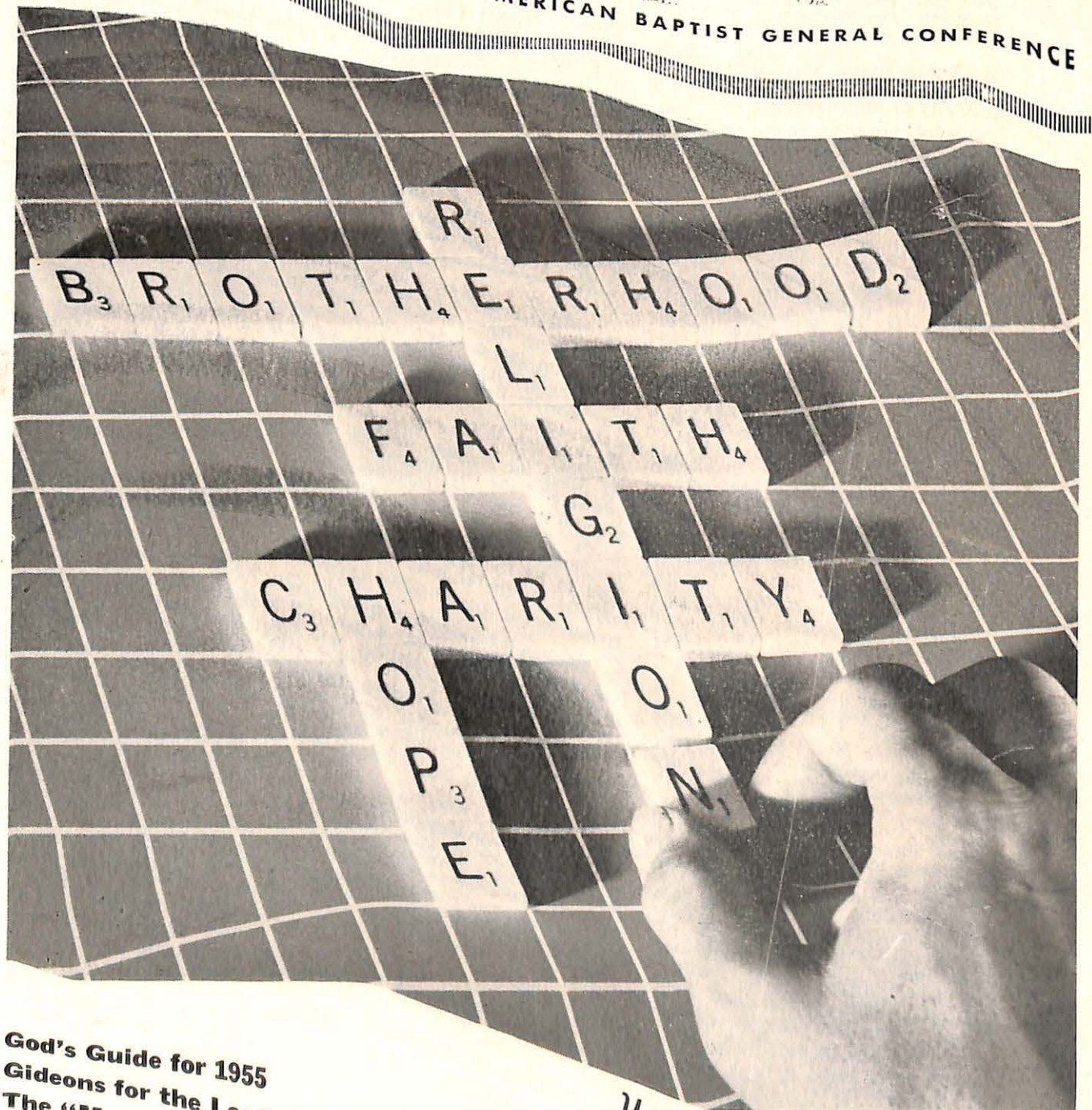


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# March of Events

● "Wine of Morning," a full-length, color film currently being made by Bob Jones University's Unusual Films, is taken from the novel by Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., president of the university, and is based on the life of Barabbas. One of the most thrilling and spectacular productions about the crucifixion of Christ, "Wine of Morning" centers around the life of a sinister bandit and murderer who was preferred above Jesus of Nazareth. The film is scheduled to be released in January 1955.

● Pastor Martin Niemoeller, foreign secretary of the Evangelical Church in Germany, publicly reaffirmed his absolute pacifist convictions in an address before the annual conference of the Fellowship of Reconciliation at Camp Miami, Germantown, Ohio. The former U-boat commander of World War I said "no war" is today's only alternative to total annihilation. Asserting that "war is madness," Dr. Niemoeller said he had once turned to pacifism out of what he felt to be practical necessity. Now, he stressed, he finds himself a pacifist "in principle" as well.

● The Canadian Mennonite Bible College has accepted plans for a large new educational structure to be located on a new twenty-acre campus in Tuxedo, a suburb of Winnipeg, Manitoba. Nearby are the Provincial Normal School and Assiniboine Park. Construction will begin early in 1955. The Mennonite Brethren High School dedicated its renovated and enlarged building October 1. The present equipment is valued at \$60,000. The school began with an enrollment of 86 in 1947. Students this year number 120. The new facilities will accommodate 200.

● More than 30,000 horror "comic" books were destroyed in Canton, Ohio, in the second session of "Operation Book Swap." The avalanche found the Mayor's Committee on Good Reading Habits unprepared to live up to its offer of one hard-bound literary classic for each 10 comic books turned in by young people of the area. The committee had only 1,010 volumes on hand when hundreds of youngsters descended on headquarters staggering under their heavy loads of "comics." One youth brought in 815. He will receive a set of the World Book Encyclopedia. The first session—held in September—sent 12,000 of the objectionable comic books to their doom.

● The 49th annual Founder's Week Conference of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, will be held in the brand new Torrey-Grey auditorium building. The new auditorium, now under construction, will be dedicated during the

week-long conference, January 31-February 6, marking the 118th anniversary of the birth of the Institute's founder, Dwight L. Moody. It also will honor the 100th anniversary of his conversion. Among the 15 outstanding speakers to be heard during the conference are: Dr. Charles E. Fuller of the Old Fashioned Revival Hour broadcast, Los Angeles; Rev. Alan Redpath, Moody Memorial Church, Chicago; Dr. David Laurie, Evangelical Baptist Church, Portland; Dr. Paul S. Rees, First Covenant Church, Minneapolis; J. Oswald Sanders of Auckland, New Zealand, general director of China Inland Mission Overseas Missionary Fellowship; Dr. E. Schuyler English of Philadelphia, editor of Our Hope magazine.

## Baptist Briefs

● "A statement of Scriptural teaching concerning the relationship of church and state and society" will be formulated by a committee of Baptist scholars soon to be named by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.

● After the Baptists instead of the brewers of the city of Louisville sponsored a summer of baseball broadcasts, radio station WGRC, Louisville, Ky., dropped all beer advertising. This is said to be the second major-network affiliate in the country to drop beer commercials.

● Baptists of Taiwan (Chinese name for Formosa) organized a convention in July. The eleven Baptist churches reported a membership of 2,000, with 748 persons baptized during the past year. Several churches with 200 to 400 members are without resident pastors. The island has a population of 9 million.

● The Spanish Baptist Seminary, at Barcelona, opened September 14 with twelve students. Applicants from all parts of Spain had to be turned down for lack of space and teaching staff. The seminary is manned by three missionary couples from the Southern (USA) Baptist Convention and three national pastors.

● An Arab Baptist Bible Conference held in Ajloun, Jordan, at the Baptist hospital and Baptist school, attracted 106, not counting the 50 members of the hospital and school staffs which helped put on the conference. "I have never before seen so many people who

● A month long program of relief supplies for the Vietnamese refugees who have recently fled from Communist occupied Indo China to South Viet-Nam, and who are now living in tent cities, is being set up by Youth for Christ International, according to an announcement made by Ted W. Engstrom, Executive Director. The relief program will be in effect during the month of January. It is estimated that at present over 100,000 refugees are living in the tent cities, and they have lost all possessions except what they were able to carry on their backs on leaving their former homes. Dried and canned foods, blankets, and some types of clothing are being provided through the YFC rallies and churches across the country and distributed by Youth for Christ's relief arm, the Women's Auxiliary Relief Ministry. The Vietnamese government is allowing custom-free shipments of materials which will be distributed by the Evangelical Relief Committee.

believe in Jesus Christ," one participant testified.

● Every tenth person you meet in the United States, according to the "Yearbook of American Churches," is a Baptist belonging to one of the 26 different branches of the Baptist fellowship. When you see two Negro-Americans, one is a Baptist usually. Baptists form the largest Protestant "family" group in America, with a total of 17,990,613.

● Dr. George W. Truett's church in Dallas, Texas, marches on, as the following ten-year record under the leadership of his successor Dr. W. A. Criswell, will show: In 1944 Sunday School enrollment was 3,528, today, 5,098; Baptist Training Union enrollment 513, today 1,722; number of staff members 12, today 45; church membership 7,804, today 10,423; budget \$200,000, today \$605,000.

● A strong Baptist group in St. John's, Newfoundland, capital of the newest province and oldest historic settlement of Canada, may soon become the first Baptist church of Newfoundland. October 31 was observed as Newfoundland Sunday throughout the Canadian Baptist Union, in the effort to raise \$50,000 to launch a building program for a Baptist church in the Newfoundland capital. The island lies across the mouth of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Newfoundland became the 10th province of Canada by a majority decision of a free electorate March 31, 1949. Its population of 400,000 is growing. The Church of England is the strongest Protestant body in St. John's.

# Editorial

## "Something New for Every New Day!"

NO ONE IS LESS surprised by "something new" than the Christian! His own life in Christ is a demonstration of the fact that in God's hands he is a new creation, strikingly different from what he used to be. Constantly he stands amazed at the mercies and blessings of God which are new to him with every new day. His Christian pilgrimage is an exciting going forth from one new thing to another with Christ as his Guide and Companion.

We trust that the "new things" in this issue of the "Baptist Herald" will delight you and make your reading experiences more enjoyable. In our Christian activities all of us should be greatly concerned how we can make improvements and be more efficient in the service of our Lord. That should be true of church leaders and people as well as of editors of Christian publications.

But these "new things" in this issue take on a deeper significance at the beginning of another new year. They remind us of the spiritual fact that Christ makes everything new to you! Your outlook on life is different and everything about you seems to rejoice with you to give glory to God's Name.

Many years ago Charles Haddon Spurgeon, the great Baptist preacher of London, England, emphasized this truth in a New Year's sermon. "What a transformation grace makes in all things within our little world! In our heart there is a new heaven and a new earth. What a change in our joys! Ah, we blush to think what our joys used to be, but they are heavenly now. God has put a new song into our mouths, and we must sing it. The mountains and the hills break forth before us into singing, and we cannot be dumb. Praise is our new delight. Let us baptize the new year into a sea of it!" Then every day of 1955 will bring forth convincing evidences that God's mercies are new every morning as we sing of his lovingkindness and praise his faithfulness!

The new pages of 1955 as well as the new things in this issue of the "Baptist Herald" ought to remind you that Christ assures you of a daily renewing. As Spurgeon has said: "With all our fresh springs in God, we ought to be always full of new life. Our love to Christ ought to be every minute as if it were new-born." This is basic for true spiritual growth in Christ. This is what keeps the Christian young in heart. In fact, this is God's miracle of his Spirit in us throughout all of life. "Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day" (2 Corinthians 4:16).

Eagerly await the blessings of God in the year ahead, because of his promise: "Behold, I make all things new" (Revelation 21:5). May you be lifted out of any spiritual lethargy or fatigue that may overcome you as you are "strong in the Lord and in the power of his might" with every new day. God has something new for every new day for you! That is the anticipated glory of 1955!

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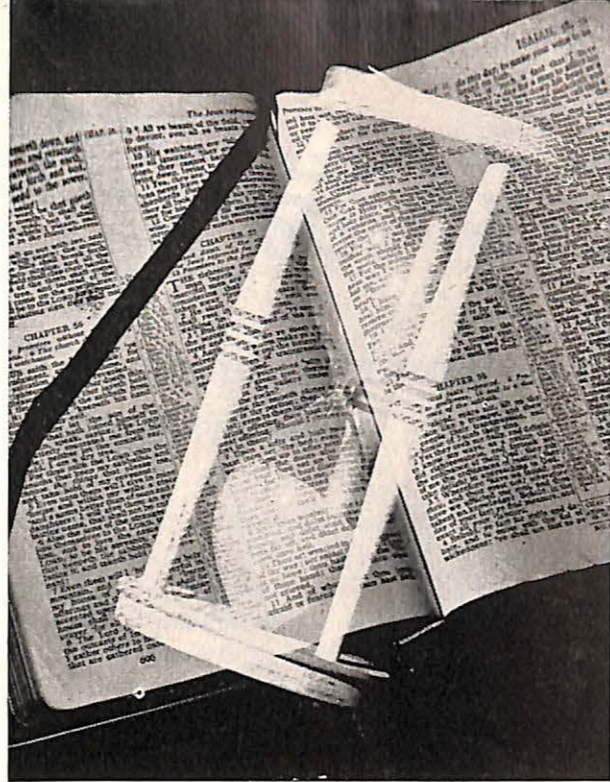
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# God's Guide for 1955

Favorite Scripture verses to live by during the coming year



## The Cross in the Heart

By REV. ROBERT HESS, Tacoma, Washington

"If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Matthew 16: 24).

