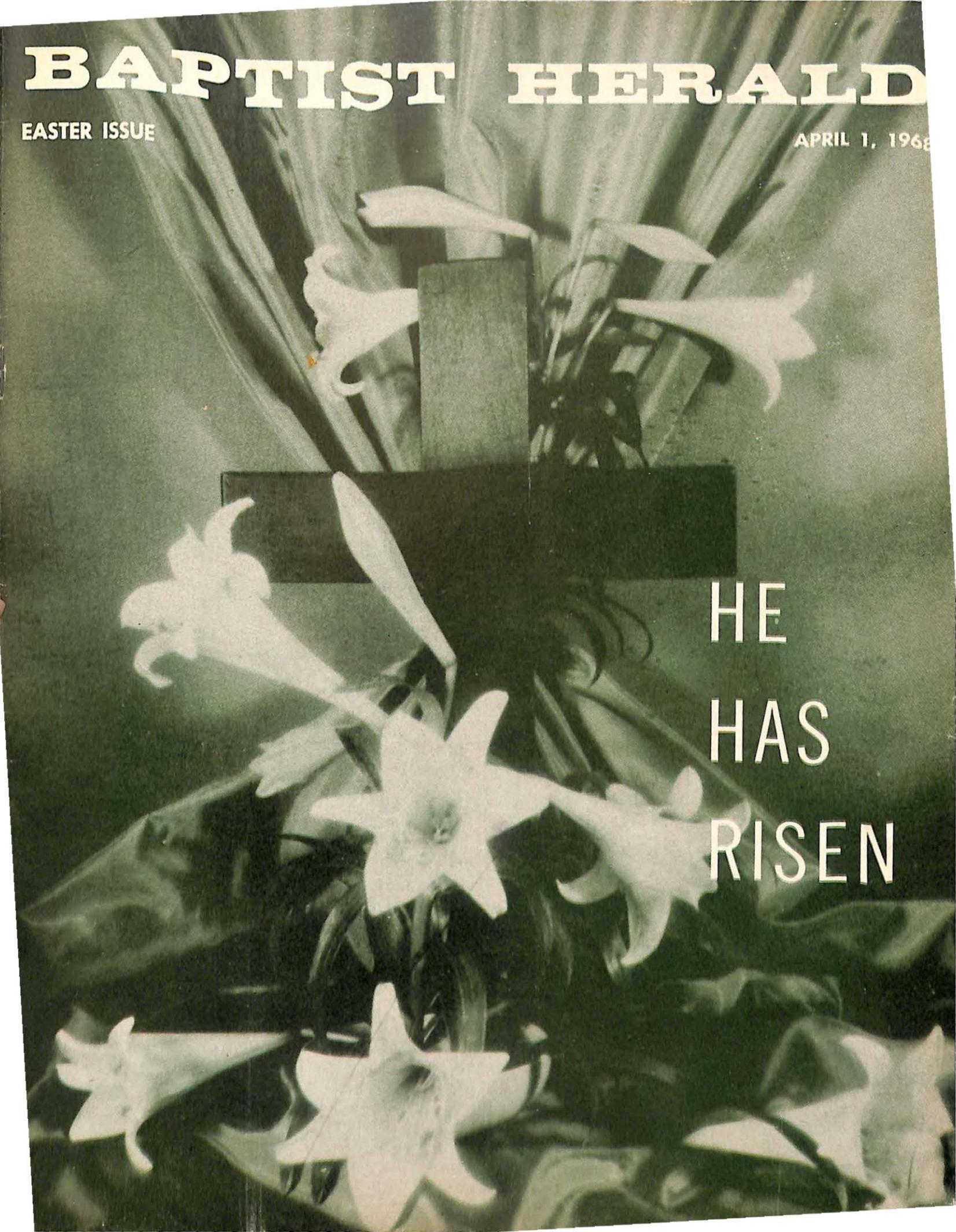


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HE  
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DESPAIR TRANSFORMED INTO JOY

The events of Easter make us think about life and death; the life and death of an innocent man; the life and death of the son of God. We were involved in this life and death struggle. We had a part in it. It was because of us that it all happened.

Let us review and reflect on these events as we walk with those early followers of Jesus Christ to the graveyard scene three days after he died. All is quiet. But the shouting Hosannas of eight days ago are still echoing in our ears. We are still horrified as we hear the echoes of the same people five days later saying, Crucify him! Crucify him!

We become perplexed, confused and frightened. This is incredible. They cannot do this! He did nothing evil. He only helped the poor, fed the hungry, gave drink to the thirsty, made the lame to walk, gave sight to the blind and gave the hope of eternal life to us all. He is our only way of salvation. They cannot kill him—murder him! He won't permit himself to be killed. He won't let it happen!

But as time runs on we find out that he doesn't even put up a fight. He submits himself into their hands. Then we hear the echoes of the hammer pounding the nails in his hands and feet. All else is quiet. Somehow everyone is stricken with awe. There is a strange mystery about this man. It is different from all other crucifixions. While he hangs there bleeding and dying in pain and agony, he says, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." How can he still forgive? We become heartbroken and helpless as we see his blood dripping to the ground.

He cries, "It is finished." The cup that he was afraid of is empty. He drank it to its bitter last drop. As he was drinking, darkness covered the whole earth for three hours. He yielded up his spirit to God. The whole earth trembled and we with it. Christ was dead, dead, dead!

Our worst enemy to face is that utter blank, that paralyzing silence which death interposes. Now that Christ was dead, it was to the disciples as though they had all the pieces of a puzzle and yet could not make a picture. There was nothing left but disappointment, grief and despair.

Mary came to the tomb the third day weeping. Mary and the others had completely forgotten that he had said he would rise on the third day.

Suddenly a transformation takes place. The angel said to the woman, "Why do you weep?" As she replied and turned around she saw Jesus standing behind her. He also said, "Why do you weep?" She answered, "Master!" It was too good to be true. It was here that Jesus began to wipe away all tears.

The day of Christ's resurrection opened in gloom and closed with gladness. His followers rejoiced in a risen and triumphant Redeemer. Their doubts and despair were removed. It was a living Christ that turned Mary's sorrow into joy.

As we face our own doubts, perplexities, feelings of despair, fear and futility about the future of our world we should also be enabled by the Easter event to come to hope and joy. We should be liberated to shout with Paul, "For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death" (Rom. 8:2). The resurrection put action and power into the faith of those early followers of Christ. They became heralds of glad tidings. Will we become the same?

—John Binder

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THE DEATH OF JESUS

At noon the whole country was covered with darkness, which lasted for three hours. At about three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud shout, *Eli, eli, lema sabachthani?* which means, "My God, my God, did you abandon me?" Some of the people standing there heard him and said, "He is calling for Elijah!" One of them ran up at once, took a sponge, soaked it in wine, put it on the end of a stick, and tried to make him drink it. But the others said, "Wait, let us see if Elijah is coming to save him!" Jesus again gave a loud cry, and breathed his last.

Then the curtain hanging in the Temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split apart, the graves broke open, and many of God's people who had died were raised to life. They left the graves; and after Jesus rose from death they went into the Holy City, where many people saw them.

When the army officers and the soldiers with him who were watching Jesus saw the earthquake and everything else that happened, they were terrified and said, "He really was the Son of God!" There were many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee and helped him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

Matthew 27:45-56  
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EASTER IS NOT AN EVENT IN HISTORY WHICH IS TO BE CELEBRATED ON A CERTAIN DAY WITH NEW HATS. . . IT IS AN ETERNALLY PRESENT FACT WHICH MUST BE APPROPRIATED BY FAITH AND OBEDIENCE.

SOME YEARS ago the late Dr. William Stidger was invited to speak at a Good Friday service. It was a cold, rainy evening. When he arrived at the meeting there were only a handful of people in an auditorium that seated two thousand.

The chairman introduced the speaker with an apology. "Dr. Stidger, if it had not rained and sleeted tonight we would have had a large turnout of people."

Gathering together as much righteous indignation as he had any right to have in a religious gathering, he turned to the chairman and said, "Do you know what you have just said," "No, what?" he replied.

"You have just told me that if it hadn't rained and sleeted a little on this Good Friday evening, your crowd of heroic, valiant Christians would have turned out in great numbers to celebrate the day that Jesus died on the cross for them—that is, if it hadn't rained!"

The empty church is a symptom of something that goes much deeper—it reveals the tragedy of an empty heart. Twentieth century indifference must be more painful to our Lord than the physical pain he suffered on the cruel cross.

#### RESURRECTION POWER IS NOT EASILY GAINED OR KILLED

Resurrection did not come easy to Christ. He went by way of Gethsemane and Calvary. The power of the resurrection does not come easily today. There are no marble steps that lead to the scaling of the walls of indifference.

Many prepare for the joys of Easter by way of Brooks Brothers Clothiers, Dior and Oleg Cassini designers and the triumph of the New York, Fifth Avenue Easter Parade. As an added attraction they give it a little religious flavor by attending a rendition of Handel's Messiah and leave with the strains of the Hallelujah Chorus still ringing in their ears, but no experience of the risen Christ in their hearts.

Active, open hostility sometimes gives more credence to the doctrine of the resurrection than a silent, heartless and indifferent acceptance.

The New York Times reported that fifty years of Communist rule have not killed Christianity in Russia and its leaders cannot figure out why.

Everything seems clear in the Marxist texts. The official philosophy has demonstrated that as a man's intellectual and scientific awareness grows, his need for a faith in a "God in the unfathomable beyond" should fade away.

"That is what ought to happen," a Soviet official hesitatingly told some American churchmen, "but I must admit it's not working."

Do you remember the first experience of the resurrection? At that time not one of Jesus' friends believed that he would rise again. But while the friends of Jesus did not believe that he would rise again, the enemies of Jesus were afraid that he would. They were afraid that they could not hold him in the tomb. Extra precautions were taken by placing a heavy stone at the entrance and doubling the guard. They were given firm instructions to "make it as sure as you can." Christ can be nailed to a cross but he cannot be kept in a tomb.

Communism has tried for half a century to "make it as sure as they can" but they cannot hold him in the tomb. Even the "God is dead" movement has died. Perhaps we can understand more clearly the words of the psalmist when he said, "Surely the

wrath of man shall praise thee" (Psalm 76:10).

#### LESS VENERATION FOR THE DEAD AND MORE REVERENCE FOR LIFE NEEDED

Jesus' death on the cross was the abrupt and tragic ending of a brief but intensive life of love, excitement and adventure for the close followers of Christ. But let us not overlook the disappointment of finding an empty tomb. This was adding insult to injury. Grief and sorrow were never expressed so hopelessly as when Mary said, "They have taken away my Lord." If they could not worship a living Lord then they were ready to venerate a dead Christ.

Veneration for the dead has remained with us and our attitude toward the dead has become very unrealistic. The musical world still feels frustrated because it cannot find the grave of Felix Mendelsohn. He is buried in an unknown and unmarked grave. But would the discovery of his grave improve his music?

The actual burial place of Christ is also shrouded in mystery. There are those who believe it was in the Garden Tomb discovered by General Gordon. Others are certain that it is on the spot on which the Church of the Holy Sepulchre is built. But life, abundant life, came through the power of Jesus' resurrection and not through the place of burial. The discovery of his actual grave will not make his resurrection more real.

A little less veneration for the dead

by B. C. Schreiber

## THE TRIUMPH OF



Photo by Harold Lambert

## LIFE OVER DEATH

and more reverence for life would bring about a better balance of values. People who have a fear of stumbling while carrying the departed one to his resting place should be a little more concerned about preventing their fellowmen from stumbling while they are still living.

#### HOW DO WE PROVE THE RESURRECTION?

Easter is not the time for groping through dusty, musty tombs in order to prove to the unbeliever that Christ is risen from the dead. A more relevant proof of Jesus' resurrection becomes evident when you can sing with your whole heart and soul: "You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart."

One glorious and triumphant truth about the friends of Jesus is often overlooked. Once they saw the risen Lord they lost all interest in the grave in which he lay. There is no record that they ever returned. The first Christians organized no pilgrimages to the empty tomb or to Calvary; they arranged no Holy Land tours. They were not religious tourists and sightseers, but people with a transformed life who had a message to proclaim which demanded the utmost urgency.

The purpose of our missionary conferences is to remind us of the risen Lord and his Great Commission. With one heart and soul we shake the rafters with the song, "We've a story to tell to the Nations," but few of us have even bothered to tell our neighbors. The first century Christians

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fully described in a prophetic message by Isaiah: "To give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness . . . he had clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness . . . (Isaiah 61:3, 19).

#### FEAR WITHOUT CHRIST AND GLADNESS AND TRIUMPH WITH CHRIST

Immediate reaction among the disciples after the crucifixion of their Lord was one of intense fearfulness. It was a living death. The record simply states that "the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews." This was actually a mild description of their true state of mind. Gone was the hope "that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel." In their hearts they were convinced that this was the triumph of death over life. Without Christ there was nothing but fear.

In sharp contrast we become aware of the joy which his resurrection brought about. "Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord." No medical science can bring about such a transformation. Fear without Christ; gladness with Christ. How simple and yet how wonderful! Within a few days the disciples experienced the dynamic triumph of life over death.

The conditions for such an appearance remains ever the same. Jesus revealed himself to those who had an insatiable desire and a love to see him. It brought to the lowly followers more than the assurance of endless life; it brought the triumphant assurance of a victorious life. No half-hearted seeker will ever experience the joy of Easter.

Communication from every part of the world seems to give us little assurance that Christ is risen, that life is a triumphant experience, that death is swallowed up in victory. When the Easter message has made so little change in the contemporary world it is difficult to accept the admonition of Jesus: "Occupy till I come." Is he advocating a blind submission to his will . . . or a Tennysonian fatalism expressed by saying:

"Theirs not to make reply,

Theirs not to reason why,

Theirs but to do and die. . . .?"

