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CHRIST HAS LEFT AN INHERITANCE FOR YOU . .

"Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (Matthew 25:34).

Will you leave an inheritance for Him?

Remember Christ's work in your will.

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Editorial

An Invitation To You!

The greatest joy of life is to belong to the family of God, to walk with the redeemed in the light of his truth. This is "a great multitude... of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, standing before the throne, and before the Lamb, and saying: Blessing, and glory and honor, and power, and light, be unto our God for ever and ever" (Rev. 7:9 and 12). And in this blessed company is the fellowship of North American Baptists who love to sing their praises to the Redeemer, who have a stirring history of God's wondrous acts behind them, and who are now carrying out a world-wide witness for Christ in response to his great Commission.

You will always feel at home in the fellowship of a North American Baptist church. But your membership in one of our churches should also shoulder you with a deep concern for people in need, sharing with Christ his concern for the world lost in sin, and participating in the ministry of a Christ-honoring denomination which is dedicated to the advancement of his Kingdom at home and abroad.

We invite you to become better acquainted with our North American Baptist Conference through these pages. You will see God's guiding hand at work. You will look on the far flung harvest fields of the world. You will feel the warmth of the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. You will thank God with an overflowing heart of joy that our Conference has come to the Kingdom for such a time as this!

We invite you to test our evangelical witness and ministry by the Word of God. Many decades ago Dr. William Kuhn, general missionary secretary, used to say that we are "a Bible believing group." Our affirmation of faith (which is quoted in full in these pages) emphasizes the inspired authority of the Scriptures in matters of faith and conduct, and the revelation of God through Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. This spirit has characterized the preaching of our founding fathers. It has never abated through the years in our teaching ministry of a Bible-centered faith. We are evangelical and evangelistic in our outward witness to the world.

We invite you also to share our vision of the world-wide task to which God has called us as North American Baptists. The missionary program is constantly advancing with Christ leading us on. Tremendous new tasks have been undertaken in Church Extension, in our educational program, in Christian stewardship, in the publication of Christian literature, and in demonstrating our deep spiritual concern to the community surrounding each church. We invite you to share this concern with us.

We also extend an invitation to you to experience the warmth of spiritual glow of our fellowship in Christ. It is difficult to talk or write about this spirit in Christ that associates and identifies you with others "of kindred mind." You will feel your heart strangely warmed at conference sessions of North American Baptists, as you sing the songs of Zion with others in our churches, as you read the pages of this issue with open heart and sincere understanding. Come, and walk with us as North American Baptists in "the fellowship of the Gospel" and Christ will take our hands and together with him will lead us to new heights of service.

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These Glorious Years!

The strong desire to preach the Gospel and to teach a Bible centered faith in the hearts of our founding fathers resulted in our North American Baptist General Conference which now numbers more than 325 churches with almost 53,000 members.

By Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Secretary

OR MORE than 120 years North American Baptist General Contive of Prince Otto von Bismarck, bethe good hand of the Lord our God has been upon North American Bantists and their churches. This guidance has been felt by every generation of our people "standing afresh before the Hand to ask the meaning of this Power that holds and upholds, and never loosens its hold—always enclosing all." (McCall, "The Hand of God"). Because of this spiritual touch upon us, these have been "glorious years" of history.

SPIRITUAL GIANTS

During the years of 1840-1851 God raised up men, like Johann G. Oncken in Germany, in mysterious and wondrous ways to organize Baptist churches among the German-speaking immigrants of North America. None of this was directed from one center. Rather it seemed to be Spirit-led. Some of these men, who were leaders in these different ventures, had not known each other previously, even by letter. Of the churches planted, it can he said that there is none that can be called "the mother church." But during these 11 years (1840-1851), at least eight Baptist churches of German background were firmly established. From this came, under the guidance of the Hand of God and of the Holy Spirit, the launching of the present-day

There were spiritual giants in those

days. Of heroic stature in their obedience to God's will, they attempted great things for God and laid firm foundations for the Kingdom of God in these churches. Konrad Anton Fleischmann, while crossing Lake Geneva in Switzerland in the early 1800's, read a tract handed to him by a young Christian at the sail. He became a believer in Christ and then an evangelistic firebrand who set many hearts aflame for Christ after leaving Europe and coming to America. He founded the Baptist Church in Philadelphia, Pa., that now bears his name, started and edited the first paper (Der Sendbote) for the churches, became the first moderator of the General Conference in 1865, and was one of the most forceful preachers of his day. Professor Gubelmann described him as "a talented man of God who was affectionate and eloquent in his discourses, and indefatigable in his labors. Just such a man was needed to lay the foundations for the German Baptist churches of America."

These heroic spiritual giants of the early years can pass by in splendid review. Alexander von Puttkammer, an officer in the German Army and a rela-

came so dissatisfied with ironclad militarism that in 1845 he made his way to the United States, was gloriously saved, became a zealous colporteur and founded our first church in Buffalo, New York in 1849.

William Edward Grimm in Memel, East Prussia was another man used mightily by the hand of God. Hounded by the police in Memel and persecuted fiercely for his faith, he and 14 of his little Baptist flock fled to Wisconsin and in 1850 organized a Baptist church at Manitowoc.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

The story of these pioneers is indelibly etched into the glorious history of our churches: August Rauschenbusch across the Mississippi River in Missouri, Johannes Eschmann in New York City, Andras Hoffmann who always proudly appended the letters "VDM" to his name signifying "Minister of the Divine Word," and Philip Bickel, a young man with a flaming revolutionary zeal in his earlier years who became an outstanding preacher, editor and administrator in our de-

Like sentinels and Old Testament patriarchs, these ministers in the early days stood guard over the cardinal tenets of their faith. Under the illumination of the Holy Spirit, they believed the Bible to be the only and fully adequate guide in faith and practice, that everyone has the right of interpreting the Bible for himself, and that every church stands under the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. They insisted on a manner of Christian life patterned after that of Jesus Christ, whom they accepted as Savior, Lord and example.

FIRST GENERAL CONFERENCE

As the individual churches prospered and increased in number, both along the Atlantic seaboard and in the western plain states, the need for a united fellowship soon became evident. A spirit of rivalry was developing in several publications, and considerable overlapping of activity had arisen. So on September 14, 1865 the churches from the west and the east, from the wide open prairies and the crowded city streets, came together in Wilmot, Ontario for the first General Conference (Bundeskonferenz).

The Conference minutes describe "the love and good will that radiated in all of the faces so that these brethren, even in advance of the business



THE EXCITEMENT OF A GENERAL CONFERENCE

At the 1981 General Conference Banquet in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the 1000 people in attendance enjoyed the heartwarming fellowship, were challenged by the theme and program, and were stirred to greater action for Christ.

swers prayer and that he had brought them together in the right mind and in his Spirit to organize this Conference.' This unity of Spirit, expressed so

sessions, were convinced that God an-

eloquently in 1865 at the first General Conference, has pervaded much of the denominational life in the decades since then. Every crisis has been resolved in the launching of a new unified program of action for Christ.

DENOMINATIONAL UNITY

In 1922 an epoch making decision was made in the organizing of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, the forerunner of the present Department of Christian Education, and the launching of the "Baptist Herald." This emphasis on YOUTH was the acorn planted which has now become a "mighty oak tree." The organizing of the General Council in 1934 was a momentous decision which resulted in the election of the first full time executive secretary of the General Conference, Dr. Frank H. Woyke, in 1946 in Tacoma, Wash.

During the years of the Second World War, missionary recruitment was at a low ebb and our missionary personnel had dwindled to a handful of people. But in 1944 at Milwaukee, Wis., nine new missionaries were commissioned at a glorious General Conference service. And that number of the heralds of the cross has now increased to 88!

This denominational unity was achieved in a mighty demonstration of God's Spirit at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., in 1949 in deciding to relocate the Seminary from Rochester, N. Y.; in the quiet, pervasive solution of the language problem in many of our churches; in the reorganization of our entire denominational setup and program in Edmonton, Alta, in 1958; and the construction of our new headquarters building in Forest Park, Ill. and the relocation of the Roger Williams Press in 1959; and in the increased budget needs and gifts now totaling more than a million dollars. This unity of action through the years has created a togetherness of fellowship that warms the hearts of our brethren who share in it and that adds to the preeminence of Christ in our churches.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

These have been glorious years in North American Baptist churches in the increasing evidence given to our training program and educational objectives. Well trained Christian leadership is of growing importance in our changing and challenging world. Our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. with its functional and beautiful buildings and new, well stocked library underscores this new training emphasis. Our Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, Alta., features three departments of study. The Department of Christian Education seeks to plan for the Christ-like development of children, young people and adults. We



This is the oldest church in the North American Baptist General Conference, This is the oldest church in the North American and 13 Christian believers founded in 1843 by Rev. Konrad A. Fleischmann and 13 Christian believers and now bearing the name of its founder. (Photo by Raymond A. Noll).

have always believed strongly in the importance of Scripture Memorization and provided an effective eight year Scripture Memory Course for boys and

Because of this "Advance for Christ" we have seen how the years of history, that have passed by in review, are really years of glory revealing the mighty hand of God and "the wondrous things" that he has brought to pass. This is especially evident in our missionary outreach that now extends around the world. In the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa, the

doors of missionary service are open wider today than ever before. We have five doctors under appointment; school buildings are being constructed rapidly to take care of the avalanche of new students; and the baptisms on this mission field by far exceed those at home in North America.

Look at the mission fields among the Indians and the Spanish Americans of North America but spend some time especially observing the new Benke Memorial Indian Baptist Church, the Garcias Ranch Baptist Church of

(Continued on page 19)

STATEMENT OF FAITH

for North American Baptist Churches

We, as New Testament Baptists, affirm our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ for our salvation and believe in those great distinctive principles for which Baptists have lived and died, such as:

- 1. Soul liberty;
- 2. The inspired authority of the Scriptures in matters of faith and conduct;
 - 3. The separation of church and state;
- 4. The revelation of God through Jesus Christ as only Savior and Lord;
 - 5. Regenerated church membership;
 - 6. Believer's baptism by immersion;
 - 7. The congregational form of church government; and
- 8. The proclamation of the Gospel throughout all the world, and we do hereby set forth and declare the following as our Constitution and By-Laws.

—From the Constitution of the North American Baptist General Conference.

BAPTIST HERALD

June 18, 1964

The General Council's Ministry

The General Council provides spiritual guidance for the denomination, coordinates the work of the cooperating societies, and supervises and controls the raising of all budget funds.

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SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

The General Council is echelon in our organization the top as you can see on the chart setup, pears on this page. It represents apphase of our denominational life with duly appointed or elected representatives from each of the nine presentaences, of all of the cooperating societies, and from the Counciling soci-tant committees in addition impor-General Conference officers and district transaction of denominational and it has the power to act sions except that it has no to charge the constitution sions except that it has no to change the Constitution or to act

ontrary to the same.

The General Council has always pro-The General Council had ways provided strong spiritual guidance for the denomination. Because of the for the concern during these thirty this deep



DR. FRANK H. WOYKE N.A.B. Executive Secretary

conferences. It has provided for emphases on Bible reading, the family altar, the prayer life, and a better understanding of our Christian faith and Baptist beliefs in the light of God's Word. At present the General Council is fostering the following emphases for the triennium ahead of us: 1965, Our Mission in Higher Education: 1966, Our Mission in Bible Study and Distribution; 1967, Our Mission in

has launched revitalization and years, it ual emphasis programs. It had spiritual emphasis programs. It has conducted evangelistic and stewardship Christian Education. ORGANIZATIONAL North American Baptist CHURCHES COMPRISING THE NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE General Conference STRUCTURE 7308 Madison Street TRIENNIAL GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION Forest Park Illinnis GENERAL COUNCIL GENERAL COUNCIL BAPTIST COOPERATING BAPTIST

Dr. Frank H. Woyke, the first full time executive secretary of the denomination who has served for the past eighteen years, believes strongly in the importance of this spiritual guidance that the General Council must provide for our churches and denomination: "We must always remind ourselves of the ever present, everlasting and all-powerful God, our loving heavenly Father. It is his love that has saved us and kept us, and it is the power of his Spirit that has led us on from victory to victory."

ITS COORDINATING MINISTRY

Probably the greatest achievement of the General Council has been the ccordination of our denominational work with a strong, united fellowship of God's people committed to do God's will and work. This has been a harmonious denominational union without forced centralization. We still maintain the autonomy of every church and insist on the right of every Baptist to be heard. But in matters of denominational policy and the launching of various programs for expansion, acquisition of property, and changes in the fundamental basis of operation, there is a great need for unified coordination. The General Council has provided this direction and supervision, enabling us as North American Baptists to work together for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom and the glory

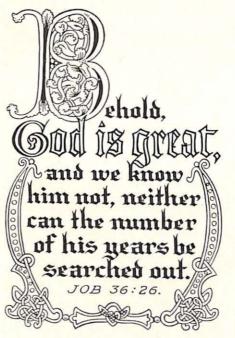
MORE THAN \$1,000,000

Another important ministry of the General Council concerns our Christian stewardship and the raising of funds for our Missionary and Service Program of the denomination. The General Conference Constitution provides that "the General Council shall supervise and control the raising of all budget funds and the disbursing thereof and shall designate from time to time the apportionments of budget funds among the cooperating organizations, and render a triennial report of its stewardship to the General Conference."

The Council has been eminently successful in this ministry. The denominational budgets have risen rapidly until they now total \$1,100,000 for this year. Dedicated laymen have joined their forces in the transaction of these important business matters. A secretary of Stewardship and Higher Education has been appointed who with his Committee and the direction of the Council has launched the three year "Scriptural Tithing Education Program" that is known as STEP. Wise investments and conservative transactions have been made by the Council's leadership that has given our denomination a sound fiscal undergirding for years to

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

The General Council also serves through important committees with an amazing variety of functions: PEN-SION FUND COMMITTEE with almost a million dollars of invested funds providing for generous pension premiums and relief aid to our retired pastors and their wives or widows; FI-NANCE COMMITTEE which sets up the annual budget and studies and makes recommendations with respect to the disbursement of all the demoninational funds; INVESTMENT COM-MITTEE which has the important responsibility of wisely investing the denominational funds given by the donors for this expressed purpose; CHURCH LOAN FUND COMMITTEE which has loaned more than a million dollars to our churches for assistance in building programs; STEWARD-SHIP COMMITTEE (already described); COMMITTEE ON HIGHER



EDUCATION which coordinates the work of our educational institutions and all educational programs and policies of the denomination; and COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION-AL CHANGES. Other General Council committees are the Ministers' Fellowship and Baptist Men which provide their own programs, activities and opportunities for fellowship by the ministers and laymen of our denomination.

