.

There is the feeling of satisfaction that comes from doing the Lord's work, which surpasses the satisfaction derived from completion of other tasks, and the satisfaction of knowing I have Christian friends who truly care about me.—Mrs. Bill Kramer.

IN DECEMBER CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS WILL GIVE TO THIS NEW WORK IN GREELEY, COLORADO

MARCH OF EVENTS



● **INTER - VARSITY MISSIONARY CONVENTION.** From Dec. 27 to Jan. 1 the 7th Inter-Varsity Missionary Convention for students from throughout the United States and all over the world will be held at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill. Attendance at the 1964 convention is expected to exceed 6,000. Among the featured speakers will be Billy Graham, international evangelist; Arthur Glasser, Home Director, China Inland Mission; Vernon Grounds, president, Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary; Eugene Nida, translations secretary, American Bible Society; and P. T. Chandapilla, general secretary, Union of Evangelical Students of India. The purpose of this convention is "to allow students in this generation to grapple with God's purpose for their lives in the contemporary world."

who hold that the church should return to the practice of adult baptism," said Professor Karl Barth, noted theologian of Basel, Switzerland, who is a member of the Reformed church. He was speaking to a group of 80 youth pastors from the Rhineland district of Germany. "Actually, I do not like the term 'adult baptism,'" said Professor Barth. "The essential point is the question of responsibility, for the church which baptizes as well as for the candidate. Baptism must be a responsible act. In the New Testament it is quite clear that both the baptizer and the baptized knew what they did. It should always be so. The main question is not whether the candidate is grown-up or 10 to 11 years of age. The

main thing is that he actually wants to be baptized."

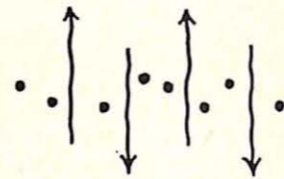
THE PROFESSOR'S DESK

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to abandon or reinterpret concepts, words, images and myths developed in past centuries when men were operating under different world views and different structures" (*New York Times*, Oct. 12, 1964). Such attempts at relevancy are exceedingly dangerous; but, on the other hand, every thoughtful attempt should be made to rethink and restate the unchanging gospel in terms which are meaningful to our day and to people who should hear it.

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BAPTIST BRIEFS



● **WHEATON COLLEGE'S NEW PRESIDENT.** Wheaton College's trustees in early September elected Dr. Hudson Taylor Armerding president after elevating Dr. V. Raymond Edman to the new post of chancellor. Both elections will be effective Jan. 8, the 105th anniversary of the founding of the college. Dr. Armerding has been provost for 18 months. He came to Wheaton as history professor three years ago after serving as acting president of Gordon College in Massachusetts. Dr. Edman asked to be relieved of academic and administrative duties after serving 25 years as president.

● **BIBLE MOST TRANSLATED BOOK.** The Bible is still the most translated book in the world, according to the American Bible Society. The statement is based upon latest figures issued by UNESCO in its 15th volume of the Index Translationum. Seventy nations are covered in the latest available UNESCO report for 1962. There were 251 Bible translations during the twelve-month period. Next in frequency, were 206 books about Nikita Khrushchev and 182 about Vladimir Lenin whose translations have steadily decreased to 50% since 1955. Translations about Khrushchev have also shown a drop since 1959 with a slight recovery in 1962. Bible translations dipped slightly in 1961. Translations of Joseph Stalin fell from 200 books in 1955 to only one book about him in 1962.

● **BARTH OPPOSES PEDOBAPTISM.** "I take my stand with those

● **Elected to Parliament.** Joel Sorenson, pastor of the Norrmalmsskyrkan Baptist Church in Stockholm, Sweden has been elected to the Swedish parliament. He has served the past two years on the Stockholm city council. Owing to his increasing political engagements, Dr. Sorenson asked permission to reduce his work with the congregation to half-time service. This has been agreed for the year 1965. Dr. Sorenson at one time was the youth secretary for the Baptist World Alliance.

● **Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.** Brazilian Baptists plan to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Rio de Janeiro with a huge convention in January 1965. The gathering will also mark the 80th anniversary of Baptist missionary work in Rio. More than 10,000 delegates from the 2,000 Baptist congregations in Brazil are expected to attend. The convention will be climaxed by a mass rally in Maracana Stadium with Evangelist Billy Graham as the speaker.

● **Rebuilding Negro Churches.** The white Baptists of Mississippi, working together in the Mississippi Baptist Convention, which is an affiliated body of the Southern Baptist Convention, have set up a fund to help rebuild Negro churches burned during the civil rights drive in that state. Help will be given "on the basis of justifiable need," regardless of the denominational affiliation of the church, and will be administered by the Board's Negro Work Committee. At least 15 Negro churches have burned in Mississippi the last few months apparent-

ly by arsonists. Most of them have housed either freedom schools or served as headquarters for voter registration drives.

● **Baptist World's Fair Exhibit.** Attendance at the Baptist exhibit in the Protestant and Orthodox Pavilion at the New York World's Fair has attracted, on the average, 1023 persons a day. This is more than twice the expected attendance. The fair is in operation from April to October. It closed for the winter season, and will reopen in 1965 for another April-October period. Volunteers have manned the booth under the direction of Mrs. Paul Carter of Valley Stream, Long Island. The Baptist groups who have sponsored the exhibit are the Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention, Seventh-Day Baptist, National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc., North American Baptist General Conference, and the Baptist Federation of Canada.

● **Swedish Baptist Youth Choir.** The Baptist Youth Choir composed of 50 young people from the Baptist Church of Sundsvell, Sweden, presented concerts in the USA, September 25-October 23. One of the concerts was presented at the N. A. B. Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Some of the choir members are employed in Sweden's industries and others are professional singers and instrumentalists performing on radio, television, and as soloists with symphony orchestras. The tour included eastern and central states with concerts at several Baptist State Conventions and in churches of several Baptist Conventions.

