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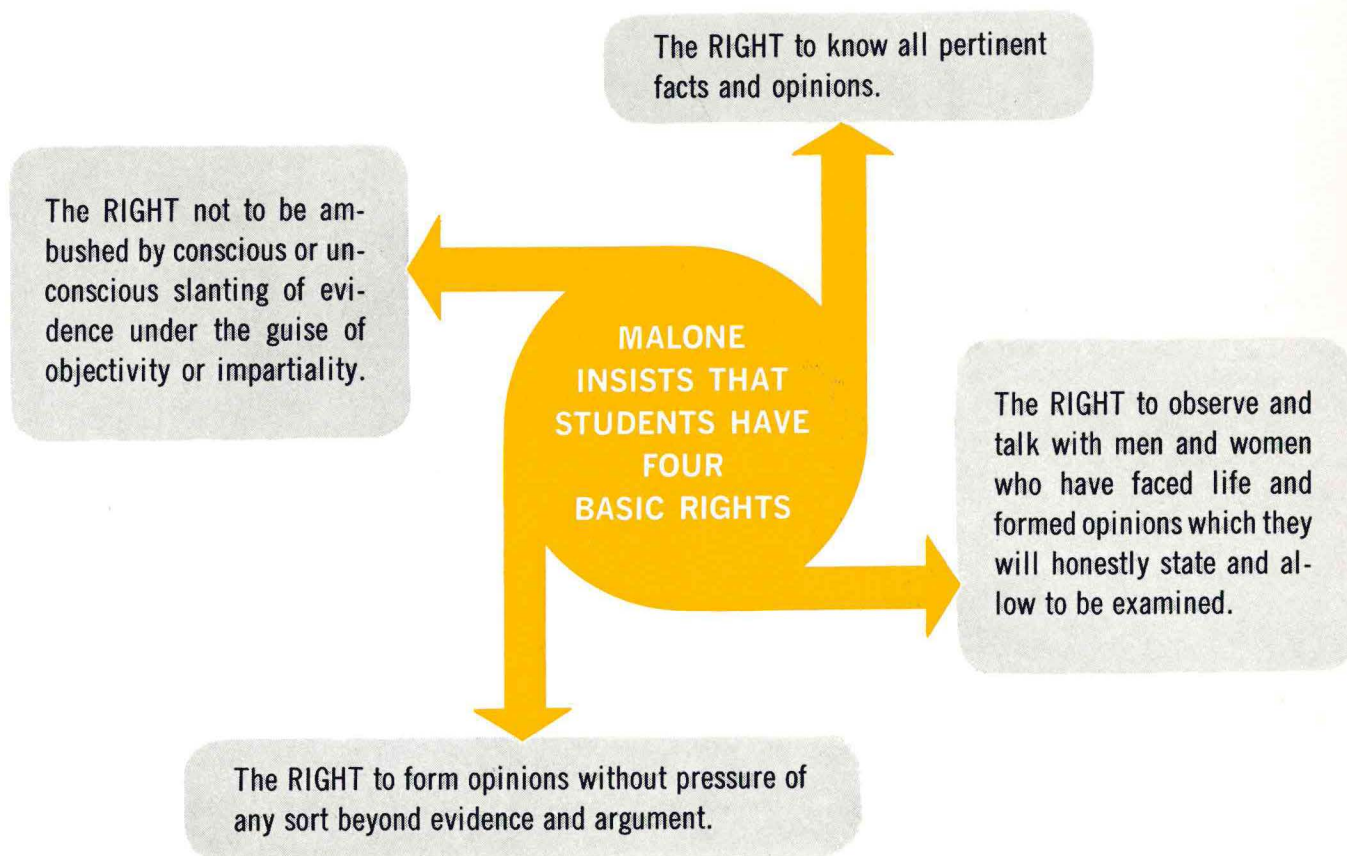
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These two charming Navajo girls, Gloria Dalton and Marlene Kee, call attention to our article on Navajo history on page 10. (Paul Smith photo)

## Antecedents

Reading some people's writing is like hearing them actually speak. There's the ring of the voice, the use of certain words, the familiar phrases, the tone of delivery that either lifts or depresses the spirit. In reading "The Church Triumphant" (page 8) I heard Russell Myers! Perhaps it was because I had actually heard him deliver a similar sermon! But even if I hadn't, it sounds like him. There is that positive spirit, that ring of hope and joy which the content of the message itself carries.



Russell Myers

At the threshold of this new year, following a momentous and violent 1968, we are in need of this triumphant message. I trust you will be blessed as I was in reading "The Church Triumphant."

We take this opportunity to introduce Russell Myers as the new superintendent of Ohio Yearly Meeting, one of the four Evangelical Friends Alliance yearly meetings. He returned to Damascus August 1, 1968, to assume his new position upon the retirement of Chester G. Stanley. As superintendent and as a contributing editor of this magazine, we anticipate hearing from him again. —H.T.A.

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## Religion in review

BY NORMAN B. ROHRER

Not even God can change the past, so the record of 1968 will stand forever as men lived it in noble or ignoble pursuits.

Every day an average of 324,000 human babies entered the world and 10,000 persons starved to death or died of malnutrition. In addition, 123,000 persons died for other reasons, leaving a net gain of about 190,000 per day.

In their agony over Pope Paul VI's encyclical *Humanae Vitae* banning birth control (rated by the secular press as the top religious story of the year), some Roman Catholics were asking if the Pontiff should retire.

The dominant mood of most ghetto youth was tragic apathy, while anger and violence prevailed among the more privileged in colleges and universities.

The cost of living rose steadily in 1968, but Americans were voluntarily contributing more than ever to charitable enterprises. Citizens of the U.S. spent \$130 million for missionary work but \$30 billion on gambling, \$20 billion on crime, \$9 billion on liquor, \$5 billion on tobacco, \$3 billion on house pets and \$175 million on dog food. The \$100 million spent on comic books was four times the annual budget of all public libraries in the U.S.

The cry of "collective guilt followed the crack of the assassin's rifle that killed Martin Luther King, Jr. Three months later a fresh grave enclosed the body of U.S. Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

Pollsters discovered that 97 percent of the American people attested to a belief in God, but Maryland's 245-year-old law against blasphemy was challenged in court . . . TV fare was dominated by ugliness, noise and violence . . . rampant gonorrhea raced "out of control"

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. . . and wife-swapping became a national scandal.

But men of good will were busy too, settling 189,381 Cuban refugees, struggling with the moral questions of transplanting human organs, gathering 1,200 strong to pray with President Johnson, and breaking into TV with warnings about health hazards in cigarette smoking. The nation elected a Quaker President and an Episcopalian Vice-president.

CHURCHES MERGED, marched and mingled in ecumenical accord in 1968 and a "theology of hope" was seen to be winning over the "God is dead" doctrine. The Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches merged to form The United Methodist Church, largest of the nation's religious denominations. The Wesleyan Methodists united with the Pilgrim Holiness Church to form The Wesleyan Church and then set about to woo the Free Methodists.

The associate director of the Institute for Advanced Pastoral Studies declared that America has reached the end of its preaching era and charged that a communication crisis exists in the Christian church. Clandestine worship among "floating" Roman Catholic parishes celebrated unauthorized Mass in living room sanctuaries. Underpaid clergymen were termed a "national disgrace," but famed atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair angrily denounced tax-exempt churches for hiding their wealth.

Ghetto banks received large amounts of church money, ministers took to the streets in support of a variety of social causes and a Negro was cast in the role of Messiah in a large-scale dramatic production in Atlanta, but pollsters still reported finding heavy racial bias among white Gentile church people. The director of the Office of Economic Opportunity said the U.S. cannot win the war on poverty without the help of church people.

MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE flourished, despite the deadening influence of affluence, reaching out to earth's remotest regions through God's ministers of reconciliation. The year began with 9,200 earnest students at the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship sponsored 8th triennial Missionary Convention bowed in prayer at communion. Veteran missionaries pushed beyond civilized areas to contact down-river Aucas. They ministered to Olympic athletes in Grenoble, France, and Mexico City and in the ghettos of urban jungles.

Radio penetrated lands where missionary presence is forbidden, reaching the antennas of an estimated 540,000,000 receivers throughout the world.

Church growth expert Dr. Donald McGavran declared at the annual Semi-

nar on Church Growth in Winona Lake, Indiana, that the world has "more winnable people than ever before," but a young Protestant theologian in Maine stated that "the shocking fact of religion today is that the world is not going to be saved for Christianity." At the beginning of this century, he said, one-third of the world was Christian. By the time the year 2000 arrives, less than 22 percent will be Christian.

Communists contended that there is really no contradiction between the aims of Christianity and "real socialism," and inaugurated in Prague the growing phenomenon of dialogue with Christians.

The Church lost this year such stalwarts as Charles E. Fuller, minister for 43 years on the "Old Fashioned Revival Hour" broadcast; Daniel A. Poling of *Christian Herald* magazine and Christian Herald Charities; Joe Blinco, former Methodist minister of England, 11 years an associate of Billy Graham, and director of the Forest Home Christian Conference Center in California; theologians Edward J. Young of Westminster Theological Seminary and Alva J. McClain, founder of Grace Theological Seminary; Bob Jones, Sr., founder of Bob Jones University and "one of the last of the old-time evangelists"; Victory Cory, founder of Scripture Press; and Franklin Clark Fry, president of the Lutheran Church in America.

PUBLISHING VENTURES of the Church were crimped by a January 7 postal hike in bulk mail costs, but the

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## EFA Coordinating Council meets in April

The Evangelical Friends Alliance Coordinating Council will meet April 22 through 25, 1969, at the Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting Quaker Ridge campgrounds just outside Colorado Springs, Colorado. This conference will be attended by approximately 50 representatives from the Alliance yearly meetings and will represent a broad area of Christian concern particularly in the areas of foreign missions, home church extension, youth, Christian education, and publications. Other areas of concern will also be discussed and hopefully implemented.

An announcement appeared in the pages of the *EVANGELICAL FRIEND* several months ago suggesting the possibility of a general conference of the Evangelical Friends Alliance for the summer of 1969. However, the executive committee of the Alliance has felt it wise to postpone such a general conference for at least another year.