PERHAPS there are few words in modern speech used with less regard for the true meaning than the words, "my cross." They fall glibly from our lips. Lightly we sing, "Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee." Have we really?

In the New Testament we have the words of the greatest Christian who ever lived. Paul in a Roman prison wrote, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Again, "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me."

It means our inward and outward life is to be conformed to the teachings and life in Christ. It is a personal experience; a reincarnation of the life of Christ. Christ goes on living in one through the indwelling Spirit.

Our verse is found in a context breathing the fulness of the cross. On its one side are self, death and loss; on the other side are selflessness, life and gain. To me, "my cross" means four things:

**SURRENDER.** The New Testament cross is more than symbol, more than an instrument of death, more than the historical fact of Christ's crucifixion. Furthermore, it is not sickness, hardships and tribulations. The non-believer experiences these things too. Such things may be involved in the cross, perhaps, even physical death. But the real cross is giving up one's self to the absolute will of God, to abandon one's own plans and follow

in obedience in the way he has chosen. It is full surrender unconditional; a daily dying.

**SHAME.** The cross is not a thing of beauty. Reproach and humiliation are a part of it for us as it was for Christ. In 2 Corinthians 4:10-11 light is directed on the real weakness of the church today. It is our fitting snugly within the pattern of this age. We readily adjust ourselves to the "course of this world" and its way of life, a course we have been charged by Christ to change in his Name. Dare we be different? That takes the courage of a Daniel. Where are the Daniels?

**SACRIFICE.** Who can estimate the cost of Calvary? Who can measure its power? It means the eternal redemption of lost man because "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son." Such love demands our all. Now the cross in the heart demands our devotion, a devotion that leads to sacrificial living. God expressed his love in a cross, not a song, and so must we. It is not duty as Kant reasoned, but love that faint-

## Life Abundant in Christ

By REV. ARTHUR FISCHER, Linton, North Dakota

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

IN THIS familiar Bible verse, Jesus reveals a marvelous truth about the Life Abundant. This verse is part of that interesting story in which Jesus shows himself as the Good Shepherd of the flock and the Door to the sheepfold. Jesus employs these home-

ly approximates in purity and selflessness the love that Jesus manifested. It is a new valuation that reads, "What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ."

**SALVATION.** Christ was our "Passover sacrificed for us." Someone has said, "The cross is the tear on the Divine Father's face." Yet no man ever leaves the cross in exactly the same condition as he came to it. It must be received or rejected. In similar fashion we face the cross as his children. It is ours to take or leave. The times demand more than high profession. If we would save our life for eternity, it must be crucified today! Feel his pardoning love; then seek to tell others! Not numbers, not ecumenicalism, not brilliant preaching, but the cross in the heart and the life witnessing Christ in his beauty in the energy of the Holy Spirit brings salvation to our neighbors and to the world.

Friend, the cross is not only something on a green hill far away. It is an everlasting power in the heart. Surely, Christ speaks to us again, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up HIS CROSS, and follow me."

ly figures through which he expresses his relationship to his people.

Christ came to give us LIFE. Jesus revealed the more abundant life in his healing, teaching and preaching ministry. This world is destitute of that abundant life. Without him we have nothing. The enemy of this life is pictured as the hireling who flees in the face of danger. The thief comes to steal and uproot; the wolf to de-

stroy and kill. But Jesus comes to bring life and its abundance.

Our Lord in deathly conflict with these enemies finally died, and through dying he released a fuller life that his sheep might share it, possess that which also makes men more than conquerors over the destroying wolves. He came to seek and to save that which is lost.

This life in Christ stands opposite to death. Jesus came to break the stronghold of death, and to bring life and immortality to pass. The Shepherd gives every spiritual blessing to his flock. Jesus said: "I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture."

Through Jesus' coming we have the MORE ABUNDANT LIFE. Every believer must make it a personal matter to obtain this abundant life. This life cannot be had in sinful living, or in a life lived unto self, but in close fellowship with the Lord. This life is not supplied by law or gained through moral goodness. Nor is it achieved by any ethical standard, but through the Lord.

### A GOLDEN ILLUSTRATION

When Leslie D. Weatherhead asked a theological student about his call to the ministry, the student told of a preacher who had challenged him. "Who was the preacher?" Weatherhead asked. "I can't remember," said the student. "You can't remember?" Weatherhead exclaimed. "I only know," said the youth thoughtfully, "that God spoke to me that night."—The Eternal Voice.

What is even more noteworthy is this, that we shall not only have more life, but we shall have it more abundantly. These manifold blessings are ours for the asking. All the wonderful promises of our Lord speak of this abundance. "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing" (Ps. 34:10). This abundant life is not for another generation alone, or for other people, but it is imparted even to us in an overflowing measure. For life in abundance is sufficient life for time and for eternity.

Jesus has become everything for everyone! Apart from him, we have nothing. He has a loving, tender concern for mankind. This abundant life will abide with us always. One day when the Lord shall lead his sheep into the great sheepfold, we shall be in the very presence of him who is the Author and Finisher of that abundant life. We are happy for this abundant life now, and we shall be looking forward to experience it increasingly when we shall be with the Lord forever.



—Photo by A. Devaney, Inc., N. Y.  
We shall follow God's Word and serve the Lord!

## We of the Robust Faith

By REV. JOTHAN G. BENKE, Watertown, Wisconsin

"Let us not therefore judge one another any more; but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way" (Romans 14:13).

INSTEAD of keeping our eye on others, looking for faults and mistakes in them, we are to look to our own examples, lest something we do might hurt other lives. The duty of every Christian is to make sure that he lays no stumbling block in another's way.

Our mind need not be a vacuum, devoid of opinions and without a sense of fitness or rightness. In fact, we may well have decided and positive views. But we have no right to pass judgment on the convictions of the other fellow. We are to judge ourselves, and make sure that we are helpful instead of critical and that our conduct has a helpful influence, rather than a harmful effect, on our weaker brother. One of the greatest of all hindrances which we can put in another's way is to be a professing Christian and appear not to be living a Christian life.

The entire life of Christ was occupied with service to others, and his death was for their salvation. The foxes had holes and the birds of the

air had nests, but the Son of man had no place to lay his head. So fully did his ministry occupy him in the days of his earthly life. When he died, entirely without any sin of his own, it was to make atonement for the sins of a guilty world. Truly "Christ pleased not himself." Christians who purpose to follow his example should govern their lives by the same principle.

It is not enough that we do not cast a stumbling block before our weaker brother. We have a positive duty toward him, that is, to bear his burdens. This should be our privilege and our source of happiness, not our reluctant obligation. Instead of judging, Paul says in Romans 15:1, "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak . . ." Way translates the verse, "We of the robust faith."

How about your faith? Is it "robust" or pale and sickly? A robust faith is a mark of spiritual maturity. It does not come from going to church once a week. It is developed by a life of close fellowship with the Lord, by meditation on the Word, and by unselfish consideration for the spiritual well-being of others.

If your faith is strong, you will glory in bearing the burdens of others. You will seek their welfare rather than your own pleasure, which may be a stumbling block to them. You will learn that there is greater joy in helping others spiritually than can ever be known in a life of self-centeredness. Christians are servants of Christ, and their Lord is the only One who has a right to criticize them. We should be very slow to condemn in others practices which are not specifically regulated by Scripture.

### A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"He who cannot forgive others breaks the bridge over which he must pass himself."

—George Herbert.

# Our Gospel Boat, the "Margie Lou"

By REV. BEN LAWRENCE,  
Cameroons Missionary



The "Margie Lou," our Cameroons Gospel boat, in Amba Bay at Victoria on its trial run in heading through the waves out into deeper waters

SHE IS A BEAUTY in terra-cotta and cream. Her streamlined hull causes every fisherman along the mighty Mungo River to drop bait, line and all, while she glides by in her purring, gentle fashion.

For the benefit of all who wish to know, I give the specifications of our new Cameroons Gospel boat:

Length: 13 feet and 6 inches;  
Breadth: 4 feet and 3 inches;  
Power: 5 H.P. Johnson Seahorse TD;  
Form: Construction V and flat bottom;  
Capacity: 4 Passengers plus 1.2 British tons cargo;  
License: V-64 (Cameroonian).

We started this dream of a boat back in January, 1954, and, after many absences and headaches, completed the job in July. She had her first trial run on the last day of July in historic Amba Bay, the watery front yard of your Victoria Baptist Mission. She did well, and it was decided to dedicate her right there and then "TO THE SERVICE OF SPREADING THE GOSPEL" among the humble fisher folk along the Cameroons Atlantic shoreline, among the malaria ridden fishermen who dwell

among the mangrove swamps of our Coastal Area, and among the African villagers who hide in the tropical forest boarding along the banks of the Mungo River.

### GEBAUER'S DREAM

The idea about this boat, MARGIE LOU, took shape while Paul Gebauer spoke to me about his early years under Pioneer Carl Jacob Bender. He would tell of his "charge," the Mungo River churches and the mangrove settlements. The vivid description he gave of this work while travelling up the river in a native dugout canoe to visit his churches stirred something within me. So it was, when Marge and I were sent to Victoria, I purposed in my heart that I would visit this Mungo River and attempt to revive this work that had long been forgotten.

On arriving in Victoria, there was much to be done and my little plan was always put off until another day. However, we did send to the States for a boat plan, which arrived in due time, and materials such as plywood, screws, etc., were gathered with which to construct the dream. But our work did not permit us to take time to build a boat.

Some time later, we heard that your mission had an outboard motor that had not been in running condition since its arrival. We obtained this motor and it was transferred to Victoria. This gave us high hopes.

When my father arrived here from the States, he began building the boat. The boat was nearing completion when Dad Lawrence left for Ndu to help our inland stations. While he was gone, the boat was painted thoroughly. Then we were sent inland for two months to teach in the Bible School at Ndu and do a little building at Bansa to prepare for the dedication of the new hospital. Now our trek on the Mungo River by boat seemed very distant. Was our dream ever to come true?

### THE BOAT'S TRIAL RUN

When we returned in July, we put a copper strip (originally a lightning rod) on the keel for protection from reefs and sand bars in the shallow waters of the Mungo River. A friend of ours here in Victoria worked on the motor and was successful in finding the difficulty. At last our dream took shape!

The MARGIE LOU, named after my faithful companion in God's service, is just the right size to fit into the back end of our one-ton pickup so it can be easily transported. This combination V and flat bottom makes it maneuverable in the river and still draws as little water as possible so that it is navigable in the shallow inlets that lead to our churches. The boat was licensed by the Government Marine Officer here in Victoria and registered as V-64 carrying four passengers and 1.2 tons of cargo.

The trial run was held at 4:00 P.M., July 31, 1954, in Amba Bay in front of Victoria proper. The launching and trial run proved to be a big success. With one or two alterations, the boat and motor were ready for countless voyages in the service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

On August 9, 1954, we hoisted the MARGIE LOU and our cargo in the back of the pickup, and Marge drove us through the 16 miles of oil palm,

rubber and banana plantations to Tiko from where our voyage was to begin. I took with me our cook, the senior evangelist of our field, and a deacon from the Mudeka Church who was to be our river pilot, guide interpreter, quartermaster and all else not covered by cook or evangelist.

We departed from Tiko shore at 11:45 a.m. waving our "Goodbyes" to Kim and Marge who returned in the pickup to Victoria. Everything went well, and we seemed to be running ahead of schedule. So the deacon asked if we could beach at a small island along the way where they were attempting to start a church and were asking for help. We drifted on to the beach and found it very difficult to make ourselves understood since the people were from Nigeria. We did learn, however, that even though we were on the wrong island, they had just started a church of their own and wished us to come back and help them, if possible.

### THE MARGIE LOU

This is the thrilling account of a long-time dream that has finally come true. Missionaries Carl J. Bender, Paul Gebauer, George Dunger and Gilbert Schneider hoped to put such a Gospel boat into service. The Pioneer Church of Pound, Wis., made the purchase of an outboard motor a mission project of theirs. Now Rev. and Mrs. Ben Lawrence with the help of their father have brought this dream to reality. The "Margie Lou" is now in business for the Lord along the Cameroons coast of Africa!

We took time to look at their church and were surprised to find a very neat little "bush" church, about 10 feet long and 6 feet wide. A "bush" church has a framework and rafter construction of rough sticks cut out of the jungle. This framework is then covered with raffia palm thatch. These "thatches," as we call them, are about the size of the patent tar paper shingles that we use in the States. They consist of hundreds of long, narrow plain raffia palm leaves (each leaf approximately two inches wide and three feet long) doubled crosswise over two long, slender bamboo sticks and pinned in position with a bamboo splinter.