● **Rev. Fred David of Milwaukie, Ore.,** formerly the pastor of the Wichita Baptist Church of Milwaukie, is now serving as chaplain for the Veterans Administration at Vancouver, Washington, giving three-fourths of his time toward a full time job.

● **The pulpit of the Liberty Street Baptist Church, Meriden, Conn.,** is being supplied by Rev. John H. Ruhl, a first year student at Yale University in nearby New Haven, Conn. He is serving the church as a student pastor and as such will be rendering this ministry at the Meriden church for the next four years.

● **Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Gunst of Minneapolis, Minn.,** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with Open House at their home on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 11. Many friends from the Twin Cities' churches extended their personal congratulations to them. Dr. Gunst is the Central District secretary.

● **Mr. Ernest Zimbelman, Cameroon** missionary who is now at home on furlough, has announced that the University of Oregon at Eugene, Oregon has offered him a scholarship during the entire academic year. He is studying toward his Ph.D. degree. The Board of Missions has granted him a leave of absence extended into the summer of 1965.

● **The Bethel Baptist Church of Windsor, Ontario** observed its 10th anniversary with special services on Sunday, Nov. 1st. Rev. Ruben Kern, Central District Secretary, and Rev. H. J. Walterit of the Ridgemont Church, East Detroit, Mich., were the guest speakers. Rev. Alfred Luck, pastor of the church, led the festivities of the anniversary program.

● **The Calvary Baptist Church of Hoisington, Kansas** is being served on a student basis and in an interim pastorate by Mr. Arlyn Thielenhaus, a student at Sterling College of Kansas. He was a former member of a God's Volunteers Team. He began his interim pastorate at Hoisington, Kansas on August 1st, succeeding Rev. Roy Thomas Harfst, now of Napoleon, North Dakota.

● **The Baptist Home of the Dakota Conference at Bismarck, N. Dak.,** extended a call to Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer to serve as the chaplain of the Home. He accepted the call and began his ministry in Bismarck on October 15. His most recent former pastorates were in Ashley, N. Dak., and the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba. He is succeeding Rev. Henry Lang, now of Durham, Kansas.

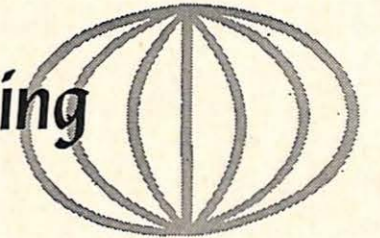
● **Laymen's Sunday** was observed by the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas on Sunday evening, Oct. 11, in which nine laymen of the church took

part. Dr. El Dean Kohrs, brought the message. Other laymen who assisted in the service were Leland Janssen, Vernon Splitter, Foster Albright, Joe Truhlar, Leon Janzen, William Mollhagen, Arthur Kruse and Greg Smith. Rev. Everett Barker is pastor of the church.

● **The installation service for Rev. Joseph Hoden** as the pastor of the

● **The Men's and Ladies' Boards of Managers** of the Baptist Home for the Aged in Philadelphia, Pa., have proposed plans for additional new facilities to cost approximately \$300,000. This announcement was given prominent publicity at the Annual Donation Day and Sauerkraut Supper held at the Home on Saturday, Oct. 17. Mr. Frank Kuenne is the president of the

what's happening



Walnut Street Baptist Church, Newark, N. J., was held on Thursday evening, Oct. 22. Pastors and friends from neighboring churches in the Newark and Greater New York City area participated in this service. The church has voted to make extensive repairs on the building. Mr. Hoden has succeeded Rev. Gordon C. Huisinga, now of Parsippany, N. J.

● **Rev. Harvey Mehlhaff of Lodi, Calif.,** represented the North American Baptist Seminary at the inauguration of Dr. Robert J. Arnott as the new president of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, Berkeley, Calif., on Oct. 6. He had been asked to serve in this capacity by President Frank Veninga of Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Mr. Mehlhaff is the director of Christian Education at the First Baptist Church of Lodi and a graduate of the NAB Seminary.

● **From Oct. 11 to 18 special meetings** were held by the Redeemer Baptist Church of Warren, Mich., with Rev. Norman H. Vernon of Benton Harbor, Mich., bringing the messages with great blessing and power. From Oct. 26 to Nov. 18 Rev. Adolph Braun, pastor, made a trip to the Holy Land to view the historical places in sacred lands associated with the Bible. This trip was made possible as a personal gift by the church to its beloved pastor.

● **The Grant Park Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba** has recently received into its fellowship seven new members. Five adults came by letter of transfer and two adults came by baptism. The new members are: Dr. and Mrs. R. Brust, Mrs. Dorothy Rich, Misses June and Dorothy Rich, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Weiss. Total membership of this three and one-half-year-old church is now 98, as reported by Rev. Donald Richter, Pastor.

Men's Board of Managers and Mrs. O. Sander is the president of the Ladies' Board of Managers.

● **Chaplain F. H. Hoffmann of Ellsworth, S. Dak.,** chaplain in the United States Armed Forces, served as the guest speaker at the Fleischman Memorial Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa., on Sunday morning, Oct. 4. He is a former North American Baptist student at our Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., and is related to Rev. E. A. Hoffmann, pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Church. For some time Chaplain Hoffmann was stationed in Germany and Alaska before being transferred to his present base.

● **The Ladies' Societies of the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas,** held their annual Bible study on Thursday, Oct. 1st. As a special opening feature, several women from the Societies presented the playlet, "A New Venture in Faith," with Mrs. Everett Barker as narrator. This was to introduce the new triennial project, "Meals for Missions." Rev. Everett Barker, pastor, taught from the first chapter of Malachi and will continue throughout the book. Approximately 60 ladies attended. Light refreshments were served by a social committee.

