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YEAR OF THE BIBLE — 1966

In Observance of Bible Sunday, March 13, 1966, and of the 150th Anniversary of the American Bible Society

Bible Dedication in Vietnam

BANMETHOT, VIETNAM—Colorful ceremonies held in the highlands of central Vietnam last summer marked a turning point in that country's religious history. The occasion was the dedication of the recently published New Testament and Psalms in Rade, the language of some 120,000 tribal inhabitants of the Banmethot region. Although some 20 per cent of these people read and write, they had never had a complete New Testament in their own exotic language of mixed Malay and Indonesian origin.

The dedication was held under the auspices of the rapidly growing church directed by the Christian and Missionary Alliance. Government officials were presented with commemorative copies of The New Testament as were the translators. Afterward, when the long anticipated Book was placed on sale at the church door, the people pressed around and eagerly bought up all the available supply. The selling price was less than a third of the total cost of producing and delivering the book to the people.

The Bible — 'Feature Story' in Paris

PARIS, FRANCE—Huge posters on the boulevards of Paris are drawing attention to a special feature in "France-Soir," the most popular evening paper in Paris. The feature is a column each evening devoted to the stories of the Bible, illustrated by pen sketches. The introduction to the series, which is expected to continue for a year, states that it will "follow the text step by step, with explanations, under the guidance of authoritative theologians and with the help throughout of illustrations, which will also keep strictly faithful to the text. We know that this undertaking is bold and carries risks. We approach the Bible with respect and, if we may say so, with humility. But we felt that at a time when Man is striving to search out the furthest limits of the Universe and to tear out the secrets of the infinite expanses of space, with its eternal silence 'awful' to Pascal, it would be a good thing to return to one of the primary sources of wisdom and hope."

Bibles for Taiwan and China

TAIPEI, TAIWAN—Small as the island seems to western thought, the significance of Christianity's progress in Taiwan to the Christian world of tomorrow cannot be overstated.

Africa's physical, material and spiritual needs occupy popular thought at the moment. Foreboding situations in the Middle East loom large on immediate horizons. India, Latin America, the war zones and others are urgent in their demands for our help. But the long-range problem of mankind and Christendom is China's relations with the rest of the world. The emergence of China as a cohesive, industrialized nation—more than a billion men strong before the end of this century—will be the most significant development of this epoch.

At this moment the American Bible Society and other Bible Societies are at work, wherever a crack in the door can be found or made. During 1965 the ABS began a number of new Chinese projects. One of these is a five to six-year program on the revision of the Kuoyu (Chinese) Bible. The Working Committee met in Taiwan August 30 through September 10 for the purpose of developing basic principles and procedures.

GOD'S WORD — BIBLE SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 1966

There is a lamp whose steady light
Guides the poor traveller in the
night;
'Tis God's own Word; Its beaming
ray
Can turn a midnight into day.

There is a storehouse of rich fare,
Supplied with plenty and to spare:
'Tis God's own Word! It spreads a
feast
For every hungering, thirsting guest.

There is a chart whose tracings
show
The onward course when tempests
blow:
'Tis God's own Word! There, there
is found
Direction for the homeward bound.

Give me this lamp to read my road;
This storehouse for my daily food;
Give me this chart for life's rough
sea;
These healing leaves, this heavenly
tree.
—H. J. Betts

NEWS and NEEDS...

BIBLE SUNDAY. This year's observance of Bible Sunday on March 13 will be "something special" in NAB churches. As we share in the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the American Bible Society, our churches will feature exhibits of old Bibles and Bible translations. Uniquely different and very interesting program material has been sent to all churches for presentation by the Sunday school children. The offerings received on this Sunday will be designated for Bible distribution that will challenge the stewardship of every North American Baptist. (See page 11 for further particulars).

DENOMINATION'S FISCAL YEAR.

In about a month on March 31st the fiscal year of the denomination will come to a close. From all indications it ought to be a triumphant, victorious climax. As never before, we seem to be within reach of our budget objective and the new high total of \$1,100,000. If this goal is attained, we shall be able to advance in our Missionary and Service program. So now our churches and people must go "that second mile" and give "that extra push" with their gifts and contributions in March 1966.

EASTER OFFERING. Easter Sunday falls this year on April 10, 1966 in the 1966-1967 fiscal year of the denomination. This is one of our most important offerings for the denominational missionary and service ministry as we show our love to the Risen Christ in sacrificial giving. It is not too early to be thinking prayerfully of our sacrificial Easter offering in 1966—to be set aside as holy unto the Lord.

GOD'S VOLUNTEERS. One of the two God's Volunteers Teams recently completed a two weeks' Crusade at the Forest Park Church. The spiritual sincerity of these young people, their ardent love for the Lord and the people, the demonstration of many diverse talents dedicated to the service of the Lord, and their youthful fervency in giving their testimony and witness for Christ made a profound impression on the large crowds of people in attendance. These young people of God's Volunteers merit our financial support and prayerful concern. Have you made your offering this year for this witness of God's Volunteers?

EXTENSION BUILDERS. In March the Church Extension Builders will designate their gifts of \$1 or more for
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Articles by President Frank Veninga and Faculty Members

BAPTIST HERALD

Editorial

Read The Word!

The Bible is news in 1966! No other book even faintly compares with it in its widespread distribution and with its more than 1200 translations in various languages of the world. It is an amazing Book with its timeless insights, its wonderful promises and its power to touch and to transform lives. "The word of God is quick and powerful." It speaks with authority to every living creature. The Christian, in order to be true to his faith, "believes the Scriptures to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practise."

But the Book is lifeless and meaningless unless it is opened and read. This is the key to unlock its treasures for you and to open the gate to a road of happiness and blessing for you. READ THE WORD—daily, regularly, systematically, thoughtfully, prayerfully! Many years ago Abraham Lincoln stated as his personal testimony: "All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated through this Book; but for this Book we could not know right from wrong. All the things desirable to men are contained in it." And by reading the Book, we can lay hold on the blessings contained within it.

We must read the Word *with understanding*. This means that we must study God's Word diligently. "Search the Scriptures, for they speak of me," said Jesus. Dr. Norman B. Harrison in an article for "The King's Business" asserted: "The Bible is a gold mine. But God, in his wisdom, has not put gold on the surface; it is stored away in the earth where men need to hunt for it. So it is with the riches of his Word; those who dig for the gold will find it immeasurably enriched thereby." Such reading of the Bible will confront us with its divine authority.

We should read the Word *with joy and eagerness*. We should be making new discoveries with every reading experience. We should approach its pages with freshness of mind and new delight. The many translations of the Bible and of the New Testament, some of which are very reliable, can help us to find this approach to our Bible reading. The colorful and inspiring literature about the Bible, that is easily available today, will open some of these adventures for you. Secure the *Bible Packet* (25 cents) from the Forest Park headquarters office to enrich your reading of God's Word.

We must read the Word *with concern*. We should be deeply concerned about the needs for the distribution of the Scriptures throughout the world through the American, Canadian and United Bible Societies. What a tremendous task this is to place the Bible into the hands of the ever growing population of the world and of the 45 million people of the world who are just now beginning to read and write for the first time in their lives. Follow with interest the 150th anniversary celebration of the American Bible Society to be seen on television, heard over radio and described in some of our national magazines.

Dr. Francis C. Stifler in the "Bible Society Record" some years ago pointed out that "ever since the apostles went forth with the Bible into the pagan darkness of the Roman world, it has been the unrivaled book of all time and that it will always be the changeless Bible. Are you reading it regularly? Are you helping to keep it circulating around the world?"

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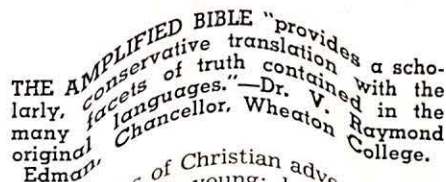
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Bible Sunday, March 13, should be a dramatic Bible and of the all North American Baptists of the power of the Gospel through the distribution of the colorful printed word of the blessings of Christian literature through the

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Timothy 4:2).

The ministry of preaching the Word is a varied ministry. Roger Williams Press specializes in the ministry of the printed word.

After the service we go to the church library for a book to read this week. The library could not render a worthwhile service to the church if it did not have a source from which to



These are the word means of
"Preaching" through the

In these paragraphs, we have listed some of the ways in which we seek to "Preach the Word" but Roger Williams Press is not a person and so has no voice of its own. It depends upon you to take that which it offers and to give eyes to read and voice to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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Church Extension in "Buffalo City"

Jamestown, North Dakota, a city of 15,000, situated in the rich James River Valley in former "roaming buffalo country," offers a bright and promising future for this new Church Extension project, the Temple Baptist Church, organized in 1965 with almost 100 members.

By Rev. Irvin H. Schmuland, Temple Baptist Church, Jamestown, North Dakota

JAMESTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA, a city with a population of more than 15,000, lies in the James River Valley. It is basically a railroad and agricultural center. The only parochial college in the state is located here. It claims to have the world's largest buffalo—giving an indication that buffalo once roamed the surrounding rolling prairies. In the future the city and the river will play an important role in the Garrison Irrigation Diversion Program which is being developed by our federal government.

THE CHURCH'S BEGINNING

About a year and a half ago a sizeable group of people felt led to leave the First Baptist Church, which had become independent, and form a North American Baptist church. In Septem-

part of April, a Recognition Council convened and the Temple Baptist Church was officially recognized as a North American Baptist church and welcomed into the larger denominational fellowship.

NEW PASTOR ON FIELD

In May 1965, the denominational Church Extension Committee in consultation with the local church extended a call to the present pastor and his family of Aberdeen, S. Dak. The new pastor began his work with the church on Sept. 1, 1965.

Since the church had no parsonage for the pastor, they rented a home and at the same time made plans to build a new parsonage. Construction of it began in July and the pastor's family moved into it at Thanksgiving time. It

Elmo Tahran of Minot, N. Dak., was led of the Lord to donate an acre of land in northwest Jamestown for the new church. This land is in a residential area and on a well traveled street. There is no church within a mile or more of the new site. We are grateful to God who inspires believers as the Tahran's to build his Kingdom on earth.

Even before the present pastor was on the field, but in consultation with him, an architect was engaged to draw up plans for the new church. On Nov. 6, 1965 we had the ground breaking service. Construction began almost immediately.

NEW CHURCH BUILDING

The new church will be an L shaped structure, 90 feet long and 64 feet wide at the widest end. The sanctuary is 40 feet wide and will seat about 275 people with an overflow area for another 150 people.

There will be 14 classrooms, a nursery, study and an office, a kitchen and a good sized social area. The cost will be \$99,068. It is of brick and block construction with plastered walls and oak finishing. The structure is so designed that in the future the sanctuary can be enlarged to seat about 400 people, and yet not change the roof design. Colored glass windows will enhance the beauty of it.

Ten families have agreed to purchase a large Hammond organ. This is above their regular giving to the church. Completion date is to be in about eight months—depending upon the severity of the winter.

THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

The future is as bright as the promises of God who said, "I will build my church." We believe that the Lord will do this if we align our lives according to his plans as given in his Word. Average attendance at the morning worship services is about 90 and about 65 in the evening. Since coming here, the choir has been singing under the direction of Mrs. Schmuland. Special musical assignments are made for the evening service.

A young people's group has been organized with 14 Junior Hi and Senior Hi age. After we will have our own facilities, we hope to divide the group. Our Sunday school should be divided into more classes, but the present facilities do not permit this. Our greatest need is the development of the prayer life and study of God's Word.

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The people are mission minded. Ten per cent of our general fund giving goes for missions. While we are receiving help from our denominational Church Extension department, still we want to share in the missionary program.

Further, it is the desire of the people to become self-supporting within five years. As soon as the physical structure is completed, all energies must be channeled into building the Church of Christ.