We left this people whom we had found by God's providence, after promising to return on our next tour. Please pray with us that an interpreter may be found so that we may work with these people.

### VISIT AT MUDEKA

We beached at Mudeka, our real goal for the day, in good time and unloaded our cargo. After settling in a small hut, we called the Mudeka Church together for a meeting at 4:00 o'clock to greet



The "Margie Lou" pushes deeper into the African jungle while traveling up an inlet to the Kongae Church. The statuesque face of Evangelist Benjamin Mokate, pilot of the boat, is at the left

them and tell them of our plans for the week.

Mudeka is the largest of the fishing villages in the Mungo River area. The principal occupation is, of course, fishing, although there are vast farms of casava, a native plant of the tuberous family that is grated and fried in palm oil and sold in the market under the native name of "ngarri." It is the basic food for the natives of the coastal area. The people, as in most villages of the coast, are a mixture gathered from all over the West Coast of Africa.

The following day, we attempted to maneuver up the river to our Baptist Church at Misaka. About an hour out from Mudeka, it began to rain heavily and made us very miserable in the open boat. The tropical rains poured off our umbrellas in sheets, soaking us through to the skin, and filled the bottom of our boat with water, drenching our equipment and cargo thoroughly. Visibility was "zero" and it became more and more dangerous to maneuver our craft in the swift current.

We were considering turning about when Benjamin, our guide, suggested

we attempt to reach a small island about 30 minutes away, on which was located the Mungo Baptist Church, which is not affiliated with any mission. We thought this might be best since we would get shelter from the storm. It seems now as if God had intended us to land there. When we arrived, we found the Mungo Baptists busy building a large permanent church. They were pleased to see a white missionary and were surprised to learn that Mr. Bender's Mission at Great Soppo was still functioning. Was it by coincidence or God's providence that we should be forced by a rainstorm to a church forgotten since C. J. Bender's closing years?

### MACEDONIAN CALLS

While we were there, it was decided that we would not continue to Misaka because of the wind and the rain but would attempt to go to Small Mekota Island where we were to contact a church that had called for us. As we left the small island, they asked us to visit them again and inquired about joining our fellowship.

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The beach and native market at Mudeka, which is the largest of the fishing villages in the Mungo River area



The choir of the Mudeka Baptist Church, Africa, in front of the church building. A service was held here by Missionary Lawrence after arrival at Mudeka on the "Margie Lou"



Some of the 2500 Bibles dedicated at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel near Biloxi, Miss., which have been placed in 100 hotel and motel guest rooms along the Mississippi Gulf coast

## Gideons in the Lord's Business

By MR. EDWIN M. ISZLER

SERVING as an extended arm of the Church of Christ, The Gideons International is carrying on a broad ministry which no single denomination or church could undertake. The Gideon Association serves as a non-sectarian, undenominational arm of the church. Being undenominational and interdenominational, they have access practically to all public institutions and the goodwill of the public in general.

Gideons are Christian businessmen. They are men who believe the Bible to be the inspired word of God, men who believe Jesus Christ to be the eternal Son of God, men who have accepted him as their personal Savior and who seek to follow him in their daily lives.

The Gideons International is strictly a laymen's organization. Although ministers may become associate members, they cannot become regular members. The only privilege the associate members do not enjoy is the right to vote. Many pastors have remarked that the only flaw in the Gideon Association is their exclusion of regular membership.

### HOW GIDEONS BEGAN

To become a Gideon a person must be a member of good standing in a church which holds the Bible as the inspired Word of God and Christ as the eternal Son of God. He must be a businessman with a favorable recommendation from his local church pastor.

The Gideon Association is strictly an American product. It was not brought to the United States from some foreign country. The Association had its beginning in the year 1899, when the Lord brought three Christian traveling men together in Janesville, Wisconsin, to form an association whereby Christian traveling men might know one another

and have wonderful Christian fellowship around God's Word. The three men were John Nicholson, Samuel E. Hill and Will J. Knights. The idea of an association of this kind was born when two of these men had to share a hotel room together since there were no more rooms available. Being perfect strangers to each other, they soon discovered through visitation that each was a Christian. After they had their evening devotions together, they came upon this idea of an association of this kind. With the third member joining their ranks, these three men went to their knees in prayer seeking God's will in naming the association.

Mr. Will Knights arose from his knees and said, "We shall be called Gideons," giving as Scripture references the 6th and 7th chapters of the Book of Judges. Well do we know how God spoke to Gideon when Israel was conquered by the Midianites. Well do we know that God commanded Gideon

to go, obey and have faith. Well do we know the excuse Gideon had of "being the least in his father's household." Well do we know what their victory and blessings were.

### 65 FOREIGN LANDS

The objectives of the Gideons are the same today as they were in those early days—"Fellowship and the winning of the lost to Christ." This is done through personal evangelism and through the distribution of the Bible, God's Holy Word. Perhaps Gideons are best known for their hotel, hospital, school and prison Bible ministry. Since 1908 over three and three-quarter million Bibles have been placed in hotels, hospitals, schools, prisons and other places where the members of the public come and go. Gideons also take the Bible which is "able to make thee wise unto salvation" into such public places into which the church cannot penetrate.

The extension of the Gideon ministry to other countries is an example of the marvelous way in which God is blessing the work. At the time of this writing there are eight camps of Japanese Christian businessmen with 148 members. In addition, and beyond those in the United States, its possessions and the Dominion of Canada, there are Gideon camps in England, Iceland, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Germany, Philippine Islands, Holland, Mexico, Haiti, Jamaica, Bahamas and South Africa.

During World War II the government of the United States armed the soldiers with guns and ammunition but the Gideons accepted the challenge to "Arm Them With the Gospel, Too." Over nine and one-half million New Testaments with the Psalms were provided for our Armed Forces. Just one

### THE AUTHOR

More than 17,000 Christian businessmen in The Gideons International have made this as their motto: "As we know the need, we will sow the seed." The insignia of the Gideons can be seen on many coat lapels of North American Baptist businessmen. The author of this article, Mr. Edwin Iszler of Streeter, N. Dak., is a school teacher, a member of the Streeter Baptist Church and a zealous Gideon!

illustration out of hundreds received at headquarters as to how God has blessed the distribution of Testaments to service men is indicated in the following story.

### BLESSINGS FOR SERVICE MEN

One evening a Gideon service was held in a small church in the country near Cedar Springs, Michigan. In closing the service, the young pastor arose and said that he wanted to say something to the Gideons and to the congregation. He said that it was the first time he had had the opportunity to thank the Gideons for what a Testament, made available by them, meant to him while in the army.

He told them that back in 1943 as a hard-drinking, gambling, cursing soldier he entered a chapel at Fort McArthur, Virginia, just before sailing overseas. He was with a buddy. On a table in the chapel was some free literature, including several Testaments placed there by the Gideons. These fellows picked up magazines for reading on board ship on the way to Africa, and this young man's friend suggested that they each take a Testament. This young man rebelled against the thought of taking a Testament but finally was persuaded to do so.

On board the troop ship to Africa, he exhausted all of his reading matter and just a day or two before landing in Africa, having nothing to read, he began to read the Testament. It gripped him and during his early weeks in the African campaign, he read this Testament through several times, yet never attended any chapel services at all. The Spirit of God brought conviction to his heart.

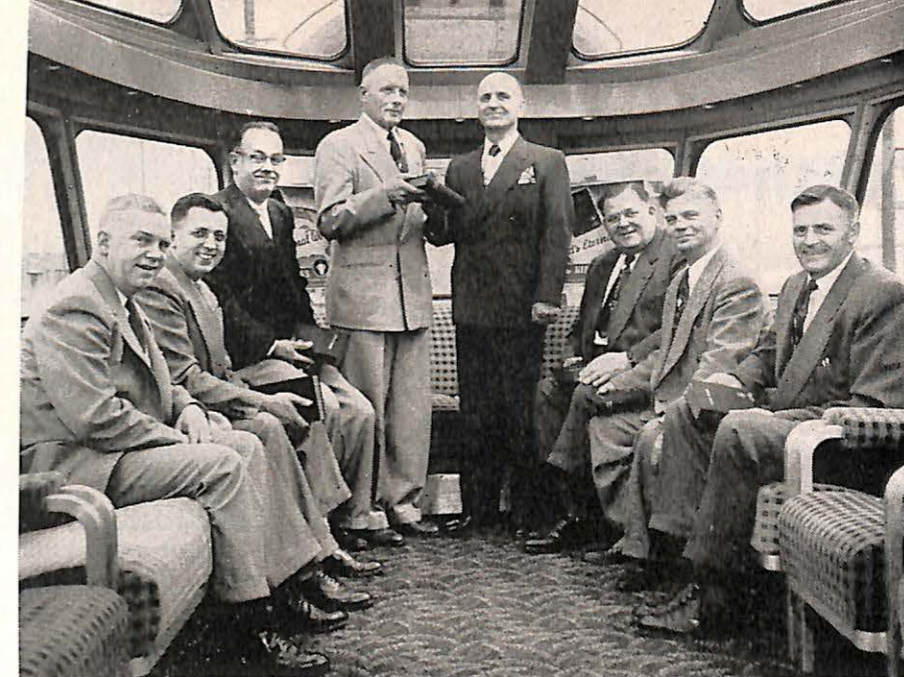
One day in the midst of the African warfare, God spoke peace to his heart as he was reading his Testament and he was wonderfully saved without even having talked to anyone. It was the reading of the Word that caused him to receive, believe and be converted. The following Sunday he attended the chapel service and at the close of the service testified that he had become a Christian.

Following the war, he felt the call of God to the ministry, graduated from a college in Indiana and is today doing an effective work as pastor of this country church. He was thrilled with the opportunity of thanking the Gideons for the interest they had shown in getting out the Word of God which meant his salvation.

### MINISTRY TO OTHERS

The Gideon Auxiliary, composed of wives, daughters, mothers and sisters of Gideons, has distributed over 600,000 Testaments among the nursing profession. The Auxiliary members are the prayer warriors. They spend time on their knees to keep the men Gideons on their feet.

At the end of World War II the Gideons received perhaps their greatest challenge and opportunity, that of providing the Word of God for the



Dedication ceremonies for the placement of Bibles in the Super Dome and lounge cars of the Milwaukee Road's "Hiawathas" with Gideons of the Tacoma (Washington) Camp making the presentation

youth of America. Statistics show that over 76% of the youth of our land are not under the influence of a church or Sunday School of any faith. The Gideons have now made available over eight and one-half million New Testaments with Psalms and the Book of Proverbs to the youth of America. "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy Word" and "The entrance of thy Word giveth light."

Many testimonies emphasize the effectiveness of this program. The following is one among hundreds. The Duluth, Minnesota, Gideons went to a little school up on the Canadian border, and gave out Testaments to young people in the usual way. One lad of about 13 years very proudly brought his Testament home to show his parents. It

so happened that this boy's parents belonged to a church that forbade the teaching and reading of the Bible. Consequently the father took the Testament away from the boy, gave him a whipping and told him if he ever caught him reading the Testament again he would give him a worse whipping. He then hid the Testament.

### A BOY AND HIS TESTAMENT

The little fellow just couldn't understand this, for all the other boys and girls were reading theirs and enjoying the Testaments. So the next afternoon he searched diligently and, as boys always can, he found the hidden object of his search. Again he was caught reading the Testament and again the father whipped him, this time sending him to bed without supper. (Continued on Page 24)



Mr. Helmuth Wobig (right) and Mr. Begbie, Gideons of the Buffalo (New York) Camp giving Servicemen's New Testaments to inductees from Western New York at the Induction Center in the U.S. Customs House, Buffalo, New York

# 15th School Year at our Christian Training Institute

By REV. E. P. WAHL,  
Edmonton, Alberta  
President of the C.T.I.

THE 15th SCHOOL YEAR of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, is now well underway. The High School department started with the middle of September with a higher enrollment than ever. Twenty-six young men and women make up its number.

The young men are principally "newcomers," having arrived in Canada in recent years and months to



Evangeline Tsung, a Chinese Christian girl from Hong Kong, who is a Bible School student at the C.T.I.

find a new home. Seven of our high school boys hold deep convictions that the Lord has called them for the Gospel ministry.

Four of the young women are Indian girls, coming from four different Indian reservations. One came to us from the far north country at Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, where she attended a Baptist mission school and learned to know and love the Lord Jesus Christ. One of the four came as a church member but who had never been born again. Since her coming to the C.T.I. she has taken the Lord as her Savior and is now such a different student!



Indian students at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta (Left to right: Lucy Stoney, Erminskin Reserve; Margaret Chitze from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory; Evelyn Potts, Montana Reserve; and Alice Soosay, Samson Reserve)

Another special student in our High School department is Evangeline Tsung, a Chinese girl, from Hong Kong. A missionary lady brought Evangeline along to Canada last summer to have her continue her education under better circumstances. Evangeline has such a beautiful Christian character. Diligently and conscientiously she does her school work and hopes that the rest of her family will also soon move to Canada.