The General Council is deeply concerned about the spiritual level and well being of every North American Baptist church. Through the four District Secretaries, appointed by the General Council, spiritual counsel, guidance and inspiration are imparted to our churches and given to our pastors. The General Council, through its executive secretary and secretarial staff, makes recommendations to pas-



GENERAL COUNCIL AT ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Members of the General Council at their annual session held in Atlantic City, New Jersey in conjunction with the Baptist Jubilee Rally.

Seated on chairs, 3rd from right: Mr. Arthur Schwerin, Chairman of Finance Committee: Mr. Kenneth Miller, Treasurer: Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary: Mr. Edwin H. Marklein, Moderator: Dr. A. Dale Ihrie, Vice Moderator: Miss Mary Leypoldt, Comptroller; and Ilse Mollenhauer, Secretary.

without charges to find church openings, and prepares guidance for ministerial recruitment.

COUNCIL'S LEADERSHIP

The General Council's leadership also extends into larger circles of Baptist fellowship and cooperation. The executive secretary represents us in the Baptist World Alliance and its Commission on Evangelism and Missions as well as in the proposed North American Baptist Fellowship. By action of the General Council our representatives serve actively on the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs that is concerned about the maintenance of the separation of church and state and the preservation of religious liberty which Baptists have long espoused. We are cooperating ac-

torless churches, assists ministers tively with the program of the American Bible Society in its world-wide distribution of Bibles and New Testaments. The executive secretary is our representative on the General Commission on Chaplains with the result that we have three of our NAB pastors serving as United States Army Chap-

BUGLE CALL TO ACTION

The General Council also gives leadership in the arranging for and the holding of our triennial General Conferences, attended by thousands of our people and providing exciting inspiration for all of our churches. With the banner of the Cross flying above our NAB churches, the General Council sounds the bugle call to go forth to battle for the Lord and unitedly to serve our Master and King!

Baptist Men

Baptist Men is a conference-wide organization which ties together dedicated laymen in our local churches in comradeship with Christ and one another.

- A triennial Family Laymen's Conference is held at Green Lake, Wisconsin. The next one will be held in 1966.
- A mission project challenges the laymen to give and to play. In recent years this project has sup-ported Dr. Peter E. Fehr, medical Missionary, and Church Exten-
- A Baptist Men's Newsletter is sent at frequent intervals to all laymen.

Ministers' Fellowship The Ministers' Fellowship gives

our pastors concern for one another's needs and tasks and helps them build spiritually enriching friendships.

- Our Ministers' Fellowship in recent years sought earnestly to undergird our Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., by adopting a Library Book Project through which we have contributed thousands of dollars.
- A highlight summer experience for all NAB ministers is the triennial Pastors' Conference that is usually held at Sioux Falls, S.

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you . . . for your fellowship in the gospel."—Philippians 1:3 and 5.

Department of Stewardship & Higher Education

The functions of two important denominational committees are described by Rev. D. J. Draewell, Secretary.

HE DEPARTMENT of Stewardship and Higher Education is the newest part of our denominational structure. It was brought into being in 1961 by the General Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The activities of the department are carried on by two separate committees which are served by the same secretary. Though the first secretary of Stewardship and Higher Education did not begin his ministry until September 1962. The two committees of this department have functioned regularly since the summer of 1961.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee has been composed of 20 members during the first triennium of its operation. Approximately one-half of these are appointed by the General Council for three-year terms. The other half are ex-officio members. Mr. E. Ralph Kletke, a layman from Philadelphia, Pa., served as chairman of the committee from 1961-64.

The Stewardship Committee has been charged with two basic responsibilities. The first is to develop and to implement a long-range program of stewardship education for North American Baptist General Conference churches. This is the service phase of the committee's ministry. It has made a beginning in this direction by the development of STEP—Scriptural support or the missionary and serv-



Tithing Education Program. This program of tithing education and tithing commitment is being introduced to our churches during the summer of 1964. The program is designed for use over

a three-year period. The second responsibility of the Stewardship Committee is to plan a yearly program of promotion which will encourage local churches to pro-

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ice program of the denomination. During the first triennium of the committee's existence, denominational contributions increased each year. Per capita giving of the denomination to its total program rose from \$16.46 in 1961-62 to \$18.44 in 1962-63 to \$18.93 in 1963-64.

The General Conference Stewardship Committee has been assisted greatly in its task by the efforts of stewardship committees on the local conference and association levels. These committees are charged with the same two-fold responsibility as the General Conference Stewardship Committee. They have been working effectively, both in relating the efforts of the General Conference Stewardship Committee to the local church and also in the developing of new ideas to aid them in carrying out their task.

HIGHER EDUCATION

The Committee on Higher Education has been composed of eight members during its first triennium of operation. Two pastors and two laymen are elected for three-year terms by the General Conference. The presidents of the North American Baptist Seminary and the Christian Training Institute, together with the Secretary of Higher Education and the Executive Secretary of the denomination, serve as ex-officio members. The Director of Youth Work has also been an invited guest at the committee's sessions.

The Committee on Higher Education has been given the responsibility of coordinating the educational efforts of the Seminary and Christian Training Institute as well as planning for an effective denominational ministry to college and university students. It seeks to advise the General Council on all matters relating to higher education which are placed before it for decision. Through its secretary, the committee works closely with the Trustee Boards of the denomination's two schools of higher education. It thus seeks to assist them in the development of their programs.

GENERAL COUNCIL

MINISTERS'

WORLD

TREASURER WHO SENDS ALL SUCH CONTRI-NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CON-

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Life in Your Hands!

This is the imperative of evangelism (Philippians 2:15,16), to which North American Baptists are committed, as outlined by DR. BAKER J. CAUTHEN in his sermon at the 10th Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

us to "be children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation." J. B. Phillips translates these words "a warped and diseased world."

These words indicate there is something radically wrong with our world. It has a twist in its inner nature. This description is not limited to one nation, race, culture, or class. The whole world is in this condition.

We confess that we have discovered this to be our own conditions. We have come to Christ because we recognize that we can never be accepted in the presence of God on the basis of our own qualifications. We must have the righteousness which is of God by faith. Our being Christians, therefore, is a confession that we have discovered this warped, crooked, perverse, diseased condition in our own hearts and have looked to Christ for relief.

THE WORD OF LIFE

The disease of mankind is incurable apart from the grace of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. It cannot be remedied by culture, education, economic progress, and skillful diplomacy. The twentieth century has seen great advances in industry, learning, refinement, and mass communication; but it has been darkened by war, concentration camps, horrors of mass extermination, and the suffering of refugees.

Much of our Christian imperative grows out of a clear recognition of the condition of mankind without Christ.

The Scriptures tell us that "we hold in our hands the very word of life" (Phillips). Worldwide Christian experience bears evidence that the Gospel of Jesus is the word of life. Jesus said. "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

HOLD FAST THE WORD

Every child of God holds in his hands this superlative treasure. We stand as people surrounded by faminestricken multitudes, crying out for food, but in our hands there is bread abundant. The very word of life is in our hands. It is the truth of the loving God. We have experienced it in our hearts. We have seen it transform others. We know its power to solve problems and to change the worst of human situations. We face the future with absolute knowledge that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that

With this word of life in our hands, it follows that we have a definite responsibility.

For one thing, we must hold fast

HE SCRIPTURES admonish the word of life. There are many pressures in the world today to discourage our holding fast the word of life. In many lands there is the drag of secularism. There is pressure from the rush of modern business, the growth of great cities, the demands of daily responsibility. God is easily shut out of our lives.

> In many lands Christians face the scorn of an atheistic system of thought. Religion is held to be an opiate. It is ridiculed as being out-

moded and outgrown.

In many places there is pressure of ecc'esiastical power, closely linked with government, to discourage any who would dare follow the word of life down a pathway of his own understanding of the Scriptures and sense of God's leadership.

In some lands, Christians are a tiny minority surrounded by a great sea of non-Christian people. Many Christians under these circumstances feel themselves almost swallowed up in the vast non-Christian populations. Many find themselves opposed by traditions, family attitudes, and long established customs. It is often very difficult to fol-

Christian history underscores the importance of our holding fast the word of life regardless of how much may be required. Persecution, scorn, indiffer-

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ence, public pressure, and all other influences applied upon the Christian must not cause him to relinquish his firm hold upon the Gospel of salvation.

HOLD FORTH THE WORD

Our responsibility is not only to hold fast the word of life but also to hold it forth to the masses of people who do not know the Savior.

The distinctive Christian task of the twentieth century is world-wide evangelization. We stand at a critical time in the story of humanity. The secrets of the natural world have been brought under control, but man is not able to control himself.

Our task in today's world is not to speculate but to witness. We must share the message of truth. It must be set before people everywhere through preaching, teaching, and deeds of love and mercy. It must be made evident in the lives of heroic men and women who are willing to abandon self utterly that Christ may be seen. The twentieth century does not so much stand in need of arguments concerning faith, as in need of demonstrations of living

We must not think that only a few choice individuals in the world may be used of God to bring about spiritual awakening in our day. Deep longing, fervent praying, earnest rededication, and zealous witnessing on the part of God's humble people can bring, will bring spiritual awakening.

ALL-OUT COMMITMENT

Only as our responsibility for holding forth the word of life is fulfilled is there real hope for the future.

If our voices remain silent and there does not come great spiritual awakening in the world with power able to meet the crisis of the present day, this will be a century of disaster. If we hold forth the word of life, we can be as stars shining in a dark place. Men will find their way to God and will learn to walk together in the ways

The kind of Christian responsibility God expects of us in this century calls for all-out commitment. Money, time, life, and effort must be laid upon the altar. We must not hesitate to give whatever is required. The day of mar-

Whatever be the cost, we must remember that we hold in our hands the very word of life. We must keep in mind that Jesus said, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." We must, in individual rededication, take up anew the cross of our Savior and make known his Gospel of redemption

June 18, 1964

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MINISTERS'

FELLOWSHIP

Our Mission Fields Around the World

The greatness of God's faithfulness has been experienced by North American Baptists in responding to the many Macedonian calls and in entering these open doors of missionary opportunity.

By Dr. R. Schilke, General Missionary Secretary

BAPTISTS, our hearts have always been open to the missionary calls sounded by those in spiritual darkness and need: "Come over into Macedonia and help us!" Our Indian mission has been in need of a missionary couple. Our Spanish American mission in the deep south of Texas has called for another missionary couple. The cry from Cameroon, Africa came for the appointment of fifteen new missionaries. We looked to the far south, the continent of South America, and we heard the plea: "Come over and help us." Seldom have we heard so many calls for help from so many areas!

The greatness of God's faithfulness has been experienced by us in responding to these calls and in entering these open doors of missionary opportunity. An inspiring total of 88 missionaries now serve on these far-flung mission fields of the world. The 1964-1965 denominational budget called for \$532,-000 for the support of our missionaries and for this mission work at home and abroad, which represents a sum almost twice as large as our entire denominational budget 25 years ago. We continue to advance as God touches the hearts of our people and shows us the places of his appointment for us.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

In the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa an indigenous church to

AS NORTH AMERICAN the glory of God is rising steadily and splendidly as a result of our wise missionary planning and dedicated work. Rev. G. Ben Lawrence, acting field secretary, has given us such an overall picture of Cameroon that prompts us to praise God: "These mission opportunities here in Cameroon nearly overwhelm us with their breadth and scope. The harvest truly is great, yes, it is abundant and so engulfing that it is possible to become discouraged with the impossibility of the task. Recognizing the impossibility of the task and considering the resources that are available, your missionaries are directing their efforts toward a program of training that will enable Cameroonian Baptists eventually to operate and to maintain a Christian witness in this land without our assistance.'

The 400 and more Baptist churches in West Cameroon with a membership of more than 22,000 now report an annual total of about 2,000 baptisms. The new Education Secretary, Mr. E. K. Martin, an African national, has taken a firm hold on the tremendous task assigned to him. In our 111 Junior Primary Schools and 51 Senior Primary Schools we have almost 14,000 children enrolled and employ about 475 teachers. These schools by and large are covered by government grants as far as expenditures are concerned. At our Teacher Training Centre at Soppo we have had an enrollment of 203 students this past year.



GRADUATE NURSES

Clement Kah and Samuel Jam, two well trained nurses and Christian leaders, serve at the New Hope Settlement at Mbingo, Samuel Jam (right) was a leprosy patient there several years ago.

Cameroon Protestant College at Bali had an enrollment of 295 of whom 73 were Baptists. In 1962 we began a Girls' Secondary School, now known as Saker Baptist College at Victoria. At present there are 152 girls enrolled in this school. At Ndu in 1963 we began a new secondary school known as Ndu Baptist College, Mr. W. Norman Haupt who for a number of years has been the vice principal at Cameroon Protestant College has become the principal at this new school.

OUR IMPORTANT MEDICAL MINISTRY

The medical ministry continues at the Banso Baptist Hospital, at the Bamenda New Hope Settlement (leprosy), at the Belo Maternity Center and at the Mbem Maternity Center, as well as in government service. The Banso Baptist Hospital now has a new maternity building. Our Mbem station also dedicated a new maternity center. Our first doctor to be loaned to government service in Cameroon was Dr. Peter E. Fehr who from 1961 to 1963 gave two years to this special ministry in a time of great need. With February 1964 Dr. Lothar G. Lichtenfeld was loaned to government service and with May 1964 Dr. J. C. Fluth also entered into a medical contract with the government. This partially alleviates our financial responsibilities, but at the same time it opens up new avenues of service to us where otherwise the witness could hardly reach the same number of people.

At the Bamenda New Hope Settle-



BOARD OF MISSIONS AND DENOMINATIONAL LEADERS

Members of the Board of Missions and several denominational leaders in the Conference Room at Forest Park, Illinois.

Conter, front row (left to right): Mrs. Erika Borrmann office secretary; Dr. R. Schilke, missionary secretary; Miss Mary Leypoldt, comptroller; and Dr. F. H. Woyke,

ment a small 24 bed hospital will ultimately become the leprosy hospital, and our present 30 bed hospital will become the hospital for clean patients. In addition to the work at the Leprosy Settlement, the doctor must visit periodically some 36 clinics and places of treatment. The mounting medical work also calls for more White Cross work in our churches. During this past triennium in seven different shipments. we have sent to Cameroon a total of 235 units, weighing 26,114 lbs. and having a volume of 1,635 cubic feet of White Cross supplies.