WE CLAIM GOD'S PROMISES

Ever so often I am asked, Why did you leave a good church (it is good) in Aberdeen, where you have just completed a building program, and come to this Church Extension work in Jamestown? On the human level, it does not seem right or realistic. But when the Lord calls, all the former achievements become insignificant and the challenges of the future become the burning zeal of the heart.

We knew that God needed us in Jamestown. That is why we are here. We claim the promises that God gave to Joshua: "Only be strong and of a good courage" (Joshua 1:18b).

With the beginning of the construction of the church, new life has come into activities of the church. All organizations are busy planning and securing needed items for dedication time. There is an air of great expectancy that the Lord will build his Church in winning many new people to him. Brethren, pray for us that we may cross the James River as victoriously as the Children of Israel did the Jordan River.



GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW BUILDING

Left to right: Rev. Irvin H. Schmuland, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church; Mr. Tahran, grandfather to Rev. Elmo Tahran, Church Extension pastor in Minot, N. Dak.; Mr. W. A. Taft, chairman of the Board of Deacons and Finance Committee; and Mr. Rubin Wolff (with shovel in hand), chairman of the Board of Trustees.

GABON, JEWEL OF AFRICA

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As the work became too heavy, the Paris Mission was joined in 1933 by the Christian and Missionary Alliance, which worked in the south. The Evangelical Church of North Gabon was born in 1961.

In August 1960, Gabon became independent. The land of friendship, which

at one time had even asked to become a department of France, was free. Gabon's president, Leon M'Ba, put an end to the economic union with the other countries of French-speaking Equatorial Africa. Why?

In the last half-century, the humid forests of Gabon have proved to contain at least as much wealth as the mountains of Katanga. Leon M'Ba means to use these riches to build a modern Gabon, and not to be obliged by an economic union to pay the bills of its neighbors.

Gabon—jewel of Africa!

Already in 1852 the Bible Societies had published a Gospel for Gabon in the Omyene: Mpongwe language. Since then, Bibles have been produced in Galwa and in Fang. A New Testament is in preparation in Bapunu, spoken in the South, and translation work is in progress in two other languages. Large numbers of French Scriptures are also distributed.

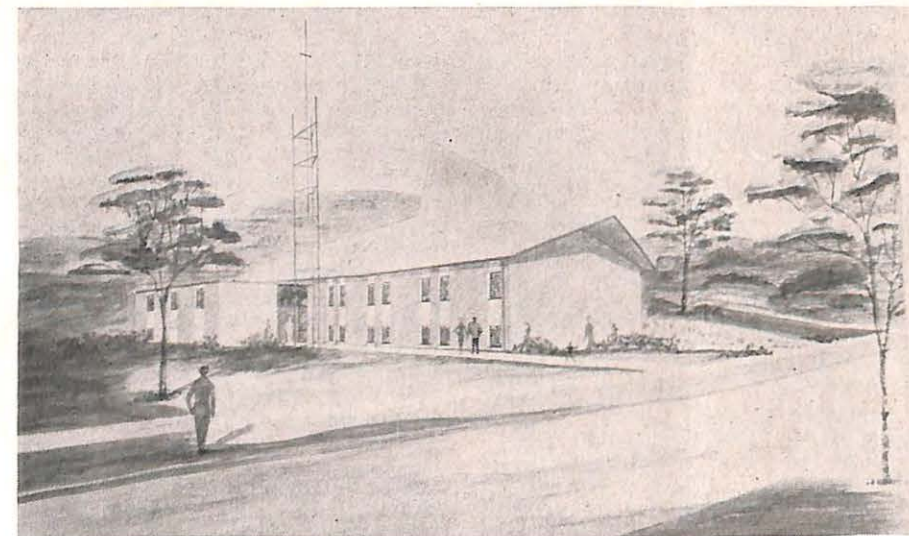
Gabon has been linked with Cameroon for Bible Society work since 1963. But the churches of Gabon and the Bible Society at Yaoundé have decided that an effective distribution program requires a base in the country itself. The Bible Society committee in Cameroon therefore decided in October 1965 to cooperate with the churches of Gabon and the Literature Centre in Yaoundé in setting up a distribution centre for Bibles and Christian literature in the heart of Gabon, at Oyem.

"The Bible Societies—servants of the Church." In Gabon, servants of a Church which faces the enormous task of spreading the Bible's message of salvation in a rapidly changing society, so that the people of Gabon—God's creatures—will not be suffocated by the smoke from the factories of tomorrow.



Rev. and Mrs. Irvin H. Schmuland of the Temple Baptist Church, Jamestown, North Dakota and their children: Wynne (left to right, between the parents), Luanne and Rodney.

February 24, 1966



TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, JAMESTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA

Architect's design for the \$99,000 edifice of the Temple Church, Jamestown, N. Dak., with a seating capacity of 275. The L shaped brick building is 90 feet long and 40 feet wide with a full basement and split level entrance. Rev. Irvin H. Schmuland is pastor of the church.

ber 1964 Dr. M. Vanderbeck came to the city to serve as interim pastor. Under his leadership, arrangements were made with the Seventh Day Adventist Church people to use their church building and facilities on Sunday for worship and on Thursday for Bible study and prayer. The church uses their hymnals and educational facilities. As good as this arrangement is, it is not the best for the fullest spiritual growth. Because of personal convictions, some people will not worship in this type of an environment.

Early in 1965 the church organized with more than 90 members. The latter

is a very spacious and beautifully situated home—built into the side of a huge hill and overlooking the city and the nearby James River. The congregation is paying for it by monthly installments. The pastor's family is most grateful to the people for this vision.

ENCOURAGING PROGRESS

The church soon realized that, if it was to develop into a strong fellowship, they would need a building of their own. Under the thoughtful and challenging guidance of Dr. Vanderbeck, Mr. Henry Tahran, a brother to Rev.

Brethren, Provide for Yourselves!

From August 10 to 14, 1966 hundreds of N.A.B. pastors and their wives will gather in Sioux Falls, S. Dakota., for the 7th PASTORS' CONFERENCE to share in the inspiring program and in the thrilling fellowship in Christ's Name. Churches, see that your pastor attends this memorable Conference!

By Rev. Herbert J. Freeman of Oak Park, Illinois.

IN THE FAMILIAR words of the King James version, Acts 20:28 begins, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves. . . ." In the general context the Apostle Paul is speaking to pastors. (See verse 17). The words, "take heed," are taken from the Greek meaning to bring near in the sense of bringing a ship to its landing. From this is derived the thought of being attentive and alert to responsibility.

Paul is saying that Christian pastors ought to pay attention to themselves as well as to other flocks; hence our title, "Brethren, Provide for Yourselves!"

It is not only permissible but necessary for the pastor to take the time to strengthen his body, his mind and his spirit. The forces that threaten the ruin of his church are the same forces that would undermine his own work and witness. To the extent that the pastor provides for himself will he also provide for his church.

SEMINARY HOSPITALITY

The 7th triennial NAB Pastors' Conference is scheduled this year for August 10-14. Once again the hospitality and convenience of our North Ameri-

can Baptist Seminary will beckon us to Sioux Falls, South Dakota for this refreshing retreat. Dr. Frank Veninga, Seminary President, has graciously assured us that meals and lodging will be ample.

No one could doubt the timeliness of our theme, BUILDING THE CHURCH, based on Matthew 16:18. That the Church is a divinely ordained institution is not in question. That ways and means for implementing the building of the Church differ widely is all too obvious. At this conference our pastors will come to grips with some of the outstanding problems facing the pastor today. We will be challenged to think both prayerfully and carefully about these problems. We will be stimulated to "search the scriptures" and be encouraged to provide faithful and strong leadership for our churches in these times.

The program is planned to provide as full a development of our theme as time and sense will permit. The workshops will be given over to a study of the Church's healing ministry, its involvement in the social issues of our times, its responsibility to the modern city, and its dependence upon and re-

sponsibility for a preaching ministry. The denominational structure and co-operative program will come up for discussion in its relation to our theme. Missions and theological trends of the times will be included in the presentations of the speakers. Hearts and minds will be prepared and inspired during the Prayer Time which will begin each day.

BIBLE TEACHER

The highlight around which the entire conference will revolve, of course, will be the inspiring ministry of our guest Bible teacher and lecturer, Dr. William R. Estep, Jr. Dr. Estep is Professor of Church History at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. His book, "Baptists and the Ecumenical Movement," is due for publication just about the time of our conference. Our key speaker will handle such topics as the "Nature and Mission of the Church," "The Image of the Church in the World Today," "Movements That Challenge the Church" and "The Future of the Church."

It will not be "all work and no play," however. Each afternoon is open for family drives and shopping in attractive Sioux Falls. The program will allow ample time for quiet rest and meditation on the Seminary grounds, or in the quiet atmosphere of the Seminary Library, or in any of the parks of the city. Pastors will also welcome some free time to be with their families and to know that facilities and program for the family have not been omitted from the planning.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

The General Council has again made provision to lighten the financial burden for the pastors. Each pastor who remains through the Sunday morning worship hour will receive eight dollars and five cents (\$8.05) towards his board and room and, in addition, one and one-half cents (1½¢) per mile towards his travel costs. Each of our churches will be requested to assist its pastor with an equal amount for board and room and for his mileage. The registration fee is \$1.00 and this must be sent in with your registration form.

This conference has every promise of being another thrilling experience for our pastors and their families. No pastor will want to miss this opportunity to refresh himself with the good fellowship in store for all who come. New pastors will welcome this as an opportunity to acquaint themselves

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Tentative Program of the 7th Pastors' Conference

To be held at the North American Baptist Seminary, 1605 S. Euclid Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota, August 10-14, 1966 sponsored by the Ministers' Fellowship

Theme: BUILDING THE CHURCH
Key Verse: "I will build my church" (Matt. 16:18).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 10, 1966

7:00 P.M.—Opening Service—
Seminary Chapel
Leader: President Alphonz Lamprecht, Ridgewood, N. Y.

Welcome: Dr. Frank Veninga, Seminary President

Address: DR. WILLIAM R. ESTEP, JR., Professor of Church History, Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, Bible Teacher at the Pastors' Conference.

"THE NATURE AND MISSION OF THE CHURCH"

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1966

MORNING LEADER: Program Chairman: Clarence Walth, Chicago, Illinois.

8:30- 9:00 A.M.—Prayer Time: Walter Kerber, Leader, Yorkton, Saskatchewan

9:00- 9:45 A.M.—Lecture by Bible Teacher, DR. WILLIAM R. ESTEP, JR., Fort Worth, Texas. "THE IMAGE OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD"

9:45-10:00 A.M.—Coffee Break
10:00-10:55 A.M.—Workshops

Twenty minute presentation of topic by leaders and 40 minutes of discussion by the group. Group I will meet at the First Baptist Church and Group II at the Seminary.

GROUP I—Topic: "The Healing Ministry of the Church" (Mental, spiritual).

Leader: Joe Sonnenberg, Portland, Oregon.

GROUP II—Topic: "Preaching in the Church of Today"

Leader: Harold W. Gieseke, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

11:00-11:30 A.M.—Workshop Reports and Discussion (Held at the First Baptist Church).

Chairman: Clarence Walth, Chicago, Illinois

11:30-11:45 A.M.—Presentation by the Department of Christian Education; G. K. Zimmerman in charge.

11:45-12:15 P.M.—Devotional Time: PROF. DONALD H. MADVIG, North American Baptist Seminary Faculty.

7:00 P.M.—Evening Service—
Seminary Chapel

Leader: Walter Goltz, Christian Training Institute Faculty.

Theme: Missions—"Building the Church in Africa"

Speaker: Missionary George W. Lang, Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1966

MORNING LEADER: Harvey Mehlfaff, Lodi, California

8:30- 9:00 A.M.—Prayer Time: Hans Wilcke, Leader, Dallas, Oregon.