The Bible School department has fewer students this year. This is chiefly due to economic conditions. Many young people simply did not have the money to go to school this winter. The crop conditions were exceedingly poor in many areas throughout the prairie provinces. Twenty-one new Bible School students entered this fall. Four new commercial students have come. Indeed, a splendid group of Christian young people have enrolled with us.

Special services were held on the opening days of Bible School. Rev. and Mrs. Fred Pahl from our church in Olds, Alberta, served with excellent and appropriate messages during our opening exercises. Then we were also blessed by the visit of representatives from the Western Tract Society. How our hearts were warmed and inspired

to volunteer for the witnessing that can be done through the Gospel tract mission work.

During all the years of our school, a radio ministry has also been carried on very successfully. The radio broadcast is continued the year around. The Lord has wonderfully provided the funds for this work through our friends and listeners. Recently we were informed that the rate for the time on the air would be doubled. Formerly we paid only \$12.50 for a thirty-minute period. Now we will be obliged to pay \$25. This matter has made us earnestly seek guidance from the Lord. Will you also join us in praying about this matter? We do not want to fail the Lord but faithfully we wish to serve wherever and in whatever work he wants us to serve.

Because of the many churches in the Edmonton area of our Northern Conference that are at present without a pastor, the faculty members and students are very busy in trying to supply pulpits and help out as much as possible. We have much reason to praise the Lord for the splendid help which we enjoy in our house personnel and the excellent talent given to us in our teaching staff.



Young men studying at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, who plan to enter the Gospel ministry

# From the African Bush to Texas

By MARGARET KITTLITZ of Waco, Texas,  
Missionary in Charge of Nurses' Training at the Banso Baptist Hospital

*"To all,—loved of God and called to be Christ's men and women, grace and peace from God, the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 1:7; Phillips Translation).*

FOR DAYS I have been trying to make a list of letters that ought to be written, and day by day the list grows longer until it has become obvious that all those letters will never be written. So I am hoping that some of you will be reading these lines. As you read, I want you to know that I have thought of each one of you and have been grateful anew for your many expressions of thoughtfulness and your prayers during the past years.

## AT HOME AGAIN

The homecoming missionary is often asked, "Are you glad to be home? How does it feel to be home?" It is difficult to give an unqualified answer to these questions. One seems to be living on an island between two worlds for a time. (Let me say just here that the following are my personal reactions and views and do not necessarily represent those of other missionaries.) The world one has left is miles away, and one has not yet become a part of the world just entered.

Certainly, one is happy to see friends and relatives once more. On the other hand, there are bonds of African friendships, woven in bright threads of hours of counseling, pleasant conversations over cups of coffee and cookies, reading of God's promises when a difficult situation arises for some troubled African, and mutual prayers. These ties are not discarded with the faded cotton dress and replaced by the donning of new woolsens and nylons bought in English and American shops.

On entering the world of so-called civilization, the first impressions are of speed, noise, things and crowds. In Africa life is comparatively placid. The timelessness of Africa enters one's system. Sometimes there are the usual tensions and irritations of normal human relationships but one learns to handle or to accept them. One does not feel constantly pushed by the clock. It is rather our American attitudes that push us. The blood pressure that has been going along at a quiet 86 or so, after three days in New York rises to 120, which here is considered normal. In this world of speed one feels constantly left behind. The wheels of the mind do not seem to turn as rapidly as they should.

Then there is constant noise. It begins on the day when one boards the

banana boat at Tiko, Africa. All night bananas are being loaded amidst the chattering of African laborers and the clatter and roar of machinery. The hum and vibration of the ship's engines continue for another three or four weeks. Once more on land, there is the sound of constantly passing cars and blowing of horns.

## NOISE EVERYWHERE!

Then there are radios! One enters a restaurant for a quiet meal and is bombarded with jazz from the ever present juke-box. One enters a store and finds barkers trying to sell their newest gadgets, phonographs demonstrating the newest hit record, and

is doing a stroke of work once in a while and eventually there will be a new piece of furniture for hospital or home.

One goes into a shop to buy a fifty cent item (just try to buy something for fifty cents with prevailing prices!) and one is confronted with THINGS. The saying, "You can't see the forest for the trees," becomes a reality. One comes out of the store with arms filled with everything except the desired item and one's purse empty.

## OUR "NICE" PEOPLE!

Coming from the comparative seclusion of the African bush, even from Banso hospital where we sometimes



Margaret Kittlitz (front row) and Ardice Ziolkowski, missionaries, with native nurses of the Banso Baptist Hospital in Africa

chattering crowds, all vying with one another, until finally one longs for the peaceful sound of hammer and plane in the carpenter shop next to the isolated bush house.

Even though one is trying to get in a catnap after late hours the night before, the sound gives one the satisfaction of knowing that the carpenter

feel overwhelmed with the numbers of patients, one feels hemmed-in by the crowds of people (especially when you are short and can't see over them). As the "noisy" radio puts it (I like it in spite of what I say) "people are funny," but they are surely nice! Perhaps part of my reaction is due to the fact that they are doing all the talking and not giving me a chance.

So, in spite of speed, noise, confusion and crowds, I love you all and look forward to seeing the nice people of our denominational family. It is you who have been responsible for the progress of God's work in the Cameroons. God has been able to bless the work because of your faithfulness. You have trusted us and sent us forth with the Good News. Humbly we pray that we shall not betray that trust!

## "GOD'S COOPERATIVE AMONG THE LEPERS"

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# Vignettes of Church History

By DONALD G. DAVIS, Ph.D.

## I. INTRODUCTION

**M**OST EARNEST Christians in our day know their Bibles well and are familiar with the early history of the Church as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. They have a hazy impression of the increasing Roman persecution which concluded in the Scripture with the Apostle John writing at God's command the Revelation while exiled on the island of Patmos about the year 96 A.D.

Contemporary movements and personalities in evangelism, Christian education and missions are well known to the people in our churches, but few laymen have an adequate knowledge of the stream of history through which our faith has come down to us. Such a background enables today's believer to

Albert H. Newman, outstanding Baptist historian, observes that "Church history is a commentary on the Scriptures." The great doctrines of Holy Writ are found on every page of Church history, and this subject is like a vast library of illustrations—every one straight from real life!

These vignettes, which will all be of approximately the same size, may be cut out and mounted in scrapbooks or notebooks and thus gradually a working outline of Church history will take shape. With the addition of notes on reading, interesting and challenging topics for young people's, men's and women's meetings can be developed for occasional use.

Books for additional reading: Albert Henry Newman, **A Manual of Church**

### DR. DONALD G. DAVIS

Dr. Davis is well qualified as the author of these "Vignettes of Church History." He received his Ph.D. degree from Edinburgh University in Scotland. Since 1950 he has served as professor of Church History at the Bible Institute of Los Angeles and since 1952 at the Talbot Theological Seminary. He is also pastor of the Berean Baptist Church of Los Angeles. From 1942 to 1947 he was pastor of the Baptist Church of Wasco, Calif., during which he also spent some time as a chaplain in the United States Army.

EDITOR.

**History**, 2 vols. (Baptist); B. K. Kuiper, **The Church in History**, new, popular, illustrated, excellent for young people (Reformed); Williston Walker, **History of the Christian Church**, best single volume Church history after early chapters, which are extremely liberal as to the work of Jesus and the apostles (Congregational).

## A New Year's Message

From the President and Secretaries of the Baptist World Alliance

**T**IME is one of the mysteries encircling our lives. We cannot control it. Relentlessly the years speed on their appointed way: slowly, it seems to those who are young; all too swiftly, it seems to those who have passed the middle span. Poets have sometimes sung of Time as a thief, as a relentless taskmaster; but for those of us who have learned for God how to redeem it, Time becomes friendly. It is always on our side—provided we are on the side of God.

Fifty years are little enough in the long story of mankind, but the past fifty years have brought a thrill of gratitude to our Baptist people all over the world. Those years have seen our Baptist witness survive the shock of world catastrophe, until today our world-wide fellowship links by the ties of comradeship a multitude three times as numerous as were our Baptist forces when the Alliance was born in 1905.

Millions of eyes will turn toward London in July 1955. In a multitude of tongues prayers will rise to God that we may more faithfully fulfill his purpose in commending the Gospel of our Savior. We shall honor those whose devotion has spread our fellowship to the far corners of the earth. We shall in humility seek to yield ourselves more fully to Christ's service. It is the prayer of those of us who serve the Alliance that God may richly bless all our people, and especially those to whom the years have brought trial and suffering. We are all one in him, linked by cords of love, seeking nothing better than in our worship and witness to honor our Savior who has brought us hope and joy. May God bless you all, in the heart, in the home, and in the churches where as a world-fellowship we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the cause of Christ.

## Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Evangelist

### ENGAGEMENTS:

Jan. 2-14—Bethany Church, Vesper, Kans., Rev. J. Wood, Pastor.

Jan. 23-Feb. 4—Trinity Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Rev. R. Grenz, Pastor.

### WE THANK GOD:

In Billings, Mont., a little girl among others accepted Jesus as her Savior. Some felt she was too young for such an important decision. Nevertheless as she knelt in the prayer room, from her sincere little heart came this prayer:

"Thank you, Jesus, for taking my sins away. It was very nice of you to die for me on the cross. I like you! Amen."

### PRAYER REQUEST:

It is wonderfully encouraging to know that all over our denomination God's people are at this time praying for a great revival at Vesper, Kans., and at Trinity Church, Sioux Falls. Brethren, will you help in this ministry of intercession for the campaigns at these churches? God will send a revival when we are ready!

## Roger Williams Press ... NEWS

By REV. E. J. BAUMGARTNER

**D**URING THE PAST two years much work has been done quietly and behind the scenes in the preparation of our new denominational hymnal. The committee, composed of Mrs. Emma Meier, Portland, Ore.; Mr. Herbert Pankrat, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. A. Husmann, New York City; Dr. Frank Woyke, Forest Park, Ill.; Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, Cleveland, Ohio; and Dr. H. von Berge, Dayton, Ohio, under the chairmanship of Rev. Paul Wengel, has completed an outstanding piece of work. The manuscript is almost ready for the publisher.

This new hymnal is designed primarily for use in our own churches. Great care has been taken to present a collection of hymns, new and old, which will be of the most practical value to our churches.

In the near future a detailed announcement will be made by the chairman of the committee, Rev. Paul Wengel. Watch for it in the "Baptist Herald."

This is the time of the year when our Publication House agents make special efforts to obtain the renewals to our subscriptions or gain new subscriptions. Please help them all you can by renewing early and supporting them with your good wishes and prayers. They perform a tremendous task for the welfare of the denomination.

New subscriptions for the "Baptist Herald" or "Der Sendbote" sent in now will continue in force until the end of 1955.



Sentinels of snow in the Canadian Rockies

## The New Year 1955

I am the New Year, and I come to you pure and unstained,  
Fresh from the hand of God.  
Each day, a precious pearl to you is given  
That you must string upon the silver thread of Life.  
Once strung can never be unthreaded but stays  
An undying record of your faith and skill.  
Each golden, minute link you then must weld into the chain  
of hours  
That is no stronger than its weakest link.

Into your hands is given all the wealth and power  
To make your life just what you will.  
I give to you, free and unstinted, twelve glorious months  
Of soothing rain and sunshine golden;  
The days for work and rest, the nights for peaceful slumber.  
All that I have I give with love unspoken.  
All that I ask—you keep the faith unbroken!

—J. D. Templeton, in "Quotable Poems"

## BOOK REVIEWS

**TENTS TOWARD THE SUNRISE.** By Charles W. Koller, Judson Press. 152 pages. \$2.00.

These brief messages, 66 of them, are golden truths in a nutshell. They come out of the mind and heart of Dr. Charles W. Koller, president of the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago. They appeared originally in the bulletins of the seminary, but they have also been the starting point for many of Dr. Koller's matchless sermons. The titles are intriguing: "Take Also a Little Honey," "Lord, Make All Good People Nice," "How to Get Rid of an Iceberg" and "Living on a One-Way Street." This is a book to keep close at hand to give spiritual light and a lift for 1955!

**IN PASTURES GREEN.** By F. W. Boreham. Judson Press. 48 pages. 75 cents.

The author, a Baptist preacher and writer of Australia who has passed his

80th milestone, is a favorite of mine. I have read almost all of his 30 odd books. But Dr. Boreham is at his best in this little book, beautifully bound in heavy paper, which is called "A Ramble through the Twenty-third Psalm." The Psalm is interpreted lucidly for your devotions and its Shepherd magnified with awesome worship until your heart sings with joy. Numerous pictures from the English countryside enhance the book's value. You'll find pleasant, green pastures in this magnificent little book!

