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IN READING Exodus 14:15 where God bids Moses to tell his people to go forward in spite of their fears of the unknown future and task before them, we cannot help but be impressed by the sincerity of Moses as he led Israel forward to greater heights of spiritual experience and effectiveness for God. Israel's going forward meant facing an almost impossible situation, but it was the only way out. In rendering obedience to God's command, they experienced his presence and help.

God calls us in like manner to "Go Forward" to difficult tasks, to increased personal devotion and loyalty, faith and fellowship, but also to greater achievements in his Name in building Christian character and helping God bring in his Kingdom.

The Training Institute has expanded its building facilities. Through the assistance of the denominational Investment Committee, a new building was erected. This structure consists of a nine-suite apartment, but at present affords the school four additional classrooms, administration offices and dormitory for fourteen theological students. This presents to us a new challenge to go forward in the ministry of training young men and women for more effective Christian service. While we are grateful to God, our denominational leadership, the Investment Committee, and all who contributed to make this new building possible, we feel challenged like God's people of old to go forward into a new realm of service for God and the Truth.

We have experienced an increase of student enrollment for which we are grateful. With enlarged facilities at our disposal we look toward greater interest of our young people seeking their Christian service training with us.

We sincerely invite all our Christian friends to continued prayer support, promotion and contributions that the Christian Training Institute's ministry may be carried on with greater efficiency.

Dr. A. S. Felberg, C.T.I. President

MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

THE \$1,000,000 MARK. For the first time in our North American Baptist Conference history we have gone beyond the \$1,000,000 mark in annual contributions to the Mission and Service Program of the denomination. At the close of the fiscal year (March 31, 1965), Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, and Miss Mary Leypoldt, comptroller, announced that the total sum for the year (1964-1965) would be somewhat in excess of the million dollar mark. Official details will be reported later. Let us "praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

CAMEROON NEEDS. Every missionary's prayer letter pictures the pressing needs for additional facilities and a greater bounty of grace and strength from God. Eleanor Weisenburger writes: "Everything at Bango is growing, except the hospital buildings. The census in all wards is bigger than it has ever been. The new Maternity Building dedicated in February 1963 is now often overcrowded. In 1964 there were 1,440 deliveries with 1,479 babies!" Rev. Gary Schroeder of Soppo writes: "God has given us 270 young people as students here at Soppo. The potential energy for Christ in this group is a constant challenge to your missionaries. The adversary is always busy; yet we thank God for those who are running the race with their eyes on Christ. Pray with us that 'the crown of life' will be their reward."

C. T. I. IN EDMONTON. The Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta is celebrating its 25th anniversary. This issue of the "Baptist Herald" features the thrilling account of the school's history and the story of its ministry. Its three departments—Theological, Bible School, and High School—are moving forward gloriously. But the NEEDS are many, as an earnest reading of this issue will reveal.

SEMINARY NEEDS. The North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. (see March 14 issue) has emphasized its urgent needs—recruitment of new students, books and funds for the library, additional faculty, and student scholarships. Our Mission in Higher Education is a sacred and important responsibility for every North American Baptist.

EXTENSION BUILDERS, MAY. The Lakeshore Baptist Church of Vancouver, Washington is the newest of
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NEXT ISSUE

FAMILY MONTH NUMBER

"The Spiritual Life of the Family."

BAPTIST HERALD

Editorial

Thank You, C. T. I.

Guest Editorial by Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary

North American Baptists unite to express sincere appreciation to the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta for 25 years of ministry as a training center for Christian young people. The C.T.I., as it has become affectionately known throughout our fellowship, has taken seriously the words of the Apostle Paul: "and the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (II Timothy 2:2).

In a day when thorough training has become ever more necessary, the Institute has challenged our young people with the opportunity to improve their skills as Christian workers. What are some of the major contributions that have been made?

The C.T.I. has trained workers for service in our churches. Twenty-five years ago many of our young people, especially in the town and country churches, did not find it possible to continue their education beyond the high school level. Yet the winters were long and the need for further training, especially for leadership in the churches, was clearly evident. Thus the C.T.I. began its ministry as a Bible school for the training of church workers and leaders. Hundreds of young people pursued this course of study for one school year or more and these alumni are today among the most effective leaders in our churches. They not only know their Bible well, but they also are able to teach others. Following the Second World War, many immigrant young people found it difficult to complete their high school training in their adopted country. In answer to this need, the C.T.I. added the adult accelerated high school program.

The C.T.I. has provided training for full-time Christian workers. From the beginning, many young men and women first heard the call of God when they were students at the C.T.I. Sensing the need for Christian workers, they responded with Isaiah of old, "Here am I: send me." Continuing their training in colleges and at the Seminary, scores of these young people are today to be found in the ranks of our ministers and missionaries.

A crucial decision concerning the program of the C.T.I. was made by the 32nd General Conference in Edmonton in the summer of 1958. On the basis of a thorough study of the needs and opportunities, the Study Commission recommended that a theological course on the B. Th. level be approved. Those who were there will long remember the soul-searching discussion that took place before the delegates approved the recommendation. Already a splendid group of young people have taken advantage of the theological course. This part of the C.T.I. program is proving very valuable in providing pastors for our bilingual churches.

To all who have contributed so faithfully to the C.T.I. program—administrators, staff personnel, faculty members, board of trustee members, graduates, friends—we extend congratulations on a task well done.

What of the future? We shall make no effort to predict what lies ahead for the C.T.I., being content to leave that matter in God's hand. Whatever the program may be, we are confident that the first 25 years assure a glorious ministry for the years to come also!

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CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE FACULTY

Back Row—left to right: Prof. E. B. Link, Prof. W. R. Muller, Prof. Wm. R. L. McLatchie, Mr. Ed. Klatt, Dr. E. P. Wahl, Dr. A. S. Felberg.
Front Row—left to right: Prof. A. Rapske, Dr. B. Schalm, Mrs. B. Schalm, Miss E. S. Eichstadt, Rev. W. Goltz, Rev. H. Hiller.



Dr. A. S. Felberg teaching a class on Systematic Theology at the Christian Training Institute.

THE CHURCH of today needs men of strength, force and character. Christ called the Apostle Paul, a spiritual and intellectual giant, to meet a definite need of the church in his day. Paul was well prepared, and this great theologian still continues to bless God's people through the ages.

The church of today has a great mission to fulfill. It needs men of energetic character, of learning, and of distinction for the very demanding task. Young men and women have responded by acting upon their convictions concerning God. They have been willing to renounce everything and to follow their Lord as Commander and Guide, accepting their call to the service of God. They have made Christ their example of life and service, for only the standards of Christ are high enough for our aims.

The Bible is filled with references to men of prayer who listened to the voice of God, thus hearing their high calling. Listening and praying men, who have been related to the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta during the past 25 years have heard the voice of God speaking to them. God often uses a dramatic way in making his proclamation and will known to us. This has been true from the angelic announcement of the birth of Christ down through the ages to the calling, training and empowering of his messengers to proclaim the salvation of the Lord.

VOCATIONAL CHRISTIAN WORK

During the last years the enlistment for this great task has not been equal to the demands. We need to search our hearts as to why. Does the fault



Members of the Senior Class in the Theological Department, Christian Training Institute, with Dr. A. S. Felberg, president (left, seated).

Today's Emphasis on Theology

The Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta through the past 25 years has sought to instil in its students strong convictions of biblical and theological truths.

By Dr. A. S. Felberg, President of the Christian Training Institute

lie in our Christian homes? In our churches? In our training institutions? Perhaps it lies in all three.

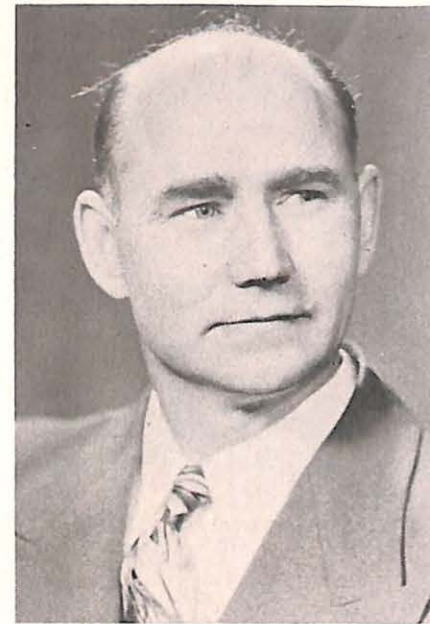
As we seek to prepare young men and women for vocational leadership, we keep ever before us the ultimate objective of their ministry. The Apostle Paul stresses the importance of the vocational Christian work in the words of II Corinthians 5:20, "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."

Realizing that the congregation is not likely to advance much beyond the intellectual, spiritual and theological attainment of the pulpit, the Christian Training Institute through the years of its existence has sought to instil in its students strong convictions of biblical and theological truths, leading them to a good knowledge of the Bible and acquainting them with all the major doctrinal aspects of the Christian Church, "rightly dividing the word of truth." Sound doctrine at the theological training center will produce a sound church ministry.

THE WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD

On the right understanding of the things of God, of the Scriptures, and of life will depend a minister's comprehension of things which he teaches to others. It is therefore a deep concern of the Christian Training Institute so to train its students theologically that they may be well prepared to proclaim the whole counsel of God to a needy world of today. It is of the greatest importance that young people are trained to "rightly divide the word of truth" in order to be delivered from all man-made and superstitious concepts of faith and to enter into a vital, live relationship with God as spoken of by the Apostle Paul in I Timothy 2:1, "for there is one God

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REV. KARL KORELLA
C.T.I. teacher for 11 years and acting president for one year, 1957-1958.

THE CHRISTIAN Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta has an illustrious history of twenty-five years. They have been years packed full of stories of students, faculty, administration, staff and countless supporters. These have been years that began with the realization of a dream of the pioneers; years that now have passed by the 25th milestone towards the fulfillment of a future that is as bright as the promises of God. Year by year the Christian Training Institute, indeed, has been "the Lord's doing."

C.T.I.'S BUILDINGS

The first of the years marked the miracles that founded and built the first permanent residential Bible school of our denomination. With the effects of the depression and drought still lingering, and with the Second World War soon to loose its fury, God answered the petitions of the pioneers when in 1939 he enervated his people to a sacrifice unequalled in the story of our denomination's educational advances. The marvel was that people, who had so little, gave so much of time, money and blistering labor so that the first building could be constructed. This was destined to service over a hundred students at a time and at an actual cash cost of less than \$15,000. It was ready by Jan. 1940.

Through the years a noteworthy expansion has taken place. In 1947 the second major building was erected to enable the C. T. I. for the first time to provide more adequate space for chapel, dining room and kitchen, music rooms and girls' dormitory. By 1949 the academic offerings of the school were broadened from that of a strictly Bible School to include a High School department as well. And by 1958 the third major academic advance came as a result of the North American

C. T. I.'s First Quarter Century

At its 25th milestone, the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta, looks toward the fulfillment of a future that is as bright as the promises of God.

By Professor E. B. Link of the C.T.I. Faculty

Daptist General Conference's decision to institute a theological department.

The past 25 years have seen over 2000 enrollments filling the expanding campus and study in the three programs. These students have streamed in mainly from our own North American Baptist churches in Canada, but there were also a goodly number from the United States and from countries across the seas. And after their studies, they emerged better prepared to shoulder their tasks as servants of the Lord. Over 200 have become pastors and missionaries, or partners thereof. Let no one underestimate the impact through the years of C. T. I.'s alumni lay men and women!

DEDICATED LEADERS

Administration over the years has been primarily in the hands of two presidents: Dr. E. P. Wahl who served as such for 18 years and who still teaches part-time, and Dr. A. S. Felberg who is completing his sixth year as administrative head. Along with these leader no less than 96 faculty members have served, most of whom

have been pastors of the area.

But times have changed; students have changed; personnel has changed. However, many of the earliest traditions of the school have remained. A BAPTIST HERALD description of the first year reveals: "Daily devotions around the breakfast tables, the chapel periods, the prayer meetings in the dormitory rooms before retiring for the night, and the Saturday evening prayer meetings proved themselves to be a refreshing spiritual oasis for the spiritual welfare of all students." From the beginning musical Gospel Teams and choirs have led in many forms of practical service. Indeed, the unchanging traditions of the school are those that involved C. T. I.'s goals for studious, praying and serving students.

The 1965-66 catalogue asserts that "the theological emphasis in teaching has always been conservative, upholding the principle of Biblical authority. As an evangelical center of learning, the Christian Training Institute seeks to prepare young people who will be able to speak the Word of God to a modern generation."



Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Wahl and their daughter Inez (left) who have given 53 years of combined service for the C.T.I. Dr. Wahl was its president for 18 years (1939-1957) and is its president emeritus at present.



Dr. Bernard Schalm in his classroom at the C.T.I., teaching students in the Theological Department in biblical interpretation.

Biblical Interpretation

The Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta seeks to help young people become good interpreters of the Word of God.

By Dr. Bernard Schalm of the C.T.I. Faculty

"... which is, being interpreted, ..." (John 1:41).

