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## WHAT IS THE CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE

The Christian Training Institute is the only Baptist College in Central Canada which offers a degree and diploma program. Born through the untiring efforts and the earnest prayers of God's people, the school has ministered to the spiritual and academic needs of our youth since 1939. Several advantages add to make the Christian Training Institute a most desirable place of study:

**First** The school is located in a metropolitan center with a population in excess of 400,000. Students are thus introduced to the varied spiritual, psychological, and social needs of our contemporary urban society.

**Second** The Christian Training Institute is a Baptist school, Baptist distinctives are taught and practiced. Through its affiliation with the North American Baptist General Conference, the school benefits not only from wise counsel but is also assured of adequate financial support. As a result tuition costs are kept as low as possible.

**Third** Students attending the Christian Training Institute have ample opportunity for Christian service in such areas as preaching, teaching, and music. Sixteen churches of the North American Baptist Fellowship are situated in the city or in the immediate vicinity of Edmonton. In addition, students serve in city missions, boys and girls clubs, and churches of other denominations.

**Fourth** The Christian Training Institute has a faculty which is noted for its academic excellence and spiritual devotion. The school has earned associate standing with the American Association of Bible Colleges and holds a charter from the Province of Alberta for the granting of degrees. Its Senior Matriculation Program is fully accredited with the Department of Education of the Province of Alberta.

### WHAT DOES C.T.I. OFFER

In its quest to serve the educational and spiritual needs of our youth the Christian Training Institute has instituted five programs of study, three in the theological division and two in the collegiate division.

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Preparing young men and women for the Christian ministry and for missionary service.

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*Editorial*

## A MINISTRY TO YOUTH

Guest Editorial  
by Dr. A. S. Felberg,  
President,  
Christian Training Institute



The Christian Training Institute has served the youth of our denomination for two and a half decades with ever growing effectiveness.

In its Collegiate Division young people are assisted to complete their university entry requirements in a Christian environment; daily chapel services, prayer fellowship and Christian service activities give the student the opportunity to develop spiritually along with academic growth. The School seeks to minister to the whole man's needs of body, mind and soul by bringing together in human experience the enlightenment of the mind and the Spirit.

The Christian Workers Training Program has filled a large place in our Bible College Division; young men and women have taken from one to four years of special studies, each one to their own ability, in preparation for more effective Christian service in the local church, community, university and society in general. The courses in lay-leadership training have been constantly revised and upgraded to afford the student a better opportunity and greater achievement in Christian service.

The Pastoral Training Program has made its contribution in preparing men for the Gospel ministry. These men give a good account of themselves and meet the need for bilingual pastors and give spiritual leadership in many churches. Great care is exercised to prepare both the student anticipating missionary service and the student seeking the pastoral ministry to afford each a thorough training in theory and practice. In addition to all their class assignments, they are directed to practical service in teaching, preaching, personal evangelism, youth work, musical participation, and general preparation.

The Institute seeks in each of the program divisions to achieve the following objectives:

- (1) the development of Christ-like characteristics that manifest themselves in personal and social living, thereby giving evidence of the God-life in us through the Holy Spirit expressed in Christian love, sacrificial service, and devoted ministries.
- (2) the development of concern for the lost ex-

pressed in evangelistic endeavor in many ways and forms, at home and in foreign missions. This includes the training in personal, mass, clinical, industrial, social, educational, literature and general evangelism.

(3) the development of a personal devotional life by directing the individual to the source of strength through meditation in God's Word and in intimate communion with God through prayer. It is the aim to put at the heart of our existence the person and work of Jesus Christ, his devotion to the eternal realities, and his constant communion with the Father, that following his example the student may find power with God to live a Christ-like life.

(4) the development to better understand God's truth through concentrated biblical studies. This emphasis arises out of the conviction that the Christian worker must achieve a certain degree of mastery of the Scriptures to strengthen his own convictions, to teach others effectively, and to stand up to the false teachings of our day.

(5) the development of students in Christian standards of behavior and conduct. Students are guided in social and personal expression and behavior. Strong emphasis is placed upon the proper care of the body in matters of health and social ethics.

(6) the development of a sense of denominational involvements and the promoting of an awareness of the history and distinctives of North American Baptists.

The Christian Training Institute sincerely invites every reader to prayerfully support its effort in Christian Higher Education for a more effective service for the Lord and the denomination.

The following contributions by faculty members in this issue of the **Baptist Herald** further depict the ministry of the School, the events of this year's activities in our program, the highlights of student activities, the testimony of graduates and the objectives of our ministry.

Our prayer is that the Lord may have his way with and through us, that greater achievements may be realized in growth and service for Christ, his Kingdom and the denomination.



# The Role of a Bible College in Higher Education

by  
Bernard  
Schalm



IN 1869, two years after Canada was born, seven per cent of its eligible young people attended high school. Today, a century later, more than ninety per cent avail themselves of high school education. One hundred years ago a college degree was the status symbol of a select few. Today college education is a prerequisite for most "respectable" vocations. Our forefathers wrote education off as an "expense"; we enter it as an "investment." Figures released from the National Employment Office show that eighty per cent of all unemployed persons have grade eight education or less. Whether we like it or not, our future usefulness to society will depend to a large degree on the amount of education received. There are two principal ways in which young people can climb the ladder to success: one is to inherit money; the other is to get education. Either one will admit them to the noble company of the "status seekers." Faced with the rigorous demands in higher education, many Christian young people ask themselves: "Can I afford to spend two or three years in a Bible college? Will it be an investment or a liability?" Or, to put the question in more general terms, "What is the precise role of a Bible college in higher education?"

## THE QUEST FOR KNOWLEDGE

The primary purpose of an institution for higher learning is to aid students in the discovery of knowledge.

In the past this search for knowledge was three-dimensional, extending to the environment, to self, and to God. All three were legitimate areas of man's inquiry.

## KNOWLEDGE OF ENVIRONMENT

God's instructions with respect to man's environment are specific and clear. He commanded Adam to "build the Garden" and "subdue the earth." Adam and his descendants accepted the divine challenge. They cleared jungles, harnessed the powers of nature, and changed barren deserts into flowing gardens. Man also lifted his piercing eyes to the heavens above. As early as 4000 B.C. the Egyptians divided the lunar year into 365 days. Using even more exact astronomical calculations a Chaldean from Ur, the City of Abraham, concluded that the length of the year was 365 days, six hours, 15 minutes, and 41 seconds. What surprises us most is the accuracy of these calculations, for this Chaldean "pre-scientific scientist" overestimated the length of the year by only 26 minutes and 26 seconds.

## KNOWLEDGE OF SELF

Man's quest for knowledge was also directed toward self. The biblical query, "What is Man?" (Psalm 8:4), has occupied the minds of man from antiquity. Adam hoped to find an answer by observing animals—an occupation which is still popular with some psychologists. To his disappoint-

ment there was no animal like him. He was different not only in degree but also in kind. Discovery of self led to the discovery of guilt. Guilt, in turn, gave birth to fear; fear of God (Adam hid from God) and fear of self (Adam covered his nakedness). The more we probe into the depths of the human soul, the more we are inclined to exclaim with the psalmist of old, "I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14).

## KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

Finally, man's quest for knowledge was directed toward God. This search is seen in the creation of sacred literature, human attempts to expiate for sins through ritual and sacrifices, and man's inner compulsion to worship God. Man is indeed "incurably religious." With the rise of rationalism and theological liberalism, higher education became increasingly more secular in emphasis. Knowledge of God was divorced from knowledge of the environment and self. As a result, Christian young people today have an amazing grasp of general knowledge but are incredibly ignorant of their Christian heritage. Bible tests given to incoming students at the Christian Training Institute have shown a marked trend toward biblical illiteracy. Yet knowledge of God and knowledge of the Word of God are basic prerequisites for Christian witness. It is precisely at this point that the Bible

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REVIVALISM-FORMALISM-rationalism-decadence!" With these four words the late Dr. S. A. Witmer pictured the cyclical scene of developing higher education in the United States and Canada, and in fact, of all Christendom since the first century of the Christian era. With this thesis he does not mean that the persistent cycle ends in a decadence of knowledge; rather, he infers that through the process knowledge tends to become isolated from spiritual fervor: that is, it is secular in emphasis and at times anti-spiritual.

Restated in terms of the development of higher education, the cycle begins with the founding of Christian church-supported colleges. As a nation develops, state tax-supported schools compete with the colleges. After a struggle for independent survival the church-supported college "gives-in," accepts state funds, receives academic status equal to the state university, but in this change becomes secularized in its goals and thus spiritually "decadent."

However, over against this pessimistic outlook Dr. Witmer, in his book *Education with Dimension*, stated that after one cycle has run its course a second begins with a resurgence of spiritual life. In other words, God is not dead in the matter of the development of higher education.

In this article an effort will be made to put this "Witmer thesis" to the test in the crucible of Canada's higher education developments. It is hoped that this will not only serve to illuminate the educational scene in Canada but also present the challenge of higher education to the church of our day.

## CHURCH ESTABLISHED SCHOOLS

It was just as true of Canada as it was of the United States that even in the colonial era before nationhood was born, churches were the first to establish schools of higher learning. Before the legislature of Upper Canada finally considered the establishment of

a provincial university in 1843 there were already three denominational colleges in existence. And before Canada became a nation in 1867, there were already three Baptist institutions of higher learning established in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario. Shortly afterwards a rather grandiose Baptist vision was in evidence: "It was hoped that Acadia in the East, Woodstock College under the direction of the Baptists of Ontario, and a third college to be established for the Baptists of Western Canada, should all send their theological students to Toronto for graduate study." The goals of these Baptist and the many other denominational colleges included pastoral training for the service of churches springing up in the rapidly growing new Canada. These colleges also made provision, as stated in the will of the Baptist Senator William McMaster who left a million dollars to found the Baptist university that bears his name, for a "thoroughly practical Christian course of education."

## EDUCATION—THE OBLIGATION OF THE PROVINCE

But over against these dedicated efforts of the denominations, it was the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, an ordained Methodist minister serving as Superintendent of Education for Upper Canada from 1844 to 1876, who proposed that education from kindergarten through university was the obligation of the province. Ryerson furthered this view not only because the tax-dollar might provide greater stability for university education but also because he feared that the Anglican college would receive the favor of a government that was predominantly Anglican. Whereas the provincial government provided grants for the chartered denominational colleges, Baptists refused to accept monetary aid on the basis of the principle of separation of church and state. It was in 1868 that Ryerson pushed through the act that changed the course of high-

er education not only for Ontario but for all of Canada. Provinces were now to have full power over education, and they soon began to dominate it. Many feared the spiritual results of this development. "Wasn't a non-denominational university a godless institution, and was this the kind of institution upon which all the hopes of the province should be placed?" it was asked.

From the beginning of the provincial university, it was evident that the competition between the denominational colleges and the tax-supported university would favor the latter. The power of the purse would prove to be the difference. Grants could be withdrawn if the church schools did not come up to the required standards. With insufficient funds these necessary standards could not be met when it came to training for the professional fields outside of the ministry. Even the heavily endowed Baptist McMaster University, despite the affirmation of its separation from the province by its Baptist constituency, felt it had to alter its course because of financial pressure. In the first place, it reached the point in 1948 at which it could not provide adequate undergraduate courses in arts and science unless it received financial support of a magnitude permanently beyond the resources of the Baptist convention. Secondly, it accepted the principle that "any university serving its constituency adequately in this present day must offer courses in the sciences. To fail to do so is to fail to provide a thoroughly practical Christian course of education as provided for in Senator McMaster's will," and it must not fail to "give its kind of culture to scientists as well as to the other classes of students." By 1957 this reasoning led McMaster University to sever its ties with the Baptist convention and become basically a tax-supported institution with no denominational allegiance. Only its theological department retained the support of the

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# THE COURSE OF CHRISTIAN GOALS IN CANADA'S HIGHER EDUCATION

by E. B. Link



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## Alumni Reminisce

by  
J. Walter Goltz

**S**ENECA, THE great Roman philosopher and statesman, once said that "those things which were hard to bear, are sweet to remember." In some sense at least, this statement would be true of most students at the Christian Training Institute. There is no doubt that studies are hard and difficulties of one sort or another face the serious student. But as these experiences are seen in retrospect, they take on new value and meaning.

A number of Alumni of the Christian Training Institute have been requested to 'remember' some of their experiences as students, and some of the insights they have gained while studying at C.T.I. These people have gone forth from the halls of learning to enter various fields of service.

### MINNIE KUHN

Miss Minnie Kuhn, missionary nurse in our Cameroon Baptist Mission field, recalls some of her experiences in the form of a letter to a friend and former classmate at the Christian Training Institute. She writes as follows:

"Dear Margaret:

I have been playing the records made by the C.T.I. Choristers that you sent. Thanks a lot. It is wonderful being able to listen to good music again; I wish more people would do this. The music out here is so very different. I expect C.T.I. is different, too, from what it was when you and I were

attending. It seems, though, that the problem of inadequate facilities is still a problem, isn't it? Remember that year when we had so many students, and the boys' dorm was only a shell, yet we used it? What a year that was! You know, it was excellent preparation for the mission field. It seems I was forever being admonished to "Discipline yourself; budget your time!" I'm still having that problem; never enough time to do everything I'd like to do. Too many interruptions.

What with the gratis work we used to do, it seemed there was never an end to the vegetables to peel; the washing machine was always giving us trouble; but the most time-consuming interruptions were the mumps patients and the trays either to be prepared or set up. Some mumps patient, or Arnold Rapske with his broken leg, was in need of something at the most inopportune time. Now it's sick children or maternity patients.

You know when I was at C.T.I., I applied to go to China not Africa, but I expect the needs are much the same.