**WHERE JESUS WALKED.** By Sandford Fleming. Judson Press. 205 pages. \$2.50.

Many books have been written in recent years about the Holy Land, but no one has helped us to visualize the present day scenes and historic places of Palestine with the Spirit of Christ at our side more than Dr. Fleming, the

president of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School. In twelve colorful chapters the author gives the reader much geographical and historical information to enrich his understanding of the Scriptures. But in addition, you always feel the nearness of the Master as you follow these eyewitness descriptions of the Holy Land with rapt excitement. The warm Christian faith that glows in the book comes to its stirring climax in the last chapter, "Jesus, Still Lead On!" This book is a bargain ticket to a thrilling trip to Palestine!

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# We...the Women

By MRS. WALTER W. GROSSER, President

1955—A JUBILEE YEAR

MRS. George R. Martin, chairman of the Women's Committee of the Baptist World Alliance, gave a call to prayer to Baptist women all over the world on December 3, 1954.

Programs for the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer were sent free of charge to every president of a local Woman's Missionary Society in the General Conference with the November, 1954 "Broadcast." You missed a blessing if your society did not meet for prayer, as suggested, on December 3rd. The theme of the program was, "The Lordship of Christ."

Mrs. Martin's "Call to Prayer" reached the Woman's Union too late to have been included with the program. Its message is appropriate for the New Year.

## A CALL TO PRAYER

Mrs. George R. Martin

"A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you!"

"In the day of your gladness . . . ye shall blow the trumpet!"

In gratitude to God for the rich heritage which is ours as Christians and as Baptists, and for the many blessings upon our work, the Women's Committee of the Baptist World Alliance is calling its members to pray for

A deeper devotion to Jesus Christ;  
A more complete surrender to the guidance of the Holy Spirit;  
A higher conception of purpose and loyalty in service.

In sending forth this call, we believe that we shall enter the Jubilee Year as more devoted followers of our Lord and shall become more fruitful "laborers together with God" in the days that lie ahead.

Baptist women, moved by a mighty impulse of prayer, can rise on a high tide of spiritual exultation that will culminate in a joyous celebration of our Jubilee. Every women's meeting and organization or society is urged to pray, making a concert of prayer around the world. Every one of them is urged to devote the hour before the weekly or monthly meetings in definite outlined prayer.

Let us gather and pray that our eyes may be opened to the ripened, bending harvest fields of the world, and that out of this travail of prayer may be born a new soul of stewardship in our missionary task. Let us not be satisfied with a day of prayer and the hour before meetings, but let us as individuals select a definite time each day when we shall bring to our heavenly Father the needs of this our world.

In the days of old during the "year of gladness" the trumpets were heard. As we face the new day we, too, must hear the "Call of the Trumpet." We may feel we are doing our best and wonder how we can do more. It is God's trumpet that calls us to the highest endeavor. With hearts full of love let us arise to attempt the seeming impossible—and achieve it! This spirit will have a holy contagion that will sweep over our world until the hills and the plains echo with the message of the

## "SAVIOR, WHICH IS CHRIST THE LORD."

1955 is the Jubilee Year of the Baptist World Alliance when Baptists from all over the world will meet in London (in July). Readers of the "Baptist Herald" have become informed concerning this history-making event.

1955 is a Jubilee Year for the General Conference when North American Baptists will meet in Waco, Texas. The Southern Conference Woman's Missionary Union and your Executive Board are making plans for the women's meetings in Waco. Your local president has interesting reports to share from the "Broadcast," concerning the Waco Conference.

1955 appears to be a Jubilee Year for the "Baptist Herald." Press trum-

pets are blowing forth missionary news in an up-to-date, streamlined and attractive publication. The "Old, Old Story" is singing a new melody unto the Lord.

Just before entering the Jubilee Year, Christian women need to pause for some very sober reflection. Having been called to an infinitely higher God-given task than the revelry that marks the year's end celebration for many of the world, each woman questions her own life, "What kind of Christian have I been in the year just past? Will the Jubilee Year find me walking closer to God?"

New Year's resolutions are all too often like the manna of the Old Testament—hard to keep overnight. In spite of this, a Christian needs daily to turn over a new leaf, asking God to help him keep his prayerful resolutions. If he fails and sincerely repents, he will try again and again to grow in Christian grace. "He who never makes a mistake, never makes anything." The failures displease God less than low aims of his children.

"Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

God bless you every one and give you a blessed Jubilee Year!

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"God give you love this coming year!  
His own great love that burns out for the lost;  
That intercedes, and waits and suffers long—  
That never fails, nor stops to count the cost."



## SEMINARY DAY OF PRAYER

By Prof. GEORGE A. DUNGER

DURING THESE DAYS of radio, television, streamlined sales methods, attention-compelling publicity, many voices clamor for our response. Some are very loud, arresting our senses by the volume of their "noise." Others are less "noisy," but very persistent and insistent. Sooner or later we lend our ears. At times our minds may be baffled because of it. And there may be occasions when we don't quite understand each other because of the tumultuous sounds and conflicting ideas to which we are exposed.

There is nothing new and startling in this observation. The world has always been noisy and confusing. Men and women have always been exposed to it. The believer and the Church always had to struggle against it. The

remarkable fact is that the genuine believer and the Church of Christ withstood that struggle and emerged victoriously because they, while conscious of the demands of the Zeitgeist, had listened to GOD'S VOICE.

That is exactly what the Seminary family set out to do in a special way during the Day of Prayer which was held recently. The program had been developed over a prolonged period of time. It was to be centered on the Scriptures, prayer, hymn singing, testimony and personal commitment. The day had been set aside. Classes were dismissed. Everyone entered our Seminary Chapel in the spirit of prayer, expecting a special blessing from God, listening to his beckoning voice, ready to respond to his call.

Our Day of Prayer began with hymn singing, spontaneous Scripture quotations, testimonies and prayers. Our hearts warmed in the spirit of Christian fellowship. The time set aside for it vanished all too soon. Now followed a period of Bible Study based on John 17, the high priestly prayer of our Lord. During this time we feasted on three Scriptural topics: Jesus' Prayer for Himself, Jesus' Prayer for His Disciples, and Jesus' Prayer for the

World. Then there was a feature of special music, rendered by one of our senior students. The morning session came to a close at noon after expression of needs was given and the classes and the faculty had spent time in prayer in classrooms.

The afternoon session was introduced by a period of devotions and a message from the Scriptures. Again our hearts were enlightened and challenged. The opportunity was given for mentioning prayer requests, followed by prayer, testimonies and a quiet time before God. When we filed out of the chapel, we knew that we had spent a day together in the Outer Courts of Heaven.

Thus our Seminary family participated in its first Day of Prayer. Its memories will not soon be forgotten. Its immediate results were the strong and profound sense of God's presence,



OUR EDITOR of English publications, Dr. M. L. Leuschner, has arranged with us for departmental space in the "Baptist Herald." Once a month there will be an emphasis on Sunday School work in this space of the "Baptist Herald." Once a month an article pertaining to the CBY Fellowship will appear. We are grateful to the editor for the space where special attention can be given to these two important departments of the church.

In this issue we endeavor to outline the objectives for the Sunday School work in our churches and conferences.

## I. IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

In the field of Christian Education, generally accepted everywhere, the one great objective is "a new person in Jesus Christ." Once this objective is accepted and a school sets out to achieve the objective, it is soon evident that much work is required by way of programs, equipment, curriculum, plus a definite effort to give guidance all through the life of an individual.

As leaders we are all aware that a well planned and proper functioning program to accomplish this great objective is quite essential. It is our aim to help each local church to accomplish the great objective. By stressing various specific functions from time to time, the objective can more easily and effectively be reached.

Training our leaders is one of the most vital steps toward reaching the great objective. A Leadership Training Curriculum is provided to give guidance in training local workers. No less than one leadership training course, in which all teachers, officers, and prospective workers are enrolled, should be held each year. Good records are to be kept. A certificate of

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his great love and goodness, providing for every need. Its fruit will fully be known only in eternity. We prayed for our pastors and their churches, for our missionaries and their work, for our sister institutions and their leaders, for our denominational secretaries and their work, for our General Conference in 1955, for our home mission field and the Church Extension work and for many individual persons and matters. We prayed for ourselves that we might be better servants of Christ . . .

Are you praying?  
Are you praying the intercessory prayer?  
Are you listening to God's Voice?

## ENGAGEMENTS

- Dr. Frank H. Woyke**  
Jan. 16 (Sunday)—Buffalo Center, Iowa.
- Rev. J. C. Gunst**  
Jan. 9-14—McDermot Ave. Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
- Dr. M. L. Leuschner**  
Jan. 9 (Sunday P.M.)—Foster Ave. Church, Chicago, Illinois.  
Jan. 16 (Sunday)—Victor, Iowa.
- Dr. John Leypoldt**  
Jan. 2-9—Pioneer Church, Pound, Wisconsin.

## JANUARY EVENTS

- January 2-7—Week of Prayer. Program material has been sent to all pastors of our churches.
- January 30-February 6—Youth Week to be observed in all churches.

Each of these functions requires a staff of trained leaders. A good program, fitting materials, and proper equipment are all essential for a strong Sunday School program. We endeavor to help in all of them.

IV. To assist the superintendent and his staff, regional and local Christian Workers' Conferences are being held. The team of instructors and leaders serving at these conferences give guidance in the most recent developments in Sunday School activities. Every phase of Sunday School work from the cradle roll to the adult department of the Sunday School is covered in the program. The use of visual aids, worship helps, and missionary programs is emphasized. Every Sunday School staff should attend the annual Christian Workers' Conference in the area.

This past year it has been suggested that each local Conference Union executive committee add the office of a second vice-president. This officer, a member of the committee in addition to the president and council representative, is to give special attention to the Sunday School work in the conference and each church. This second vice-president is to be the contact person for the general secretary to plan Sunday School activities for the conference and local Sunday Schools.

In the future, it is hoped that once a year the local conference executive committee together with the general secretary plan Sunday School advance for the local conference.

As leaders in the very important work of the Sunday School for the local church, we look forward to the next General Conference in Waco Texas, June 6-12, 1955, when important plans for a great Sunday School advance in all conferences and churches is to be decided upon. In the meantime we shall keep in touch with our Sunday School leaders and workers by means of ACTION, our Sunday School superintendent's paper and through the medium of our denominational papers.

credit issued by the general secretary gives evidence of the course completed. After completing four successive basic courses we issue a diploma. A worker's training, at this point, is well under way. Each year a certificate should be added indicating the completion of an additional course of study.

II. To create incentive and have a unified program in achieving the great objective a Sunday School Standard has been prepared and is available for every local Sunday School. In the Sunday School Standard ten steps (or goals) are listed to give guidance to local leaders in attaining the great objective, "A New Person in Jesus Christ." All local Sunday Schools are urged to adopt the Sunday School Standard as their local program of work.

Each Sunday School adopting the Sunday School Standard is presented with a certificate. Each year a questionnaire on the Sunday School Standard is sent out to be filled in and returned to the general secretary. From the questionnaire the grade of achievement for the year is determined. A seal, indicating the grade, is issued and is to be placed on the certificate showing the local Sunday School's achievement for that year.

III. Four additional functions equally important for the local Sunday School are to be carried on regularly each year.

1. The monthly workers' conference for all Sunday School workers.
2. An annual well planned program in Daily Vacation Bible School.
3. A regular program in Scripture Memorization.
4. An annual program of Week Day School of Religion.





# Sunday School Lessons

## A LESSON PLAN

Date: January 9, 1955

### Theme: THE LIVING GOD

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 103:8-13; Isaiah 40:25-28; Matt. 6:96; Jn. 4:23-24; 10:30.

PURPOSE: Recently I heard a sermon that asked the question, "How big is your God?" More recently one of my little daughters asked me, "Daddy, what is God like?" That there is a God, probably 99 and 99/100 per cent of the peoples of the world would agree. But as to the kind of God they believe in, probably the representatives of no two religions, sects, or denominations would agree. The crucial issue of our day is not between belief and unbelief but between the various contents that the peoples of the world put into that word "belief."

To believe—SOMETHING! That is one of the basic drives of the human soul. To believe—ARIGHT! That is the great need and challenge of twentieth century confusion. What makes us as Christians different from other religionists is not that we believe in God, but that we put into that word "God" a certain content. We believe in the God Who is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. That makes us Christians. And gives us our place and mission in the world.

### Developing the Theme:

- I. GOD IS INFINITELY MERCIFUL (Ps. 103:8-13).
  1. He is patient (vv. 8b-9).
  2. He is kind (vv. 10-11).
  3. He is forgiving (v. 12). He is compassionate (v. 13).
- II. GOD IS INFINITELY POWERFUL (Isaiah 40:25-29).
  1. He creates and controls all things (vv. 25-26).
  2. Nothing escapes his knowledge and watch-care (vv. 27-28).
  3. He is able to meet every need of every creature (v. 29).
- III. GOD IS INFINITELY LOVING (Matthew 6:9).
  1. His concern for his creatures is like that of a father for his children.
  2. In love he draws us to himself that we might have fellowship with him and be members of his family.
- IV. GOD IS EVERYWHERE PRESENT (John 4:23-24).
  1. He is Spirit and therefore is not limited as to time and space but is everywhere present.