NO LESS THAN 15 times the Greek New Testament uses the word "interpret" (hermeneuo). Every Bible reader of necessity becomes an interpreter, if not to others, then to himself. It needs no comment that the spiritual growth of a congregation depends to a large degree on the ability of the pastor to expound the biblical text. For 25 years the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta has sought to help young people become good interpreters of the Word of God.

A COMPETENT INTERPRETER

Three qualities distinguish a competent interpreter: first, he has acquired a thorough knowledge of the language to be interpreted; second, he is conversant with the subject matter; and, third, he has a good mastery of the language into which the subject matter is to be interpreted. This means that an interpreter of the biblical text must be versed in the original languages, have a thorough acquaintance with the message contained in the Bible, and have a good working knowledge of the language in which he ministers.

His primary purpose is not to interpret "words" but to interpret a "message." It is possible to be "literal" without being "exact." The ultimate goal of every exegete is to arrive at the true meaning of a biblical text.

The Bible may be studied from at least three perspectives. First of all, we may read the Bible in order to gain information. Many universities include in their curriculum a course on "comparative religions" where the Bible is studied along with other historical religious literature. Secondly, we may read the Bible for its devotional or inspirational value. Unfortunately many Christians know only this approach. Lastly, we may read the Bible for its doctrinal content. Those

who are continually searching for "theological gems" should not forget that the biblical writers were primarily "witnesses," not systematic theologians. Certainly, they are not responsible for burying the so-called "hidden meanings" which some "treasure hunters" have unearthed.

THE BIBLICAL TEXT

How should we approach the Biblical text? Two opposing methods are commonly used today. First, there are those who maintain that we must find the meaning of a text "intuitively." By "intuition" proponents of this school presumably mean the "enlightenment of the Holy Spirit." Undoubtedly the Spirit of God could employ this means to reveal the meaning of a biblical text to the interpreter. Experience has shown, however, that the Spirit uses "active" rather than "passive" minds. Too often the "voice of the Spirit" is nothing else but the inclination of the interpreter's mentality or, to borrow a concept from Freudian psychology, one's own super-ego.

On the opposite side of the her-

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE EDMONTON, ALBERTA

May 1 and 2, 1965

The first CTI Quartet of almost 25 years ago will participate in these festive exercises.

Saturday, May 1—*CTI Banquet*. Speaker, Rev. R. Neuman, Indian Missionary.

Sunday Morning, May 2—*Baccalaureate Service*. Rev. Raymond Dickau, Parkersburg, Iowa, Baccalaureate Speaker.

Sunday Evening, May 2—*Commencement Exercises*, Central Baptist Church, Edmonton.

Mr. Robert Neske, former CTI music instructor, will direct the Alumni Choir.

menetical field are the "rationalists" who seek to arrive at the true meaning of a text rationally. Most of us will agree that "reason" is a more reliable guide than the "emotions." Even reason, however, is not an infallible guide. Too often these "rationalists" have forgotten Paul's solemn admonition: "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God."

Is there no escape from this prison of subjectivism? Is there no hermeneutical system that is infallible? Unfortunately, or perhaps fortunately, the answer is No! There is, however, a way which promises to get us to our destination, even though many of us will prolong the journey by unnecessary detours.

MOVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Scriptures were written by holy men of God who were "moved by the Holy Ghost" (II Peter 1:21). This means that the Holy Spirit only knows the true meaning of the biblical text. Hence, if we wish to be competent interpreters of the Bible we must also be "moved by the Holy Ghost." This is indeed what he desires to do in the life of every believer, for Jesus said: "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth" (John 16:13).

Permitting the Spirit to guide us does not mean that our intuitive or reasoning powers become incapacitated. To the contrary, these powers are heightened. With extraordinary diligence and care we probe into historical backgrounds and literary forms, seeking all the while to find a synthesis between that which is "past" and that which is "present," a synthesis which will enable us to relate the message spoken many centuries ago to the needs of contemporary man.

It has been, and will be, the aim of the Christian Training Institute to train young men and women who will be devoted to the sacred task of "rightly dividing the Word of Truth" (II Timothy 2:15).



The Christian Training Institute has always emphasized a thorough and dedicated study of the Word of God (left) as essential to the building of strong Christian lives. Another important aim of the C.T.I. has been the training of students in conducting music, (picture at right), participating in Gospel Teams, practicing Christian etiquette and consideration of the rights of others.

Character Molding Processes at the C. T. I.

Christian character cannot be fed to students by the spoonful but must be developed by the application of the revealed Truth of God.

By Professor W. R. Muller of the C.T.I. Faculty

IT HAS BEEN SAID, "Character is what we are; reputation is what others think we are." Now if this is true, and I believe it is, it can easily be seen that character is vitally important to the Christian witness. However, it will also be realized that character cannot be dispensed to students by the spoonful, but must be developed by the application of the revealed Truth of God.

STUDY OF GOD'S WORD

There is no single character building department in the Christian Training Institute, but every department contributes a vital part to the building of a whole man in Christ. The changes in this molding process are not wrought overnight, neither is the work completed while the student is enrolled at the Institute. The attempt here is to lay strong foundations and to lay down clear guidelines so that the student will have valid principles upon which to make his subsequent choices. This is why the C. T. I. has always emphasized a thorough and dedicated study of the Word of God as essential to the building of strong Christian lives.

It is the very nature of the outlined course of studies at the school that contributes to the application of the various studies to daily living. Professors are not interested in merely transmitting facts and information but always seek to find ways and means to have the student make the kind of application that will enable him to reflect more adequately the indwelling Christ. For this reason the opportunities to teach classes, lead choirs, witness in rescue missions, distribute

tracts, and hold street meetings has been found to be very helpful.

INVOLVEMENT IN GOSPEL TEAMS

Not to be overlooked here is the importance of the many Gospel teams sent out throughout the 25 years of C. T. I.'s ministry. This has permitted students to become personally involved in the proclamation of the Gospel and at the same time afforded an opportunity to evaluate their own lives over against the very message they were proclaiming. This has naturally led to deep consecration and willing surrender to the Lord for the outworking of his purposes in their hearts.

Being a co-educational institution, the C. T. I. has always tried to maintain a healthy homelike relationship between the two sexes. While this has brought with it some difficulties, nevertheless, it has been helpful to the students in preparing them for the larger life in society outside the school environment. The common courtesies, considerations for the rights of others, and the training in Christian etiquette

are part of the overall emphasis of this relationship.

Not the least among the different areas of concern is the matter of discipline. The philosophy of discipline at C. T. I. has changed somewhat over the years, but the main thrust has always been to bring young people to the realization of the full consequences of their choices. For this very reason certain rules have evolved to give guidance to the students in their many choices toward a well-rounded Christian life.

A COUNSELLING PROGRAM

Further to help the students understand the dimensions of their faith and the limits of their own personal freedom, a counselling program has been instituted. While all members of the staff are available to the students for counselling, a Dean of Women and a Dean of Men are on call at all times to assist the students in their adjustments to life. This program has proved exceptionally beneficial in the later years of the ministry of C. T. I.

While all of the foregoing disciplines are important, it is believed that the most important of all is the development of strong habits in Bible study and prayer. The students are given ample opportunity for private as well as public prayer. Here are developed spiritual sensitivities that keep the student keenly aware of the origin of his new life in Christ and of the source of strength for consistent victorious Christian living.

The past 25 years have been fruitful in the training of the whole man, and it is the prayer of all concerned that

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FRONT COVER

The faculty of the Theological Department of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta is featured on the front cover of this special CTI NUMBER of the "Baptist Herald." The teachers are (left to right): Prof. Wm. R. L. McLatchie, Dr. A. S. Felberg, president, (seated behind table); Dr. B. Schalm, Prof. E. B. Link, and Prof. W. R. Muller, Prof. A. Rapske is seated in the chair in foreground (right).



Mrs. B. Schalm, (left), organ instructor at the C.T.I., gives a music lesson to one of the students.

The Sound of Music at the C. T. I.

The Christian Training Institute will always be a place of singing and its musical ministry will long continue to bless our churches.

By Professor Wm. R. L. McLatchie
of the C.T.I. Faculty

THE SOUND of music was familiar to the students of the pioneer regional Bible Schools of our Western Canadian churches from the beginning of this movement in 1923 to the establishment of the Christian Training Institute as a permanent school in 1939. Singing, playing of instruments, and instruction in music highlighted the musical life of those early schools. At the outset, C. T. I. followed suit with singing under the leadership of Rev. H. Schatz.

The musical program of C. T. I. has grown to include two main choral groups, Gospel teams composed of vocal ensembles and various instru-

mental contributions, and instruction in piano, organ and voice. Professor Edward Link has been the leader in the development of C. T. I.'s musical program as teacher of voice and conductor of choral groups since 1953. Musical groups of our local churches in the Edmonton area also share with our school their musical contributions to special events such as C. T. I.'s winter convocation.

CHORAL GROUPS

The finest choral performances of C. T. I. students are those of the "Choristers," especially trained by Professor Link every year. This select

group is made up of about one-third of our student body, and is the main concert group of the school. The massed chorus is open to all students. Besides an opportunity for service, choral singing is a source of enjoyment and an occasion for fellowship among students of all three departments of C. T. I. The massed chorus sings mainly in the churches of the local area and the choristers are the touring choir. From the mixed choral groups are also drawn the male choruses and women's choruses, which also participate in choral concerts along with smaller groups.

SPRING CONCERT TOUR

Each year's musical events are climaxed by the spring concert tour of the Choristers and the sacred concert, usually given on Palm Sunday and in conjunction with the Bible School graduation exercises, at the great Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium where our General Conference was held in 1958.

This year's itinerary for the choristers will take them far south along the Pacific coast. In past years, they visited churches of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Washington, Oregon, Montana and the Dakotas, and in 1955 the group went as far south as Waco, Texas for the General Conference.

Thus far, music has been largely an extra-curricular activity, but it is hoped that in our expanding program it will also be possible to offer more formal training in music for credit as an integral part of our program. For the future, we are sure that the Christian Training Institute will always be a place of singing, and that its ministry of music will long continue and be cherished in our churches.



Prof. E. B. Link sings a Gospel song at the C.T.I. Chapel service, accompanied on the organ by Mrs. B. Schalm and on the violin by Prof. Wm. R. L. McLatchie.



At the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta Professor A. Rapske teaches "Christian Education" to the Bible School students by means of audio-visual aids (left) as the students watch intently (right).

Present Challenges in Christian Education

We are standing on the brink of unparalleled opportunities to spread the Gospel through a sound teaching ministry.

By Professor A. Rapske of the C.T.I. Faculty

TO BE INVOLVED in Christian education is to be challenged with a never-ending task. This is as true for the parent as it is for the Sunday school teacher, for the superintendent, for the Board of Christian Education, for the pastor, for the curriculum writer, and especially for the professor of courses in Christian education. The extent of the challenge grows greater with every experience that I have had in the classroom, and at camps and in visits to churches.

A TRAINED, QUALIFIED LEADER

Perhaps the No. 1 challenge would be in the field of leadership enlistment, training, encouragement and supervision. Good facilities, fine equipment and excellent curriculum materials remain of little value if there is no qualified staff to make proper use of the materials.

This again is true whether the leader be a pastor, a director of Christian education, or a teacher. There is absolutely no substitute for the worker who loves the Lord, who depends on the help of the Holy Spirit, who prays earnestly, who loves pupils for Jesus' sake, who is willing to work hard, and who maintains a humble, teachable spirit. The challenge is to find this kind of person, to train him, and to put him to work.

I challenge our young people to spend a year or two in our Bible School department at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta so that they will be able to spend an extended period of time in becoming aware of the magnitude of the task and to begin to use the tools and resources available to do the task more

effectively. It could well be that in the light of eternity the most permanent contribution a Christian will make in a lifetime will be the service rendered as a faithful Sunday school teacher. If this be true, then it would seem logical to secure the best training in order to do the work well.

EFFECTIVE METHODS OF EDUCATION

Another challenge which continues to face leaders in Christian education

lies in discovering the most effective methods for carrying out a program of Christian education in the churches of our denomination. The question arises, "Should we pattern our program after that of other denominations, or is it necessary for us to create our own way of putting Christian education into practice?" Does our bi-lingual background pose unique problems that we must solve?

SOUND TEACHING MINISTRY

There are many challenges of this sort with which we wrestle in our Christian education classes. It seems to me that we are standing on the brink of unparalleled opportunities to spread the Gospel through a sound teaching ministry. At the C. T. I. we seek faithfully to do what we can to shoulder our responsibilities in training God's chosen youth to do his work.



C.T.I. MALE QUARTET

Left to right: Marvin Rust, Dieter Gohl, Leonard Strelau and Delvin Bertsch.

From May 4 to August 16 this Male Quartet will be visiting our churches from Alberta to the Pacific Coast states and from the Southwest across the Central Plains of the United States to the churches of Ontario and Manitoba, Can.