# The last year of the sixties

January, 1969!

The last year of the 1960's promises to be the most critical and decisive year of the decade. All the world's eyes are focused on America—questioning eyes they are—asking what we will do about the great burning issues before the world. Will this year mark the end of the tragic and awful war in Vietnam? Will men be taught to live as brothers and rebuild the shattered confidence among races and special-interest groups? Will tranquility and decency be restored to our great university campuses rocked by violence and moral degeneracy? Will charity have a chance to begin at home, where according to Senator Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon “. . . in Mississippi children are suffering acute stages of malnutrition; three million disadvantaged American children under 14 years old have never even been to a dentist; millions of Americans are trapped in urban ghettos with no hope of finding a job or moving from overcrowded slum dwellings that house even more rats than people”?

This month the newly-elected President of the United States will be inaugurated, and upon him will fall the most awesome and serious responsibilities ever to be assumed by an American leader. Continuous intercessory prayer by Christians over the land should be made for this man and all those in places of important leadership.

President-elect Richard M. Nixon is a member of the East Whittier Friends church in Whittier, California (California Yearly Meeting of Friends), and he has openly and frankly stated his deep gratitude for his evangelical Christian heritage. He has publicly acknowledged that our nation's only hope of survival rests in a moral revival among the people of our nation.

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\*Quote from book, *Not Quite So Simple*, by Mark O. Hatfield, Harper and Rowe, publishers.

A new President, however, cannot bring sweeping changes for betterment in our society overnight. He must operate within a framework of government controlled by constitutional law. Other men and groups in government also have power and authority, and we must not forget that the character and face of the nation are not so much known by a few leaders, but by the moral and spiritual fiber of the people.

It is no news that our country is in great distress and trouble. We are putting great stress on the humanistic philosophy that man can eventually save himself. We are spending over \$30 billion a year on an undeclared war in Vietnam. We permit conditions to exist which take an awful toll of a thousand lives every week in highway accidents, with a majority of those fatalities being attributable to drinking drivers. A handful of confused youth and adults, by their violent and lawless acts, distort the image of the whole youth society, disrupting great universities, instigating foment and unrest everywhere they go. Permissive and unrestrained attitudes among our populace surely are the abundant harvest that we are reaping today from the seeds of humanistic philosophy planted a generation ago, which removed God and His moral absolutes as standards for normal human behavior and set up instead a man-centered pattern for experience and learning that allows for normality to be judged only by human behavior, whatever its level.

But surely, somewhere within this tangle of problems, there must be some ray of hope for our world and for those who longingly seek a personal peace and direction of life with fulfillment. And this is where the Christian and the church begin and continue their ministry of applying the redemptive Gospel of Jesus Christ. Society cannot be saved until individuals have been saved, and that is the business of the church—turning people everywhere to Christ Jesus the Lord

who alone can save them from their sins.

True it is that many people have rejected all religion as irrelevant and out of date for today's urgent problems. Many have lumped all religion, including all Christian groups, into one pot and thrown them all out the window. But there are some all-important distinctions to be made if we are to find this ray of hope. The world may be tired of religion, but wherever the message of the saving Christ has been proclaimed and His Church established, there are those who honor Him and revere His Gospel, even though often opposed. It is comforting to know that, whatever happens in our world, Christ has His fellowship of the redeemed at work around the world, and this fellowship knows no man-made boundaries.

Perhaps God is giving His people another chance to penetrate the world's darkness with His saving light. God's revival for His Church will probably not come with the herald of blaring trumpets or in emblazoned headlines on the front page of the morning newspaper. More likely it will come in most unexpected ways and unlikely places—but when it comes it will be only because of His loving mercy and unsearchable design.

*Lord, send revival to Thy Church, and  
let it begin in me.  
Make this year of our Lord, 1969,  
A year of light breaking through the  
gloom,  
A year of hope overcoming doubt and  
love overcoming fear,  
A year of revival for the people of God  
That we may "rejoice and be glad in  
thee."  
—D.G.*



# But afterward

Do you have troubles? A dress stained, a suit torn, that new car's fender scratched? A headache or a cold, a finger burned or pinched? A flat tire on a tight schedule and a busy highway? A sharp word from someone, credit for your sug-

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*Bringing this New Year's meditation to readers of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND is Lauren A. King, vice-president for Academic Development at Malone College, Canton, Ohio, and a contributing editor of this magazine.*

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*O, New Year's eve you can celebrate  
All sorts of time, and unofficial,  
All sorts of time . . .*

*Things get cluttered, you clean the  
place.*

*Too much routine? Change your pace.  
Relax from stress; unline your face.*

*O, New Year's eve you can celebrate  
All sorts of time, and unofficial,  
All sorts of time . . .*

*Quit your greed and drop your hate.  
Don't wait until some printed date  
For God your sin to expiate.*

*O, New Year's eve you can celebrate  
All sorts of time, and unofficial,  
All sorts of time . . .*

*Begin to love, to smile, to cry.  
Look your neighbor in the eye.*

*The Lord forgives—That's reason why.*

*O, New Year's eve you can celebrate  
All sorts of time, and unofficial,  
All sorts of time . . .*

*Whenever you repent, and pray,  
You'll soon find it's New Year's Day.*

*Amen! Amen! Again I say*

*New Year's eve you can celebrate  
All sorts of time, and unofficial,  
All sorts of time . . .*

—Arthur O. Roberts



gestion given someone else, perhaps a false report about you? Vacation plans spoiled by weather or the boss, a long hoped-for project made impossible, a good idea voted down by the committee? Or maybe just a bad day in which six things piled up together to make you wish for the end of the day by noon?

The answer to these questions is easy. We all have troubles. But there is a second question the answer to which is not so easy: What do you do about your troubles; what will you do about your troubles in the coming year?

People of all sorts—even Christians—try various answers to this question. The first, and apparently the most common and natural, is to resent and struggle against our troubles. We all know the symptoms: a twisted, swelled-up feeling inside, a wondering why this had to happen to me and just now, perhaps even the suspicion that God has a grudge against me. Sometimes we even go so far as the man who had trouble starting his car on a cold morning. He got out and hit the car in the headlight. Apparently he felt the car would behave better if it were punished.

But this is a poor way to meet troubles. It does not change the situation: the car would still not run even with a broken headlight. It charges God falsely, for the Scriptures everywhere insist that He is a God of love and concern. It weakens and hurts us, for this resentment and struggle does not make us better or stronger. Indeed, it may even injure us and others. We are assured by many authorities that those who are upset and resentful are dangerous drivers and workers, highly subject to accidents and errors.

But there is another answer which many people try—escape. Now there is nothing wrong with trying to avoid trouble within reasonable limits. But this proposed escape goes beyond the result of reasonable prudence. If you will look at the religious pages of a large metropolitan newspaper on Saturday you will

find listed the names of numerous groups which profess to give men total escape from trouble. Their usual line is that if we think right we shall in some way put ourselves in harmony with the universe to such an extent that we shall avoid all trouble. One group in a western state even went so far as to promise all those who took their lessons, a large house, two cars, and an income in keeping with such possessions. One widely-known group of this sort is the Christian Scientists. They concentrate on the escape from illness and death. They teach that illness and death are only illusions based upon a faulty notion about the existence of material bodies. Incidentally, I have never seen a Christian Scientist refuse food because both it and his stomach are illusions, and not real.

But this wholesale escape from trouble is not in accordance with the Scriptures. Everywhere the Scriptures talk, not about total escape, but about help in the midst of trouble. Take two favorite passages—Psalm 23 and the Beatitudes. Both of these passages clearly imply help in the midst of trouble but not total escape from trouble. I am sure almost anyone familiar with the Bible could think of many other passages of the same sort. Christianity says, "Trouble will come. But what of it? It mostly concerns temporal and material things. It will pass. It cannot be escaped; but with God's grace it can be faced." Many passages support this. For instance, St. Paul assures us that "the things which are seen are temporal." Again Jesus raises the question, "What shall it profit a man, if he should gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" That is to say, the world is a temporary, not an eternal, thing. And there is the parable of the man whom we call the rich fool. We are all familiar with that parable, but often we overlook the context in which Jesus gave it. Remember that the parable was given in response to the demand of one of His listeners for justice against a brother who had defrauded him. Here then was a man

*“Troubles are not a sign that God has a grudge against us but a sign that He loves us. God is treating us as sons. For what son is there who is not trained and disciplined by his father?”*

who had been injured, defrauded. He was asking Jesus to do something about his wicked brother. But Jesus turned to the man who was injured—not to the thief—and addressed the parable to him, with the admonition to beware of covetousness. This is totally unexpected; why should Jesus turn to the man who has been injured rather than to the man who has done the injury? I think the reason is that Jesus was saying to the man who had been injured that he could make so much of his injury, so much of his concern about material things, so much of his troubles, that he could do himself far greater spiritual injury by seeking to escape trouble than anything he had suffered materially from his brother. No, the Scriptures do not promise us any wholesale escape from trouble.

A third answer to the question is one to which we often turn. It is the “grin and bear it” method. More often this is a kind of “grit your teeth and bear it” method, for often we are not feeling like a grin at the time of the trouble. Now there is in this a part of Christian teaching. If we turn to one of the most specific passages about troubles—Hebrews 12:1-11—we will find in the first verse an exhortation that we should run with patience or determination the race that lies before us. Many other passages in the Scriptures emphasize the idea of endurance and patience in our Christian race. But this is not a peculiarly Christian kind of answer to the question. A famous group of people long ago—the Stoics—put it forward as almost a total way of life. The emperor, Marcus Aurelius, one of the best of the Roman emperors and a famous Stoic, put the matter in a fashion like this: “This trouble which has come upon you—can it keep you from being good and upright? If it cannot, then it is of no real concern to you. Your purpose in life is to live righteously. Nothing else is important. Therefore pay no attention to this trouble. You can endure it, and it cannot keep you from realizing your real purpose in life.” This

is a better answer than resisting and complaining or than foolish attempts at a wholesale escape from trouble. But is there nothing better?