With the resurrected Christ within us we are enlightened, informed and empowered followers of Jesus. Still before us lies the work, the discipline and the sacrifice. The fact of Easter gives us the spiritual power to do the work no matter how difficult, to accept the discipline no matter how severe, to make the sacrifice no matter how costly and thereby prove by our faithfulness to our Lord that life has triumphed over death.

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# THE RESURRECTION: A TRUTH FOR ALL NATIONS

by R. I. Thompson



WHEN ONE examines the missionary messages in the Book of Acts he is impressed with the great emphasis placed on the Resurrection of Christ. There is both an awareness of the presence of the Risen Lord to be found, but also the obvious realization that the world desperately needs the message of a risen and living Savior. Surely, here is a pattern for proclaiming the message today; a message which is focused on the Person of Christ, with the Resurrection being the very heart of the message proclaimed.

Two New Testament passages will serve as examples, the sermon of Peter in Acts 2 and the message of Paul

in Acts 13.

When Peter preached his famous Pentecost sermon, he spoke not only to the 120 of the upper room but to men of many nations such as Judea, Pontus, Asia and many more (v. 9, 10). He begins by first quoting the prophet Joel, drawing upon the Old Testament Scripture. He then turns, suddenly, to "Jesus of Nazareth" (v. 22). He goes on to say that "God raised him up, having loosed the pangs of death" (v. 24). He spoke next of David, this time at some length, but with good reason. David is to serve as a grand type of Christ who will be seated upon a throne. "God had sworn with an oath to him that he would

set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of Christ" (vs. 30, 31). To show the fulfillment Peter then declares, "This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses" (v. 32).

At the very close of the message, in verse 36, Peter states that "God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." No wonder the next verse tells that upon hearing this the people were "cut to the heart" and pleaded, "Brethren, what shall we do?" Here is the doctrine of the Resurrection proclaimed, with all its historic, prophetic, and redemptive implications.

The first missionary sermon preached by Paul was at Antioch of Pisidia. On the sabbath day Paul and those with him entered the synagogue. This message of Paul is recorded in acts 13:16-41. The pattern here is much like that of Peter and also follows that of Stephen before the Sanhedrin.

Paul begins by recalling some familiar Old Testament history, telling of the early years and the period of Egyptian captivity. He sites the time of the judges and the kingdom. His also refers to David in v. 22 and says, "he raised up David to be their king." He then immediately refers to Jesus Christ as a descendant of David (v. 23), and says "Brethren, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you that fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation" (v. 26).

The death of Christ is referred to with a reference being made to the trial under Pilate. "But God raised him from the dead" is Paul's next statement. He tells of the many appearances to His disciples which took place over a period of "many days." What follows is strong Resurrection preaching: "And we bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus; as also it is written in the second psalm, 'Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee.' And as for the fact that he raised him from the dead, no more to return to corruption, he spoke in this way, 'I will give you the holy and sure blessing of David.' Therefore he says also in another psalm, 'Thou wilt not let thy Holy One see corruption.' For David, after he had served the counsel of God in his own generation, fell asleep, and was laid with his fathers, and saw corruption; but he whom God raised up saw no corruption" (vs. 32-37). It is through this Risen and Living Jesus that forgiveness of sins is preached (vs. 38).

It seems very evident then, that the message we proclaim to the world today must be Christ as Lord, risen from the dead. To preach anything less is not Biblical, nor will it meet the needs of the people.

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## OPEN DIALOGUE

— LETTERS TO THE EDITOR —

**To the editor:** The brochure advertising the BAPTIST HERALD received some weeks ago is very attractive and indeed brings to the readers attention what a wonderful, helpful and inspiring magazine the BAPTIST HERALD really aims to be. The HERALD is reaching us always so very late. I believe if the HERALD would be out on the date stated it would help more to further the interest for the paper than the above mentioned brochure can ever do. Now as an example, the December 15, 1967 issue arrived here on December 29. It was the Christmas number. A very important number. But imagine how little value it really had to inspire the Christmas spirit and give Christmas joy in reading it when it didn't appear until December 29. I so very much hope, this will change.—E. P. Wahl, pastor, Edmonton, Alta., Canada

**Editor's Note:** The Dec. 15, 1967 issue was printed and mailed to the subscribers on Dec. 7, 1967. It took 22 days to get to Edmonton.

**To the editor:** Just received the BAPTIST HERALD youth witness issue—g-r-r-reat!!—Nikki A. Barnard, Student, Buena Park, California.

**To the editor:** Just a quick note of thanks and of appreciation for the good job you are doing on the HERALD. That Christmas issue was the very best yet. Keep it up!—Vic Gunst, seminary student, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

**To the editor:** For what it may be worth, I wanted you to know that I think that you are doing a very fine piece of work as Editor of the BAPTIST HERALD. I have been with the "BAPTIST HERALD Family" for many years and under several Editors. The new, young, fresh look and approach to Christian Literature and general lay-out that is being used is just the rejuvenation that was needed. May you continue to be blessed and be a blessing in this field of His service.—Esther Knapp Herr, Wishek, N. D.



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**To the editor:** You are doing a fine job as our new editor. I am especially pleased with the February 15 issue of the BAPTIST HERALD which just arrived. It must take a great deal of patience when there are letters expressing so many different opinions sent to you. But, this is good when people feel free to state their convictions. I'm sure it serves as somewhat of a guideline to you.

Your new "Open Dialogue" section is an excellent idea. It always helps to know something of the thinking of other individuals within the conference. This means of expression provides a healthy way for opinions and ideas to be stated and allows for a certain amount of interaction which is good.

One of the original drawing points of the conference to me personally, since I've only been a part of it for two and one-half years, was the strong emphasis on missions. My feeling is that missions should be highlighted heavily in our denominational publication. This you have done in recent issues, especially the issue of February 15 which I refer to above. I also greatly appreciated the space given to the Inter-Varsity Missionary Convention at Urbana. Again, since our denomination is known as an evangelical group, attention should be given to other evangelical groups even outside Baptist circles. Many who do not go by the name Baptist will share our convictions, perhaps even more than many who are called Baptists. Personally, I get more enthused about such evangelical movements as Inter-Varsity and Campus Crusade than I do about the Baptist World Alliance, however, I am thankful for the Crusade of the Americas and the strong emphasis which it is giving to evangelism. Our news sections in the HERALD are excellent—filled with interesting news from our constituency. I still believe that short expository messages also have a real place to fill in our denominational printed voice. Since it was the BAPTIST HERALD which introduced me to the conference, this was another point which I can recall drawing my interest and causing me to make inquiry about possible service in an NAB church.

I'm sure you will continue to do a fine job and we will look forward to receiving the coming issues.—Bill Cowell, pastor, Hoisington, Kansas

**To the editor:** I must tell you how you saved the day for me with the article on the back page of your Christmas edition. I had promised my children at church, a Christmas story. Being very much out of practice, and also wanting something that seemed to give a meaning of the spirit of Christmas, I hunted hard and long, and with much uneasiness until Saturday night. I happened to pick up the HERALD and glanced through it and then came onto this story of the "Sailor's Christmas Gift" and that was it. It went over very well. I thank you. Arthur Weisser, pastor, Granville, New York.



Miss Myrna Goodman, missionary nurse to Cameroon.

# "HOW CHRIST LED IN MY LIFE"

The Story of Myrna Goodman

by RICHARD SCHILKE

**G**OD HAS a plan for every life. However, many people may not be within the will of God for them but may go their own way and seek their own will. The prophet Isaiah said, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way" (Isaiah 53:6). That young person who seeks the will of God and recognizes God's leading in his or her life will come to recognize that God has a purpose and plan for each individual but that he will not force his purpose and plan on anyone who is not willing to accept it. Where God's will is accepted, his guidance is recognized, there will follow a step by step unfolding of his plan, his purpose and his blessing. Miss Myrna Joyce Goodman has such a testimony of how Christ led in her life step by step.

## In Early Childhood Experiences

Myrna Joyce Goodman was born to Alfred and Grace Goodman on January 3, 1938 at Millersburg, Iowa. During her early years her parents farmed in Iowa. When she began her first grade in school, they moved to a rural community of about 300 population but her father continued to work the farm and also found employment in lumbering. The family attended a Methodist Sunday School and church. Here during a week of children's meeting Myrna had a personal encounter with the Lord Jesus and accepted him as her Savior. She enjoyed visiting with her older sister who was a nurse in a nearby town. It is more than likely that these experiences created an interest in nursing.

## In Church and Camp Associations

Before Myrna began junior high school, the family moved to Cheyenne, Wyoming where they became active in a Baptist church. At her first summer camp with other young people from the church she was challenged with the need for missionaries and dedicated her life to whatever God would have for her. At about this time she also recognized the need of baptism by immersion and the joining of the local church. On August 31, 1953 she was baptized by Rev. George D. White on confession of her faith and became a member of the First Baptist Church at Cheyenne.

## In Nurses' Training and Teaching

From childhood on Miss Goodman had an interest in nurses' training. During her high school years she began praying about this in relation to what God's will for her life would be. During her senior year at high school she became eligible for a scholarship which enabled her to attend St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Denver, Colorado from where she received her R.N. diploma in September, 1959.

The next two years she was on the staff of nurses at De Paul Hospital in Cheyenne. During this time the Lord began directing her interests to missions. Though she had dedicated her life to the Lord at an earlier camp experience, she had been reluctant to consider the possibility of foreign missions as she says, "I was not really willing to trust him to give the ability if this was what he wanted." As she began to make inquiry as to the qualifications for missionary service in the

field of nursing, she learned from several mission boards that basically a degree preparation was a requirement. In September, 1961 she enrolled at Bethel College in St. Paul. The year after that she transferred to the University of Minnesota from where she received her B.S. degree in nursing education in June, 1964. Following graduation from university she joined the faculty of the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks from September, 1964 to June, 1966.

## In Leading to N.A.B. Missions

At Grand Forks, N. D. Miss Goodman became acquainted with the North American Baptist General Conference and its mission program and transferred her membership to the Grace Baptist Church at Grand Forks. In the life and work at this church with its missionary emphasis and many missionary contacts due to the linguistic summer course at the University of North Dakota she became more deeply aware of the need for missionaries. The vision of this need was also heightened through Inter-Varsity contacts and the Inter-Varsity Missionary Convention at Urbana in 1964. Prayerful consideration led her to contact our N.A.B. Mission Board regarding missionary service in Cameroon.

## In God's Timetable of Service

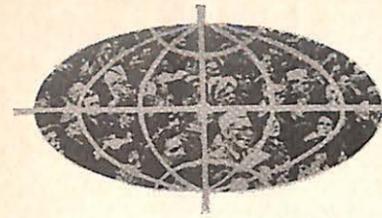
In the spring of 1967 the Board of Missions appointed her to Cameroon. A time for her going to the field of service was not set. Miss Goodman still had to get her midwifery training at Frontier Nursing Service at Hyden, Kentucky and she was also asked to take additional Bible and missionary training at our seminary in Sioux Falls.

The sudden homecoming of one of our nurses in Cameroon for medical treatment created a definite need for additional help. Our Cameroon Field Committee in its November meeting thus requested that Miss Goodman come to the field as quickly as possible. She had completed her midwifery training but this made the semester of seminary studies an impossibility. This was thus God's timetable for her and she was willing to abide by it.

On February 18 the Grace Baptist Church in Grand Forks with Rev. Willis E. Potratz as pastor commissioned her to missionary service. The church by this time had also taken on her partial support of \$1,000 per year.

On February 19 Miss Goodman left Grand Forks for West Cameroon, West Africa with a brief stop at O'Hare Airport in Chicago where the writer saw her once more and bid her God's richest blessing. Miss Goodman will be stationed at Bamenda New Hope Settlement for the immediate future. We are certain that she will continue to experience the leading of Christ step by step in her missionary service even as she experienced it in the past.

*Dr. Richard Schilke is the General Missionary Secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference.*



# NEWS & VIEWS

## BAPTIST PROFESSOR CALLS CHURCH TO RADICAL CHANGE

Louisville, Ky. (EP) There must be a radical change in the church if it is to be "God's instrument of redemption in the world," declared a Southern Baptist seminary professor here.

Findley B. Edge, professor of religious education at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, stated in an opening address to the Church Renewal Conference which he directed: "If our churches continue in the present pattern in which we now express our life, it is my judgment that our churches will not be able to be the effective instruments of God in the redemption which he is seeking to perform in the world today."

He charged that the church "mouths its pious phrases about the revolutionary gospel," but serves only to lull its people to sleep, "accepting the status quo."

In another major conference address, Southern Baptist Seminary Professor Kenneth Chafin told the 40 conference participants that if they were really serious about church renewal, they must do something about it in their local communities and congregations.

## THEME ANNOUNCED FOR NAE CONVENTION

Philadelphia, Pa. "The Witnessing Church in a Secular World" is the theme announced by the National Association of Evangelicals for their 26th annual convention scheduled for Philadelphia, April 23-25, 1968.

## A LIFE CROWNED WITH GLORY AND HONOR

(a tribute to Rev. Benjamin Schlipf)

By Dr. Martin L. Leuschner

For almost five score years the Rev. Benjamin Schlipf of Fort Dodge, Iowa, lived a fruitful, golden life to the glory of God. As a soft-spoken preacher in the pulpit, his words of spiritual wisdom and his keen insights gave to hosts of people Christian guidelines for victorious living. Although he served only small congregations, he made large contributions on several continents of the world in the work of the North American Baptist Conference. At 92 years of age when God called him Home, on Jan. 16, 1968, his life had been crowned "with glory and honor."