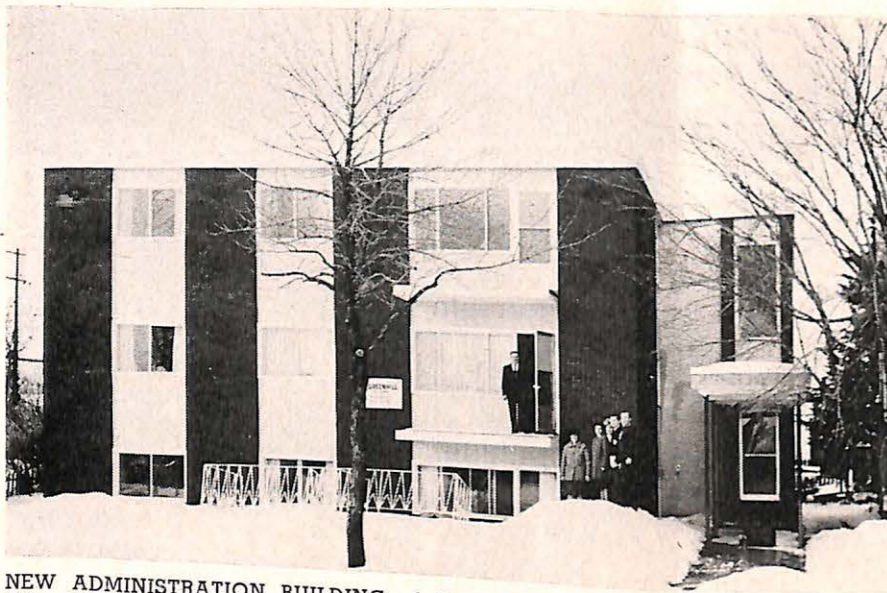
C.T.I. LITERATURE

PROMOTER 1965-1966. A 56 page illustrated brochure concerning the students and faculty of the C.T.I., the history of the school, and general information. Price: \$1.00.

PROSPECTUS, 1965-1966. An eight leaflet with information about courses of study, entrance requirements, school fees, and C.T.I. calendar. Free on request.

WRITE TO: Christian Training Institute, 10810-78th Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

1965 ANNUAL. An historical account about the 25 years of the Christian Training Institute appears in the 1965 ANNUAL, pages 24-28. (\$1.00 per copy from the Roger Williams Press). It is profusely illustrated.



NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta which was built alongside the other two buildings of the C.T.I. and which will be formally dedicated in September 1965.

Do You Know That . . . ?

Interesting facts and historical data about the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta

By Miss Elsa S. Eichstadt of the C.T.I. Faculty

DO YOU KNOW THAT the beginning of our Christian Training Institute dates back to the year 1923, when four-week training periods were held for the young people in the different churches in the Canadian Northwest? The first of these was held in the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta. Approximately 40 young people attended the school to receive Christian instruction. This first organized attempt proved very successful and plans for bigger and better schools were made.

Do you know that the first building of the Christian Training Institute, completed in January 1940, was erected for \$14,200? Only \$1,325 were paid out for carpenter, plasterer and stucco work wages. All other labor was rendered voluntarily by people from the surrounding churches. Some people traveled 250 miles to express their deep concern and to give support to this worthwhile venture.

ROOM AND BOARD

Do you know that the nominal sum of \$2.50 for a week of board and room was charged the students during the first terms of Bible School? This sum covered all expenses and left funds in the treasury because of the gracious generosity of church people who sent in food supplies continuously.

Do you know that Rev. Rubin Kern, our present Eastern District Secretary, together with Leonard Jespersen, Arthur Weissner and Harold Jespersen formed the first quartet of the Alberta

Bible School in 1928-1929?

Do you know that the first student body and faculty of the Christian Training Institute was pictured on the front cover of the April 15, 1940 issue of the *Baptist Herald*?

Do you know that Rev. H. Schatz was the first choir director at the Christian Training Institute, and that the Bible School had its own orchestra under the direction of Fred Hoffman?

THE WAHL FAMILY

Do you know that the Wahl family, Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Wahl and Inez Wahl, rendered a combined ministry of over half a century at the Christian Training Institute? Dr. Wahl, the founder, served as president for 18 years, and continues to serve as professor in the Bible School Department. Mrs. Wahl served as cook, matron and Dean of Women for more than one decade. Inez Wahl worked in the office well over two decades.

Do you know that Province of Alberta supplied and still does supply the Christian Training Institute with the largest number of students? Next in line is Saskatchewan, followed by Manitoba. North Dakota has also made a sizeable contribution. Students from such faraway places as Yukon, Germany, Hong Kong, Trinidad, and Colombia, South America have trained at the Institute.

Do you know that 49 of our former students are now ministers' wives? Number 50 will join the ranks this summer. In a very real sense the

Christian Training Institute has made a remarkable contribution to the field of the Christian ministry.

Do you know that approximately 2,000 students, young men and young women, have enrolled in one of the three now existing departments at the Christian Training Institute since its birth 25 years ago? Not only was knowledge imparted to these young people, but time and effort were and are devoted to building Christian lives and characters.

EDMONTON CHURCHES

Do you know that four of the nine North American Baptist Churches in Edmonton are presently served by graduates from our Theological Department? Rev. Norbert Laudon serves the Zion Baptist Church; Rev. Erwin Babel serves the Immanuel Baptist Church; Rev. Richard Hohensee serves the Namao Park Baptist Church; and Rev. Werner Waitkus serves the Salem Baptist Church.

Do you know that 96 teachers have served in either a part-time or full-time capacity in the 25-year history of the Christian Training Institute? In early years classes were taught by local pastors with few full-time instructors.

Do you know that Prof. E. B. Link presently is the full-time faculty member with the longest service record? He has been with the Christian Training Institute 11 years, and teaches in the fields of music, church history and missions. Prof. Link directs the school choirs and musical groups, and tours our North American Baptist churches with the Choristers every spring.

Do you know that 12 former students returned to their Alma Mater as members of the faculty, staff, or administration; perhaps better yet, as faculty wives—Mrs. E. B. Link, Mrs. A. Rapske, and Mrs. B. Schalm?

27 ACRES OF LAND

Do you know that the alumni of the Christian Training Institute have purchased 27 acres just one mile south of the Edmonton City limits? With student enrollment increasing, our present facilities—library, dining hall, dormitory, student lounge, hallways—are very crowded. A new Christian Training Institute . . . no longer just a dream? You can help to make this dream a reality—**DO YOU KNOW THAT?**

GOD PAYS HIS WORKERS

Who does God's work will get God's pay,
However long may seem the day,
However weary be the way,
He does not pay as others pay,
In gold or land or raiment gay,
In goods that perish and decay.
But God's high wisdom knows the way:
And that is sure, let come what may,
Who does God's work will get God's pay.

—Dennis McCarthy.

BAPTIST HERALD

A New Mission Field in Vancouver, Wash.

This new Church Extension project, with the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon as the parent church, is now being started in Vancouver, Washington with Rev. Alvin Harsch as pastor. Church Extension Builders will be making their contributions to this project in May 1965.

By Dr. John Wobig, Trinity Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon

THE CITY of Vancouver, Washington is located just north across the Columbia River from Portland, Oregon. It was first established as Fort Vancouver in 1824 as the headquarters of the Hudson's Bay fur trading post. When the treaty of 1846 between the United States and Great Britain established the 49th parallel as the southern boundary of Canada, the fort found itself in American territory. This entire area then became known as the Oregon Territory which was established on August 14, 1848 by the United States Government. Washington Territory was established on March 2, 1853 by an Act of Congress.

As other settlers began to flow in and take over the land near Fort Vancouver, the influence of the post and the Hudson's Bay Company rapidly began to decline. To protect itself, the company even welcomed the establishment of a United States Army camp at the site. In the 1860's it was reported that all traces of the old stockade had been destroyed by fire of unknown origin. Thus began to grow into being the city, which is known as Vancouver, having received its name from the famous Captain George Vancouver, who mapped large areas of the Pacific Northwest in the 1700's.

VANCOUVER'S POPULATION, 64,000

In 1960 Vancouver had an approximate population of around 64,000, and it is estimated that by 1980 its population will have reached the 121,000 mark. Its citizens are home folk who take pride in their landscaped lawns and gardens. Its homes are nestled among evergreen trees and flowering shrubs, and its downtown area is composed of a number of splendid churches, fine schools, public buildings, as well as modern and excellent stores, banks, restaurants, and other businesses. Rivers, lakes, mountains and seashore are all within easy reach of its citizens and visitors. A community-operated Clark College is located on a sweeping campus not far from the downtown area. Thus it is a city famed by a history that looks to the past but also a city that is bright with the promise of great possibilities for the future.

The Oregon Association of North American Baptists only in recent years has appointed a Church Extension Committee to interest our churches in establishing new Sunday schools, missions and churches, as well as seeking out such areas where a new work might be begun. Vancouver, Wash-

ington as a possible place for Church Extension was first brought to the attention of the writer of this article when Rev. Joe Sonnenberg, our District Secretary, paid him a visit at the pastor's study and informed him that a Mr. Vernon Liebelt, formerly of Lodi, Calif., but now living in a new development area of Vancouver had contacted him about the possibility of beginning a work there. This led to the appointment of a Church Extension committee of the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland in September 1962 which committee was instructed to begin the work of making preliminary surveys in the Vancouver, Washington and the Gresham and Troutdale, Oregon areas as favored locations for mission work.

SITE PURCHASED FOR \$20,500

In May of 1963 the committee reported that an area of northwest Vancouver known as the Lakeshore area would provide a suitable field for missionary work and the establishing of a new Sunday school and church. Dr. Wm. Appel and Rev. Bruce Rich made the first brief survey of the area and came back with a favorable report. Several weeks later the writer and Mr. Rich did some more visitation and were impressed with the number of homes in the area that needed a Baptist

witness. The Trinity Baptist Church Extension Committee then looked over the Lakeshore site several times. The Association committee was also invited to pay the area a visit.

In October 1963 the committee began to negotiate for property. Several acres of ground were considered, but it was felt that the price was too high and the land not suitable for plotting. Then in June 1964, the committee's attention was called to an 8½ acre plot of ground situated at 99th N.W. Avenue and 26th Street. This was purchased for \$20,500, and Trinity Baptist Church has agreed to donate three acres of this property for a site for a new building.

A call was extended to Rev. Alvin Harsch of Emery, S. Dak., who began his work on the new field on March 1st. Our brother has arrived and begun his work of visitation in the community. There are some who have expressed their interest in the establishment of a mission in the area. There will also be some from Trinity who will give assistance in getting the work under way. The heart of the beginning of the program will be to survey, to visit, to build, and to gather the nucleus that will comprise the mission which, with the Lord's blessing, may grow into a flourishing church.

FUTURE GROWTH AND PLANS

A word should be said as to the projected growth of the area. It is served by an Elementary School with grades from kindergarten through the 6th grade, having an enrollment of 450, and a High School with grades 7-8-9 with an enrollment of 735. At present an addition is scheduled for the Elementary School and a Junior High School. In the last four years the first grade enrollment has increased by 40 per cent. The great influx of people to the west coast will also have a definite bearing on the expanded growth of Vancouver and its environments. The city of Vancouver is also promoting future plans for industry, shipping and other projects which will attract people to settle there.

We feel that God is giving us a mission field for a North American Baptist work here and that he is awaiting our service to make known the Gospel of saving grace to the people of this community. We pray for his blessing upon our efforts and for fellow North American Baptists to ask the Lord to align our thoughts and prayers in this venture of Church Extension.



VANCOUVER, WASH., EXTENSION PROJECT

Left to right: Mr. James Billeter, chairman of the Oregon Association Church Extension Committee; Dr. John Wobig, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon; and Rev. Alvin Harsch, Church Extension pastor at Vancouver, Wash.

April 22, 1965

Johnny's Church Library

How fortunate are these children who have a library in their church! Here are books on the shelves to help them learn about the love of Jesus and to provide people with a spiritual pattern for their lives. It's no wonder that Johnny loves to get books from his church library.

By Mrs. Robert A. Midthun,
Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, California



Mike Goodsell recommends a selection from the "Children's Story Book" Section to a young classmate in the library of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif.

EDUCATORS and parents have been vitally concerned with making sure that the Johnny's of our country can read. Should we not be more concerned with what Johnny will read? Let us explore how the church and Christian parents can help meet this challenge.

Johnny comes into the church library on Sunday morning, usually accompanied by his mother or older sister. You see, he is only five years old. Now Johnny knows where he can find books about Jesus; so he goes to the pre-school section because he has been checking out books since he was almost four. Johnny's mother and father always encouraged their children to read books from the library because they realized the importance of an early interest in books.

Of course, Johnny can't read, but he can print his name. He selects his own books, pulls the borrower's card out of the pocket in the back of the book, checks to see if his name is printed there. If his name is not on the card, he knows it's a book his

mother has not read to him. He takes it to the librarian, prints his name on the card, waits while she stamps the date it will become due, both on the date due slip in the book, and on the card he has signed. Now Johnny is ready to go to Sunday school.

THE LIBRARY FOR EVERYBODY

Johnny is anxious to go to his class because his teacher has obtained books from the church library to improve her teaching methods and techniques. She has love and understanding for Johnny's age group because she has read and made good use of the available books on child study.

Let us consider how Johnny's entire family benefits because of the church library. Johnny's family checks out family devotional books, commentaries, Bible study books, biographies and missionary books. His sister makes frequent use of books in the category, "Inspiration for Youth," and has been permitted to use fiction from the church library in making book reports in her school. Books such as these

guide the reading habits of all members of Johnny's family and their thoughts, ambitions and actions.