Those Christian Education classes with Miss Ruff have surely been a big help, especially the practical training in camps and D.V.B.S. in the summer months. Rev. Benke's meetings at the Indian reserve and his counseling sessions with the Indians have been an invaluable experience, as I find myself in similar situations out here. I

think I've had a use for almost every part of the training I received. Yes, even those days when I was "on the carpet" in Rev. Wahl's office have proved a help; as I have others on "my carpet;" I don't think I'll ever have the patience he had, though.

I rejoice that there are so many C.T.I.ers using their training in their Sunday schools and churches. I think it was the most practical training for my work in the churches out here, too. I hope they can continue this type of training.

Love and prayers,  
Minnie Kuhn"

### REINHARD BRUST

Dr. Reinhard Brust, assistant professor of entomology at the University of Manitoba, speaks from his experience of teaching in a large secular university, seeking to guide young people facing the moral and cultural upheaval of the Twentieth Century.

"I am thankful for the opportunities to witness for my Lord at the University of Manitoba. The importance of personal work was first impressed upon me at C.T.I., and I have seen God work many times. During the past two years a group of 14 Christian professors meet once weekly, at noon hour, to study the Scriptures and to pray for students and staff who have shown an interest in spiritual matters. These staff members represent 13 depart-

ments and six faculties, and at a university with nearly 13,000 students, much is learned about the spiritual problems which occur among people in different fields of endeavor.

The Lord has blessed, and I believe the years I spent at Bible school at C.T.I. helped me to appreciate the Christian fellowship of fellow classmates which fellowship I have continued to seek at each institution. For young people planning to enter college, I believe the time to take Bible school is right after high school. College students need a good grounding in Christian principles and scriptural teachings, and chances are they will not obtain these at college. Even if Christian fellowship is available, as it is at nearly all college and university campuses in North America, the concentrated effort which must be asserted to maintain a high class standing at a university usually takes up most of the student's time. By taking time to attend Bible school between high school and college, a Christian young person permits the Lord to guide and influence the remainder of his or her academic training. Since the first few years at college generally determine the pattern of your future interest, it is necessary to allow yourself time with God under the influence of his inspired Word. I can recommend C.T.I. to provide this atmosphere.

In addition to teaching at the University of Manitoba, I spend a considerable amount of time in research on insects. The Lord has allowed me to "discover" many of the wonderful things he had planned and created for this purpose many, many years before. The marvelous things God created are beautiful to behold!"

### ARTHUR PATZIA

Rev. Arthur Patzia went on from the Christian Training Institute to receive his theological education at our own North American Baptist Seminary, has served as pastor of the Carbon Baptist Church in Alberta for a number of years, and is presently engaged in pursuing further training for God's work. The influence of C.T.I. upon his life is summed up as follows:

"It all began when a concerned individual asked, 'why don't you go to C.T.I. for a year?' Now why would someone suggest this to me? Was it because I had been floundering in my spiritual life? Was it because I had no vocational vision? Or was it simply out of the realization that attending C.T.I. is the best thing that can happen to any young person? No matter what the answer may be, I do believe that the circumstances behind my going to C.T.I. were providential. Thus it is always a joy to look back and see the guiding hand of God.

It is of course impossible to mention all the things that C.T.I. has meant and continues to mean to me. The main contributions to my life could best be summed up by such words as *orientation*, *stability* and *guidance*. Through its ministry 'God set my feet in a straight path.' Through its min-

istry I was able to add to my education. But above all, its spiritual atmosphere prepared me for hearing and accepting the call of God into Christian service. I sincerely believe that C.T.I. must provide such a continuing ministry to our young people."

### ELMER BREITKREUZ

Mr. Elmer Breitkreuz, after leaving the Christian Training Institute, went on to receive his training as a teacher, and has served for a number of years as a high school teacher in the Alberta Public School System. He is presently working towards his master's degree in education. He writes:

"In retrospect, the training and influence of C.T.I. on my life and vocation has exceeded the expectations with which I went there, more than a decade ago. For most of the time which has elapsed since leaving, both my wife and I have been involved in the Sunday school, youth work, and other activities of our church and beyond. I do not believe that these responsibilities could have been fulfilled to the extent they were without the added Bible knowledge and practical Christian service experiences received while at C.T.I. This training has also been most beneficial in my vocation and as a student in the rational and objective environment of a secular university. My interest in Christian missions was furthered as a student, and I gained a better conception of the development, structure, program, and operation of our denomination. Because of the faithful exposition of God's Word and the emphasis upon a devotional life at C.T.I., I believe that I have been better able to keep a proper perspective between spiritual and material values in a materialistic world. This spiritual emphasis has also influenced decisions I have had to make since that time, caused me to assess priorities in a different light, and is still influencing decisions I must make."

### ERWIN LUTZ

Although the time spent at the Christian Training Institute has often been instrumental in helping young men and women to clarify the call of God into the ministry or missionary service, the great majority of students have gone on to serve the Lord more effectively and more efficiently in a lay capacity. Mr. Erwin Lutz has served for a number of years as a social worker with juvenile delinquents. He is presently involved in taking further training in this area, and he assesses his training at C.T.I. as follows:

"It is difficult, of course to outline the full impact that two years of study at the Christian Training Institute have had on my life. Many of my experiences were significant and meaningful, and, like others, I look back to the years with nostalgia. Yet of all my experiences, the one which had the greatest influence on my Christian life has been the strong emphasis on the relevancy of the Christian faith in all

areas of human endeavor. All young people will experience doubts in their Christian lives. Left unanswered, those doubts can lead, as we have often seen, to a renunciation of the Christian faith. During my high school years, I was confused as I tried to incorporate the teaching of secular education into my Christian life. My studies at C.T.I. did not end all my doubts, nor did they resolve all my doubts. But the recurring emphasis—in the classroom, in the prayer sessions, in the lives of dedicated teachers—was that the Christian faith is real, alive and dynamic. No honest student could help but be challenged by this emphasis.

This is a personal testimony and not an objective critique of the school. I can therefore say, without exaggeration, that my years at C.T.I. have been the most rewarding, most challenging, and most meaningful years of my life. For me it was a time of re-evaluation, recommitment, and spiritual growth.

To the many who helped build the school, to the dedicated teachers whose influence has meant so much to me, and to my fellow students with whom I enjoyed so many good times, I would like to express my sincerest thanks."

### WILLY MULLER

Prof. Willy Muller, spent four years of study at the Christian Training Institute. After receiving further training in seminary, he spent twelve years in a fruitful pastoral ministry. This extended experience gives him a much-appreciated depth and insight in his present teaching ministry at the Christian Training Institute. Of his student days at the school he writes:

"It is difficult to put into few words what one has come to feel strongly over a period of years. The many-sidedness of the experiences at C.T.I. with their corresponding influences make selection of priorities necessary. Of all the experiences gained while a student at C.T.I., I would have to choose two that have profoundly influenced my life and work.

The first of these would have to be the Bible training and spiritual enrichment. Especially when viewed in the light of subsequent seminary training was this Bible knowledge valuable. A foundation was laid upon which subsequent years of training could be built. The training at C.T.I. was of a different nature than that of later years. It was here where we studied the content of the Word in contrast to the later study of the Word in its manifold relationships. It was this knowledge of the Word itself that made subsequent studies more fruitful.

The second aspect must certainly be my call into the ministry. While this was not one of the subjects at C.T.I., it was, nevertheless, an emphasis that penetrated our conscience deeply. While my life had been dedicated to the Lord previous to this, it was not until these years of Bible

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# THE C.T.I. CENTENNIAL CHORISTERS ARE COMING

FOR THIRTY days C.T.I.'s choir of thirty will be concertizing on a continent-wide tour of our local churches highlighted by the Detroit General Conference and the Montreal World's Fair. Selected from the school's collegiate and theological division, these singing students represent churches from five provinces of Canada and four states of the U.S.A. Throughout the 1966-67 academic year preparations in the form of long hours of rehearsal together with twenty-one public appearances have readied the group for this month-long service.

The diversified repertoire, centered about the theme of worship and witness in the contemporary church, features the musical drama, "CRISIS at the Church of Nab," written and directed by Professor Edward B. Link. The critical days of the church are portrayed under such sub-titles as "the crisis on the inside," "the crisis of the short reach" and "the crisis of the long reach." Along with this realistic treatment of the church and its problems of communicating the

Gospel, Christ, the head of the Church, who has commissioned it and promised to sustain it until the day of its consummation, is presented as the answer to the world's dire need. "CRISIS at the Church of Nab" will be presented at the closing service of the General Conference on Sunday afternoon, July 16, at the Ford Auditorium in Detroit.

Below is the schedule of the Chorister's concert tour. C.T.I.'s singing students are looking forward to the thrill of vital Christian service and fellowship during these July days in the local churches and at the General Conference. Be sure to take note of the date of the concert rally in your area. Bring the whole family and be sure to invite the people of the community. The C.T.I. Centennial Choristers are coming and are anxious to sound out the Gospel in his name.

#### THE SCHEDULE

July 2—Calgary, Alberta; July 3—Medicine Hat, Alberta; July 4—Regina, Saskatchewan; July 5—Jamestown, N. D.; July 6—Minneapolis,

Minn.; July 7—Milwaukee, Wis.; July 9—Chicago, Ill.; July 10-16—General Conference at Detroit, Mich.; July 17—Hamilton, Ontario; July 18—Arnprior, Ontario; July 19—Montreal Expo; July 20—Montreal Expo; July 21—Killaloe, Ontario; July 22—Burlington, Ontario; July 23—A.M. Kitchener, Ontario;—P.M. Kitchener or Toronto; July 24—Cleveland, Ohio; July 25—Benton Harbor, Mich.; July 26—Wausau, Wis.; July 27—Grand Forks, N. D.; July 28—Winnipeg, Manitoba; July 29—Yorkton, Saskatchewan; July 30—Saskatoon, Saskatchewan (afternoon).

#### ABOUT THE COVER

The C.T.I. Centennial Choristers of 1966-67 are pictured with their director, Rev. E. B. Link. They will be making an extensive tour of Canada and the U.S.A. and will be featured at the 35th General Conference in Detroit, Mich., July 10-16, as they present a dramatization at the Sunday afternoon service.

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Baptist churches.

McMaster University is one example of many that have passed through the cycle. Born out of a spiritual "revivalistic" need, it now dispenses Christian culture in a very nominal way and is essentially secular in character. Alongside of such schools of higher learning the provincial universities operate with their own brand of secular higher education. This is not to say that Canadian universities have a low standard or "decadent" knowledge. They actually are rated very high in the world-wide academic community. They are mushrooming in growth. Within the last six years Alberta has added two universities to the original University and is contemplating a fourth by 1872. Public funds supporting Alberta universities have more than tripled in the last five years. In all of Canada there are now thirty-six provincially controlled universities.

#### SECOND CYCLE OF SPIRITUAL RESURGENCE

All this serves to show how secular higher learning has neutralized and eclipsed the private denominational

colleges first planted on Canadian soil. Indeed, the cycle to secularization has come around full turn. However, all is not lost for the cause of Christianity in its efforts to establish and maintain its schools with expressed Christian goals. That the second cycle of spiritual resurgence is underway is evidenced by some 54 Bible schools and colleges founded mainly in the twenties and thirties of this century. Our own Christian Training Institute founded in 1940, but based on the Christian training institutes held in our churches over twenty years before that, is an excellent example of this new cycle. Preparing young men and women for Christian ministries, both lay and vocational, these Bible colleges exhibit the spirit and faith of revitalized Christianity committed to "biblical faith, spiritual experience, gospel propagation and renunciation of compromising practices" as Dr. Witmer described them.

However, this is not to say that these "second-cycle" Bible colleges are not without realistic problems in the dynamic setting of contemporary higher education. Surging costs and the demand for acceptable standards of training pose problems of no little magnitude to the whole Bible college movement. In addition to the need for

constituency churches to provide more in the budget for higher education today Canadian Bible colleges are searching out two other possibilities for financial endorsements. Some colleges, especially those in Western Canada where there appears to be a surplus of colleges per population (Alberta has 12 such colleges), are studying possibilities of merging campuses and sharing faculties. Others are at least becoming informed about government grants per junior college students whom they would teach under provincial university supervision and examination. This latter affiliation would also, at least in part, meet the problem of university recognition of the student's studies for transfer purposes. Another partial answer to the question of academic recognition is membership in the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges. This gives the student recognition for his work in any of the Association's colleges and has also proven an aid to the Canadian student's transfer possibilities to United States liberal arts colleges, but it does not give him the same advantage in the Canadian provincial universities.

From this brief study it is clear that Dr. Witmer's cyclical interpretation of (Continued on page 12)



## C.T.I. STATISTICS AND TOUR

by W. R. Muller

IN SPITE OF a pessimism that prevailed last year with the announcement that the short term Bible school course would be discontinued, statistics show that the enrollment is up considerably this year. The 94 students taking classes at C.T.I. this year come from a large cross-section of our continent.

Listed in order of representation we have: Alberta—31 students, Manitoba—20, British Columbia—15, Saskatchewan—14, Ontario—3, North Dakota—4, Washington—3, and one each from California, Minnesota, Montana, and Pennsylvania. Of the total there are 51 ladies and 43 men. The total enrollment would reflect a better than 10% increase over last year.

When taken in a cross-section the enrollment represents 57 students en-

rolled in the general Bible college program, 20 in the pastoral and Christian education program and 17 in the senior matriculation program. While an analysis is not possible at this time, the strong representation in the general Bible college program does seem to reflect a genuine interest among our young people.

This has been a year of exceptional talent among the various Gospel teams and singing groups. Two teams toured our Canadian churches during the Christmas recess, and another toured the northern area during the Easter recess. Responses from the field indicate a general satisfaction with their representative ministry.

The highlight for many students, however, will be the realization of the proposed tour that will take the Centennial Choristers to the General Con-

ference. In addition to appearing on the program in Detroit, the Choristers, under the direction of Prof. E. B. Link, will tour churches in both Canada and the United States en route.