In the Federal Republic of Cameroon we now have 60 missionaries under appointment. Five new missionaries were appointed in the Spring of 1964, bringing the total of new missionary appointments for the past triennium to 17. Among these is Miss Daphne Dunger, a second generation of missionaries who was born at Ebolowa, now East Cameroon, to Dr. and Mrs. George A. Dunger. Miss Laura E. Reddig has completed 26 years of missionary service in Cameroon in a distinguished ministry. Rev. George W. Lang has been appointed as a full time Evangelism Secretary. The Bible Training Center at Ndu, Cameroon with 40 students enrolled and from which about 70 have graduated from the third year classes has now entered into affiliation with our Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Al-

LAND OF THE RISING SUN

In Japan our mission work in ten years has branched out into five distinct fields, each one richly blessed of God. At Ise, the site of the Japanese Sun Goddess, a Baptist church was organized in 1958, a church building was constructed and a Japanese pastor, Rev. Yoshio Akasaka, began his ministry. In Kyoto, the former capital of Japan, a new chapel was dedicated in 1961 and the evangelistic work there among the Japanese people is progressing.

The third mission station is at Tsu, the capital of Mie Prefecture and the educational center with three universities and about 2.000 students. Here at the Baptist Youth Center, we need to build a church and a youth center. Plans are progressing toward this end. For several years we were looking for a meeting place at our station in Matsusaka. Such a place has been established and a parcel of land leased for a period of five years. A building has been purchased and moved onto the land for missionary purposes.

The Osaka Biblical Seminary is a cooperative work in a training program with the Mennonite Brethren Conference and the Baptist General Conference with our part in the building of the first unit totaling at least \$22,000. Our missionary personnel in Japan numbers 11 dedicated young people. More missionaries are needed to do the work adequately. The total cost to carry on our mission work in Japan has come to over \$100,000 dur-



THE CORCOVADO

The statue of Christ on the Corcovado, overlooking the city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, symbolizes the open doors in America for Christian Missions. (Photo by A. Devaney).

ing a triennium plus around \$35,000 in capital investments.

INDIAN MISSION

Our Indian Mission is being conducted on two Indian Reserves in the province of Alberta: the Montana Reserve and the Bull Reserve. Rev. and Mrs. R. Neuman have labored in recent years on the Indian Bull Reserve. They have met with new success as they have led these Indian people to a knowledge of Christ as Savior. A church has been organized known as the Benke Memorial Indian Baptist

Church. Mr. and Mrs. David Harrison are now serving on the Montana Indian Reserve. Indian Mission Conferences and Bible schools have been held in recent years with great blessing for the Mission leaders and for the Indians

SPANISH SPEAKING FIELDS

We as North American Baptists have been greatly concerned about the spiritual welfare of tens of thousands of Spanish Americans in Colorado and Texas who have been largely neglected by Protestant missions in recent years.

In the San Luis Valley of Colorado our mission is carried on in three main places: Monte Vista, Del Norte and Center. For the past several years it has been felt that our mission work in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas should be expanded to reach the many Spanish-American people living there. Such expansion has come about with the appointment of another missionary couple and with the opening of a new mission station in the area of Mc-Allen, Texas. A total of eight missionaries are serving on these two Spanish American fields in Colorado and Texas.

At the crossroads of Europe in Austria, there is an evangelical witness in the faithful ministry of a small flock of God's people and Baptist churches. The scale of our financial support for this mission field in Austria has been brought down to our commitment of \$5,000 in 1964 and a further reduction in 1965. Then the transfer of the mission field to the Baptist Union of Germany will have been completed. We do not consider this a loss of a mission field but are convinced that the work of Christ

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GENERAL STORE AT HOKKAIDO, JAPAN

The spreading of the Gospel in Japan is a slow and difficult task. The Japanese are a highly educated and cultured people. Were the Name of Christ exalted in Japan it would re-echo throughout the entire Far East, (Photo by Harold M. Lambert).

Our Seminary in Theological Education

Our North American Baptist Seminary has always sought to be Christ-centered in its program, and Bible-centered in its teaching, maintaining the highest academic standards.

By President Frank Veninga of Sioux Falls, South Dakota

HE PURPOSE of this brief article is to inform our readers about the North American Baptist Seminary. Sioux Falls, S. Dak., the official graduate school of theology of the North American Baptist General Conference. It is hoped that it may enable the readers to have a more accurate image of the educational institution which has served the denomination and the larger Kingdom for 114 years. During this span of time the Seminary's theological education has centered in the Person of Jesus Christ through whom God is revealing himself in the world creatively and redemptively by the Holy Spirit.

The Seminary has trained and inspired men and women for effective Christian leadership in our churches and in the world since its founding in Rochester, N. Y., in 1850. In its long history it has always sought to be Christ-centered in its program, to be Bible-centered in its teaching, and to maintain the highest academic standards.

The history of the institution reveals that it has sought to provide a distinctive type of education—an education thoroughly infused with the Christian spirit, permeated by the Christian perspective, and dedicated to genuine Christian values. It is therefore not at all surprising to have an enthusiastic alumnus write: "Yesterday I had my 79th birthday. I meditated on my life: my childhood, youth, and the time I spent in our Seminary. The Seminary gave me a new lease on life. I thank

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God for the time I spent in our Seminary. To show my gratitude toward the Alma Mater, I am enclosing a personal check of \$25.00 for the Library Book Fund

CHALLENGING THE STUDENT

It has never lacked dedicated teachers, many of whom were distinguished scholars and outstanding preachers. They sought by life, by word, and by deed to bring the meaningful message of Jesus Christ to their students who also heard the Master's call to Christian service. Today's theological faculty is the largest in its history and is the most academically qualified the Board of Trustees has appointed.

The competent faculty composed of ten members has a rich background of pastoral ministry, Christian education and missionary experience, and a diversification of academic pursuit. Four members are presently writing their doctoral dissertations. The faculty cherishes the opportunity to challenge the student:

 To develop into a mature person in Christ having a growing conviction of divine vocation, seeking constant fellowship with God and pursuing an appropriate adjustment to people and situations within our culture.

To acquire the tools and techniques of Biblical study in order to become an adequate exegete of the Bible so that his answers to current dilemmas might flow from a Biblical understanding of God and the divine way with man.

To gain an understanding of the doctrines necessary for a satisfactory statement of faith and to develop theological principles basic to an intelligent view of Christianity.

To maintain a disciplined and searching mind throughout life and to cultivate creative approaches and wholesome attitudes for meeting new problems resourcefully and relevant-

To understand historically and currently the relationship of the local congregation to the total Kingdom of God and to act positively among the committed people of God as the church in our world.

• To respond to the intense urgency of presenting salvation through Jesus Christ to all mankind.

To relate dynamically God's unchanging purpose in Jesus Christ to the changing order, in a manner appropriate for concrete situations on personal, family, community, national and international levels.

The success of the past and the enlarging work of the present are a sobering challenge as we face the future. Of particular interest and encouragement is the growth of the library. We have been privileged to add approximately 10,000 well selected books since 1960. The Library Book Project of the last several years has resulted in contributions totalling about \$30,000 over and above the regular library budget. The goal for the current year is an additional \$10,000, all for the advance of the library.

THE SEMINARY'S GOAL

Good books are an absolute necessity in the training of those who will engage in the ministries of the church of tomorrow. The graduate student, preparing for a holy calling, needs to have available the best fruits of the productive minds of the ages to enrich his study and preparation for the Christian ministry.

Our goal continues to be to train men and women of God who will be equipped to serve the Lord in every field of the Christian ministry. In order to do this, we are currently engaged in a major curriculum revision aimed at assisting the student to become the best qualified servant of God in the world of the 20th century.

The new curriculum (beginning with the 1965-1966 school year) concerns itself with the biblical foundations of the Christian faith, the heritage and thought of the Christian faith, and work and witness of the Christian faith. It provides for more realistic graduate-level education and gives the student a higher percentage of elec-

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SEMINARY STUDENT BODY AND FACULTY

The 1963-64 student body and faculty of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota in front of the main entrance to the administration building.

Our Denominational Bible College Ministry

The ministry of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, is interpreted by Dr. A. S. Felberg, President.

HE CHRISTIAN Training Institute, 10810-78th Avenue, Edmonton. Alberta seeks to direct young people in a careful and systematic study of God's Word and offers a wonderful Christian atmosphere. Here young people find a ministry of personal counseling to prepare them spiritually and academically for a vocation and for leadership in the work of Christ. In addition to the regular routine of classes and study, the Christian Training Institute offers special encouragement for its students to develop a more intimate relationship with Christ.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

It is the aim of the Christian Training Institute to help young people to maintain a regular quiet time, to find victory over sin through faith in Christ, to find inner satisfaction in companionship with Christ and Christian people, to find joy in Christian witness and service, and to develop the gift that is in them for Christian leadership.

Emphasis is placed upon a personal devotional life in which the individual finds his source of strength in meditation upon God's Word and in communion with God in prayer. It is the aim of the school to instil a deep concern for the lost in order to bring about an evangelistic endeavor, including both home and foreign mis-

The Christian Training Institute has two basic aims in its ministry to students: 1) to assist them to develop a character that puts Christ first in every phase of personal and social life; 2) we seek to help young people develop ways and means for fruitful service by offering a thorough Bible teaching for use in practical service, by helping them to understand how people think, act and respond to Christian service and by showing them how to share their blessings with others in Bible teaching, witnessing, and preaching. Thus we seek to make them "vessels worthy of the Master's use and prepared unto every good work."

Our teaching ministry is therefore geared to a deeper insight into God's truth through concentrated Bible studies. This emphasis arises out of the conviction that the Christian worker must achieve a certain degree of mastery of the Scriptures to strengthen his own convictions, and then to teach others effectively.

HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

The Christian Training Institute in its brief history of 25 years has enrolled over 800 young people in one of its three departments. The Bible School Department is the original division of the school and has ministered to approximately 660 young people,

training them for more effective church lay-service. A goodly number of this group have heard the call of God into full-time Christian service while they were enrolled in the Bible School course. They have entered further training beyond their Bible School and many of them are now in the Gospel ministry.

The High School Senior Matriculation Division, since its inception in 1950, has graduated 128 young people, of whom 42 have chosen full-time Christian service. The others have entered secular fields of service but many

three divisions emphasizes:

1) The Theological Department. The Institute offers undergraduate terminal training to students who are looking forward to a pastoral ministry. Provision is also made for the training of those students who are anticipating missionary service. Classroom preparation supplemented by preaching experiences in chapel services and by Christian work assignments in the surrounding area are so arranged that students may become proficient in communication skills and may become familiar with the tasks of a pastor.



THE CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE, EDMONTON

The buildings of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta with Dr. A. S. Felberg as the president.

of them have given a good account of Courses in the German language are themselves, having become well pre- included in the curriculum for prospared active workers in the local pective pastors of bilingual churches.

The Theology Department was established in 1958 and in its first six years of ministry graduated 14 pastoral students. The average enrollment per year was 18 in this department. Several of its enrolled students are continuing their training beyond the completion of the theological requirements here and are giving a good account of themselves.

The school is affiliated with the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, striving to serve Christ in preparing young men of his calling for their designated ministry. This relationship to the Accrediting Association helps us to guard against mediocrity and is a stimulus to meet the exacting needs of Christian Higher Education. Our chief concern is that by the grace of God we may be able to maintain and raise the spiritual and educational standards of our school to stem the tide of materialism, worldliness and spiritual indifference.

The program of the school in its

2) The Bible School Department. The objective of the department is to provide leadership training for lay workers in the local church. This twoyear course is intended to give training in the Biblical and practical fields to students whose service will be rendered in the local church. Young people wrestling with doubts are encouraged to evaluate their convictions in the light of Christian beliefs founded on the Bible. They are encouraged to consider God's call for full-time workers seriously.

3) The High School Department, The High School Department provides a program of academic preparation for prospective theological students. In this department the students may complete the senior matriculation program which is necessary for university entrance. While the high school department provides this program primarily for pre-theological students, it is also open to others.

The Christian Training Institute is (Continued on page 26)

The Department of Christian Education Ministry

The Command of Jesus: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations," and also "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

By Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, General Secretary and Director of Adult Work.

partment of Christian Education is to develop and promote a program of Christian education for the constituent churches of the North American Baptist General Conference. The ministry of Christian education is focused upon fulfilling the command of Jesus, "Go ve therefore, and teach all nations ...," and also "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you . . .

The Commissioner of this great ministry of teaching God's message to man centered much of his ministry on teaching his disciples and followers. The fulfillment of this commission of Jesus is among the primary objectives of the Department of Christian Education. We are pleased to share with you the many avenues of service which are available to the local church from the Department of Christian Education.

THREE-FOLD MINISTRY

Organizational Structure. In your local conference, a Committee on Christian Education is elected by the delegates from your church during the local conference sessions. This local conference committee on Christian education seeks to develop and promote an effective program of Christian education for children, youth and adults. Your secretary and youth representative from the local conference committee on Christian education

HE MISSION of the De-represent your conference and church on the General Committee on Christian Education.

The organizational structure of the Department of Christian Education is such that the General Christian Education Committee is subdivided into three committees consisting of children's, youth and adult work. Each committee, with its director, is responsible for providing program suggestions, training programs, and guidance for a more effective means of teaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus to children, youth and adults.

Ministry by the Staff. The staff members of the Department of Christian Education render a variety of services through leadership provided at workers' conferences, workshop sessions, youth and family camps, and serving as guest speakers at local church and area meetings. Through correspondence and regular mailings from the office, all of our churches are being kept informed about the program of Christian education suggested for our churches.

SERVICES TO THE CHURCHES

IMPRINT PROGRAM. The Department of Christian Education, which has had a leading role in planning the imprint program of Christian education curriculum materials, is prepared to assist your church effectively to use these materials for a fruitful ministry of Christ-centered teaching. Details on the imprint program of Christian education curriculum are available upon

EVANGELISM. The Department of Christian Education, together with the Department of Evangelism, provides a Christ-centered, practical approach to evangelism in the Comprehensive Evangelism program, Materials and program outlines are available upon

LEADERSHIP TRAINING. One of the growing programs in our local church Christian education program is training of leaders. More than 2,500 certificates of credit were issued this past triennium to participants in leadership training who completed accredited courses of study. A brochure listing more than 200 recommended courses of study is available from the Department of Christian Education. A minimum of four leadership training courses is recommended for each Sunday school worker. To assist you in selecting your leadership training course, we are able to loan books to your church from the North American Baptist Library, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STAN-DARD is recommended for adoption by all of our churches. The Sunday School Standard Handbook should be used as a guide to achieve the ten goals of the Standard.

ACTION. The quarterly publication contains planning schedules, fresh ideas and stimulating articles on Christian education. Twenty-four hundred copies are distributed quarterly.

EXPANSION CAMPAIGNS

EXPANSION CAMPAIGN MA-TERIALS are recommended to local churches to stimulate outreach in the community for new scholars and encourage loyalty for those currently enrolled in your Christian education program.

THE ADULT EDUCATION PRO-GRAM. A recommended list of outstanding new Bible studies for adult Sunday school classes and study courses is available from the Department of Christian Education. Workshops and regional conferences on adult work are held in various local conferences to give guidance in better teaching techniques and outreach programs. The film library has several new filmstrips for planning a program for the older person.