2. Thus we may have his presence with us everywhere and always.

### V. GOD IS PERFECTLY REVEALED IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST (John 10:30).

1. In Christ we have the perfect answer to the question, "What is God like?"
2. In him we see the Father fully revealed.

### VI. GOD IS SUPREME WORTHY OF OUR LOVE AND WORSHIP.

1. He is worthy of awe and reverence (Matt. 6:9b).
2. He is worthy to be worshiped with all the love, devotion and sincerity we can muster (John 4:24b).

### Applying the Lesson:

1. What do we mean when we speak of God as a "living God"?
2. Why do so many people, even Christians, have such an inadequate conception of God?
3. What practical effect does our conception of God have upon our lives?

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## A LESSON PLAN

Date: January 16, 1955

### Theme: CHRIST, THE SON OF the LIVING GOD.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 16:13-17; John 14:8-14.

PURPOSE: To help us know Who Jesus is.

GETTING STARTED: No truth is more important for Christian life and thought than the one dealt with in today's lesson. At election time we say, "As goes Maine, so goes the nation." But politics being what it is, that axiom doesn't always hold true. Today's lesson, however, suggests an axiom that never fails to carry through. It is this: As goes Christ, so goes Christianity! The place that he occupies in the estimation, affection and devotion of his followers determines the vitality and strength of Christianity.

For Christianity is Christ. And only a Christ believed in, loved and served in the full stature of his divine Majesty can impart to Christianity its vital

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spark, its drive, its power. Detract anything from the glory of his Person, and Christianity becomes weak and ineffective. But give him his full and rightful place, and Christianity is sure to be the dynamic that turns men and nations right-side up.

### Developing the Theme:

#### I. THE FACT OF HIS SONSHIP.

That Christ is, indeed, the Son of God is attested to by the following:

1. Divine revelation (Matt. 16:17b).
2. The witness of those who knew him best (Matt. 16:16).
3. The witness of Jesus himself (John 14:9-11).
4. The record of his words and deeds (John 14:10-11).
5. The personal experience of the millions who have found him, indeed, to be their Lord and God (John 14:12-14).

#### II. THE NATURE OF HIS SONSHIP.

1. It is eternal (John 1:1-14).
2. It is one of essence; since he was not made Son of God, but is God, one and equal with him (John 14:11; 1:1).
3. It is incarnate in the person of Jesus (John 14:9) and thus made manifest in the world.

#### III. THE MANNER IN WHICH HIS SONSHIP CAN BE PERCEIVED. We come to recognize and accept him as the Son of God—

1. Through faith (Matt. 16:17b)—simply accepting God's Word for it.
2. Through knowledge of the words and works of Jesus (John 14:10-11).
3. Through loving, vital fellowship with him (John 14:9).
4. Through dedicated service to him (John 14:12-14).

#### IV. THE RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO ACCEPT HIS SONSHIP.

1. They find in him the One Who meets their every need.
2. They also find that he empowers them for life and service (John 14:12-14).

### Applying the Lesson:

1. A chorus we often sing says, "Everybody ought to know Who Jesus is." Why is that so important?
2. Why is faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God so essential—to the individual?—to the church?

# What's Happening

● The Grace Baptist Church of Sheffield, Iowa, has extended a call to Rev. Vernon Link of Fessenden, N. Dak., to which he has replied favorably. He has announced that he will begin his pastorate in Sheffield on February 1st, succeeding Rev. Henry Smuland, now of Avon, South Dakota. Mr. Link has served as pastor of the Fessenden Baptist Church since 1949.

● The Cottonwood Baptist Church near Lorena, Texas, has announced that its pastor, Rev. A. R. Kingman, has resigned and has brought his ministry there to a close. He has accepted the call of the Edgefield Church in Waco, Texas. He served as Cottonwood's minister since 1953. The church is endeavoring to secure the services of another pastor as soon as possible.

● On Sunday evening, November 28, Dr. A. S. Felberg, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Vancouver, B. C., baptized six adults on confession of their faith in Christ. Four of these were converted in recent months and two responded to the altar call during the time that Rev. J. B. Kornalewski of Kelowna, B. C., served as evangelist. The hand of fellowship was extended to the six converts during the communion service which followed.

● The Carbon Baptist Church, Carbon, Alta., held evangelistic meetings from Nov. 1 to 12. Rev. Henry Schumacher of Wetaskiwin, Alta., brought an object lesson or story for the children every evening. He also conducted a study of the Apostle Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, which proved to be a great blessing to all in attendance. Questions were answered each evening concerning the Scriptures and daily Christian living. The Rev. Willy R. Muller is pastor of the church.

● Young people of the Oak Street Baptist Church, Burlington, Iowa, presented the play, "It Could Have Been Worse," at the Thanksgiving program of the church on Thursday evening, Nov. 25. The orchestra numbers were directed by Mrs. Herbert Wittkamp. The annual Christmas program and tea given on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 2nd. The Junior CBY won first prize for its float in the Burlington Christmas Parade on Friday, Nov. 26. The Rev. Emanuel Wolff is pastor of the church.

● Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer, Cameroons missionaries stationed at Ndu, Africa, and their family sailed from Tiko, Africa, on Nov. 16th for England and the United States. They arrived

in New York City on Dec. 19th. After medical examinations in the New York City area, they departed for Detroit, Mich., for their home. They will have some time for rest and recuperation before any promotional plans are carried out. They are members of the Burns Ave. Church, now called the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church of Detroit.

● On Sunday evening, Nov. 14, about 50 members and friends of the Humboldt Park Church, Chicago, Ill., enjoyed a program presented by a missionary team from the Moody Bible Institute. The five team members presented trumpet and vocal numbers and a stirring message. The Humboldt Park Sunday School finished in second place in its division in the 12th annual Sunday School Attendance Increase Campaign sponsored by the Chicago Baptist Association. Rev. George W. Lang, pastor, contributes a brief sermon to "The Humboldt Herald," a mimeographed monthly paper of the church, edited by Miss Evelyn Kuehne.

● From Oct. 17 to 29 the West Center Street Baptist Church, Madison, S. Dak., held evangelistic meetings with the Rev. Herman Palfenier, denominational evangelist, bringing the messages. Special music was furnished by the church for each service. The first part of the meetings was devoted to special children's stories followed by challenging and heart-warming messages. The Lord blessed all the efforts as four young people gave their hearts to him. These four converts followed the Lord in baptism on Sunday evening, Nov. 21, in an impressive service. Rev. Fred Schmidt is pastor of the church.

● Rev. Rudolf Milbrandt has brought his ministry to a close as our immigration representative in Germany. On Nov. 28 he sailed from Germany on the "SS Rosa Kulm" for Canada. He and his wife have continued their ministry as superintendent and matron of the Baptist Haven of Rest at Medicine Hat, Alberta. For the present there will be no full-time immigration representative for our conference in Germany. Rev. William Sturhahn and Rev. R. Rapske will make several trips to

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Germany on steamship passes as circumstances require in order to process prospective immigrants to Canada.

● The annual tea and program of the Omicron Class of the Forest Park Baptist Sunday School, Forest Park, Ill., was held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 28, in honor of Miss Ruby Salzman, Cameroons missionary, who is being supported by the Forest Park Baptist Church. Mrs. Bruno Schreiber, class president, welcomed the members and friends. The program featured musical numbers by Louanne Fuchs, Eleanor Schreiber, Adelaide Klatt, Roger Fuchs and the Women's Chorus, in addition to an informative message about the Cameroons mission field by Miss Myrtle Weeldreyer, missionary, who was on her way to Africa at the time.

● From Nov. 1 to 12 the Baptist Church of Linton, N. Dak., held evangelistic services with Rev. H. Vetter of Isabel, S. Dak., serving as evangelist. Seventeen persons took their stand for Christ as Savior during the meetings. An evangelistic campaign was held at the Baptist Church of Hazelton, a station of the Linton Church, from Oct. 5 to 14 with Rev. H. Woodward of Chicago, Ill., as speaker. From the Nov. 16, 1954 copy of the "CBY Rambler" edited by Mrs. Alma Kremer, it was learned that considerable progress is being made in reaching the new Parsonage Building Fund goal. Rev. Arthur Fischer is pastor of the church.

● The Home for the Aged in Portland, Ore., has engaged Rev. and Mrs. Lewis B. Berndt as superintendent and matron of the Home. Their duties are scheduled to begin on Jan. 1, 1955. Until Mr. Berndt can make other arrangements, he plans to continue temporarily as pastor of the Central Baptist Church which he has served since 1951. Mr. Berndt was formally introduced to the guests of the Home and the members of the Board of Directors at the annual meeting on November 15. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Weisser, former superintendent and matron, have entered the Home as guests and will therefore be on hand to assist whenever needed, as reported by Mr. Melvin Becker, secretary of the Board.

● On Sunday, Nov. 7, Rev. Laurence R. Prast of the Bethel Church, Indianapolis, Ind., baptized three converts and received them into the fellowship of the church. Two other new members were received by letter on Sunday, Dec. 5. Mr. Prast is teaching two hours on Friday evenings at the Central Baptist Theological Seminary of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., (Negro). He teaches homiletics and theology. He has eleven Negroes in his classes. He serves without remuneration. On Sunday, Nov. 28, Dr. Mr. L. Leuschner, editor of the "Baptist Herald," spoke at the worship service and showed missionary films. An offering for our mission fields was received.

# Our Denomination in ACTION

## Dakota Conference

### Dedication of New Out-of-door Bulletin Board at Baptist Church, Linton, North Dakota

Two years ago when Mrs. Jacob Kist, our senior deacon's wife passed away, the family and loved ones desired to erect a bulletin board in her honor. Several other memorial contributions were added to the list by Mrs. Loebe, Mrs. D. Job, Mrs. J. Grenz and Mr. J. Walther, so that we had more money than we needed to secure the memorial bulletin board.

On Sunday, Oct. 17th, in connection with our closing evening service, we officially held a recognition service for our bulletin board. The congregation gathered around the bulletin board while the pastor offered the dedicatory prayer. We have the board illuminated each evening, and we hope through its printed word to show forth the love of God to a dark world.

A. J. Fischer, Pastor.

### Ebenezer Church, Lehr, N. Dak., Holds Reception for Rev. and Mrs. George Breitzkreuz

The reception by the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Lehr, N. Dak., for our new pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. George Breitzkreuz, was held on Sunday evening, Nov. 14. Rev. R. Dickau and his entire congregation from Venturia were invited to attend; also Rev. and Mrs. Albert Krombein of Eureka, parents of Mrs. Breitzkreuz, and Norman Krombein.

Congregational singing opened the evening service led by Mr. Henry Kranzler. The Vossler sisters sang a duet. A choir number and men's quartet song were the musical selections rendered.

Rev. R. Dickau preached a fitting sermon and also introduced the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Breitzkreuz responded by thanking the church and friends who had already made them feel at home in a strange place. At the reception, friends from Wishek, Linton, Ellendale and Rev. W. D. Elmer from the local Evangelical United Brethren Church were present. We as a church are looking forward to a blessed time in the future as we labor hand in hand for our Master.

Mrs. John Kranzler, Reporter.

### Harvest Festival and Revival Meetings at Baptist Church, Venturia, North Dakota

God's great storehouse of blessing can never be depleted. When man thinks he has reached the zenith in wonderful blessings, God sends even more refreshing showers upon his people. Special days for us at the Baptist Church, Venturia, N. Dak., have

been our Harvest and Mission Festival held in October. Prof. H. Hiller from our Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., was our guest speaker. He led our thinking in avenues of praise and thanksgiving for material and spiritual blessings, and challenging us to use these in turn as channels whereby the grace of God might reach others less fortunate than ourselves. The church people and guests met for the noon and evening meal around festive decorated tables. Our mission offering amounted to \$1927.

Another festive spiritual treat was ours during the days of Nov. 2-11. These were revival days for us, in which God's power was made manifest. Rev. A. Buhler of Lansing, Mich., was our evangelist. In spite of a very busy schedule, he came to serve us with inspiring and spirit-filled messages. God rewarded these efforts with nine persons being saved and four who came back from a backslidden state. We are planning a baptismal service soon.

R. Dickau, Pastor.

### Church Improvements and Evangelistic Meetings at Immanuel Baptist Church, Beulah, N. D.

Last spring we of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Beulah, N. Dak., dismantled the old barn built more than 40 years ago which had served as a garage. However, it was an eyesore in our community. Out of the lumber, we built a 14 x 28 foot modern garage, which was a big job for our small group. We also built new concrete church steps in front of the church. A car accident had damaged the old ones. This was very fortunate for us since the insurance company paid some of the bill. It is not unusual for us to have 100 people at the morning service in very encouraging attendance.



Rev. A. J. Fischer of Linton, N. Dak., and the new bulletin board of the First Baptist Church

We have recently concluded two weeks of evangelistic services with the Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Fritze of McLaughlin, S. Dak. Six adults above the age of 25 years were saved and two were renewed in the fellowship of the Lord. As a result of these meetings members of four families have been won for the Lord and for our church work. Christians also forgave each other for the first time in years. It was heavenly!