● **On Oct. 18 Rev. Assaf Husmann,** pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Woodside, N. Y., for the past 17 years, presented his resignation to the church, effective Feb. 1, 1965. Mr. Robert F. Herzog, church clerk, wrote that this was a great blow to the church after "Mr. Husmann's fruitful leadership and immense accomplishments along with his faithful wife as a perfect team." Mr. Husmann hopes to retire from the active pastorate but will continue to keep busy as interim and supply pastor and in other fruitful ministries.



BY MRS. DELMAR WESSELER
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AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

Thanksgiving is not a holiday that was born in prosperous times. The early settlers were discouraged by the approaching glimpses of a terrible winter. Their expected supplies from England had not arrived, and there was reason to believe that the ship had been wrecked. Everything about them in this strange country could have easily depressed them: crop failure, sickness, destructive fires, and the constant mysterious actions of the Indians as they stealthily watched the settlers.

One of the members of this disheartened little group suggested a Fast Day of mourning and petition. However, an unnamed hero countered with the idea of having a "Feast-Day." He advised the others to give up sympathizing with themselves for the things they lacked and thoroughly to enjoy those things which they actually had.

Fortunately, they took the second suggestion and made it a feast instead of a fast. They thanked God for what they had, forgot what they lacked and, as they shared, they generated enough moral strength and enthusiasm to keep them alive until their ship did come.

Such gratitude as gave rise to the original observance of Thanksgiving Day cannot be forced by proclamation, but comes by a developing spiritual attitude, "an attitude of gratitude."

Two women can examine a bush; one is unhappy because it has thorns while the other notices the roses and is overjoyed with their fragrance. We see in life what we train ourselves to see. We must discipline ourselves so that we may constantly have this inner attitude toward our Heavenly Father in all that life brings us.

Life had and always will have its gloomy and its bright side, and we decide which side we are going to emphasize. "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Eph. 5:20).

A pupil best thanks his teacher by gratefully opening his mind and receiving what the teacher is trying to reveal. So it is with us women, we must gratefully receive and worthily use the many gifts he wants us to enjoy. A joyful woman with her "cup running over" is far more honoring to her Lord than the one who timidly

From the Professor's Desk

By Professor Ralph E. Powell, North American Baptist Seminary,
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Do you think that attempts to "make the gospel relevant" to the modern situation might sometimes water down or compromise our message?

Without any question it is absolutely imperative that we make every effort and use all legitimate means to make the gospel relevant to the contemporary scene. It is nearly useless to teach or to preach Christian truth in an idiom or with a vocabulary that is not understood by modern people. Unless our message "gets through" in such a way that the hearers comprehend what is being said in words and actions that are meaningful and appropriate to the situation in which people are living, then what good has actually been accomplished?

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Effective communication involves at least three basic things. First, we must have a clear understanding of what we are trying to say (a lucid idea of the gospel). Second, we must have an adequate grasp of the situation or occasion to which we are addressing ourselves today (the world as it is in 1964, its nature, problems and needs). Third, we have to employ every appropriate means or device in order to communicate to this particular man in this concrete predicament so that his real need is met in actual fact. Thus we are concerned about "what," "to whom," and "how" (it involves also "why").

It must be admitted that we live in a world which is radically different from that which existed a generation ago, and that man today is in a very different predicament from that which confronted his parents and grandparents. The problem is how to "get through" to modern, secular, sophisticated man who is preoccupied with the things of this world and ignorant of the thought world and language of the Bible. We must do it somehow!

If, however, we distort the gospel or reduce its message in order to make it acceptable to a secular society, then we surely would be guilty of compromise or of "watering it down." But that should not be what is really at issue. The concern is not (or should not be) to change the Christian truth in order to make it more palatable to the sinner, but to *enunciate* it in terms that

asks and meagerly receives.

During this Thanksgiving season and through all the year, let's cultivate this attitude of gratitude and thus make use of every benefit God has given us. Come then, "ye thankful people, come," count your blessings from God, "one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done."

can be understood by people who are biblically and theologically illiterate. The words and ideas must faithfully represent the historic faith, but they must also connect with twentieth-century man by means of language and thought patterns which make sense.

But this raises certain problems because the gospel does contain an element of mystery. It is not self-evident or obvious to natural reason. The Apostle Paul spoke at length about the fact that salvation truth was given by divine revelation and can only be understood by the illumination of the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 2:1-16). "The natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, for they are spiritually discerned." The revelation of Christ must be appropriated by faith (see "Professor's Desk" articles in the July 16 and 30 issues); it is not grasped by rational powers alone.

DANGER SIGNALS

Another basic consideration must be reckoned with. The Bible really does not fit into mankind's sinful situation, except as a transforming factor. It turns the abnormal situation right side up. Much of the Scripture is irrelevant to contemporary culture in the sense that it is against it; it is contrary to secular modernity. The gospel is an offense and a stumbling block to modern man: "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness . . . the foolishness of God is wiser than man; and the weakness of God is stronger than man . . . God has chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise . . ." (I Cor. 1:18-31)

In light of these considerations, a certain care must be exercised in attempts at relevancy, because one could try to communicate with today's situation in such a way that it is no longer the gospel of our Lord and Savior which is being communicated. "In her zeal to become 'involved' in the secular order she (the church) has become involved in its disorder," states Dr. L. Nelson Bell. In the church's zeal to make itself relevant to the modern world's predicament it is possible that it may be becoming irrelevant to man's greatest need.

A case in point, according to this writer's opinion, are the rash statements of Bishop James A. Pike when he speaks of the irrelevancy of the doctrine of the Trinity and many other doctrines which are basic to Christian faith. The Rev. Mr. Pike calls for an end to "outdated, uncomprehensible and non-essential doctrinal statements" in order to make Christianity relevant to the world of today, "not hesitating

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BOOK REVIEWS

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

GOD SPEAKS TO WOMEN TODAY

by Eugenia Price. Zondervan Publishing House—1964—225 pages—\$3.95 (paper).