9:00- 9:45 A.M.—Lecture by Bible Teacher, DR. WILLIAM R. ESTEP, JR., Fort Worth, Texas. "MOVEMENTS THAT CHALLENGE THE CHURCH"

9:45-10:00 A.M.—Coffee Break
10:00-10:55 A.M.—Workshops

GROUP I—Topic: "The Church's Mission in the Urbanized World of Tomorrow"

Leader: Donald G. Mostrom, Jersey City, New Jersey

GROUP II—Topic: "Involvement of Pastor and Church in the Social Problems of Today"

Leader: Dr. A. Dale Ihrie, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan.

11:00-11:30 A.M.—Workshop Reports and Discussion (Held at the First Baptist Church) Chairman: Milton Zeeb, Kenosha, Wisconsin

11:30-12:00 A.M.—Devotional Time: PROF. DONALD H. MADVIG, North American Baptist Seminary Faculty

7:00 P.M.—Evening Service—
Seminary Chapel

Leader: Kenneth Howe, Waco, Texas
Theme: "The Minister and Current Theological Trends"

Speaker: Dr. Ralph E. Powell, North American Baptist Seminary Faculty

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1966

MORNING LEADER: Reinhold Kerstan, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

8:30- 9:00 A.M.—Prayer Time: Allan Strohschein, Leader, Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00- 9:45 A.M.—Lecture by Bible Teacher, DR. WILLIAM R. ESTEP, JR., Fort Worth, Texas. "THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH"

9:45-10:00 A.M.—Coffee Break
10:00-10:45 A.M.—Discussion on all lectures presented by guest speaker.

Chairman: Alphonz Lamprecht, Ridgewood, New York

10:45-11:30 A.M.—"Building the Church Through the Denomination"

Discussion by various denominational leaders. (Free reporting with discussion invited).

11:30-12:00 A.M.—Devotional Time: PROF. DONALD H. MADVIG, North American Baptist Seminary Faculty.

7:00 P.M.—Evening Service—
Seminary Chapel

Leader: J. G. Benke, New York
Inspirational Message: DR. WIL-

LIAM R. ESTEP, JR., Fort Worth, Texas.

Special Feature: Pictures (color) of Sioux Falls, South Dakota by Mr. Gordon Olson, Executive Director of the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce.

Refreshments and Fellowship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 1966

WORSHIP SERVICES AT: Trinity Baptist Church, West 18th Street at Garfield; and Northside Baptist Church, 1034 North Spring Avenue. The speakers and programs at these church services will be announced later. The services at these two NAB churches will represent the official close of the Pastors' Conference.

NOTE: Pastors' wives are planning a separate program but are welcome to attend lectures, devotional time and evening services.

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1963 PASTORS' CONFERENCE AT SIOUX FALLS

A large, happy crowd of pastors, denominational leaders and their wives attended the 1963 pastors' Conference and formed this remarkable photograph on the lawn of the NAB Seminary campus. "We shall take an even better picture of this year's conference in August!"

Always Abounding in the Lord's Work

Reports of God's Volunteers Teams by Wenzil Hanik and Marlene Bender

TEAM I—FROM CANADA'S COLD CLIME TO THE BALMY SOUTH OF LOUISIANA

By Wenzil Hanik, Reporter

IN OUR LAST article, we of God's Volunteers Team I reported about one of our important duties in our work—canvass and prospect calling. Another important aspect of our work, and the more visible work by church members, concerns our weekly meetings. For seven evenings during our stay at a church we sing, tell children stories, give testimonies, and lead in congregational singing.

Last September during our training period at the Seminary, we practiced for four hours every day. For some of us most of the songs were new and hard work had to go into the rehearsing of those songs. However, by the time our first campaign started we had over 60 songs which we could sing.

We have all kinds of combinations—solos, duets, trios, quartets, and groups—for the different songs. Beside singing Doug Woyke also plays his trumpet nightly.

WINNIPEG AND OAKBANK

On Nov. 21 our campaign at Anamoose, N. Dak., ended. Our trip up to Canada was quite eventful. For Bernice Werk and Wenzil Hanik it was an exciting homecoming and for Ricky Loewer his first time in Canada. Crossing the border at the International Peace Gardens, we were able to cross the border in a very short time. Driving up on Highway 2 in Southern Manitoba we had our first blowout. In freezing weather and a cold wind we had to change tires.

Two hours later we were in Winnipeg making plans for our campaign at the Church Extension work of the Grant Park Baptist Church where Rev. Donald Richter labors. For the first time we canvassed apartment blocks. What an experience! In deathly silence we marched up and down the corridors knocking on door after door. This type of calling had its special problems but also its assets. Because of cold weather, we were relieved to work indoors. Besides our prospect calling and canvass calling, we had the opportunity to bring programs at chapel services in different Bible Colleges and high schools.

On our last Sunday in Winnipeg we had the privilege of singing two numbers at the dedication of the Rowandale Baptist Church's new sanctuary. That same evening our services began at the Oakbank Baptist Church. Here, 17 miles out of Winnipeg, we worked with Mr. Lawrence Wilkes and his

church. Our biggest thrust was in canvassing Oakbank and surrounding communities. Oakbank was our last campaign before our Christmas vacation.

For the three weeks vacation, the team members relaxed and prepared themselves, both physically and spiritually, for the next half of our tour. We had agreed to meet in Minneapolis on Dec. 30 so that we could leave for Branch, Louisiana. However, because of poor train connections in the Canadian West due to a heavy snowfall, Rev. Edgar Klatt and Bernice Werk were a day late in arriving at Minneapolis. Driving through one night and two days we did make it in time for our first service on Jan. 2 in Louisiana.

MOWATA BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Eleon Sandau, the pastor of the Mowata Baptist Church at Branch, had a full program prepared for us and we went prospect calling, sang to shut ins, and sang at chapel services. Through the local radio station we were able to reach many more people than we would have been able to reach otherwise. We were happy to see several of the young people rededicate their lives for full time service for the Lord. During our stay in Branch, we were able to go to New Orleans and its many sights.

The week at Branch went much too quickly and soon we were on our way north to Dallas, Texas. On our way, we stopped on the Gulf of Mexico and had a picnic on the beach. After collecting some sea shells we decided to go swimming for a little while.

Pray for us that we can continue to be witnesses for the Lord.



GOD'S VOLUNTEERS IN LOUISIANA
Carolyn Browen, (left to right), Douglas Woyke and Bernice Werk of God's Volunteers Team No. I in Louisiana.

TEAM II—FROM CHURCH EXTENSION FIELDS TO OUR FOREST PARK, ILL., CHURCH

By Marlene Bender, Reporter

"Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, with all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness" (Colossians 1:11). Truly, we of God's Volunteers Team II are thankful to the Lord for his power that keeps us in his service.

We are happy to report that wonderful blessings were received in our crusade at the Grace Baptist Church in Calgary, Alberta. We worked with Rev. R. Neuman and his church members in doing visitation where we found a number of prospects for church membership. Our public services were quite well attended and we saw several persons rededicate their lives to Christ and others accept him as Savior and Lord. We also had opportunities to serve at a hospital chapel, and to share testimonies at CBY meetings and sing-spirations.

BUSY VISITATION PROGRAM

Our last crusade before Christmas was in Drumheller, Alberta at the Parkdale Baptist Church. This is a Church Extension project which is nearly two years old. The team enjoyed working with members of the Parkdale Church in finding prospects through our visitation program. Our meetings were well attended each evening with thanks to the Carbon and Zion Baptist Churches for their support. The Lord blessed here with souls brought to Christ. During our stay at Drumheller we were also privileged to hold a service at the Carbon Baptist Church.

At the Parkdale Church we met Mr. and Mrs. A. Orthner who served on the first God's Volunteers team—1956-57 and who did canvass work for the Snowview Baptist Church in Parma, Ohio when it was an extension project. Shirley Bertram, who is one of our team members and who is also a member of the Snowview Church, was thrilled to be able to be doing canvass work for the Orthner's home church.

After a very blessed and happy Christmas we again met as a team, this time in Kenosha, Wisconsin. We served at the Immanuel Baptist Church with Rev. M. Zeeb and his congregation from Jan. 2-9, 1966.

Our first two days were spent in giving out invitation cards from door to door and the rest of the week we did prospect calling with the church members. Each team member received a great blessing, for we were able to go

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BAPTIST HERALD

Let's Gather Round God's Word

The observance of Bible Sunday on March 13, 1966 should be a gala event in every North American Baptist Church with an unusual challenge to our people to read the Bible more diligently and appreciate the worldwide ministry of the American Bible Society.

By Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Illinois

BIBLE SUNDAY, March 13, 1966 will find all North American Baptists gathered around God's Word like happy, excited children around a light. This will be a special church celebration since this is "The Year of the Bible" sponsored by the American Bible Society. This can be an enriching experience for all of our people if the program plans, suggested by the NAB promotional office, are carried out effectively in your church.

SECURE A BIBLE PACKET

This BIBLE SUNDAY should give you a new and more profound appreciation of God's Word. Resolve on this Sunday to read your Bible daily, to gather your family together for "a family altar," and to secure one of the "Bible Packets for 1966" from the headquarters office. (Price is only 25 cents). In this packet you will find about 25 pieces of Bible literature, including an illustrated brochure with John's Gospel (King James Version), a leaflet on how to read the Bible more intelligently, and another leaflet giving the words, "God Is Love," in various languages of the world. All of this literature will deepen your appreciation of God's Word.

About 3,000 of these Bible Packets have been distributed in NAB churches. We are trying to keep up with the requests. But all of this inspiring Biblical literature will be to no avail unless it is used—and applied daily to your life. This spiritual discipline of reading God's Word should become second nature to us. Then we shall be praying sincerely: "Bless us, O God, in our reading of the Holy Scriptures, and grant us the help of thy Holy Spirit: that we may be renewed in mind, strengthened in will, and kindled into love and so may serve thee faithfully to our life's end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

BIBLE DAY PROGRAMS

This BIBLE SUNDAY should feature a colorful portrayal of the romance of the Bible through the centuries. You can read about the history of the Bible in the colorful brochure, "Our Most Precious Heritage," that appears in the Bible Packet. Your Bible exhibit in the church can feature old family Bibles, various modern translations, Bible Society posters, Bible story pictures, and many other things that will bring the story of the Bible vividly to the attention of your people.

A number of fine filmstrips about the Bible, its history and message are available from the Visual Aids De-

partment in Forest Park, Ill. (See the announced list of these filmstrips and moving picture films on page 17 of this issue of the "Baptist Herald"). When requesting these films, please mark your second and third choices in your request.

The program material for Bible Sunday, that has been sent to all NAB churches, is quite unique and very interesting this year. In co-operation with the Department of Christian Education, we have included suggested plans for a Bible Day program in the

Scriptures in 1966. Read the fascinating account of Bible distribution in Gabon, known as "the Jewel of Africa," in this issue of the "Baptist Herald."

In many countries of the world the art of reading and the distribution of the Bible go hand in hand. This is a gigantic task today in which many organizations and leaders are engaged, notably the American Bible Society and Dr. Frank Laubach. Nearly 45 per cent of the world's population is still unable to read or write. In most countries, less than one half of the



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several departments of your Sunday school entitled, "Within God's Word," prepared by Rev. Bruce Rich and the very fine Bible play, "The Story of the Bible," prepared by Mrs. Bea Durland and Mrs. Sharon Rich and used effectively in the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Ore. Program material in German will be sent separately to those leaders or pastors requesting it of our Promotional Office in Forest Park, Illinois.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

This BIBLE SUNDAY should give you an acquaintance with the 1966 celebration plans of the American Bible Society. There will be nationally televised programs with this story, and feature articles in magazines and newspapers will appear from time to time with the account of Bible translations in almost 1,300 languages and dialects of the world and with an objective of distributing 75 million copies of the

population between the ages of 5 and 19 goes to school, according to the statistical yearbook of UNESCO (United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization). This means that as the education program is accelerated in many countries, so also provision must be made to place the Bible into the hands of these millions of people who are just beginning to read and who are eager to receive such printed literature.