I believe that there is a better way of dealing with trouble, a more Christian way than any of the three already suggested. Let me remind you of a very common sight in the fall of the year. A group of young men heavily padded come out from a dressing room onto a practice field. There they throw themselves against padded posts and against canvas and leather dummies and finally against each other. There are bruises, there are sprains, there may even be broken bones. Nevertheless they go on for hours at a time, straining, puffing, sweating. And the amazing thing is that they seem to enjoy it. If they were asked by their fathers or employers to do any work remotely approaching this for difficulty and possible injury, they would be most unhappy. But this kind of thing they endure with happiness. Why? The first answer is that they are doing this so that some Friday evening or Saturday afternoon they can meet a team of other young fellows and repeat the same kind of battering against each other. Of course this answer does not help much either. The real reason is that they have in mind a goal—a goal of victory and notice and satisfaction as a result of this training and discipline.

Can we not turn this insight to our dealing with troubles? Certainly this is what the author of the passage in Hebrews had in mind, for he speaks specifically of the discipline or training which a father gives a son whom he loves. He reminds us that troubles are not a sign that God has a grudge against us but a sign that He loves us. God, he says, is treating us as sons. For what son is there who is not trained and disciplined by his father? And one can readily see that there is no surer sign that a son is not loved or cared for than the fact that his father pays no attention to him and makes no effort to teach him anything.

And when one sees a dog wandering about the countryside or the streets without anyone with it and evidently without anyone having trained it or cared for it, one knows that he sees a dog that is not loved. That is what the author is saying in this passage. Troubles are God's way of training and disciplining us.

But for what end? What is the goal that God has in mind? What are we to have after the game? The answer is to be seen in verse 10: it is that we may share God's holy character. As Christians we can believe that troubles come to us not because God does not love us, not because He has some desire to punish us, but because it is His purpose that through the discipline of our troubles He will prepare us for fellowship with Himself.

Of course it is true, as the author of the passage acknowledges, that this discipline is not pleasant, just as the football practice is not pleasant. But he goes on to remind us that afterward those who are disciplined by this experience will reap the reward of a righteous life.

In Malachi 3:3 there is a prophetic statement about Jesus that He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver. This is an allusion to the old practice of smelting. The ore was put into a great kettle-shaped vessel under which a heavy fire was built. On a high stool overlooking the smelter sat the silver refiner. And as the heat mounted, the ore melted and ran down into the smelter. But on its surface floated dross. This the refiner of silver skimmed off. And there the refiner sat, skimming and watching, waiting and looking. And do you know how he could tell that the process was indeed complete? The fire, the heat, the pain, the troubles were ended when the refiner and purifier of the silver could see in the surface of that silver his own face perfectly reflected.

Dear friends, shall we this new year in our troubles look in understanding and love to the refiner and purifier?



# The Church triumphant

Scores of modern day prophets are propagandizing their startling discovery that God's name has been located in the obituary columns of some of the leading theological journals of our day. Because of this, listen to some of the prophecies of doom for the church!

*"In our church today there is bewilderment and depressing uncertainty, where formerly there was a contagious confidence. No longer is it easy to arouse enthusiasm, to secure new members or 'to sound the advance'."*

One minister states: "The church is hopeless." Many like him feel that the hull of "The Old Ship Zion" is too laden with barnacles to be restored and made seaworthy for carrying hopeful pilgrims to that eternal city.

Mediocre, so they say, describes the church today. It has a mediocre God, a mediocre Christ, a mediocre revelation, a mediocre morality, a mediocre mission, and is on its way to a mediocre death and funeral and then to a first-class oblivion. The poet catches the spirit of many when he writes about the church:

"Outwardly splendid as of old;

Inwardly sparkless, void and cold,  
Her face and fire all spent and gone,

Like the dead moon . . . she still lives on."

Today the church is the recipient of many snide remarks: "What a feeble, helpless, naive group is today's church." "Instead of haranguing parishioners to attend the current feeble, insipid meetings, it is incumbent that the church get together some relevant, up-to-date, scholarly, scientific, computerized programs."

Another has written: "Get with it men

of the cloth. Modernize your church. Away with all old-fashioned verbalizing. Don't be so dated. Preach the new Gospel for the Space Age. After all . . . intelligent people no longer believe that the Bible is the supreme authority."

But these accusations are not new. Through the centuries the church has been harassed, scorned, and ridiculed. The degree has risen and fallen with the times and the fickle whims of her false accusers.

Our heads are not in the sand. We are honest enough to admit that the church does have some very serious problems that we must face if we have the courage. However, I want to declare that with all of her faults, failures, and futility, the Church is still Christ's Bride and the very gates of hell shall not prevail against her. She is the "Apple of His Eye." She is and will always be the Church Triumphant.

The triumphant day of the Lord and His Church is not an idle dream but a redeeming reality:

*And the heaven will depart as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island will be moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth and the great men and the rich men and the chief captains and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man will hide themselves in the rocks and the dens of the mountains . . . they will cry, Fall on us and hide us from the wrath of the Lamb. For the great day of His wrath is come and who shall be able to stand? (Revelation 6:14-17)*

The Church Triumphant will stand, for the Bible says:

*And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven; and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the others. (Matthew 24:30-31)*

Christ did not come to preside over the demise of the Church; He came to be master of ceremonies at her coronation!

The Church is not on a dead-end street. The best day for the Church of Jesus Christ is not some glorious yesterday to which she always must look—backwardly. The Church Triumphant has assurance of a glorious future because of her incomparable head.

## HER INCOMPARABLE HEAD

Nearly two milleniums ago there was a man born contrary to the laws of life. He possessed neither wealth nor influence. In infancy He startled a king; in childhood He puzzled the doctors of the law; in manhood He ruled the course of nature—walked upon the billows as if a pavement. Herod could not kill Him. Satan could not seduce Him, death could not destroy Him, and the grave could not hold Him. He put on humanity that we might put on divinity. He became Son of man that we might become the sons of God. He is the reconciler of all that is contradictory, the harmonizer of all discords, the healer of all diseases, and the Savior of all mankind. He did not come to whitewash us but to wash us white. He did not come to repair our hearts but to replace them with His own. He did not come to put a new patch on an old garment, for He is the declared foe of all patchwork. He did not come essentially to deal with wrongdoing; He came primarily to change our wrong being. He came to deal with the thing that blights homes, breaks hearts, and digs graves. "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil," the Bible says. He came that we might have life and that we might have it more abundantly.

Jesus Christ is the pearl and crown of humanity. He is the fullest manifestation of divinity that God has given the world. He rises in unapproachable glory not only above men, but also above seraphs, angels and archangels.

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Galileo, Kepler, Bacon, Newton, and Milton were among those to set the name of Christ above every other name. A famous Frenchman said: "He being the holiest among the mighty, the mightiest among the holy, lifted with His pierced hands empires off their hinges, and turned the stream of centuries out of its channel, and still governs the ages."

Napoleon testified: "Jesus Christ was more than man. Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne, and myself founded great empires; but upon what did the creations of our genius depend? UPON FORCE! Jesus alone founded His empire upon love, and to this very day millions are laying down their lives for Him."

John the Baptist speaks: "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

St. John records that He is the *Vine*, the *Way*, the *Truth*, the *Light*, the *Life* and the *Word*, and "the Word was God."

Paul declared: He "is the image of the invisible God . . . the blessed and only Potentate, the King of Kings, and Lord of lords."

Peter reminds us: He is "the *Christ*, the son of the living God."

Doubting Thomas found certainty and confessed as he fell at His pierced feet, "My Lord and my God."

We summon Christ Himself for a testimony: "Before Abraham was, I am . . . I and my Father are one . . . He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."

Let it be said with full assurance and dogmatic finality that Jesus Christ is the "same yesterday, and to day and for ever." The victorious, eternal, almighty, omnipresent, incomparable head!

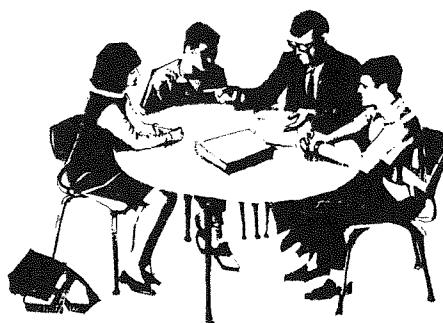
#### HER INCORRUPTIBLE RESOURCES

Today the world expresses pity for the poor, weak church. Christ has no poor church! Christ has no weak church! Let us tear these words out of our vocabularies! For "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs . . . of God, and joint-heirs with Christ." If we are joint heirs of a house, we don't say to each other, "this room is mine and that room is yours, this window is mine and that one is yours, this door is mine and that door is yours. You take the roof and the floor is mine. The furnace is yours and the air-conditioning unit is mine." No! We share alike in everything. So Jesus Christ has nothing apart from me. Everything He has is mine. We share alike. *The incorruptible resources of the Church are Jesus Christ.*

Dr. Wilbur Chapman told of a time in his life when a great sorrow had come and it was necessary for him to travel to the Far West. One of his elders, a banker,

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## Reach and Teach



BY MARJORIE LANDWERT

#### YEAR OF THE NEW CURRICULUM

1969 is here and for George Fox Press this is the long awaited year for the new curriculum. For five years Evangelical Friends, along with a number of other holiness denominations, have been working to develop a new Sunday school curriculum. This *September* the new *Aldersgate Graded Curriculum* will be available for use in your Sunday schools. Through the George Fox Press, Evangelical Friends have had a significant part in developing it and in the writing. It is *your* curriculum.

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If you haven't participated in a leadership training course recently, you are missing an opportunity to learn to do the Lord's work better. Even if your church has not been able to offer a class, you needn't be left out. You can train yourself through ACT (Aldersgate Christian Training) home study plan.

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#### NOTHING . . . IS EVER WASTED

As the chill winds of winter penetrate your warm coat, maybe you are experiencing a bit of chill in your zeal for

the Lord's work. This is a natural trick of the enemy to try to discourage God's servants. However, we do not need to succumb to this subtle attack.

In the *Living Letters* paraphrase of 1 Corinthians 15:58 we read, "So my dear brothers, since future victory is sure, be strong and steady, always abounding in the Lord's work, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever wasted as it would be if there were no resurrection."