Over 30 women in the Bible are the subjects of the author's examination in the light of God's purposes for women today. Not all women in the Bible are included by any means, and we do not know all the reasons for including some and excluding others. Deborah, who is left out, would certainly have been an exciting woman to write about, particularly from a woman's point of view. Mary, the mother of Jesus, receives special attention, which she deserves. Others, like Rizpah, in the Old Testament and Phebe in the New Testament, are practically strangers even to the faithful readers of the Bible.

Since the lives of these women cannot be studied without learning more about their husbands, children, relatives and friends, as Miss Price indicates, then we can imagine that what God said to these women affects the lives of all. Men will surely find this book altogether as fascinating and inspirational as women. The author's insight and penetration into the Word of God are as keen and illuminating as those of any well-trained minister.

BOOKS FOR DEEPER LIFE AND INSPIRATION

THE QUEST FOR SERENITY by G. H. Morling. Wm. B. Eerdmans—1964—91 pages—\$2.50; \$1.25 (paper).

This is in part the author's story of how, because of necessity, he had to seek inner quiet. After a prolonged struggle he found the Divine Rest Giver. Forgiveness, surrender and spiritual discipline are the bases for the theme of the book.

ADVENTURES IN CHRISTIAN LIVING by Lawrence P. Fitzgerald. Judson Press—1964—79 pages—\$1.00 (paper).

The author is director of the department of ministry to the General Commission of Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel and editor of *THE CHAPLAIN* and *THE LINK*. No area can give wider and deeper insight into a venturesome Christian living. Although there are only 79 pages in the volume, there are 30 inspirational talks, each with a solid truth to remember and to put into practice.

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OUR LORD'S TEACHING ON PRAYER

by E. M. Blaiklock. Zondervan Publishing House—1964—60 pages—\$1.25 (paper).

The first two chapters are an examination of what Jesus taught about prayer in general. These are followed by succeeding chapters in which the phrases of the Lord's Prayer are dealt with in detail.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SPIRIT

by A. J. Gordon. Baker Book House—1964—225 pages—\$2.95.

The original printing was issued in 1894 and many pastors and laymen have copies of Gordon's works in their libraries. The truths set forth in this volume are timeless and the blessings and inspiration derived are as meaningful today as they were when Dr. Gordon was pastor of the Clarendon Street Baptist Church in Boston. It can be said of him that he majored in the Holy Spirit. It was the theme of his preaching and the power in his life.

ACCORDING TO PROMISE

by Charles H. Spurgeon. Baker Book House—1964—128 pages—\$2.50.

This is another reprint of a spiritual classic which was first issued in 1890. Charles H. Spurgeon knows something about the promises of God from experience. When he writes about the Lord's method of dealing with his chosen people, he is reminded of how the Lord dealt with him. Many of the chapters end with an invitation to the Christian believer as well as to him who is still outside of Christ.

STOP THE MERRY-GO-ROUND

by Don Mallough. Baker Book House—1964—97 pages—\$1.95.

The best sermons are not always written by the best-known preachers. The author is not known very widely but his messages should have an appeal to all who read them. They are inspirational, Biblical and practical.

LIVING MIRACLES

by James C. Hefley. Zondervan Publishing House—1964—149 pages—\$2.50.

The subtitle, *Conversion stories of famous Christians* may be a little misleading for I am sure that the average reader has heard of very few of these famous people. Among the thirty mentioned only Tony Fontaine, former

television and recording star and Congressman Eugene Siler of Kentucky were familiar to this reviewer. However, the stories are inspiring and challenging, written in a style which will appeal to both old and young.

HOW TO KNOW GOD'S WILL

by Marion H. Nelson, M.D.—Moody Press—1963—121 pages—\$2.50.

After practicing medicine for seven years Dr. Nelson specialized in the field of psychiatry. He is also an ardent student of the Bible and tries to synthesize and correlate its teachings in order to help the emotionally disturbed. In *HOW TO KNOW GOD'S WILL* the author has attempted to help the Christian with a problem which is confusing, to a greater or lesser degree, to every Christian generation.

Probably the most meaningful chapter is the checklist of signposts. God's Word, personal desire, conscience, advice, common sense, circumstances are all simply and clearly defined. The Christian's prayer life, the leading of the Holy Spirit and his personal responsibility are all leading factors in finding and knowing God's will.

THE NEW EVANGELICALISM

by Ronald H. Nash. Zondervan Publishing House—1963—183 pages—\$3.95.

Although the author admits the difficulty of judging an entire movement by a few of its leaders he must of necessity be selective as well as brief, or else choose to write a definitive volume or volumes on such an involved and lengthy subject. Since evangelicalism is still *en route* a definitive edition would be impossible. Mr. Nash is therefore alerting us merely to the tendencies of the movement and to help us evaluate the results in the future. The chapter, "To Separate or Not to Separate," should be read by every Christian who is concerned about division in the church and denomination.

THE CHURCH AND MODERN YOUTH

by Peter P. Person. Zondervan Publishing House 1963—151 pages—\$3.50.

Strange as it may seem, this book was not written by a young man. Mr. Person is retired since 1957 but spent his life as a teacher of Bible, education and psychology, with a strong emphasis on Christian education which came out of a long association with youth on the college campus, summer camps and conferences.

The author does not go into a lengthy analysis of the psychology of youth from childhood through adolescence. Only one short chapter is devoted to their general characteristics and then he enters immediately into the practical and spiritual objectives for the development of Christian youth.



sunday school lessons

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

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: November 29, 1964

Theme: THE GOSPEL OF GOD'S GRACE

Scripture: Titus 1:1-3; 2:11-14; 3:4-8a

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: God can never be completely known but that does not prevent us from becoming completely saved.

INTRODUCTION: Although the gospels tell us of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, it is to the letters of the Apostle Paul that we turn for the inspired interpretation of Christ. He is considered the greatest theologian of all time, and our understanding of the great doctrines of the Bible come primarily from the epistles which he wrote to churches and individuals. They constitute the basis of our Christian theology.