The Republic of Ghana on the west coast of Africa has recently ordered 500,000 Bibles in six languages for use as textbooks in all schools. This country with a population of 7 1/4 million is responsive to the message of the Bible. Its president, Kwame Nkrumah, has stated that it is his belief that "man is regarded in Africa as primarily a spiritual being." These Bibles are being supplied by the American Bible Society and the British and Foreign

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CHRISTMAS IS CELEBRATED BY THE INDIANS

Indian young people (left) present the Christmas story at the Mission Chapel on the Montana Indian Reserve of Alberta. Other Indian children reenact the Nativity Story (right) with reverent sincerity and holy awe.

Indians Face the New Year With Christ

In 35 degree below zero weather, 35 Indians on the Montana Reserve of Alberta gathered for a Watch Night Service at the Mission Chapel as a climax to wonderful Christmas and holiday celebrations.

By Rev. David M. Harrison, Missionary on the Montana Indian Reserve, Ponoka, Alberta

ON WEDNESDAY, Dec. 22, 1965 at 9 a.m. Rev. David M. Harrison, NAB missionary to the Indians, appeared before the Christmas Assembly of the Dovercourt Elementary School in Edmonton, Alberta to receive gifts for others from 560 boys and girls of the school. Mr. Evans, the principal, stated that this project called "Gifts for Others" has been going on for seven years.

The project was started as a reaction to the boys and girls giving elaborate gifts to one another. It was decided in 1958 that instead of giving gifts to one another, they would collect "gifts for others." The gifts could be toys or canned foods for needy people. Each year the school would vote on the organization which would receive the gifts for distribution.

GIFTS FOR INDIANS

This year the Baptists were voted as the recipient of the gifts, and through Dr. A. S. Felberg the Baptist Indian Mission was chosen to accept the gifts. According to Mr. Evans, each student brought two gifts. Many of the boys and girls paid for the gifts out of their own earnings.

That afternoon at 2:30 p.m. the Baptist Day School on the Montana Reserve presented its annual Christmas program before an audience of 53 visitors. The program was under the direction of Mrs. John Herring, the wife of one of our teachers. The program and play were arranged by Mrs. Herring in an effort to make the Christmas message relevant to our day and lives. The program closed with a candlelight lighting dedication service by the young

people. Rev. David M. Harrison presented a challenge and closing prayer.

On Thursday, Dec. 23, from 4:30 to 9:00 p.m., 125 members of the Montana Indian Reserve gathered at the Baptist Indian Mission to celebrate their annual "Christmas Tree." This celebration is their official Christmas in a sense, for this is the time when gifts and greeting cards are exchanged by each member of the family. After all the gifts had been opened, a lunch made by the Indians was served. Treats that were donated by several of our N.A.B. churches were given to the children.

The gathering was climaxed by a Gospel film, "Teen-age Christmas." Mr. H. H. Siemens of Leduc presented the film as a service to the mission. After the film, Rev. David M. Harrison presented the challenge to accept Christ as Savior in order to experience the true meaning of Christmas.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

On New Year's Eve the temperature dropped to 35° below zero, but thirty-five people gathered for the Watch Night service held at the Montana Baptist Mission. After a time of hearty singing, the group went to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. Following this, Mr. Harrison presented his slides of the Indians taken in the past year. There were many chuckles of amusement as the Indians saw themselves on the screen.

The old year was brought to a close with two Indian testimonies and a message by Mr. Harrison, "Facing the New Year with Christ."

ALWAYS ABOUNDING IN THE LORD'S WORK

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into homes and to speak with parents and young people about their need of Christ and also their need for a closer fellowship with the church. Decisions in our evening meetings were made and we trust the Lord to carry on his work in this church.

GOD'S MANY BLESSINGS

From Jan. 11 to 23, we were in our church at Forest Park, Ill. During the first week we did prospect calling, both in the afternoon and evening. A daily challenge to win souls and encourage others to a closer fellowship with Christ kept us very busy.

Our public meetings had a good attendance each evening. On one evening the team had an opportunity to fellowship at the Central Baptist Home for the Aged. We had a wonderful service there with the residents of the home and superintendent, Mr. Edward Meister and his wife. We praise God for the decisions made in this campaign as well as those in other campaigns.

God has given us many blessings for which we all are thankful. But are most grateful for the strength and encouragement God gives as each day dawns. Many times when we become despondent and wonder sometimes if we can go on, a verse in Corinthians comes to mind, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

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● The Shroyer Road Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio held a Bible Conference from Feb. 25 to 27 with Dr. Bryan Archibald, president of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, as speaker. Youth Sunday was observed on Jan. 30 with several young people speaking on the theme, "Life's Rebelious Powers." Rev. W. E. Borne is pastor of the church.

● The First Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana has extended a call to Rev. William Effa, pastor of the Germantown Baptist Church near Cathay, N. Dak. On Sunday, Jan. 23, he celebrated his 5th anniversary of his ministry at the Germantown Church. Open House was held at the parsonage that afternoon. Mr. Effa will begin his ministry in Sidney, Montana late in March, succeeding Rev. William Neuman.

● A special sacred concert was held on Sunday evening, Jan. 23, at the Riverview Baptist Church, West St. Paul, Minn., with Mr. Kent Lundholm, the church's minister of music, presenting the entire musical service. This featured favorite Gospel and religious classics and several Negro spirituals. The records of Mr. Lundholm are being sold throughout the country. Rev. Harold E. Weiss is pastor of the church.

● Dr. Ralph E. Powell, professor of theology at the NAB Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., was one of the guest speakers at the Founders' Week program of Bethel College and Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., held from Feb. 21 to 25. Dr. Powell brought the message at the annual historical banquet on Monday evening, Feb. 21st. Dr. Carl H. Lundquist, president, was in charge of the programs of Founders' Week and conducted "The President's Hour" on Wednesday afternoon.

● The Bethel Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta has extended a call to Rev. Robert L. Kluttig of Kelowna, British Columbia, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church since 1962. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his ministry there on April 1st, succeeding Rev. Alexander Hart, now of Winnipeg, Manitoba. Mr. Kluttig is well known in the Edmonton area, having formerly served the Zion Baptist Church of that city from 1956-1962.

● The former Upper Bay Baptist Church of Santa Ana Heights, Calif., is now officially named the University Baptist Church of Santa Ana, Calif., as reported by Rev. Robert Cahill, pastor. The church has also secured the services of an architect for plans for the completed church building showing the beautiful new sanctuary besides the present fellowship hall and educational unit. The picture of the architect's design and a more detailed report will be featured in the next issue.

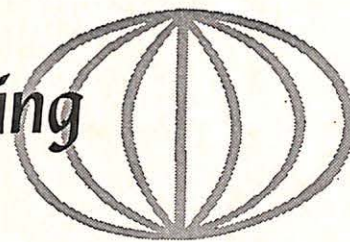
● The Immanuel Baptist Church of Woodside, N. Y., honored its pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Hiller, on

Nov. 7 on their silver wedding anniversary. Just before Thanksgiving Day later that month, inspired by the pastor, the church made a special effort to reduce the financial burden on the church building. Mr. Robert F. Herzog, church clerk, reported that "the response of the people surpassed our expectations. So with our financial burden lifted, we now look unto Christ who will give an increase more and more (Psalm 115:14)."

life of Christ, and then Athens and Corinth in Greece on his return trip. He hopes to return to Detroit on March 15. The trip was a gift by the church on the occasion of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Waltereit.

● Fourteen high school boys from the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., recently built a 16 foot tall cross with a 9 foot cross arm and climbed with it to the top of Goat Mountain overlook-

what's happening



● The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Ebenezer, Saskatchewan has called Rev. Norman Taylor as its pastor to succeed Rev. Wilfred Dickau, now of Dickinson, N. Dak. For almost 12 years Rev. and Mrs. Norman Taylor served as missionaries and teachers among the Indians in Northern Ontario and Manitoba, Canada. They have a family of three children. Mr. Taylor accepted the call and began his ministry at the Ebenezer Baptist Church soon after the departure of Mr. Dickau. A picture of the family and the report from the church are published elsewhere in this issue.

● Dr. Carl Lundquist, president of Bethel College and Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., and the 1961 General Conference Bible speaker in Minneapolis, conducted a Bible Conference at the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif. from Jan. 30 to Feb. 6, 1966. Two sessions were held daily at 10:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. The attendance at the services was very encouraging and the Conference was a blessing to the entire church, as reported by the pastor, Rev. Aaron Buhler. The conference was followed by evangelistic meetings from Feb. 6 to 13 with Dr. Emerson Pent of Portland, Oregon serving as evangelist.

● Rev. H. J. Waltereit of East Detroit, Mich., pastor of the Ridgemont Baptist Church, left by plane on Feb. 22 for a trip of three weeks to the Bible Lands of the Near East. He will visit London, Rome and Naples in Italy, Cairo in Egypt on his way to Palestine, Beirut in Lebanon, Damascus, Jerusalem and many other Palestinian cities and places associated with the

ing Landers Valley in the high California desert country, 140 miles from Anaheim, and erected the cross there as "a symbol to a desert community's Christian witness." The Bethel Baptist youth group project was begun almost a year ago, as reported by Cliff Holland, Bethel Church youth director. Rev. William Hoover is the pastor.

● The First Baptist Church of George, Iowa has extended a call to Rev. Kenneth Unruh of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., a senior student at the North American Baptist Seminary. Formerly he served as the minister of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church near Junction City, Kansas and the Bethel Church of Cherokee, Okla., before completing his Seminary studies. He began his pastorate at the George church on Feb. 15, 1966 and with his family has moved into the parsonage. During the week he is commuting to Sioux Falls and finishing his studies at the Seminary. He has succeeded Rev. John Reimer, at present pastor of the East Side Church of Chicago, Ill.

● The First Baptist Church of Minitonas, Manitoba recently held a Sunday School Teacher Training Course with Prof. Willy Muller of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, teaching the course, "What Baptists Believe." Special evangelistic meetings will be conducted in German from March 7 to 13 with Rev. R. Hoseness of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta, as the evangelist to be followed by a Pastors-Deacons Clinic for the Northern Manitoba Tri-Union churches to be held on March 17 at the Minitonas church with Rev. H. Palfenier of Minneapolis, Minn., and Rev. Wm. Sturhahn of Winnipeg, Manitoba, serving as leaders. Rev. H. A. Pohl is pastor of the church.

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BY MRS. DELMAR WESSELER
of Lorraine, Kansas
President of the Woman's Missionary Union

WHY WAIT 'TIL SPRING . . . ?

Mrs. Delmar L. Wesseler

"WHY WAIT 'TIL SPRING . . . DO IT NOW" is a familiar slogan to our Canadian women. This slogan is postmarked on each letter which is mailed from many areas in Canada.

Yes, why WAIT 'til Spring? Why wait for a more convenient time to do what the Lord is telling us to do? We all earnestly pray that God can find a place to use us, but are we really willing to be used when he calls upon us for some seemingly unimportant task? Are we willing for that hard and unrewarding task, or would we rather accept just the "comfortable" amount to do? When we pray, we should be willing to become an answer to that prayer!

As dedicated members of WMU, I feel that we have more responsibility than the average church woman. We have the many privileges of learning about the work on our mission fields, feeling the very pulsation of the task of evangelizing, teaching and healing. We are rewarded with keenly evidenced spiritual growth as we give and pray in our "Meals for Missions" plan. Too, we are already realizing the enrichment from beginning the reading of our entire Bible—"All 66 in '66."