With the academic program extending from September to May, the Christian Training Institute is in a position to offer substantially better courses of study resulting in more adequate preparation of students for Christian service. With the continual upgrading of faculty standards and the improvement of its facilities, the Christian Training Institute is striving to keep pace with the needs as faced by our Christian young people in their dedication to "give their best to the Master."

W. R. Muller is dean of students and professor of pastoral theology at C.T.I.

#### ROLE OF BIBLE COLLEGE

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college makes its great contribution. By emphasizing knowledge of God as the *summum bonum* of human values and aspirations, it helps students to devote their time and energy to issues that matter most, things which are of an "ultimate concern" to man. A Bible college also helps young people to integrate their religious knowledge with general knowledge. For the Christian there is really no such thing as "secular" knowledge. His whole life is lived in a religious context; hence all knowledge, of whatever kind it is, must be integrated into his religious experience. Such integration of knowledge, however, is seldom achieved in the amoral and at times atheistic climate of the typical "secular" university.

The role of the Bible college in higher education is more distinct and more vital today than it was eighty-five years ago when the Bible college

movement was born. Scores of young people leave the halls of the Christian Training Institute every year determined to know him and make him known.

Dr. Bernard Schalm is academic dean and professor of New Testament and psychology at C.T.I.

#### BOOKS - RESOURCES

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it possible to purchase even more. However, there has been a sharp rise in the price of books in the past nine years. It is not uncommon to pay \$10.00 to \$15.00 per volume for standard works. It is estimated that the average price of books purchased is approximately \$5.00 to \$6.00. An appropriation of \$2,000.00 annually buys only 400 books or less. When this is applied to some sixty courses it means about seven books for each course annually. Anyone acquainted with higher education would probably admit that

this could be improved.

Despite the limitations and the frustrations it needs to be admitted that any faculty member or student who is seriously interested in becoming a scholar can make a good beginning by reading everything that is now available in our library.

Arnold Rapske is librarian and professor of Christian education at C.T.I.

#### ALUMNI REMINISCE

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study that God's claim for service became unmistakably clear.

Since the Spirit of God has led me into the ministry of preaching and teaching the Word, I am all the more grateful for my years at C.T.I. where I learned to know and love and, in some measure, obey this Word."

J. W. Goltz is professor of missions, evangelism, homiletics and sociology at C.T.I.



**W**HATEVER else education may be, it is at least an involvement with the thoughts of men expressed in print. A scholar is one who is familiar with nearly everything that is written on a given subject, and a student is one who aspires to be a scholar. In biblical and theological education it is mandatory that a student be a diligent reader. Not only must the student read the thoughts of those with whom he is in sympathy, but he should also be conversant with the thoughts of those who differ from him. It is like a general who seeks to discover the position and the tactics of the enemy; so that his attack may be more effective.

The pastor, the director of Christian education, the missionary and the church lay leader are all involved in a highly competitive struggle for the loyalty of persons to the cause of Jesus Christ. People experience a deluge of printed matter that seeks to convince them of the desirability of other values. Some of the cults are reporting increase in membership. Much of this is by means of the effective use of the printed page. The Communist ideology is being transmitted by means of literature. Christian leaders cannot afford to ignore this vital avenue of communication.

#### DIGESTING WRITTEN MATERIALS

In dealing with printed literature,

there are several frustrations for a Christian professor. The first frustration has to do with finding out what is in print and then to digest everything that is being written in his field of instruction. At the Christian Training Institute this task is shouldered by individual faculty members. Out of the total budget for book purchases, each faculty member is assigned a certain portion. He must then recommend those books which in his estimation will be most valuable to the library. The difficulty is to select from many, many books that are available. He depends on book reviews, knowledge of authors, publishers, or on the recommendations of colleagues. Before the recommended books are purchased, however, they require approval by a library committee made up of three faculty members and the librarian's secretary. This careful selection of books is a time-consuming task.

A second frustration is experienced when the professor seeks to read, digest, and incorporate into his classes the material from the books which have been purchased. This frustration is somewhat lessened because the board of trustees has made provision for faculty members to have one whole month during the summer devoted to reading and research. This enables the teacher to work at his role as a scholar. To him a well-chosen library is indispensable. The Christian Train-

ing Institute Library has made a good start. There are now over 11,000 volumes in the library. Some faculty members still have a long list of books which they feel should be purchased, but these must await further budget appropriations.

#### LEADING STUDENTS TO BECOME SCHOLARS

Then a third frustration enters the picture when the faculty member strives to lead students to become scholars. How to motivate students to become avid readers is the challenging task. He may set a minimum of reading as a course requirement, but this is an extrinsic motivation which leads students to read because they must and not because they want to. Another approach is to drive them to the books by demanding the production of a term paper. The ideal would be to create such a desire in students that they would read as the result of intrinsic motivation. Experience with students would seem to indicate that the road to scholarship is narrow and not many walk it.

A library is a critical factor in providing a sound yet broad theological training. On the whole the policy toward the library has been very good. One very significant contribution of \$10,000.00 enabled our school to acquire a good basic set of books. Subsequent budget appropriations made  
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## Books - Resources for Training

by Arnold Rapske



One of Michigan's most beautiful attractions is Lower Tahquamenon Island. See the beautiful falls which surround the island.

**H**ERE IS A state which was favored by God when he created this world in which we live. Four of the Great Lakes surround the two peninsulas which make up the State of Michigan and provide it with 3,251 miles of shoreline (the longest freshwater shoreline in the United States). Over eleven thousand inland lakes, thirty-six thousand miles of rivers and streams, and 19 million acres of vast unspoiled forest areas—all presenting their lavish, scenic beauty—are here for you to enjoy.

To match the wonders of nature, a variety of accommodations await you for the vacation you prefer, from "roughing" it in Michigan's rustic, but well maintained, park systems, to the most luxurious resorts, hotels, and motels.

In attempting to describe all the attractions and scenic wonders of the State of Michigan, we came to realize this would be an impossible task. Therefore, we will take the shortest trip through the upper and lower peninsulas, digressing occasionally to cover one or more of the more outstanding attractions, and a tour across the lower peninsula from the Lake Michigan border to Detroit.

As you enter Michigan's upper peninsula at Ironwood, you come upon an area synonymous with the name: iron mining—both open pit and underground. Many mines are visible from the roadside.

#### A TOUR ON US 2

East of Ironwood the highway (US 2) meets highway M-28. Here you have a choice as M-28 follows the northern side of the upper peninsula; whereas US 2 follows the southern boundary. A suggestion would be that you take one route coming and the other on your return trip.

But let's follow US-2, except for a few side trips. Nine miles east of

Iron Mountain, Michigan, an underground iron mine provides guided tours. The mine tunnel takes you 400 feet below the earth's surface. You can see displays and demonstrations of actual mining equipment. It is an educational stop.

Further east, at Escanaba, stop and watch the Great Lakes ore carriers being loaded with iron ore at the largest ore docks on the Great Lakes, before proceeding to "Kitch-iti-kipi," or "The Big Spring," located in the town of Cooks. This spring, two hundred and fifty feet long, one hundred and twenty-five feet wide, and forty feet deep, pours forth over 16,000 gallons of crystal clear water every minute.

Where M-117 intersects US-2 near Engadine, Michigan, you may wish to turn off and head north, through Newberry, Michigan, and on to Tahquamenon Falls, which are second in size to Niagara Falls, east of the Missis-

## VACATIONING IN MICHIGAN

by Henry A. Richter

sippi. This undoubtedly is one of Michigan's finest natural attractions.

Now continue east and go on to Sault Ste. Marie for a visit to one of our great man-made wonders, the "Soo Locks." These locks handle more tonnage than the next several largest combined. This stop is a definite "must" for all visitors. From the observation tower the new International Bridge connecting Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, is visible.

The two stops outlined above could be made on your return trip, if you are returning through the upper peninsula, but if not, be sure to take the side trip—it's well worth the extra time.

#### SOUTH ON I-75

Now . . . let's head south on I-75. Approaching St. Ignace, you will see the eighth Wonder of the World—the  
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Historic Fort Michilimackinac is a highlight attraction of Emmet county.





Mackinac Bridge, or "Mighty Mac," the world's greatest bridge—over five miles long, 199 feet above water at midspan, 8,344 of suspension span, and foundations which extend over two hundred feet below water. The people of Michigan are proud of this tremendous engineering and construction marvel, which now connects the two peninsulas. The view from the bridge is absolutely breath-taking.

As you arrive in Mackinaw City (the southern terminus of the bridge), plan on spending a whole day here. First, you will have to see Fort Michilimackinac at the foot of the bridge. Then, take a boat cruise to Mackinac Island and visit a bit of Michigan's past. No autos are permitted; so your only means of transportation are bicycle, carriage, or walking. Be sure to visit Fort Mackinac on the island. This stop will be one of the highlights of your trip.

Now, back on I-75 and into the lower peninsula. As you approach Gaylord, plan on leaving the highway and visiting here for a little while. You're probably hungry anyway, and besides, the Alpine festival is scheduled for July 5-8, 1967!

Here we have the ski capital of Michigan. You will note many of the buildings are being converted to the "chalet" style of architecture. Here is also one of the largest herds of elk in the eastern United States and, in the evenings, it can be seen from the forest roads.

#### ON TO DETROIT

Back to I-75 and headed south toward Detroit. At almost any point between here and Detroit, you will probably find something of interest. But, since most of your time will be spent in Detroit, let's continue on to there.

Detroit is known as the "Motor Capital of the World," but actually this represents only a small part of our industry. Ships, computers, chemicals, medicines, furniture, cement, steel, agricultural products, and many others are produced here in great quantities. Dynamic Detroit is actually the "Industrial Capital of the World." Plan on taking a tour through the Ford Motor Company's Rouge plant, the General Motors Technical Center, the Burroughs Corporation, International Salt Mine, or any of the many guided tours which are available.

Visits to the Detroit Zoo, Detroit

Art Museum, Cranbrook, Greenfield Village, and Henry Ford Museum are "musts" for the culturally-minded visitor.

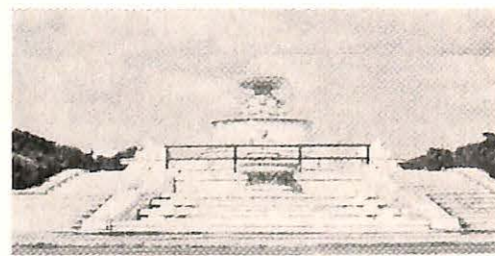
Over 75,000 acres of recreational land with 100 lakes are available for Detroit area citizens. Be sure to see Belle Isle, Metropolitan Beach, Kensington Park, Middle Rouge Parkway, or any other of the many fine parks made available for your leisure and recreation. A definite trip is the boat ride to Bob-Lo Island. The kids will love this most of all.

Information for all the attractions in and around Detroit is readily available from the Southeastern Michigan Tourist Association, 1407 Washington Blvd., Detroit, Mich. 48226.

#### ON TO WESTERN MICHIGAN

Between Detroit and the west side of Michigan there are several interesting places to stop. At Ann Arbor, we have the University of Michigan, one of the nation's largest. A little

This aerial view of Belle Isle shows the island on the Detroit River at the mouth of Lake St. Clair. Detroit is on the left; Canada on the right.



Belle Isle's beautiful fountain throws hundreds of gallons of water sky-ward during the summer months. Multi-colored lights illuminate the water at night.

#### CHRISTIAN GOALS

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the fate of Christian goals in higher education is borne out in Canada. But must it be repeated even within our own denomination? May God grant our leaders in the field of higher education much wisdom to guide our denomination through these coming

further west, an area known as the "Irish Hills" will provide for a relaxing and restful stop.

Be sure to stop at Battle Creek and visit the Kellogg Company. Guided tours through the world's largest cereal company are available. A free sample and refreshments are provided for all visitors.

Before you leave Michigan, take time to see the sand dunes between Benton Harbor and the Indiana border. These dunes stretch for miles all along Michigan's western side from Indiana almost to the very top of the peninsula.

#### CAMPING IN MICHIGAN

For those planning on camping, Michigan provides over 17,000 campsites in its parks and forests. These range from primitive (stove, table, outhouse, and pump) to luxurious (hot and cold running water, showers, and electricity). All camping areas are well maintained and will provide for a restful stay.

For those interested in motels and similar accommodations, every type is available. Rather than attempt to describe them, complete information is available from the "Michigan Tourist Council, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926." A brief note describing your needs will bring you all the information you will require.

We are confident that as you see and enjoy this great state of ours, you too will come to know why we call it "The Winter-Water Wonderland"!

Henry Richter is a member of the Bible Baptist Church, Troy, Mich.

● Rev. Bert A. Itterman has accepted the call of the First Baptist Church, Auburn, Michigan, to become their interim pastor for three months. He began his ministry about April 5.

● The Rabbit Hill Baptist Church located southwest of the city of Edmonton, Alberta, is planning to observe its 75th anniversary from August 11 to 13, 1967. Plans are under way for a great time of celebration. Rabbit Hill was the first Church of ours to be organized in Alberta. The Church, although small in membership at present, had two baptismal services in 1966 when our present pastor, Dr. E. P. Wahl, baptized 10 souls and received them into the membership of the church. The Church has a lively Sunday school and a group of young people busy as a C.B.Y.F. group. The ladies meet as a society once a month and show great interest in our missionary work as a denomination. There are at present a Junior and Senior Choir serving very effectively in the church. (Ben Kuhn, Reporter.)

● Dennis W. Eggert has accepted the call to become the Director of Christian Education and Music of the First Baptist Church, St. Joseph, Mich., effective July 9, 1967. Rev. Kenneth Fenner is the pastor of the church.

● The Zion Baptist Church, Little Neck, N. Y., and the Alden Terrace Baptist Church, an ABC church, have merged and are now known as the Valley Stream Baptist Church, located at 676 North Central, Valley Stream, New York 10606.