It seems almost like a contradiction in terms when it is said that the Gospel is so simple that even a child can understand it and yet so profound that the greatest theologians cannot fully grasp the scope of it. Every Christian knows something about the plan of salvation, and yet the more we learn about it the more amazing and wonderful it becomes. It is not necessary to have a brilliant mind to understand the Gospel of God's grace, but it is absolutely necessary to have an open mind. The love of God can never penetrate the heart if the door is shut.

I. COMMISSIONED FOR THE GOSPEL. Titus 1:1-3.

Although Titus is not mentioned in any of the apostle's missionary journeys, he must have been an influential and talented young minister. A difficulty arose in Crete and Titus was left there to set things in order.

Paul did not hesitate to let everyone know who he was and what he was. He took pride in his high office as an apostle of Jesus Christ. Often he had to defend his office, and in his letters he is frank in reminding even his best friends of his apostleship. There is no indication that he used his office for selfish enjoyment, but simply to fulfill his responsibilities as an apostle who was sure of his calling, not according to his will but "according to the faith of God's elect." He took his responsibilities so seriously that at one time he said, "Woe unto me if I preach not the gospel" (I Cor. 9:16).

II. THE REVELATION OF THE GOSPEL. Titus 2:11-14.

Verse 11 is clearer when read, "For the grace of God, which can save

every man, has now become known." It must appear to all men through the medium of a preacher. Paul makes this plain in Romans 10:14. On the day of Pentecost the Gospel "appeared" unto all men, no matter what language they spoke or from what country they came.

The revelation of the Gospel does not only include what Christ has done and is doing, but what he plans to do in the future. While we wait for his appearing we are to do the will of God, assured that the next appearing of Christ is certain.

III. SALVATION THROUGH THE GOSPEL. Titus 3:4-8.

Redemption cost so much that we can do nothing to earn it. The least we can do is to accept it with grateful hearts knowing that Christ did it because he loved us. Salvation has a permanence because he cleansed us by the power of a new birth and by the continuous renewal of the Holy Spirit. From now on we are justified, not by God's justice, but by his grace. Our sonship is secure because we are not only legally adopted, but lovingly adopted.

Questions for Discussion:

1. What do the terms "justification" and "sanctification" mean to you?
2. What is the difference between the grace of God and the mercy of God?
3. What are some of the great doctrines of the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: December 6, 1964

Theme: RIGHTEOUS LIVING

Scripture: Titus 1:15, 16-2:1-10

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: When we accept God's salvation, he expects us to put it sincerely into operation, and for that he needs our cooperation.

INTRODUCTION: Theologians have wrestled since the time of the early church in trying to present the plan of salvation and all of its ramifications in a clear and forthright manner. Sin, forgiveness, grace, mercy, regeneration, eternal life and the life, death and resurrection of Christ are some of the many aspects that belong in this great and marvelous doctrine. In all of man's seeking to understand God, he must never forget that he cannot earn his salvation, neither intellectually through study and meditation nor practically through good works. It is still, and always will be, the gift of God.

Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation is the first step. After that

we are expected to implement our faith with righteous conduct. We cannot be saved from sin if we continue in sin. Right believing must be exemplified in right living; great faith must be concerned about a great life. James says, "Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works" (James 2:18).

I. RIGHTEOUS LIVING WITHIN. Titus 1:15, 16.

Titus, like Timothy, relied on the apostle to help and advise him in matters of church polity and in the theological and practical aspects of the Christian Gospel.

Those who are really striving sincerely to be pure will interpret the things of life in terms of purity. Those who are "defiled and unbelieving" see impurity in everything. They made no sincere effort at confession and repentance and God was not given an opportunity to perform a work of grace in the first place. A glib profession of faith is not enough. The quality of the Christian life will be revealed in the church business meeting, in the home and neighborhood and at the place of employment.

II. RIGHTEOUS LIVING WITHOUT. Titus 2:1-6.

Among the pagan families during Paul's time there was a low moral standard. It was important therefore that the Christian family hold its banner high. Every member of the church family, from the oldest to the youngest, was expected to be an example of righteous living. The old men and women, the younger men and women, the husbands, wives and children, including servants, all had their dangers and temptations to contend with and needed advice and encouragement to build a happy Christian home in which Christ was the Head.

III. RIGHTEOUS LIVING AS AN EXAMPLE. Titus 2:7-10.

Since Titus himself was a young man as well as a minister, he gave instructions to him in particular. He will have to show himself as an example of good works for all members of the church—young and old alike. As the pastor he has grave responsibility in teaching the Word of God and in practicing its precepts. He must be uncorrupt in doctrine as well as in conduct in order to be worthy of respect. Those who have reached the age of maturity need not think that all moral dangers are in the past. It is impossible to outlive

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BAPTIST HERALD

OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

special events

NEBRASKA-COLORADO ASSOCIATION. "Christians and Worship" was the theme for the annual sessions of the Nebraska-Colorado Association which convened at Creston, Neb., with the Creston Baptist Church Sept. 17 and 18. We were privileged to have Dr. R. Schilke, our General Mission Secretary, as our guest speaker who brought us challenging messages. We were happy to accept the membership of the Sherwood Park Baptist Church of Greeley, Colorado into the Association. Inspiring messages were given by the respective pastors in the Association. An installation service was held for the new officers. (Mrs. George Behlen, Reporter).

GREENVINE, TEXAS. The annual Harvest and Mission Festival was observed at the Greenvine Baptist Church near Burton, Texas on Sunday, Oct. 11. The church was beautifully decorated with canned foods, cotton, corn and other vegetables. Rev. Dwight M. Fry brought two challenging messages, and during the evening service the children presented a short program. The Junior Choir brought a special number and a solo was rendered by one of our young men. A special offering was taken for foreign missions. (Mrs. F. Effenberger, Reporter).