He was the oldest living alumnus of our Seminary, having graduated in the class of 1901. As pastor he served seven small churches and difficult fields, but in each pastorate he made monumental contributions to the Kingdom of God. At Josephsburg, Alberta, he was instrumental with other ministers in organizing the Northern Conference. At the rural church of Rosenfeld, N.D., he participated actively in the organization of the Dakota Conference and then served as its statistical secretary for ten years. He was pastor of our church in Canton, Ohio, which is no longer in existence. While serving the church in Bismarck, N. D., at that time a very small church, he promoted the establishment of the Home for the Aged which is now the largest of our seven denominational Homes for Senior Citizens. He also ministered in our churches at Peoria, Ill., and Avon, S. Dak.

For more than twelve years Brother Schlipf served as missionary pastor of the Baptist church in Bucharest, Rumania during the stress of the first World War and in the years thereafter when our Danubian Mission Field in the Balkan countries was established.

With a facile pen and a teacher's sagacity, Brother Schlipf wrote numerous articles for our denominational publications, edited "Lektions-Blaetter" (Sunday school quarterly) for many years, and edited a brochure on Baptist beliefs for new church members. He was a genial friend to hosts of people, a gracious gentleman, a sweet spirited man of God, and a faithful minister of the Word.

He touched many lives throughout the world with his dedicated ministry. In Rumania and the other Balkan countries he is still remembered for his missionary labors. In many of our churches his voice still speaks for the unsearchable riches of the Gospel. In Cleveland at one of the large department stores he was beloved as a friendly, gracious "floor walker." In Iowa he found a warm welcome in preaching in numerous American Baptist Convention churches. But best of all, his life and influence are deeply engraved in the hearts of those who knew him as one of the kindest and most Christ-like ministers of our generation.

## PASTOR DISTURBED BY ETHICS OF WAR DISSENTERS

Seattle, Wash. (ABNS) In supporting persons who dissent, pastors must consider responsibilities that go with rights, a Seattle American Baptist minister says in his church's publication. "There is a difference between dissenting as a responsible citizen and dissenting as an extremist who would destroy the rights of others," Dr. August M. Hintz maintains. "The responsible dissenter seeks to better the situation—the extremist only tears down. . . ." While we must be tolerant of people we don't like, and listen to views that we detest, the minister declared, we must preserve their right to march. But to break the law is to jeopardize the rights of the little man and to encourage anarchy, he said.

## CHRISTIAN INFLUENCE IS GROWING

Kenneth Scott Latourette, widely known church historian, believes that Christianity has more influence in the world today than ever before, despite the fact Christians are a statistical minority.

"Christianity modifies the lives even of those who are not fully committed to it," Dr. Latourette said in an interview. "It has greater influence among people in places of leadership than ever before. Christian ethics are followed more widely. There would never have been a United Nations, for instance, without Christian conscience and faith."

The 83-year-old Baptist professor emeritus at Yale University, where he taught from 1921 to 1963, stated that he was hopeful for the future of the Christian religion "if we don't blow ourselves up in an atomic war or overcrowd the world through the population explosion."

Dr. Latourette illustrated his hope by referring to the continuation of the church in communist controlled areas of Asia. "In China," he said, "the 'cultural revolution' is driving Christianity underground, but we know that Christians still hold to their faith there."

## MILLIONS FED BY CARE

Over a billion pounds of foods donated by the U. S. will be used by CARE to help feed 37 million people in 32 countries during 1968. Public contributions to the CARE Food Crusade, New York 10016, are used to cover delivery costs and to buy other foods to match local needs.

Malnutrition kills 100 children in Colombia every day. At Colombian centers for undernourished preschool children, CARE meals give each child 50% of the daily minimum calories and 78% of the proteins required for good health.

War refugees in South Vietnam and the Middle East, and famine victims in India are among the needy who are fed by contributions to the CARE Food Crusade.

For every dollar donated last fiscal year, CARE delivered \$7.53 in aid to needy people. U. S. food donations and

host government support toward operating costs multiplied the public contributions.

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOL GIVES BAPTIST GRAHAM DOCTORATE

Belmont Abbey, a small Catholic college in Belmont, N. C. has awarded an honorary doctor of human letters to evangelist Billy Graham. The citation called Graham one of the few men who has "significantly shaped for good the events of our world" in the 20th century.

#### FOOD ASSISTANCE URGED FOR PRIVATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

WASHINGTON (BPA) — Preschool children enrolled in private nonprofit day care institutions may soon be included in the nation's school lunch program if Congress approves legislation now being considered.

A bill is being pushed in both Houses of Congress to amend the National School Lunch Act to provide food assistance for day care centers, settlement houses, recreation centers and "other" similar institutions which provide day care for children.

The legislation would expand the program to provide year-round care for children participating in group activities outside the home. This would include summer activities such as day camps and youth centers.

Help would be directed primarily to those activities serving children from low income families. But where a program is in operation, all children would participate.

Private schools and live-in camps, homes and other children's institutions are already included in the school lunch and special milk programs.

#### LUTHREAN FILM EARNS 'OSCAR' NOMINATION

LOS ANGELES (EP)—"A Time for Burning," a documentary film produced by the Lutheran Film Associates, has been nominated for an "Oscar."

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences selected the film as one of five in the feature length documentary category. The 40th Academy Awards presentation will be held on April 8.

The one-hour documentary was commissioned by Lutheran Film Associates to show how churchmen from a "typically American city" react to race relations.

#### DR. YOUNG DIES AT 60; OLD TESTAMENT SCHOLAR

PHILADELPHIA (EP)—Dr. Edward J. Young, professor of Old Testament at Westminster Theological Seminary here, died of a heart attack Feb. 14. He was 60 years old.

An evangelical scholar in the Old Testament, Dr. Young was a minister in the Philadelphia Presbytery of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. He was a member of the seminary faculty since 1936.

#### CHURCH-SOCIETY CONFERENCE ASSAILED BY BILLY GRAHAM

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (ABNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham has lashed out against church leaders who, he said, "have become angry with the world and are determined to use violence to change structures of society."

In an article appearing in the January 19 issue of the conservative fortnightly CHRISTIANITY TODAY, published here, Mr. Graham said "Christians throughout America are feeling the shock waves from a (U. S.) Conference on Church and Society in Detroit.

Calling it "one of the most radical religious conferences ever held" in the nation, he claimed that violence and revolution were the themes "underlying most of the discussions."

The conference in Detroit was called by the National Council of Churches as a follow-up to an international conference on church and society held in Geneva in 1966. Conference leaders asserted its purpose was to seek strategies for dealing with modern social and economic problems. Members of one group had said that the church might have to consider violence as an alternative in the struggle for greater freedom, justice, and economic improvement.

"Even the liberal CHRISTIAN CENTURY," he wrote, "expressed shock that these people were opposed to violence in Vietnam but at the same time called for violence in America."

Mr. Graham disagreed with spokesmen who say the church's mission is primarily for social change. "The vast majority of . . . Christians throughout America believe the mission of the church . . . is redemptive. . . . We as Christians have two responsibilities: first, to proclaim the gospel . . . as the only answer to man's deepest needs; and second, to apply as best we can the principles of Christianity to the social conditions around us."

#### THE AMERICAN BAPTIST AND PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION HAVE CONVERSATIONS

The American Baptist Convention General Council responded affirmatively to an invitation received from the executive committee of the Progressive National Baptist Convention to appoint a joint committee to explore ways of developing closer working relationships between the two groups.

#### SBC MEMBERSHIP TOPS 11 MILLION IN 1967

NASHVILLE, (EP) — Church membership in the Southern Baptist Convention passed the 11 million mark during 1967 for the first time in history, reaching a total of 11,142,726. It was an increase of 193,233 over the previous year's membership.

A year-end statistical summary from the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's research and statistics department also disclosed an increase in new

converts. The number of baptisms of new converts rose to 378,937, the highest number since 1962. This was an increase of 17,978 over the 1966 total.

#### MISSIONARIES BACK WAR EFFORT IN VIETNAM, BAPTIST REPORTS

SAIGON—(ABNS)—The head of the Southern Baptist mission in Saigon said he feels most missionaries in Vietnam support the U. S. policy in Vietnam.

The Rev. James F. Humphries, pastor of the English-speaking Baptist church here, was joined in this conviction by another missionary couple.

#### OPPOSE BAPTIST GROUP ON BAPTISM BY IMMERSION ISSUE

RALEIGH, N. C.—(ABNS)—The North Carolina Baptist Student Union adopted a resolution here expressing "disapproval and concern over the recent action of the Mecklenburg Baptist Association" in ruling that candidates for church membership must be baptized by immersion.

The resolution recognized the essential value of unity and autonomy, and the purpose of the association—evangelism, missions and fellowship—but "not regulation of doctrinal practices."

It called the Association's action a "contradiction of a fundamental Baptist tenet which recognizes the ability of the individual believer to determine the mode of expression of his own Christian faith."

#### C.T.I. RELOCATION

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department. We shall enjoy a modest but adequate chapel and a small storage building and workshop. All of these facilities will constitute the beginning of a lovely college campus and will, as the student body and the school program grow and needs present themselves, be enlarged in years to come.

Construction of the new campus began on January 31, 1968, and is well on the way. All of the base for the foundation is poured. The top soil is cleared from the building area and part of the foundation beams are installed. The good Lord gave us excellent weather. The temperature was between 30-50 degrees above zero which was very conducive for the beginning of construction work. All of the buildings will be constructed of cement blocks with a brick veneer. The interior partitions will be of frame construction. It is the hope and aim of the Building Committee and the Dominion Construction Company to complete the campus ready for occupancy by the 15th of August, 1968.

The challenge is truly great and we want to encourage each other to intensive efforts in accomplishing the tasks God has assigned to us.

*Dr. A. S. Felberg is the president of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta.*



IN THE light of the Missionary Advance Program and the Christian Training Institute relocation, we are grateful for the advances made. We are jubilant over the very fine progress made by the planning and building committees, consisting of the following brethren: L. Albert, A. S. Felberg, J. Huber, S. Johnson, C. Lang L. Love, E. Marklein, M. Metke, E. Streuber and F. H. Woyke. This denominationally appointed Building Committee has worked out the major building plans.

We are also grateful to the "Northern Conference Centennial Advance goal of \$125.00 for the Relocation of the Christian Training Institute." In their solicitation since October 29, they have successfully gathered over \$100,000.00 in cash and pledges. The enthusiasm expressed by solicitors and contributors is exemplary. Some of the representatives contacting people for commitments have with exuberance stated the blessings they received from this ministry. People who in former years have contributed little to the well being of the school or its advance in ministry, have now expressed joy in making their contributions to bring about a better campus to minister to a greater number of young people in a more effective way.

We are grateful to our denominational leaders, the General Council, Finance Committee and the General Conference, for the wonderful spirit in which the Christian Training Institute's relocation program is made possible. Comments are frequently heard from people saying, "It's wonderful to see how the entire denominational family, under effective denominational leadership, has rallied to the task of making the long-desired and long-worked for plan for the Christian Training Institute's relocation come true." We are pleased to be included in MAP for \$275,000.

April 1, 1968

# C.T.I. RELOCATION

by A. S. FELBERG

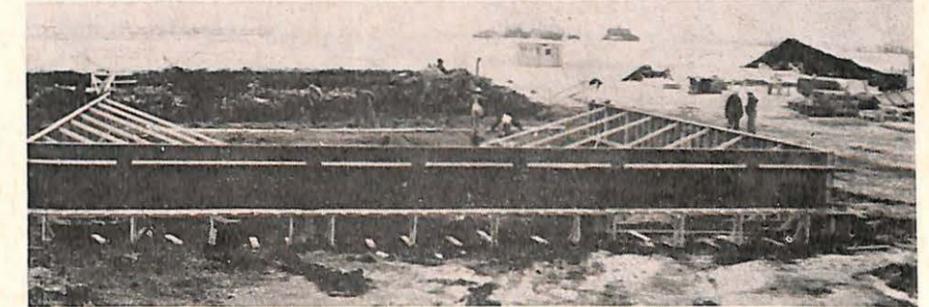
It is wonderful to see the citizens of the Edmonton area, who were little acquainted with the ministry of the Christian Training Institute, express their delight in the relocation program and the establishing of the North American Baptist College for a larger and more effective ministry. People express their hope that the youth of this area shall have a greater opportunity to receive training in the Christian way of life, Christian service outlets and Christian ministry. One business man expressed it in these words, "We need more of this type of education if the whole realm of youth is not to go to pot."

We are glad for the fine spirit among the faculty, staff and present student

our denominational fellowship will herein come to our assistance.

We are further burdened by the fact that just now, while we are in the process of erecting the new campus, there is a trend of money difficulties in Canada and the U. S. A. and people find it harder to respond than they did earlier. Despite this problem people are responding very well.

Born out of a real need for larger and better facilities, we are united in seeking to accomplish, to the best of our ability, a new campus that shall afford us ways, means and accommodations to render a more effective training ministry. We may not realize all of our expectations immediately. We will begin with a limited library



Beginning construction of the new campus.

body of our College, who with anticipation and enthusiasm look forward to an enlarged and more effective program with new facilities and adequate accommodations.