Your continued prayers for the ministry of the Department of Christian Education will greatly aid us to fulfill the responsibility of this great opportunity to proclaim the Word of the Lord.



YOUTH COMMITTEE AT WORK IN FOREST PARK

Members of the Youth Committee in the Department of Christian Education discuss the projected program with Mr. Harvey Mehlhaff (standing), chairman of the committee.

Our Ministry With Youth

By Rev. John Binder, Assistant Secretary of Christian Education and Director of Youth Work

N AMERICA we are in the midst of a battle for the minds and hearts of youth. Clever, deceptive plans are in operation to destroy the moral and spiritual conscience of youth while glorifying physical and material ambition. These plans are serious in touching the youth of the world.

We must take new steps in Christian education to help our youth know what to believe as truth and enable them to demonstrate it in life. Youth are looking to us! Are we willing to lay hold on the opportunities opening for us in Christian education? Are we sincerely recognizing the significance and value of Christian education? Do we give it major support or is it an unnecessary sideline? May God help each of us to answer according to his

DEDICATED DISCIPLESHIP

Committee of Nine on Youth Work. The nine youth representatives from each of our respective nine local conferences are doing good work in helping the youth work of their local conference churches become more vital and effective.

Annual CBYF Themes. Each year we seek to challenge youth with a theme such as "Dedicated Discipleship" for 1964-65. A great variety of program materials and activities are suggested for our youth and workers with vouth

New Youth Publications. Two new resource materials are being provided in the "Youth Work Planbook," and the imprinted Scripture Press Youth Training Hour program materials. Also, a Sunday school curriculum is being provided for youth through the imprinting of the Gospel Light Sunday school curriculum.

Youth Camp Work. The number of camps and campers is increasing each year. We now make suggestions for programs. Soon we hope to have a complete curriculum for Junior Highs and Senior Highs.

CBYF Congress. One of the most significant experiences provided for our youth was the 1st CBYF Congress in 1963. Youth had fellowship with other youth from all parts of the United States and Canada. The next one is planned for Estes Park, Colorado, August 29-Sept. 4, 1966.

GOD NEEDS YOUTH

Student Work. In the fall of each year we try to get a complete listing of our North American Baptist students, with whom we keep in contact during the year. Through the Student Service Plan we assist about 30 students who serve in our churches, camps and home mission fields during the three summer months.

tivities. We welcome all youth to the General Conference at Sacramento. Special activities have been planned for youth, which we hope they will enjoy. God needs youth. We need youth to serve where God calls them.

We express appreciation and thanks to all pastors, youth sponsors, workers and parents for their ministry with

THE OVER-ARCHING OBJECTIVE OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

"Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to introduce persons to God through Jesus Christ so that they, by faith, may enter into a personal enduring relationship with God, and to lead them into such an undivided loyalty to Christ as the Lord so that they will earnestly desire to know God's will and, in the strength of the Triune God, determine to do it."

> —Adopted by the General Christian Education Committee in 1963.



CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE-DEPT, OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Left to right: Mrs. R. C. Rolfs, Miss Ruth Bathauer, Rev. Bruce Rich, Miss Dorothy Pritzkau and Mr. Paul Neumann.

The MISSIONARY EXHIBIT (at the rear) presents a colorful and educational display from all of our mission fields. It can be seen by those who visit the NAB headquarters building in Forest Park, Ill.

Our Ministry to Children

By Miss Ruth Bathauer of Forest Park, Illinois, Director of Children's Work.

LVERY CHILD deserves the rich heritage which can be his through living in a Christian nation. Some of the contributing factors to this heritage include the Christian home and the local church. The Department of Christian Education stands ready to help both the home and the church as they strive to provide Christian training for boys and girls.

HELPFUL LITERATURE

First, through a subdivision of the department, the Children's Committee is concerned in providing uniformity in the Sunday school curriculum. Efforts are being made to accomplish uniformity through the imprint program to go into effect January, 1965. 34th General Conference Youth Ac- As the new Roger Williams Press Sun-

day school literature is provided, the Children's Committee will have some voice in projected plans and improvement in an effort to meet the needs of the boys and girls more adequately.

The Committee on Children's Work is concerned that additional time be provided during the summer months when boys and girls might worship, study and play together. Assistance for Vacation Bible School work is therefore available through literature, including the VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL HANDBOOK filled with helpful suggestions, ten denominationcentered missionary stories and pictures geared to children, charts to make record keeping easier, as well as a dedication program.

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Evangelism Through Church Extension

North American Baptists have established over 65 new churches for Christ and, as a result, new communities are being reached with the Gospel to the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

By Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Director of Evangelism and Church Extension

DID YOU KNOW that over but it has given us a stronger sense one-fifth of the total number of North of purpose as North American Baptists American Baptist churches have been in the United States and Canada. It only recently assisted and organized has injected into our ranks a quality through Church Extension? Did you of wholesome cohesion which is the know that more than one-tenth of our product of co-operative Kingdom eftotal conference membership is found fort. It has provided personal particiin these new Church Extension church-

Why do we especially praise God for our program of evangelism through Church Extension? Because without it our North American Baptist Conference would be declining numerically as well as in material and spiritual strength. The simple fact is that without Church Extension we would be compelled soon to call home our missionaries and to curtail all other activities of our denominational enter-

pation among us to win souls for Christ in unchurched areas of America and to help them organize into New Testament type churches.

What an amazing story of God's guidance and blessing our Church Extension ministry has been! In the last several years we have established over 65 new churches for Christ and the future of our denomination in the United States and Canada. In these churches we have today approximately 5,528 members and over 6,500 Sunday



ARCHITECT'S PLANS FOR GREELEY, COLORADO

The Sherwood Park Baptist Church of Greeley, Colo., has adopted plans for a beautiful church that will ultimately look like this exciting architectural design.

a strong supply base at home, it is im- glory of God and the salvation of souls. possible to reach out among all nahome, it is impossible to send the Gospel abroad.

AN AMAZING STORY

Where do we turn for missionary recruits, for Christian teachers and young men called to the Gospel ministry? We turn to our local churches. From where do we expect prayer support and the tithes and offerings necessary for sending out missionaries, operating seminaries, supporting Bible Colleges, building hospitals? We rightfully turn to our local churches from which the support must come.

Thank God for Church Extension and for what Church Extension has meant to our North American Baptist Conference! Not only has it increased our numerical strength and our potential for mission and benevolent causes,

It clearly stands to reason. Without being reached with the Gospel to the These new Church Extension Church-

tions. Without "sending-stations" at es are disbursed throughout our General Conference area. In the Western District where Rev. Joe Sonnenberg is the District Secretary, 19 new Church Extension projects are located. The largest of these is the Magnolia Baptist Church of Anaheim, California which was organized in 1957 and has a present membership of over 450. The most recent project organized in the western district is the Cypress Baptist Church in North Seattle, Washington which was organized on April 25, 1964 with 21 charter members.

MORE THAN 65 CHURCHES

The following churches in the western district are presently being developed under the direction of the denominational Church Extension Committee:

Cypress Baptist, North Seattle.

Wash.-Rev. R. Grabke

Lincoln Village Baptist, Sacramento, Calif.-Rev. W. Acton

Rose of Sharon Baptist, Richmond, B. C.—Rev. E. Strauss

Sierra Heights Baptist, Renton, Wash.—Rev. E. Gerlitz

In the Northern District with Rev. William Sturhahn as District Secretary, we have 14 organized Church Extension churches. These churches have added a new spiritual vitality to our Christian witness in Canada where they are located. Several of these churches were started as German Mission projects and are still using the German language in their fervent evangelistic ministry among recent German immigrants.

The projects in the Northern District presently under the supervision of the Church Extension Committee

Creston Baptist, Creston, B. C .-Rev. R. Milbrandt

Hudson Bay Park Baptist, Saskatoon, Sask.-Rev. E. Hohn

Meadowlark Baptist, Edmonton, Alberta-Rev. W. Muller

The Central District of our General Conference where Dr. J. C. Gunst is the District Secretary, has been especially affected in recent years by a shifting population from rural to city areas. Many of our older established churches situated in rural areas have seen their young people and young couples move to the cities.

This migratory movement of our membership from rural communities into the cities makes it imperative that we establish new North American Baptist churches in the larger population centers. We have assisted and organized 14 new Church Extension projects in the Central District. Six of these are at the present time under the supervision of the denominational Church Extension Committee:

Cedarloo, Cedar Falls, Iowa-Rev. B. Fritzke

Crestview, Minot, North Dakota-Rev. E. Tahran

Memory Lane, Wichita, Kansas-Rev. G. Voegele

North Highlands, Dallas, Texas-Dr. Johnson

Redeemer, Columbus, Nebraska-Rev. L. Schauer

Sherwood Park, Greeley, Colorado-Rev. R. Harsch

THE HAND OF GOD

The Eastern District which holds the cradle of our denominational history and where Rev. R. Kern is District Secretary, has 19 new Church Extension projects. Only three of these are presently under the direction of

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Reflections by God's Volunteers Teams

Final Reports by Jean Berndt and Ramona Buxa

Miss Jean Berndt, Reporter

"Hear ye the Master's call, Give me thy best, For be it great or small That is his test; Do then the best you can, Not for reward, Not for the praise of man But for the Lord."

As our last campaign came to an end, all that we could do was to hope that we, as Team I of 1963-64, have given our best to our Lord. During this last week many memories and thoughts ran through our minds. We recalled the experiences of seminary training, of our first campaign in McClusky, N. Dak., and of our Saskatchewan and Alberta campaigns. Then memories of our youth and children's work on the west coast in Oregon, British Columbia and Washington came back to us.

ALONG THE WISCONSIN WAY

Here we were at the end of our journey along the Wisconsin Way. These four campaigns were a good finale to our work. In Kenosha, Wis., we saw 27 people make decisions and in North Freedom, Racine and Watertown, Wis., we saw many express a desire to do their best in a more consecrated service to our Lord.

On May 4 we met Team II and were off on our way East to climax an exciting year as one team in one night rallies. Thursday morning of that week found us still in Philadelphia, Pa. Before leaving we saw Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell and the Betsy Ross home-symbols of American free-

By the afternoon we could tell by the skyscrapers and traffic jams that we were nearing New York City. We saw the Empire State building and Statue of Liberty. That evening we held a service at the Second German Church, New York City.

Early the next morning we got up for an exciting day. We pushed our way into the subway for Long Island and the famous New York World's Fair. There we spent four hours getting a bird's eye view of the many displays including the Billy Graham Pavilion and Protestant Center. That evening we crossed into New Jersey for a rally at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Jersey City, N. J.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

On Saturday morning we loaded "Schmight" and "Schought," our station wagons, and after seeing the United Nations Building and Rockefeller Center we drove to Niagara Falls, N. Y. There we saw the famous illumi-

GOD'S VOLUNTEERS TEAM NO. I nated Niagara Falls at night. Sunday morning we held a service at the Temple Baptist Church in Buffalo. In the afternoon it was on to Rochester, N. Y., and home for a member of each team. That evening in the Andrews Street Church we held our final

With this rally our ministry had ended. But we as a team could not help but be grateful to all of the churches we had visited for the hospitality, love and concern shown to us these eight months. We also thank you for your prayer support. We hope that you will continue to pray for us as several of our team members seek further openings in continuing their education. Pray for us that we may find many opportunities to be faithful witnesses for Christ.

GOD'S VOLUNTERS TEAM NO. II

UR MOTTO, "To Know Him and Make Him Known," has been set before us as a challenge each day as we have witnessed for Christ. God's Volunteers Team II continued to strive for this as we moved north towards Michigan, first of all, to Gladwin, in the northern part of the state, and then on to Warren, Mich., and the Redeemer Baptist Church. It was here that our director, Rev. Walter Hoffman, and team member, Ramona Buxa, had the joy of rejoining the

WITNESSING FOR CHRIST

From Michigan we moved on to Cleveland, Ohio and the Snowview Baptist Church. The warmth and hospitality which we found soon made us feel very much at home. We had the privilege of having Nancy Kaiser's parents and sister Bonnie visit us for the week-end.

Moving west again to Chicago, Ill., we visited the First Baptist Church of Norridge. The team members with our director were guests at the Central Baptist Home for the Aged. This was a rich and unique experience for us. It was in Norridge that we had our last service together as Team II of God's Volunteers.

On May 4, we held a reunion of both teams as we met at the headquarters building in Forest Park. From there we began our extended tour on to Cleveland, Ohio and to Pittsburgh, Pa. The following day we started bright and early for Washington, D. C. We spent part of the day viewing our na-

Two teams of God's Volunteers and a second Director have been appointed. Many more Prayer Helpers are needed. This ministry of God's Volunteers is being greatly blessed of God.

tion's Capital and other well-known points of interest in the area. Being pressed for time, we had to move on to Philadelphia, Pa., where we held a service that evening at the Pilgrim Baptist Church. On Friday we visited the World's Fair. Among other points of interest, we saw the Baptist Exhibit.

SHARING OF JOYS

There are many things that could be said about the extended tour and the joys we shared. We do thank the Lord for the opportunities we had and for a safe journey.

When the day of parting came, it was difficult to say "Good-by" to those with whom we had shared so many precious experiences. Each member is looking forward to various plans and activities in the coming days. Jordis Schamuhn is contemplating college in the future, but she may work as a secretary before furthering her studies. Harry Hiller is planning on further schooling as the Lord leads and directs. Beth Blackburn and Nancy Kaiser plan to work in Sioux Falls. Ramona Buxa will be spending the summer as camp nurse at Crystal Springs Bible Camp in North Dakota. Oliver Bender is looking forward to entering the Seminary in September. As team members of God's Volunteers (1963-1964), we can truly say that the Lord has given us new visions and a greater burden for reaching souls for Jesus. As the Lord leads in our lives, we will continue to praise him and give him the glory.

CHURCH EXTENSION

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the denominational Church Extension Committee:

Holiday Park, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Rev. D. Chaddock Lakeshore, Stevensville, Michigan-

Rev. B. Itterman Littleton, Parsippany, New Jersey

Rev. G. Huisinga

It was in the Eastern District area that Konrad Anton Fleischmann did the work of a Church Extension pastor 120 years ago. As early as 1839, he made a survey of New York City with a view of starting a new church there. He extended his survey to Philadelphia, and in 1843 organized a Church Extension project there which today is our Fleischmann Memorial Church in Philadelphia, Pa.

The hand of God has been leading us consistently forward in the extension of our churches from the beginning. We are living in a day of tremendous challenge. Let us earnestly pray God to enable us through the Holy Spirit to continue to go forward in the great work of evangelism through Church Extension.

Know Our Women!

Our Woman's Missionary Union is the fascinating story of women working together for the cause of Christ with a golden link binding them all together.