Nothing we do for the Lord is ever wasted! All of our efforts are invaluable to the kingdom. Your contribution may be small in your eyes but in God's it is vital to His kingdom and to your spiritual well-being.

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If you would like to see your church receive one of these ratings next summer at Yearly Meeting, you must be at work now! Your copy of the Achievement Goals will tell you how.

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# Navajo history

BY VERN ELLIS

Little is known of the early history of the Navajo people. Some of the history available has conflicts. The Navajos themselves have no written history. Their own stories of history center more in mythology than fact.

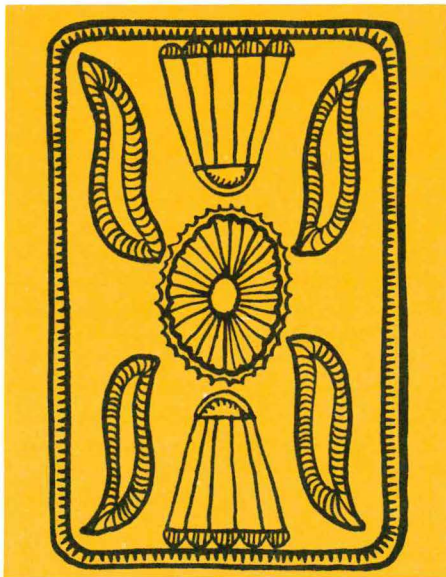
The Navajos are of the Athapaskan linguistic family; other members of this family are found in Alaska and northern Canada with a very few small fishing groups found in California and Oregon. The Apache is the only other group of this linguistic family in the United States. The Navajo language is one of the most difficult in the world.

When and how the Navajos came to the Southwest is not known. It seems probable that they migrated down from Canada and Alaska in small groups. Some stories tell of as few as 12 in a group because of the shortage of food and water.

The Spanish found Navajos in the "four-corner" area—Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado—in the early 1700's. There was a great deal of fighting, raiding, and taking of prisoners between both parties for a number of years. The Spanish were taking the best land along the streams and rivers and the Navajos were retaliating. During this time the Spanish captured many Navajo women and children and made slaves of them. Chief Justice Kirby Benedict said, "An intelligent Navajo girl of eight is sometimes priced at \$400 or more." Dr. Louis Kenner wrote in 1865: "I think the Navajos are the most abused people on the Continent." He estimated there were five to six thousand in slavery to the Spanish.

In 1804 the Spanish sent an army in and captured and killed many Navajos in Canyon De Chelly, near Chinle, Arizona. In 1819 the Spanish signed a treaty with them but with no lasting results.

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When the U.S. took over what is now New Mexico and surrounding area from the Spanish in 1846, they also signed a treaty with the Navajo, but the Navajos were being crowded out of their best land and did not have enough to eat. They soon broke the treaty and began again to raid other Indian tribes and Spanish and white settlers. In 1859 war broke out. The army at Ft. Defiance had killed 70 Navajo horses that were allowed to run on pasture land the army had reserved for themselves.

In the winter of 1863 and 1864, Kit Carson was sent with an army to round up and capture the Navajo. The majority were captured in Canyon De Chelly where they fled because of the natural caves and hiding places. Many were killed and the rest driven like cattle about 400 miles to Ft. Sumner, New Mexico. Some have estimated that one-half of the Indians died on the march. In the spring of 1864, there were 8,000 in camp at Ft. Sumner. In 1865 it is estimated that over 2,000 died of a plague. While there most of them lived in holes in the ground covered with canvas.

June 1, 1868, a treaty was signed and

the Navajos were allowed to return to a small reservation. The trip back was very difficult with little to eat and few clothes to wear. The Government was to supply rations but many times they were slow coming through. In 1869, 14,000 sheep were distributed by the Government to the Navajos, and in 1872, 10,000 more were given to them. In spite of this many hard years followed their return to the reservation as a result of drouth and poor crops. There was much sickness and in 1887 a throat infection killed over 1,000. The Navajos were desperate so again they began to raid other Indians



and settlers. At one time the army went out and killed 30 suspected thieves in cold blood.

In the treaty of 1868, the Government agreed to furnish a competent teacher and schoolhouse for each 30 Navajos between the ages of six and sixteen. For 33 years after the return to the reservation there was only one school and, some of the time, no teacher. In 1892 they had an enrollment of 75 out of a population of over 16,000. It is hard to say whether the Government or Navajos had shown the least interest in school. The



*A missionary to the Navajos on Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting's station at Rough Rock, Arizona, reviews the history of these people and points out that fear and superstition still hold them in bondage.*

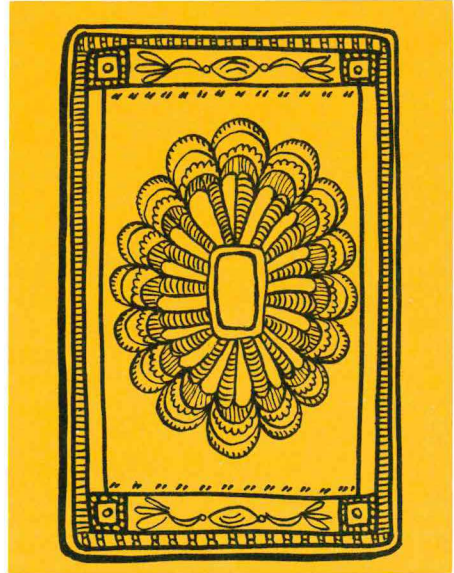
people did not want to send their children to school. Many times the children were ill-treated and ran away. Many unhappy incidents occurred as a result of lack of understanding from both sides. Stories are told of children being tied in wagons while being taken to school and at time shut in cellars to keep them there.

The educational program has been improved and expanded through the years, especially in the past few years, until today a large percent of the school-age children are in school. There are still a number who are not, however; perhaps there is a larger number not in school in our area than in some areas. As late as 1945 it was estimated that only 32 percent of school-age children were in school. As a result of the inadequacy of the educational program, the majority of the Navajo people can neither read, write, nor speak English. Their attitude toward education has changed. Most are anxious for their children to attend school. In 1955, there were 24,560 in school.

Medical care has been very poor. The death rate, especially among babies, is very high. Pneumonia, diarrhea, and

tuberculosis are some of their worst diseases. Due to the efforts of the Public Health Service and Christian missions in building hospitals and clinics, the general health of the Navajo is improving, though many of them must travel many miles over bad roads to receive medical attention.

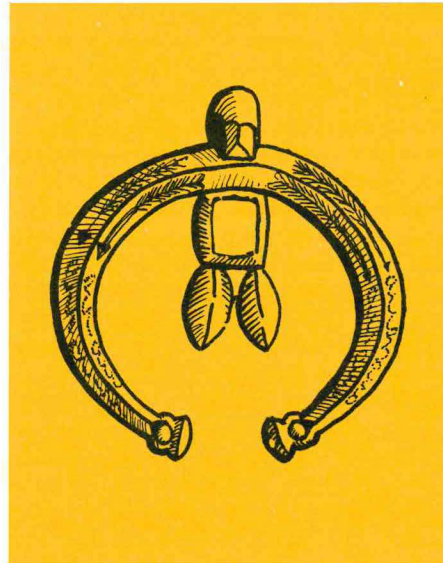
The Navajo population has increased steadily through the years. Today there are approximately 100,000 living on the reservation that covers part of Arizona, New Mexico, and a small section of Utah. It covers as much land as New Hampshire, Connecticut, Vermont, and



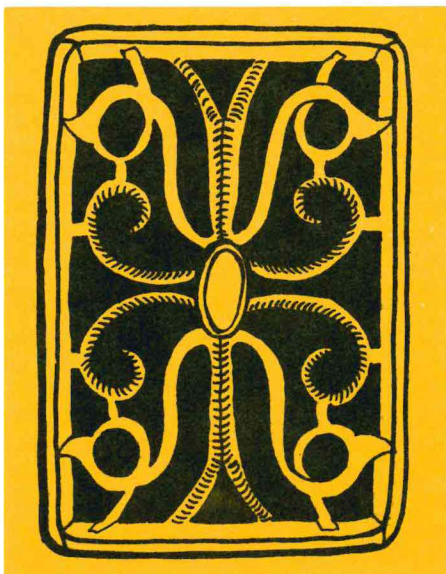
ing beds, chairs, etc. Water is hauled from springs and government wells. For many it must be hauled quite a distance in barrels with a team and wagon so must be used sparingly.

Superstition and fear hold the people in awful bondage. The medicine man holds "sings" over those who are sick or are afraid they will be, and then collects a nice fee from the family for his chanting, waving of gourds, feathers, etc., while the family goes without necessities of life to pay him. If someone has had bad dreams, or some other such thing, it is a sign the evil spirits are bothering him and the family must have a "sing." If they really want to do it up in a big way they might have a *squaw dance*, which would involve the whole community. They also have squaw dances for people who have been sick, or for rain.

In the words of Jesus they are "scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." Matthew 9:36b-38



Rhode Island put together—approximately 15,331,192 acres. Most of the people still live in little round log hogans with a 30 to 40 inch hole in the top through which the stove pipe goes and which lets light and air into the home. It also lets in rain and snow which make the dirt floor wet. Some live in one room cabins with dirt floors. They roll up in a blanket and sleep on sheep pelts at night. These are rolled up and placed along the walls during the day. This is changing fairly rapidly as more and more are building cabins and buy-





# Is missions dead . . . or dying?

BY RETA STUART

One of the most frequent and frustrating questions I encountered one way or another on my recent furlough was "Is missions dead . . . or dying?" This inquiry poses a critical issue facing mission leaders today. I have referred briefly to this question in two other articles for this publication, but I would like to enlarge on it now, primarily by passing on what some major evangelical authorities are saying about it.

A currently distributed Christian and Missionary Alliance brochure, entitled "Don't You Believe It!" gives an emphatically negative response as to whether or not the end of the missionary era is soon at hand. Dr. Louis L. King, foreign secretary of the C. & M.A. and past president of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association, states that some in the church today "seem to be standing on the sidelines, expecting the imminent 'death' of the foreign mission enterprise." But he counters this attitude with the optimistic observation that "many are fully convinced that the future of the missionary cause never looked brighter than right now—late in the 1960's!" Further he says, "Taking everything into consideration, we have greater opportunity for evangelism and church planting overseas today than at any other time in earth's history!"