There is however, another side to the Missionary Advance Program of the Christian Training Institute relocation. We see, with fear and trembling, prices, wages, cost of materials and other building involvements, rising higher and higher and we are getting less and less for the designated amount of money stipulated by the denominational

and no gymnasium for physical education and assembly purposes. We are thrilled however, over the facilities which will be ours to enjoy. Our campus will consist of an administration wing, including faculty offices; an academic wing, with classrooms and a temporary library which will serve both the Collegiate and Theological needs. There shall be two dormitories, one for men and one for women, accommodating 52 students each. An all-purpose building, containing the kitchen, dining room, janitors quarters and



New Campus of the NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST COLLEGE, Edmonton, Alberta.

ation for the relocation program. Things that could be built several years ago for this amount of money, now cost one-third more. But we have to learn to adjust to these facts, and hope that the leaders and people of

the music department will also be built. Although there will still be a shortage of music practice rooms, this will constitute a pronounced improvement over what we have now in this

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# CONTINUING OPPORTUNITIES IN CAMEROON

by RICHARD SCHILKE



Students listening to a Bible Conference speaker as he shares the Word of God.

WE HEAR much in our day of closed doors to mission fields, of increased difficulties in getting visas for missionaries, or of a very specialized missionary service where missionaries are still permitted to serve. Just a few weeks before I left on this trip abroad, Rev. Franklin O. Nelson, general secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Baptist General Conference, informed me that several of their missionaries in Assam had received notice to leave the country within a few weeks. A few others were informed that their visas would not be renewed when their present resident permit expires. Rev. Nelson has since counseled with those in governmental authority in Assam. The situation has somewhat eased but is still far from being solved. A promise for the renewal of visas had not yet been obtained.

In Eastern Nigeria where civil war rages and where that entire section declared itself in 1967 as the independent state of Biafra, most of the missionaries of various mission boards had to leave for safety sake. Only a few remained at the risk of their lives. Southern Baptists had about 19 missionaries in that area, practically all of whom had to be evacuated. Even miles beyond the troubled border, missionaries were asked to leave. Cameroon borders to the east of this troubled state of Biafra. Here one finds continuing opportunities of missionary service of great magnitude.

## My Third Visit in Sixteen Years

My third visit to our mission field in Cameroon in over sixteen years of my service as Mission Secretary was made in November, 1967. The first visit was undertaken in the fall of 1954 when I spent eight weeks there. It was characterized by the bringing about of a more organized administration of missions through a representative committee of missionaries rather than through the entire missionary body. The latter then became a con-

ference for the purpose of fellowship, Bible study, prayer, and inspiration. My second visit took place in March, 1961 when I could give only ten days to the field. It was an emergency visit in view of the forthcoming independence of the country by October 1 of that same year. Though brief, the visit was characterized by a further change in administration. A merger between missionaries and nationals was brought about on the administrative level in the Cameroon Field Committee. Since then the Cameroon Baptist Convention has its representatives on all administrative levels on the Cameroon Field Committee and on its various standing committees. This has functioned well and has eased the situation due to the rising nationalism of an emerging nation.

Almost five weeks were given to this third visit to Cameroon, November 3 to December 6. Perhaps it is too early to speak of any characterization concerning this visit. Major changes in administration were not undertaken though some minor changes were implemented. Specific problems were not anticipated and were, also, not found. My immediate reaction to this third visit is that it added to the strengthening of faith and fellowship among the churches in Cameroon, the national Christians, our missionaries, as well as to me, and I trust also to the readers of the BAPTIST HERALD as they read this report.

## Meeting with Nationals and Missionaries

Rev. Fred C. Folkerts, our field secretary, Rev. Stephen Nteff, executive secretary, Cameroon Baptist Convention, and I traveled together for a period of about ten days. On Sunday November 12, we drove to Mtumbah to take part in the Bible Conference. We were told that between 4,000 to 5,000 people had gathered together during the week, half of which returned to their home churches for

Sunday. Over 2,000 remained for the closing day. They sat on the hill-sides out in the open air, some shading themselves from the sun with umbrellas, others getting the full heat of the tropical sun. A group of us sat under an improvised grass roof which did not fully keep out the sun's rays. The large gathering in Sunday school classes and then in the service which followed reminded us of how it must have been when Jesus in his day addressed the 4,000 and again the 5,000. He fed them with a few loaves of bread and a few fish. We were told that the Mtumbah Church had butchered five cows to feed the multitude during these days. Our missionary, Rev. Oryn Meinerts, acting principal at Merrick Baptist College at Ndu, brought the main message in Pidgin English on the closing day. The Brethren Stephen Nteff, Fred C. Folkerts and I brought greetings and words of encouragement. Rev. David Nyangangi, teacher at our Bible Training Center at Ndu, presented me with an autographed copy of the Gospel of Mark in Pidgin English which he had translated several years ago and which has been put in print by the Bible Society in Yaounde, Cameroon.

We proceeded to our station at Mbem following the close of the Bible Conference. The road over Rom Hill (it should be called a mountain) is most treacherous, and we were glad to get to Mbem before darkness set in. Our missionary at Mbem, Miss Barbara Kieper, has often traveled this road at night when she found it necessary in emergencies to take her patients to Bansa Baptist Hospital about 40 miles distance. But it must be said that she does this in order to save a life but not without risking her own life. Only two nights before she returned to Mbem at about 11 P.M. and by 3 A.M. was again on her way to Bansa with a very sick patient. It was too late on Sunday for any service at Mbem, and so our service was plan-

ned for Monday forenoon. At 8 A.M. the school children gathered on their play field for an hour's program. From 9 to 12 we were at the Mbem church in a three hour program. The church was filled. There was much joy and appreciation for the work of missions in Mbem field. The chief of Mbem and his quarterheads were present throughout this three hour program and participated. The three of us gave words of encouragement and challenged the people to the task of repairing a bridge which had become most hazardous to drive across as well as repairing the most treacherous curves on Rom Hill even though it may be the task of the native council. We were later told by Miss Kieper that both were done before the week was over. Mbem was also saddened during that time by the death of one of the quarterheads, the right hand man of the chief, who died at Bansa Hospital where Miss Kieper had taken him only two days before. His body had to be returned to Mbem for proper burial according to their custom, and again our mission landrover could be of service.

## Address Students

On November 15 and 16 we addressed the student bodies at Merrick Baptist College and at the Bible Training Center at Ndu. The first has an enrollment of 260 students, the latter an enrollment of 95 men and 19 women in the women's department, mostly the wives of students. The college was only started in 1963 and had not even been visualized on my last visit in 1961. The Bible Training Center has now added an advance course of three years to the previous three year Bible course. The fourth year is an enrollment of pastors with field supervision and assignment, the fifth and sixth years are class work at the school. Twelve men are enrolled in the fifth class of which one is a former executive secretary of CBC, Rev. John Nfor, who in 1965 visited a number of our churches in America. We also greeted the primary school at Ndu and witnessed a unique performance by the children. A visit to the chief at Ndu was also arranged.

At Bansa Baptist Hospital a tea reception was arranged for us by the missionaries and Bansa staff. The usual greeting by the school children and church representatives took place in the church and we spoke to Bansa staff, students and patients in various meetings. The highlight of the experience was the opening of a maternity center at Jikijem about 18 miles from Bansa on November 18. Over 2,000 people turned out for the occasion: fons, chiefs, politicians, missionaries, pastors, teachers and people. It was a great day for the people. The service of our Dr. Peter E. Fehr is greatly appreciated not only at Bansa but also in the various outlying areas which he occasionally visits. A native mid-wife

trained at Bansa is stationed here at Jikijem.

On our way back to Bamenda we participated on November 19 at the Bamenda Field Bible Conference held at Bangolan. Again many people had returned to their home churches for Sunday, but over 500 were still present for the closing day. Here I was asked to bring the closing message in addition to the greetings. Pastor Ndichafah interpreted into Pidgin English. Following the service we also paid a visit to the chief at his compound. The week following was spent at Bamenda mostly in CFC sessions and its various committees. This gave a first hand opportunity to see this integrated administrative committee at work. It functioned well under the chairmanship of Rev. G. Schroeder. Important decisions were made, and long range plans were discussed. To our missionary parents who have school children the decision to apply for affiliation with Hillcrest School in Jos, Nigeria, (reported in the previous article) was of special significance and joy. The church at Bamenda arranged for a service of greeting on November 22. Rev. Philip Nching, whom I already met at Mbem in 1954 and again at Belo in 1961, is now the well beloved pastor of this church and is serving with God's visible blessings.

On November 24 we paid a visit to Bali where we are in a cooperative work with the Presbyterian Church at Cameroon Protestant College. Rev. Gilbert E. Gordon and Rev. Flavius Martin are teaching here. We were dinner guests of Rev. Martin and then spoke to a student body of over 300.

## Officials Inspect Settlement

Our visit to Mbingo, our leprosy establishment, was timed to coincide with a very important visit of inspection by a team of three doctors representing the Ministry of Health and Control of Endemic Diseases: Dr. DeLas, deputy minister in government at Yaounde; Dr. Nchinda, deputy director at Victoria; and Dr. Rosenblum from U.S.A. representing AID. Dr. Dieter W. Lemke, who just recently took over from Dr. J. C. Fluth when the latter went on furlough, gave a good account of the leprosy medical care which we are providing. We believe that the team was pleased with the findings, and we trust that its report will be fruitful for our continued ministry.

The Belo church had its final thanksgiving service for the Belo field on November 26, and all of us participated. It was most interesting to observe the people with their thank offerings; as each brought forward gifts in money or in kind of the produce of their labor. One man carried two large planks and placed these as gifts to the Lord. This was a noble and sacrificial gift worth several thousand francs. Following the morning service the people still came to the

mission house and continued their greetings and presentation of gifts. In the afternoon the church where Pastor and Mrs. Ndi serve came to greet us. Mrs. Elizabeth Ndi was at Detroit at the time of the General Conference. In the evening the student body of over 100 at Kom Baptist Teacher Training College at Belo met for a special service, and I spoke.

On November 28 we left Bamenda for Yaounde where we also had some mission business. I was glad for this trip, for it gave me my first opportunity to visit the capital of Cameroon where the Federal Government has its seat. Returning from there via Douala we stopped next at Kumba on December 1. Rev. and Mrs. Goodman had arranged that both school and church had a welcome program to which we responded. Kumba now has two main primary schools with over 1,000 children enrolled. The program was held on the school compound. Ebenezer Baptist Church on the hill still stands as a lighthouse and we rejoiced with the people.

Sunday, December 3, was spent at Soppo. The morning service was a combined service of people from various Soppo area churches and the student body of 240 at the Baptist Teacher Training College. Over 1,000 people had come out for the occasion, and I had been asked to bring the message to them. Pastor Yonkumah interpreted for me into Pidgin English. The night before we had been blessed by a dramatic Christmas presentation by the students under the direction of Miss Mary Anne Fuchs and Miss LaVerna Mehlhaff, both short-term missionaries. On Sunday afternoon Dr. Zimelman, principal of the college, had arranged for a reception which brought out governmental and other dignitaries. It was a joy to meet them all, being introduced to many by our good friend and co-worker Mr. E. K. Martin whom many of us met at Detroit.

The final days of my sojourn in Cameroon were spent at Victoria. December 5 was a full day. In the forenoon we witnessed a program of greeting by the Victoria and Newtown Schools; over 1,000 children were assembled. In the afternoon at Newtown Church, the Victoria Field churches gathered and presented a program of greeting to which I responded. In the evening a dinner was held with Saker Baptist College students and staff of which Mr. Donald E. Witt is principal. A program followed. I was called on to speak, and the Saker Chorus closed with the rendition of several Christmas songs and the Hallelujah Chorus. Thus ended my visit to Cameroon, and on the following day I left for home via Nigeria and Europe, arriving home on December 16.

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LONG GROVE is a quiet, little farm town nestled among shady trees on the rolling Illinois prairie, thirty miles northwest of the Chicago Loop. This community barely noticed the rumble and roar of the giant city nearby. In fact, Long Grove's protective residents had carefully tried to preserve its semi-rural atmosphere. Recently, however, the appraising eye of housing developers and prospective home-owners has resulted in a metamorphic stirring of the community. Like the earth after a long winter's sleep, the hustling of new life at Long Grove shows promise of a vast transformation.

New homes are springing up throughout the area. An investigation committee of exploring men from the Church Extension Committee of the Foster Avenue Baptist Church discovered in the summer of 1967 that a definite movement of families into the community had begun. Persistent searching resulted in locating a choice five acre site two miles southeast of Long Grove business district. Encouraged by the support of neighboring Illinois Association churches, the land was purchased for \$30,000. Facing east on Arlington Heights Road, the 311 feet wide and 733 feet deep plot of ground is a beautiful setting for a future North American Baptist Church. Mr. William Hoyer, chairman of Illinois Church Extension, predicts that 10,000 people will be living within two miles of the site by the summer of 1969.

Recent important developments include: 1) Churches of the Illinois Association are cooperating in giving prayer and financial support for the project. A pulpit exchange among pastors was held Sunday morning, February 25, to share insights and concerns. A men's quartet, under the leadership of Dr. Herbert R. Pankratz, is prepared to visit each church and give Sunday evening musical programs for the cause of Church Extension. 2) A house, already under construction, has been purchased and will be ready for occupancy by the Church Extension pastor as early as July, 1968. Payments

# SPRINGTIME AT LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS

## APRIL CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDERS PROJECT

by Clarence Walth

on the house are shared by the Illinois Association churches. 3) A call was recently extended to Rev. Arthur Garling by the North American Baptist General Conference Church Extension Committee. We are happy to report that the call has been accepted, effective July 1, 1968. 4) Foster Avenue Baptist Church has been designated as the Mother Church and thus assumes leadership in certain necessary business transactions.

The Illinois North American Baptist Churches are aware that the "springtime" for Church Extension in Long Grove is here. Many families from these churches have already moved, or are contemplating a move into the northwest suburbs of Chicago. Perhaps some of these fine families will feel led of God to help form the nucleus for beginning this new church. It takes dedicated Christian people to bear the responsibility of divine concern and compassion. The number who

need to hear the message of salvation in Long Grove is increasing every week. Pray that the challenge of this "buzzing" new field will germinate a vigorous response.