● Mr. Edward Willms, Minister of Visitation, Redeemer Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., passed away in the early part of March.

● Rev. Howard Winkler resigned as the pastor of the Jeffers Baptist Church, Jeffers, Minn., and assumed a church in Iowa in January, 1967.

● Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Voegele announce the birth of a girl named Kayla Rose born on January 26, 1967. Mr. Voegele is the pastor of the Memory Lane Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas.

#### BAPTIST NEWS

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Redlands, Calif. (BW) A five-year program of spiritual advance was adopted by the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference at its annual meeting.

Atlanta, Ga. (BW) Cities with populations of over 50,000 have been chosen as the special target for strengthened evangelism efforts of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. "With 70 per cent of the population now in urban centers and with the prediction that 90 per cent will be in urban centers by the year 2,000, it seems necessary that urban missions be given priority," the board declared.

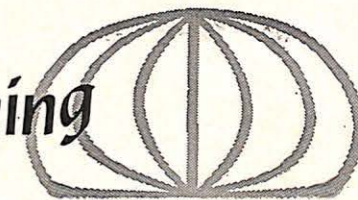
● Rev. Homer Edwards accepted the call to become the pastor of the Faith Baptist Church, Regina, Sask., and will begin his ministry there May 1, 1967.

● God's Volunteers Team I will be serving at the Zion Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y., April 18-26; at the First Baptist Church, Arnprior, Ont., April 30-May 7; and at the First Bap-

● Rev. Assaf Husmann, West Chester, Pa., is serving the Littleton Baptist Church, Parsippany, New Jersey, as interim pastor. Rev. Gordon Huisinga, the former pastor, is now with the Turtle Lake, N. D., Baptist Church.

● White Cross supplies were sent to our Cameroon Baptist Mission in West Cameroon, West Africa, during the last week of March, 1967. The shipment,

## what's happening



tist Church, Killaloe, Ont., May 7-14. Rev. Edgar Klatt is the director.

● God's Volunteers Team II will begin their service at the Colonial Village Baptist Church, Lansing, Mich., on April 18 through 30 and then travel to Xenia, Ohio, where they will minister through the Community Baptist Church, May 2-14. Rev. Connie Salios is the director of Team II.

● Rev. E. L. Thiessen, pastor of the East Olds Baptist Church, Olds, Alberta, has tendered his resignation as pastor there for reasons of health.

● Rev. Howard Johnson has accepted the call of the Temple Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., and plans to begin his ministry there June 11, 1967. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have served the congregation of the Oak Street Baptist Church, Burlington, Iowa.

● Rev. Herman Palfenier, Minneapolis, Minn., is ministering to the First German Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Michigan, during the months of April and May of this year.

consisting of 55 units contained baby blankets, jackets, flannel sheets, flannel gowns, pillow cases, hospital bandages, plastic tubes, medicine bottles, and miscellaneous items. The nominal value of the shipment amounts to \$3,573.70.

● Rev. G. K. Zimmerman of North American Baptist Headquarters, Forest Park, Ill., was the guest speaker at the Central Baptist Home for the Aged, Norridge, Illinois, during the Good Friday Service.

● The Ellice Avenue Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Rev. Wilh. Glesmann, pastor, has been welcomed into the Manitoba Association and will be officially welcomed into the Northern Conference during the next session.

● A recognition council upon request of the German Baptist Church, White-mouth, Manitoba, was recently held. The council has recommended that the church be received into the Northern Conference. Mr. Reinhold Kujath is the pastor.

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

We are grateful to Marie Muller for her expression of concern for our youths' education. Most of us are familiar with her gift of expression in writing, for she has made numerous contributions to our program packets through the years. She is the wife of the C.T.I. Dean of Students and Professor of Pastoral Theology and maintains an active interest in education.

#### ONE ANSWER

by Mrs. Willy R. Muller  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

More education! More training! This is the demand which our young people face today. The advance applications for college entrance is evidence of the pressures that our youth are meeting to finish high school and go on in higher education, if they are to have occupational security. Business firms and professional agencies use the standard of a high school diploma or a college degree as the criterion for probable success in perspective applicants. It is essential that our Christian young people prepare themselves in this way, if we are to have some Christian leadership in the different avenues of public service.

Progressing from one educational level to another, most of our Christian youth are brought face to face with philosophies and theories which they cannot reconcile with their Christian faith. Materialism and the joys of the "Good Life" are also vividly presented. Most of these young people have not received enough or the type of Bible teaching in their churches and homes to help them to formulate a workable Christian philosophy of life which can come to grips with the secular educational presentations confronting them. They are often lost in the crowd of the university student body, and contact with an active Christian group is neglected. In a recent issue of *Christianity For Today*, it was stated that only 10% of the 5.2 million university students have any contact with an organized church. These statistics indicate that our future leadership will be primarily non-Christian.

How can we strengthen the faith of our young people and help them to withstand the onslaught of secular atheism? There is more than one answer, but I would like to propose that each young Christian spend at least one year in a Bible school after leaving

## 53rd Conference of Pioneer Baptists, South Brazil

by Hugo Lueck

"I WILL BUILD my church," this theme was written in German and Portuguese above the platform in the First Baptist Church of Ijuí, Rio Grande do Sul, where the German Baptists of South Brazil held their annual conference on February 22-26, 1967. It is a fitting motto for the present times, as the Brazilian people are awakening to the call of the Gospel as never before.

Our own missionaries, the Effas and the Rabenhorsts, on a trip to get acquainted with South Brazil, were also present at the opening sessions. They sang in Portuguese and German. Rev. Herman Effa replied to the great welcome they received. He spoke in German and told of their plans and hopes. Rev. Richard Rabenhorst spoke in English which was interpreted into German by Prof. H. Lueck. Our hearts rejoiced as we saw these, our zealous young missionaries, giving up the comforts of their home country and struggling with a foreign language, all for the sake of bringing Christ to a people who badly need him.

The large church was always filled not only in the evenings but also in the business sessions of the day. The meetings were similar to our own conferences. The various pastors brought good biblical messages on the conference theme in German or in Portuguese. Seventy-three delegates, among them 17 pastors, were present. The churches reported progress: 172 baptisms, and the total membership of the "Association" grew from 3206 to 3343. One new Brazilian church, whose membership had grown in two years to over one hundred, was received into the Pioneer (German) Baptist Association. This is the second Brazilian church received recently. New mission places are started with success in different new localities in the German and Portuguese languages. There were good reports of their Old People's Home and Orphanage. Their own theological students, studying in Brazilian Seminaries, and their retired pastors and widows are well supported by the Association. The larger church-

high school and before going on to other training. Under the guidance and teaching of dedicated professors, this student can be helped to establish a focal point of faith and experience in Jesus Christ which will enable him to place psychology, sociology, science and the other subjects into proper relationship in a life dedicated to God.

As Christian leaders and Sunday school teachers in our churches, we can guide and counsel those students in our care toward Bible school training

es and the Young People's Union support two couples and two single missionaries among the Indians.

Hymns and choir anthems were sung in both languages equally, and it was noticeable that the younger generation was more at home with the Brazilian language.

On Sunday morning, the last day of the conference, the 50th anniversary of the entertaining church of Ijuí was celebrated with 11 charter members and former pastors on the platform. In the afternoon the opening of the new Bible school was observed. Fifteen students have been accepted: ten for a three year course and five for a short course of one semester. Miss D. Nowak of the Hamburg Jugendseminar will have the largest load with Christian Education and Old Testament. Prof. H. Lueck of our Sioux Falls Seminary will teach historical subjects and the New Testament. Pastor Ditmar Junge and Pastor Joel Lopez will also assist in teaching. Rev. O. Grellert, the executive secretary, is also president of the school.

The churches and the Young People's Union are showing great interest in the Bible school by supporting it sacrificially. The hope was expressed that the new Bible school will promote and unite the whole work of the Pioneer Baptists.

After good Baptist custom, the conference visitors stayed and ate in the homes of the church members. Only the Sunday noon meal was served in the new spacious Young People's Hall.

The Pioneer Baptists are united with the National Convention of the Brazilian Baptists. Since 1910 they worked successfully for the Lord among the German and now also among the Brazilian people of their great country.

*Hugo Lueck, professor of church history at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. D., is presently on sabbatical leave teaching at a new Bible school, Pioneer Baptist Association, South Brazil.*

which can be obtained at our own C.T.I. There are denominations which require each adherent to give two or three years in full-time training and service. Is it too much to ask of each person to give two or three years in definite training which will enable him to have a fuller, richer life in extending the Kingdom of God?

This is not the only answer to the educational dilemma facing our young people, but it can be a candle lighted in the darkness of today's liberalism.

## BIBLE news around the world



**New York.** "The Many Faces of the Bible," an exhibition of Scriptures dating from 1663 to present-day translations in about 100 languages representing every continent, is on display at Bible House, new headquarters of the American Bible Society, 61st and Broadway, New York City. The display, open without charge to the public from 9 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday, will continue through the summer.

**New York.** The American Bible Society has been giving Scriptures to the Armed Forces since 65 Bibles were distributed to the John Adams, a US naval corvette of 24 guns, 150 years ago. Today the ABS gives approximately 1 million Bibles, New Testaments and Scripture portions to the Armed Forces of the US each year.

**New York.** The sales of the American Bible Society's 1966 publication, "Good News for Modern Man," the

New Testament in Today's English Version, have within the first four months after publication of the 25c paperback, soared to more than a million copies, and another half million were on order.

**Highlights of 1966.** During 1966, the American Bible Society. . . .

Distributed in the U. S. A. a record total of 38,981,620 copies of Scriptures, almost a 50 per cent increase over 1965;

Circulated overseas more than 48 million Scriptures with the United Bible Societies: ABS share—45.5 per cent;

Participated in the translation, production and distribution of the Scriptures in 150 countries;

Published a New Testament in popular Spanish, *Dios Llego al Hombre*, which is reaching millions of new readers throughout the Americas;

Gave more than one-half million copies of Scriptures through chaplains to personnel of the U. S. armed forces serving at home and overseas;

Produced *The Inside Story*, a single volume of Luke, John, Acts and Romans in the J. B. Phillips text with contemporary photographs, and *Good News for Modern Man*, the New Testament in Today's English Version with Annie Vallotton line drawings;

Cooperated in the completion of the United Bible Societies' *Greek New Testament*, the first Greek text in history prepared by an international committee of scholars as a special tool for translators and as a guide for students;

Reached more than 20 million people in the Worldwide Bible Reading Program;

Encouraged Bible reading with 2,000 radio stations carrying spot announcements by Bud Collyer and John Cameron Swayze;

Increased the Women's National Speakers Bureau to 103 volunteer members;

Projected a five-year campaign, "God's Word for a New Age—the Book for New Readers";

Saved the blind in the U. S. A. with 123,234 special Scriptures (Braille, records, tapes);

Convened Translators Institutes in Thailand, Japan and Peru to assist large numbers of missionary and national translators in the preparation of new translations and revision projects in more than 500 languages;

Rejoiced in the shipment of 520,250 Bibles and 45,500 New Testaments to the public schools of Ghana to complete the largest single order in Bible Society history;

Reported major increases in distribution in Taiwan, Indonesia, Vietnam and India whose combined distribution in 1966 was 7,476,558, a 42 per cent increase over 1965;

Dedicated the new Bible House at 1865 Broadway, New York City;

Celebrated the Society's 150th Anniversary with special events, new Scripture publications, and expanded programs of distribution;

Adopted in faith the largest budget in the Society's history—\$7,105,000 for 1967.



**Washington, D. C. (BWA)** The committee heard reports from Adolfs Klau-piks, relief coordinator, Baptist World Alliance, that \$112,000 in relief funds were channeled during the past 12 months to refugees and other needy persons on five continents. Particular need exists currently in hurricane-smashed Haiti and drought-stricken India.

**Washington, D. C. (BPA)** Senator Sam J. Ervin (D., N. C.) told a group of Baptist editors that he believes support for a Constitutional prayer amendment will shrink in the future. "People are coming to recognize how essential it is for religion to keep hands off the State and for the State to keep hands off religion," the Senator said.

The North Carolina Senator said that Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen's present proposal for a constitutional prayer amendment would have the effect of denying denominational groups the right to worship.

Sen. Dirksen (R., Ill.) has introduced a resolution that would amend the Constitution to read that "Nothing in this Constitution shall abridge the right of persons lawfully assembled in any public building which is supported in whole or in part through the expenditure of public funds, to participate in non-denominational prayer."

**Washington, D. C. (BW)** Japanese Baptists have begun preparing to be hosts to the 12th Congress of the Baptist World Alliance in Tokyo in 1970. A Congress preparation committee was organized by persons related to the mission work in Japan of the Southern Baptist Convention, the North American Baptist General Conference, the American Baptist Convention, and the Baptist General Conference of America.

**Iloilo City, Philippines. (BW)** The third Asian Baptist youth conference was held Dec. 25-Jan. 1 in Iloilo City with 215 young people from 17 countries of Asia in attendance. Burma, which has a strong Baptist work, did not allow delegates to attend.

**Pray for your fellow Baptists. (BW)** April 16-May 4: Simultaneous Baptist revivals in Japan; April 21-23: Annual conference of the Danish Baptist Youth fellowship, Frederikshaven, Denmark; April 29-May 1: Polish Baptist women's conference, Warsaw.

**Washington, D. C. (BPA)** Nolan

Estes, a Baptist from Texas, has been named to a top level post in the Office of Education of the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Estes will be associate commissioner for Elementary and Secondary Education.

**Washington, D. C. (BWA)** William R. Tolbert Jr., president of the Baptist World Alliance, has been nominated by Liberia's True Whig Party for reelection as vice president of the Republic of Liberia. He and incumbent Liberian President William V. S. Tubman jointly received the party nomination and face election on May 2.

**Washington, D. C. (BPA)** A Baptist agency tackled the problem of religion in public schools during its semi-annual meeting here.