By Mrs. Harm Sherman, President of the Woman's Missionary Union.

HOW TRUE it is that an Christian stewardship of time, talents treasurer. They have their own Conorganization has value! It affords a means of cooperative effort to get things done that could not be accomplished by one group or society alone.

Our Woman's Missionary Union has a long history of women working together for the cause of Christ. Although we face new factors and frontiers, the message and mission are still the same. God has a place for each member to fill, a task to do. In societies, large and small, a golden link binds us all together—the link of love and loyalty to Jesus Christ.

Today our program has been greatly extended and it unites all groups in witness and service. Tomorrow's outreach and program will depend in part on how we accept our stewardship.

and money.

The membership of our Union includes all members of each local missionary society and all other women who are members of our churches in full accord with the aims and purposes of our organization.

It is interesting to note the increase in the number of societies and members from 1950 to last year, 1963. The statistics indicate that the number of societies increased from 257 to 412, and the membership from 7,917 to almost 12,000.

The officers of the National Woman's Missionary Union consist of a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, a White Cross chairman, and a Council representative.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION LEADERS

Seated (left to right): Mrs. Harm Sherman and Mrs. David J. Draewell. Standing: Mrs. Harold W. Gieseke, Mrs. Arthur R. Weisser, Mrs. Henry Schmunk and Mrs. Herbert Hiller.

What we do and how we do it are more readily understood when we know exactly why we are doing it. This is revealed in our Purpose, and it requires total commitment, loyalty, and faithfulness to God.

The purpose of our Woman's Union is to cultivate a missionary spirit among the women of the churches of the North American Baptist General Conference by encouraging prayer, Bible Study, personal evangelism, knowledge of world missionary needs, and

The Executive Committee consists of the elected officers and the appointed officers who are as follows: editor of the "Broadcast," editor of "Der Deutsche Rundfunk" and "Frauen-Ecke," editor of the English Program Packet, and the editor of the German Program Packet. The appointed officers are appointed for one term (three

In each Conference the Woman's Missionary Union is organized with a president, vice-president, secretary and

stitutions. The Associations and local societies are organized in the same

SET OF GOALS

In conjunction with the triennial sessions of the General Conference, we as women meet for the purpose of transacting the business of the Union and of creating interest in the work of God's Kingdom. The officers are elected at this time, and the Committee members are appointed according to our Constitution. At this business meeting a set of GOALS is proposed and adopted. After the General Conference sessions a Goal Chart, the Constitution and a letter from the president are sent to each society.

Included in our Goals is a Missionary Project. This past triennium the Goal was \$65,000 and included the following: Cameroon, \$25,000; Home Missions, \$18,000; Church Extension, \$15,000; and Japan, \$7,000. During this triennium we also have had Special Projects and in each instance our faithful and loyal women have gone "over the top" by a large percentage. Included in these projects were: the construction of a missionary home in Tsu, Japan, \$5,000; a special appeal of \$5,000 for Church Extension; and \$2,-000 for Mrs. Hisashi Murakami, Japan, for her transportation and keep at the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Another project that created much interest was the collecting of Green Stamps for thermos containers to be used in our hospitals in Cameroon, Africa.

Annual report blanks are sent to each society to be filled out and returned to our Woman's Missionary Union at Headquarters by May 15. These reports are studied and compiled and from the results we see how the work is progressing and what we need to stress during the next year.

The dues of \$5.00 for each society are sent annually to our National Woman's Missionary Union treasurer. Then, too, an appropriation is made from our denominational budget in the amount of \$1,800. In this way it is possible to meet the expenses of the

We have given financial aid to worthy students at the North American Baptist Seminary and the Christian Training Institute. In addition to this, our expenses include a part-time secretary at Forest Park, Ill., and a gift subscription of a magazine of our missionaries' choice to those serving on foreign as well as home fields.

The printing costs of the "Broad-

cast" and "Rundfunk" are also included in our expenses and, even though the English and German Packets are for sale, part of the \$5.00 dues help to defray some of the cost of printing. The price of the English Packet is \$1.75, and the German Packet costs \$1.25. These may be ordered from our Woman's Missionary Union, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois.

KNOW OUR MATERIALS

The Program Packets in both languages are printed once a year. These Packets are used in planning the calendar for the year, and the material can be adapted to the needs of each society. They contain devotionals for each meeting, seasonal programs, Bible Studies and Quizzes, Mission Studies, programs on timely subjects, and ideas for banquets and teas.

The "Broadcast" in English and the "Rundfunk" in German are issued bimonthly with the exception of the July-August issue when the president sends a letter to each society. Copies of our periodicals are sent to the president of each society for distribution and also to the pastors' wives. These periodicals are vital links between the mission fields and our local societies.

The editors of the "Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote" have very graciously extended to us the courtesy of having a column in their publications, "We, the Women" and "Frauen-Ecke." We appreciate this added opportunity of being able to promote our work and keeping our women informed on the latest developments in our work.

Many larger societies use the circle plan of dividing the total membership into groups. Between the monthly meetings of the society, these groups provide opportunity for more intensive cultivation and study, service activities, and closer fellowship. The booklet, "Circle Leader's Guide," relates standing rules and gives direction and guidance how to organize these Cir-

Woman's Missionary Union Packets are available which contain the following material: "The Role of Women," the "Circle Leader's Guide," Constitution and Goal Chart.

WHITE CROSS MINISTRY

The purpose of the White Cross endeavor is to furnish supplies for our hospitals and clinics in West Cameroon of Africa. We have one General Hospital, two Maternity Centers, one Leprosy Hospital with over 20 clinics. We have a major part in our denominational mission enterprise—first, that of making supplies for babies and for the hospitals, and, second, our women provide the money to buy medical supplies.

The two White Cross Chairmen in Cameroon send us a requisition sheet containing all the supplies they will need for one year. This is sent at the beginning of February. Then the denominational White Cross Chairman

The Conference chairman divides that quota into smaller quotas according to the number of members in each society of her Conference. From there on, our ladies do the big part. They prepare the handwork, package it carefully and send it to headquarters where it is divided and later sent in huge bales to Cameroon.

We have program material prepared by Mrs. Erika Borrman, our White Cross worker at headquarters, which is available for any society wishing to use material especially written for White Cross workers. In addition to this two White Cross Slide Set Programs are now available. They may be obtained by writing to:

Visual Aid Department 7308 Madison Street Forest Park, Illinois

When ordering, kindly indicate whether English or German script is desired and also give choice of two dates. The shipping and mailing charges are \$1.00.

TOGETHERNESS IN PRAYER

A combined prayer effort is one of the most helpful ways in which women can deepen their spiritual life.

8:30 A.M.—PRAYER TIME

Our appointment with God every morning at 8:30 has brought untold blessings. No intercession is ignored by our Lord, and from this morning prayer time we as women have gone forth strengthened to meet our duties and responsibilities.

The Baptist Women's Day of Prayer is observed the first Monday in November. The program material is prepared by one of the groups of the North American Baptist Women's

The World Day of Prayer is usually observed in February or March, depending upon Easter. Women of our own denomination write the program material for this service. The program material for both of these important days is mailed from headquarters.

Our Woman's Missionary Union has a record of the investment of faith, love, and service by women of vision and dedication. The richness of our heritage is a challenge to meet the continuing and developing needs of this age.

THESE GLORIOUS YEARS

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Texas, and the Bethel Baptist Church of Del Norte, Colorado with the national Christians in leadership, and you will praise God for these spiritual trophies of his grace! Read the amazing story of new attainments and mission fields in Japan for our Conference and of the new plans for the Osaka Biblical Seminary, and you will realize how our Japan mission work is forging ahead with God's accompanying blessings. Listen to the reports of pos-

prepares quotas for each Conference. sible new mission fields in Brazil, South America, and of the enthusiastic eagerness of God's people in our churches to enter this field, and you will understand why these are "glorious years" of unfolding history.

> The Lord Jesus Christ is concerned about people—people in need. He proved his concern by both living and dying for men. Today Christ's concern has not changed. He still wants to help men. He desires to reach them, heal them, teach them, save them, train them, commission them, guide them. bless them. Now North American Baptists share in this concern of Christ. Because of this, they continue to witness and build for Christ, "strengthening their hands for the good work" and helping to add new splendor to "These Glorious Years."

OUR MISSION FIELDS

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will be carried on much more effectively when administered by those who are next-door neighbors and who know the conditions much better than we could ever know them from such a great distance.

Over the past years the question of a new mission field somewhere in South America has come up again and again. This finally resulted in a survey trip by the General Missionary Secretary during January and February 1964. The Board of Missions resolved that we should begin a new mission field in South Brazil, particularly in the provinces of Rio Grande Do Sul and Santa Catarina. It is our desire to work in full cooperation with the Brasilian Baptist Convention and the Pioneer Baptist Association. It is our prayerful hope that by 1965 or at least by 1966 we may enter such a new mission field with the appointment of at least two missionary couples.

The ministry of the General Missionary Society also includes financial assistance to mission aided churches which, in turn, manifest a missionary spirit and participate actively in the larger missionary program of the denomination; the ministry of evangelism and the work of God's Volunteers Teams; and the enthusaistic Church Extension program with aid to 67 new churches (see separate article by Rev. Daniel Fuchs).

The Macedonian cries come from everywhere. Eighty-eight of our dedicated people have responded by serving now as our missionaries on these far-flung mission fields of the world. Our gifts are being laid on God's altar with sacrificial devotion to undergird this ministry. The prayers of God's people fervently rise to the heavenly Throne in its behalf. The doors of opportunity are opening today far greater than what we could ever have dreamed a few years ago. The cry for help continues. There is still much work that needs to be done. It is required that God's stewards will be faithful in their witness and ministry.

sunday school lessons

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

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: June 28, 1964 Theme: THE WHOLE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Because God is not divided we as Christians ought to be more united.

INTRODUCTION: All of us agree that there should be a greater spirit of unity, good will, love and peace among those who have professed their faith in Jesus Christ. This is not always easy because even among Christians there is a great deal of bitterness, divisiveness and an unforgiving spirit. Sometimes what we interpret as faith or conviction is merely stubbornness. Yet it is possible to have some unity in fellowship without organizational unity, and without compromising our doctrinal convictions.

Paul had a difficult time breaking down walls between Jew and Gentile. He did not always succeed, but he never lost his love for his brethren. Even though he suffered much because of them he could not forget them. At one time he said, "I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart. For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren. my kinsmen according to the flesh" (Rom. 9:2, 3).

Today our problem has increased to the extent that we have hundreds of denominations and sects. If Pilate were living today, perhaps he would have reason to ask: "What is truth?"

I. REDEMPTIVE FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL. EPHESIANS 2:11-12.

The great doctrine of salvation by grace through faith should also be read and studied (Eph. 2:4-10).

Before you can fully realize who you are, you must be reminded of who you were. Paul points out to the Gentile Christians, in a picture of contrasts, the great enmity which existed between Jews and Gentiles. They were looked upon with disdain by the Jews as the "uncircumcised." They were without hope and without God in the world-strangers and aliens.

On the other hand, the Jews were hated and despised, for they claimed to be better because of the covenant and circumcision. But their lives did not always reveal an honest and true testimony.

II. BARRIERS TO FELLOWSHIP REMOVED. Ephesians 2:13-18.

Through Christ the wall that existed between Gentile and Jew through the

have access to Christ who is our peace. The reference to the partition was the wall in the temple which created a court for the Gentiles. The inscription forbade any foreigners to go in under pain of death.

But both Jew and Gentile had to be changed, to be made over. He could not do it by changing their nationality, but by changing or creating a new spirit. Being in Christ made Christians of both. He brought them together by the cross.

III. THE UNITED HOUSEHOLD. Ephesians 2:19-22.

Paul has a wonderful way of expressing a great new fellowship. He saw the Christians as one big happy and blessed family. And although members in the family may have their differences, their disagreements, and even an occasional argument, the spirit of love in this relationship should always be there to keep them united.

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. What keeps Christians from being one big happy and blessed family?
- 2. In what way does our disunity hinder the Christian witness?
- 3. How can we tell whether we have strong convictions or whether we are self-righteous?

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: July 5, 1964

Theme: FROM SOJOURNERS TO SLAVES

> Scripture: Genesis 47:1-6; Exodus 1:8-14

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: God is always at work choosing individuals or nations to carry out his divine plan

INTRODUCTION: The lessons for this quarter are centered around the important historical events and prominent leaders from Moses to Saul, the first king of Israel. Through the Jewish people God revealed his will and his purpose and prepared the world for the coming of his Son, Jesus Christ.

No history of the world is more important to religion than the history of the Hebrew people. Ever since Abraham went out seeking "a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God," there is seen a continuous revelation that has come from God to man until he revealed himself fully through Christ.

As we see God's dealings with his people thousands of years ago, let us try to see his continuing grace and centuries was broken down and both mercy even to our day. God overruled great powers in order to prepare his people for deliverance so that they might fulfill his purpose in the world. He is preparing us also, but he needs our wills so that we might be more obedient to him.

I. THE ARRIVAL OF THE SO-JOURNERS. Genesis 47:1-6.

This was not the first time that the people in the land of Canaan were plagued by famine. Abraham had to leave and go south to Egypt because "the famine was grievous in the land" (Gen. 12:10). Isaac also had to leave for the same reason, but he did not go to Egypt (Gen. 26:1). So far every generation since Abraham suffered from famine, which made it difficult to believe that it was a land of milk and honey. It seems that God was testing their faith to the utmost.

II. THE UNWELCOME SOJOURN-ERS. Exodus 1:8-10.

Our lesson takes a sudden turn for the worse. Since the Israelites spent over four hundred years in Egypt, we know that this did not happen all at once. When Jacob arrived with only seventy souls (Ex. 1:5), they were no threat to the power of the Egyptians. But now since they had multiplied, the Egyptians felt that the Hebrews were a danger and a threat to their security. What Pharoah failed to see was that God was blessing the Israelites and that it would be hard to fight against God. When the Egyptian rulers thought they were dealing wisely with the Israelites, they were actually dealing foolishly. What seems wise in the eyes of man is often very foolish in the eyes of God.

III. THE SOJOURNERS AS SLAVES. Exodus 1:11-14.

This must have been a terrible blow to the Hebrews who, since the time of Joseph, always had special privileges in this strange land. Because they were industrious they must have had an abundance of material blessings. Suddenly they found themselves without privileges, without rights and without material benefits. The chosen of God are now become the slaves of men. But God had to disturb them in order to give them the desire to move.

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. Do you think that the Hebrews overstayed their welcome in Egypt?
- 2. What did the Israelites learn in Egypt that they could not have learned if they had remained in Canaan?
- 3. How was it possible for the Hebrew people to remain together for so many hundreds of years without losing their identity?