Another prominent mission executive, Dr. Don W. Hillis of the Evangelical Alliance Mission in Wheaton, puts it this way: "The cry is heard that missions is dead. But open doors and modern means now provide opportunities never before available. *This is mission's greatest hour!* Greatest in its conflicts and conquests; greatest in its number of missionaries; greatest in its number of martyrs; greatest in its expenditure of money; greatest in its use of media; greatest in the number of converts to its message; greatest in the response of nations to the carrying on of foreign missions; and greatest in

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its invitation to you to get involved."

Edward H. Arensen, outstanding missionary with the Africa Inland Mission serving in Kenya, treats this topic in an article called "Missionary, Don't Go Home." He writes: "In spite of much that has been said, the work of missions is not about to fold up. There has never been a greater need or outright demand for missionaries in our A.I.M. fields than there is today. 'Yankee, go home,' slogans are still being waved but seldom at bona fide missionaries. In the most recent Congo crisis the A.I.M. missionaries were advised to hang on. 'You are the stability of this country,' they were told."

## THE INDIGENOUS CHURCH AND THE MISSIONARY

Arensen continues by discussing the relation of the missionary to the indigenous church with its basic principles of self-development, self-government, self-propagation and self-support. He quotes some who call the missionary a spare wheel which should roll away—the sooner, the better, or a crutch which prevents the national church from standing up and walking straight until he is done—an outmoded appendage whose job is done.

But, he declares, while the Africa Inland Church is indigenous, it still needs the overseas missionary in its program and he hasn't been cut off. In fact, there is more for him to do today in modern Africa than there was a generation ago. "Each forward step opens new avenues of ministry where only missionary supervision and participation can enable the independent indigenous church to make the most of its opportunities." He says that the missionary is no longer the boss of the church; he is working with it as an integral part of it, identifying with it and willing to stick to the job until strength and breath fail.

Let's see what an important mission in the Far East has to say in this regard. In a brochure of the Ceylon and India General Mission the following question is asked: "Where the Church Is Established Are Foreign Missionaries Still Needed?" Affirmatively, the answer states that the foreign missionary is still needed in India today if he is willing to work in cooperation with, rather than in charge of, the church. He is needed for counseling and advising, Bible teaching ministry, instruction in Christian education methods, radio ministry, Bible correspondence schools, medical work and the production of Christian literature.

## EVANGELISM PLUS

From the foregoing quotations I believe we may safely conclude that foreign missions is not dead, nor is it about to die. Furthermore, very simply put, there

is a place for the foreign missionary in the indigenous church. What does all this have to do with us, aside from the most obvious deduction that as long as there is opportunity we are responsible to fulfill the Great Commission?

In our own Friends mission here in Burundi, especially during the past few years of chaotic upheaval and instability in Africa, we've been seeking to reexamine goals and policies. We've been asking ourselves whether or not our job here is done. What should we do to establish a truly indigenous church according to biblical precepts which would carry on if our withdrawal should become necessary?

At a missions seminar on Christian education held in Wheaton last December, Dr. Roy B. Zuck answered some of my personal questions on this matter as he addressed a large group of missionaries and Christian education leaders on the topic, "Is Christian Education Biblical?" In his address he clearly emphasized the fact that the task of missions is not just evangelism, it is *evangelism plus!* Evangelism plus training—not just merely teaching, but *training*. As I listened to Dr. Zuck, I realized more than ever that we in Burundi still have a tremendous job to do in order to train the young church here.

While we thank God for the degree of growth and progress in the Burundi Friends Church, we recognize that it still needs our help. Our role and function today is vastly different from the early days of the mission. But with Ed Arensen I would dare to say there is even more to do today in modern Africa than there was in the past. We are not pioneering in the same sense as the first missionaries, but still there are new frontiers which are, in some ways, just as challenging and difficult, if not more so, as some they faced.

We have open doors of opportunity for the far-reaching ministries of radio and literature as well as in medical work and teaching Bible. In this part of Africa we have only begun a Christian education program and there is much room and necessity for its development. Special emphasis should be placed on the expansion of youth and women's work. While not directly related to evangelism and church training, the technical ministries of agriculture and industry present a form of necessary service if we are to deal with the total life of the people. The Africans still express desire and need for missionary counsel and advice. Indeed, there are more needs and opportunities than our mission can meet. Whether we go to the mission field in a plane or on wings of prayer, may we accept the invitation to involvement in modern missions.

## 'They had been with Christ'

BY J. DAVID THOMAS

The nine members of the Directive Board of the National Church, dressed in their country Indian clothes, were seated in a dingy room together with the visitors from the North and a missionary translator. As usual, topics of lesser import and greater accord were treated first to provide a pleasant climate for the key issues. Finally, when the time seemed right, the question that had been on their minds for months came out. Can we modify, change, or add to the statutes that govern the National Church?

The question was fundamental. Missionaries had been largely responsible for drawing up the original government of the church. Some of the Western concepts no doubt seemed strange or irrelevant. Through the years the management of the church had been turned over to the Nationals, but within the framework and control of these rules. This was a fundamental question. Did we really trust them? Did we really have faith in them?

The theme of faith is one of the great fundamental concepts of Christian living. It does not spring from unregenerate human nature. It has its source in God. One of the great shocks to a missionary is the climate of fear and distrust that pervades a heathen society. The great economic societies of the world could not have been built without an atmosphere of faith and trust, and cannot exist if that atmosphere becomes overly polluted with the smog of fear and doubt.

In Christian circles, much has been written of love. We have heard many times that we show our love for God in the way we treat His children here. We use the statement that "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of

these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," to point this out. Yet, when it comes to the practical application of faith we are much slower to accept the same truth. However, I am convinced that as we show our love toward God by our love for our brethren so do we show our faith toward God by our faith in our brethren. It is easy to see how a missionary can have his work blighted by a lack of love for the people. Likewise, many a mission has had its work blighted by a lack of faith in its newfound brother. "O ye of little faith" could sadly describe the policies sometimes found even in missions.

There are many hindrances to the out-working of faith. There is the obvious one of difficulties of language. What are they saying about me? There are the customs of borrowing much more than is returned that make us suspicious of all. They seem lazy, poorly educated, superstitious, and so the list can grow. And here it might be well to say that it is not in these things, nor in the unregenerate human nature, that we place our faith. We are not of those who believe that man by himself can find his salvation. Rather it is with the brother, committed to God who is greater than all these things, that we share our faith.

We might note by comparison that there are also many hindrances to love. There is suspicion and greed, dirt and ignorance. Yet we expect love to overcome all these difficulties though rejected, spurned or betrayed—to overcome by its redeeming power. Is not faith also from God and redemptive? I have seen a poor uneducated Indian suddenly act like a wise chief because he has been trusted with responsibility. We have all seen an unruly child change when given responsibility.

Christ used this healing power of faith when dealing with Peter after those dark days of the betrayal and crucifixion. When He asked Peter, "Lovest thou me?" He didn't want to know if Peter loved Him. He knew that already. He wanted Peter to know that He knew, that He understood, and that He loved him and had faith in him anyway. He expressed His confidence in Peter by His next command, "Feed my sheep." Then as a final expression of faith in Peter's triumph, He revealed to him his martyr's death when he would keep his word of being ready to die for his Lord. Peter would not fail the next time.

I am amazed at the faith of our Lord in His disciples. In all honesty, He could not have done what He did within the

*J. David Thomas is a missionary to Bolivia under Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends now serving his third term. Picture at the right shows national church leaders with the author at right, and "visitors from the North."*



rules and regulations of many of our churches and missions. Not only did Peter forsake Him and flee on the night of His arrest, but they all forsook Him and fled. Yet within 40 days they were left with full responsibility, and 50 days later the new church was launched with power by these same disciples. Under the regulations of many churches the day of Pentecost should have been put off until they had proved themselves. It has been said that if the prodigal son were to return to some of our churches today, he would be kept waiting on the doorstep for six months to make sure he was in earnest.

There are dangers in faith. Christ had His Judas. Paul had his Demas. The early church had its Ananias and Sapphira. Yet even in these circumstances we must not over-react. In thinking of Judas, we must not forget the eleven. In thinking of Demas, we must not forget the Timothys. In thinking of Ananias and Sapphira, we must not forget the Stephens and Barnabases, and thousands of other faithful ones.

And yet, as we sat in the room with the nine members of the National Church there was a lot from the human standpoint to make us doubt the qualifications of the board. There wasn't one that had even been to high school, let alone college or seminary. There was the president who had always been a talker. He had been expelled from Bible school, and only graduated because the missionary was too busy to put him out. He stayed on anyway and finished with the class. There was another who a few years before had spent his delirious night getting over his medicine of cat's blood and witchdoctor's brew. Another had taken part in a pastor's strike and had spent months without a church and without joy because we would not guarantee a high salary. The list of instability, failure and inadequacy could grow.

But this does not tell the whole story. These men had also met Christ. He was at work in their lives. The answer to their question was not difficult. Of course they could change the rules. We pointed out that we expected them to, and that provision was made for an orderly and thoughtful change. They knew their people better than we, and the Holy Spirit would guide them in adapting Christian principles to their society and people.

"What, specifically, do you feel should be changed?" we asked, perhaps more in anxiety than faith. There was a moment of silence, and then the answer. "Well, really not very much; we just wondered if we could if we wanted to." And faith in God and among the brethren has been strengthened.

## We visited Mexico

BY HOWARD ELLIS

What started out as a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Central Africa Broadcasting Co. in Friendswood, Texas, ended up in a marvelous trip to Mexico City for Howard and Eva Ellis and John and Betty Robinson of Haviland, Kansas, visiting and sightseeing with the Roscoe Knights. It was truly a long way around to get to Friendswood.

We suggested to John one Saturday that we would like for them to go with us to Mexico City. This suggestion caused quite a stir in the Robinson household. John called a special meeting of the Ministry and Oversight and after their unanimous approval we began planning our trip.