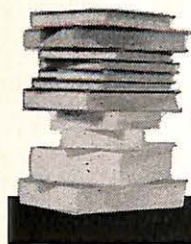
It was agreed that public schools have no responsibility to promote worship or religious commitment. But it was recognized that the schools do have a role in teaching about religion as it is related to culture and the life of society.

It was also agreed that a proposed constitutional prayer amendment by Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen (R., Ill.) is not needed and could cause complications in the free exercise of religion.

The Baptist group felt that the First Amendment to the Constitution is ade-

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# BOOK REVIEWS

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

**YOUR CHRISTIAN WEDDING** by Elizabeth Swadley. Broadman—1966—138 pages—\$2.95.

**MAGIC IN MARRIAGE** by James H. Jauncy. Zondervan—1966—152 pages—\$2.95.

These two books should be in every pastor's or church library, not only for reference but for the purpose of recommendation.

Very few, if any, books on etiquette give such beautiful and detailed plans for a Christian wedding as this volume written by Mrs. Swadley. One can even imagine the great care with which the jacket was prepared. From the initial engagement to the reception and good-by, everything is taken into account with excellent taste and proper order. Naturally the preparation for and the actual wedding ceremony get top priority.

*Magic in Marriage* is probably more of an attention-getter than a fact, unless the author looks upon love as magic. But in the process of dating, courting, marriage and family, many know from experience that true love takes time, effort, patience, understanding, adjustment and often a little pain and suffering. It is a guide for a marriage planned by God and for a couple who are dedicated to love and obedience, willing to take Christ with them into every area of life. Beautifully and practically presented.

**PREACHERS IN PURGATORY** by Lester Mondale. Beacon Press—1966—243 pages—\$4.95.

Christianity is associated with peace to such a degree that people outside the church are often surprised and shocked to discover some of the fighting that goes on among the members and between the pastor and congregation. Naturally many use this as an excuse for not joining the church. It is a sad and tragic commentary on God's people who, while condemning the sinner in the world, are blind to the sins of the Christian.

The author is primarily concerned about the conflict between minister and church which is evident in the struggle for key leadership. Tension-fostering contradictions may begin in a small committee meeting, spreading into the board and finally into the congregation as a whole. The doer, or activist, is anxious to have everyone march in step. Those who are slow or refuse to join the ranks irritate him beyond words. His righteous (?) indignation flares up. The more doers

he can win the greater his prestige with which he can identify. His resentment against one who is more the hearer of the word can be bitter to the point of hatred. He does not realize that winning attention and approval is a poor substitute for the giving of self.

These are often the people who run the organization and dominate the ruling boards. They expect the minister to be the latest model of jet-powered, electronic, psychologically tested preacher just off the most efficient and up-to-date assembly line who must understand all the light and sound effects, and above all, he must be a tireless pacesetter—the fountain of action.

There are problem churches, but there are also problem ministers. Impossible as some of the demands are, this still characterizes the job of a preacher. It is its very impossibility—a job that demands everything a man has, every interest, gift, talent and potentiality, that makes it the high calling of God which it really is.

The many problems, quoted from actual letters, may be a help to other churches and pastors.

**ENCYCLOPEDIA OF PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS** by Clyde M. Narramore. Zondervan—1966—285 pages—\$5.95.

The author is well-known through the books he has written and co-authored, and through the regular radio broadcasts. His main position is that of consulting psychologist on the staff of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools.

Ministers are not psychologists and psychiatrists, but much of their counseling has to do with emotionally disturbed persons. They must, however, be aware of their limitations. Dr. Narramore's volume, because of its comprehensiveness, must of necessity be extremely condensed. It should be remembered that this is an encyclopedia and not a study book. The psychological problems are described in terminology easily understandable by pastor or layman. This is followed by the etiology, treatment and, at least in most cases, an illustration.

Because of the shortness of the chapters and the simplicity of the outline, the pastor-counselor may have the impression that these emotional problems are easily solved. Meaningful counseling should only be done by those who are well-trained and have the patience to work with emotionally disturbed people. Often the process

involves months and years, and the pastor finds that he does not have the time to deal with too many cases.

Simply by reading the illustrations, the minister will get more insight as to the importance of a warm, loving and secure home environment in which children are given a balance of affection and discipline. Christian homes, in particular, should be models of love in which it makes it possible for Christ to impart his Spirit of peace and power.

**ASSURANCES OF LIFE ETERNAL** by Margaret E. Burton. Judson Press—1966—162 pages—\$2.00 (paper).

Since this book was already published in 1959, it is taken for granted that the publication date of April, 1966, refers to the paper-back edition.

Although the belief in life after death is widely and generally accepted, the personal assurance of immortality is often vague, and even Christians have inner doubts which are best described as feelings of unexpressed agnosticism.

This anthology can strengthen the faith of those who must continue to rely on the personal experience and expression of the saints and mystics, whether they be poets, theologians or scientists. It is not a substitute for the Bible. Neither is it a substitute for a personal faith in immortality which can come only from fellowship with God.

The wide and diversified readings and poetry can prove to be of help, not only to the layman, but also to the pastor who is often called to minister to the sick and dying, and who, on occasion, is looking for a seed thought for a sermon on the resurrection.

**BAPTISM AND CHRISTIAN UNITY** by A. Gilmore. Judson Press—1966—108 pages—\$3.95.

It is not too often that books are written about baptism, even by Baptists. Independent, Bible and community churches often give the new convert his choice. Open membership among some denominational Baptist churches interprets baptism as a thing of no consequence.

According to New Testament standards, baptism was the normal rite of admission to the Christian community. There was a question, however, as to whether spirit-baptism always superseded water-baptism. Paul speaks much of baptism, but it is not always clear whether it is spirit or water-baptism. It is questionable whether the author really takes for granted that the baptism in which the apostle refers to union with Christ is water-baptism.

Some of the more conservative brethren may react to Mr. Gilmore's suggested order of service for a Baptismal Eucharist.

Written from a British Baptist point of view, the volume may nevertheless be used by North American Baptists for the purpose of study and review.

**"MY HEART'S DESIRE** and prayer to God . . . is, that they might be saved" (Rom. 10:1). That prayer from the Apostle Paul could be a model for each Sunday school teacher for unsaved persons who are related to his or her class. When this personal concern on the part of Sunday school teachers is coupled with the positive evangelistic leadership of the pastor, souls will be born into God's kingdom week by week and not just at evangelistic services or during revival times. The following is a brief summary of what a pastor and people did, as they planned a phase of their program of evangelism to be administered through the Sunday school.

The continuing year-round witnessing emphasis centered around "analysis and assignment of prospects." The purpose was to discover the greatest number of the best prospects for evangelism and church membership, with up-to-date information on each; and to discover the greatest number of the best potential personal workers and assign the most logical one to each prospect. It was found that the analysis of a prospect and the assignment of that person to a personal worker should be done at one meeting; but, for clarification, I will treat the two transactions separately here.

## ANALYSIS OF PROSPECTS

The analysis of prospects, or the gaining of all possible pertinent information about them, was initiated through an information check in the church office. Some refer to this as an "inside census." The initial list was formed by checking the Sunday school roll against the church membership roll. When the name of a person nine years of age and above appeared on the Sunday school list but did not appear on the church roll, that name was listed as a potential prospect on a 4 x 6" card. As information was completed on each person, it became evident that some of these were too young to be considered prospects at that time; some were awaiting baptism, and some were already members of another church. Each person was dealt with separately, and when it was found that a particular person was not a prospect, attention was turned to members of his or her family who might be. No possible unsaved or unchurched person was overlooked in the information check.

The crucial phase of the analyzing process centered in the meeting where the pastor and Sunday school workers prayerfully considered the names of prospects in their age division. Analysis meetings were scheduled for different groups of workers, with the controlling factor being the number of names to consider. It was found that a group could adequately deal with only six to ten persons in a period of an hour and a half. The purpose of the analysis meeting was to bring understanding, clarification and agreement concerning each prospect. The gravity of the situation demanded that the meeting, and

the sharing of information, be kept on a very high spiritual plane.

Some of the information indicated whether or not the person was unsaved or unchurched; and who, if anyone, had witnessed to the person concerning salvation or church membership. It was found that it helped the persons who were going to witness to know what the prospect's attitude was toward his spiritual needs, and whether or not his family and friends were aiding or hindering the church's efforts to witness and minister to the individual in question.

## ASSIGNMENT OF PROSPECTS

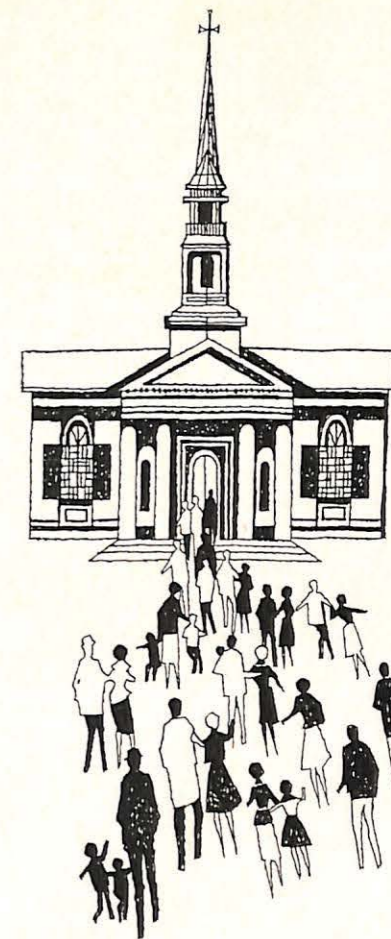
Every effort was made to place each prospect with the person best qualified for winning him or her to Christ and/or church membership. Many times this was the class teacher or a member of the class where the prospect attended Sunday school. In other cases it was a neighbor, a deacon, a school classmate, or a business associate who had the best rapport with the individual being considered. In most every case some one person was found to be best suited to witness to a particular prospect, and the task of the group in assignment was to find that person for each prospect. Much time was spent in prayerful seeking of the Holy Spirit's leadership in the matter. Also, it involved enlisting the help of every available person who was willing to be a personal witness in this effort.

The genius of the assignment of prospects is realized by combining the pastor's soul-winning techniques and experience with the Sunday school worker's rapport in behalf of the best prospects.

## OBSERVABLE RESULTS

One of the most noticeable results was the immediate change of the spiritual climate of the church when pastor and people joined hearts and hands in a real effort to win the lost. Another benefit was in terms of more effective teaching done by teachers who had a burden for specific unsaved persons. It was felt that this real heart concern generated strong motivation for improved teaching. The most hoped for result, the lost being saved, came about week by week as faithful witnesses continued their Holy Spirit-led efforts. Both pastor and people testified that the total experience had been one that contributed much to their growth and development as maturing Christians, and the Sunday school program took on a new look as more meaningful purposes gave direction to the activities.

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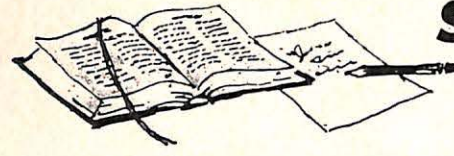


# A Church Reaches People

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RESOURCE IDEAS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION





# sunday school lessons

B. C. SCHREIBER, FOREST PARK, ILLINOIS

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 16, 1967

Theme: PETER'S SERMON AT PENTECOST

Scripture: Acts 2:22-24, 32-39

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT.** There is power in the spoken word only when it is delivered through the Holy Spirit.

**INTRODUCTION.** There is a great deal of importance put on the preparation of sermons. Ministers are expected to pray, meditate, study, read the Bible and related books and periodicals in order to prepare and deliver messages week after week as polished and well-informed servants of God. Pulpit impression and manner are often high on the list of qualifications in many churches when they call a pastor.

In sharp contrast to the studiously prepared sermon, we have Peter's spontaneous Holy Spirit filled message. Why should not every minister be able to preach as Peter did on this day of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit? First of all we must admit that this was a special sermon for a special occasion and for a special purpose. All ministers will admit to the fact that there are times when they feel more inspired than at other times. The Day of Pentecost was a climax of prayer and patient waiting for a power never before experienced to such a degree. Such a wonderful infilling could not be contained. It ran out in words that gave evidence of its power.

**I. THE COURAGE OF PETER.** Acts 2:22-23.

The mockers were here and, as usual, had some ridiculous explanation of why these people acted as they did: "they were full of new wine." Their mockery revealed their inner spiritual condition; they were unable to tell the difference between the holy and the profane.

The miracle of Pentecost was particularly evident in Peter. No longer did he show signs of fear, cowardice, or shame. He was a new man filled with a new Spirit—not new wine.

**II. THE MESSAGE OF THE RISEN LORD.** Acts 2:24.

Although the miracles, signs and wonders revealed Christ as the promised Redeemer, his Messiahship was expressed in an even more miraculous way. God permitted man to do his worst and put his Son to death, but God stepped in and raised Jesus to life again. He would not allow death to destroy him. The resurrection was also part of God's eternal plan.

**III. THE WITNESS OF PETER.** Acts 2:32-36.

The crucifixion was common knowl-

edge in and around Jerusalem. It was a public event, and many of the hearers were probably witnesses to his death. The resurrection, however, was something else again. Only a limited number saw Jesus alive. The fact that Peter says we "all are witnesses" is an indication that all one hundred and twenty members of the first church saw him at one time or another. Peter is not speaking from hearsay but from actual experience.

**IV. THE RESPONSE TO THE MESSAGE.** Acts 2:37.

Peter seemed to end his message abruptly without giving an invitation. But there was no need for it because they felt the sting of sin and guilt and in desperation asked what they must do. The immediate need was for repentance followed by baptism. Although the message sounded solemn and fearful, it proved to be effective. Fearfulness in the heart disappeared when they "gladly received his word."

### Questions for Discussion

1. What are the basic principles of a good witness?
2. What kind of preparation did Peter make before he preached the sermon on the day of Pentecost?
3. Why did not Peter mention anything about God's love for the sinner in his first sermon?