- Ore., the pastor of the Wichita Baptist Church since 1961, recently presented his resignation to the church effective on July 1st. He is awaiting the guidance of God in another opportunity to serve his Lord and our denomination as one of our pastors.
- Recently Rev. Henry F. K. Hengstler of Los Angeles, Calif., presented his resignation to the Milo Terrace Baptist Church of Los Angeles, effective April 8th. He announced that he was retiring from the active pastorate. He has served the Milo Terrace Church (formerly the Ebenezer Church) since
- The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Lehr, N. Dak., has extended a call to Rev. Daniel O. Heringer of McLaughlin, S. Dak., the pastor of the First Baptist Church of McLaughlin since 1960. Mr. Heringer has accepted the call and began his ministry in the Lehr Church in June, succeeding Rev. E. S. Fenske, now of Pound, Wis.
- The Baptist Churches of Parkston and Tripp, S. Dak., have extended a call to Mr. John W. Hisel of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., a 1964 graduating student of the North American Baptist Seminary. He has accepted the call and announced that he was beginning his pastorate there on July 12. He is succeeding Rev. Elmer A. Buenning.
- On Sunday, May 3, Rev. George Neubert of Beatrice, Neb., presented his resignation to the West Side Baptist Church which he has served as the minister since 1951. His resignation went into effect on June 15. Mr. Neubert is awaiting God's guidance and a call from a NAB church to contine his active ministry for Christ.
- Rev. A. Krombein of Mercer, N. Dak., the pastor of the Mercer Baptist Church for the past 5 years and 3 months, presented his resignation to the church on Sunday, May 3, and announced that he would retire from the active pastorate towards the close of August. He and his wife plan to retire to Madison, S. Dak., where they will take up their residence.
- Recently Rev. Adam Huber of Minneapolis, Minn., pastor of the Brook Park Baptist Church since 1959, presented his resignation effective in July, 1964. He does not have a church opening at the time of going to press with this issue of the "Baptist Herald," and his future plans are still somewhat indefinite. Mr. Huber has been the pastor of this Church Extension project since its beginning in 1959.
- The Northside Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., has announced that its pastor, Rev. Robert F. Krueger, has presented his resignation to the church, effective May 31st. He has accepted the call from a church in Grand Rapids, Mich., a church of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches. Mr. Krueger also expects to continue his education in Grand Rapids.

falo, N. Y., has called Rev. Jothan G. Benke of Madison, S. Dak., pastor of the West Center Street Baptist Church since 1957. He has given a favorable reply to the call from the Buffalo Church and has announced that he will begin his pastorate there on August 1st, succeeding Rev. Walter C. Damrau, now the minister of the Snowview Church of Cleveland, Ohio.

® Rev. Fred A. David of Milwaukie, ® The Temple Baptist Church of Buf- ® On Sunday evening, April 26, Rev. Aaron Buhler, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., baptized 13 converts on confession of their faith in Christ as Savior. They received the hand of fellowship into the church on May 3 at the communion service. On Sunday evening, May 3, the young people of the church presented a special program with Rev. Harvey Mehlhaff in charge.

what's happening

- Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer of Winnipeg, Man., pastor of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church since 1962, recently presented his resignation to the church for health reasons which was accepted. It will be effective in July 1964. Mr. Bibelheimer has announced that he and his wife will go to Kilgore, Texas for a time of rest and then he hopes to be available for some kind of a church ministry as the Lord leads.
- Since February Rev. Jakob Rauschenberger of Prince Rupert, B. C., has been quite ill. Most of the time he has been confined to bed and for a few weeks was hospitalized. In a letter Mr. Rauschenberger reported: "It is very encouraging to see the unity and dedication with which my brethren in the Bethel Baptist Church of Prince Rupert have carried on the church's ministry." Remember this minister of God in your prayers!
- Mrs. Fred Paul of St. Paul, Minn., a member of the Dayton's Bluff Baptist Church, was elected first vice president of the National School Board Association held in May in Houston, Texas. Mrs. Paul has been active in educational circles in St. Paul, Minn., for years and has frequently taken part of educational conferences in Washington, D. C. She is also a member of the Publication Board of the Roger Williams Press.
- Mrs. Theo W. Dons of Sterling, Kansas, whose husband passed away on April 8, has gone to live with her daughter, Joann, and her family at 7049 Camden Court, St. Louis, Mo., 63130. She wishes to express her sincerest thanks to all of the family's many friends throughout the denomination for their letters of sympathy and encouragement. The memorial tribute to the late Rev. Theo W. Dons appeared in the June 4th issue of the "Baptist Herald."

- The Wichita Baptist Church of Milwaukie, Ore., has extended a call to Mr. Dean Gonnerman, a student at the Western Evangelical Seminary of Portland, to serve as its pastor. He has accepted the call and he is already serving the church, having succeeded Rev. Fred David. Mr. Gonnerman was formerly a member of the Glenbard Baptist Church of Glen Ellyn, Ill., and for the past few years he has been a member of the Wichita Church of Milwaukie, Ore.
- O Under the chairmanship of the president, Dale Hoffman, the young people's society of the Springside Baptist Church, Springside, Sask., presented its annual program in April. The group was privileged to have as guest speaker the missionary, Miss Gertrude Schatz, who spoke of her work in Africa and also showed slides of the Cameroon mission field. Musical numbers were brought by Gerhart Pahl and Dale Hoffman on flute and violin and by a ladies' trio of Vivian Arndt. Geraldine Gabert and Jeanette Kriger.
- The Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass., has called Rev. Melville Yorke Stewart as its pastor. He began his ministry in the church on May 24, succeeding Rev. Richard L. Brown. Mr. Stewart is a graduate of Gordon College and Westminister Theological Seminary and more recently has served as the minister of an extension work in Connecticut under another Baptist Conference. Rev. William Kershaw has been the acting pastor since Jan. 1st. He is a former minister of the Rock Hill Church and at present is serving on the staff of Gordon College
- On May 30th Rev. Frank Friesen brought his interim ministry at Oshawa, a city in Ontario with 63,000 population, to a close. He has made a survey (Continued on page 26)

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special events



Ground breaking exercises for the Sherwood Park Church, Greeley, Colo., with Rev. Raymond Harsch, pastor, at microphone and Mr. Delmar Wesseler, guest speaker, with the shovel.

GREELEY, COLO. On April 26 the Sherwood Park Baptist Church, Greelev. Colo., observed an historic event on their new church site with a Ground Breaking Service. Over 90 people braved a strong wind to attend. Mr. Delmar Wesseler, chairman of Church Extension Committee in the Southwestern Conference, was the guest speaker. The building of the church has now begun and is in progress. We are looking forward to the day when we shall be in our new building and have adequate space for all our meetings. Many representatives of the church took part in the program. The offering for our Building Fund was \$272.00. We have a number of college students attending our services each Sunday and taking an active part. (Rev. Raymond Harsch, Pastor).

GOLDEN PRAIRIE, SASK. The First Baptist Church, Golden Prairie, Sask., held a Good Friday service. Dr. E. P. Wahl, founder and president emeritus of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alta., showed slides about his recent tour of Russia. Rev. Henry Pfeifer, pastor of the Faith Church, Regina, Sask., was our guest evangelist from April 6-16. Through his ministry and illustrated sermons, we were blessed and drawn closer to the Lord. We have as pastor, Rev. David Unrau, who serves us faithfully with his wife and their two daughters, Gwenyth and Sharon. They came here from Valleyview, Alta., last fall. (Mrs. Robert Kohls, Reporter).

TEMPLE, LODI, CALIF. On Sunday evening, April 19, the Library Committee of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., composed of Head Librarian, Delores Midthun; Leadership Education, Ruby Schroeder;

Adults, Cornelia Howen; Children, Anita Mayer: and Young People, Yuvonne Scott, prepared a program entitled "Silent Missionaries" which depicted the various types of books in our Church Library. Our library has over 1200 books, all of which have been carefully selected by our Library Committee. Also, as a part of the Library Sunday, a poster contest was sponsored, for which a prize was given to each winner in the various departments of the Sunday School. The winners were Primary I, Shelly Pirtle; Primary II, Christie Jones; Juniors, Steven Schroeder; and Young People, Connie Olson.

EDMONTON, ALTA. On Friday, March 13, the Scona Composite High School gymnasium of Edmonton, Alta., was filled to capacity with enthusiastic "fans" for the occasion of the annual Edmonton N. A. B. Basketball Tournament. The four teams participating in



The Basketball Team of the McKernan Church, Edmonton, Alta., which won the annual NAB Tournament in Edmonton and became the proud holders of the Gurel Trophy.

the tournament were from the Capilano, Central and McKernan Baptist Churches and the Christian Training Institute. There were three exciting playoffs and then the final championship game between the Christian Training Institute and McKernan Baptist. The McKernan team won the tournament by a final score of 26 to 15, and they are now the proud holders of the Gurel Trophy. This was not only a basketball tournament but also a girl's cheer leading competition. Represented were the Capilano "Cougars," Central "Swiss Yodellers," McKernan "Mexicans" and the Christian Training Institute "Crusaders." The Mc-Kernan "Mexicans" were the winners of this competition and were presented with a beautiful, engraved silver plate. (Doris Bergstresser, Reporter).

PLEVNA, MONTANA. The Men's Fellowship and the Mission Circle of the First Baptist Church of Plevna, Montana presented the biblical drama.

"Simon, Called Peter" by Pearl Nielson, on Easter Sunday evening. The play was under the direction of Mrs. E. Kopf. On March 31, the Jubilee Choristers and their director, Prof. E. B. Link, from our C. T. I. at Edmonton, Alberta, thrilled us with a sacred concert, "The Truth Is Immortal." Friday evening, April 24, the Senior C. B. Y. held its annual banquet. Their theme was "Launched, but Not Anchored." They viewed the film, "Suicide Mountain," a Japanese film. On Sunday, May 3, Dr. and Mrs. Peter Fehr and son were with us for the day. We were richly blessed by their testimony. As they related to us some experiences of their work on the African mission field, we could not fail to note their humbleness, consecration and their complete dependence on the Holy Spirit. (Ruth Sieler, Re-

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. On Saturday afternoon, May 2, the First Baptist Church of St. Joseph, Mich., called an ordination council to consider the ordination of Mr. Kenneth C. Fenner, the associate pastor of the church. Rev. H. J. Waltereit of East Detroit, Mich., was elected council moderator, and Rev. B. A. Itterman of Stevensville, Mich., the secretary, Mr. Fenner's testimony and statement of faith gave evidence of a man who had been called of God. At the ordination service held that evening, Rev. Richard Christeleit of Indianapolis, Ind., offered the invocation. Rev. David J. Draewell of Forest Park, Ill., preached the ordination sermon on "Jewel in an Earthen Jar." Rev. L. H. Broeker of St. Joseph, Mich., offered the ordination prayer, and Rev. E. Pope of Flint, Mich., brought the charge to the candi-



Rev. Kenneth Fenner who was ordained into the Gospel Ministry by the First Baptist Church of St. Joseph, Mich., on May 2, 1964.

date. Rev. Kenneth C. Fenner pronounced the benediction at the close of this impressive service. (Rev. B. A. Itterman, Secretary).

SPRING VALLEY, S. DAK. The choir of the Spring Valley Baptist Church, Canistota, S. Dak., presented the cantata, "No Greater Love," on Easter Sunday evening. It was directed by Mrs. Marilyn Rand. The Sunday school gave a program during the earlier hour. Rev. R. Neuman was guest speaker in our church recently telling us of the mission work among the Indians in Canada. We were also privileged to have Prof. Donald Madvig of our Seminary and family with us one Sunday morning. Prof. Madvig brought the message at the worship service. (Mrs. John Woltzen, Clerk).

SPRINGSIDE, SASK. The Homebuilder's Fellowship of the Springside Baptist Church, Springside, Sask., presented its annual program in April under the chairmanship of Mr. Harvey Spitzke, president. Mrs. Darlene Tillman brought a chalk talk which was drawn while musical numbers were presented by Mr. and Mrs. E. Mitterhuber on the accordion and clarinet; Mrs. Stout on the violin; Mr. and Mrs. J. Berg with a vocal duet. At the conclusion, the story of the chalk talk, "Beyond the Sunset," was told by Mrs. G. Goltz. A mixed vocal quartet was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. H. Spitzke and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Breitkreuz. A special feature of the evening was a stringed ensemble presented by two members of the Springside Church, Mr. R. Ziolkowski, cellist, and Mr. Dale Hoffman, second violinist, with two guest artists, Dr. Large playing the viola, and Mrs. Stout first violinist. For about twenty minutes this ensemble enthralled the audience with its harmony and variety of selections. (V. A. Pahl, Reporter).

woman's missionary societies

WEST FARGO, N. DAK. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Grace Baptist Church, West Fargo, N. Dak., held their anniversary program on Sunday evening, May 3. Mrs. Royal Diede, president, opened the program by extending a hearty welcome. A song, "My Mother's Prayer" was sung by the 21 women in the society. Scripture reading and prayer were given by Mrs. Royal Diede. Offering and announcements followed. The offering went towards the \$65,000 mission project. Society members then sang, "Mother's Old Bible." The play, "Good Excuses and Poor Reasons," was then presented. Rev. Leon Bill closed the program with the benediction. Our society has completed two projects: securing a floor polisher and a serving cart. (Mrs. ElRoy Trochmann, Report-

STEVENSVILLE, MICH. Recently the newly organized Lakeshore Baptist Ladies' Missionary Society of Stevens-



The choir of the Spring Valley Baptist Church near Canisota, S. Dak., presenting the cantata,"No Greater Love" on Easter Sunday evening.

ville, Mich., held its first election of officers, with the following results: president, Mrs. Roger Hoge; vicepresident, Mrs. Fred Albrecht, Jr.; secretary, Mrs. Dallas Livengood; and treasurer, Mrs. Dora Kretchman. A very impressive candlelight installation service was held entitled, "Jewels for His Crown," led by Mrs. Doyle Barkmeier. A brief report was also given on the progress of the building committee. The attendance at our monthly meetings has been averaging 19. Many of the women help in the nursery during Sunday services. Also on Wednesday evenings the ladies help with the children's group which meets separately. (Mrs. Dallas Livengood, Reporter).

FIRST, LODI, CALIF, The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., held its 31st annual Mother's Day Dinner on April 30. Mrs. Pete Schopp, our president, welcomed the many members and guests among whom was a charter member, Mrs. Malvina Gatzert. As usual the Tabea Circle, which consists of our senior members, were our special guests. We have found it feasible to organize two new circles this year, making a total of 8, to take care of our growing society. This year we have made quilts for various visiting missionaries as well as for distribution among needy families through Rev. Carl Jungkeit of the American Sunday School Union. We have carpeted the church nursery. Drapes were purchased for one of our Sunday school units, and two new frigidaires were recently installed in our kitchens. Our prime goal, however, has been to further missions, and our women have



The Woman's Missionary Society of the Grace Baptist Church, West Fargo, N.