We left Haviland Monday, March 11, and arrived in Mexico City at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14. With the help of a courteous Mexican gentleman we called Roscoe to come and guide us to his house as the traffic is heavy and the routes confusing to a stranger. Our car was parked in the Knight's courtyard for the duration of our stay and Roscoe with his station wagon was our good and trusted guide. He took us to see pyramids, statues, cathedrals, the University, Olympic Stadium, Olympic Swimming Pool and beautiful buildings and highways which show that the Mexican people are great architects and scholars.

John attended four services with Roscoe. Betty attended one and Howard and Eva one. This was real impressive and showed us how hungry the people really are for the true, living God. The Sunday morning services were held in the home of Pedro Sanchez. The family consisted of father, mother, and six children. All were very attentive while Roscoe played records, preached, and led

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them in singing. Even the small children were eager to learn the songs so they could sing them after we left.

The family of Pedro Sanchez might be considered typical of the laboring class of Mexico. At the time of our visit, Senor Sanchez had lost his job as the result of an infection caused by stepping on a nail while at work. He could not call his employer to report his reason for missing work, since he has no telephone, and he was fired because the boss thought he was lazy. We mentioned to Roscoe that we would have given Pedro a 100-peso note to help him until he could get another job. Roscoe said that it was well that we didn't, since these people are proud and do not want charity. They ask only a chance to earn a living. Since we returned home Roscoe has informed us that Pedro has another job and is doing well. He owns his own home, humble though it may be. No doubt in this country he would have been corrupted by a poverty program.

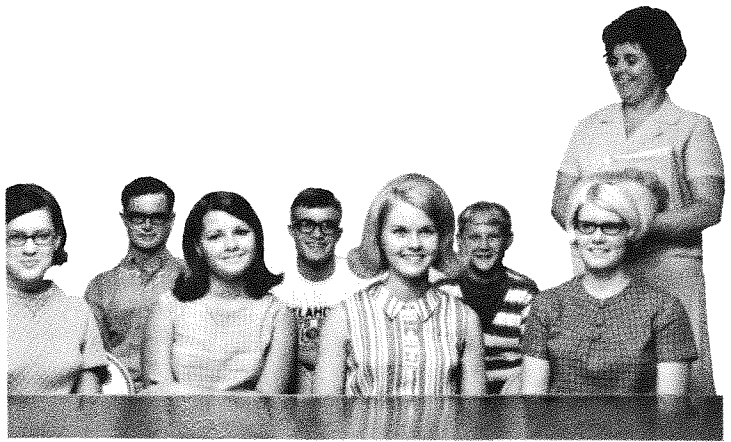
As in the fable of the blind men and the elephant, each person sees Mexico in a different light. Eight days in Mexico this trip, with a background of occasional trips across the border over the past 38 years, does not make us authorities on the country.

If you have tended to think of Mexico as inferior, consider these facts: Only one-fourth of the land area is suitable for cultivation and only one-tenth can produce crops without irrigation. So far, less than 10,000,000 acres are under irrigation but more are being added.

Mexico is doing very well with what she has. We saw farmers cultivating fields on mountainsides that were so steep it seemed that if they should stumble they would fall down the mountain.

We returned home saying, "Gracias a Dios for the opportunity of seeing a wonderful country and sharing a delightful two weeks with our pastors, John and Betty Robinson."

## Teens find formula for fun



Teen-agers at the Seiling, Oklahoma, Friends Church.

BY COOPER BEATY

"Who wants to just sit around?" The teen-agers of the Friends Church in Seiling, Oklahoma, wanted action! This past summer they found that the right kind of activity can be useful and fun.

It started last Christmas. The church grounds seemed so bare. Landscaping would be the answer. Their first project:

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landscape the church grounds! They tithed their incomes. They supervised a fund-raising chili supper and an ice cream social. Result? Over \$370 raised. Young hands teamed up to level the yard, dig out weeds and obnoxious grass. By late spring six tall junipers, a gold-tipped arborvitae and four dwarf arborvitae, plus creeping ivy, graced the church grounds.

The second project grew out of the first. The church had no custodian of

grounds. Each family took turns. What was "everybody's business became nobody's business." Result? Sometimes neglect! So the youth took over the action! Funds were used to run lawn mowers. They irrigated and cultivated the lawn, trees and shrubs. It was a co-operative effort, continuing all summer.

The third project was sparked when the church purchased new hymnbooks. The old hymnal racks were worn out. Action was needed again! One of the men of the church, James Redinger, used his equipment to prepare the racks. With fresh enthusiasm, the teens assembled and sanded the racks.

The action wasn't all work! They mixed fun with work. Besides regular socials, there were many spontaneous, informal gatherings—sometimes after a church service—sometimes as a climax of their work in the church yard. By mixing work with fun and refreshments, these teens demonstrated the delight that can come from worthwhile endeavors.

The youth involved in the action are Nancy Archer, Annette Beaty, Steve Bensch, Janice Bergman, Ronald Brandstetter, Valerie Campbell, Treva Fisher, Mark Louthan, Nelson Louthan, Sharon Louthan, and Ronnie Redinger. President of the youth is Annette Beaty and treasurer is Ronald Brandstetter. Sunday school teacher of the class is Janet Archer. Sunday evening sponsors of the same group are Wilfrid and Fay Bensch, assisted by Naomi Archer. These sponsors working with the youth have kept the action moving. Their one aim is to glorify Christ!

What of the future? Already they are talking about another project. With \$170 left in their fund, what will it be? New offering plates? A lighted cross back of the choir loft? The action must continue!

In a day when the spotlight on youth magnifies scenes of crime, it is refreshing to see a different kind of action. As Paul Harvey, the famous ABC news commentator says, "They are not all delinquent!"

### *Your Ladyship*

## *Your dependability rating*

BY MARY STALEY

"Some people get all the breaks! I am one of those unlucky ones!" Is this your reaction when another gets the coveted part in the school play, or is chosen to work in the office? And you did so want to do it!

Sometimes it is a lack of ability that holds us back. Often, though, it is failure to be dependable. Some are always on hand, always helping, always trustworthy. When the job is open, they are selected.

The adult world needs dependable youth to fill its shoes. Too much time is spent, too much energy wasted when someone fails to show up, or flops the job, or has to be coaxed and prodded to finish what they started. Many adults have never developed this quality. You should and can.

Let those who wish accuse you of "apple polishing" or whatever they might call it. You are building character and

stability for future use.

Here is a test for dependability. Can you answer "yes" to all the following? If so, people can trust you wherever you are.

1. Are you obedient to your parents' wishes?
2. Are you willing to help with things at home?
3. Do you want people to feel they can depend on you?
4. Are you always truthful?
5. Are you willing to do something you are asked to do though it is a new kind of work?
6. Do you do a good job for the pay you receive?
7. Do you aim to be on time for school, work, church?
8. Do you keep your promises?
9. Do you refuse to give in where your moral standards are concerned?
10. Do you feel your church needs you?



# A day with Teresa

BY TINA KNIGHT

The jingle of empty water cans . . . The neighbor's roosters competing in their early morning song . . . A donkey's bray . . . All of these sounds broke into Teresa's dreams. Then she knew that it was morning.

She yawned and tried to turn over quietly without waking her three sisters sleeping with her. It was hard to turn quietly for the old spring bed squeaked and the stiff, heavy, homespun blanket fell to one side, causing the girls to stir. Papa and Mama were already up for Papa had to catch a bus for a two-hour ride across town to work in a carpenter shop. In their bed her two younger brothers lay sleeping. Teresa gingerly stepped across the palm mat on the floor where her older brother lay rolled in a scratchy, goat-hair blanket.

Dressing was no problem for Teresa for all the children slept in their clothes. But today was Wednesday so she must wear the blue uniform for school. Digging through a pile of clothes in an old wardrobe, she grumbled to herself.

"Wish we had a place to hang clothes. Rosa's folks bought a wardrobe and it has a place for hangers! Of course, I don't suppose I'd take time to hang anything. It's easier to pile them in this corner but they don't look very pretty afterwards. Maybe Mama will iron this for me."

Teresa quietly left the room, hoping her younger brothers and sisters wouldn't awaken until she had bathed and was ready for school.

"My, this water is cold this morning!" She splashed herself good at the public cement sink in the patio. "Wish we had a place all our own to wash in, like some rich people. Here we have to use this wash basin with several other families and sometimes there isn't any water, then we have to carry it from that faucet down the street."

Teresa was still thinking to herself when her mother called for fresh tortilla dough. She darted across the patio and

out the gate to join other neighbor girls who were going for dough also.

"If I hurry, maybe I won't have to stand in line," she mumbled as she trotted up the street. At the store, she remembered they needed sugar, also, so with a kilo of dough and a cup of sugar, she hurried home for breakfast. The street was full of people and animals now, hurrying hither and yon. The whole world was awake and the sun told her it was about seven o'clock.

"Hurry, Teresa, with that dough. You



*This is Teresa, the little Mexican girl who is a friend of Roscoe and Tina Knight, our missionaries in Mexico City, Mexico. "A Day with Teresa" is a true story of how Teresa might actually spend her time. The cacti and the burro are very common sights in Mexico. Pray for Teresa!*



*This group is Teresa's family plus a neighbor or two. Pray for them!*

know I must pat out the tortillas and your sisters have awakened and your baby brother is crying and I don't have enough hands to get everything done. Hurry!"

Teresa ran to the lean-to kitchen with the dough, noticing that the clay grill was hot and ready for the tortillas. From a small ball of dough Mama could pat perfectly round, paper thin tortillas. It only took seconds to bake them. As they came off the grill, Teresa ate her breakfast . . . fried beans eaten with a piece of tortilla for a spoon and a cup of sweet black coffee. The beans had a flat taste so she rummaged through the contents of a clay pot and found fresh green chilies, which she ate with them. Delicious!