Johnny doesn't realize how fortunate he is to have a library in his church. Some day he will learn how it all came about. Two years before he was born, there were several members and a pastor who felt the need for a library in the church to provide books to help children learn about the love of Jesus, to provide people with a pattern for their lives, and help in finding answers for life's complex problems.

Christians living in today's world of tension and international unrest need to enlarge their understanding of Bible truths, meaningful prayer for missionaries, and evangelistic outreach in their own communities. Books in all of these important areas may be found on the shelves of Johnny's church library.

To organize the church library, Johnny's church appointed a committee of five individuals representing various areas, for example, the Sunday

school superintendent, Woman's Missionary Society, deacon, trustee and the pastor.

Their first decision was where to locate the library. A small room near the front of the church was selected. A room is ideal, but some churches start with shelves in a room used for other purposes, a portable library on wheels, or even a converted closet.

ORGANIZING THE LIBRARY

Next the committee selected a librarian to process books, train the staff, operate the library, maintain files and records, and promote the use of the library. Their choice of a librarian was guided by three considerations: appreciation of books and their ministry, consecration as a Christian, and having time to process books. She was not trained in library science but the committee realized that knowledge to operate a library can be acquired if one has the willingness to learn.

Financial support for the library was promoted by each member of the committee in the particular area which he or she represented. Ample support was assured by donations, memorials and an allocation in the church budget.

It is important to maintain a continuing process of adding new books to the library. This is one of the best ways to insure against the library becoming inactive.

The church library is a carefully planned selection of books, not just whatever collection can be rounded up. Books that meet the highest Christian standards should be selected for every age group, and the committee was guided accordingly in selecting the initial books for the new library. *The Church Library Handbook* by LaVose Newton was very helpful. Book lists and catalogs were obtained from the Roger Williams Press, and a representative of a local evangelical Bible book store met with the committee. Basic requirements included reference books, commentaries, source material for Sunday school and Bible teachers. Consideration was also given to the Junior age group who are among the most avid readers.

WONDERFUL LIBRARY'S SERVICES

An opening date was set for the library and a dedication service was planned. This provided an opportunity for everyone to visit the library. Johnny became aware of the library when a librarian visited his Sunday school department, showed several books for his age group and explained how to use the library.

His sister participated in the poster contest for the church library during National Library Week. The library committee had the evening service in the church with a time of fellowship immediately following. A selection of new books was displayed so that individual members of the church could make purchases for the library.

Johnny's mother is responsible in her missionary circle for having books that

NAME CONTEST

for the new *Devotional Quarterly* Winners:

MOMENTS WITH GOD

1) Rev. Connie Salios, Glen Ellyn, Ill.—\$20 Gift Certificate, Roger Williams Book Store.

2) Rev. Wilfred Dickau, Ebenezer, Sask.—\$5 Gift Certificate.

The following three persons suggested "Green Pastures" which was selected as the second best choice by the Editorial Committee. A gift certificate of \$5 has been sent to each.

3) Mrs. Henry P. Fischer, Rt. 2, Herreid, S. Dak.

4) Mrs. Myrtle Wirth, 905 Pontiac, Salina, Kansas.

5) Rev. and Mrs. Elmer C. Strauss, Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa.

PILOT EDITION

Eight Page Sample of "Moments With God" with beautiful colored cover will be distributed without charge in all churches early in May.

CHURCH ORDERS

for "Moments With God" for the first edition of the quarterly (Oct.-Nov.-Dec., 1965) can now be sent. Prices are being kept at a minimum of 60 cents a year (15 cents each) in orders of 5 copies or more.

EMPHASIS ON THEOLOGY

(Continued from page 4)

and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus."

The aim of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton in its theological emphasis through the years has been to bring its students face to face with the truths of God, to develop a real God-consciousness in personal experience through Christ. We aim to instill a sense of importance to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to learn the scriptural and theological concept of the Holy Spirit, so as to be led to a consciousness of his blessings and power. The student is directed to accept the scriptural teaching of God's holiness and love, the purpose and power of redemption in Christ, the new importance of a sanctified and fruitful Christian life, and to be informed about the teachings pertaining to the Kingdom of God, present and future.



Know what you're talking about

READ

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

APRIL 25-MAY 1, 1965

Library Day at the New York World's Fair, April 25.

are available from the church library to be checked out at the meeting, and for giving a brief report on a missionary book. Books from the library are featured on a bulletin board outside the library door by an attractive arrangement of book jackets. A new theme is featured each month.

Johnny is anxious to learn to read so that he can join the children's book club. The library committee in Johnny's church is aware that an effective church library can be developed by attracting attention to it and the services it has to offer!

Johnny will read! And Christian books will be available in his church library!

RESOURCES FOR FAMILY MONTH EMPHASES

to be observed in May 1965

The following items have been mailed to pastors:

1. A poster featuring the need of faith in God by today's families.
2. A home dedication service.
3. Tracts.
4. Suggestions for special activities with various age groups.

WONDERFUL CHRISTIAN TOURS FOR 1965

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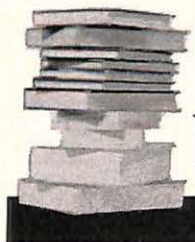
HOLY LAND AND EUROPE—30 Days, 12 Countries (Italy, Greece, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Israel, Switzerland, Germany, France, England, Scotland) Leave New York June 25 ----- \$1475

HOLY LAND AND AROUND THE WORLD—42 Days, (Holy Land, India, Kashmir, Nepal, Thailand, Hong Kong, Formosa, Japan, Hawaii). Leave June 25 ----- \$2150

For Brochures: Dr. Frederick J. Berger, 5636 Norwich Ave., Van Nuys, Calif.



Peter Schroeder (picture at left) shows the library of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., to visiting friends from Canada. Mrs. Veda Rostomily, a Sunday school teacher, (center picture) receives help from Mrs. Cornelia Howen (left), librarian at the Temple Baptist Church. Mrs. Marjorie Jones, Junior Department superintendent, and her daughter Kristie (picture at right) are selecting books from the library's shelves.



BOOK REVIEWS

By Rev. B. C. Schreiber, Promotional Assistant

A FARTHING IN HER HAND, Edited by Helen Alderfer. Herald Press—1964—222 pages—\$3.50.

There are many books written on stewardship but none that is so down-to-earth and practical. The twelve women, who have written on the various areas of stewardship, relate from personal experience on how to use all of God's resources. Mennonite simplicity and a joyous sacrificial spirit are felt on every page. There is much exhortation and inspiration for both men and women.

PARABLES OF THE OLD TESTAMENT by Rudolph F. Norden. Baker Book House—1964—101 pages—\$1.95.

FATHERS OF THE BIBLE by C. P. Dame. Baker Book House—1964—111 pages—\$1.95.

The two books are part of the *Minister's Handbook Series* which includes over thirty volumes.

Most of us recall the parable of the pet lamb related so dramatically by Nathan to King David. All of the others are less familiar. The author seems to belabor some of them in order to heighten their parabolic effect. Perhaps the outstanding difference between Old Testament and Jesus' parables is that those of Jesus still have meaning for all generations. The book is valuable for Old and New Testament parabolic contrast. Some meaningful truths can still be illustrated.

In the **FATHERS OF THE BIBLE** the pastor will find helpful material for this special day in the year.

THE REFORMERS AND THEIR STEPCHILDREN by Leonard Verduin. Zondervan—1964—292 pages—\$5.75.

The student who has no knowledge of the German language may be discouraged by the list of contents. Eight chapters are listed as follows: Donatisten, Stoebler, Catharer, Sacramentschwaermer, Winkler, Wieder-teufer, Kommunisten, Rottengeister.

A cursory glance at the list may give the reader the impression that this is a formidable and scholarly work. In all fairness to the author, it is a justifiable conclusion. However, each topic or "stepchild" is clearly delineated in every chapter. For the purpose of realism the original name of the heretical stepchild is used.

The contention of Dr. Verduin is

that the concept of separation of church and state is a result of the Stepchildren rather than the Reformers. They are referred to as the Second Front, looked upon and treated as heretics by both Roman Catholics and by the Reformers. Their separation did not stem from the fact that they went farther to the right or left, but rather that they went deeper.

The Reformation, under Martin Luther and others, was primarily forensic in nature. Under the influence of the Reformers' Stepchildren it became moral, practical and spiritual. If the Reformers had been willing to be guided by the New Testament, as the author indicates, there would never have been a Second Front; for then the Stepchildren's ambition to organize a church that consisted of followers would not have seemed objectionable. They were fully committed to the creation of a church composed of Christians-by-choice, as over against a church consisting of Christians-by-happenstance.

The Postscript has some pertinent thoughts on the First Amendment.

HISTORY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION by Dr. C. B. Eavey. Moody Press—1964—423 pages—\$5.50.

One finds in this volume a unique presentation of man's role in being a teacher of God's manifestations. After treating the primitive and Oriental and Jewish system of education, the author traces the growth of learning through early Christianity. One can learn some striking, as well as challenging, ways that became a vital part of these eras of Christian education which would be well for consideration by Christian educators in churches and homes today. The special emphasis placed upon the role of the Christian church can serve as a standard to measure our effectiveness or ineffectiveness in Christian education.

The Christian education movements during the Reformation and, in more recent centuries, relate the struggling attempts which were made to provide a more systematic means of teaching the Christian message.

The history of the Sunday school

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movement receives very detailed attention, including the description of the present-day Christian education program, which includes Bible Institutes, Vacation Bible School, camping programs and week-day schools.

The author, who represents evangelical Christians, may at times appear to highlight their favorable influence, yet it is evident throughout the book, both in content and resources cited, that the role of all Christians is taken into account to make this a comprehensive coverage of Christian education history. This is a book not only for students of history, but especially for all teachers and leaders of Christian education in a local church. Church libraries would do well to include this volume in their available books for all workers in Sunday school, youth or other related Christian education organizations in the local church.—Reviewed by Rev. G. K. Zimmerman.

THE CAMPUS MINISTRY by George L. Earnshaw. Judson Press—1964—329 pages—\$6.95.

Many years of experience and some of the best thinking related to campus ministry are compiled in this book. Fourteen persons, from various denominations, have made some vital contributions that should prove most helpful to such who are seeking to become more effective in their campus ministry. This reviewer recommends it highly.

Chapter I attempts to define—in broad fashion—the scope of higher education and the church's concern with it. The author says, "The church's concern in and with higher education stems from the fundamental conviction that God is the ultimate ground of Truth to which every aspect of human truth and knowledge is related." In his listing of directives for campus ministry he says, "Evangelism is the major task of campus ministry. The totality of God's people in the university community is called to bear witness to Jesus Christ as Lord of all areas of campus life. Each Christian, as a part of the people of God, is a 'missionary.' He is sent by Christ into the world of the dorm, the classroom, the laboratory—wherever he finds himself—to be a witness to the 'good news' of the Gospel."

Chapter II tackles the task of stripping off the layers of secondary issues to reach the fundamental problem facing Christian higher education. Chapter III deals with the problem of "town and gown." A brief history of student Christian movements is discussed in chapter four. Campus culture and subcultures are analyzed in Chapter V.

Other chapters deal with such relevant subjects as: "Creative and Experimental Ways of Ministering to the College Mind," "The Art of Preaching To an Academic Community," "Counseling," and "Church and State in Public Higher Education."—Reviewed by Rev. John Binder.

● **Rev. Dallas Keck of Portland, Ore.**, a 1965 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, has accepted the call of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of George, Iowa, where he will begin his pastorate soon after graduation in May. This church is independent in its affiliation but is evangelical in its ministry.

● **In February Rev. Arthur Kliever**, pastor of the Baptist Church, Edenswold, Sask., presented his resignation to the church. The church acted on the resignation on Sunday, March 7, and accepted it with regrets. Mr. Kliever hopes to continue with his studies in advancing his education. His resignation will be effective on April 26.

● **The Baptist Church of Randolph, Minn.**, has extended a call to Mr. Wilfred Weick of Chilliwack, B. C., a 1965 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, as its pastor to which he has responded favorably. He plans to begin his ministry in the Randolph Church on June 20, succeeding Rev. Eleon L. Sandau, now of Branch, La.

● **The Immanuel Baptist Church**, Woodside, N. Y., held "Deeper Life Meetings" from March 28 to April 4 with Rev. Walter Stein, pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., as the evangelist. Rev. Assaf Husmann continues to serve as pastor of the church until the arrival of the newly called minister, Rev. Herbert Hiller, on June 1st.

● **The Erin Avenue Baptist Church** of Cleveland, Ohio has established a Full-time Ministry Fund for one of its young members. This will enable the student to enter a Christian college this fall in order to prepare herself for the task as a Christian Education Director. It is hoped, as the pastor, Rev. Edward J. Pritzkau, stated that this fund will also encourage other young people to consider the Lord's work as their life's vocation.