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given generously towards this cause. (Mrs. Dorothy Buhler, Reporter).

LINTON, N. DAK. The Ladies' Mission Society of the First Baptist Church, Linton, N. Dak., presented its annual program on Sunday evening, May 3, to a full church. Mrs. Gottlieb Kremer, president, presided and also directed the Ladies' Chorus. Other special music was presented by a Ladies' Sextette and a Ladies' Quartet. A monologue, "11 Reasons For Not Attending the Missionary Meeting," was given by Mrs. Art Sauter. The speaker for the evening was the pastor's wife, Mrs. Herman Effa, who was presented with a lovely corsage. She spoke on "Living Abundantly in the Home." The offering of \$90.00 was designated for the Mission Society's Building Fund.

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TEMPLE, LODI, CALIF. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., made a change this year in that they held a Mother-Son Banquet rather than a Mother-Daughter banquet. A very fine program was prepared for May 5th which included the film, "Life's Higher Goals." Awards were presented to Mrs. J. J. Schmiedt for having the oldest son present; Mrs. Marilyn Macdonald for having the most (4) sons with her; Mrs. Darlene Koehn for having the youngest son with her; and Mrs. Martha Howen for having the largest number of sons and grandsons with her (3 sons and 5 grandsons). Mrs. Vera Gaskill is our president; Lois Pryor welcomed all members and guests; Don Schmierer presented the devotions; and Darrell Howen presented a piano solo. (Thelma Fischer, Reporter).

PRAYER crowns God with the honor and glory due to his name, and God crowns prayer with assurance and comfort.—The most praying souls are the most assured souls.—T. Brooks.

anniversaries & receptions

CENTRAL, GEORGE, IA. Following the close of the Sunday evening service. April 26, the Central Baptist Church, George, Iowa, was invited to remain for a farewell gathering, honoring Rev. and Mrs. R. I. Thompson and family. Interspersed in a short program, words of appreciation were expressed by representatives of the church organizations. Special mention was made of Mr. Thompson's biblical knowledge imparted to us and spiritual help received and their visitation ministry. The Woman's Missionary Society presented Mrs. Thompson with a gift. The Ladies' Guild had previously honored her with a personal gift shower. The church presented them with a monetary gift. Our former pastor and family are now serving the First Baptist Church, Bellwood, Illinois. (Julia Oltmann, Reporter).

BETHEL, ANAHEIM, CALIF. Over 200 guests and relatives attended the 50th wedding anniversary reception on May 3 at the home of the honored couple, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Hirsch of Anaheim, Calif. Their son, Robert, of Whittier, Calif., assisted his parents greeting guests at the door. Other children and their families unable to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hirsch, Minneapolis, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Hirsch, Cleveland, Ohio; and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Oliver, Bellview, Wash, Many congratulatory messages and gifts were received by Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch including a monetary love gift from Bethel Church of Anaheim where Mr. Hirsch teaches the senior adult Friendship Class. His class also presented the honored couple with a golden coin money tree. They were married May 7, 1914 in Rochester, N. Y. where Rev. Henry Hirsch attended the Rochester Theological (Baptist) seminary. Through the years this dedicated couple has pastored churches in Bismark, N. Dak.; Corona, S. Dak.; North Freedom, Wis.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Cleveland, Ohio; Goodrich, N. Dak.; Midland, Mich.; and Kyle, Texas. (Ruth Mellen, Reporter).

McCLUSKY, N. DAK. On March 15th the Baptist Church of McCluskey, N. Dak., had the great joy of observing its 60th anniversary. It was our privilege to have the "First Son" of the church, Dr. E. P. Wahl of Edmonton,



Rev. and Mrs. Henry Hirsch of Anaheim, Calif., who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday May 3.

Alberta, as guest speaker. Former pastors and sons and daughters who participated in the program were Rev. F. Trautner, Rev. E. Oster, Rev. Robert Wahl, Rev. E. P. Wahl, Rev. Edward Kopf and Miss Irene Froehlich. Dr. Wahl inspired us with the anniversary message, "Rejoice! Ye People of the Lord." Special music was rendered by Rev. Oster, a ladies trio, and the men's chorus. Having seen the need of expansion, especially in the educational department, the church had previously voted to build. Our afternoon program featured the breaking of ground for the new building, with Rev. E. Oster bringing the message. (Mrs. John J. Ebel, Reporter).

SHATTUCK, OKLA. The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Shattuck, Okla., observed its 60th anniversary on Sunday, April 26. Rev. John E. Grygo of Forest Park, Ill., was the guest speaker at the two services. The church was organized on April 24, 1904 with 11 members. The first house of worship, erected southwest of Shattuck and enlarged in 1911, was dismantled in 1950 and the present edifice was built in Shattuck and dedicated debt-free the same year. The largest membership of 106 was recorded in 1934. The record shows that just over 340 names have appeared on



Leaders and the pastor, Rev. W. G. Gerthe, (right) of the Baptist Church, McClusky, N. Dak., who took part in the ground breaking exercises for the new educational building.

the "list of members" with the present membership at 74.

Greetings from Oklahoma and Kansas churches were read. Three former pastors sent greetings and one. Rev. O. K. Ringering attended. Other pastors taking part were Rev. Martin De-Boer of Loyal and Rev. Lyle Wacker of Corn, Okla. The present pastor, Rev. R. H. Zepik, the 12th to serve the church, gave a brief historical review. God opened the windows of heaven and poured his blessing upon us as we worshipped together and as we fellowshipped about the tables where we were served two delicious banquet meals by our very able ladies of the church, (Mrs. Alvin Schoenhals, Re-

CENTRAL, EDMONTON, ALTA. The Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alta.. celebrated the church's 65th anniversary on April 22 and Rev. H. Hiller's birthday as well. After a short meditation by Mr. Hiller, Mr. E. Land and Mr. A. Lake, both long time members of our church, briefly reminisced about the past. Then Mr. G. Busenius, chairman of the Board of Deacons, presented Mr. Hiller with a token of appreciation on the occasion of his birthday. The message was given by Dr. E. P. Wahl who has been associated with Central Church for many years. It was truly a panoramic presentation, recalling the history of Central and highlights of events in the present church building dedicated in 1912. (Mrs. Violet Bachler, Reporter).

BAPTISMAL SERVICES

SPRINGSIDE, SASK. Easter truths became very precious to us at the Baptist Church, Springside, Sask., as we commenced the Easter week-end activities with two meetings by the missionary, Rev. Ben Strohschein, who made us keenly aware of the privileges we experience in Christ as compared with the pagans of the Chad Republic, Africa. On Easter Sunday morning 13 candidates were baptized and extended the hand of fellowship. The Men's Choir brought many beautiful selections in German and in English under the leadership of Mr. Jonat Breitkreuz for the Easter Sunday evening service, (V. A. Pahl, Reporter).

McCLUSKY, N. DAK. The Baptist Church of McClusky, N. Dak. is prospering spiritually under the leadership of Rev. W. Gerthe, our beloved pastor, with well attended services, active organizations and growth. Further blessings were ours on Sunday evening, March 22nd, when we joined with the Turtle Lake Baptist Church for a baptismal service. Thirteen candidates followed the Lord in baptism. With praise unto the Lord, the hand of fellowship was extended to 21 new members this year: 13 by baptism and 8 by testimony and transfer of letters. Truly "the Lord hath done great things for us wherefore we are glad" (Psalm 126:3). (Mrs. John J. Ebel, Reporter).

Dedication of the Southey Baptist Church

Report of the dedication of the new sanctuary at Southey, Saskatchewan by Rev. Peter Schroeder, Pastor

PORTY-FIVE YEARS of time and faithful service had taken their toll of the stately old building of the Southey Baptist Church, Southey, Sask. Church members recalled many a mountain-top experience and great blessings enjoyed there over the years, and so it was with some reluctance and careful consideration that we made the decision to construct a new building. On Oct. 26, 1962 construction began and before Christmas of that year the reaf was on

With the exception of some specialized services, the entire job was carried out by volunteer labor recruited from the congregation and friends. At the final count, a total of nearly 700 hours of labor had been donated by the congregation. The cost of material and specialized services was \$23,033.

THE NEW BUILDING

The new building provides us with a beautiful sanctuary, finished in mahogany panelling, that will seat 250 people. In addition to this, about 30 more can be accommodated in a small balcony. Our Sunday school facilities have been greatly improved. We have space for 14 classes, and later the main auditorium in the basement can be divided for more classroom space. The building also has a nursery, a study for the pastor, and a fully equipped kitchen for the ladies which was well initiated with a delicious supper served to about 450 guests at the dedication.

April 5th was DEDICATION SUN-DAY. The morning began with Sunday school under the leadership of our superintendent. Elmer Huber. At the worship service Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer, pastor of the McDermot Ave. Baptist Church in Winnipeg, Man., and a former pastor of the Southey Church from 1933 to 1936, brought a message dealing with "The Dedication of Life." The ordinance of baptism was then carried out as four converts dedicated their lives to Christ by following him in baptism. The Raymore Baptist Church worshipped with us, and the deacons of the Raymore Church assisted the Southey deacons in serving the Lord's Supper to a great company of people.

DEDICATION FESTIVITIES

The Dedication Service in the afternoon was a mountain-top experience for all of us. About 370 people filled the main auditorium. Another 100 persons were accommodated in the lower auditorium. Many stood in the vestibule and some remained outside in their cars.

A detailed report was heard from the chairman of the Building Committee, Mr. John G. Wagner, at the close of which he turned over the keys of the building to the chairman of the board of trustees, Mr. Albert Lang. Greetings



DEDICATION SERVICE, SOUTHEY BAPTIST CHURCH

Those who participated in the dedication program at the Baptist Church, Southey, Sask., are shown above (left to right): Rev. P. Schroeder, Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer, Mr. Elmer Berkan, Rev. H. Pfeifer, Mr. John Lang, Mr. John G. Wagner, Mr. H. Blehm, Rev. Ed Hohn, Mr. Allan Ford, Mr. Darold Sauer and Mr. F. McIlmoyl.

and congratulations were gratefully acknowledged from the Mayor of Southey, from the United, Lutheran, and Catholic Churches of Southey. The churches of the Saskatchewan Baptist Association were represented by Rev. Ed. Hohn of Saskatoon, moderator. Mr. Bibelheimer again served with a challenging message from God's Word, after which the pastor led the people in

a dedicatory prayer.

In keeping with the theme of the day, the people brought an offering of \$1,072.73, designated for the Building Fund. It is our sincere desire and solemn prayer that God will use us and our newly dedicated building to his praise and glory and for the salvation of souls in our community.

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Rev. Peter Schroeder of Southey, Sask., and four young people whom he baptized on Dedication Sunday in the new sanctuary of the Southey Baptist Church. Sandra Anderson, Dale Berkan and Donna Berkan.

VICTOR, IOWA. An ordination council was called to order on March 17 by the Baptist Church of Victor, Iowa to consider the ordination of its pastor, Mr. Glenn Fink. The 52 delegates represented 17 churches of the NAB Conference and Victor community. Mr. Fink brought the account of his conversion, call to the ministry and doctrinal views to the satisfaction of the council. At the ordination service held that evening, the ordination sermon and the charge to the church were delivered by Rev. John Marvin of Wakarusa, Indiana. Rev. Howard Johnson of Burlington, Iowa brought the charge to the candidate, Rev. Lyman F. Erickson of Baileyville, Ill., offered the ordination prayer. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Glenn Fink. (Lyman F. Erickson, Clerk).

PAUL, IDAHO. In February Rev. Myrl Thiesies, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Paul Idaho, had the privilege of baptizing 5 children and in addition, extending the hand of fellowship to a family of three. In February evangelistic services were held with Rev. Clarence Walth of Dallas, Oregon as evangelist. Through the study of the book of Hebrews and the stirring messages by Mr. Walth we were all challenged to greater service for our Lord. On March 15 the Woman's Missionary Union presented its program including the Missionary film, The Runaway, Rev. Myrl E. Thiesies led in an installation service for the newly elected officers. A Teacher Training Course. "Successful Teaching," was recently completed in our church. This course including film strips and records, proved to be very beneficial and practical. (Mrs. Myrl E. Thiesies, Reporter)

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

NORTH FREEDOM, WIS. We, of the North Freedom Baptist Church. North Freedom, Wis., were privileged to have God's Volunteers Team I with us April 7-17. Rev. Herman Palfenier, our guest evangelist, brought heartsearching messages each evening during the last week. There were two first-time decisions and a goodly number of re-dedications. On Sunday morning, April 26, we held a dedication service with our pastor, Rev. LeRoy Kiemele in charge, dedicating our new choir robes to God's glory. This was made possible by memorials given in memory of four of our departed members: Evan Black, Edwin Gasser, Max Pawlisch and Anna Egerer, plus a contribution from our Sunday school. Our prayer is that these robes might add dignity and beauty to our services.

BETHEL, ANAHEIM, CALIF. Due to the sudden illness of Dr. A. J. Harms following his open speaking engagement at Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., on April 26, the several remaining messages of "The Deeper Life" Bible studies were brought by David Kendall, talented tenor soloist scheduled to sing at the special services. He, with his wife, Mary, as missionary appointees from the Interdenominational Ambassadors for Christ group, left May 7 to enter fulltime Christian service near Sydney, Australia. Also speaking for Dr. Harms was Dr. William Prigger, minister of the First Baptist church, Garden Grove, Calif., which church Dr. Harms served so faithfully for many years. The well attended meetings were

WHAT'S HAPPENING

concluded by an inspiring evening com-

munion service, May 3, led by Rev.

William Hoover, minister.

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of the field for the denominational Church Extension Committee since Feb. 1st. The Baptist group of about 30 to 35 in the worship services meets in the Christian Youth Center, 15 Warren Street. The Baptist young people's group of Toronto, Ontario takes charge of a Sunday afternoon service once a month with songs and testimonies. The Toronto church is also supporting the Oshawa Church Extension project with \$100 monthly.

On March 10 Rev. and Mrs. John Kuhn of Hot Springs, Ark., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with members of the local Baptist Women's Missionary Society observing the occasion with them. Mrs. Lydia Domke of Chicago's Foster Ave. Church was present, Mrs. Elizabeth Lotz of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Marie Eifert of Chicago. Ill., sang a duet. On Sunday, March 15, the Second Baptist Church of Hot Springs, Ark., held a reception for Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn with their daughter, Lydia, reading the poem, "Golden Wed-

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blessed with a splendid faculty who are laboring devotedly. They are a deeply spiritual and scholarly group of men and women who have contributed greatly to the well-being of the school's ministry.