Our pastor, Rev. Ernest Lautt, conducted two weeks of meetings in the Baptist Church at Cole Harbor, N. Dak. About 15 persons came to the Lord in our pastor's first revival campaign. Several days later he conducted a ten day campaign at Garrison, N. Dak. Although there were no visible results, many blessings were enjoyed.

Ernest Lautt, Pastor.

### Evangelistic Services and Baptism of 27 Converts at Goodrich, North Dakota

Since the end of June the First Baptist Church, Goodrich, N. Dak., has experienced many mountain top experiences. From June 29 to July 9 we had evangelistic meetings with Rev. William Hoover of Benton Harbor, Mich., his two daughters, Darlene and Vivian, who supplied special music, and Mr. Chester Arnt as song director, and who fascinated young and old with his magic and the deep, concrete spiritual applications that were made.

Following the meetings the pastor, Rev. I. H. Schmuland, for seven weeks conducted a pastor's class for the new converts to get them firmly established in the Christian faith and to learn the first steps with Jesus. This proved to be a very interesting and profitable class.

September 12 became a memorable day for 27 candidates when they followed their Savior into the waters of baptism. Even though the natural elements were a bit chilly, yet within the hearts of these young Christians burned the fires of a holy zeal to remain faithful to the Lord the rest of their days. Of the 27 who were baptized eleven were adults, six high school students and the rest were children. In the evening of that same day the hand of fellowship was extended to them as we observed the Lord's Supper with them.

October 3rd was Church Extension Sunday for Goodrich. Rev. Bernard Fritze, Church Extension worker, brought the evening message. With the help of the Lord the people gave a sacrificial offering—going well above the quota for this church. Three Sundays later we had our Harvest Mission Festival with Rev. Herbert Schauer serving as guest speaker. Again our people rallied and gave an offering of \$800, which is as much as last year and considerably more than in previous years.

Besides these spiritual blessings, we were able to decorate the entire sanctuary and lay new tile floors. Praise God from whom all blessings flow to his honor and glory!

I. H. Schmuland, Pastor.

### Program by the Woman's Missionary Society of Mercer, North Dakota

A very interesting and inspiring program was given by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church of Mercer, N. Dak., on Sunday, Oct. 22, with a very large attendance. The president, Mrs. Ben Lautt, led the program of group singing followed by musical numbers by duets, a trio and others. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were given and a dialogue entitled, "A Vision," was rendered.

Our pastor, the Rev. Ben Lautt, closed the service after which we had a fellowship lunch for all present. Our women also had the privilege to render this missionary program at the Baptist Church of Underwood, N. Dak., on Sunday, Nov. 18, where the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Knalson are serving as pastor and wife.

The Lord has been good to us at the Baptist Church of Mercer and we are thankful to him for all evidences of his guidance and loving kindness.

Mrs. Emanuel Bauer, Secretary.

## Eastern Conference

### Sessions of Eastern Conference Woman's Missionary Union at Forest Church, Winburne, Pa.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Eastern Conference held a very successful session at the recent conference at the Forest Baptist Church in Winburne, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Hulda Hartman of Buffalo, N. Y., vice-president and later elected president, very capably took charge of the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Walter Schmidt of Arnprior, Ont.

We are both proud and pleased to report that we exceeded our goal of \$1200 to have been raised during the past three years for the Banso Hospital in the Cameroons. A new three-year goal of \$1,500 was set for the Cameroons Bible School. A wonderfully complete display of White Cross work was shown by the ladies of the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pennsylvania.

We pray that with God's guidance and help we will be able to accomplish more and better things in Christ's Name.

Mrs. Albert Zinz, Secretary.

### Missionary Conference Held by the Bethel Baptist Church, Buffalo, New York

The Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., held its 11th annual Missionary Conference from Wednesday, Oct. 27, through Sunday, Oct. 31.

The conference was opened on Wednesday night by Rev. John Bell of the China Inland Mission, who had as his topic "The Wail of Humanity." He told of the need of all humanity for Christ in their lives and asked the Christian people to be missionaries in winning the lost.

On Thursday night, Dr. Martin L. Leuschner of our own denomination



Rev. I. H. Schmuland (extreme left) of Goodrich, N. Dak., and 27 converts whom he baptized on confession of their faith in Christ

was the speaker. He presented the Spanish-American work in Colorado and showed pictures of it. On Friday night he showed pictures of Church Extension and also pictures of our work in the Cameroons.

On Sunday morning, Dr. Leuschner gave a challenging message on the giving of tithes, talents and service to God. He showed how we should give our best to the Lord and not the "left-overs."

On Sunday evening, he showed the latest pictures of the Cameroons. These were sound pictures and we were able not only to see but to hear the beating of the drums and the natives talking and singing. The pictures were very inspiring and one felt as though he were right on the mission field. Our hearts were thrilled as we learned of the many converts on these fields through the faithful ministry of our missionaries.

Our prayer is that we may be challenged anew to hold these missionaries before the Throne of grace daily and to ask God's richest blessing upon them.

Mrs. Daniel Earnst, Reporter.

## Atlantic Conference

### Anniversary Program by Woman's Missionary Society, Fellowship Baptist Church, Passaic, N. J.

The 64th anniversary program of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Fellowship Baptist Church, Passaic, N. J., was held on Thursday evening, Nov. 4th. The program was well attended by sister societies, friends and visitors, and a very good annual report was given.

The society consists of twelve members with several regular attenders whose gifts throughout the year amounted to more than \$600. We praise God for enabling us to do this for him and we count it a privilege to work in his vineyard.

After a varied musical program and heart-searching message by the Rev. Paul Zoschke of the Evergreen Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., the group adjourned to the dining room for delicious refreshments and fellowship. Mrs. Louise Schneck, a former president of the society, was honored with a corsage as

was the newly-elected president, Mrs. J. R. Ambler. Honorable mention should be made of three of the outgoing officers who together had served for 16 years. May God richly bless them in the years to come as they continue to stand back of the younger sisters!

The offering taken at the anniversary program amounted to \$50 and was given for missions.

Mrs. Frances Podsada, Secretary.

## Pacific Conference

### Ordination of Rev. Walter Dingfield at Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington

The Examination Council for the ordination of Mr. Walter Dingfield of Tacoma, Wash., met on Friday afternoon, Oct. 22, at the First Baptist Church of Colfax, Washington. The Pacific Northwest Association was in session at this time. The meeting was called to order by the moderator of the association, Rev. Walter Berkan of Spokane, Wash. Rev. F. E. Klein of Colfax, Wash., was then elected moderator and Rev. Orville Meth of Odessa was elected clerk. Roll call was then taken revealing the presence of seven churches and their 19 delegates.

Rev. Robert Hess, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, read the resolution adopted by the Calvary Church authorizing the calling together of the Council. Mr. Dingfield then proceeded to give testimony of his conversion experience, his call to the ministry and educational preparation. He received his B.A. degree from Pacific Lutheran College and his Master of Theology from the Dallas Theological Seminary. The statements of his doctrinal beliefs were given very thoroughly and with great conviction. After a period of questioning, the Council declared itself well satisfied and voted unanimously to recommend that the Calvary Church proceed with the candidate's ordination.

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 3rd, an impressive ordination service for Mr. Dingfield was held at the Calvary Church of Tacoma, Washington. Rev. R. G. Kaiser of Startup gave the invocation prayer after which Rev. Orville Meth of Odessa read the statement of the Council. The Scripture was read

by Rev. E. D. McKernan of Tacoma. This was followed by a solo "Let Me Live at Calvary" by Rev. Ronald Stabbert. Rev. Robert Hess brought an effective ordination sermon and Rev. E. Bibelheimer of Tacoma led in the ordination prayer as all the ministers present took part in the laying on of hands, including Rev. R. A. Blaudau of Puyallup, Wash., and Rev. T. Dons of Sterling, Kansas.

The charge to the candidate was given by Rev. F. E. Klein of Colfax. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmunk sang a duet, "The Unveiled Christ." Rev. C. M. Shaughnessy of Tacoma in welcoming the candidate into the ministry, not only addressed Mr. Dingfield, but also his wife and mother. After the congregation sang, "Hallelujah, What a Savior," the Rev. W. Dingfield pronounced the benediction.

O. H. Meth, Council Clerk.

### Sessions of the Pacific Northwest Woman's Missionary Union at Colfax, Washington

The business session of the Pacific Northwest Woman's Missionary Union was held on Friday afternoon, Oct. 22, at the Baptist Church of Colfax, Wash., in conjunction with the Pacific Northwest Association. The president, Mrs. John Broeder of Paul, Idaho, presided. Mrs. O. Meth of Odessa led the devotions. An interesting report from each of the seven societies was given. At the election Mrs. John Broeder was reelected president and Mrs. Con Schlimmer of Odessa, Wash., secretary-treasurer.

The women's rally was held in the evening with Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., as guest speaker. The song service was led by Mrs. Henry Schmunk of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. C. Remple of Missoula, Mont., had charge of the devotionals. A cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. Kroll in behalf of the Colfax Society and she presented the president, Mrs. Broeder, with a lovely corsage.

The new ministers' wives, Mrs. Robert Hess of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. C. Remple of Missoula, Mont., were welcomed into the Union. Rev. Walter Berkan of Spokane, Wash., had charge of the installation of officers and each society rendered a special number. The offering amounted to \$187.10. This was divided equally between the leper mission and church extension work.

Mrs. Con. Schlimmer, Secretary.

### Reception for New Pastor and Baptism at Glencullen Church, Portland, Oregon

The Glencullen Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., has been blessed many times this fall. On Sept. 12, it was really Glencullen Day. In the morning for Sunday School, it was the annual Rally Day Service, with over 200 in attendance. The morning worship service was led by our new pastor, Rev. Eldon E. Seibold, his first in our church. We were very happy to welcome him, Mrs. Seibold, and their baby daughter to our community. We have enjoyed his messages in word and in music, in which Mr. and Mrs. Seibold excel.

That afternoon, a large reception was held in their honor, with each of our eight churches in this area being represented.

To top it off, the young people's CBY group from the Bethel Baptist Church, Salem, Ore., presented the evening's program, and were first treated to a dinner by our own CBY group. In all, it was a day full of praise and thanks to our God, who in answer to many prayers had sent us our new pastor.

On Sunday, Oct. 17, we had a baptismal service, at which time ten young people made their public confession of accepting Jesus as their Savior and told of their willingness to follow him. Their names are Darryl and Dick Fowler, Wayne and Jerry Walmer, Timothy Bramblet, Pepper Jameson, Steve Harris, Linda Landis, Linda Roberts and Maryann Jones.

Florence Johnson, Reporter.

### Highlights of Autumn Activities from the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington

Under the able leadership of our Sunday School superintendent, Wallace Stabbert, our Bible School at the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Wash., won the six weeks' attendance contest against the South Tacoma Baptist Bible School. We are happy to report that our gain was 37.41 per cent. Our aim is to reach more people for Christ and to fulfill his great commission to spread the "Good News."

Our Bible School sponsored a very fine Harvest and Mission program on Sunday evening, October 24. The large arrangement of food gifts of fruits, vegetables and canned goods decorated the platform, and later this was sent to the Tacoma Rescue Mission.

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, in the lower auditorium of our church an appreciation dinner for all Bible School officers and teachers, as well as for those singing in the choir or playing in the orchestra was thoroughly enjoyed. The 72 people who participated in this fellowship are very thankful for an opportunity to serve our Christ.

Our hearts were stirred within us as we witnessed this autumn the baptism of 17 people who in obedience to the command of God joyfully identified themselves with him of Calvary. Then on Sunday, Nov. 7, during the observance of the Lord's Supper the hand of fellowship was extended to 22 new members by our pastor, Rev. Robert Hess.

Elsie O. Blandau, Reporter.

### Sessions of the California Association at First Baptist Church of Elk Grove

The days of Nov. 2 to 4 at the California Association will long be remembered as a season of unusual spiritual blessing in the lives of the representatives of the members of our California churches. The host church at Elk Grove had made adequate provision at the church and in their homes for delightful fellowship and entertainment.

Best of all was the spiritual feast, consisting of a series of studies in the Epistle of James with the theme, "Faith

in Action," which served as the subject for the opening message brought by the moderator, Rev. P. G. Neumann of Costa Mesa. The program was carefully and prayerfully prepared by the host pastor, Rev. W. W. Knauf.

"Faith and the Believer's Prayer Life" was the subject of the devotional periods each morning, led by Rev. H. Hengstler of Los Angeles. The subjects for other addresses were "Faith and the Believer's Trials" and "Faith and the Believer's Tongue" by Rev. B. Jacksteit of Anaheim; "Faith and the Believer's Temptation" by Rev. E. Mittelstedt of Los Angeles; "Faith and the Believer's Love" by Rev. G. G. Rauser of Lodi; "Faith and the Believer's Character" by Rev. Robert Schreiber of Lodi; "Faith and the Believer's Soul-Winning Efforts" by our denominational Church Extension worker, Rev. W. J. Appel.