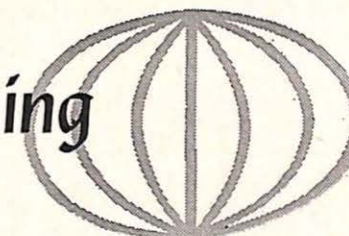
● **The North American Baptist Seminary**, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., will be sending a musical trio to many NAB churches and youth camps this summer. This youth group will also participate in the Central Conference sessions at Detroit, Mich., from May 27 to 30. "The King's Heralds," as the trio is known, is composed of Harry Hiller, Jim Green, seminary students, and Helmut Labentz, a college pre-enrolled student.

● **The Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church**, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., held revival meetings from April 5 to 9 with Dr. Harm Weber, the new pastor of the Covenant Baptist Church of Detroit, as the evangelist. The Bloomfield Hills Church with Rev. Harold W. Gieseke as pastor joined with 40 churches in the greater Pontiac area of Michigan in this evangelistic effort. At the church's recent Missionary Conference, Rev. Gilbert Gordon of Cameroon, Africa was one of the missionaries taking part in the program.

● **On Friday evening, March 12**, the member families of the McClusky Baptist Church, McClusky, N. Dak., observed "Family Night." The supper and program were held to celebrate the completion of the work on the new building project. Dedication services for the new church building will be held Sunday, June 6, with Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., as

● **Rev. Ernest E. Hahn of Millet, Alberta**, pastor of the Wiesenthal Baptist Church of Alberta since 1962, was killed in a car crash that occurred near Kavanagh, Alberta on Friday, March 5. He was on his way to Edmonton to attend classes at the university. He was 34 years of age. He leaves to mourn his sorrowing widow and two small children besides his

what's happening



guest speaker. Rev. W. G. Gerthe is the pastor of the church.

● **The Minnestrista Baptist Church** of St. Bonifacius, Minn., has extended a call to Rev. F. E. Klein of Colfax, Wash., to which a favorable reply has been given. Mr. and Mrs. Klein will begin their ministry in the St. Bonifacius church on June 1st following a visit to their son Dwight and family in California and to their daughter Florence and her family in Alabama. The St. Bonifacius church is building a new parsonage to be located next to the church edifice. Mr. Klein has served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Colfax, Wash., since 1947.

● **The Bethel Baptist Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich.**, held its Annual Missionary Conference from Feb. 28 to March 7, centering on the theme, "The Day for Dynamic Discipleship." Among the missionaries represented on the program were Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holzinger of the Cameroon mission field in West Africa. The church recently purchased a new Ford 60-passenger (40 adults) bus at a cost of \$6,951.58 for use in its Sunday school ministry. Most of this sum was contributed by members and friends of the church. Rev. Herman H. Riffel is pastor of the church.

● **The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Elmo, Kansas**, held a Father and Son Banquet on March 3, with accompanying blessing. Music and testimony were provided by Mr. Ed Williams and Mr. Seed. Rev. David Priestly of Junction City, Kansas was a guest. Rev. Kenneth Schmuland of Vesper, Kansas conducted a week of meetings in the nearby First Baptist Church of Dickinson County, March 7-12. Rev. Gordon Voegelé of Wichita, Kansas held a week of meetings in the Ebenezer Church March 14-19. Rev. Oliver K. Ringering is pastor of the Ebenezer Church.

parents and family at Detroit, Mich. Since graduation from the NAB Seminary in 1957, Mr. Hahn had served as pastor at Glidden, Sask.; Lauderdale Church, Edmonton, Alberta; and Wiesenthal Church near Millet, Alberta.

● **The First Baptist Church of Bellwood, Ill.**, held its Annual Missionary Conference from March 7 to 10. Among the guest speakers were Dr. Leslie Chaffee, medical missionary at the Banso Baptist Hospital in Cameroon, Africa and Rev. Fred Holzinger of the Cameroon mission field. A Union Good Friday service was held with the congregation of the Glenbard Baptist Church, Glen Ellyn, Ill. From March 14 to 28, the film, "The Bible and How It Came to Be," was shown in a series of Sunday evening meetings. Rev. R. I. Thompson is pastor of the church.

● **Rev. Henry Schatz of Winnipeg, Man.**, was called Home to glory on Sunday, March 14, at 65 years of age. He had faithfully served the following churches following his graduation from the NAB Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., in 1926: Rosenfeld, Sask.; Camrose, Alberta; Temple and Rabbit Hill Churches, Leduc, Alberta; Morris, Man.; Regina, Sask.; Bridgeland Church, Calgary, Alta.; Temple Church, Leduc, Alta.; Northern Conference worker; Minitonas, Man.; and Faith Church, Vernon, B. C. Memorials have been designated for the Banso Maternity Center in Cameroon, Africa where his daughter, Miss Gertrude Schatz, is the missionary nurse.

● **The new Church Extension project** in Vancouver, Wash., with Rev. Alvin Harsch as the pastor held its first Sunday school and worship services on Sunday, April 4, in the Lakeshore Elementary School. The project will be known as the Lakeshore Baptist Church. It is sponsored by the parent-

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We the Women

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

"THAT WE MAY KNOW!"

We have just experienced the profoundness of a blessed Easter season. Our faith and devotion again reached a pinnacle in love and rededication. Dare we ask ourselves the question about Easter which Henry Van Dyke asked concerning Christmas in his searching paragraphs of "Keeping Christmas"? If we can keep Christmas for the day with its spirit of giving and forgiving, why can we not "keep it always"? If we can "keep Easter" throughout the year, it could give victory over sin, death, and temptation.

Easter Island has more significance to us than a mere speck of land in the Pacific which was discovered on Easter Sunday nearly two centuries ago. Easter Island is a name which stirs our imagination. Easter, the day memorializing Christ's victory over death, is not an "island" in our lives, but it is a part of the mainland of life, joining closely every part of our daily living.

We are often led to believe that Easter IS an island, just a day set apart for spring hats and for lovely flowers. However, for us as Christians, Easter is more than a day set apart, for it is a symbol of everlasting victory over sin. Easter gives us the assurance that Jesus was what he claimed to be, and that the power of Christ is not buried in some forgotten tomb, but is alive and actively at work every minute. Christ gives us the victory constantly, daily and fully over our difficulties and defeats.

If we can keep Easter for the day, why not always? Our Bible tells us of the measure of the power of God which believers may claim in their daily lives. "That we may know and understand . . . what is the immeasurable and unlimited and surpassing greatness of his power in and for us who believe, as demonstrated in the working of his mighty strength, which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead . . ." (Eph. 1:18-20) Amplified New Testament.

May we never live again as if he were dead!

IT'S TIME TO . . .
Read ALL of this issue of THE BAPTIST HERALD. (See page 17).
Pray for world needs.
Ask to see our practical, new "White Cross Handbook."
Save Green Stamps for African Hos-

From the Professor's Desk

By Professor Ralph E. Powell, North American Baptist Seminary,
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

What is the significance of the present efforts to revise the historic Westminster Confession of Faith? Does this indicate a change of theology in the Presbyterian Church, and are there any trends like this among Baptists?

It is much too early to say dogmatically what the final outcome will be of the efforts to revise the Westminster Confession. The constitution of the United Presbyterian Church prescribes a most careful and guarded rule of procedure for the lengthy process of amending the Confession. Any amendment must first be considered and formulated by a carefully selected drafting committee; then be passed on by a study committee, and must finally pass three General Assemblies and two-thirds of the presbyteries. Work on a "Brief Contemporary Statement of Faith" was begun as long ago as 1958, and the first stage of drafting has been under way since that time.

THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE

The drafting committee is composed of theologians, pastors, biblical scholars, historians and specialists in philosophy and ethics. It has met 19 times, each time meeting for periods lasting from several days to two weeks. Several trial documents have been prepared, studied, revised and reported to the General Assembly (and published in the Assembly's Minutes). A final report is planned for May 1965, and the committee's proposals will be distributed prior to and in preparation for the General Assembly's meeting at that time.

Only after this report has been made will the lengthy process of study by the whole Church get under way. When this report is presented to the Assembly, the United Presbyterian denomination "will be launched on a period of self-criticism and theological debate on the deepest level and of highest import. If carried out humbly and soberly, this cannot fail to contribute to renewal of the church's life," states Dr. Edward A. Dowey, Jr., chairman of the drafting committee. A heavy responsibility will rest on leaders and members, he emphasizes, "to weigh seriously whether changes pro-

posed are required for the church to be faithful to its mission today" (*Presbyterian Life*, Feb. 15, 1965).

It can easily be seen from all this that any revisions will not come about quickly or without thorough consideration and careful deliberation. How much the final outcome will be determined by theological trends remains to be seen. There are strong indications that the new Confession may be influenced to a considerable extent by liberal and neo-orthodox thinking.

The various reasons given for the need of revising the Westminster Confession, or for drawing up a new Confession, should be stated. A product of the 17th century, the Confession reflects a temper and outlook of a period more than 300 years ago, and is hence less suited to the problems and needs of the church seeking to communicate its faith in today's world.

COMMUNICATING THE GOSPEL

Since the divines of the Westminster Assembly (who were summoned by the English Parliament to prepare a scheme for uniformity of religion) were mainly concerned about preparing an official form of church government, a constitutional and legalistic manner of approach dominated the formulation of the confession rather than a confessional spirit. While its language and thought exhibit systematic skill, precision and elegance (like the majestic King James Version of the Bible), it is nevertheless like a legal document, cumbrous, formal and repetitious. Whether this kind of language and style is suitable for an effective, contemporary means of communicating the doctrine of the Gospel is questionable.

It is said that the Confession is excessively individualistic. The corporate, ethical or social implications of redemption are only formally mentioned (in the doctrines of the covenant, the church, and the communion of the saints), but not integrated into the scheme as a whole. Dr. George S. Hendry, one of the members of the revision committee, observes: "It is the individual who occupies the stage for most of the time; rarely do we catch a glimpse of his neighbor—this biblical word is absent from the Confession" (*The Westminster Confession for Today*, p. 16). Today new insights from the Bible and new social, economic and political conditions call for a reinterpretation and a fresh statement of Christian truth for the contemporary scene, it is urged.

Space does not permit the discussion of any trends like this among Baptists, but this will be treated in the next issue.

Busy Fingers and Loving Hearts

The thrilling story of White Cross shipments to Cameroon, Africa and of the thousands of faithful women who have helped gather and to prepare these materials for our missionaries overseas.

Interview with Mrs. Erica Borrmann by Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Editor

HAVE YOU EVER tried to picture to yourself the thousands of human hands that help to send a White Cross shipment to Cameroon, Africa? Everywhere among the women in our North American Baptist churches are busy fingers, gathering materials, making bandages, sewing clothes and filling cartons to be sent to the Forest Park Headquarters office.

In the large White Cross room in Forest Park, an impressive procession of women from our Chicago area churches is busy preparing the bales and boxes for shipment to Africa. But the grandest sight of all is to observe the arrival of such a White Cross shipment, weighing over 6,000 pounds, in Cameroon, Africa to provide needed supplies for the hospitals and clinics. "Thank God for this White Cross shipment!" the missionaries say. "This is, indeed, an answer to our prayers!"

WHITE CROSS ROOM

The story of every White Cross shipment is both fabulous and fascinating. So many people are involved and so much is constantly happening behind the scenes. And above the busy procession of workers "standeth God" adding his glory and blessing to this ministry.

Like the director of a great symphony, Mrs. Erika Borrmann at the headquarters office guides and supervises every White Cross shipment. She is assisted by Mrs. Ruth Job of the office staff. Every item in this shipment has to be identified and listed for the Custom's Officials. The boxes must be neatly packed and prepared for the long trip to Africa. But these women gladly give this tedious work their loving attention with praise to God for the missionary service they can render.

The beehive of activity actually begins to hum in the local Woman's Missionary Societies of our churches. There in response to the quotas which have been given to the women's groups by Mrs. H. J. Waltereit, White Cross chairman, the women gather the supplies together and send them to the Forest Park office, even paying for the postage on the parcels and contributing the money for the shipping expenses to Cameroon, Africa.

In the main season, February to May, almost every week approximately 75 parcels arrive in an amazing assortment of sizes. By the close of a year, a huge pile of 1100 to 1400 parcels has been received from our women's groups.

In addition to this, the women have contributed S and H Green Stamps last year to the tune of 275 books, all filled

with stamps. These had an exchange value of \$825 which was used for 20 thermos containers, 60 blankets, 16 dozen bath towels, 10 dozen hand towels, 18 dozen wash clothes and 6 step-on garbage cans, all of which have been sent to Africa. There has been an amazing response by the women to the request "for one page of Green Stamps per member in areas where the stamps are available."

The year 1965 is still young, but already two White Cross shipments have been sent to Africa. The first left headquarters on Feb. 1st for New Orleans, La., to reach the first outgoing ship following an extended dock

graded as to size and purpose for which they will be used.

A second shipment was sent from New Orleans, La., by the General Missionary Society on March 15 on the "SS Del Santos." This White Cross shipment of 26 units had a value of \$2,032.75. We believe that God's hand guides these shipments to their destination at Victoria, West Cameroon so that they can bring their marvelous blessings to the people of Africa. In 1964 four shipments weighing 21,272 pounds were sent to the Cameroon mission field.

How the hearts of our missionaries rejoice to open the boxes and begin



WHITE CROSS SUPPLIES HAVE ARRIVED!