The curriculum offers a wide range of courses in pastoral training, church lay leadership education, and university preparatory courses and has been under close scrutiny and is being continually adjusted to make it most effective to the well-being of the student and to the achieving of the objectives of the school.

The Alumni Association of the school has purchased land and is promoting a relocation program on a new campus. Although new equipment and building improvements on the present campus were necessary year after year, the ultimate goal is a relocation program with new facilities and an enlarged ministry.

To accomplish this task, we need and cordially invite your prayers and support. Remember the ministry of your school in daily prayer and direct your young people to us for their training in Christian service. Please accept our deep appreciation for your concern in our ministry.

MINISTRY TO CHILDREN

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As the children grow it is important that they reach out beyond their own immediate family and local church to share the Christian message. Missionary education is another way through which children have opportunity to grow spiritually. JUNIOR MISSION MATERIAL, published by the Department of Christian Education, is a helpful means of providing exciting missionary information.

During the summer months one of the important topics of conversation among boys and girls is that exciting topic of junior camp! Indeed, what could be more thrilling than to spend an entire week at camp with one's peer group, enjoying the food, the cook-outs, the Bible study and the worship in God's great out-of doors? To aid the local churches in providing the most effective camping experience possible, the Department of Christian Education has provided the Dynamic Junior Camping program. This proding" and with gifts given to them. gram stresses the philosophy of a close

relationship with camper and counselor, and working together in small groups. Three distinct Bible studies are available. These are GOD'S FAITHFUL STEWARDS and LORD, I BELIEVE by Mrs. John Binder, and MY CHURCH by Rev. Donald Richter.

The Scripture Memory program continues to hold a prominent place in the children's departments of the local church. This cycle graded course, for primary through junior high youth, continues to grow steadily each year.

To help new converts the pamphlet, WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHRIS-TIAN, has been prepared for juniors by the Department of Christian Education.

The Lord Jesus Christ said, "Let the children come to me. . . . " As Christian leaders this becomes our responsibility; therefore, we are concerned in laying foundations, and providing an atmosphere to meet the needs of children at various stages of growth so that, when the child is able, he will become that "new person in Christ."

OUR SEMINARY

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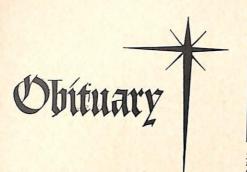
tive hours to meet individual needs and interest.

While the curriculum is particularly designed to prepare students for the pastoral ministry, it also enables students desiring further study for a graduate degree to receive an adequate preparation. The academic work is readily accepted by other institutions. We endeavor to develop in the student the capacity to become a life-long learner. The graduate program leads to the Bachelor of Divinity (B. D.) and the Master of Religious Education (M. R. E.) degrees. All activities are integrated to assist the student to become an effective ambassador of Jesus Christ.

Of course not to be overlooked are the physical facilities which are of importance to the prospective student. The Seminary provides 50 spacious and pleasant dormitory rooms to single male students. Meals are served in the attractive dining room. For the inquiring married student (about 75% of the students are married!) we offer 15 cozy and well furnished apartments renting from \$40 to \$55 per month. Single girls are housed in a Seminary apartment.

Spiritual growth is encouraged by personal counsel of a dedicated faculty, daily chapel, dormitory prayer meetings, fellowship groups, emphasis upon deeper life, and other practical Christian service. During the past year 18 students served pastorates; most of these are within a radius of 50 miles from the Seminary.

If the North American Baptist Seminary is to be faithful to its God-given responsibility of training qualified young people for Christian service, it will need your support and interest, your prayers, and, of course, your financial gifts to sustain its Mission in Theological Education.



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

MRS. MAGDALENA K. SCHIRMAN
of Monroe, Washington

Mrs. Magdalena K. Schirman, nee Lutthans, of Monroe, Wash., was born Jan. 23,
1867 in Germany. This elderly saint joined
the "great cloud of witnesses" on Feb.
25, 1964. She came to America in 1884 and
lived in Nebraska until 1894 when she and
her husband moved to Startup, Wash. In
1892 she was married to Gustav A. Schirman. God blessed this union with 5 sons
and 3 daughters.

Mrs. Schirman was baptized by Rev. A.

Mrs. Schirman was baptized by Rev. A. Henri in 1882 and joined the Baptist Church in Humphrey, Nebr. She was the last charter member of the Startup Baptist Church where she served her church faithfully. She leaves to mourn her passing: Edwin and Elmer of Monroe; Harold of Everett; William, Lydia Graham and Erma Stober of Seattle, Wash.; besides a host of friends and relatives.

Monroe, Washington

ERVIN GERLITZ, Officiating Minister

MR. GEORGE HUBER

MR. GEORGE HUBER
of Hazelton, North Dakota
Mr. George Huber of Hazelton, N. Dak.,
was born in the Sand Creek District, northwest of Linton, N. Dak., on March 22, 1904
to George and Katherine (Kiemele) Huber.
He was married on Nov. 11, 1926 to Mary
Schnaidt at Linton. He was a member of
the Linton First Baptist Church, Hazelton
Congregation

Congregation.

He leaves his widow; one daughter, Mrs.
O'Neil (Irene) Wagner; two sons: LeRoy
and George, all of Hazelton; his mother;
one brother and 5 sisters. Mr. Huber died
unexpectedly of a heart attack while en route
to the Bismarck Hospital on Jan. 18. Funeral services were conducted in the First
Baptist Church of Linton on Jan. 20.
Linton, North Dakota
HERMAN EFFA, Pastor Congregation.

MRS. ELSIE KRUEGER of Watertown, Wisconsin

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Mrs. Elsie Krueger of Watertown, Wis.,
was born in Wausau, Wis., on Oct., 3, 1892,
and was called to her eternal home April
11, 1964. Some months before, she had
suffered a slight stroke but had made a
complete recovery. As a girl of twelve, she
confessed her faith in Jesus Christ and
was baptized. In 1916, she was married to
Mr. B, V. Krueger. Four children blessed
their home. For more than 50 years, she
was a member of First Baptist Church,
serving in various capacities, but in particular, the Woman's Missionary and King's
Daughters Societies, and the Choir.
She will be missed not only by her husband, but also by her three daughters:
Mrs. Glenn Sutton of Watertown, Mrs.
James Miller of Milwaukee: also one son,
Lee Krueger of Madison, Four sisters and
one brother also survive her. Members and
friends of First Baptist will "thank God for
every remembrance of her."
First Baptist Church
Watertown, Wisconsin
DONALD N. MILLER, Pastor

MRS. EMELIE HIBNER

MRS. EMELIE HIBNER of Winnipeg, Manitoba

Mrs. Emelie Hibner, nee Walters of Winnipeg, Man., was born Dec. 25, 1884 in Kief, Russia. In 1902 she was united in marriage to Gottfried Walters. Seven children were born to this union. Two years after marriage they came to Canada, settling in Morris, Man., and later in Winnipeg. In 1926 Mr. Walter passed away. In 1943 she was married (the second time) to George Hibner. After 13 years he passed away.

Mrs. Hibner was baptized on confession of her faith by Rev. Albert Karlenzik and united with the Baptist Church in Morris. Later her membership was transferred to the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church, whose faithful member she remained until her passing on May 1st at the age of 79

CROSS OF CHRIST

Whatever may be the mysteries of life and death, there is one mystery which the cross of Christ reveals to us, and that is the infinite and absolute goodness of God. Let all the rest remain a mystery so long as the mystery of the cross of Christ gives us faith for all the rest. —Charles Kingsley.

years and 4 months. Mourning her passing are her three children: Mrs. Theresa Ozuk of Winnipeg; Arthur Walters of Corpus Christi, Texas; and William Walters of Victoria, B. C.; also 9 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; 2 sisters and 3 broth-

McDermot Avenue Baptist Church
Winnipeg, Manitoba
A. W. BIBELHEIMER,
R. J. KERSTAN, Pastors

MRS. CHRISTINA ZELLER of Medicine Hat, Alberta

Mrs. Christina Zeller of Medicine Hat, Altata, was born in Paris, Russia on Jan. 24, 1893 and passed away after a lengthy illness at the age of 71 years. She was raised and educated in Russia and there married John Zeller on August 26, 1918. The couple farmed in Russia until 1927 when they emigrated to Canada to settle in the Golden Prairie. Sask., district. They farmed there until 1947 and then moved into the village of Golden Prairie. In 1952 they moved to Maple Creek, Sask., and In 1961 to Medicine Hat, where Mrs. Zeller resided until the time of her death in the Medicine Hat, General Hospital.

Mrs. Zeller was converted in 1931 and baptized and added to the congregation of believers in the Rosenfeld Church by the Rev. H. Schatz, She leaves to mourn her passing: her husband, John; 3 sons: John and Ernest of Golden Prairie, Sask., and Arthur of Medicine Hat; 2 daughters: Erna (Mrs. K. Edwards) of Adrian, N. Dak.; and Leona (Mrs. G. Weldman) of Calgary; In grandchildren and two sisters in Germany. Mrs. Christina Zeller of Medicine Hat,

Grace Baptist Church Medicine Hat, Alberta P. T. HUNSICKER, Pastor

MR. TEOFIL HOHN of Swan River, Manitoba

of Swan River, Manitoba
Mr. Teofil Hohn of Swan River, Man., was born in Rovno, Poland, May 7, 1903, and died in the Swan River Hospital on April 25, 1964 at the age of 60. He was married to Holdina Paleske of Rovna in 1924, He accepted Christ as his personal Savior at the age of 22. He was baptized and became a member of the local Baptist church in Poland in 1928, It was during that same year that the family emigrated to Canada and settled down to farm in Reston, Man. In 1940 Brother Hohn moved to the Swan River area where he continued to farm. It River area where he continued to the Swan River area where he joined the Temple Baptist Church and became an active member serving the Lord as deacon and trustee.

There remain to mourn his passing: his beloved wife Holdina Hohn; 3 sons: Hartley of Swan River; Rev. Edmond Hohn,

pastor of the Hudson Bay Park Church, Saskatoon, Sask., and Walter of Swan River; 3 brothers: Walter of Burnaby, B. C.; Robert of Winnipeg, Man.; and Eric of Seattle, Wash.; 3 sisters: Mrs. R. Koberstein of Winnipeg, Man., Mrs. T. Kacher of Seattle, Wash.; and 5 grandchildren. Rev. H. Bushkowsky of the Temple Baptist Church officiated, with Rev. H. Pohl of Minitonas assisting Minitonas assisting. Swan River, Manitoba

THE FAMILY

MRS. ELIZABETH GUENTHER of Startup, Washington

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Mrs. Elizabeth Guenther, nee Berndt, of
Startup, Wash., was born Dec. 24, 1884
in South Dakota. She lived with her parents until she was married to Rev. Adolph
Guenther on Nov. 25, 1915 at Herreid, S.
Dak. With her husband Mrs. Guenther labored faithfully for the Lord for 32 years
in our Pacific and Dakota Conference
churches, They retired in 1946 and moved
to Startup. This marriage was blessed with
three children: Alma, (Mrs. Delzer) deceased in 1933; Alice (Mrs. Bernard Witte)
and Robert of Startup, Wash. Rev. Adolph
Guenther passed away April 21, 1952.
Mrs. Guenther accepted Christ as Savior when she was still a young girl and was
baptized at Herreid, S. Dak. She became
a member of the Startup Baptist Church in
1946 and continued to be active. On Friday
morning, May 1st, she slipped quietly into
the presence of her Savior, Jesus Christ.
She had comforted many in times of sorrow
and now leaves to the God of all comfort
her loved ones and friends: her children;
her sister, Mrs. Sophie Kramlich, Herreid,
S. Dak.; grandchildren, nieces, nephews and
a great host of personal friends.
Startup, Washington

MR. JACOB GABEL

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Mr. Jacob Gabel of Lodi, Califr., was born on April 20, 1879, in Glueksthol, Russia, and passed away on April 18, 1964 at the Lodi Convalescent Home, just two days before his 85th birthday. In 1905 he came to the United States and homesteaded 11 miles north of Wishek, N. Dak, Mr. Gabel was always interested in the work of the church and was instrumental in starting a Sunday school and church in his own home. This fellowship of believers grew and later became the Wishek Evangelical Church. As a young man he made his profession of faith in Christ. He was baptized by Rev. B. W. Krentz in Gackle, N. Dak., and became a member of the Wishek Baptist Church. When he came to Lodi, Calif., in 1936, he became a member of the First Baptist Church and later a charter member of the Temple Baptist Church.

Jacob Gabel was a man of deep Christian convictions. His life is a record of hardwork, both for the secular needs of daily life and also for the church and for the glory of God. He is survived by his wife, Martha: 4 children: Mrs. Christ G. Gruebele, Wishek, N. Dak.; Mrs. Edward H. Brenneise, Jamestown, N. Dak.; Mrs. Dan Kosanke, Lodi, Calif.; and Mrs. Allen Hunter, wife of the Rev. Will Hunter, Couer de Alene, Idaho; 12 grandchildren; and 17 great grandchildren.

Temple Baptist Church
Lodi, California
ELDON G. SCHROEDER, Pastor

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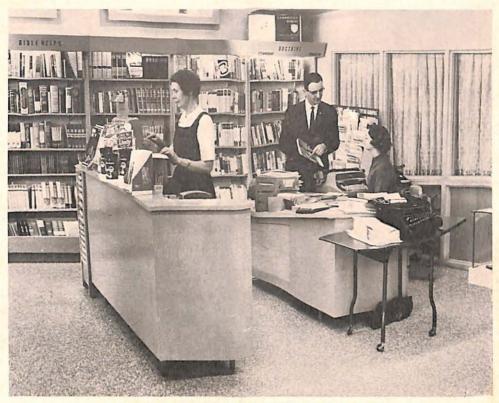
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	April, 1964	April, 1963	April, 1962
Atlantic	\$ 4,304.66	\$ 5,719.13	\$ 1,848.30
Central		12,348.56	5,302.16
Dakota	7,654.16	11,513.98	6,849.54
Eastern	2,510.53	2,797.80	3,320.50
Northern	19,193.45	6,595.26	8,093.28
Northwestern	10,761.36	12,679.27	9,412.55
Pacific	19,038.26	13,343.70	30,757.00
Southern	578.59	1,485.16	3,511.32
Southwestern	3,086.81	5,467.10	6,912.73
Inter-Conference	2,665.00	2,134.01	2,791.57
	\$ 94,586.12	\$ 74,083.97	\$ 78,798.95
CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	Budget Contributions	Other Contributions	Total Contributions
For the month of April, 1964	\$ 88,740.09	\$ 5,846.03	\$ 94,586.12
For the month of April, 1963		6,741.47	74,083,97
For the month of April, 1962	58,990.61	19,808.34	78,798.95

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