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 23, 1967

Theme: THE POWER OF FAITH

Scripture: Acts 3:1-16

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT.** The world will not take notice of your faith unless they see the fruit of your faith.

**INTRODUCTION.** After Jesus' ascension the small band of disciples remained loyal to their Master. They fellowshiped together; they broke bread together, and they prayed together. They were good, faithful and pious people. And yet, we see how incomplete and how weak they were until they received the gift of the Holy Spirit. On the day of Pentecost they became a living, loving, working, witnessing and growing church. Before the outpouring of the Spirit no one took notice of them. After the Holy Spirit filled them, they spread out in all directions, and it was difficult not to notice them.

As long as the church merely meets for prayer, worship and fellowship no one will disturb it. And the world is satisfied to have it so. It is an indication that the church is attending to its own business and not trying to change the world. However, the power of the Holy Spirit and Christ's Great Commission cannot be contained.

The first church began with a prayer meeting, but it did not end there. Today's lesson shows some of them in action.

**I. A DEMONSTRATION OF FAITH.** Acts 4:8-12.

Nowhere do we read that the disciples took part in any ceremonial function based on the law of Moses, nor did they offer any animal sacrifices in the temple. It was the hour of prayer, and they wished to keep their appointment with God. While others went to the temple to pray, another went to beg. It was not a very dignified way of making a living, but it was the only way open for him. Perhaps Peter and John looked like generous men, and the beggar thought he would receive a generous offering; especially when they looked at him so intently. When he heard they had no money, he must have looked disappointed, for the thought never entered his mind that there might be something far better than silver and gold.

To strengthen the lame man's faith Peter grasped his hand and lifted him to his feet "in the name of Jesus." No wonder he leaped for joy and praised God.

**II. THE PROCLAMATION OF FAITH.** Acts 3:11-16.

Peter took advantage of the situation by hearing testimony to the power of faith in the living Christ. This he did first of all by denying any credit for himself and John and giving glory to God through Jesus Christ. Then he reminded them of the great denial when they chose a murderer rather than Christ. What a different Peter we have here. He did quite a bit of denying himself one night, but through repentance, faith and love he was restored.

The end result was the fact that it turned out to be a greater miracle than Peter and John expected. The healing of a lame man ended with the healing of five thousand souls.

### Questions for Discussion

1. What is meant by "faith healing"? If a physician treats us does that mean we need no faith?
2. Are people interested more in healing of the body than in healing of the soul?
3. How does Peter's faith in the gospels compare with his faith in Acts?

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 30, 1967

Theme: STANDING FOR THE FAITH

Scripture: Acts 4:5-20

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT.** You  
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# OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

## baptism — evangelism

**SACRAMENTO, CALIF., WILLOW RANCHO.** During the week of Feb. 12-17 we were blessed with a visit by God's Volunteers; six sparkling young adults under the direction of Rev. Connie Salios. Their main purpose was to work with us in visitation. On Thursday night we had 30 people come out for visitation—15 teams. First, we were given advice in presenting the Gospel. When we returned from our visitations, we had a close kinship in telling about our experiences. We prayed the seed sowed would yield fruit.

These young people took charge of four church services bringing special music, testimonies, Bible stories for the children, and the sermons were presented by Mr. Salios. There were eleven decisions during this time. (Mrs. Grady Epps, Reporter.)



Persons recently baptized by the pastor, Rev. Alvin Auch, of the Anamoose and Lincoln Valley Baptist Churches, North Dakota.

**ANAMOOSE, N. D.** The Lord's presence was experienced at Martin Baptist Church on Jan. 22 when eight candidates from Anamoose Baptist Church and three candidates from Lincoln Valley Baptist Church followed the Lord in baptism.

Mrs. Arley Hinsz of Martin rendered a solo, and our pastor, Rev. A. Auch, gave a message on Baptist distinctives.

The members received into the fellowship of the Anamoose Baptist Church were Mr. and Mrs. John Stotz, Mr. and Mrs. John Beck and daughter, Paul Kessler, and brothers, Stanley and Rodney Buxa. Those from Lincoln Valley were Mr. Theobald Stien, Mrs. Robert Frank and Michael Faul. (Arlene Beck, Reporter.)

**PLEVNA, MONT.** We, the members of the First Baptist Church, Plevna, Mont., were overjoyed with our evangelistic meetings with God's Volunteers Team II. Rev. Connie Salios was speaker the first week, and the following week Rev. Herman Palfenier was the speaker. We saw souls saved, and

young and older people rededicated their lives anew to a closer walk with God. There were those who came forward for baptism and indicated their desire to join with us as members.

On Jan. 8, 1967, we held our baptismal service. Our pastor, Rev. Edward Kopf, baptized and extended the hand of fellowship to the nine. (Mrs. Walter Hochhalter, Reporter.)



Persons recently baptized at the First Baptist Church, Plevna, Mont., (back row, l. to r.) by the pastor, Rev. Edward Kopf, are Kathy Kusler, Mrs. LeRoy Kusler, Elroy Fried; (front row) Sandra Kopf, Beryl Bechtold, Connie Kusler, Darrel Kusler, Timothy Bechtold.

**LODI, CALIF., FIRST.** The First Baptist Church has just concluded two weeks of special meetings. From Feb. 12 through Feb. 17 we had a Bible Conference with Dr. David Allen from Hazel Park, Mich. Dr. Allen has a very unique way of teaching the Bible, quoting scores of Scripture passages from memory at each meeting. We had morning and evening sessions daily, and all who attended were greatly helped spiritually. From Feb. 19 through Feb. 24 a group of God's Volunteers, under the direction of Rev. Connie Salios, ministered to us. It was a most interesting experience for us to see these young people in action. Their visitation program was very rewarding, and their singing, instrumental playing and testimonies, topped off with the powerful evangelistic messages brought by Mr. Salios each evening made this a memorable week for us. During the two weeks a number of decisions were made, among them was a young sailor who accepted Christ as his Savior. (Mrs. Emil Bansmar, Reporter.)

**GLADWIN, MICH.** The Round Lake Baptist Church concluded a week of Deeper Life meetings from Feb. 12-19 with Rev. Richard Paetzel, Peoria, Ill., as evangelist. Each evening Mr. Paetzel, a gifted man of God, led the congregation in singing and played the trumpet. There was special music after which a children's story was given.

The evangelist's messages were taken from the first eight chapters of

Romans. The Word of God was given from a heart filled with tenderness, love and sincerity. We trust and pray the Holy Spirit will continue to perform his work in our individual lives to the honor and glory of God as was the great desire of Rev. R. Paetzel. (Augusta Will, Reporter.)



Those who recently entered the baptismal waters at Swain Oaks Baptist Church, Stockton, Calif., were (front row) Mrs. Ann Christian, Gordon Kaemmerling, David Cundari, Gary Benz; (back row) George Kaemmerling, Mrs. G. Kaemmerling, Dwayne Kaemmerling, with the pastor, Rev. Alvin Harsch.

**STOCKTON, CALIF.** At Swain Oaks Baptist Church, Stockton, Calif., we are praising the Lord for blessing our church with the excellent leadership of Pastor Alvin Harsch.

Fourteen new members have been added to the membership roll since January 1, 1967, seven by confession of faith in Christ and seven by transfer. (Walter Claypool, Reporter.)

### BAPTISMAL CORRECTION

**DALLAS, TEXAS.** Correction please! In the February 15 issue it was incorrectly reported that Paul Thomas was baptized in our church on Dec. 4. This should have correctly read Bill Thomas, his older brother. (Mrs. James Westgate, Reporter.)

## christian education events

**MINITONAS, MAN.** In line with our denominational theme, "Learners—Teachers for Jesus Christ," a study course for the entire church was held Feb. 12-17 with Dr. E. P. Wahl of Edmonton, Alta., as guest lecturer. After every lecture based on the Epistle of James, a question and answer period followed, speaking of the desire to become "doers of the Word." In the same spirit members of the church board and building committee united with the church for a panel discussion, led by our pastor, Rev. H. A. Pohl, on Feb. 26, under the theme, whether we as a church have done what we could and are doing what we ought to as we follow Christ's



command in Mt. 28: 19-20. The "Board Choir" under direction of Wm. Hart sang two numbers. Under co-operation the new sanctuary, with full basement, 102 by 54 feet, and a seating capacity of 400, will soon be completed. Lord willing the dedication service will be held on June 25. (H. A. Pohl, Pastor.)

## youth activities

**HILDA, ALTA.** On Feb. 5, 1967, at 7 P.M. the Hilda Baptist Church held their closing Youth Week program with the senior CBYF in charge. The orchestra, which was recently formed under the direction of our new pastor, Rev. Fritz Goliath, played before the evening service. The main event of the program was a film entitled "The Big Blast." This was truly an inspiring and soul searching film. On Feb. 10, 1967, was Women's World Day of Prayer. The women from several churches in the district gathered at the Hilda Baptist Church that evening to take part in the service. (Mrs. A. Reiling, Reporter.)

## women's missionary societies

**FESSENDEN, N. D.** A White Cross Program was given by the Ladies' Mission Circle and the Esther Circle of the First Baptist Church, Fessenden, N. D., on Sunday evening, Feb. 5, to White Cross work, a play entitled in an attractive display at the front

Pictured with a display of the White Cross Work (left to right) are Mrs. Arnold Knodel, president, Ladies' Mission Circle, Fessenden, N. D.; Mrs. Leonard Martin, president, Esther Circle; Mrs. Ray Hoffman, our pastor's wife; Mrs. Gilbert Pross and Miss Hazel Fuhrman, White Cross Chairman and Co-Chairman. Two White Cross Chairmen not pictured are Mrs. Wm. Krebs and Mrs. Wm. Krueger.



of the church. The program consisted of several songs sung by the ladies on the theme of working for the Lord, some readings and reports pertaining to White Cross work, a play entitled "The Crown of Life," and other musical numbers. At the close of the program, a dedicatory service was held, and everyone was invited to the basement for a time of fellowship. (Mrs. Olga Wipf, Secretary.)

**SASKATOON, SASK., HUDSON BAY.** The Women's Missionary Society of Hudson Bay Park Baptist Church presented its annual program on Feb. 5. The program theme was "Hands That Serve," and by means of visual aids, reports, readings, poems and song, we stressed some of the ways in which we could serve God with the work of our hands, such as in prayer, White Cross projects, missions, church extension and in guiding and molding young lives. Missionary Ardice Ziolkowski gave a stirring talk on the work of "Healing Hands" in the various aspects of the physical and spiritual healing ministry on our Cameroon mission field. Let us remember that God needs our hands in his service. (Mrs. Ellie Warkentin, Secretary.)

**DALLAS, TEXAS.** Since October, two groups of WMU have been working in our church. The new evening group was formed for those who are unable to attend the usual morning sessions. Functioning under the leadership of an executive committee, the new group has held a series of monthly organizational meetings. During these meetings, members were acquainted with each other and introduced to the White Cross ministry by the series of slides. Officers Harriet Morrison, president; Nancy Westgate, vice-president; Rae Reed, treasurer; and Dorothy Holyer, secretary, assumed duties April 1. The morning group also elected new officers at their last meeting. These new officers include Emma Mueller, president; Jene Welton, vice-president; Louise Porth, treasurer; and Willie Elliott, secretary. (Mrs. James Westgate, Reporter.)

**LEMMON, S. D.** A World Day of Prayer service was held at Temple Baptist Church, Lemmon, S. D., Feb. 10. The Grace Baptist Church, Hettinger, N. D., joined us for the service, and Pastor Merv Noah of Hettinger gave us an inspiring message on prayer. The ladies of Temple Baptist Mission Society presented a program before the message. After the service, the group had a time of fellowship together with coffee and cookies in the basement of the church. (Mrs. Arthur E. Nyberg, Reporter.)

**FOREST PARK, ILL.** On Feb. 7, 1967, the Forest Park Baptist Church Woman's Missionary Guild, Forest Park, Ill., observed its 25th anniversary. We had 20 of the original 119 chapter members present. Each one received a silver rose. Yearbooks of the past were very effectively arranged for display by Mrs. Eldon Janzen. Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman had searched the

records for information about the past, and Irma Grieger, a member of the first executive committee, worked up the program. Of the thirteen past and present presidents, ten were able to participate. Each one was given a silver orchid. Each president reminisced on the events during her term of office. A lighted candle was passed from one to the next as a symbol of "passing the torch." It was noted that during the past 25 years many changes have taken place in the Guild structure, but its Object has remained the same.

We were indeed privileged to have as our guest speaker the first president of our Guild, Mrs. Walter Grosser, who challenged us not only to render service in our own church but to reach out. Since Mrs. H. J. Freeman's birthday was during this time, we observed it by presenting her with a floral arrangement and a gift of money. A time of fellowship with refreshments concluded the evening. (E. Redlich, Reporter.)



Past presidents of the Forest Park Baptist Women's Missionary Guild, Ill., are (front row, l. to r.) Erna Redlich, Dorothy Barber, Irma Grosser, Adele Maxant; (back row, l. to r.) Mildred Dymmel, Martha Granzow, Kay Schilke, Millie Fuchs, Chris Woyke and Helen Schreiber.

## baptist men

**SUMNER, IOWA.** "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." (1 Tim. 4:16).

Feb. 13 the Brotherhood sponsored a Valentine's supper for our wives at a local restaurant where we sang choruses, had some fun making and heard a short devotion by Dr. M. Vanderbeck. Thirty men, wives and other guests attended.

March 2 the Brotherhood sponsored a father-son banquet. It was a deer supper with a sportsman member and his wife furnishing the meat and other wives assisting. (John A. Floden, Reporter.)

## missionary emphasis

**CALGARY, ALTA., GRACE.** What a gorgeous display! Pictures of the Cree Tribe at Hobbema, Alta., where the

Harrisons and the Aaldyks are serving as well as very colorful pictures of Indians from the United States were displayed in the church.