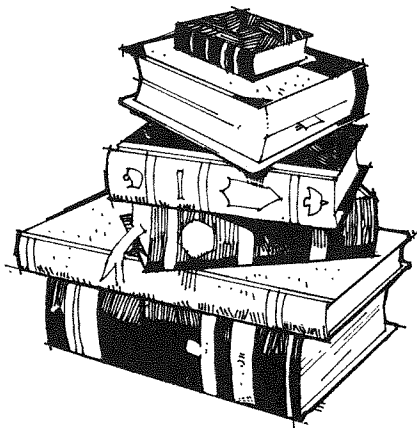
"Aren't you through yet?" Teresa was daydreaming as she drank her coffee. She jumped when her mother called sharply. She hurriedly swished her clay cup and bowl in a bucket of cold water and turned them upside down on a shelf. Dishes were done!

"It's time for school, Mother, so I must go," Teresa called as she gathered her pad of paper, pencil and books. These she placed in a straw school bag along with a piece to embroider. And out the door she raced.

"My shoes get all dusty every morning," she noticed as she hurried to the bus stop. "I'll be glad when they pave our street. Papa says we've lived here 12 years and they still haven't gotten around to fill in all these big holes and make sidewalks. The missionary comes out here every week and he has a slippery, bumpy time getting to our house when it rains."

A sound of screeching brakes interrupted her thoughts and she quickened her steps to catch the bus. It was jammed with school kids—all in uniforms, all talking and laughing at once and all carrying school bags and wearing dusty shoes.

TO BE CONTINUED



Lester DeKoster, *The Christian and the John Birch Society*, Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1966; paperback, \$.75.

This short, hard-hitting indictment of the John Birch Society ought to be widely read, especially by Christians drawn toward the movement out of their antipathy for Communism or their reaction toward leftist tendencies within the church.

We used this 40-page paperback in our Honors Colloquium at George Fox College. Some students felt DeKoster (professor at Calvin College, and visiting lecturer this fall at George Fox College) had drawn hasty generalizations. Like most of us, they had heard the John Birch Society both damned and defended.

So we checked out his citations and generalizations against the Blue Book of the Society. All then agreed that DeKoster's polemic shows scholarly integrity, and that it accurately assesses the disparity between Christianity and the movement which borrowed its name from one of the church's missionary sons.

The JBS uses symbols and vocabulary common to the church but does not accept the theology back of the symbols. The focus is not on redemption through the cross of Christ, but upon the effective grasping and use of personal power. Welch, not Christ, dominates. Totalitarian in theory, the JBS, fortunately, is only partly authoritarian in practice, our group concluded from the study, because the movement catches up various groups alike in their apprehension about threats to freedom from another totalitarian system—Communism.

Welch claims "the greatest enemy of man is, and always has been, government." Practically Lenin's words! Study groups could make good use of this book. We may need, also, greater understanding of the biblical teaching that government is ordained of God and may rightly be a force for human liberation. No "fellow-traveler," DeKoster has written warnings about Communism also (see *Christianity and the Communism*

*Faith*, and *The Vocabulary of Communism*, both Eerdmans publications.) Dr. DeKoster has written another book entitled, *The Citizen and the John Birch Society*, also published by Eerdmans.

—Arthur O. Roberts

Ethel Barrett, *Don't Look Now. Gospel Light Regal Books*, 1968, 207 pages, paperback, \$.95.

The author of this new book is a great favorite when it comes to effective storytelling. But Ethel Barrett does more than merely tell stories, for with unusual insight she here becomes humorist, psychologist, counselor, preacher, and storyteller all wrapped into one. If you have heard the author speak, you will want to read this new book.

—D.G.

## News of Friends

### OHIO MEN IN MISSIONS REACH GOAL

DAMASCUS, OHIO—The Ohio Men in Missions goal of \$4,500 for the purpose of building the proposed Nanching Church in Taiwan was exceeded recently through receipt of a gift of \$1,000 from the Alum Creek and Gilead Men in Missions organizations, bringing latest totals to \$4,648.

### FRIENDS MINISTERS VISIT HOLY LAND

EFA—"Visiting historic places connected to Biblical history provided incomparable inspiration." "It is impossible to tell the spiritual benefits received . . . and to speak of the tremendous stir in my soul and mind."

These statements provide some insight into the impact received through recent visits of two Friends ministers to the Holy Land.

Pastor Wayne Root of Willoughby Hills Friends Church, Cleveland, Ohio, accompanied by his wife, was a part of a group of Friends touring historic spots in Israel, October 21-31. Opportunity was also afforded him to "walk in the footsteps of the Apostle Paul" in Athens and Corinth.

November 9-24 was the date for a tour enjoyed by Dorwin E. Smith, presiding clerk of Oregon Yearly Meeting and pastor of the Camas, Washington, Friends Church. Together with his wife, Smith also visited Athens, Thessalonica, Philippi, and throughout Israel.

### SINGING QUAKERS OPEN CENTURY II

EFA—Friends University's internationally-known Singing Quakers will help open Wichita's new Civic Center, officially named Century II. The January 16 concert will be presented to a reserved-seat audience of over 2,000.

## Over the Teacup



BY CATHERINE CATTELL

Happy New Year, everyone! And that is just what I want to talk about over this New Year's cup of tea. Do you like to collect things? I do. Take these teaspoons, for instance. Two of them were my mothers—little silver spoons from China which were among her treasures, but I never used them, although when they came into view, they brought a flash of silvery happiness—sentiment, perhaps—memories—and then they are pretty little spoons.

One day a friend spied them when I was giving a tea. "Why don't you use these lovely little Chinese silver spoons?" she asked, "They would be perfect."

"Because I only have two. What can one do with two spoons?" I replied.

"Add to them," was her answer.

She started me off right away with four little beauties of the same size, made in India. Now there were six—all different—and I began to use them. After that we started collecting one from each new country we visited and friends began adding one at a time, until there were enough to use for large groups.

There was so much pleasure in each addition for each one stood for a memory, a friend, an occasion, an experience; and each one was special, each was prized.

I do not know if 1969 looks bright to you or not. There are so many troubles and heartaches, dark clouds and worries that one almost has to look about for the bright and shining things. But suppose we can each find two lovely, delightful, and shining reasons to be happy—we can always start collecting. We can start noticing loveliness, looking for joy, becoming more aware of beauty.

There are so many places to look: in an unexpected smile, in nature, in thoughtfulness of a friend, in an answer to prayer, and the everyday episodes of life as well as blessings.

An old lady, struggling with approaching blindness, said one day while straining to see the beauty of a garden, "I am

collecting beautiful memories."

The sooner one starts to collect, the more mementos and joy there can be. The most priceless treasure to store in our collection may very well come as a complete surprise and in the most unexpected places; in deep trial or sorrow. Suddenly something very beautiful comes to us and gives us a shining moment to cherish forever as a souvenir.

Indeed, people seldom prize that of which there is an abundance. Spoons would never have been a collector's item to me if I had had plenty. So, joys go unnoticed and untreasured when life is surfeited with happiness.

A cozy evening by the fireside is no treat unless it is cold and blustery outside. A quiet evening with loved ones is no luxury to those who know only quiet loneliness. Neither is dining out a treat for those who have no home or are seldom able to have a quiet evening. Comfort is only truly balm to the soul when there are hurts. New faith means most where there has been doubt.

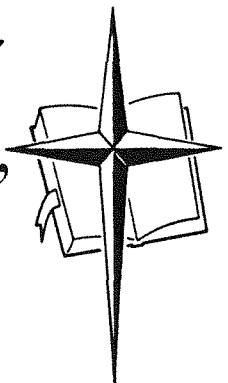
C. S. Lewis has a book called, *Surprised by Joy*. It actually is the story of his life and of the finding of his faith. I like the title. What better can I wish you than that you may be surprised by joy again and again and that you will collect the memory of joy in such a way that it can live forever.

It just occurred to me that perhaps you would like to give someone else a start toward a collection of happy experiences by just providing a few yourself! In fact, perhaps it is in making others happy that we find the most exquisite souvenir to add to our own collection of priceless memories.

"Whatsoever things are lovely, . . . think on these things."

It is a strange thing that people become what they collect through life.

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## The Church triumphant

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came and placed in his hand a check. The check was made out in Dr. Chapman's name and signed by the banker. There were no figures. "Do you mean that you are giving me a signed, blank check on your bank to be filled in by me?" "Yes," said the banker, "I don't know, nor do you know, how much you might need, and I want you to draw any amount to meet your needs."

Jesus Christ gives His Church Triumphant a blank check! The church that will honor Jesus Christ will have her needs met! God's resources are not exhausted.

A little girl came to her mother after Sunday school and said: "I can't buy candy this week. The church is in a hole and I have to help them out."

Is God's church this poverty stricken? No, God is not in a hole. He is not poor. His church is not poor. *He doesn't need to come to the world begging for a hand-out to establish a soup line to keep his poor weak church alive.* He is able to turn the stones we kick around into diamonds. He can turn the moonbeams into silver and the sun into gold and the green leaves on the trees into million-dollar bills. He can rain from the stars precious jewels. If necessary He can turn dandelions into untold treasures for His church. The wealth of the whole world belongs to Him.

We are told that one of D. L. Moody's favorite Scriptures is to be found in the story of the prodigal son. "Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine." Paul in the Corinthian letter says to the church, "All things are yours,"—in Jesus Christ. So, you see, if you belong to the Triumphant Church, the world is yours, the flowers are yours, the mountains, valleys, rivers are all yours. Space is yours. Eternity is yours. They all belong to Jesus Christ. "He's got the whole world in His hands."

*"Things present," they are all yours!*

*"Things to come," they are all yours!*

*Think of it!* Stand in awe as you contemplate these inexhaustible resources. Christ will forever be the *incorruptible resource* of His Church. He is our eternal treasure and the Church is His untarnished crown.

The Church Triumphant possesses . . .

### UNSHAKABLE CERTAINTIES

The Church Triumphant does not go tiptoeing around like Mr. Milquetoast, uncertain about her destiny and in a

dither because of gnawing doubts. Men aren't saved by doubts. They are reached through the declaration of unshakable certainties.

How can some churches call themselves churches of Jesus Christ when they don't know what they know? Often they are churches who have learned the art of "almost saying something"; yet these churches who have taken their stand on the sinking sand have never come up with the rugged, eternal, unshakable certainties of God's Good News!