Dr. Eugene Stockdale and Missionary-nurse Rosemarie Hackmann look over the White Cross materials and other supplies that have just arrived at the New Hope Settlement at Mbingo, Cameroon.

strike. It sailed finally on March 10, 1965. This first shipment of White Cross supplies contained 45 units weighing 6,089 pounds, with a value of \$14,174.05.

\$11,000 OF MEDICINE

It is difficult to visualize the thousands of bottles, supplies, bandages and medicine containers in this shipment. The medicines which have been largely donated through the Christian Medical Society and valued at more than \$11,000 were secured about one tenth of their cost. The shipment also featured baby blankets, jackets, diapers, cotton squares, rubber sheeting, unbleached muslin, contour chairs, hospital gowns, and basins. There were also such interesting things as hundreds of used bottles, all of which have been

to distribute the supplies to the several hospitals at Bango and Mbingo and to the various clinics! But even more deeply touching is the glowing face of a Cameroonian into whose hands these supplies are placed in Christ's Name—some desperately needed medicine, a layette for the new baby, or warm blanket or jacket, and the clean, soft bandage for the leprous foot or hand.

SHORTAGE OF SPONGES

But the missionaries are constantly clamoring for more supplies and the Cameroonians are begging for new clinics and more hospital facilities in their village or area. Just now there is a shortage of sponges, sizes 2 by 2 inches, or 4 by 4 inches. An informative "Handbook for White Cross" has been

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yes, I TITHE!

By Herbert H. Stabbert
of Anaheim, California

Insurance Executive, Sunday School Teacher in the Bethel Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., and Vice-moderator of the General Conference

YES, I TITHE!

In spite of knowing for many years that tithing was a Biblical pattern for giving, it was not until I had been married for some time that our family began to participate in this most rewarding pattern of sharing our possessions with the Lord. Strangely enough, this was during the depression. Humanly speaking, it looked as though this was the wrong time in the face of small salaries and few jobs to be had.

However, I had been asking myself: When is the right time? God spoke to me and the answer was: Now! If one waits until the car is paid for, or until he receives a raise in salary, or until he has accumulated a savings account, and so on, then I fear that God will have to wait a long time before he will receive what is due him. I could find no valid reason to delay any longer.

Not long afterwards, a prominent orange grower who practiced tithing, spoke in our church and used one of the most unusual and effective demonstrations which I have ever witnessed in behalf of tithing.

He placed ten oranges on the pulpit—the first one being a very large one and each of the other nine oranges gradually reduced in size until the tenth orange was about the size of a crabapple. He then picked up the tenth orange and pointed out that this was all the Lord expected of our possessions, and that we could keep the other nine. However, he stated that even the tenth orange (our tithe) is so often withheld by us and that the Lord is begrudgingly given a tiny portion of our possessions, which the speaker represented by placing an orange colored marble on the pulpit—not one tenth; perhaps one-twentieth or less. I believe this made a lasting impression upon many of the listeners.

The blessings of tithing have been many for me. It is our divine responsibility and we as a family cannot shirk it. The blessing lies in the fact that we are trying to please God by obeying his request. It is not an arrangement to be the recipient of material goods. Sometimes this thought is expressed. If one tithes with the motive in mind, "I'll help you, God, if you will help me," then the real blessing is lost.

PRAYER POWER

The prayer power has never been tried to its full capacity in any church.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LINTON, NORTH DAKOTA

The interior of the new sanctuary of the First Baptist Church, Linton, N. Dak., two weeks prior to completion and dedication. (Pastor Herman Effa served as architect, head carpenter, and foreman.)

New Sanctuary at Linton, N. Dak.

Report of the new edifice for the First Baptist Church, Linton, North Dakota by Mrs. Herman Effa.

On Sunday, Feb. 21, the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Linton, N. Dak., moved into its newly erected sanctuary and dedicated it to the Lord. Since our entire building program is not yet completed, this was just a recognition service as we began services in the new sanctuary. As a result, no formal invitations were sent out to any churches. The formal dedication service will not be observed until the building is completely finished sometime this fall or winter, but we did feel that we should have some special dedication now.

The pastor, Rev. Herman Effa, brought the first message in the new church as he challenged the people to "Build God's Way" (Ps. 127:1). Rev. Alfred Bibelheimer, a son of the church and presently the Chaplain of the Bismarck Baptist Home, brought the afternoon message on "Building With a Purpose." Special music was presented by the church choir, the male quartet, and a ladies' trio. The dedication song, "Bless This House,"

We should like to urge everyone to consider this manner of tithing prayerfully and earnestly. From our experience we can say that you will be blessed. Why don't you try it?

was sung by Miss Arleen Mattis while the congregation bowed in prayer.

Approximately 280 people attended the morning worship and afternoon dedication services in spite of the severely cold weather. The ladies served a delicious dinner and enjoyed working in the new spacious kitchen.

Construction on the 40 by 72 foot brick building began August 1, 1964 and was completed largely by volunteer labor. The sanctuary, with ground level entrance, will seat 300 people, leaving some room for overflow. The basement has a kitchen, four large classrooms, and a dining room. Cost of this unit was \$42,000 furnished, plus over 8,700 hours of volunteer labor.

A 32 by 48 foot wing is to be built this summer, housing five more classrooms, two wash rooms, a nursery, church office, pastor's study, storage room, and a 16 by 48 foot foyer. The old church, a landmark in the community since 1913, is presently being dismantled to make room for the new wing.

If we want to see mighty wonders of divine power and grace wrought in the place of weakness, failure, and disappointment, let the whole church answer God's standing challenge, "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not!"

—J. Hudson Taylor

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A TEACHING GUIDE

May 2, 1965

Theme: GOD DEMANDS
OBEDIENCE

Scripture: I Samuel 13:5-14

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Just as sacrifice is no substitute for obedience, so works can be no substitute for faith.

INTRODUCTION: Both people and king were becoming conscious of some of the warnings which Samuel had voiced before the formation of the monarchy. When they demanded a king, they promised almost anything just so they got what they wanted. But God does not take promises lightly. When we give him our word, he expects us to keep it. There is no substitute for honesty and sincerity.

Samuel would support Saul but only on condition that he recognize his dependence upon God and to counsel with the prophet on important spiritual matters. As an elder statesman, he should have been recognized as an authority who had experience and maturity. Saul kept his agreement in the beginning of his reign but later failed to do this. His downfall was the result of his having forsaken both God and Samuel.

I. LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN A WEAK KING. I Samuel 13:5-7.

Saul was anxious to prove himself, and the best way to do it was to reveal his military skill. But he was already in extreme difficulty. With an army of only three thousand men, he expected to deliver Israel out of the repeated attacks by the Philistines.

His followers saw how desperate the situation was and became so frightened that they looked anywhere and everywhere for protection. For the time being, they had no faith in their king and his army and no faith in God. It was every man for himself.

Those who followed Saul were a little more courageous but they could not help shaking with fear.

II. LACK OF OBEDIENCE IN A WEAK KING. I Samuel 13:8-12.

Saul and his followers needed help desperately. They felt that some kind of action was better than no action at all. What Saul failed to realize was the fact that he could not receive the Lord's favor through disobedience. He was the king and not the priest and had no business in meddling with holy things. Samuel was still God's spokesman, and Saul was obligated to take his direction and orders from God through the prophet.

April 22, 1965

sunday school lessons

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

When Samuel arrived on the scene, Saul had a rational excuse for his conduct. He actually thought he was doing God a favor, for he indicated that he had to force himself to take the only course open to him, giving the impression that he made the sacrifice against his own will.

III. A WEAK KING REJECTED. I Samuel 13:13-14.

The prophet immediately rejected all of Saul's excuses and informed him in no uncertain terms how foolishly he had acted. It seems he tried to play God. He overstepped his power and authority and became a self-righteous ruler who thought that as king he had the first and the last word in everything.

We must remember that our personal plans are not always God's plans. When we do not understand God's ways, it is better to wait in patience and faith rather than to perform some rash act which will have serious consequences in our lives and in the lives of others.

Saul had a great opportunity of being a man after God's own heart but God had to select a successor who would be forever after known as a man after God's own heart.

Questions for Discussion

1. Why was it wrong for Saul to make a sacrifice, and why was it right for David to make a sacrifice (II Samuel 24:18-25)?
2. What was Saul's attitude toward God compared to that of Samuel?
3. Compare Saul's attitude with the beatitude found in Matthew 5:5.

A TEACHING GUIDE

May 9, 1965

Theme: THE RESULTS OF
DISOBEDIENCE

Scripture: I Samuel 18:5-16

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: He who is God-forsaken is the most forsaken of all.

INTRODUCTION: The two lessons are closely related because they are centered around the key words of obedience and disobedience. When we study the life of Saul, we soon discover that disobedience in his case was not a matter of a simple act or two, but an attitude of disobedience that was a continuing habit of his life.

All of us must confess that we have been disobedient at one time or another, but, where we have been truly repentant and rededicated to obedience, the Lord was always gracious and forgiving and we were restored

to full fellowship with him. This is not to say that we have not suffered the consequences of our disobedience and perhaps in some cases others had to suffer innocently because of our disobedience.

Sin always pays some wages. We have no choice in accepting them or rejecting them. They are forced upon us. The important truth to remember is to stop our sin before the final wages become death and accept the gift of God which is eternal life.

The story today is a strong and clear contrast between Saul, whose continual habit was toward disobedience, and David, whose desire and aim in life was obedience to God.

I. DAVID ASCENDING. I Samuel 18:5-7.

After the Goliath experience David's influence and fame rose rapidly. Saul appointed him as court musician which seemed to act as a tranquilizer for his troubled spirit. He was also in close proximity to the king when he served as armour bearer. Soon he became the chief general over all the army and became popular with the people. He was their "number one hero." In spite of the fact that David was under the authority of Saul and obeyed him in every respect, he had no control over the celebrations in which praises were sung in his honor. David, a mere boy in comparison, was already far above him in the eyes of the Israelites.

II. SAUL DESCENDING. I Samuel 18:8-11.

When the women sang about David in this way, it carried a sting that was hard for Saul to take. The experience inflamed the anger of the king and he became aware of the danger of his position as king. It is always easier to step up than to step down. From that day Saul began to grow distrustful and suspicious. His love for David turned to hate.

The evil spirit that entered Saul seems like a strange accusation against God. However, when God withdrew his good spirit, there was room for only one other spirit and that was an evil spirit. It was his own choice and God did not force it upon him. God's original will was that he should be a good king, not an evil king. This would have been possible if Saul had remained small in his own eyes, but he grew too big for his crown.

III. THE CONTINUING CONFLICT. I Samuel 18:12-16.

Perhaps the greatest cause of Saul's fear was the fact that he had everything to lose and David had every-

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OUR denomination in action

special events

RAPID CITY, S. DAK. On Friday, Feb. 19, the Mens' Brotherhood of the South Canyon Baptist Church of Rapid City, S. Dak., gave a pancake supper for all couples in the church and the Senior age boys to promote their membership drive. Rev. Wallace Larson of the city spoke on "Manpower in the Church Today." The men did a fine job of serving the pancakes, sausages, and coffee while we enjoyed the fellowship. On Sunday, March 7, the Ladies' Mission Circle held a supper at the church followed by the women presenting the program. The skit, "The Macedonian Cry," was presented, interspersed with several poems and special music. The offering went towards the building of a kitchen in the new church building. The dedication of our new church home and the parsonage were planned for April 11. (Mrs. John Kwyzla, Jr., Reporter).

RIVERVIEW, ST. PAUL, MINN. The Riverview Baptist Church, West St. Paul, Minn., held a Planning Retreat at the Thunderbird Motel on Jan. 30. The purpose was to spend an entire day of intensive work to plan the overall activities of the church. Twenty-six members devoted a day of their time to this effort. Rev. Harold E. Weiss, pastor, brought the closing devotions. A real spirit of cooperation and determination to produce results prevailed throughout the day. Very difficult problems were approached directly and discussed thoroughly, sometimes even vigorously. At the end of the day, some problems remained unsolved but much progress was evident in each area. The attendees split into four groups according to general planning areas labeled "Goals and Objectives," "Organization," "Material Stewardship," and "Activity Planning." A series of questions on the agenda were used as starting points for discussion. Each group prepared a final written report that included recommendations for action. These were forwarded to the Church Board for consideration and possible implementation. (Carl W. Glewwe, Reporter).

NORTH TEXAS ASSOCIATION. "Evangelism Today" was the theme for the annual sessions of the North Texas Association at Waco, Texas with the Central Baptist Church March 5-7. Dr. Richard Schilke, General Mission Secretary, and Dr. J. C. Gunst, Central District Secretary, were guest speakers. Rev. Kenneth Howe, host pastor, gave a hearty welcome at the opening session, to which the moderator, Rev. J. G. Neugebauer, responded. The keynote address, "The Place of the Holy Spirit in Evangelism," was brought by Dr. Schilke. On



Miss Joyce Batek, Japan missionary at the Harvest and Mission Festival observed by the Bethany Baptist Church near Vesper, Kansas.

BETHANY CHURCH, KANSAS

The picture above was inadvertently omitted from a report that was published earlier about the Harvest Festival Program at the Bethany Baptist Church, Vesper, Kansas.