Rev. and Mrs. David Harrison spent an entire week-end in Calgary. On Friday night our missionary challenged the Senior Young People, Junior Young People, and Home Builder's Group with a dynamic message.

On Sunday morning Mr. Harrison brought a story to the boys and girls in Sunday school. The morning message dealt with "Idols and Fetishes" that still exist on the reservations. In the evening Mr. Harrison showed colored slides of the work and explained some of the curios that were displayed in front.

The people were much informed, challenged to pray, and they responded with their gifts in appreciation for the services of the Harrisons and the salvation of God that has come to us. Mrs. Harrison greeted the people and spoke a few words. Our offering was near \$200.00. May our God keep our hearts on fire for the souls of men and women that we here in Canada make this CENTENNIAL YEAR the best year ever in our history of the Church. (Miss Sheila Schneider, Reporter.)

## special events

**PEORIA, ILL.** North Sheridan Baptist Church, Peoria, has "taken to the air." The church inaugurated a 13-week series of 15-minute broadcasts over a Peoria radio station (WPEO) at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 5. The program, called "The Evangel Hour," consists of special musical numbers, congregational singing, and a message by the pastor of the church, Rev. Richard Paetzl. (Walter Kohrs, Reporter.)

**MOOSEHORN, MAN.** Our pastor, Rev. K. H. Tonn, has kept us and himself very busy with Bible study and prayer on Wednesday evening in various homes, choir and young peoples group on Friday evening, board meetings, ladies' meetings and visitation. In our Bible study we studied different cults, which was very interesting and helpful.

Our ladies have been busy rolling bandages, cutting squares, making baby jackets, diapers, and so forth for our White cross parcel. Mrs. W. Russell, our president, knew how to keep us busy and happy, and we thank the Lord for her. She is also our choir director.

On Nov. 27, 1966, we had the joyous occasion of dedicating our parsonage and burning the mortgage. A task which seemed impossible is completed, and we praise and thank the Lord for his guiding hand.

We are now looking to the Lord for help in a much larger project—that of building a much needed new church. Though there are but a few of us, we know we can do it with the Lord's

help. Please pray with us in this project.

We are happy that the Lord leads Christian families into our community. We welcome the Otto Grauman family into our midst, and may the Lord bless them as they worship with us. (Mrs. George Nickel, Reporter.)



Mrs. Carl May extends the greetings of the Salt Creek Baptist Sunday School, Dallas, Oregon, to Miss Lena May in recognition of her services to the church and the community.

**DALLAS, ORE.** "Lena May Day" was observed at the Salt Creek Baptist church, Sunday evening, Feb. 12.

Miss May recently retired from one of her church posts. For about 23 years she has served as the efficient clerk of the church body. A special day was planned to reminisce and bring to remembrance her faithfulness as school teacher, community leader and church worker.

After a song service led by William Thiesies and prayer, Mrs. Carl May escorted Miss May to the platform. With appropriate greetings from the Sunday school she pinned an orchid corsage on the guest of honor. A male quartet composed of "her school boys," including Marvin May, Lester Voth, Loren Lange and Kenneth May sang. A humorous sketch of "school days" was presented by Mrs. Tom Lacey and Mrs. Wayne Radke. Mrs. Lacey presented Miss May a decorated replica of a rural mailbox filled with greeting cards from her many friends. Pastor Hans J. Wilcke added an appropriate devotion, "Walking with God." He also presented her a gift from the congregation.

After the program many personal greetings were extended to Miss May.

As someone rightly put it, "It is well to let a person know that they are appreciated while they are still in our midst." Although Miss May will be a part of the church and community activities for many years, those who were in attendance were grateful to observe a day in her honor. (Mrs. Ernest Villwock, Reporter.)

**TACOMA, WASH., CALVARY.** Jan. 15, our church held a farewell for Dr. John Wobig and his wife who had served us as interim pastor. Their ministry was a real blessing for our church and will long be remembered. On Jan. 22 with much anticipation, we as a church welcomed

our new pastor, Rev. E. Wesner and family. Rev. J. Sonnenberg was guest speaker. With Pastor Wesner and his wonderful family we look forward to a fruitful ministry.

Our women of the church have been busy packing warm clothes for the Spanish-American field in Colorado along with their usual White Cross work.

Youth week in our church was a real challenge to many. The young people took part in many services. They held their banquet on Jan. 24 with the Rev. Harvey Mehlhoff of Portland Ave. Baptist church as guest speaker.

In this new year we pray that the Lord will give us many workers for the fields which are white unto harvest. (Mitzie Neumann, Reporter.)

**PIN OAK CREEK, MO.** The Mt. Sterling Baptist Church held a fellowship supper on January 27. We had as our guest a representative from the Christian Civic Organization in St. Louis. He showed a film on "The Dangers of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol." It was very informative and enjoyable.

We have started a scripture memory program with our children. Scripture verses are given out, and they recite once a month in the Sunday evening service.

We held our quarterly singspiration on February 10. We had a very good turnout from the surrounding churches which presented special numbers. Refreshments followed, and then we had a session of old fashioned gospel singing. Everyone looks forward to our singspirations. (Mrs. Sherah Heidbrink, Reporter.)

## seasonal programs

**PEORIA, ILL.** A series of four Lenten services climaxing with a candle-light communion service Good Friday night were held at North Sheridan Baptist Church, Peoria. Meditation themes were "The Arrest of Jesus" March 2; "The Jewish Trial of Jesus" March 9; "The Roman Trial of Jesus" March 16; and "The Crucifixion of Jesus" March 23. Visiting Peoria and East Peoria pastors were guest speakers at the March 2 and 16 services, with the pastor of the church, Rev. Richard Paetzl, conducting the March 9 and 23 meetings. (Walter Kohrs, Reporter.)

**ANAMOOSE, N. D.** The Anamoose Baptist Church and the Bethel Baptist Church of Harvey held a combined watchnight service on New Year's eve at Anamoose. The Senior CBY of Anamoose conducted the first part of the service with song service and special numbers. A film, "A Time to Speak," was shown.

A time of fellowship and refreshments were enjoyed; as everyone gathered in the basement.

The second service began with a



candlelight service. Margaret Heringer sang "O Jesu, Joy of Man's Desire." Rev. A. Kranz of Harvey conducted the service depicting the source of light which is ultimately Jesus. This was followed with a communion service conducted by Rev. A. Auch. Ronald Mayer sang during the service. The service concluded with a fellowship prayer. All were richly blessed. (Arlene Beck, Reporter.)

**PEORIA, ILL.** The choir of North Sheridan Baptist Church, Peoria, directed by Gerald Bowers, presented the John W. Peterson cantata, "The Glory of Easter," Easter Sunday afternoon (March 26). Soloists were Mrs. Robert Andrew, Mrs. Richard Paetzel, Roland and Dean Anderson, and Walter Kohrs. Mrs. Roland Anderson and Mrs. Walter Kohrs were piano and organ accompanists, respectively. The pastor of the church, Rev. Richard Paetzel, presented the narration. (Walter Kohrs, Reporter.)

## receptions—farewells

**AMHERST, N. Y.** Our new pastor, Rev. William Christensen, came to us from King's Highway Baptist Church, Bridgeport, Conn., and began his pastorate here on Jan. 8, 1967.

Mr. and Mrs. Christensen and children were welcomed by a reception in their honor at the evening service, Jan. 15.

After congregational singing led by Donald McCaslin and scripture and prayer by Deacon Raymond Krehl, Pastor and Mrs. Christensen and children were presented with corsages and boutonnieres by Mrs. Joseph Kern on behalf of the Ann Judson Mission-

ary Society. Words of welcome were also given by Charles Weber, Jr., diaconate; Harold Stocker, trustees; Donald Wobig, moderator; Miss Lu Williams, Sunday School; Miss Kathy Krehl, Young People's Society; Mrs. Herbert Ruth, Women's Missionary Society; and George Holman, Bethel Builders.

Special music was rendered by the choir under the direction of Alfred Wessel and by a quartet composed of Mrs. Douglas Farley, Mrs. Arthur Hartman, Donald McCaslin and Oliver Scribner.

In response, Pastor Christensen thanked the Sunday school for the kitchen shower and for the newly re-decorated parsonage.

After the service a time of refreshment and fellowship was enjoyed by the 160 members and friends of Bethel present.

We give thanks to God for sending us the Christensens and are looking forward to great service for him as we labor together here at Bethel. (Doris E. Scribner, Reporter.)

**EMERY, S. D., FIRST.** On the evening of Feb. 23, a welcoming reception was held at the First Baptist Church, Emery, S. D., for the Rev. and Mrs. M. D. Wolff and daughters, Nancy, Teresa and Edith.

The program, under the direction of Ed Schrader, consisted of welcome and congregational singing led by Don Fluth and scripture and prayer by Henry Hanneman. Welcoming talks and readings were given by the following representatives: Elmer Olthoff, Board of Deacons, Floyd Weeldreyer, Sunday school, Otto Bleeker, Men's Brotherhood, Marcia Klock and Betty Bleeker, Dorcas Girls and Mrs. Otto Bleeker, Training Union. Intermingled were musical numbers by the choir, a duet by Mrs. Carl Olthoff and Mrs.

closing remarks and benediction by the Rev. Kenneth Ontjes, and the evening was concluded with lunch and fellowship in the dining hall. (Mrs. Walter Heitzman, Reporter.)

## anniversaries



**MR. AND MRS. CARL LIEDTKE OBSERVE 60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

On Feb. 12 open house was held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Liedtke at the Immanuel Baptist Church in Wessington Springs for their 60th wedding anniversary, hosted by their children.

A short program was presented by the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Rev. Thomas Lutz, pastor of the couple, gave a brief meditation and commendation to the Liedtkes for their faithful Christian witness.

Following the program refreshments were served.

Pauline Heitzman and Carl Liedtke were married at Plum Creek parsonage in Emery, S. D., Feb. 14, 1907, and they farmed near there until 1917 when they moved near Wessington Springs where they helped organize the Ebenezer Baptist Church where they were members until 1955 when they moved to Wessington Springs and joined the Immanuel Baptist Church.

They have two daughters and five sons, eight grandsons, four granddaughters and two great-granddaughters. (Miss Eunice Liedtke, Reporter.)

## OBITUARY

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personal Savior and upon confession of his faith was baptized and received into the membership of the First Baptist Church of Dickinson County, Hope, Kan., and remained a faithful and active member.

On Dec. 4, 1924, he married Anna Lockard, and to this union two children were born: Delmar of Hope, Kan., and Leone Fisher of Columbus, Ohio, who all survive him. He is also survived by eight grandchildren; two brothers, Arthur of Salina, Royal of Ottawa; and one sister, Mrs. R. A. Buehning, of Hope, Kan.

The funeral service was conducted on Feb. 15 in the First Baptist Church of Dickinson County with the pastor, the Rev. Edwin F. Walter officiating.

First Baptist Church of Dickinson County, Hope, Kansas

EDWIN F. WALTER, Pastor

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## Obituary

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

### MRS. IDA HEIDENREICH HILL of Kyle, Texas

Mrs. Ida Heidenreich Hill was called to her home in glory on Jan. 27, 1967. She was born July 14, 1885, at Culman, Ala., and moved to Kyle, Texas, on Aug. 20, 1885. Her parents were the late J. A. and Wilhelmina Heidenreich. She was married to Will George Hill on Dec. 2, 1908. She was converted on New Year's Eve at ten years of age and baptized in January, 1895, by Rev. J. A. Benson, the pastor.

Survivors are three sons: Adolph and LeRoy, both of Kyle, Texas and Marvin of Nixon, Texas; three daughters: Elnora (Mrs. Edward Bieber) of Mamou, La., Melinda (Mrs. W. E. Petty) of Albuquerque, N. M., and Nadine (Mrs. L. A. Goodman) of Fulton, Texas; thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Minnie Hill, and one brother, Mr. Emil Heidenreich, both of Kyle, Texas; and her beloved companion, Mrs. Lonie Schnautz, and a host of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Hill lived a godly life. Her favorite Scriptures were Psalm 121 and John 3:16. Although she was an invalid for a number of years and blind for the last two, her life was a testimony of love and concern for the lost and the outreach of the gospel. Immanuel Baptist Church, Kyle, Texas

W. H. BARSH, Pastor

### MRS. ALEX FRICK of Durham, Kansas

Mrs. Lula Frick was born near Dillon, Kan., Feb. 3, 1884, and passed away unexpectedly at her farm home north of Durham, Jan. 15, 1967, at the age of 82 years, 11 months and 19 days.

She came to the Durham vicinity with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schlehber, at age 12 and resided here until her death.

She was united in marriage to Alex W. Frick of Durham on April 12, 1904. To this union two children were born.

She became a Christian in 1899 under the ministry of Rev. Dalke, was baptized and joined the Durham Baptist Church, where she remained a member until her passing. She served as Sunday school teacher and was active in the Ladies' Missionary Society, until health did not permit too many activities.

Mrs. Frick and her husband had a long life together, celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary, April 12, 1964.

She leaves her deeply bereaved husband, Alex; one daughter: Mrs. Juanita Unruh, Council Grove, Kan.; one son: Linel, at home; four grandchildren: seven great-grandchildren; three brothers: Ed and Walter Schlehber of Durham and John Schlehber of Delphos, Kansas; besides a host of other relatives and friends. Two brothers and a sister preceded her in death.

First Baptist Church, Durham, Kansas

HENRY LANG, Pastor

### WILLIAM H. KROESCH of Costa Mesa, California

Mr. William H. Kroesch was born Sept. 18, 1885, and went to be with the Lord Dec. 10, 1966. Mr. Kroesch is survived by one son, Everett L. Kroesch, of Bakersfield, Calif., two grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. Mr. Kroesch was affectionately known by many as Uncle Billy.