LORRAINE, KANSAS. On Sunday, Oct. 4, the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas held its Harvest Mission Festival. "The harvest truly



Harvest and Mission Festival decorations at the Greenvine Baptist Church near Burton, Texas.

is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." The entire Sunday school unit assembled ten minutes early outside of the church and then marched in to trumpet and organ music. All units met together in the beautifully decorated sanctuary for the opening program and then went to their individual classes as usual. We were greatly blessed and challenged by Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, as he ministered to us in both the morning and evening services. Approximately \$8,000 were received in the special offering of the day. The theme "LORD OF THE HARVEST," and a log fence were the background for a colorful display of a bountiful harvest that decorated the choir loft. The C. B. Y. Youth and their sponsors were in charge of the decorations. (Mrs. Delmar Williamson, Reporter).



Rev. Leon Bill of the Grace Baptist Church, West Fargo, N. Dak., presents Grand Award prizes in Scripture memorization to Dale Sayler and Christine Walker.

"Speed" to Katherine. Both services were well attended as Katherine has grown up in our church and came to know the Lord at one of Rev. H. Palfenier's revival services held here. We are very proud of her, and wish her God's continuous blessings. (Florence Johnson, Reporter).



Cheryl Giesbrecht (left) of the Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas, Oregon receives the Grand Award prize in Scripture memorization from Mrs. Ernest Villwock.

GLENCULLEN, PORTLAND, ORE. A Commissioning Service was held at the Glencullen Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon on Sept. 6th for Miss Katherine Hunt. She is a new missionary nurse to Cameroon, and left here Sept. 14th for Africa. This past year she completed extensive study and work to prepare herself for the type of work she is called upon to do in the Cameroons. Rev. J. Sonnenberg was the guest speaker at the service, which also included special music by the women of the church. Rev. Herbert Schauer also participated, and Dr. Wm. J. Appel offered the dedication prayer. All churches in our Conference in this area had been invited. Katherine gave an inspiring testimony. Following the service, a reception was held and refreshments served, so that friends could say "God

sunday school programs & events

GRACE, WEST FARGO, N. DAK. Recently the Grace Baptist Church of West Fargo, N. Dak., witnessed an inspiring event when its first young people received the Grand Award for their Scripture Memory work. The award, Sallman's picture of "The Head of Christ," was presented to Christine Walker and Dale Sayler as shown in the accompanying picture. Rev. Leon Bill, pastor, had a part in this program.

SALT CREEK, DALLAS, ORE. Cheryl Giesbrecht of the Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas, Oregon, received the National Award for nine years of Scripture Memory work completed. Cheryl is pictured receiving the award from Mrs. Ernest Villwock, Scripture Memory secretary, during the Promotion Day program on Sept. 27. Many year pins and several extra honor awards were also received. The Promotion Day Program was arranged and narrated by the pastor's wife, Mrs. C. H. Walth, and was a great inspiration to all in attendance. The new Sunday school superintendent, Larry Liljequist, introduced the goals for the new year. We at Salt Creek look forward to a wonderful new year together in Sunday School, with a staff of 64 faithful workers. (Mrs. Delbert Tilgner, Reporter).

evangelistic services & baptisms

STREETER and MEDINA, N. DAK. On Sunday, July 19, the Medina and Streeter Baptist Churches of North Dakota met at the Crystal Springs Baptist Youth Camp for Sunday school and a worship service, with our pastor, Rev. A. J. Borchardt, in charge. After the service all enjoyed a fellowship with one another at a pot luck dinner. In the afternoon all were spiritually blessed as we witnessed a joint baptismal service in which Brother Borchardt led ten candidates into the baptismal waters. All were blessed as each gave his or her personal testimony of faith in Christ. There were two candidates from Streeter and eight from Medina. (Mrs. Oscar Moser, Reporter).

PARKERSBURG, IOWA. During the week of Sept. 20-25, we of the Calvary Baptist Church, Parkersburg, Iowa were spiritually challenged by messages brought to us by the Rev. I. H. Schmuland of Aberdeen, S. Dak. His forthright presentation of the Gospel applied to our everyday living caused

us to examine our hearts before God. We can report one soul having been saved during this campaign, for which we praise God. Earlier this fall, we rejoiced over five persons who followed the Lord in baptism. These were given the hand of fellowship into the Calvary Baptist Church of Parkersburg, Iowa. (Raymond F. Dickau, Pastor).

PLUM CREEK, S. DAK. On Sunday, Sept. 6, the congregation of the Plum Creek Baptist Church, Emery, S. Dak., gathered at Lake Hansen where we witnessed the baptism of four young converts upon confession of their faith by our pastor, Rev. Alvin Harsch. The following Sunday, before we partook of the Lord's Supper, the hand of fellowship was extended to Ruby Janssen, Teresa Jucht, Eileen Fauth and Alvin Decker. We rejoice with these and pray that our Christian example may help them to grow in grace and knowledge of our Savior, Jesus Christ. (Wanda Decker, Reporter).



Rev. Alvin Harsch, pastor of the Plum Creek Baptist Church, Emery, S. Dak., and four young people whom he baptized in the waters of Lake Hansen.

evening, Sept. 2nd, a reception was held at the church in honor of our new pastor and his wife. Various musical numbers were given and Mr. Otto Stolz welcomed them in behalf of the church. Our special speaker for the evening was Rev. Richard Grabke of the Cypress Baptist Church, North Seattle, Wash. We are grateful to the Lord and to the faithful people in our denomination who have supported our work through their prayers and gifts to the Church Extension Builders Fund. (Mrs. Anita Johnson, Clerk).

CYPRESS, ALDERWOOD MANOR, WASH. "Welcome to the Chaffees" was the wording on the large decorated cake prepared for the special service and welcome on Sept. 27 at the Cypress Baptist Church, Alderwood Manor, Wash., held in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Chaffee and family who have settled in our area since returning from the mission field in Africa, Rev. Richard Grabke, pastor, brought words of welcome and personally interviewed the children. They were requested to respond in Pidgin English and they thrilled our hearts with their answers. Dr. and Mrs. Chaffee brought us a fresh and thrilling report of their work in Africa and we enjoyed the fine film presentation of West Cameroon. Our people surrounded the missionary family during the time of fellowship following the service, and in every way jointly expressed their admiration for the work that these missionaries have done and for the honor for us to have them in our church. (R. E. Grabke, Pastor).