Since we partake of these great dividends which are a part of the Lord's work which concerns women, we should feel compelled to give first place to the Lord, not second or third place. God is not interested in our leftovers, for he desires the first and best of our talents, time and money.

I am very happy that you members have searched out new members during this past year. 543 NEW MEMBERS IS A FINE RECORD! Let's be very encouraged that we try to get at least that many or more new members this year!

I sincerely feel that as our theme, "The Christian Women—Today," is interwoven throughout all of the programming among our women this year, we will have a tremendous experience awaiting us! This timely theme should interest every type of woman in the church as well as those who aren't Christians. Show your concern for your neighbor, friend, and church sister. Interest her in WMU and in the Lord our Savior.

Why wait 'til spring; do it now!

The Minister's Workshop

Faculty members of the NAB Seminary and of the Christian Training Institute consider the Christian minister in his study and in his involvements in life situations and problems of our day.

By Mr. Edward Klatt, Professor in the Collegiate Department of the Christian Training Institute.

SPEAKING OF SCIENCE. To many evangelicals the word "science" brings to mind only one thing—evolution! They fail to appreciate the larger scope of scientific thought and influence. I would like to bring to your attention some fundamental problems in the realm of science and religion.

First, I would like to comment on our attitude toward the study of science. We should not be wary of studying science, fearing that it may cause us to question some of our time-honored beliefs. If our faith is that easily shaken, we have need to re-examine our foundation. Moreover, I do not believe that faith in God is determined by scientific discovery. A familiarity with science will enable us to dissipate that primitive awe and wonder so often accorded science by the uninformed of our day.

SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERIES

We cannot disregard research data accumulated by a scientist merely because he is not a Christian. We owe a large measure of respect to science for its accomplishments. Is there any reason, then, why we should not accept purely theoretically research when we are perfectly willing to make use of practical scientific discoveries?

Some evangelicals are quick to condemn the scientist for his apathy towards religion. "Why does he not investigate the claims of Christianity?" they ask, but they fail to see their own narrowness. To them God is merely a mystical concept.

Science can enhance our concept of God. For example, when told about the vastness of the universe we realize that God is even greater than we thought possible. When told of the intricacies of the atom, we realize that God's control of his universe reaches farther than was ever envisioned. Science has much to contribute to the depth of Christian experience.

Our conflict with science is more often a problem of failing to differentiate between our own interpretation and the inspiration of Scripture, rather than one of conflict with an actual scientific fact. Our thoughts about the Bible have often not gone beyond the "Sunday school level." Can it not be expected of a Christian that he study his Bible in the same disciplined manner in which the scientist searches for truth? Let us really study the Bible to see what it *does* say. However, it

is not to be assumed that science has the answers or is the authority. The methodology and attitudes of scientists are certainly not infallible or above reproach.

MORAL SAFEGUARDS

Modern science needs purpose and teleological ordering for its data. Science tries to answer the question: "How?" Religion, by contrast, tries to answer the question: "Why?" Science attempts to analyze how things, people and animals behave; it has no concern as to whether this behavior is good or bad or purposeful. Within the realm of religion one finds the answers to such questions as to whether an act is right or wrong, good or bad, and why this is the case.

Beyond the fact that science needs purpose and ordering to its data, we must consider what the effect of the modern scientific mental attitude is on contemporary morality. There is a need to explain and *emphasize* the social repercussions of these attitudes. For example, by teaching that all knowledge is relative and that the character of the universe is ateleological, science is removing the necessity for a set of absolute moral principles.

However, at least in some areas, such as in the use of its immense powers of destruction, science realizes its need for moral safeguards. The problems seem insurmountable. This same need for moral safeguards is evident on our college campuses. Science is not only failing to provide standards, but is succeeding in breaking them down. We need the absolute standard of right and wrong as provided in God's revealed Word.

PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

Much is said about "the scientific method." It is asserted that its proper use will lead you to the right conclusions. Among other things, the scientist must begin with a "neutral position" and allow any hypothesis to stand until, after repeated experimentation, some of these are proven unacceptable. This sounds well until we examine it closely.

Can anyone be "neutral"? All of us have preconceived ideas, and many scientists show distinct signs of prejudice against Christianity. But more important than this is the fact that God, being Spirit (that is, non-physical), cannot be experimentally investigated and,

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SEMINARY CONVOCATION

MARCH 24 and 25, 1966

Dr. Eugene Nida, an Executive Secretary of the American Bible Society, will be the guest lecturer at the Spring Convocation to be held at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Thursday and Friday, March 24 and 25, 1966. The lectures will focus on the theme of "Communicating the Word of God."

Dr. Nida has traveled in more than 60 countries scattered over four continents. His keen interest in the field of linguistics has led him to do research in more than 80 languages.

More than 16 books and 23 articles have come from his prolific pen. His more recent books include: *Toward a Science of Translating*, published by E. J. Brill in 1964; co-author of *A Translator's Handbook on Mark*, E. J. Brill, 1960; and *Message and Mission*, 1960.

The Seminary extends a most cordial invitation to all pastors to attend the sessions of the Convocation which will begin Thursday noon, March 24, and conclude Friday noon, March 25, 1966.

U. S. ARMY CHAPLAINS ARE NEEDED NOW!

In view of the intensification of the United States' efforts in Vietnam, the present requirement for additional U. S. Army Chaplains has had to be increased. There is now a desperate need for additional qualified chaplain candidates, as reported to Dr. Frank H. Woyke by Charles E. Brown, Jr., Chief of Chaplains of the U. S. Army.

Dr. Woyke replied that we of the North American Baptist General Conference are publicizing this need and are hopeful about the possibility of filling the two additional spaces allocated to our General Conference. We trust that eligible young men in our ranks will consider this appeal seriously and prayerfully.

We call your attention to the fact that any interested pastors are asked to write directly to: "Charles E. Brown, Jr., Chaplain (Major General), USA, Headquarters Department of the Army, Washington, D. C. 20315. As far as ecclesiastical endorsement is concerned, this will be processed through the General Commission on Chaplains, 122 Maryland Avenue, N. E., Washington, D. C. 20002. If you should decide to apply for appointment, we shall appreciate it if you will so notify our office also in Forest Park, Ill.

MINISTER'S WORKSHOP

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in this way, have his existence established. To be sure, the scientific method has proven itself time and time again, but we must be aware of its limitations.

One cannot answer isolated questions successfully without having a concept of the whole. Therefore, it is necessary that we develop a philosophy of science—one which embraces the spirit of the movement as well as its content.

BIBLE DAY MARCH 13, 1966

- Order filmstrip and films on the Bible. (See next column on this page).
- Offering for distribution of Bibles Through our Roger Williams Press and for the ministry of the American Bible Society.

FOR A QUIET PLACE

For everyone, Lord, let there be
A place of deep tranquillity
As undemanding as a pool
Within a meadow, twilight-cool;
As kind as vespers winds that bless
The heart with healing tenderness.
And oh, whatever be the place,
Lord, let the heart feel holy grace
And in that chapel find the fair,
Restoring sustenance of prayer.
—Grace V. Watkins

NEWS AND NEEDS

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the Temple Baptist Church of Jamestown, N. Dak. This is such a fascinating and challenging story that for the first time two pages were required to tell this account. Read the article on pages 6 and 7 of this issue and thank God for the privilege that is yours to serve as a dedicated Church Extension Builder!

PROVIDE FOR YOURSELVES

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with our denominational family—its personnel and its program. A well-balanced program has been planned for you.

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The story of John Eliot, missionary to the Indians, and how he translated the Bible for the Massachusetts Indians.

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Tells the true story of a young African boy who wanted a complete Bible of his own.

THE LIVING HARVEST

Describes the work of the Bible Society in Brazil in translating, publishing and distributing the Scriptures.

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Portrays many important events in the Bible's development and its influence on American history.

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A first person account how the Scriptures are distributed to people of special need.

TEAHOUSE ALONG AN INDIAN ROAD

The true story of the conversion of a Moslem priest and his evangelistic work among his people.

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sunday school lessons

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

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: March 6, 1966

Theme: MAN'S COMMUNION WITH GOD

Scripture: Luke 11:1-4, 9-13;
I John 1:1-3

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Only as we develop an on-going communion with God will we learn to know him better, and to see more clearly his unfolding will for our lives.

INTRODUCTION: The ordinary Christian may find the goals and ideals in the New Testament too far beyond his reach. Jesus says, "Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect." Words and thoughts such as these may turn the heart of even the most sincere Christian to discouragement. When Paul recommends that we attain to the "measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ," we can almost feel ourselves becoming smaller in stature.

Jesus also teaches that "men ought always to pray and not to faint." Immediately we become aware of the weakness of our prayer life. Naturally God does not expect us to reach perfection or maturity in one day—not even in one year. But a beginning must be made. We will never get to know God very well by having a two minute visit with him on occasion. We must learn to know God by living with him intimately in our daily experience.

I. LEARNING TO PRAY. Luke 11:1-4.

When the disciples compared their praying with that of Jesus, they began to realize that something was missing. They longed for a more meaningful experience which would bring them in closer communion with God.

It is important to note in the prayer that God and his Kingdom come before our personal needs. Many Christians think of prayer as getting something from God. But if our communion is to be effective, then we must recognize the need for worship and adoration. He has an individual concern for us but we need to feel constrained to express interest in God's purpose for the world.

The prayer sets no conditions for the luxuries of life, only the necessities. It is true that man does not live by bread alone, but neither does he live without it. Forgiveness, the grace to forgive, strength in time of temptation and deliverance from evil are necessary for a healthy spiritual life.

II. PERSISTENCE IN PRAYER. Luke 11:9-13.

It is easy to give up when we do

not establish a meaningful communion with God within a prescribed period of time. There must be repeated and continuous action on our part. Faith and trust in a heavenly Father will not go unrewarded. Naturally not all our prayers will be answered in the affirmative, for we must remember that "no" is also an answer. We can be sure, however, that God will give us only good gifts.

III. THE FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER. I John 1:1-3.

All of the senses of our body and spirit are affected in our communion with God. Jesus gave an example of what life can be when it is lived in fellowship with God. These first followers of Jesus declared that men can find the same relationship with God that they had found. A habitual walk with God will bring an abiding sense of his presence.

Questions for Discussion

1. Why did the disciples need to learn how to pray when they were with Jesus continually?

2. Is prayer always a matter of talking to God?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: March 13, 1966

Theme: MAN'S RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS

Scripture: Ephesians 4:25-32;
James 2:8-10, 14-17

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: The relationship a man has with God will become evident in his relationship with his fellowmen.

INTRODUCTION: Man lives vertically but he also lives horizontally. Too often, when we think of worship and religion, we think only of God. We forget that our worship and religion will do us little good unless they are related to everyday living. The better we get to know God, the more we realize how much we are responsible to other people. Like Jesus we must go apart and rest awhile and like Jesus we must go about doing good. If we desire to share life with God, then we must be willing to share it with other people. In a world in which our attention is drawn so strongly to things, it is time that the Christian realizes that he is to be drawn to Christ. And if he is drawn to Christ, he will be drawn to the needs of men.

I. THE CHRISTIAN'S SPIRITUAL QUALIFICATIONS. Eph. 4:25-32.

People are soon aware of our repu-

tations. Liars cannot long hide behind falsehood. The character of the followers of Christ should be such that it should be said of them, "The Christians always tell the truth." In order to have a meaningful relationship with our fellow Christians there must be an atmosphere of mutual trust. If a neighbor cannot depend upon a man's integrity, it reflects not only on the individual but upon the church of which he is a member.

He must also let the Holy Spirit control his emotions. There is a thin line between righteous anger and sinful temper, and it takes a strong, mature Christian to know when to become righteously angry and to express it with conviction and not with hatefulness. A fit of anger can make you unfit to be a Christian.