Saturday, reports were heard from the Association churches and the following officers were elected: moderator, Rev. J. G. Neugebauer, Dallas, Texas; vice moderator, Rev. J. R. Ford, Crawford, Texas; and secretary-treasurer, Mr. L. L. Lippert, Waco, Texas.

Workshops for young people, pastors and deacons, and Sunday school were led by Dr. J. C. Gunst, Dr. Richard Schilke and Mr. Don Reed. Rev. J. R. Ford, pastor of the Crawford church, spoke at the Youth Rally on Saturday evening. The topic, "A Look at God's Plan of Salvation," was well developed by Dr. J. C. Gunst at the Sunday morning worship service. The Association closed with a Missionary Rally on Sunday afternoon, at which time Dr. Richard Schilke brought a challenging message on the topic "Come Over . . . and Help Us." (Mrs. R. E. Engelbrecht, Reporter).



Members of the Riverview Baptist Church, West St. Paul, Minn., who participated in the Planning Retreat with the pastor, Rev. Harold E. Weiss (right).

EDENWOLD, SASK. Rev. Arthur Kliever, pastor at the Edenwold Baptist Church, Edenwold, Sask., tendered his resignation on Sunday, Feb. 7. Due to unfavorable weather we were not able to hold any services for some time thereafter, and so this resignation did not receive its proper recognition until March 7 at which time the church voted upon its acceptance. Brother Kliever's ministry will terminate on April 26. He hopes to continue with his studies to advance his education. May God bless his Word as it continues to go forth from our pulpit. Our membership in the Edenwold Church has become very small since a great number of our people have moved to Regina. (Mrs. Isabella Brucker, Reporter).

RIDGEMONT, EAST DETROIT, MICH. On Sunday, Feb. 28, the Ridgemont Baptist Church, East Detroit, Mich., held a dedication service for its new North American Hymnals. The local group of our Baptist Life Association presented 100 books to our church as a very generous gift. The necessary balance was purchased by the church. This new hymn book has grown "near and dear" to our hearts in a very short time. We find many excellent translated German songs in it which many of us know since childhood. We hope and pray that God might bless us in a very special way through the message of these songs of faith and glory. (Manfred Neuman, Reporter).

sunday school programs & events

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKSHOPS IN IOWA. Afternoon and evening workshops were held at Sumner and Steamboat Rock, Iowa on Feb. 1 and 2. The topics were "Teaching Techniques with Children," "Understanding Youth," and "Working With Adults." The leaders were Rev. Gideon Zimmerman, general secretary of the Christian Education Department; Rev. George Breikreuz, pastor of Elgin, Iowa and youth representative on the Northwestern Conference Christian Education Committee; and Miss Dorothy Pritzkau, Director of Christian Education, Burlington, Iowa, and children's worker on the Northwestern Conference Christian Education Committee. Each division had two sessions in the afternoon and one in the evening. A joint session was also held in the evening in which Mr. Zimmerman discussed the new Sunday School Curriculum material. A comprehensive book display was provided by Roger Williams Press. (Dorothy Pritzkau, Reporter).

CBY (youth) fellowship

LA CROSSE, WIS. The Bible Baptist Church, La Crosse, Wis., recently was host to the Mid-Winter Institute for three days. Rev. John Binder, Assistant General Secretary of Christian Education, was the featured speaker for the young people. The theme for this Institute was "Dedicated Disciples." Other classes and sermons were given by Rev. Donald Miller, Rev. Henry Schroeder and Rev. Leon Franck. There were 125 persons registered from Minnesota and La Crosse for these meetings, Feb. 19 to 21. (N. J. Johnston, Reporter).

CENTRAL, GEORGE, IOWA. On Feb. 13th the C.B.Y.F. of the Central Baptist Church, George, Iowa was host to the youth groups from some of the local churches at a Valentine Banquet. The mothers of our group provided and served the meal. The program centered around the theme, "Hearts for Christ," carried out in an atmosphere of red hearts and white streamers, featuring also vocal numbers: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" by Alda Siebrands, Karen Hass, Doug DeWeerd and Merle Krull; "Love Divine," duet by Donna Harms and Marla Schrick; Jim Stubbe's solo, "Love Lifted Me." Doug DeWeerd read 1 Cor. 13, following which Larry Snuttjer, Master of Ceremonies, introduced the evening speaker, Hisashi Murakami, a Japanese student from our N.A.B. Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., who challenged the young people to live a life of love, which is proved by self giving to the Lord and then to others. Gloria Anning gave the offertory prayer. All enjoyed the spiritual inspiration and Christian fellowship. Our pastor, Rev. Harold Drenth, closed the evening's gathering with prayer. (Julia Oltmann, Reporter).

FOREST PARK, ILL. At the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill., Youth Week was observed March 5-7 and 11, 1965, the delay being due to the 75th anniversary celebrations. Under the guidance of Gordon D. Loux, assistant to the pastor, the three youth groups, with their presidents: Dwight Anderson, Young Adults; Edward Giegler, Senior CBY; and Karen Good, Junior CBY, visited and toured the Pacific Garden Mission, briefly participating in the program on Friday evening. On Saturday morning they gathered at the church. While some rendered constructive manual service in doing odd jobs that needed attention, others collected old newspapers.

On Sunday they participated extensively in the morning and evening services. In the evening, under the direction of Dwight Anderson, the orchestra and youth choir rendered several musical selections. A skit portray-

ing a 1000-year-old man returning to life and visiting American youth meetings and church services very graphically illustrated through his reactions the desperate need for a more dedicated commitment to Christ. With young people of different races and religious faiths participating in the program, the challenge brought by Mr.

Loux in his message on "Dedicated Discipleship" became especially forceful. On Thursday evening, the men were invited to visit the work of our Boys Brigade in an effort to become familiar with the activities of our young people and the opportunities they have for witnessing through this media. (E. Redlich, Reporter).

evangelistic services & baptisms

McKERNAN, EDMONTON, ALTA. On Sunday, Dec. 13, 1964, we at the McKernan Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, had the joy of witnessing the baptism of 16 adults and young people by our pastor, Rev. Charles Littman. At the evening service, prior to the observance of Communion, the hand of fellowship was extended to these as well as to 22 others who were received by letter and one by testimony. (Mrs. L. Bertsch, Reporter).

NEW LEIPZIG, N. DAK. The New Leipzig Baptist Church of New Leipzig, N. Dak., was privileged to witness the baptism of three young people on Dec. 27. Those testifying to their faith in Christ by baptism in a service held in the First Baptist Church of Hebron, N. Dak., were Daryl Birdsall, Colleen Grosz and Kenneth Kreutz. On the Sunday, Jan. 3, they were received into the membership of the church along with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Strom who came by letter from the Immanuel Baptist Church of Beulah, N. Dak. (Allan Gerber, Pastor).

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. Dr. Harm A. Weber, the new pastor of the Covenant Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. and successor to Dr. Warner Cole, served as the evangelist in a series of meetings at the Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. The Bloomfield Hills Church joined 40 other churches in the Greater Pontiac area for this simultaneous Crusade for Christ sponsored by the Evangelical Ministers' Fellowship. Rev. Harold W. Gieseke was the chairman of the Fellowship's Evangelism Committee, which directed this effort for



Rev. Allan Gerber (center), pastor of the Baptist Church, New Leipzig, N. Dak., with three baptismal candidates.



Rev. Charles Littman (right), pastor of the McKernan Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alta., and 39 new members received into the church at a recent communion service.

Christ. Each church determined its own program. But the 40 churches were united in prayer and in area-wide publicity.

DURHAM, KANSAS. A week with God's Volunteers Team II and their director, Rev. W. Hoffman, has blessed the First Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas and the community. Their joy in Christ was evident. The Youth Rally attracted 60 youth of the area, at which 9 young people rededicated their lives to Christ. A record attendance of 255 was reached on the closing evening.

Rev. Henry Lang, began his pastorate at the First Baptist Church of Durham in late November. The church heartily welcomed him and his family at the annual King's Daughters Missionary program. During January Rev. G. K. Zimmerman came to conduct a class on Adult Education. Miss Ruby Salzman, missionary on furlough, gave us a stirring message concerning the problems in the Camerons in January. (Mrs. Dorman C. Becker, Reporter).

woman's missionary societies

EMMANUEL, MORRIS, MANITOBA. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Morris, Man., presented its semi-annual program on Sunday evening, March 14. Financial reports were read, and our secretary gave a brief summary of the past year's activities. The ladies presented several musical num-

bers. Dr. F. Woyke, Executive Secretary of our Conference, was the guest speaker. His message was entitled "Ambassadors for Christ." A mission offering amounting to \$172 was received, and this will be used to further the cause of Christ in Africa. It was our privilege to have Dr. Woyke speak in our morning worship service and to the young people on Saturday evening. (Mrs. C. Bergstresser, Reporter).

LINTON, N. DAK. On Sunday, Feb. 28, the Woman's Mission Society of the First Baptist Church, Linton, N. Dak., presented a White Cross program. The president, Mrs. Gottlieb Kremer, presided and also directed the two group songs sung by the society. A playlet on White Cross work, written by Mrs. Herman Effa, was presented by Mrs. Alvin Sauter and Mrs. Robert Schlittenhart, after which the White Cross pictures from Headquarters were shown. All the White Cross articles which the ladies had made were on display for everyone to examine and many favorable comments were made regarding this wonderful work. The offering for the evening was designated

for shipping costs involved and also to help buy additional medical supplies for our African hospitals. (Mrs. Herman Effa, Reporter).

CARBON, ALBERTA. We of the Woman's Mission Society of Carbon, Alberta have been quite active. For our semi-annual program we held a banquet with a short program afterwards on the four mission projects: Spanish-American, Japan, Cameroon and Indian Reserves. The offering was divided among these mission fields. For the Women's World Day of Prayer we invited our neighboring churches of Carbon, namely, the Anglican and United churches. Because of renovations at our church, we met at the United Church building. After prayer we gathered in the dining hall for fellowship. Early in the year we baked cookies for CTI. We did some sewing for White Cross, rolled bandages, gathered pill bottles, etc. Now we are gathering clothes for the Indian mission field. We plan to visit these Indian Reservations of Alberta this summer as a society. (Alvina Becker, Reporter).

ANNIVERSARIES & RECEPTIONS

60TH ANNIVERSARY, MR. AND MRS. GUTKNECHT. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutknecht of Edmonton, Alberta were honored on their 60th wedding anniversary at the McKernan Baptist Church on Sunday, Jan. 24. A short program was held in the lower auditorium with the pastor, Rev. Charles Littman, in charge. Congratulations and good wishes were brought by a representative of each organization of the church as well as several numbers in song, including a solo by a granddaughter and a trio by a daughter, granddaughter and grandson. All their children were present for the joyous occasion. (Mrs. L. Bertsch, Reporter).

NORRIDGE, ILL. January 1965 was an eventful month for the beloved pastor, Rev. Walter Schmidt, of the First Baptist Church, Norridge, Ill. It marked both the beginning of a new year for him and the end of his pastorate with our church, having served our congregation faithfully for the past 7 years. On Sunday, Jan. 17, he dedicated two babies, Daniel Lee Kirkpatrick and Lyn Noelle Soo Hoo, to the Lord and on his last Sunday with us, Jan. 31, he welcomed a new member, Mrs. Mary Jane Hiller, into our church. During the month of January, he officiated at our annual business meeting, helping to guide the future work of our church. Mr. Schmidt's farewell message, "God Cannot Fail," was also a dedicatory one for the newly installed Illuminated Cross on the exterior of our church. Our church has truly benefitted from the ministry of this man of God to us. All of the gifts which we gave to Rev. Walter Schmidt and his family are only mere



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutknecht of Edmonton, Alta., at their 60th wedding anniversary celebrated at the McKernan Baptist Church.

tokens of our love and appreciation for the services they have rendered to our church. (Ruth J. Hess, Reporter).

IMMANUEL, PORTLAND, ORE. The Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon recently held a special dedication program after the evening service to dedicate the new baby grand piano, made possible by the Aunt Mary Harding Memorial Fund. Mary Harding was a charter member of the church and was active in Sunday school and the church work until recent years. The memorial was a gift from the family and friends. Mr. Adam Hoelzer, our only remaining charter member, took charge of the program with special numbers and piano selections. Rev. Wm. Jeschke, pastor, offered the dedicatory prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Gonnerman are

THANK YOU!

By Ruth Rabenhorst
Cameroon Missionary Nurse now at
1151 Boughton Street, Watertown, Wis.

Today I read, "We often thank God for the roses, but seldom do we thank him for the thorns." How true, isn't it?

When I was a bit reluctant to accept the decision of the Medical Committee in Cameroon, Africa to return to the States earlier, Dr. Chaffee (then chairman of the Committee) told me, "We have sought the Lord's will in this decision. Some day you'll be grateful that we are sending you home early." Little did I know then that shortly after my arrival home, I would suddenly be called to spend several months of rest and confinement here at the TB Sanatorium. And—today I am grateful for that decision.

Miss Rabenhorst has returned to her home, 1151 Boughton Street, Watertown, Wisconsin since writing this letter of thanks. She will need several more weeks of rest for her complete recovery. EDITOR.