We, of the Illinois Association, are grateful that God has revealed to us that this is the season for church extension. We believe it is important to obey the Master of the field. It is thrilling to know that a new church can be established by North American Baptists when joyful sharing through the Church Extension Builder's program is realized. "For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations" (Is. 61:11).

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Foster Ave. Baptist Church Extension Committee, William Hoyer (l. to r.) Edward Meistre, Robert Leake, Rev. Clarence Walth, Rudolph Schmatz and Eugene Schmidt.



Illinois Association pastors, Rev. Arthur Garling (l. to r.) Rev. John Reimer, Rev. James Lange, Rev. Clarence Walth, Rev. Herbert Freeman, Rev. R. I. Thompson, Rev. Norman Miller, Rev. Mervin Kramer and Rev. Richard Goetze.

○ RESOURCE IDEAS FOR ○ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ○

DO YOU KNOW that five days of vacation Bible school equals fifteen weeks of Sunday school and ten days equals thirty weeks? By having a vacation Bible school you can almost double the time given to Biblical instruction during one year. Do you realize, too, that some of the youngsters you taught in VBS six or seven years ago may now be fighting on Vietnam battlefields? Many children will attend VBS sessions when they will not come to Sunday school. Maybe that young man in Vietnam is one of those who only came to vacation Bible school. VBS is important. It deserves our best efforts in both planning and presentation.

### IT'S NOT SO HARD WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING

If the very thought of directing a vacation Bible school seems to be enough to send us into hibernation, we need to sit down, determine what is involved, and do some study and reading relative to it, always trusting in God's enabling power. It usually turns out not to be so frightening after all. In fact, we find ourselves looking forward to it, for we've caught a glimpse of the possibilities.

Many people are involved in a vacation Bible school. Everyone should be involved in praying for the teachers, workers, the students and the outreach into the community. The pastor will be involved in basic planning with the Christian Education Board. If a Christian Education director is employed, he will be directly involved with all of the planning, the actual sessions and follow-up. Basic duties are outlined as follows.

### BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. Appoints the VBS director. Spiritual maturity as well as ability should be considered when making this choice.
2. Selects the dates and time of day (morning, afternoon or evening) when the school will be held.
3. Selects the curriculum material to be used.
4. Determines the number of age groupings, i.e., Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary, Middler, Junior, etc.
5. Allocates funds for curriculum materials.
6. Arranges a service of consecration for the vacation Bible school staff as a part of one of the regular church services or as a complete service if desired.

April 1, 1968

## THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

by  
DOROTHY PRITZKAU

### THE VBS DIRECTOR

The greater part of the director's work is done before the school begins. In a small church the director may do a number of the jobs assigned to committees in a larger church situation.

1. Become familiar with VBS Guidebook. Have several on hand.
2. The responsibility for securing the teachers, assistants and various other workers will rest with either the board of Christian education or the director. Ideally, the two will work together to secure the best staff possible. Give the youth the opportunity to help in various areas of vacation Bible school. In assigning people to the various departments, consider their abilities and wishes.
3. Schedule individual departmental orientation and training sessions. Prior to these meetings, departmental superintendents and teachers should have copies of the teacher's and student's books. The Guidebook also contains suggested duties for teachers and superintendents. You may wish to clip these out and distribute them. Included in the individual departmental meetings should be:

- Discussion and setting up of daily schedule.
- Assignment of duties in the department such as secretary; person to present memory work; person to present missionary story; persons to be involved in worship sessions; person to present Bible lesson; song leader; contest leader.
- Review and discussion of material and each days emphasis. Will a special appeal for salvation in the older departments be made each day or one day only? How will this be done? Who will counsel those who respond? The teacher's book contains a section on leading a child to Christ. Become familiar with this.
- Become familiar with the many

- helps in the teacher's book in addition to the lesson material.
- Sing and become familiar with the songs that will be used.
- Pray for God's blessing on the school.

Study the Guidebook section on "Training Program" for additional ideas you may wish to use.

4. Other committees or personnel which may need to be appointed are:
  - Publicity committee
  - Transportation committee
  - Refreshments chairman
  - General supply chairman
  - General secretary
  - Finance committee may be necessary if funds are not budgeted.
  - Registration and pre-registration personnel.

Job descriptions for these people can be found in the Guidebook.

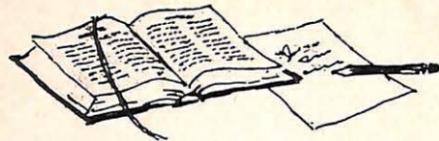
5. Designate rooms for each department of the school.
6. Work closely with the Sunday school staff so that they are familiar with the vacation Bible school program, dates and theme, and can promote it in their various departments.
7. Working with the secretary, determine the amount of material to be ordered.
8. Check frequently to see that committees and workers are doing the things assigned them.
9. Make plans for the follow-up of new contacts gained through vacation Bible school.
10. Determine the closing program or observance. Again your Guidebook will be valuable as a source of ideas.

Be as thoroughly prepared as you possibly can be. Evaluate the school when it is finished. One way this can be done is to give each teacher and worker an evaluation sheet before VBS begins. In this way comments and ideas can be recorded while the school is in progress.

Enlist the prayer support of all the people of the church. Keep before the staff and the congregation the importance of VBS in the lives of the children who are reached. The teaching, interaction and decisions made affect their lives both now and as they mature into young men and women.

Reference has been made several times to the VBS Guidebook. This Gospel Light publication plus ten and five day sample VBS kits are available from Roger Williams Press, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois, 60130. Another valuable booklet is *19 Ways to Teach More Bible and Reach More People This Summer*. It elaborates on the many ways to structure a successful vacation Bible school. This too, is available from Roger Williams Press.

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# sunday school lessons

B. C. SCHREIBER

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: April 28, 1968

### THEME: THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM

Scripture: Proverbs 1:2-7; 3:5-8

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT.** An accumulation of many facts will improve your knowledge but it will not necessarily strengthen your faith in God.

**INTRODUCTION.** Years ago we spoke of education in terms of reading, writing and arithmetic. In an uneducated way we spoke of them as the "three Rs." Today education is so diversified that it is impossible for one person to study every subject. We are getting to know more and more about less and less because everything is becoming individually specialized.

Thousands of years ago there was a very simple system of education. Most of it came down from father to son. Perhaps this is the reason why the author of Proverbs is represented so frequently as the father who gives instruction to his son. As such it is a book which is directed especially to youth for this is the appropriate time to acquire wisdom.

Several other sages of Israel are mentioned such as Agur the son of Jakeh (30:1), and king Lemuel (31:1). Nothing is known about these two men.

The foundation of all education is still the home. Here is where the virtues are developed so that what is learned later might be related to wise dealing, righteousness, justice and love.

#### I. Receiving Instruction. Proverbs 1:2-4

There are a number of infinitives in the lesson which are very important: to know, to receive, to perceive. Our wisdom must begin through humble reception. Willingness to learn is a prerequisite to wisdom and knowledge. The person who thinks he knows it all cannot be taught. Often he must be receptive through experience, after which we are tempted to say, "I told you so."

Parents must repeat advice again and again before the lesson is learned. This is why the Book of Proverbs seems to be very repetitious. Lapses of memory and sometimes stubbornness get in our way.

#### II. Increasing Learning. Proverbs 1:5-7.

These words are addressed to the man who has already acquired a degree of wisdom. He has passed the beginning stage and is ready to go on to maturity. A man who is truly

wise never ceases to learn. He realizes that four years of college is only the beginning of an education. The search for truth, knowledge and wisdom is inexhaustible. Physical growth has a limit but spiritual and intellectual growth are limitless.

#### III. Acquiring Wisdom. Proverbs 3:5-8.

To the author there was no true wisdom apart from God because he was recognized as the source of truth. The temptation of an educated man is to rely upon his education. But there are times when all of us have come to a dead end. There are decisions to be made, paths to choose, purposes to be determined and questions to be answered. This is when we must have faith in God and rely upon him to help us.

#### Questions for Discussion

(1) Is it possible to have a stronger faith in God through knowledge and education?

(2) What is the difference between a childish and childlike faith in God?

(3) Is self-reliance a virtue or a vice? Does reliance upon God eliminate self-reliance?

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: May 5, 1968

### THEME: THE WISDOM OF SELF-CONTROL

Scripture: Proverbs 20:1; 23:19-21, 29-35

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT.** God needs your heart and your brain. Don't dull them and damage them through over-indulgence.

**INTRODUCTION.** One of the greatest evils in our day is drunkenness. It is an age-old problem that goes back to the dawn of creation. The first verse of Genesis 9 begins with the words, "And God blessed Noah and his sons." By the time you come to the end of the chapter an altogether different picture of Noah is presented. He became a husbandman or farmer, planted a vineyard and made wine. Evidently it tasted so good to him that he did not stop drinking until he became drunk. If some of the people who perished in the flood would have seen him they would not have recognized him as the preacher of righteousness, or as the builder of the ark.

No doubt there must have been drunkenness before the flood, but it seems tragic that the first recorded incident in the Bible involved one of God's saints who is also included as one of the giants of faith in Hebrews 11.

It is not surprising to see men in the world drink to excess but a Christian must always be on guard in order to be a clean and sober witness for the Lord Jesus Christ. Paul says, "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit" (Eph. 5:18).

#### I. Loving Persuasion. Proverbs 20:1; 23:19-21.

These words are addressed especially to youth. The teacher may have been an experienced father talking to his inexperienced son. Notice that he does not command him, threaten him or force him. Discipline can be exercised only so long. There comes a time when youth comes to the age of responsibility when they must exercise their own powers of choice, reason and self-control. The wise parent can still advise the young, lead them and guide them and be always ready to counsel, but they can no longer be treated as children.

As Christians we have the assurance that our self-control is empowered by the Holy Spirit so that we are Spirit-controlled rather than self-controlled.

#### II. Bad Examples. Proverbs 23:29-33.

Probably the most vivid examples of drunkenness and gluttony are found in Proverbs. The teacher pointed out the wide-spread poverty which was evident all around him because of the lack of self-control. Drunkenness and gluttony bring suffering not only to the one who overindulges but to his family as well. Soon a few families can produce a sickness which affects an entire community.

#### III. Tragic Results. Proverbs 23:24-35.

Anyone who has visited the skid rows in the large cities of our countries knows how tragic the results of alcohol can be. The bodies and spirits of these people are paralyzed. They can no longer cope with the problems of life. The tragedy is that they do not even have a desire to learn from past experience. They are physical and spiritual wrecks and only a few are saved from utter destruction.

#### Questions for Discussion

(1) We are responsible to God for our actions. How are we responsible for the actions of our fellowmen?

(2) Is good advice and self-control always effective in helping us to make the right choices and do the right things?

(3) What can the Christian do to help the problem of alcohol in our society?



# WE THE WOMEN

BY MRS. HERBERT HILLER,  
Woodside, New York,  
President Woman's Missionary Union

We welcome into our executive committee and as Broadcast editor one who has been active in the work of our WMU not only locally as a pastor's wife, but also as Program Chairman for our 1949 General Conference, and as German packet editor, Mrs. Adam Huber of the Southwood Park Church, Portland, Oregon. She uses her talents daily as Curriculum Coordinator in an elementary school.

With your assistance, she will provide us with the best BROADCASTS possible to challenge and encourage us in the special ministry God has entrusted to us as women.

GO YE!

Mrs. Adam Huber

Easter time is surely the most beautiful season of the year. Through the long winter months we look forward to spring when the days lengthen and new life is in evidence everywhere. Easter also is a time of rejoicing because it signifies the new life that we have in Christ by His resurrection. We do not worship a dead Christ, but a living personal Saviour. Because of the Resurrection of Christ, we too will experience a resurrection and eternal life. "Because I live, ye shall live also" (John 14:19). Jesus lived a perfect life and then died as our substitute, but this was not enough to procure our salvation. It is His resurrection that made our salvation possible.

No fact of Jesus' earthly life is so well authenticated as the fact of His resurrection. Many people saw Him, walked with Him and had fellowship with Him. Some of his followers actually saw Him ascend into Heaven. We have His word as well, "I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen." Rev. 1:18. Jesus made a perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. His sacrifice was accepted by God. He had finished the work He came to do. At the present time He is ever pleading with the lost and seeking to save them. How thankful we should be for such love, compassion and concern.

Furthermore our Lord wants us to share in this great work of redemption. In Matthew 28, v. 7 the angel of the Lord said, "Go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead." Jesus further said, "Go tell my brethren that they go into

# PLANS LAUNCHED FOR CONTINENTAL CONGRESS ON EVANGELISM



The following are officers of the steering committee coordinating North American plans for the Crusade of the Americas: Gordon Anderson of Chicago, (left to right) vice chairman and home missions secretary for the Baptist General Conference; Wayne Dehoney (second from left), former president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church in Louisville, is chairman of the steering committee and North American Coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas; Kenneth Kennedy, secretary and executive secretary of the General Association of General Baptists, Poplar Bluff, Mo.; and Daniel Fuchs, treasurer, and assistant general secretary of missions for the North American Baptist General Conference, Forest Park, Ill. (BP) Photo.

SILVER SPRING, MD. (BPA)—Plans were outlined here for a North American Continental Congress next fall in Washington, D. C., as a launching pad for Baptist groups in North America to participate in the Crusade of the Americas evangelistic effort. Making the plans in joint session were an inter-racial, inter-Baptist committee from metropolitan Washington, and the steering committee of the Continental Congress.