His honesty must also be apparent. He will give his employer an honest day's work for an honest day's wages. He will be more interested in hard work than in sharp dealing.

Slander, gossip and vulgar stories have no place in the Christian's vocabulary. It defiles the person who utters it as well as the minds of those who hear it.

II. STRENGTHENING HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS. James 2:8-10, 14-17.

Our Christianity must have a positive influence upon our fellowmen. James encouraged a practical expression of Christian faith. There seemed to be a tendency to treat the rich and influential members of the church with more respect than the poor or ordinary members. Although they were careful to keep all the laws of Moses, James reminded them that in the breaking of one they are guilty of all. If they broke the Christian law of love, they were still sinners in the sight of God. All of their Jewish training would do them no good if it was not permeated with the Spirit of love as found in Jesus Christ.

This love must be supported by an active faith. Live and let live is no motto for a Christian; he must also be willing to help others to live. To say, "God bless you," to a poor beggar, no matter how sincere, will not alleviate his hunger pains. Blessed words must be accompanied by blessed works.

Questions for Discussion

1. How is it possible to be angry and tenderhearted at the same time?

2. With all the intensive competition in the world of business, is it still possible to be honest and truthful?

3. Is it possible to have a saving faith without a practicing faith?

our denomination in action

sunday school programs & events

LINTON, N. DAK. Recently, the Sunday school of the First Baptist Church, Linton, N. Dak., presented Sallman's "Head of Christ" to two grand award winners in the Scripture Memory Program. The two completing the course are Kathy Job and Robert Walther. Mrs. Dan Tschritter is director of the work, assisted by Miss Loretta Breckel. Over 20 children are enrolled in this program. On Dec. 28, it was our privilege to have "The King's Crusaders," a Gospel Team from the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta bring a program to us. The fellowship with these young people was enjoyed by all. On Jan. 21, Dr. R. Schilke, general mission secretary, was with us for a Missionary Rally. He not only challenged our hearts in regards to our denominational missionary work, but also showed us slides concerning our future work in Brazil. (Mrs. Herman Effa, Reporter).

BETHANY, VANCOUVER, B. C. The Sunday school of the Bethany Baptist Church of Vancouver, B. C., sponsors of our Scripture Memory program, presented the Grand Award to two young girls who had completed the nine year course. There were 60 other youngsters who were awarded pins and bars for completing their respective year's assignments. We thank the Lord for these children who take the time and show an interest in learning these verses of Scripture. It is hoped they will not only cherish them in their hearts but be able to apply them in their daily living. We are grateful to Mrs. B. Hiller, who has been the sponsor of this project for many years. (Mrs. Rainer Zindler, Reporter).

MCDERMOT AVE., WINNIPEG, MAN. A capacity crowd of over 800 people filled McDermot Ave. Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Man., for the annual Sunday school program. The able chairman was Mr. Gerry Wachsmann, newly elected superintendent for 1966. A welcome was extended to Mr. Hans Rogalski, superintendent. The Primary and Beginners children as usual delighted parents and friends with their recitations and songs. A very fine pageant was presented by the Junior and Intermediate classes. Special numbers were a violin and organ duet by Art Abram and Irvine Kitsch, and a vocal solo by Hans Rogalski. Several Christmas carols were beautifully sung by a Junior choir directed by Dieter Hettig. We are also happy to report that we have had five Grand Award Scripture Memory Winners for 1964-65. A total of 91 children are enrolled for the current term. Mrs. Meta Schmidt is the



Kathy Job and Robert Walther of the First Baptist Church, Linton, N.D. receive the grand award prize for completing the Scripture Memory Work from Mrs. Dan Tschritter, director.

capable sponsor. She is assisted by 11 helpers. (Alice Parr, Reporter).

special events

PLEVNA, MONTANA. At the First Baptist Church, Plevna, Montana, the choir concert, directed by Mrs. Edward Kopf, was held before the college students returned to school. The choir was accompanied by our faithful organist, Mrs. Wilmer Huber. Dr. R. Schilke of Forest Park, Ill., was our guest speaker for the Harvest and Mission Sunday on Oct. 3. The offerings for the day totalled \$8,534.11. Rev. Herbert Vetter of Missoula, Mont., was with us for 10 days of special meetings. We were all blessed by his heart searching messages. On Dec. 31 we held our Watch Night service. Special music was brought by each organization of the church. "Testimony Time" was the occasion for praise and thanksgiving.



Bethany Baptist Sunday School, Vancouver, British Columbia
Left to right: Mr. Erick Strelau, S. S. Superintendent; Linda Strelau and Marlene Hass, grand award winners in Scripture memorization; and Mrs. B. Hiller, Scripture Memorization sponsor.

followed by the communion service. Our pastor, Rev. Edward Kopf, has encouraged us for this new year to read through our Bibles. (Mrs. Walter Hochhalter, Reporter).

SECOND, NEW YORK, N. Y. The Second German Baptist Church of New York City, N. Y., has purchased land in Little Neck, New York for relocation purposes. It plans to sell the old church building and build a new sanctuary on the newly acquired premises on 53-34 Browvale Lane, Little Neck, N. Y. The property has an older house which is large enough for temporary meetings and parsonage. Our pastor, the Rev. Daniel Kolke, is already living in Little Neck, N. Y. The new church is to be known as the Zion Baptist Church of Little Neck, New York. The congregation of the Second German Baptist Church is deeply indebted with gratitude to God and to our denomination without whose help the acquisition of a new church site would not have been possible. The cost of the land and house was \$51,350. (Mrs. Hilde Borrmann, Church Secretary).

PENN HILLS, PITTSBURGH, PA. Calvary Baptist Church of Penn Hills, Pittsburgh, Pa., began the New Year by publicly welcoming 12 new members into the church on the first Sunday of 1966. Officially received as members in late December, five of them were baptized Dec. 26 using the facilities of a sister church, Holiday Park Baptist. Under the direction of its new pastor, Rev. Donald N. Hulin, who came last June, the young congregation has been growing and will break ground for a new building as soon as weather permits.

Temporarily meeting in a Garden Club located in the center of one of Pittsburgh's finest suburbs, Calvary Baptist Church of Penn Hills is having an ever-widening ministry to people from all levels of society. The pastor is constantly called upon for counseling in all sections of the city and the members are becoming actively and redemptively involved with people from the area.

PLUM CREEK, EMERY, S. DAK. The Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, S. Dak., observed its annual Rally and Promotion Sunday on Sept. 19th with decorations of flowers and vegetables and grain, thereby acknowledging God's bounteous blessings. Those completing their Scripture Memorization Course and receiving the award picture were Dale Stoll and Joyce Jucht. The Senior C.B.Y.F. is taking part in the opening part of every Sunday evening service by leading the song service, reading Scripture and leading in prayer, besides sharing in a poem. We had our Crusade for Christ meet-

ings with our pastor, Rev. Walter Hoffman, and his family, Nov. 21-28. Blessings were ours when we shared the joy in seeing two young people come forward to express their desire to follow Christ. During these special meetings, the Church sponsored a daily five minute program called "SACRED SOUNDS," which was released over the Mitchell radio station. Our Christmas Sunday school program was held on Christmas Eve. On Sunday, Dec. 26, the Chorus Choir presented the cantata, "While Shepherds Watched." We observed the Watch Night service by viewing the film, "The Master's Face," and entered the New Year with praise and prayer. (Mrs. Ed. Decker, Reporter).

CHEROKEE, OKLAHOMA. Bethel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Jerry Vilhauer is happy to report progress during the past months. Several families, who fellowshiped with us several years ago, are back with us. Also other people from other Baptist fellowships have placed their membership with us. This is definitely a victory for us. Then we are proud of our four college young people. Most of these students are home over the week-end and worship with us. One of our college students, Weldon M. Harms, was nominated to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno



The Chorus Choir of the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, S. Dak., that rendered the cantata, "While Shepherds Watched."

Harms.

Our Baptist Men's organization has been busy working on preparations for our annual event on Feb. 14, the Sweetheart Banquet. The men entertained their wives and fiancées. Our greatest anticipation is the coming of God's Volunteers March 13-20. Preparation by prayer, compiling of a prospect list, and booking of publicity appearances are in progress. Team No. 1 with Rev. Edgar Klatt, director, is scheduled to be with us. Our sincere prayer is that they will be a blessing to our community and we to them.

evangelistic services & baptisms

ZION, MILWAUKEE, WIS. The German Zion Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., held a baptismal service on Dec. 31 at its Watch Night service. From Oct. 24-31 evangelistic meetings had been held by Rev. and Mrs. Rudolph Schmidt. The meetings were well attended and enhanced by the singing of Mrs. Schmidt and violin numbers by Mr. Schmidt. On Dec. 31, thirteen candidates were baptized by our pastor, Rev. R. Kerstan. In the last hour we had an informal service of testimonies, songs, and prayers. We as a church are very grateful to our pastor, Rev. R. Kerstan, who so ably and faithfully is serving us as a shepherd of

God's fold. On Jan. 3, 1966 the hand of fellowship was extended to 15 people whose desire it is to worship with us. (Mrs. Bruno Ziegler, Reporter).

HILDA, ALBERTA. From Nov. 10 to 19 the Hilda Baptist Church, Hilda, Alta., was privileged to have Rev. W. Sibley from Edmonton conduct evangelistic meetings. These were days of soul searching and blessing for all who attended. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Hilda Church presented its annual program on Nov. 21. President I. Anderst and vice-president M. Rapske were the readers in the pageant, "The Voice of the Women." Also the



Rev. R. Kerstan, pastor of the German Zion Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., with 13 converts who were baptized on confession of their faith in Christ at the Watch Night service.

film, "The Story of Yoshiyo," was shown with J. Kirschenmann as narrator. Reports from the treasurer and secretary were also given. The C.B.Y.F. of the Hilda Church presented the play, "The Cobbler's Shop," on Dec. 19 with Elmer Anderst directing. This play contained a good message for all. We trust that the Lord will bless the efforts of these young people. (Mrs. A. Schatz, Reporter).

TURTLE LAKE, N. DAK. We of the Baptist Church, Turtle Lake, N. Dak., were privileged to have God's Volunteers Team I in our community in November for several weeks of meetings and visitation. This talented group of dedicated young people with their counselor and director, Pastor Edgar Klatt, was an inspiration to all. One week prior to their coming several hundred new hymnals were dedicated to the service of God at an impressive Sunday morning church service. On Sunday, January 9th, twelve people were received into the membership of the church at a combined communion service. Nine of these were baptized at an impressive baptismal service held one week earlier. Rev. Orville H. Meth is pastor of the church. (Mrs. Reuben Bauer, Reporter).



Rev. Henry Schumacher, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alta., and 7 baptismal candidates.

TEMPLE CHURCH, MEDICINE HAT, ALTA. On Dec. 19, the choir of the Temple Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alberta, rendered the cantata, "The Great Light," beautifully portraying the birth of the Christ-child in song and readings. On Dec. 24 the Sunday school presented its program and on Dec. 26 the young people rendered the play, "Christmas Miracles." It was indeed a great joy to witness a baptismal service on New Year's Eve when Rev. Henry Schumacher, our pastor, baptized 7 girls and boys. The first week of January was set aside as a Week of Prayer in which many of the churches gathered at the Temple Church to hear guest speaker, Rev. Lowell Young, of Calgary. His messages were taken from II Timothy 3:16, 17. The services were well attended. (Emma Weber).



Rev. Orville H. Meth (left, rear row), pastor of the Baptist Church, Turtle Lake, N. Dak., and 12 new members received into the church by baptism and letter on Jan. 9th.

ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

COLFAX, WASH. Rev. Bernard Edinger was installed as the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Colfax, Wash., on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12. Eugene Mohr, chairman of the pulpit committee, was master of ceremonies at this impressive service. Rev. E. Wayne Roberts, executive minister of the American Baptist churches of the Pacific Northwest, gave the challenging installation message, "Called to Serve." The prayer of dedication was given by Rev. Joe Sonnenberg, Western District Secretary of the N.A.B. General Conference. Rev. H. E. Widmer, who had been interim pastor for six months gave the charge to the new pastor. Others appearing on the program included: Wm. H. Burns, mayor of the city of Colfax; Rev. John Branden, president of the Ministerial Association; Rev. E. James Cain, president of the Whitman Association; Rev. George Swank and Rev. J. E. H. Nelson. The church choir presented two special numbers under the direction of Ken Krueger. About 275 members and friends who had come from neighboring churches in the Association and Conference area offered their good wishes to the Edinger family at the reception that was held following the installation program. (Erma Jean Krueger, Reporter).

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY, MR. AND MRS. THEODOR HERR. On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, many friends gathered at the Trochu Baptist Church, Trochu, Alta., to honor Mr. and Mrs. T. Heer on their 50th wedding anniversary. The program featured poems, a solo, male quartet number, a trio by their grandchildren and a talk by the pastor, Rev. O. Fritzke, based on Isaiah 10:41. Mr. John Schmierer was master of ceremonies. Mr. Roy Davidson, M. L. A. for this constituency, spoke a few fitting words for the occasion and presented Mr. and Mrs. Heer with two certificates from Premier E. C. Manning and the Lieutenant Governor Percy Page of Alberta. Various gift presentations were

also made. Mr. and Mrs. Heer were united in marriage at Trochu on Dec. 12, 1915 and are faithful members of the Trochu Baptist Church. (Mrs. Harry Strohschein, Reporter).

EBENEZER, SASK. Many readers already know that Rev. and Mrs. W. Dickau and family have left the Ebenezer Church of Ebenezer, Sask., and taken up the Church Extension work in Dickinson, N. Dak. Rev. and Mrs. Norman Taylor and family came to us two weeks after the Dickau's had left. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor served as missionaries to the Indians in Northern Ontario and Northern Manitoba. They worked under the Northern Canada Evangelical Mission for 8 years. The last 3½ years were spent teaching in the Indian Bible School at Island Lake, Manitoba. The Taylors have three children: David, age 13; Philip 10; and Mark 8. We thank the Lord for sending the Taylors to us and our prayer is that as we work together the Lord will give them much fruit for their labor. (Mrs. Donald Neibrandt, Reporter).



Mr. and Mrs. Theodor Heer of Trochu, Alberta at their golden wedding anniversary celebration. Mrs. Heer's mother who had just celebrated her 92nd birthday is seated at the left.

NAMAO PARK, EDMONTON, ALTA. On Sunday, Nov. 14, the Namao Park Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alta., held a reception to welcome its new pastor and family, Rev. Fred W. Pahl, his wife and two children, Gerhart and Susan, who came to us from Spring-side, Sask. A program was presented in the afternoon with Rev. Richard Hohensee in charge, the former pastor who is now minister of the Central Church of Edmonton. Representatives of the various organizations of the church extended a warm welcome. Also neighboring churches expressed their welcome to them. We are very grateful to God for answering our prayers in sending us our new pastor. (Mrs. G. Alger, Reporter).

ARNPRIOR, ONTARIO. Rev. and Mrs. Loren Weber were welcomed to the ministry of the First Baptist Church, Arnprior, Ontario on a recent Sunday afternoon by Mayor W. E. Prentice, Hon. J. J. Greene, Rev. Murray McBride and Rev. Rubin Kern at an installation service. Mr. Irvin Wermke, chairman of the Board of



Rev. and Mrs. Norman Taylor and family of Ebenezer, Saskatchewan as they began their ministry as the new pastor's family at the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Deacons, introduced Mayor Prentice, who in performing his first official duty, welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Loren Weber to "probably the best town in the Ottawa Valley." Hon. J. J. Greene said in welcoming a citizen of the United States to this constituency that he had found "nothing but friendship and kindness here." He added that in his career "as I see more of the affairs of men, the affairs of the Lord are much more important in this world than anything we do in the lay field." Mrs. Bert Blackmore sang a solo "Bless This House" at the conclusion of the program which featured many addresses of welcome by church representatives and civic and church leaders of Arnprior. Prior to the service, church organist, Miss Lynda Langford, presented an organ prelude of sacred music. (Mrs. Elsie Frieday, Reporter).

ELK GROVE, CALIF. Arriving with his family in Elk Grove, Calif., on New Year's Day Rev. Merle Brenner brought his first message to us on Jan. 2. The following week we had cottage prayer meetings in homes of members. On

Friday evening, members and friends gathered at the church for a pot-luck dinner and reception for the pastor, Mrs. Brenner and family. Our church moderator, Frank Veninga, was Master of Ceremonies and the following organizations welcomed the Brenners into our church: Ed Schuh represented the Deacons; John Stumph, Sunday School; Frank Mantz, Trustees; Mrs. Sidney Ranger, Choir; Mrs. Ruth Kammerer, Woman's Missionary Society; Paul Wageman, C.B.Y.; and Ed Neher, Men's Brotherhood.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 9, 295 people attended the formal reception at the First Baptist Church in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Merle Brenner and family. Greetings and words of welcome were brought by Rev. Aaron Buhler of Lodi; Rev. Eldon Schroder of Lodi; Dr. Louis Johnson of Sacramento; Mr. Fred Burzloff, Deacon of the Swain Oaks Baptist Church of Stockton; Rev.

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William Acton of Sacramento. Mr. Robert Schmidt, member of our church and a Professor at Sacramento State College, sang a solo. Rev. Joe Sonnenberg, Western District Secretary, brought the evening message, "There Was a Man" from John 1:6, 7, 8. Rev. and Mrs. Merle Brenner come to us from Ellinwood, Kansas. They have four children: Carl, Barbara, David, and Marilyn, ages 9 to 13. (Mrs. Elsie Heitzmann, Reporter).

special seasonal programs

CALVARY, ABERDEEN, S. DAK. We of the Calvary Baptist Church, Aberdeen, S. Dak., had the joy of seeing the Billy Graham film, "Lucia," on New Year's Eve. It has a thrilling and heart stirring message. The service was well attended by friends and visitors. After the Fellowship Hour, we heard a heart searching message from the pastor, Rev. John Thielenhaus, followed by the Lord's Supper to close the old year and to start the new year. We thank the Lord for all his blessings. (Willard Tesky, Reporter).

WILLOW RANCHO, SACRAMENTO, CALIF. December was a month of blessing for the members of the Willow Rancho Church, Sacramento, Calif. Every organization and department had a vital part in bringing out the true meaning of Christmas in plays, programs, etc. On Dec. 12th the Senior C.B.Y. presented "Christmas in the Snow," an original play written by Mrs. Jean Overstreet, one of their counselors. Our Church Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Louis Johnson, rendered the beautiful cantata, "Song Unending," on Dec. 19th. The Sunday school program was given Dec. 22 to a full house and on Dec. 26th it was our joy to witness the baptism of 10 persons who had recently accepted the Lord. Our pastor is Dr. Louis R. Johnson. (Mrs. W. W. Rueb, Reporter).

NAMAO PARK, EDMONTON, ALTA. On Sunday evening, Dec. 5, 1965, the young people of the Namao Park Baptist Church and the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alta., presented a White Christmas program at the Namao Park Church. It featured various musical numbers and the play, "To All People," under the direction of Mr. David Lake. It was a story about a family who were brought into a closer walk with Christ through a visitor in their home at Christmas

time. On Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, the Namao Park Sunday school presented its annual Christmas program. The Sunday school choir also sang "O Holy Night."

Then on Sunday, Dec. 26, the church choir presented the Christmas cantata, "The Songs of Christmas," under the direction of Mr. Willy Schubert and Mrs. N. Kilpatrick as organist. On New Year's Eve the church held its Watch Night service at which time Rev. S. Paulson of Saskatoon, Sask., showed the film, "Steps of Faith," the life of J. Hudson Taylor, missionary. (Mrs. G. Alger, Reporter).

TRINITY, WARREN, MICH. The holiday season was a busy time for the members and friends of the Trinity Baptist Church of Warren, Mich. The Woman's Missionary Union had a Christmas party on Dec. 17 with Miss Vera Thiessen, missionary to the Congo, as guest of honor. The play from the N.A.B. program packet "The Spirit of Christmas," was presented in addition to Miss Thiessen speaking of her plans to return to the Congo. On the evening of Dec. 19, the Sunday school children presented Moody Monthly's Christmas program, "Unto Us a King." The Christmas cantata, "The Greatest Gift," under the direction of Mr. Vance Crane with organ accompanist, Mrs. Clarence Wheeler and piano accompanist, Mrs. Bill Kistler, was presented by the adult choir on Dec. 26.

We at Trinity do not have a Watch Night service. Instead on New Year's Eve, church families come together for supper at 6:00 P.M. followed by a program. Our music this year consisted of a trumpet trio from our church, as well as a mixed quartet and girls' trio from the Clinton Valley Youth for Christ under the direction of Mr. Gary Ferdig. Several young people participated in a candlelight ceremony in which each one, as they lit their can-

dle, told of the blessings of the year 1965 and of their decisions to be better Christians in 1966. The service was climaxed with Rev. Alan Heron bringing a challenging message for the New Year. (Mrs. Clarence Wheeler, Reporter).

woman's missionary societies

ZION, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. On Sunday, Dec. 12, the women of the German Zion Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., held its annual Advent program. Our hearts were tuned to the great promise of our Lord's return by a ladies' choir, duets and recitations. Also a short play challenged us to have a heart for the needy around us. The Bethel Baptist ladies were our guests. An offering of \$420 was received for the project of the Woman's Missionary Union of our denomination. (Mrs. Bruno Ziegler, Reporter).

CBY (youth) fellowship

WILLOW RANCHO, SACRAMENTO, CALIF. "Candlelight and Silver" was the theme of the Senior C.B.Y. banquet held at the Willow Rancho Baptist Church, Sacramento, Calif., on Dec. 17th. Special guests for the occasion were the young people from Elk Grove. The speaker for the evening was Monte Burnham who works with "Young Life" organization. On Dec. 26th our young people were hosts to the once-a-month Singspiration which includes all N.A.B. churches in Northern California. (Mrs. W. W. Rueb, Reporter).

DURHAM, KANSAS. The boys and girls of the Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas brought great joy to the children at the mission field in Rio Grande City, Texas at Christmas. Instead of the usual gift exchange among themselves and their teachers, they gave things very unselfishly that the Mexican children can use in their Sunday school. The Young Teen Class chose to adopt a needy teen-ager in the vicinity for their Christmas project. Her identity remains unknown to the class but she received many useful Christmas gifts that were a blessing to all. (Mrs. Glen Klinkerman, Reporter).

EVENTIDE

This day is done; the shadows fall;
I fold my cares away
And rest in peace. For he who guides
My footsteps through the day
Will give to his beloved sleep
As falls the twilight dim.
The cares that fretted me are gone.
I left them all with him.

—Mary Anderson

BAPTIST HERALD

Obituary

MRS. LUCINDA HELWIG of Neustadt, Ontario

Mrs. Lucinda Helwig of Neustadt, Ontario passed away suddenly on Sept. 23, 1965 in her 67th year. She was a loyal member of the Neustadt Baptist Church for 52 years. Mrs. Helwig was a devoted worker in the church but notably served her Lord with her gift of song in the Mission Circle. Her Christian personality and example were an influence for good to all who knew her. She is survived by her husband Lynn Helwig; 7 sons, 18 grandchildren and one sister. Rev. J. E. Atkinson spoke words of comfort on Psalm 116:15. Rev. Wm. Brown was the soloist.