BETHANY, PORTLAND, ORE. On Saturday evening, Sept. 19, members of the Bethany Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon had the pleasure of welcoming home Dr. Leslie Chaffee, his wife Edna and 2 daughters, Marjorie and Nancy. A son Douglas and daughter Sylvia had remained in the States to attend school, and this year our church has underwritten \$600 for

each toward their college support and education. The evening began with a big dinner amidst beautiful decorations. Rev. Arthur Schulz read a portion of Psalm 16. A short program with special numbers was given and then a love offering and grocery shower were presented the honor guests to get them off to a good start in housekeeping here again. Dr. Chaffee closed this memorable evening by showing slides of the progress at the Banso Hospital, and of many of the consecrated workers. The Sunday morning service was given over to the Chaffees to tell us some of the experiences and blessings of their work in the Cameroons. The Chaffees are now at home in Edmonds, Wash. (Mrs. Evelyn Keehn, Reporter).



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lang, members of the Plum Creek Baptist Church, Emery, S. Dak., who celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on Sept. 19, 1964.

PLUM CREEK, S. DAK. On Sept. 19 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lang of Emery, S. Dak., celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary at the Plum Creek Baptist Church, with their children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, friends and Rev. Alvin Harsch in attendance. A program was held in their honor which consisted of duets, solos and readings. They have 11 children of whom 9 were present, 32 grandchildren and 69 great grandchildren. They have been members of the Plum Creek Baptist Church for many years, but are unable to attend the services at present. Nevertheless, they appreciate the Gospel messages over radio. (Mrs. Herbert Decker, Reporter).

PEORIA, ILLINOIS. North Sheridan Baptist Church, Peoria, Ill., held a recognition service for Church Organist Walter Broecker Sunday, Oct. 4, honoring him for his 45 years of serving the church in that capacity. Rev. Richard W. Paetzel, pastor of the church, preaching on "A Faithful Servant," made numerous references throughout his sermon to Mr. Broecker's long record of service. Three members of the Board of Deacons assisted in bestowing honors. Walter Kohrs gave highlights of Mr. Broecker's musical career, Arthur Schlis presented a

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framed certificate attesting to the honor being paid, and George Axmann, chairman of the Board of Deacons, presented him with a radio in the name of the church.

Mr. Broecker's activity as church organist was interrupted recently because of illness, but he plans to continue as organist as long as his health and strength permit. He also has to his credit a lengthy record of Sunday school attendance — more than 50 years. He is a member of the Men's Class of the Sunday school. He is a brother of Rev. Louis Broecker, pastor of First Baptist Church, St. Joseph, Mich. (Walter Kohrs, Reporter).

50th ANNIVERSARY, MR. AND MRS. M. DOCKTER. On Sunday afternoon, Aug. 30, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dockter, Sr., of McClusky, N. Dak., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the McClusky Baptist Church. Arthur Dockter of Breckenridge, Minn., a son of the honored couple, was master of ceremonies for the program. Selections were presented by various members of the family and Rev. W. G. Gerthe, pastor, brought the message. Approximately 350 guests were served at the reception in the church parlors. Mr. and Mrs. Dockter were married Nov. 24, 1914 at Anamoose, N. Dak. They were blessed with 6 sons and 6 daughters all of whom were able to be present for the occasion. The couple have been members of the McClusky Baptist Church for 31 years. Mr. Dockter is presently a member of the Finance Committee for the new church building and assists in teaching the Adult German Sunday school class. Mrs. Dockter is an active member in the Woman's Missionary Society.



Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dockter, Sr., of McClusky, N. Dak., at their golden wedding anniversary celebration.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

ELK GROVE, CALIF. The First Baptist Church's Woman's Missionary Society of Elk Grove, Calif., observed its 39th anniversary on Sunday evening, Sept. 27. The society report showed a total membership of 44 members who disburse among four monthly circle groups. Among the circle projects this past year have been sewing quilts for a local clothes closet, collecting used clothing for the American Sunday School Union, stuffing dolls and collecting children's books for the Banso Hospital in Africa, making items for retarded, institutionalized children, and doing White Cross work for our hospital in Africa. Mrs. John Wagemann, WMU president, was in charge of the anniversary program. (Roberta Veit, Reporter).

IMMANUEL, KANKAKEE, ILL.

KANKAKEE, ILL. A public concert at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kankakee, Ill., on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 27th, climaxed its week-long sacred music workshop, sponsored by the church Music Committee. Directing the chorus was Dr. Paul William Wohlgenuth, head of the department of music at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas. A program of sacred anthems and spirituals was given. The chorus was made up of persons who attended the workshop from the First Baptist, St. John's United Church of Christ, First Methodist, First Church of God, Calvary Bible, Caldwell Chapel AME Zion, Bradley EUB, Peotone Yoked Parish and Immanuel Baptist Churches of our area. Selections were also presented by duets, trios and quartettes. Dr. Wohlgenuth also gave us a challenge when he spoke at the morning church service on "Music and the Congregation." Rev. Robert Schreiber, pastor, conducted a brief

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Organist Walter Broecker (left) of the North Sheridan Baptist Church, Peoria, Ill., receives framed certificate for 45 years of a musical ministry by Deacon Arthur Schlis.

ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

BILLINGS, MONTANA. A musical program presented by their grandchildren honored Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ehresman of Billings, Montana at their golden wedding anniversary reception observed at the Y. W. C. A. on August 23. The reception was given by their seven children: Emil Ehresman of Billings, Ed Ehresman of Belgrade, Mrs. Erna Turner of Manhattan, Mrs. Lewis Wetzel of Portland, Mrs. Leon Cowan and Miss Ruby Ehresman of Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Eugene Lucero of San Jose, Calif. The Ehresmans were married Dec. 14, 1914 in Ashley, N. Dak. They moved to Circle in 1932 where he was on the first crew to begin Fort Peck Dam in 1934. In 1941 they moved to Manhattan and in 1954 to Billings. Both of them are faithful members of the Calvary Baptist Church of Billings.

50th ANNIVERSARY, MR. AND MRS. A. BRENNER. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Brenner of Woodbine, Kansas were honored at the observance of their golden wedding anniversary on Sept. 5. They were married on May 28, 1914, but they had postponed the celebration in order that the entire family could be together. At the informal program the grandchildren sang "Happy Anniversary" and those present participated in a group song, a trumpet solo, and a vocal solo. Rev. Merle Brenner and Mrs. Roy Seibel sang a duet in honor of their parents. Prof. Roy Seibel brought a devotional. Mr. and Mrs. Brenner are the parents of Mrs. Roy Seibel of Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Mr. Kenneth Brenner of Hope, Kansas; and Rev. Merle Brenner of



Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Brenner of Woodbine, Kansas at their golden wedding anniversary celebration. They are the parents of Mrs. Roy Seibel of Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Rev. Merle Brenner of Ellinwood, Kansas; and Mr. Kenneth Brenner of Hope, Kan.

AMONG THE INDIANS

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dian Mission Conference and workshop held at Wetaskiwin, Alberta last March which Mr. and Mrs. Harrison attended brought to them a new insight as to the need of this work. They came to sense this need in a new light such as they had not seen before. The result was that they made themselves available for such service if an appointment should be considered.

The appointment as missionaries to the Indian people on the Montana Indian Reserve was given them by the Board of Missions. After due consideration, though with some hesitance and feeling of uncertainty, they accepted the appointment with the promise: "We assure the mission board that we will give our whole self . . . to make Christ known to all men." They began their ministry with the month of June.

These first few months have been busy in improving the facilities. A basement had to be built for chapel and parsonage. This was completed before winter set in. Better living conditions and better facilities will also enhance their ministry. May God continue to give them the joy of service and in a

very real way may they feel the need for whatever service needs to be rendered to the Indians to bring them to the Savior and the Savior to them.

BARBARA JEAN STROH

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what some of the tasks of missions are.

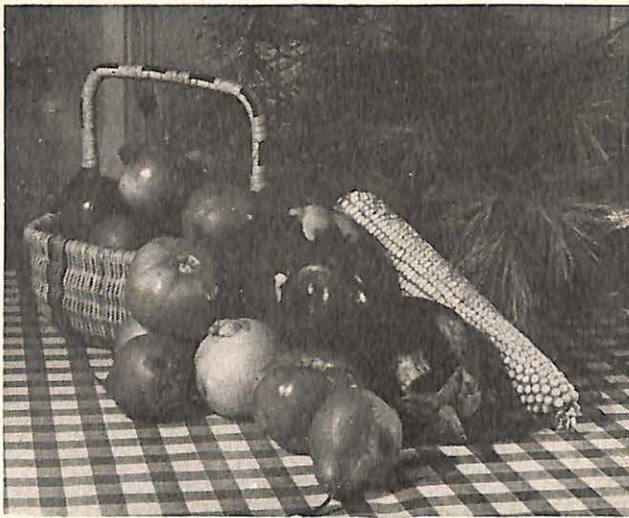
In the fall of 1963 she enrolled at our North American Baptist Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak. At first she planned to take the three year course leading to the B.D. degree. Her plan at this time was also with a view to go to Japan. However, during the year the call of God in her life became much clearer. God's call to her was not to a specific country but a call in accord with Christ's constraining love for the lost *wherever that might be*.

The senior seminary class visited the denominational office at Forest Park in the early spring of 1964. The members brought back to the Seminary news regarding the urgent need for more missionaries and particularly the need for a teacher to the missionary children in Cameroon. This need laid itself on Barbara's heart and it seemed to be God's specific call to her. She decided that if God would have her service

now, she would not pursue further studies at this time but be ready to go this year. On this basis she applied.

By the time her file was processed, another person had volunteered for a one year period to fill the need for a teacher to the missionary children. Barbara was nevertheless appointed to fill another need in one of our educational institutions of our Mission in West Cameroon for a one year period and after that to become the teacher to the children of our missionaries. This was made known to her and she accepted.

At the 1964 General Conference in Sacramento, Calif., Barbara Jean Stroh was one of those who were commissioned as missionaries on Sunday afternoon, July 19. On Aug. 27 she left Chicago in the company of three other missionaries headed for our African mission field in West Cameroon, Africa. This coming year she is to teach in the Saker Baptist College at Victoria, a girls' secondary school. For this special assignment she feels quite inadequate. Nevertheless, God will again prove himself faithful and Barbara has learned to trust him and his leading and to serve wherever he would have her serve.



"O, give thanks unto the Lord, call upon his name" (Ps. 105:1). Photo by Edith Riddle, Chicago, Ill.

THE NEEDS

- More missionaries are needed.
- Church Extension Builders and pastors are needed.
- New building projects in Japan at Tsu and Osaka.
- More funds are needed now for missionary advance
- Your help is needed to support our 88 missionaries in active service.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE TO HIM WHO HAS GIVEN SO MUCH TO YOU?

THANKSGIVING AND SACRIFICE WEEK
NOVEMBER 22 to 29, 1964

GOD'S ABUNDANCE

Harvests of the Field.

Spiritual Blessings of Life.

God's Sufficient Grace in Christ.

Promises of His Word.

YOUR THANKSGIVING

- From Nov. 22 to 29 **Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week** will be observed in all North American Baptist churches with **YOU** expressing your gratitude to God for all the blessings he has showered upon you. Use the offering envelopes sent to our churches. Place your offering on God's altar and **Thank the Lord!**