About 250 persons from ten Baptist conventions in the United States and Canada were present for the all-day session.

The Continental Congress on Evangelism is scheduled for October 10-13, 1968 at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D. C. About 2,500 persons from all the Baptist bodies participating in

Galilee, and there shall they see me." To His disciples He said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations. . . ." Matt. 28:19

The Lord sent His first disciples to tell the good news. How thankful we are that many have been faithful and that through them the message has come to us. How interested and willing are we to tell of the great gift that is ours? God's command is clear. GO YE!

the 1969 Crusade of the Americas are expected to attend the invitational meeting.

The specific format for the Continental Congress, according to chairman Dehoney, will be a program featuring "the best in inspiration, information, motivation and technique" in evangelism. A special feature of the four-day meeting will be panel discussions and small group meetings, he said.

Chairman Dehoney told the joint committee that a "gigantic" parade and rally have been proposed by the steering committee to climax the evangelism congress.

He said that one of the "most exciting ideas" put forth for the meeting in the Capital City is that "Christians will walk out of the stained glass places of worship and march in the streets to say that 'Christ is the only hope.'" He emphasized that Baptists would not be marching "in protest and demonstration, but as a witness."

"It would do me good," Dehoney continued, "as a somewhat reserved witness and pastor . . . to get up enough courage to take up a sign saying 'Christ is the only hope' and walk on the unprotected street and declare there what I so boldly declare in the

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● On Feb. 3 Larry and Sue Stair, short-term missionaries in Cameroon, were involved in an auto accident while traveling by taxi from Victoria to Kumba. Larry Stair reports, "We came to a slight hill, a corner, and one-way bridge just outside of Kumba (5 miles). We met a road-grader coming towards us on a one-way bridge and collided head on with it. I was cut in the head, which required 30 stitches, and bruised in the legs. Sue was cut on her left arm and bruised; and broke one of the two main bones in her right arm. She also had a bruised leg and ankle." They were treated in the Kumba hospital on Feb. 4 and 5 and then transferred to the

appoint the following team members for 1968-69: Sheila Anderson, Phyllis Busch, David Ehman, Kenneth Feske, Terry Folkerts, Joyce Giedt, Frances Gould, Sheryl Hammerstrom, Heinz Korsch, Johnna Lueck, Patricia Twait and Christine Walker.

● A Christian man in Matsusaka, Japan has offered to give some of his land to our church for a new building. The present church building in Matsusaka is a renovated wing of a little hospital that was purchased by our mission for \$1,000. It is now located on rented land and the contract expires in about a year. The owner of the land wants to sell the land but it

Kent Allan, on January 24.

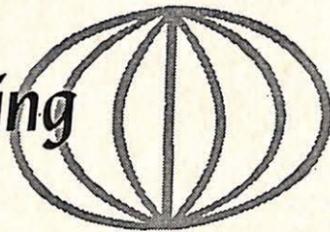
● Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Kramer of Lincoln, Neb., announce the birth of a son, Scott Alan, on Feb. 20.

● Each summer Christian young people are placed through the North American Baptist General Conference Student Placement Committee to minister in camps, Vacation Bible Schools, churches and missions during the summer months.

This year thirty-five students made application to serve through the Student Service Plan. Of these thirty-five, thirteen were placed for service.

Of the fourteen churches, camps and missions making application for the ministry of students, the committee was able to place a student in all but two.

## what's happening



Banso Hospital where they were treated by Dr. Peter Fehr. They were released from the hospital on Feb. 10.

● The Osaka Biblical Seminary in Japan has begun the building of the new Dormitory-Dining Hall. The new highway will be coming through this year and the old dining hall facilities will be demolished. Thirty thousand dollars are needed for this building.

Nine new students, 5 men and 4 women, are entering the seminary in April. Two of the men are college graduates. One is from our church in Tsu.

● God's Volunteers Committee met on Feb. 23 to review this program and

is too expensive for us to buy. The building is too old to move to the new land so it becomes necessary for us to build a new church on the land which is being offered. This church will need to be built in about a year. Pray for this project.

● A new evangelistic outreach is being established in Nagoya, Japan, one of the large cities of central Japan. Our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Kern, will be moving there from Tsu as soon as their pre-fab house is completed.

● Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Kern of Yorkton, Sask., announce the birth of a son,

### SECRETARY WANTED

Must be proficient in typing, filing and dictaphone transcribing. Some shorthand is desirable. To begin June 1, 1968. Make application to Rev. John Binder at North American Baptist General Conference Office, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois 60130.

Designate your

### EASTER OFFERING

FOR

### NAB MISSIONS

Sunday April 14, 1968

### CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY February 1968

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

| Conferences      | Feb. 1968    | Feb. 1967    | Feb. 1966    |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Atlantic         | \$ 6,041.10  | \$ 4,124.22  | \$ 3,295.36  |
| Central          | 12,194.85    | 17,953.44    | 18,037.30    |
| Dakota           | 8,069.97     | 5,074.08     | 9,935.93     |
| Eastern          | 1,166.91     | 2,254.73     | 1,388.08     |
| Northern         | 59,194.92    | 6,425.82     | 5,623.71     |
| Northwestern     | 7,502.96     | 7,077.72     | 11,218.98    |
| Pacific          | 8,579.68     | 6,269.84     | 8,496.69     |
| Southern         | 335.67       | 505.44       | 932.65       |
| Southwestern     | 3,744.40     | 3,474.02     | 3,153.39     |
| Inter-Conference | 2,311.60     | 3,175.62     | 2,921.00     |
|                  | \$109,142.00 | \$ 56,334.93 | \$ 65,003.09 |

#### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

|                                | Budget Contributions | Other Contributions | Total Contributions |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| For the month of February 1968 | \$ 42,890.63         | \$ 66,251.37        | \$109,142.00*       |
| 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           |

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

|                                |              |              |                  |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| April 1, 1967 to Feb. 29, 1968 | \$904,004.72 | \$185,891.34 | \$1,089,896.06** |
| 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       |

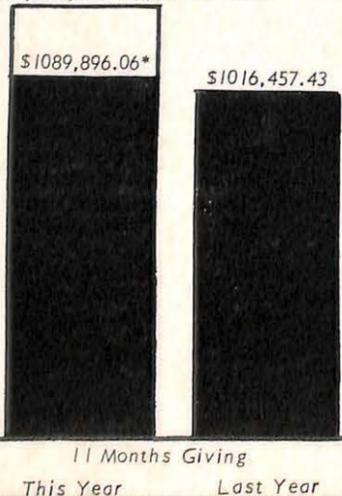
\*This includes \$775.90 for MAP and \$55,466.36 for CTI Bldg.

\*\*This includes \$11,661.90 for MAP and \$56,057.57 for CTI Bldg.

### OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

N.A.B. MISSION PROGRAM  
April - February, 1968

\$1,250,000 Approved Goal



# our denomination in action

### OBSERVE 25th ANNIVERSARY

SIDNEY, MONT. First Baptist Church celebrated its 25th anniversary Feb. 11. Originally the church was brought into the Lambert Community by homesteaders from Holloway, Minn. The Lambert Baptist congregation worshipped for 20 years in the Round Butte School and for 13 years in the Lone Flat School. Rev. Otto Fiesel was the last pastor to serve the Lambert and Vida churches.

With the consent and assistance from the Lambert Church members, meetings were started in the Valley Hotel basement in Sidney in the fall of 1942. Rev. and Mrs. Fiesel then moved to Sidney from Richey, but he continued to hold worship services Sunday morning and afternoon in the Lambert and Vida churches, and in the evening in Sidney.

In 1943 the church at Lambert voted to disband. Twenty Baptist members met and organized the First Baptist Church of Sidney. The newly organized congregation bought the Widoss Mortuary and converted it into a place of worship. The congregation grew in numbers and built the existing structure in 1948 and in 1959 installed new pews. (Mrs. Arthur Pribnow, reporter.)

### WELCOME SPREEUWERS FAMILY

UNION CITY, N. J. On Feb. 3 the Second Baptist Church held a pot-luck supper to welcome their new minister, Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Spreeuwers and family, Kathy and Fred.



Mr. Spreeuwers, a native of the Netherlands, came to the United States in 1949. A few years ago he returned to the Netherlands for two years to establish Bible study groups and serve as chaplain with Holland-American Lines. The Spreeuwers assumed the pastorate Jan. 28. They have moved into the recently purchased parsonage. (Mrs. John Emr, reporter.)

### ORDAIN MARTIN FRANKE

WILLSONVILLE, OREGON. On Feb. 5, an ordination council met at the Stafford Baptist Church in Willsonville to ordain Martin Franke to the ministry. Delegates from the following churches composed the council: Bethany, Glencullen, Immanuel, Riviera, Salt Creek, Southwood, Stafford and Trinity. The Rev. Fred David was elected as chairman.

The public ordination service took place Sunday afternoon, Feb. 11.

Rev. Franke is pastor of the Willsonville Church and a graduate of Multnomah School of the Bible. He began his ministry at Stafford in August of 1967. (Rev. Herbert Schauer, reporter.)

### MEN GIVE DINNER

LORRAINE, KAN. Men of First Baptist Church gave a Sweetheart Dinner for their wives Feb. 15. Rev. Herman Palfenier, interim pastor of the church, spoke on the theme "A Little Honey," from Gen. 43:11. Mary Alice Sies, reporter.)

### HONOR SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

STOCKTON, CALIF. Swain Oaks Baptist honored its Sunday school teachers and officers with a smorgasbord dinner Jan. 26. Superintendent Joe Champion outlined the program for 100 per cent attendance during February. Pastor Alvin Harsch concluded the program with a message. (Walter L. Claypool, reporter.)

April 1, 1968



### EIGHT CANDIDATES BAPTIZED

ABERDEEN, S. D., Calvary. Pictured above with the eight persons whom he recently baptized is Rev. John Thielenhaus (left), pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church. Those baptized were (l. to r. in back row) Nancy Arnold, Mrs. Ken Zuercher and Rev. Zuercher; (l. to r. in front) Don Engel, Mrs. Engel, Sherwood Schrenk, Rita and James Roth. (Willard Tesky, clerk.)

### WELCOME VIETZ FAMILY

SELBY, S. DAK. On Jan. 21, the Faith Baptist Church welcomed their new pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. Milton Vietz, Jonathan, Gloria, Marilee and Melody. A fellowship dinner was held after the morning worship service. Sunday evening a special program was presented with members of the various organizations welcoming the pastor and family. After the service the pastor's family was presented with a pantry shower.

On Feb. 13, the members of the Men's Brotherhood invited their wives to their annual fellowship supper. The tables were decorated with a valentine theme. (Mrs. Milton Vietz, reporter.)

### EVANGELISM, DECISIONS AT SUNKIST

ANAHEIM, CAL., SUNKIST. Thirty-six new members were received Feb. 4 at Sunkist Baptist Church, where Rev. William Hoover is pastor. Of this number 17 were baptized Jan. 14.

Since the first service held in the new church, July 23, 1967, 58 persons have become members of the Sunkist Baptist congregation. God's Volunteers team with Rev. Edgar W. Klatt visited in March for a week of witnessing. They took part in the March 2, Men's Breakfast Fellowship at the church. Team member Jeannie Nordheimer, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nordheimer, members of Sunkist Baptist Church.

Each month one of the several older Sunday school classes make up a gospel team to hold church services in the Orange county jail facilities.

New life campaign meetings were held Feb. 13-18. Evangelist Jack Van Impe and his wife, Rexella, conducted the meetings. There were 11 first time decisions during the week. (Mrs. Ruth Mellen, reporter.)

### SOUTHERN MEN MEET

TEXAS. The Baptist Men of the Southern Conference of N.A.B. met for a smorgasbord, Feb. 23. Churches at Waco, Crawford, Greenvine, Kyle, and Houston were represented. The Anderson Road Baptist Church of only two or three months with Rev. Elton Kirstein provided a men's quartet and a choir number. Rev. Leroy Schauer who recently came to Waco gave a message on church extension. The Baptist Men have been staunch supporters of the Anderson Road Baptist Extension Church.

### YORKTON HOST PRAYER PROGRAM

YORKTON, SASK. The Woman's Missionary Society displayed their white cross supplies at their annual program Nov. 26. On Nov. 6 the ladies were hosts to the women of Ebenezer and Melville-Fenwood for the Baptist Day of Prayer. The annual Christmas party was held on Dec.

18 with a program centering around the story of Christmas carols. Feb. 9 about 40 ladies gathered in the lower auditorium for a baby shower for our pastor's wife. Mrs. Eugene Kern and their baby boy, Kent Allan. (Mrs. Hertha Rowden, reporter.)

#### BAPTIST HOME PLANS ADDITION

BISMARCK, N. D. Plans are underway for the expansion and development of additional facilities at the Baptist Home. The building addition to cost approximately \$350,000 is to provide 29 nursing beds. There will be a combination sun and dining room, and an open sun porch on each floor. The rooms will be large, airy and well lighted with desk and storage facilities for each resident as well as toilet facilities in each room.

Large occupational therapy rooms will be added on the ground floor. Many more people will be able to participate in numerous worthwhile activities and projects.

With the new addition, the Home will provide for about 32 in the retirement apartments, 126 in the residential, or ambulatory area and 64 in the nursing or extended care facility. Construction is to begin as soon as plans can be drawn and the bids let. (Alfred Weisser, reporter.)

#### BAPTIZE SEVEN CANDIDATES

MILWAUKEE, WIS., German Zion. The German Zion Baptist Church baptized seven candidates Dec. 31. In the first part of our midnight watch service, the hand of fellowship was extended to them. This baptism included one complete family who came from Siberia in June and have accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior. (Mrs. Bruno Ziegler, reporter.)



#### HOLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE

CHICAGO, ILL. A missionary conference Feb. 4-7 was held by three cooperating churches, Foster Avenue, First Baptist and German Mission. The theme for the conference was "Who Needs Missionaries?" Guests who took part in the conference are pictured above (l. to r.): Rev. Ted Stanley with the Greater Europe Mission; Rev. Clarence Walth, pastor of Foster Avenue; Miss Laura Reddig and Rev. George Henderson, North American Baptist missionaries to Cameroon; Dr. Richard Schilke, general missionary secretary; Rev. Richard Goetzke, pastor of German Mission; Miss Ingrid Bergatt, returned from a term of service as a God's Volunteer to Cameroon; Rev. Lyle Wacker, North American Baptist General Conference director of church extension; and Rev. Norman Miller, pastor of First Baptist.

#### WELCOME FRAZER FAMILY

VALLEY STREAM, N. Y. Rev. Isador Faszer and family arrived at Valley Stream to assume pastoral duties early in January. A reception was held Jan. 21, attended by neighboring churches. The Faszers were formerly at Ashley, N. Dak. (Ethel Boyd, reporter.)

#### REVIEW WHITE CROSS WORK

TYNDALL, S. D. The Tyndall Baptist WMS presented their annual White Cross program Feb. 11. Devotions and several readings centering around the white cross were given. Several of the things made were displayed and some were modeled. The film strip "A Lay Look at Our Medical Ministry in the Cameroon" was shown. The offering will go toward mission work. (Mrs. Glen Hoerth, reporter.)

#### LADIES SPONSOR ASIAN PROGRAM

WARREN, MICH. "A Night With the Oshiro's" was the way the Ladies' Missionary Society spent the evening of

Jan. 19. Husbands are invited to the annual pot-luck supper with a Japanese air.

Roy and Kimiko Oshiro were guest speakers. They are home for a year from Okinawa. Roy spoke briefly and then showed a film of the work in Okinawa. It showed a group of young people who paid their own boat fare to distribute tracts on another island where there was no missionary. It showed a grandmother lead another grandmother to the Lord who burned her cherished idol to demonstrate her new faith. The Oshiro's three young daughters sang and played the piano, portable organ, and flute. (Doris Kintzer, reporter.)

#### PAUL SCHREIBER CHOSEN BOY OF THE MONTH

Paul Schreiber, the C.B.Y.F. president of the Calvary Baptist Church of Bethlehem, Pa., was chosen Boy of the Month for January at his school, Liberty High. Every month, the Bethlehem Lions Club selects a senior boy for the honor on the basis of academic citizenship and leadership abilities.

#### GIVE FAREWELL FOR AUCHS

NORTH DAKOTA. On Dec. 17 the Anamoose and Lincoln Valley Baptist Churches held a combined farewell service for Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Auch, and children Michelle and David. Following the noon meal and fellowship in the basement, members and friends again gathered upstairs for the program. Following Rev. Auch's farewell message, short talks, readings and musical numbers were given by members of the two churches. Rev. Auch and his family had served the Lincoln Valley and Anamoose Churches since May 3, 1964. He and his family are now serving the Calvary Baptist Church of Corn, Okla. (Arlene Beck, reporter.)

#### BID BENKES FAREWELL

BUFFALO, N. Y. Dec. 31, members and friends of Temple Church gathered for a farewell supper and service for Rev. and Mrs. J. Benke and Judy. Senior Deacon August Frey conducted the service.

Pastors of our two sister churches were present; and spoke words of encouragement to Rev. Benke and the church.

Mr. Fey presented the Benkes with a gift from the church, a pair of butane candles and a check.

Rev. Benke presented their parting gift to the church, a lovely guest book with the challenge that its value depends on how well we use it in bringing in others to hear the gospel. Joanne Benke will be staying in Buffalo until June, 1968. (Mrs. Hulda Hartman, reporter.)

#### REVIEW RECENT EVENTS

HOISINGTON, KAN. A number of special activities have highlighted the fall and winter months at Calvary Church. We hosted the Kansas Association in October. Rev. Ord Morrow of Back to the Bible Broadcast, Missionary Harold Lang, and Dr. J. C. Gunst were special speakers. Our pastor, Rev. Bill Cowell, participated in the Southwestern Conference Christian Education workshops held during November in Creston, Neb., Bison, Kan., and Okeene, Okla.

We held a week of evangelistic meetings with Rev. Edgar Klatt and the God's Volunteer's Team. Ernest Hildebrand, Pat Heller, Barbara Glewwe, and Jerry Fluth were special speakers at our missionary conference held the last of November.

For our watchnight service the film "Power of the Resurrection" was shown. A week of prayer was held during January. Our pastor conducted a week of revival meetings at the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Shattuck, Okla., in March.

Two of our young men, Alan Webb and Robbie Riegel will be summer missionaries from our church and spend a week or two with the Sandovals in South Texas, assisting in their Vacation Bible School. Our church has taken a step of faith in the adoption of our new budget. We will no longer receive church extension support but will become a mission church. We have also set a goal of \$1,000 for North American Baptist Missions. (Mrs. Valta Clark, reporter.)

#### BAPTIZE SIX YOUTH

SOUTHEY, SASK. The Southey Baptist Church had the joy of witnessing the baptism of six young people on Dec. 31. Those baptized by the pastor, Rev. Leonard Strelau, were

Cathy Krupp, Marvin Lang, Wendy Lang, Kathryn Lang, Wendell Langford and Barbara Wagner. Following the baptismal service, the hand of fellowship was extended to these young people. (Mrs. Annette Lang, Church Clerk.)

#### RECEIVE 15 MEMBERS

DALLAS, TEX. Rev. Gordon Thomas baptized Bill Thomas, Mrs. Jeanette Cramer, Truett Welton, Mrs. Evelyn Seifert and Mrs. Starlyn Nuss. Received by letter were Dr. and Mrs. Duane Lindsey, Lori Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. Russell G. Atkinson, Anita and Cathy Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Marker and by statement of faith, Mr. Dennis Cramer. (Mrs. Louise Porth, reporter.)

#### OBSERVE YOUTH WEEK

BETHLEHEM, PA. Youth Week at Calvary Baptist was observed with the young people participating with our pastor, Rev. Harold W. Gieseke, in the morning worship service Jan. 28. The youth had charge of the evening service. Three of our high school seniors gave talks. Paul Schreiber, C.B.Y.F. president, spoke on "A Christian Witnessing in High School"; James Lewis' subject was "Can a Christian Be Popular"; and Andrew Nordquist spoke on "How and Why of Personal Devotionals." Special music was provided by the C.B.Y.F. male quartet and Chris Ockenhouse, who played a violin solo, accompanied on the piano by Robert Hartwiger. Other activities of Youth Week included a progressive supper.

To conclude the youth week program, the Lehigh Christian Fellowship (Intervarsity Christian Fellowship) had charge of the evening service Feb. 4. (Mrs. Ernest Zentgraf, reporter.)

#### GIVE EVANGELISTIC EMPHASIS

WISHEK, N. D. The First Baptist had God's Volunteers with Rev. Connie Salios as evangelist for a week of special meetings.



The Women's Missionary Society presented a Sunday evening program. "Go Ye" was a play which stressed Jesus command of "Go Ye"—into a Troubled World, A Hungry World, A Dissillusioned World and a Sinful World. The music for the play was rendered by a women's sextette and duet.

The young people observed Youth Week, by participating in the services of the church. They were in charge of the Sunday evening service during which they discussed life and witness of the apostles. On Feb. 4, Miss Joyce Wood, probation officer from Aberdeen, South Dak., was guest speaker at the evening service. (Mrs. Carl Weisser, reporter.)

#### HONOR RETIRING ORGANIST

ARNOLD, PA. Miss Lillian Krause, organist at Union Church for the past 29 years was honored for her service to the church. She retired due to major surgery which resulted in the loss of half her vision. A dinner was held in her honor in the church fellowship room.

The trustee board's chairman presented her a record play-

er and records in behalf of the congregation. A purse of \$300 which will be prorated over the next 12 months as a salary from the church was contributed by members and friends. (Mrs. Fred Pressick, reporter.)

#### GIVE FAREWELL TO MISSIONARIES

ELK GROVE, CALIF. The First Baptist Church set aside Jan. 21 to honor Rev. and Mrs. Bill Dalton and family prior to their return to the mission field in Pakistan. The church provides partial support for the Daltons. Rev. Dalton spoke during the morning service and showed a missionary film in the evening. Ten young people were baptized during the evening service. Among the candidates was the Dalton's oldest daughter Marie.

New pulpit furniture (pictured below), was dedicated Feb. 4 in memory of Mrs. Minnie Rauser and Mrs. Molly Rauser. (Mrs. Leonard Fandrich, reporter.)



#### PROGRAMS TO REACH OTHERS

AUBURN, MICH. Sixteen persons were baptized and received for membership with three others of Auburn First Baptist, at the first service conducted by Rev. Rubin Herrmann.

The Sunday school gave a Christmas pantomime entitled, "Tell Me the Story of Jesus," written by Mrs. Orison Cain, a member of our church.

Home Bible study groups, using the Growth By Groups material has expanded to three groups under the leadership of Mrs. Herrmann. These groups are planned to give opportunities for sharing our faith with others who may feel more at ease in coming to a friend's home than to a church service.

Plans are being made for Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girl's programs. Plans are underway to have a combined evangelistic crusade with the local Methodist church April 28—May 5. Mel Dibble has been engaged as evangelist.

During the Wednesday evening activities at church Mrs. Rein Braun teaches a teachers leadership training course for improving teaching techniques and training new teachers.

Jan. 28 awards were given for Scripture memory. Nancy Franko was given her nine year pin and a picture of Christ for completing the entire course. Nancy is pictured above receiving the award from Mrs. D. Rinas.

Twenty-nine youth enjoyed a winter retreat at Camp Barakel, Jan. 12-14.

Dial-A-Thot, which began as a 30-second recorded message has been extended to a 60-second message by the pastor. (Mrs. Al Carpenter, reporter.)

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL GROWING

KELOWNA, B. C. The Sunday school at Trinity Baptist is growing to the extent that the facilities are becoming inadequate. The enrollment now stands at 266.

On Jan. 12 and 13 we had a teacher training course with Rev. Bruce Rich, our denominational youth director, as instructor. The topic of the course was "Teaching Teens." There were 53 teachers, parents and young people in attendance.

The Crusade for Christ was held Jan. 28 to Feb. 4, with God's Volunteers Team I. Rev. Edgar Klatt is the evangelist. The team worked with church members in house-to-house calling beginning Jan. 23. Team members also took part in a youth banquet Jan. 27. (Miss Christina Hufnagel, reporter.)

# GOD'S VOLUNTEERS TEAM II REPORTS

by Linda Frey

Coming in by plane, train, and bus, we as Team II once again came together in Baileyville, Illinois. Each had an exciting Christmas vacation and was bubbling over with enthusiasm for the second half of the tour.

The pastor Rev. Paul H. Maitland, soon had us busy, and it didn't take long to get back in the swing of things. This campaign held a major first for us—our first canvass in a rural community. How would the people react? Some thought a canvass was useless. Everybody knows everyone in a small town. Most people attend some church. Nevertheless, we forged ahead with the canvass of the fifty homes in Baileyville. We, with the church people, soon discovered that there were many people with needs, and that even in such a closely knit town, people really didn't know one another. Encouraged by the results of this visitation, the church members were anxious to start a weekly visitation program of their own so that they could reach their own neighbors.

Leaving Baileyville, we began the long trek to the Fellowship Baptist Chapel in the Detroit area. As we neared Detroit we saw less and less of wide open spaces and more and more of buildings and skyscrapers. Look-alike houses lined both sides of the streets in the suburbs. Individually seemed to be nill as people were caught up in the race to keep up with their neighbor. This was going to be a challenging area to work in.

Something new was added to our program here as we girls conducted a ladies witnessing training class in the morning. These ladies put this training into action as they with their husbands were out for visitation in the afternoons and evenings.

We also got to work with the Pioneer Girls and Boys Brigade for the first time. We had an enjoyable time playing games, singing songs and reading stories with them.

We conducted another Youth Outreach Weekend here. Since there are eleven NAB churches in the area, many of their young people attended the meetings. On Saturday evening, an area singspiration was held with about 50 young people attending.

At the Wednesday evening prayer

meeting, time was spent in sharing experiences of the past week. It was good to hear many of the people tell how God had challenged them to re-dedicate their lives to Christ. These testimonies were encouraging to us as we again saw God's power revealed in changing lives.

## PRAIRIE YOUTH CONFERENCE

by MORLEY BUYER

Since the time of the Old Testament prophets some of men's most vital encounters with God have been on the mountain tops. A mountain top experience awaits the 500 young people who will attend the Third Prairie Youth Conference August 30 to September 2.

The three day conference will be held in the beautiful resort town of Banff in Alberta, Canada.

Scenic Banff nestles among the Rocky Mountain giants. Rundle Mountain rises on one side and Sulphur Mountain on the other. Several chains of the Cascade Mountains are visible in the distance.

The town is a scene of flowering brilliance and clear trickling streams. Blossom fragrance scents the air.

Banff is a scene of majestic restfulness, the perfect setting for a youth conference. Students will listen and discuss "Who Am I?"

Seminar speakers will be Don Lonie, Dr. Frank Veninga, Prof. Willy Muller, Rev. Arthur Patzia, Missionary Eunice Kern and North American Baptist Campus Chaplains.

Workshops will seek to deal with problems of today's youth.

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Conferees will be given an opportunity to swim in the hot springs swimming pool, one of Banff's famous attractions.