Neustadt, Ontario
PHYLLIS VOELKEL, Church Clerk

MR. ALFRED DERBECKER of Neustadt, Ontario

Mr. Alfred Derbecker of Neustadt, Ontario passed away suddenly on Oct. 29, 1965 in his 70th year. Mr. Derbecker's passing has left a deep void in the Neustadt Baptist Church of which he was a member for over 36 years and where he served quietly, unselfishly and efficiently in many capacities. His Christian witness in the community will long be remembered. Surviving are his wife, Mamie; 3 sons, 2 daughters, 9 grandchildren. Rev. J. E. Atkinson brought words of comfort using Ecclesiastes 7:1 as the text. Rev. Wm. Brown sang "Jesus Whispers Peace."

Neustadt, Ontario
PHYLLIS VOELKEL, Church Clerk

MR. HERMAN SETTJE, SR. of Creston, Nebraska

Mr. Herman Settje, Sr., of Creston, Neb., was born at Akron, Colorado on April 6, 1890. He came to Nebraska at the age of six and resided in the vicinity as a farmer for the remainder of his life. On May 7, 1914 he was united in marriage to Ida Meyer. After 51 years of married life, he passed away on Dec. 30, 1965.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters: Mrs. Roland (Irma) Fehaus of Corona, S.D.; Mrs. Kenneth (Donna) Schulz of Madison, Neb.; six sons: Wilbur, Neb.; Clarence, Washougal, Wash.; Virgil, Milbank, S.D.; Herman, Jr., Gene and Stanley, all of Creston; two sisters: Mrs. Fred (Olga) Meyer, Calif.; Mrs. Louis (Meta) Meyer, Fremont, Neb.; four brothers: Emil, Fremont, Neb.; Rudy, Brookfield, Illinois; William, Columbus, Neb.; Gus, Omaha, Neb. Surviving him also are 31 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held in the Creston Baptist Church and burial was in the Creston Cemetery.

Creston, Nebraska
JAMES A. SCHACHER, Pastor

MR. HENRY GRENZ of Fredonia, North Dakota

Mr. Henry Grenz of Fredonia, N. Dak., son of the late Gottlieb and Magdalena Grenz, was born on May 15, 1915, in McIntosh County, N. Dak., where he grew up on the farm, a ward of his parents. In 1943 they moved to Fredonia, N. Dak., to retire. His mother passed away in Aug. 1962 and his father in Aug. 1965. After the last illness of his father, his wish was that Henry be placed in the Grafton State School which he entered on July 19, 1965. Due to a coronary condition he passed away on Jan. 3, 1966 at the age of 49 years, 8 months and 18 days.

In spite of his physical handicap, Henry loved the Lord and was always glad when he could go to church where the words, "Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven," felt so real. His disposition was always a very friendly one. Looking forward to that great reunion across the Divide are 2 brothers: Theodore, Mobridge, S. D.; Karl, Fredonia, N. D.; and 2 sisters: Pauline Wolf, Sioux Falls, S. D.; and Bertha Hoffman, Fredonia, N. Dak.

Berlin Baptist Church
Fredonia, North Dakota
DAVID LITKE, Pastor

MR. ARTHUR A. AHRENS of Trenton, Illinois

Mr. Arthur A. Ahrens of Trenton, Ill., was born on May 3, 1903 in Neudorf-Platen-dorf, Germany and died on Jan. 5, 1966 at the age of 62 years. He was the son of Henry and Marie Ahrens, nee Knigge, and never married. He lived with his sister, Miss Martha Ahrens, in Trenton. He accepted Christ as his Savior when 16 years of age and was baptized on June 29, 1919 by Rev. A. F. Runtz. He joined the First Baptist Church of which he was a faithful member until his death.

Surviving are a brother, Herman of Centra-llia, Ill.; and a sister, Miss Martha Ahrens of Trenton, Ill. Preceding him in death was a brother, William H. Ahrens of Trenton, Ill., and a sister, Mrs. Marie Weikum of Chicago, Ill. He leaves also two nephews, two nieces, and five grandnieces and four grandnephews. Funeral services were held Jan. 8, 1966 with Rev. C. R. Chadderdon bringing the message based on Rev. 7:9-10. Burial was in the Trenton City Cemetery.

Trenton, Illinois
C. R. CHADDERDON, Pastor

MR. HERMAN SPECHT of Green Bay, Wisconsin

Mr. Herman Specht of Green Bay, Wis., died recently at the Guardian Angel Nursing Home, Green Bay, where he had been residing with his wife for several months. Mr. Specht was born April 29, 1880, at Manitowoc Rapids, Wis. In 1905, he married the former Ida Rohrbach in the town of Kosuth where he farmed until 1945 when the couple moved to Green Bay. They observed their 60th wedding anniversary last year.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Manitowoc, and a former trustee and Sunday school teacher at the church. During his earlier years, he sang with the church choir and with the male quartets in the area. Surviving are his wife; two daughters: Mrs. J. C. (Ranetta) Williston of Green Bay and Mrs. W. C. (Mabel) Cravey of Breckenridge, Tex.; three brothers: Henry, George and Richard of Manitowoc; two sisters, Mrs. Albert Schielk of Milwaukee and Mrs. Frank Beneditz of Wausau; four grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Manitowoc, Wisconsin
HARVEY RACHOW, Pastor

MRS. JACOB ZUMBAUM of Goodrich, North Dakota

Mrs. Magdalene Zumbaum, nee Weber, of Goodrich, N. Dak., was born Dec. 16, 1874, in South Russia. She passed away Jan. 1, 1966 in the Bismarck hospital at the age of 91 years, 16 days. She came to the United States with her parents in 1882 and settled in Eureka, S.D. She married Jacob Zumbaum in Nov. 1897 to which union seven children were born. The couple moved to the Denhoff area in 1900 where they farmed until 1942 when they moved into the town of Goodrich. On March 4, 1889 she was converted to Christ, baptized on June 27, 1890 and united with the Baptist Church of Eureka, S.D. She transferred her membership to the First Baptist Church of Goodrich when they moved to this area, and had been a member of the Ladies Mission Society. Her prayer was to see all her children and grandchildren come to know Christ as their Savior.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter. Surviving are six sons: Arthur and Edward Zumbaum of Goodrich, N. D.; Bennie, Denhoff, N.D.; Emil, Stockton, Calif.; John and David, Sacramento, Calif.; 15 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, relatives and friends. Funeral services were held Jan. 7, 1966 with Rev. I. H. Schmuland and the pastor of the church, Rev. Jacob Ehman, officiating.

Goodrich, North Dakota
JACOB EHMAN, Pastor

ency on his "Heavenly Father" and his faith in the Lord are well known to those who were visitors in his home. His entire life was related to God and God's people and the church. Always he treated God's servants with respect and love.

It has been my personal privilege to work quite intimately with the departed for 25 years. I shall miss his wise counsel and his inquisitive concern in the denomination and in his beloved Canada. Mr. Streuber loved life, but was fully prepared to enter the more abundant life of his Lord.

IN MEMORIAM

MR. HERMAN STREUBER OF WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

By Rev. William Sturhahn
Northern District Secretary

The death of the late Mr. Herman Streuber of Winnipeg, Manitoba on Dec. 14, 1965 has closed a vital chapter in the history of immigration activities of North American Baptists. Mr. H. Streuber was a well known delegate at our General Conferences. He seldom failed to attend the Northern Conference sessions. He loved his Lord and Master and the Kingdom of God. Although his knowledge and vision were worldwide, he was a "one hundred percenter" in the support of our denominational outreach.

For forty years he held membership in the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church of Winnipeg, where he and his wife were baptized in 1923. His wisdom was appreciated, and his counsel was often sought, particularly during periods of crises. Mr. Streuber was for many years with a large, reputable insurance firm in Winnipeg. Through this business he had a large circle of friends in the city and in many towns and villages in the province of Manitoba.

IMMIGRATION MINISTRY

His outstanding contribution to our denomination and particularly to the Northern Conference was in the area of immigration. He understood how to organize and to visualize the effect of a good organization. As early as 1926 he became co-organizer with the late Rev. F. A. Bloedow of the North American Baptist Immigration and Colonization Society. This Society is incorporated in Canada under a Dominion Charter. It is still the effective arm through which we carry on our immigration and settlement program.

Shortly after the end of the war, he assisted hundreds of Baptist people through the Canadian Council for Resettlement of Refugees to immigrate to Canada. It was through Mr. Streuber's personal appeal to the Relief Committee of the Baptist World Alliance that a Baptist immigration ministry was organized in 1950. He spent nearly two years in Germany from 1950 to 1952, organizing and assisting Baptists in their effort to seek a new home.

Although Mr. Streuber was 84 years old, he felt young in heart and had visions and ideas that are usually associated with youth. Possessed by an indomitable confidence in the future of Canada, he unhesitatingly and constantly encouraged young people to seek their future in Canada. He rejoiced at success and achievement of his immigrants, whether in the economic, cultured or spiritual fields.

LOVE FOR GOD AND GOD'S PEOPLE

Mr. Streuber always had an aristocratic courtesy, with which he could meet people on all levels. His depend-

SEMINARY ACHIEVES LISTING—GOAL OF ACCREDITATION NEXT

The North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., is happy to announce that she has qualified for listing in the *Higher Education Directory*, Part 3: *Higher Education*, published by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Office of Education, Washington, D. C. The attaining of this goal represents about eleven years of work on the part of Seminary administration, trustees and loyal members of the denomination.

With this goal achieved, the Seminary moves into the semi-final stages of seeking full accreditation. In attaining the above goal the Seminary wishes sincerely to thank the members of the denomination for their faithful prayer, interest and support; and she asks for continued prayer on her behalf and resolute concern and support, especially in the Library Book Project, as she seeks to gain her goal of full accreditation.

"Great Giver of all good,
Teach us to give like thee;
Ours be the great beatitude
Of love and service free.
May we thy law of love
Fulfill in thought and deed;
Each generous impulse from above
Obey with joyful speed."

BIBLE DAY MARCH 13, 1966

- All recitation and program material has been sent to NAB Churches.
- Plan for an exhibit of old Bibles and Bible posters and literature.
- Offering for distribution of Bibles and New Testaments through our Roger Williams Press and for the ministry of the American Bible Society.
- Show the latest visual aids on the story of the Bible.

GATHER ROUND GOD'S WORD

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Bible Society in African dialects as well as in English and provided by Christian people with generous gifts through the Bible Day programs and the Society.

A GENEROUS OFFERING

This BIBLE SUNDAY should challenge every North American Baptist to have a generous share in this ministry of Bible distribution and the witness of the Gospel today. The Bible Sunday offerings will go entirely to the distribution of Bibles, New Testaments and Christian literature through our Roger Williams Press on the mission fields among the Indians, the Spanish-Ameri-

cans and in Cameroon, Africa and in Japan.

As North American Baptists we are making a generous offering to the work of the American and Canadian Bible Societies. We are hoping that this sum can be increased to at least an average of 5c per member in our Conference, which is minimal indeed. Another contribution of several hundred dollars will be made to the exciting new project of the new Japanese Bible for distribution in Japan. (See illustration on page 11). This translation of the New Testament has been backed by the Japan Council of Evangelical Missions and was printed by the Word of Life Press in Japan (which also printed our study book, "Opening Doors in Japan"). All of our missionaries in Japan and we at home are deeply concerned about the furtherance of this ministry of the Word.

Your gifts on BIBLE SUNDAY should bring unusual spiritual returns through the worldwide distribution of the Bible and of God's Word in various forms of the printed page. The needs today are tremendous and the doors are wide open for such an effective ministry. So as we gather around God's Word on Bible Sunday for the special program and observance, let us remember that

"Like children round a radiant light
We gather here, O Lord,
To hear what to our hearts there
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Be spoken from thy Word."

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