The Lord knew I needed to get home so that the Tuberculosis would be discovered while still in the early stages. He also knew I needed a time of spiritual refreshment. I'm grateful for the heart peace he has furnished and for the many blessings (and lessons) his Word has brought. His decisions are always perfect and never late!

Each day's mail has brought cards and notes of cheer from many dear friends in our various churches. I am very grateful for each one and for the many prayers for a complete recovery. Past experience and my latest medical reports prove that where there is prayer, there is power.

The plans of tomorrow are in the Lord's hands. Today he is asking me to wait upon him and be a faithful witness in this new "mission field."

Please pray for my witness here. "God meant it (all this) for good." (Genesis 50:20).

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Rev. J. C. Kraenzler
Ashley, North Dakota

Rev. Victor H. Prendinger
34 Marvin Street,
Patchogue, New York

Rev. Henry G. Ramus
4818 Howe Lane
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Dr. Arthur A. Schade
Box 1119, Gillette, Wyoming

ministering as Youth Advisors at the Immanuel Church of Portland. Mr. Gonnerman is from Glenbard, Ill., and is studying at the Evangelical United Brethren Seminary near Portland and until recently served the Wichita Church of Milwaukie, Oregon. (R. F. Rosentreter, Reporter).

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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church, Trinity Baptist of Portland, Ore., with Dr. John Wobig as the pastor, and by the denominational Church Extension Committee. Within 13 blocks of the new church site is the new Columbia River High School with 1500 students, and within 15 blocks in another direction the city is constructing a new Junior High School. Five blocks south of the site is a three year old grade school with 750 students. An illustrated article about the Extension project appears on page 11 of this issue.

• **The closing exercises of the Bible School of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta** were held on April 2 and 4 at Edmonton. On Friday evening, April 2, Mr. Harold B. Johns of Oak Park, Ill., served as guest speaker at the Bible School Banquet and showed his latest Cameroon pictures. On Sunday, April 4, the annual concert of the Christian Training Institute was presented to a large audience in the Jubilee Auditorium in Edmonton where the 1958 General Conference sessions were held. The program presented the history of the CTI during the past 25 years in song and dramatization with Prof. E. B. Link as the author and director of the program. Dr. A. S. Felberg is the president for the CTI.

• **Prof. Gerald L. Borchert of the Seminary faculty, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.** has been given unusual recognition for his part in contributing to the book, "Protestantism in our Ecumenical Age" by Otto Piper (Fortress Press—1965—\$4.50) of the Princeton Theological Seminary faculty. The preface expresses the author's gratitude to Prof. Borchert, a former student of his, for his "indefatigable love and careful attention to the minutiae of language no less than to the smooth flow of the argument which has contributed substantially to polishing the style of this book. This is one of the rare rewards of the scholar's life that those whom he has guided on the road to scholarly accomplishment will repay him with their association in the common pursuit of truth."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

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thing to gain. But the greatest fear comes upon man when he becomes conscious of the fact that God has left him. The weakest man in the world is he who has no one to depend upon except himself.

Questions for Discussion

1. If David was already anointed to be king, why did he not kill Saul and take over the kingdom?
2. Would there have been any hope for Saul if he had truly repented?
3. Are there any areas in the church life in which people are envious and jealous of each other?

April 22, 1965

Obituary

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

MR. MARTIN F. SCHINDLER of Gladwin, Michigan

Mr. Martin Frederick Schindler of Gladwin, Mich., was born Feb. 9, 1898 in Roby, Texas (Fischer County) and departed this life at his home near Gladwin, Mich., where he lived the remainder of his life. He was united in marriage to Matilda Koenke on April 21, 1921. This marriage was blessed with one son. He accepted Christ as his Savior in his early youth. He was baptized into the fellowship of the Round Lake Baptist Church, Gladwin, Mich., by Rev. August G. Lang in 1910. He was a faithful member until his death. He leaves to mourn his loving wife, Matilda; his son, Arthur, of Gladwin, Mich.; two brothers, William H. of Crosswell, Mich., and Walter P. of Detroit, Mich.; one sister, Louise Schindler of Detroit, Mich.; and 5 grandchildren. Round Lake Baptist Church Gladwin, Michigan

NORMAN BERKAN, Pastor

REV. PETER GEISSLER of Rochester, New York

Rev. Peter Geissler of Rochester, N. Y., age 82, was called to his heavenly home on Nov. 26, 1964 in St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. He had studied for the ministry at the Baptist Seminary formerly on Alexander Street.

He had been pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church in Buffalo from 1928 to 1941. Other pastorates were: Durham, Kansas; Muscatine, Iowa; Okene, Okla.; Chicago, Ill.; and Avon, S. Dak. He retired 12 years ago, and came to Rochester with his wife, Margaret Bauer Geissler. She died three years ago. He was born in Odessa, Russia. His parents brought him to the U. S. when he was an infant. They settled in Medina, N. Dak.

Surviving are a daughter, Miss Edna M. Geissler of New York City; his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Marian K. Geissler of Buffalo; three sisters and a brother. Interment was in the Baptist church cemetery of Avon alongside the last resting place of his wife. This plot was donated by the Avon church.

Rochester, New York

THE FAMILY

MRS. EMMA A. RIEKEMAN of Navarre, Kansas

Mrs. Emma A. Riekeman of Navarre, Kansas was born August 5, 1884 in Dickinson County, Kansas, and passed away Feb. 25, 1965, while visiting with her son at Benton Harbor, Mich. On Dec. 23, 1903, she was married to William C. Riekeman and to this union were born five children. She was a member of the Ebenezer Church of Elmo, Kansas, and worked in the Sunday school and Ladies' Aid Society for many years. For 9 years the couple lived in southern Texas. Preceding her in death were her daughter Ruth in 1952; her husband William C. Riekeman in 1953; one sister Lillie, and three brothers: Harry, Paul, and William. Survivors include four children: Mrs. Nell Ide, Hope, Kansas; Lawrence Riekeman, Hillsboro, Kansas; Roy L. Riekeman, Benton Harbor, Mich.; and William H. Riekeman, Jr., Elmo, Kansas; 3 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren; four sisters: Mrs. Henry Bunning, Hope, Kansas; Miss Laura Smith and Miss Elsie Smith, Topeka, Kansas; Mrs. Myrtle Nordstrom, Shawnee Mission, Kansas; and two brothers: Joe Schmidt, Detroit, Kansas, and Oliver Schmidt, Hope, Kansas. Interment was in the Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery, Ebenezer Baptist Church Elmo, Kansas

OLIVER K. RINGERING, Pastor

MR. FREDRICK GRAPENTINE of Kelowna, British Columbia

Mr. Fredrick Grapentine of Kelowna, B. C., was born in Russia on Feb. 4, 1877. At the age of 14 he accepted Christ as Savior and was baptized the same year. From 1900 to 1912 he lived in West Prussia. In 1901 he married Elizabeth Korthals. This marriage was blessed with seven children of whom five died in infancy. In 1912 they moved to East Prussia. Mr. Grapentine served in the Prussian Army during

the four years of World War I and received several Prussian medals and also the Iron Cross. In 1924 they migrated to Canada settling in Morris, Manitoba. Then in 1928 they moved to Olds, Alberta where they helped to establish the East Olds Baptist Church.

Mrs. Grapentine passed away on Sept. 30, 1958. Mr. Grapentine married Mrs. Helen Meller on Jan. 5, 1960 and moved to Kelowna, B. C., approximately a year later. On Jan. 24, 1965 the Lord called him home at the age of 87 years, 11 months, 11 days. Left to mourn are his wife; 2 daughters: Clara and Hattie (Mrs. Gretzinger) of Kelowna, B. C.; two step-sons, one brother in Detroit, and four grandchildren.

East Olds Baptist Church
Olds, Alberta

E. L. THIESSEN, Pastor

MRS. MARTHA M. BUHLER of Salem, Oregon

Mrs. Martha M. Buhler of Salem, Ore.; was born Oct. 23, 1890 near Amity, Oregon, and died Feb. 25, 1965 at the age of 74 at the Medical Center Nursing Home in Salem. She was the daughter of Emil and Minnie Aebi. While still a young person she expressed personal faith in Christ and was baptized. Later she was received into the membership of the Salt Creek Baptist Church by Rev. Henry Wedel, who was pastor from 1901-1905, where she remained a member until her death. On Nov. 30, 1917 she was united in marriage to Cornelius Buhler who preceded her in death. Her quiet spirit and pleasant ways were a source of inspiration to many people. She lived in Salem for the past six years with one of her daughters, Ruth, where they attended the First Baptist Church.

Those who sorrow her death include 3 daughters: Mrs. Bernice Ebert, Roseburg, Ore.; Miss Ruth Buhler, Salem, Ore.; Mrs. Elva Shorack, Geneva, N. Y.; 4 sons: Paul Buhler, Los Angeles, Calif.; Harland, Summeret, Bermuda; Clarence, Dallas, Ore.; and Verne, Newberg, Ore.; 2 brothers; 4 sisters; and sixteen grandchildren.

Salt Creek Baptist Church
Dallas, Oregon

CLARENCE WALTH, Pastor

MR. REINHOLD RAUSER of McClusky, North Dakota

Mr. Reinhold Rauser of McClusky, N. Dak., was born August 16, 1880 in Kuschulak, Romania. He passed away Feb. 20, 1965 in the Bismarck Hospital at the age of 84 years. In 1901 he was united in marriage to Sarah Isaak. One year later the family came to America, settling on a farm south of Drake, N. Dak. Twelve children were born to this union; two children preceded their parents in death.

Mr. Rauser was baptized in 1906 upon confession of faith by Rev. B. Schlipf and united with the Rosenfeld Baptist Church, later uniting with the McClusky Baptist Church. In 1932 his helpmate passed away leaving him with several small children. Later he was united in marriage with Mrs. Maria Schmidt. After a number of years, she passed away. In the meantime, he located in McClusky. In 1945 he united in marriage with Mrs. Margaret Dieterle and in Nov. 1964 they came to the Baptist Home in Bismarck.

After two months of suffering which he endured with great patience, the Lord called him home. Mourning his passing are his wife, and 10 children; 23 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

McClusky, North Dakota

W. G. GERTHE, Pastor

CHARACTER MOLDING

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the future will hold equally challenging opportunities to further the development of their full consecration to the Lord and his will for them. To this end we labor and strive that we may fit them approved unto God as "workmen that need not be ashamed."

MISSION NEWS

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our 67 Church Extension projects. The story of this promising field appears in this issue (see page 11). The project is being sponsored by the Trinity Church of Portland, Oregon and the NAB Conference. Rev. Alvin Harsch is the pastor. In May Church Extension Builders will be making their contributions to this important new field.

A RECORD IN GIVING

For the first time in their history, North American Baptists have contributed more than a million dollars to the denominational program. This first announcement was made on March 31, 1965, the close of the fiscal year. More detailed information will appear later. God has blessed the faithful stewardship of his people in N.A.B. churches.

SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Sioux Falls, South Dakota
May 15-16, 1965

Saturday Evening, May 15—*Seminary Banquet*, Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church. Toastmaster, Rev. Willis Potratz, Grand Forks, N. Dak. Speaker, Dr. Roger Fredrikson, First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Sunday Morning, May 16—*Baccalaureate Service* at the Trinity Baptist Church. Rev. Robert Schreiber, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Kankakee, Illinois, Speaker.

Sunday Afternoon, May 16—*Commencement Exercises*, Sanctuary, First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Speaker, Dr. A. Dale Ihrle, Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Honorary Degree of Doctor of Divinity to be conferred on Rev. Robert Schreiber of Kankakee, Illinois.

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Sea of Galilee



Garden of Gethsemane



West Berlin, Germany

"It isn't the high cost of living that is bothering many people, but the cost of high living."—Selected

BUSY FINGERS

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prepared by Mrs. H. J. Waltereit and Mrs. Erika Borrmann which gives explicit instructions with illustrations about the preparation of all White Cross supplies. Copies have been mailed to the White Cross chairman and pastor's wife in every local church.

Tens of thousands of hands have been busy in the service of Christ in the preparation of every White Cross shipment. The loving ministry of our women in this unending "Christian assembly line" has God's loving commendation: "Well done, thou good and faithful handmaid of the Lord." And what a glorious sight it is to see the black hands of Cameroon lifted up with thanks to God in the hospital room in Africa and praising him for having sent these precious things in an hour of need to them.

The busy hands of our women continue to work and labor, for another White Cross shipment will soon have to be on its way to Cameroon. But the heroic story of these loving hearts of our church women in this White Cross ministry is etched indelibly into the historic annals of the wondrous things that God has wrought through his faithful servants!

HOW TO GIVE

Give as you would if an Angel
Awaited your gift at the door;
Give as you would if tomorrow
Found you where waiting is o'er;
Give as you would to the Master
If you met his searching look;
Give as you would of your substance,
If HIS hand your offering took.

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The Judson Tower (with the cross) at the American Baptist Assembly, Green Lake, Wisconsin.

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- Thrilling Sunday program with Rev. H. J. Waltereit and Rev. Clarence Walth as the ministers of the Word.
- Prof. Gerald L. Borchert, Seminary faculty, Daily Bible Teacher.
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