He served the Lord faithfully since his conversion at age 14. He was baptized by his father, the Rev. William Kroesch and joined the church at California, Mo. After moving to the state of California, Mr. Kroesch helped to build four churches in the southern California area. He served faithfully in several capacities in the church, such as trustee, deacon, custodian and choir-master. Mr. Kroesch was especially fond of church music and was active in choir work unto the end. It was Uncle Billy's wish to die in the service of Christ; on Dec. 10 he

quietly passed into the presence of God while doing custodial work at the University Baptist Church. A memorial fund has been established.

University Baptist Church, Santa Ana, California  
ROBERT D. CAHILL, Pastor

### PHILIP V. SENN of La Crescent, Minnesota

Mr. Philip V. Senn was born on Jan. 15, 1908, in Mound Prairie, Minn., and passed away very suddenly at his home on Jan. 21, 1967.

In 1934 he married Dorothy Karlen and to this union were born two daughters and one son.

He was engaged in farming, and served as township assessor and school bus driver. In his youth he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and served the church as a faithful member in the offices of deacon, trustee, S. S. superintendent and teacher. He will be greatly missed; as he was a friend to all and always had time to lend a helping hand where it was needed.

Funeral services held at the Mound Prairie Baptist Church were conducted by Missionary Harold Dark, Sibut, Republic of Central Africa.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters: Mrs. Jerome (Elizabeth) Elder and Mrs. Eugene (Patricia) Goede, Minneapolis, Minn.; six grandchildren; two sisters: Mrs. Clara Luff, Austin, Minn., and Mrs. Raymond (Ruth) Counihan, Milwaukee, Wis.

His son, two sisters, three brothers and his parents preceded him in death.

Mound Prairie Baptist Church, La Crescent, Minnesota

PRISCILLA SANDAU, Reporter

### KLAAS J. KRUSE of George, Iowa

Klaas J. Kruse was born March 8, 1885, in Oestfriesland, Germany, and departed this life Jan. 13, 1967, at the age of 81 years. In 1900 Klaas moved to America and settled in Lyon County, Iowa. He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Kruse of Little Rock, Iowa, in 1905. To this union were born 12 children: nine girls and three boys.

Klaas farmed in Lyon County all his life and upon retirement moved into Little Rock and then to George and surrounding area. He was confined to the hospital the last two months of his life.

On Nov. 7, 1954, Klaas, upon confession of his faith, was baptized, and he united with the First Baptist Church of rural George, where he remained faithful until his death.

Mourning his passing are seven daughters: Olive (Mrs. Tom Venenga) Little Rock, Mary (Mrs. Jake DeBoer) George, Martha (Mrs. Fred Buss) Little Rock, Rose (Mrs. Amos Gerdes) George, Claretta (Mrs. William Van Sloten) Rock Rapids, Bernice (Mrs. George Henrichs) George, and Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Arends) Ellsworth, Minn.; three sons: Lucas, Little Rock, Jake, Bellflower, Calif., and Wayne, Little Rock; one sister, Helen Franzen, Germany; one brother, Andrew of George; 36 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends. Preceding him in death were his parents, wife, Elizabeth, and two daughters: Irene and Mattie (Mrs. Abel Dreesen).

First Baptist Church, George, Iowa

KEN UNRUH, Pastor

### JOHN DANNEBOHM of Ellinwood, Kansas

Mr. John Dannebohm was born Jan. 14, 1876, in Alton, Ill., and moved to the Ellinwood community in 1882. On Aug. 12, 1903, he married Emma Fischer. This marriage was blessed with two children. They also raised three nephews—Donald, Edward and Harold Fischer—who were left after the death of their mother in 1920.

After the death of his wife in 1954 he married Jessie Helmers in Nov., 1956, at Preston, Kan., which marriage was sustained with comfort and blessing until his death Jan. 11, 1967, after only a brief period of illness.

At an early age he accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior. After obeying in believer's baptism, he united with the First Baptist Church, Ellinwood, Kan., where he remained a devoted and faithful member, serving his Lord in many different capacities and offices during his 75 years of membership in the church. He will especially be remembered for his interest, punctuality and faithful attendance at the services and work of the church. He attended every morning worship service in 1966 and almost completed 20 years of service as a deacon.

After a full life of almost 91 years, he leaves to mourn his passing his devoted wife; son, Stanley H., and daughter, Mrs. Alfred Scheudler, both of Ellinwood; half-sister, Mrs. M. Fischer; four step-children;

nine grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

First Baptist Church, Ellinwood, Kansas

HAROLD WEISS, Pastor

### PETER J. KRULL of George, Iowa

Peter J. Krull was born Dec. 16, 1900, in Simonswoide, Oestfriesland, Germany, and departed this life on Jan. 15, 1967, while enroute to Rock Rapids Hospital, suffering from a stroke. Peter reached the age of 66 years and one month.

In 1923 as a young man, he migrated to America settling in Lyon County, Iowa. On March 21, 1950, he was united in marriage to Grace Kramer, nee Schneiderman. His life-long occupation was farming. In 1950 he was baptized and united with the First Baptist Church of rural George where he remained a faithful member until his departure. His faith continued to grow even though his health was failing.

Mourning his passing are his wife, Grace; one brother, Klaas of Little Rock; two sisters: Etta Krull DeBoer and Gertrude Krull DeBoer, both of Germany; two step-sons: Herman Kramer, Little Rock, and Kriene B. Kramer, Little Rock; one step-daughter, Hilda (Mrs. Delmar Christians) Little Rock; 25 grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

First Baptist Church, George, Iowa

KEN UNRUH, Pastor

### ALEX W. FRICK of Durham, Kansas

Alex W. Frick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Frick, was born Aug. 4, 1876, and died on Feb. 22, 1967, at the age of 90 years, seven months and 18 days. Mr. Frick had been in the hospital for several days.

He came to Durham with his parents when he was 12 years old and lived in this community until his death. In his early manhood he worked in the grocery store at Durham. In 1904 he established the Durham State Bank and was its operator for 13 years after which he moved to a farm north of Durham.

He was united in marriage to Lula Schlehber April 12, 1904, to which union two children were born. Mrs. Frick passed away Jan. 15, 1967.

He accepted Christ as personal Savior in 1924, was baptized by Rev. John Kepl and joined the First Baptist Church of Durham of which he remained a member to his death. Mr. Frick served the church as a trustee.

He leaves to mourn, one daughter, Mrs. Juanita Unruh, Council Grove, Kan.; one son, Linel of Durham; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three brothers: Abe and Ben of Durham and Charlie of Hutchinson, Kan.; three sisters: (Anna) Mrs. William Pope, Hillsboro, Kan.; (Sadie) Mrs. Gottfried Socolossky, Oakland, Calif.; (Mollie) Mrs. Sam Schlehber, McPherson, Kan.; besides a host of other relatives and friends. Four brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

First Baptist Church, Durham, Kansas

HENRY LANG, Pastor

### BERTHOLD KELBERT of Minitonas, Manitoba

Berthold Kelbert was born on Dec. 25, 1909, at Lesabuda, Russia, came to Canada in 1928, and resided at Overstone, Man., till 1932, whereupon he farmed at Minitonas, Man. In 1933 he married Lydia Fishbook. God blessed them with five children. He was baptized in 1930 at Morris, Man., by the Rev. G. Ittermann. His membership was with the First Baptist Church, Minitonas, Man., until his departure. Following a brief illness, he passed away unexpectedly at the Swan River Hospital at the age of 57 years on Feb. 19, 1967.

He leaves to mourn his wife, Mrs. Lydia Kelbert of Minitonas; two daughters: Violet (Mrs. Thomas Leggett) of Hudson Bay, Sask., and Myrtle (Mrs. Ed Hart) of Minitonas; three sons: Eric of Winnipeg, Ervin and John of Minitonas; four grandchildren; four brothers: Alfred and Reuben of Swan River, Herbert of Minitonas, and Samuel of Winnipeg; one brother, Assaph, preceded him in death in Russia; his father-in-law, Wm. Fishbook, Sr., in Swan River.

The funeral service was held Feb. 22 at the First Baptist Church, Minitonas, with Rev. H. A. Pohl officiating.

First Baptist Church, Minitonas, Manitoba

HERMAN A. POHL, Pastor

### WALTER SANDOW of Hope, Kansas

Mr. Walter Sandow was born in Dillon, Kan., on Sept. 2, 1897, and passed away on Feb. 13, 1967, at the age of 69 years and five months.

In his youth he accepted Christ as his

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The Bethel Baptist Choir, Williamsville, N. Y., under direction of Alfred Wessel at the reception for Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Christensen (front row, left).

## AROUND THE WORLD

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

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must be willing to stand up for Christ, if you want to speak out for him.

**INTRODUCTION.** The opposition was beginning to show itself. So far the Jewish leaders thought it best to ignore the growing Christian community. Although they were aware of the strange happenings on the day of Pentecost, they probably were under the impression that the excitement and emotion of the day would die down, and nothing more would come of it. But Peter's repeated accusation disturbed them. They did not wish to be reminded of the crucifixion, and even less did they want to hear about the resurrection. This was why the first opposing forces were found among the Sadducees who did not believe in a resurrection.

When they heard that two of Jesus' disciples stirred up the people by healing a well-known lame beggar, they decided to take some action; especially since Peter took advantage of the opportunity and preached in the temple area and added five thousand believers to the new church.

Perhaps they thought they could put a quick end to the matter by bringing the leaders of this disturbing sect before the council, fill them with fear, forbid them to preach and dismiss them with a sharp warning. To their surprise they discovered that they were not dealing with timid and fearful men.

### I. OPPOSITION BY RELIGIOUS LEADERS. Acts 4:5-7.

This was an august looking group before which these two apostles stood. Many of these men enjoyed their seats of honor; some of which were purchased by bribery and corruption. To appear before the Sanhedrin was, to say the least, an awe-inspiring experience. But Peter and John did not seem to be greatly impressed. These men

thought they were representatives of the highest religious power, but they were rudely awakened to the fact that the apostles represented a power which they lacked.

### II. FEARLESSNESS OF THE SPIRIT-FILLED. Acts 4:8-12.

Peter was definitely a different person now, which made him not only fearless, but wise and understanding so that words fairly ran out of his mouth. There was both humility and respect in what he said. He gave honor where honor was due by addressing them as the rulers and elders of Israel. On the other hand he also spoke frankly, presented the message of Christ, and gave the credit and glory to God for the miracle which was performed. At the same time he reminded them of their guilt for the death of Christ and of the fact that he was now raised from the dead.

### III. THE SECRET OF POWER. Acts 4:13-20.

The Sanhedrin thought of itself as the best educated and most powerful force in Israel. But they could not help but marvel at the boldness of Peter and John and the fact that they were unlearned and ignorant men. The secret of their courage was that they had been with Jesus. However, the Jewish leaders had to show these amateur theologians who was "boss" around here and ordered them not to speak in Jesus' name. Nevertheless, obedience to God was their only concern, and they said so in no uncertain terms.

#### Questions for Discussion

1. Do the followers of Jesus Christ have the same boldness today as that of the early Christians?
2. Do you feel that we, as Christians, are weak in our testimony?
3. In what areas of our Christian life do you think we should be more aggressive and courageous?

## BAPTIST NEWS

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quite for safeguarding religious freedom. Hence, they said that it needs neither alteration nor amplifying by constitutional changes.

The First Amendment reads in part: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." This provision is extended to the States by the Fourteenth Amendment.

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, an agency sponsored by eight national Baptist bodies, took steps toward a study guide on the problem of religion in schools. It will be offered to the churches as a printed brochure in the near future.

**Washington, D.C. (BWA)** Asia was spotlighted further by the reading of a cabled report from Shuichi Matsumura of Tokyo, a vice president of B.W.A., that Asian Baptist leaders plan to meet in Hong Kong April 8 to discuss formation of an Asian Baptist Fellowship. Such an association would likely be modeled after the European Baptist Federation and the North American Baptist Fellowship, operating under the umbrella of the world alliance.

Formation of the Asian fellowship could lead to establishment of an Asian office of the Baptist World Alliance, similar to the regional office for Europe located at London.

**Persons in the News.** Mrs. Edgar Bates of Ontario, Canada, president of the Women's Department of the BWA was awarded the honorary Doctor of Laws degree from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont. Thomas B. McDormand has announced plans to retire from the presidency of the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary and College, Philadelphia, Pa., at the end of 1967. Dr. Richard Hoiland has been elected interim president of Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, California.

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## CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

February, 1967

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	Feb. 1967	Feb. 1966	Feb. 1965
Atlantic	\$ 4,124.22	\$ 3,295.36	\$ 4,248.45
Central	17,953.44	18,037.30	14,565.30
Dakota	5,074.08	9,935.93	5,409.72
Eastern	2,254.73	1,388.08	2,568.26
Northern	6,425.82	5,623.71	5,532.23
Northwestern	7,077.72	11,218.98	6,143.51
Pacific	6,269.84	8,496.69	12,509.00
Southern	505.44	932.65	170.49
Southwestern	3,474.02	3,153.39	5,615.00
Inter-Conference	3,175.62	2,921.00	2,899.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 56,334.93</b>	<b>\$ 65,003.09</b>	<b>\$ 59,661.46</b>

### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

	Budget Contributions	Other Contributions	Total Contributions
For the month of February, 1967	\$ 45,853.05	\$ 10,481.88	\$ 56,334.93
For the month of February, 1966	54,293.20	10,709.89	65,003.09
For the month of February, 1965	52,649.07	7,012.39	59,661.46

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

April 1, 1966, to Feb. 28, 1967	\$921,776.93	\$ 94,680.50	\$1,016,457.43
April 1, 1965, to Feb. 28, 1966	846,425.87	75,428.42	921,854.29
April 1, 1964, to Feb. 28, 1965	799,041.93	68,400.82	867,442.75

## OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

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