Our missionaries, George and Alma Henderson, recently returned from our Cameroons Mission Field, were our honored guests and brought inspiring and instructive messages. Mrs. Henderson spoke at the women's missionary program on Wednesday evening, and Mr. Henderson in the climactic closing service on Thursday evening, concluding the program with beautiful slides portraying the lights and shadows of the missionaries' message on the Kumba Field where he and Mrs. Henderson have served so faithfully.

Thirty-nine delegates represented the churches of the association. We missed the presence of Dr. Donald Davis, whose teaching responsibilities made his attendance impossible. The ministry of the choir and men's quartet of the host church, several soloists and other musical numbers contributed much to the beauty and helpfulness of the services.

W. J. Appel, Pastor.

### Sessions of the Oregon Association at the Salt Creek Baptist Church

The sessions of the 1954 Oregon Association held at the Salt Creek Baptist Church from Nov. 11-14 were opened by the moderator, Rev. L. Berndt, who gave a challenging message on the text of the Association, "Let us rise up and build" (Neh. 2:18). Then James Billeter, superintendent of the Trinity Baptist Church School, spoke on "Building the Bible School." Following that, Rev. E. Gerlitz brought us a heart-searching message on the subject, "Building in the Secret Place."

Rev. E. Seibold very ably dealt with the subject, "Enlisting Youth to Build." Rev. Arthur K. Schulz brought a timely report of the efforts made along the West Coast in Church Extension and then appealed to the churches of the Oregon Association to redouble their efforts in giving this denominational undertaking their whole-hearted support. His subject was "Our Call to Church Extension." In his memorial service, Rev. J. Wobig took us back in thought to those who left our ranks and have gone to be with the Lord.

The Baptist Men of the Oregon Association were in charge of the Friday night service. The speakers were Virgil Eclair who spoke on "How Does a

Layman Co-operate with his Pastor?" and Abe Haas who spoke on "The Layman and Church Extension." The outstanding feature of the evening was the singing of the newly organized Baptist Men's Male Chorus under the direction of Rev. E. Seibold.

In his devotional talk on "Building Through Public Prayer," Rev. F. Friesen encouraged all believers to unite with others in prayer. Rev. H. Barnet spoke on "The Use of the Word in Building," and the final message by Rev. R. Woyke was on "The Use of our Talents in Building."

The following are the new officers of the Oregon Baptist Association for the ensuing year: Rev. R. Woyke, moderator; Rev. R. Penner, vice-moderator; and Rev. E. Gerlitz, secretary-treasurer.

We were honored in having Rev. and Mrs. Donald Ganstrom as our special speakers. On Thursday evening, Missionary Ganstrom took us on an imaginary trek through the Cameroons mission field by means of well-chosen slides. On Friday morning, he gave us an interesting report of the educational system on our mission field. On Friday afternoon, Mrs. Donald Ganstrom, speaking at the Women's Missionary Meeting, told us about the women's work among the natives of the Cameroons.

The Oregon League Young People's banquet was a time of great fellowship. Rev. V. Ernst brought a very thought-provoking message. The final service was held on Sunday afternoon when a capacity crowd filled the Salt Creek Church. Mrs. D. Ganstrom's message was a fitting challenge for this concluding service.

Arthur K. Schulz, Reporter.

### Northwestern Conference

#### Dedication of \$150,000 New Edifice of Immanuel Baptist Church, Kenosha, Wisconsin

A ribbon tied to the entrance of the new Immanuel Baptist Church, Kenosha, Wis., was cut Sunday morning, Nov. 21, and a week of dedicatory services began. Rev. Lawrence Bienert of the North American Baptist CBY Union was guest of honor at the 9:30 A.M. ceremony. Rev. Charles J. Anderson, pastor, spoke at the consecration service at 10:45 A.M. Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, was the main speaker at the 3 P.M. dedication rite, sharing the spotlight with former pastors and other guests.

A series of addresses by Dr. Cedric Sears, Wheaton, Ill., began on Sunday evening and continued through the dedication week.

A Builders Banquet was held on Saturday, Nov. 27, and featured Dr. Sears as speaker. Special music for the week included the male chorus from Foster Ave. Baptist Church, Chicago; Ray Pankratz, child violinist; the Immanuel Methodist choir; the Wisconsin Tabernacle chorale, Milwaukee; and the church choir and soloists, in addition to other visiting performers.



The new edifice of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Kenosha, Wis., of which Rev. Charles J. Anderson is pastor

Valued at approximately \$150,000, the building of brick, crab-orchard and Colorado stone was completed by volunteer labor from the congregation at a cost of less than \$85,000. The church grew from the planning stage into the finished structure in the 19 months of Mr. Anderson's ministry.

The week of special dedicatory events closed with a city-wide "sing-spiration" Sunday, Nov. 28, with 22 churches participating.

Within the church are a main auditorium with bleached elm furniture in semi-colonial design; a quiet room for mothers with children; a downstairs kitchen; 13 basement church-school rooms divided by modern fold door partitions opening into one large auditorium that seats 500 people.

Miss Melissa Schabeck, Clerk.

### Northern Conference

#### Dedication Services for the Enlarged Edifice, Calvary Baptist Church, Wetaskiwin, Alberta

Sunday, Oct. 24, was Dedication Day for the Calvary Baptist Church of Wetaskiwin, Alberta. In the fall of 1953 the former Pleasant Prairie Church was moved into Wetaskiwin and enlarged. The membership of the former Westside Church has combined with our group to form the Calvary Church.

As we gathered for morning worship, a holy hush fell over the congregation. The music coming from our Minchel electric organ, donated by Mrs. Ruth Dickkau, did much to make us feel the presence of the Lord. Our pastor, Rev. H. Schumacher, read Psalm 84 and led in prayer. The Junior

Choir under the direction of Miss Irene Sommers sang "Just a Closer Walk," and Mrs. Don Dickau and Mrs. Arley rendered a duet. Rev. E. P. Dickau, president of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, spoke on "The World's Superior Structure."

At the afternoon dedication service many of the neighboring churches were represented. The Ladies' Choir sang, "I Was Glad." The report from the Building Committee was given by Arthur Sommers. Leroy Dickau sang the beautiful hymn, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." Rev. and Mrs. Ed. Link also rendered "Bless This House" after which Dr. George A. Lang of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., spoke on "Sand, Sacrifice and Stairs." Rev. E. P. Wahl led in the evening service the church was again filled to capacity. The song service was led by Gordon Dickau, Lorne Strohschein and Helen which Marlon Dickau and Helen Tschetter led in prayer, thanking the Lord for our lovely church. This was followed by a violin solo by Hilda Strohschein. The pictures of the church moving and relocation while Albert Strohschein commented on the same. After Irene and Shirley Sommers rendered by

Rev. H. Schumacher spoke on "Baptism." Prior to the baptismal service, in which five candidates were baptized, Jerry Zilkie sang "Follow, I Will Follow Thee." Every heart was thrilled when the curtains to the baptistry were opened and revealed the beautiful lake and mountain scene, painted for us by Mrs. Ed. Link. This was truly a fitting climax to the day of our church dedication.

Mrs. K. A. Ruggles, Reporter.



# Spice of Life

First Camper: "I do all the cooking and baking for you fellows, and what do I get? Nothing!"

Second Camper: "You're lucky. We get indigestion."

Wife: "I don't think I look thirty, do you, darling?"

Husband: "Not now, dear, but you used to."

Jimmy needed a playmate. Grandpa said if Jimmy would stop crying, he would play Indians with him.

Jimmy sobbed even harder, "B-b-but it won't be any fun. You're already scalped."

Phil: "Why is a baseball game like a buckwheat cake?"

Jill: "I don't know."

Phil: "Because its success depends on the batter."

The modern Indian chieftain opened a speech to his tribe with: "You all know me as Chief Trainwhistle, but since I am extremely democratic I hope that, for short, you will feel free to call me 'Toots'."

"What is the defendant's reputation for truthfulness?" asked the judge.

"Your Honor," said the witness, "I have known him to admit that he had been fishing all day and hadn't gotten a single bite!"

When a widow asked Father to guess her age, he hesitated a moment.

"You must have some notion," she said.

"I do," he admitted with a twinkle in his eyes. "The trouble is that I'm undecided whether to deduct ten years on account of your looks, or add ten because of your intelligence."

Driving in a dense fog, a motorist followed the taillight ahead of him, free from worry. Suddenly, the car ahead stopped and he crashed into the rear bumper.

"Hey," he shouted indignantly to the man ahead, "why don't you put out your hand when you're going to stop?"

"Why should I?" came the casual reply. "I'm in my own garage."

An out-of-towner stayed at a famous New York hotel without first inquiring the room rate. On leaving he gazed thoughtfully at the bill.

"Hasn't everything been satisfactory?" asked the cashier.

"Everything has been fine," said the out-of-towner, "but I notice you have a sign in your rooms which reads, 'Have you left anything?'" It would be more appropriate if that read, 'Have you anything left?'"

## GIDEONS FOR THE LORD

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per. He then tore the Testament in pieces and threw it into the back yard.

That night as the man sat in the living room, the Holy Spirit began to speak to him. Wondering just why his son would be willing to take two spankings and go to bed without supper just to read that Book, he went out into the back yard, gathered up the pieces as best he could and began to read. To make a long story short, he read into the night and found Christ as Savior, and his wife and children later came to Christ.

The amazing thing about the entire Gideon program is the matter of financing. There are no spectacular campaigns, no high-pressure tactics, no callers at your door, no paid Gideons. Local pastors are contacted to obtain permission for Gideons to tell the congregations how the Lord is working through his Word. At the close of the services, Gideons stand at the doors with open Bibles to receive whatever the Lord lays on the hearts of the hearers to give. A few cents more than a dollar places one Bible or three Testaments.

Gideons wholeheartedly believe that the experiences they have in the Gideon ministry make them better and more capable members in their own respective churches. Gideons pass out something that has endurance and is eternal.

The Bibles and Testaments are placed with a prayer on the lips that some wandering father, mother, boy or girl may "find the way to heaven." It is with God's assurance that his Word shall not return unto him void, but it shall accomplish that which he pleases, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto he sent it. Whoever loves the Lord, pray for the Gideons that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified, even as it is with you, for all men have not faith.

## THE "MARGIE LOU"

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At 11:00 o'clock, we finally located Small Mekota and at 12:00 o'clock the people were gathered for a meeting. I led with a short message from God's Word, and then we settled down to the business at hand. They wished to know how they might join our fellowship in order to receive baptism and the Lord's Supper and to obtain the materials in operating their church. We left Small Mekota and returned late that day to Mudeka.

The following day, we went to Bwenga Beach Church, near Tiko, and then returned to Tiko where we met Marge and Kim, who brought us additional petrol and supplies. We returned that evening to Mudeka in time for evening prayers and choir practice.

The next few days were spent in settling business with the chief of the

area concerning land for churches, a rest house for missionaries and making plans with the neighboring churches for greater evangelism and building efforts.

On one of our excursions, I saw Africa as I had visualized it while in the States. We often think of Africa as full of palms and thick, dense jungle hanging right to the ground with wild creatures all about us. As we left Mudeka for Kongae at about midday, we began to navigate very slowly in the shallow, narrow inlets. At times we could reach out and touch the bank on either side and we were constantly pulling the raffia palm branches and jungle vines out away from our heads as we passed slowly beneath.

The sound of our motor startled huge flocks of birds, frightened monkeys and other forest animals so that they began to chatter vehemently. As we were travelling along almost to Kongae, a slender green snake dropped into the water and scooted along to the bank. Our river pilot then began to get excited and we all watched carefully thereafter since Green Mambas are supposedly poisonous. When we became alert, we saw many of them coiled or sleeping on the raffia palms under which we passed. We reached Kongae, met with the people, and then returned to Mudeka that evening.

On our trips to the various churches, we noticed many, many villages. By this time, the news had reached the people in the fishing villages that a white missionary was touring the river by a motor launch. As we passed them, they beckoned us to beach. Our evangelist, John Musa, was deeply moved and begged me to stop but time did not permit. Pray that somehow time will be made available that we might contact these people for Christ.

On Sunday, we had a large service at Mudeka and another at Kongae. The evangelist went to Kongae in order to hold services there while I was with the people at Mudeka at their service. The churches were filled to overflowing and were eager to hear of the love of Jesus Christ.

After the services, we prepared to leave while the congregations gathered at the river bank with gifts of chickens, eggs, bananas, pineapples, oranges and yams, begging us to return soon. One of the unusual gifts we received was a grey and red feathered parrot from the Chief of Mudeka.

These churches have stepped out on faith since that time and have formed their own association and appointed one of their deacons, Benjamin Mokate (our guide), as an evangelist. Pray for the Mungo Association, their people and the many villages which we were not able to contact for Christ in this short week.

Thus ended Voyage I of the MARGIE LOU as we drifted onto Tiko Beach to find Marge and Kim waiting to take us back to Victoria and once again to thank God for "a dream come true."