Two bus tours are planned as part of the conference. A 22-mile drive will take in points of interest at Mt. Norquay, the Administration Building Rock Gardens and Tunnel Mountain Drive.

Points of interest along the Lake Louise Drive include Vermillion Lakes, Hole-in-the-Wall, Pilot Mountain, Mount Eisenhower and a stop at Johnston Canyon.

The conference offers numerous opportunities with its recreational, sight-seeing and spiritual offerings.

Prairie Youth Conference will be held in the Banff School of Fine Arts, University of Alberta.

Prairie Youth Conference invites any North American Baptist youth, 17 years of age and older, to take advantage of these opportunities. The cost of the conference is \$36. Meals, lodging, tours and recreation are included.

For further information contact Morley Buyer, Chairman, Prairie Youth Board, Carbon, Alberta, Canada.

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## CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

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protected pulpit."

Plans for the parade and rally on the final day of the congress are not yet firm. There was some discussion between the local group and the steering committee as to the wisdom of Baptists promoting a parade in the Capital City.

Local committee chairman Windham explained to the press later that he could understand the feeling some people have against marches, but that the steering committee agreed at their

meeting in Chicago last fall that a parade and rally would be an "essential part" of the impact of the congress on the rest of the country and all of the Americas.

"The reason for this congress is to make an impact," he stressed. "It is supposed to be a helpful and constructive impact and not just a noise," he added.

Dehoney announced that 18 million church members in 100,000 churches in 27 countries of the western hemisphere are now involved in plans for the Crusade. He described this as the "largest evangelistic enterprise ever attempted in the history of Christianity."

## Obituary

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

### MRS. FRED EHMAN of Lehr, North Dakota

Mrs. Fred (Emelia nee Kranzler) Ehman, daughter of Christophy Kranzler and Katharine Kranzler. She was born Aug. 25, 1898, South Russia. She passed away Jan. 15, 1968 in the Ashley Hospital, Ashley, N. D. at the age of 69 years, 4 months, and 20 days.

She came to America in the year 1905 with her parents and settled in Zealand, N. D. Later she moved with her parents to take up a homestead South of Lehr. On Nov. 14, 1920 she was married to Fred Ehman at the George Station Baptist Church by Rev. Stephen Grotz. They farmed south of Lehr until 1954, when they moved into Lehr and carried on some farming from there. To this union were born five children: Mrs. Roland (Ruth) Weisenburger, Rosebud, S. Dak.; Rev. Jacob Ehman, Steamboat, Iowa; Mrs. Delbert (Ella) Bender, Venturia, N. D.; Mrs. Emil (Esther) Roth, Lead, S. D.; Mrs. Ruedow (Deloris) Ulmer, Lehr, N. D.

She was converted in her youth and baptized into the body of Christ by Rev. Tilkner, uniting with the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Lehr, N. D. of which she was a faithful member until her going home to be with her Lord. She was also a member of the Ladies Missionary Society.

She is survived by her husband; all five children, two sisters, five brothers, 18 grandchildren and a host of friends. Those preceding her in death were her parents; one sister, and one brother.

Services were held in the Ebenezer Baptist Church, with Rev. Daniel Heringer and Rev. E. S. Fenske officiating.

Ebenezer Baptist Church  
Lehr, North Dakota  
REV. DANIEL HERINGER, pastor

### MRS. FRANCES PEITSCH of Detroit, Michigan

Mrs. Frances Peitsch, daughter of Michael and Lydia Kary of Hanna, Alberta, Canada, was born on July 30, 1914 near Veteran, Alberta, and passed away Jan. 15, 1968 in Detroit, Michigan.

In 1944 she was united in marriage with Oscar Peitsch with whom she shared the joys and sorrows of life for 23 years. Three years ago she was stricken with cancer.

As a young girl, Frances accepted the Lord Jesus as her personal Saviour and upon confession of her faith was baptized and received into the fellowship of the Hand Hill Baptist Church of Alberta. In recent years she was a member of the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan. She was always a devoted and loyal child of God and an indefatigable church worker, loved and respected by all who knew her. The large array of beautiful flowers were a visible testimony to her memory.

She left to mourn her untimely passing the following people: her dearly beloved husband, Oscar; two step-daughters, Mrs. Helma Warkentin of Detroit, and Mrs. Esther Krieger, serving as a missionary in Spain; and one step-son Harry Peitsch of Detroit. She also leaves her aged father Michael Kary and seven brothers: John, Ronald, Ben, and Harold all of Alberta Canada; Joe of Nelson, B.C.; Michael of Hartford, Connecticut, and Edward of Cleveland, Ohio; and a host of friends.

The memorial service was held in the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, Dr. Dale Irie, who was her pastor for many years, spoke words of hope and comfort to all the bereaved based on I Cor. 15.

In loving memory to our only sister.  
Grossepointe Baptist Church  
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan  
REV. EDWARD KARY

### MRS. ROSA BROWN of Camrose, Alberta

Hester Rosanna Brown, nee Roth, was born at California, Missouri, on Oct. 24, 1884 and passed away on Jan. 14, 1968 at the age of 83. In 1901, she came with her parents to Canada to homestead west of Camrose. She joined the Fellowship Baptist Church where she faithfully served her

Lord through the years.

On Nov. 20, 1904 she married Emanuel Weisser. To this union were born five daughters and two sons. In May of 1939, the Lord called Mr. Weisser to be with Him. In 1946 she remarried to Mr. Henry Brown and he passed away March 12, 1962.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husbands, two sons, one daughter, one sister and four brothers. She leaves to miss her presence four daughters: Alma (Mrs. Ted Miller) of Camrose, Jeanette (Mrs. Henry Seutter) of Edmonton, Mildred (Mrs. Reinhard Neuman) of Calgary, Phyllis (Mrs. Ben Schultz) of Bittern Lake; the wife of her deceased son Paul (Mrs. Freda Weisser), the husband of her deceased daughter Clara (Arthur Gerber), 29 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, two sisters and five brothers, five step-daughters and two step-sons, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Fellowship Baptist Church  
Camrose, Alberta  
RON BERG, pastor

### FRED SPRUNG of Corona, South Dakota

Fred Sprung was born at Steamboat Rock, Iowa on March 13, 1901. At eight years of age he moved with his parents to Corona, S. Dak., to the same farm site where he lived the rest of his life, except for six years right after his marriage. Those years were spent nearby.

Converted to Christ as a young man, Fred was baptized by Rev. Henry Hersch on Aug. 8, 1920 and was a member of this church from that time on. He passed away on Jan. 27, 1968 at the age of 66 years, 10 months and 14 days.

On Dec. 30, 1924 he was married to Miss Swanetta Iblings. This marriage was blessed with two children and 43 faithful years. The only family members to precede him in death were his parents, one brother and one sister, who passed away in infancy. Left to mourn Fred's passing are: his loving wife Swanetta; his daughter, Arlene, Mrs. Daryl Stengel of Milbank, S.D.; his son, Gene of Corona, S.D.; his seven grandchildren; his three sisters, his two brothers, and other relatives and friends.

First Baptist Church  
Corona, South Dakota  
LORIMER POTRATZ, pastor

### CARL A. HACKMANN of Elgin, Iowa

Mr. Carl A. Hackmann was born May 27, 1879 in Hanover, Germany and passed away Jan. 29, 1968, at the age of 88 years.

In 1896 he came to this country and later settled in the Elgin Community. In 1907 he was united in marriage to Amelia Freiburghaus. They lived on a farm near Elgin while he was employed by the U. S. Post Office as a rural route mail carrier for 37 years.

Mr. Hackmann was baptized in 1895 and later became a member of the First Baptist Church of Elgin where he served the Lord faithfully for many years—as a Sunday school teacher, as church treasurer and as deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Amelia; two sons, Reuben of Elgin and Hugo of West Union, Ia.; two daughters, Gertrude (Mrs. Clarence Kohls) of Strawberry Point, Ia. and Louise (Mrs. Bert Kurth) of Omaha, Neb.; one brother, Gustav of Maywood, Ill.; 12 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

The memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church of Elgin, Ia. on Feb. 1 with Rev. David Hackmann of Minneapolis, Minn. assisting the pastor.

First Baptist Church  
Elgin, Iowa  
ORVILLE H. METH, pastor

### MR. EDMUND BOHNET of Garden Grove, California

Mr. Edmund Bohnet was born in Fessenden, North Dakota, on March 30, 1909. He passed away from a heart attack on Feb. 7, 1968 at the age of 58 years and 10 months.

The Bohnet family moved to Lodi, California, when Ed was six years of age. At the age of 21 years he moved to Anaheim, California, and has resided in the area since that time. He was united in marriage to Lydia Grauer on March 15, 1930.

Mr. Bohnet received Christ as personal Saviour at the age of 11. He became a member of Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim where he served his Lord faithfully. Mr. Bohnet was an electrical contractor by trade, but his first love was his Saviour whom he sought to serve with all his talents. He was active in the building projects of the church as well as serving faithfully in various offices through the years, which included church clerk and Deacon.

In 1956 the Bethel Baptist Church sought to start a new church extension work which became the Magnolia Baptist Church. Ed was chairman of the building committee and

became a charter member of the church. He served as moderator, deacon and chairman of building committees. He also served as chairman of our Southern California Church Extension Committee and served on the National Stewardship Committee.

He is survived by his wife, Lydia and one son, Don. He was preceded in death by two children, Shirley Ann and Robert.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints" (Psalm 116:15) was the text used at the funeral for Mr. Ed Bohnet.  
Magnolia Baptist Church  
Anaheim, California

KENNETH L. FISCHER, Pastor

### HENRY HAGEL

of Wishek, North Dakota

Henry Hagel was born Nov. 27, 1880 in Kassel, Russia. He immigrated to the United States with his parents in 1894 and settled in Tyndall, S. Dak. later moving to a farm near Venturia, N. Dak.

On Jan. 14, 1906 he was married to Maria Strobel. This marriage was blessed with five sons and two daughters. In 1904 he was converted under the ministry of Rev. Oeder and in 1918 he was baptized by Rev. John Reichert. In 1945 they moved to Wishek and became members of the First Baptist Church there. During his Christian walk, he served the Lord faithfully in the capacity of Sunday school teacher, Sunday school superintendent, church clerk and deacon. He loved to sing and for some time was in the men's chorus.

On Dec. 1, 1964 Mr. and Mrs. Hagel entered the Retirement Home at Wishek. He suffered a stroke on Jan. 24 and on Jan. 28 he passed away in the Wishek Community hospital at the age of 87 yrs. 2 mos. and 11 days.

He was preceded in death by his wife, and two sons. He leaves to mourn his sons Arthur of Jamestown, N. Dak.; Gideon of Venturia; and Ernest of Moorhead, Minn.; two daughters, Palma (Mrs. Leo Goehring) Denver, Colorado; and Martha (Mrs. Roy Schnabel) of Venturia, 13 grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and one sister Eva Apperspach, an invalid at the Baptist Home for the aged at Bismarck.

First Baptist Church  
Wishek, N. D.  
CARL R. WEISSER, pastor

### EDDIE HILL of Kyle, Texas

Mr. Eddie Hill was born Oct. 1, 1876 in Industry, Texas and was called to his heavenly home Jan. 31, 1968 in San Marcos, Texas at the age of 91 years, 4 months. He became a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church as a young man and was a faithful worker for the Lord throughout life.

He is survived by daughters Mrs. Leonard Sides of Marble Falls, Texas and Mrs. Pete Lollar, of Pasadena, Texas and a son Arthur W. Hill of Marble Falls; five sisters, Mrs. Bertha Kraemer of San Antonio; Mrs. Emma Heidenreich of Poteet, Texas; Mrs. Elsie Wiegand and Mrs. Leona Wiegand both of San Marcos, Texas; and Mrs. Annie Schmettekopf of Kyle, Texas; one brother, Walter Hill of Kyle; two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Immanuel Baptist Church  
Kyle, Texas  
W. H. BARSH, pastor

### FRED LAYETZKE of Edmonton, Alberta

In the early morning hours of Feb. 6, 1968 Mr. Fred Layetzke was redeemed from his physical suffering and illness and called into the realm of eternity.

He was born May 14, 1914 in Edmonton, Alberta. Under the guidance of his godly parents he was brought up and instructed the principles of the Christian faith from early youth. As a youth he accepted Jesus as his personal Saviour. Upon his confession of faith he was baptized by the late Rev. August Kraemer and received into the fellowship of the Central Baptist Church, of which he remained a member until the time of his death.

On October 15, 1943 he was united in marriage to the former Miss Adine Klingspon. For almost 25 years they lived together sharing both the joys and the sorrows of life. Two sons were born to this family, both of whom are still teen agers who will miss the counsel and guidance of their father.

During the last year of his life he suffered from the afflictions of a treacherous kidney disease, which caused his premature death, his entire age being 53 years, 8 months and 23 days.

Among his mourners are his loving wife, Mrs. Adina Layetzke; his two sons, Randy and Brent; his brother, Albert Lake; his sister, Mrs. Lydia Wolfe; and other relatives and friends.

Central Baptist Church  
Edmonton, Alberta  
R. HOBENSEE, pastor



## THE RESURRECTION

After the Sabbath, as Sunday morning was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the grave. Suddenly there was a strong earthquake; an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled the stone away, and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid that they trembled and became like dead men.

The angel spoke to the women. "You must not be afraid," he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus who was nailed to the cross. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come here and see the place where he lay. Quickly, now, go and tell his disciples: 'He has been raised from death, and now he is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him!' Remember what I have told you." So they left the grave in a hurry, afraid and yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Peace be with you." They came up to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. "Do not be afraid," Jesus said to them. "Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Matthew 28:1-10

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