God's unshakable certainties become the indispensable dynamic for the Church Triumphant. Because she knows who she is and where she is going, she can stand in the world today. While God is shaking the things that are temporal, she can stand with assurance *because her hand is on something that remains!*

Today man once again lives amid the encircling gloom. God is shaking the things that can be moved in order to uncover before the eyes of all the things that can never be moved. How do we express these unshakable certainties?

*"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; The third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting."*

These are unshakable verities that the blasting sand of time cannot efface!

The Church, redeemed by her incomparable head, sustained with incorruptible resources, and anchored to unshakable certainties, marches on to . . .

### AN UNDENIABLE VICTORY

After the enemies of the Church have said and done their worst the Church will rise to an irrevocable, eternal, undeniable victory—the greatest victory ever to be celebrated.

The Church of Jesus Christ is not about to be finished. She is not about to fade away as an old soldier. True, Vietnam burns out of control; the church is on fire in many places of today's world. Guided missiles hide in the earth, ready to hunt out their predetermined targets. But you are familiar with the endless story of disease, hunger, violence and strife that scourges the earth—as man in the space age tries to get away from it all with a flight to the moon—while the church, so some say, looks on as a pitiful, puzzled, pathetic *has been*. Millions are crying out, "If there is a God, why

doesn't He do something about this reeling, rocking, sinful, satiated, broken, bleeding, hateful world?"

In the midst of the tempest, He reminds the Church of her royal ancestry (Hebrews 11:32-40). In the midst of the tempest, He reminds the Church to keep "her head" (Luke 21:25-28). In the midst of the tempest, He reminds the Church of her blessed hope (Revelation 19:5, 6, 7; 20:1, 2; 21:1-7; 22:4, 5, 6).

One of the great London newspapers offered a prize for the best essay on the subject, "What's wrong with the Church?" The prize was won by a Welsh minister. What do you think was his answer? Was it lack of pure doctrine? Was it poor preaching? Poor music? Was it the lack of education? Was it because she had lost contact with the masses? Was it her coldness and exclusiveness? Was it her glaring hypocrisy? Her total irrelevancy? Was it her lukewarmness? Her worldliness? NO, IT WAS NONE OF THESE! The winning answer was profound and prophetic: "What is wrong with the church is her failure to *realize* and *wonder* at the *beauty*, the *mystery*, the *glory*, and the *greatness* of the church of Jesus Christ."

If the Friends Church has a weakness it is her failure to realize the beauty, the mystery, the glory and the greatness of the Church of Jesus Christ. If we could catch this vision, there would be no more playing church, no more halfhearted churchmanship, no more shoddy discipleship, no more straining at gnats while swallowing camels, no more picking daisies while the world perishes! For when I anticipate the Church Triumphant and remember what she will be by Christ's power and will; when I see Christ at last triumphant over the whole world, surrounded by His Church, resplendent, glorious, and triumphant in her unmatched beauty, the Church looms so magnificent, and her Lord so awesomely great, that I cannot refrain my lips . . .

*"Oh that with yonder sacred throng,*

*We at His feet may fall!*

*We'll join the everlasting song,*

*And crown Him Lord of all."*

Oh God, burn into my mind, soul and body a new, transforming vision of the Church Triumphant. Dear Lord Jesus, we love Thee. We love Thy Holy Bride. We stand aside in an awed silence, like Moses at the burning bush. Oh, Holy Spirit, here am I, send me out with the explosive power of a new affection; outward and onward to labor with new dedication and expectation, until that glorious day when in the fullness of redemption we see with a new and unparalleled revelation the beauty, the mystery, the glory, and the greatness of the CHURCH TRIUMPHANT! Amen.

## Pastoral Perspective



## The Building Program

BY HAROLD WINN

I expect a building program will try the soul and spirit of a church as much as anything that a church can go through. It will either bring a church together, or else it will be divisive and deeply injurious. The pastor has a role to fill in these months which cannot be escaped. At times it is not an easy role, and usually it is an unknown role by the people of the church.

I expect there has never been a building program where everyone in the church has seen eye to eye in every detail. This is too much to hope for in any congregation. I am sure you couldn't get a small congregation of ministers to see eye to eye on every detail in a building program. With our different backgrounds and circumstances, we all look at problems differently. Here is where God wants to help us pastors to realize first that this is normal and that out of the different viewpoints God is trying to lead the church collectively in making decisions.

The pastor's role is not to make the decisions but to help the group make the decisions unitedly under God. This may at times be only a cushion between conflicting ideas and desires; at other times it may be to reflect light on an idea; while at other times it is simply to be quiet. The latter is indeed at times difficult for us who are trained to speak.

The pastor is not infallible in any area and surely not in the area of building a church. This willingness to bow to the better judgment of others is part of this role of being a pastor during a building program.

I remember one thing that I felt would be so important to have in our new church. This was not felt to be necessary by the rest of the men. Since I have for years believed that God leads a church through the united judgment of the majority, I surrendered to the thinking of the rest of the committee, and now I am the quickest to admit that they were right and I was wrong.

Any kind of a change is difficult for all

of us. I am sure as we get older it becomes increasingly difficult to change. However, time and the Holy Spirit can work miracles if we as pastors give the Holy Spirit time to prepare hearts for what God wants for a church.

Then to be able to listen sympathetically to everyone who has something to say about the problems in connection with the building plans or programs is a gift of which I wish I had more. Here we need to pray for God to help us be both receptive and understanding. If the pastors cannot understand, to be sure those who may feel so differently will not understand, and this creates more misunderstanding. We are the pastor of everyone in our church, both those who want something and those who do not want this particular thing. May God help you and me to always remember that regardless of what side a person is on in a building program we must still be his or her pastor, understanding, praying for and loving him or her in the Gospel.

I shall ever be grateful to God that He led us unitedly in our building program without inner divisions and injuries. This miracle of grace is attributable to one Person only, and that is the Lord Jesus who led us over the four years of planning, praying, giving, and working under His leadership.

## Face of the World

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leaden soldiers of the printing press marched on. The American Bible Society placed its 50 millionth copy of the Scriptures with men and women of the Armed Forces. More than 100,000 pieces of gospel literature were distributed in 15 languages at the Olympic meets on two continents. Records were published to show that one complete book of the Bible, at least, has now been published in 1,326 languages and dialects around the globe. Cooperative efforts among 15 organizations engaged in printing, publishing, and distributing of the Holy Scriptures and related material were hammered out in an informal Chicago meeting sponsored by the new Evangelical Fellowship of Scripture Distributors. The first chapter of Evangelical Press in Colleges (EPIC), sponsored jointly by Evangelical Literature Overseas and the Evangelical Press Association, was organized on the campus of Wheaton College. The Salvation Army celebrated 100 years of evangelism through the printed word and President Lyndon Johnson named three clergymen to serve on an 18-member commission on obscenity and pornography.

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**SCHOOLS THRIVED** in most places, despite the lengthy and dishonorable New York teachers' strike and soaring costs of education. New York eliminated the Blaine Amendment banning government aid to sectarian schools while the Supreme Court let stand a 1965 New York law requiring public school systems to lend textbooks to students in private and parochial schools.

Legislation was passed unanimously by the Pennsylvania State Senate authorizing public schools in the Commonwealth to have a period of silent prayer or meditation before the beginning of the school day.

Baccalaureate services were ruled unconstitutional in Minnesota if sponsored by public schools.

According to a Louis Harris Survey in midsummer, 78 percent of the American people feel the U.S. Supreme Court was wrong in banning prayer from public schools.

**SCIENCE** strode with giant steps across the span of 1968. A new system of record keeping called "electro-optics" succeeded in reducing letters as much as one million times so that they must be

read through a high-powered microscope. This marriage of electricity and optics reduced the entire King James Version of the Bible to a slip of plastic one and one-quarter inches square.

A sun cooker for the disadvantaged nations delivered 558 watts of power and could bring four pints of water to a boil in 22 minutes. It was marketed for \$10 and was guaranteed to last a decade.

There were more than 100 heart transplants, but slightly fewer than half the number of patients survived. From Moscow came the charge that the organ transplants by Western doctors threatened indigents who could be murdered and their vital organs sold.

**YOUTH REVOLT** in 1968 was viewed as a struggle to overcome a lack of guidelines and shape a better purpose than because of a disregard for guidelines already laid down. Despite the bad press of a small percentage, collegians turned out in great numbers to work for their chosen Presidential candidate. Teens contacted by Gilbert Youth Research reportedly rated the Bible as the most popular book. But in Vietnam, a chaplain among bombarded Marines at Khe

Sanh said he did indeed find atheists in foxholes even during the heaviest shelling.

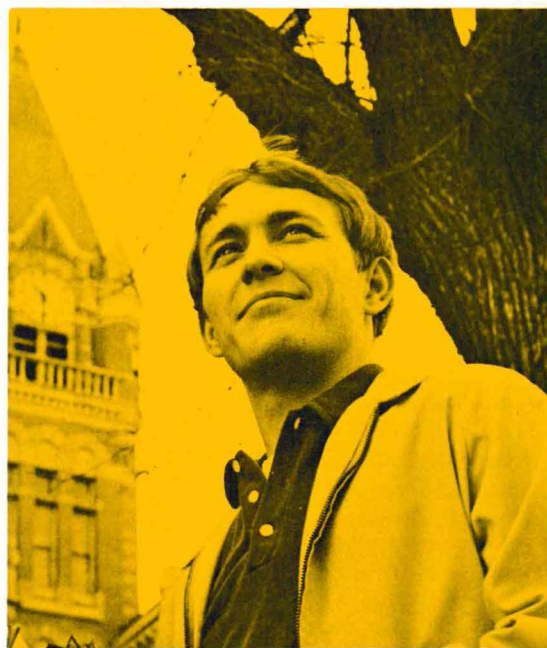
For the people of God, the year 1968 made the world a little bigger in terms of opportunities for service. High speed printing presses, faster jets, better communications media, more refined medical procedures—all offered greater means for bagging the restless globe.

Among the large questions of the hour came another in the miniature world of Peanuts as Cartoonist Charles Schultz introduced Franklin, the strip's first Negro character. Linus needs his security blanket; Snoopy is the Walter Mitty of dogdom; Charlie Brown is still the patient loser. But will Franklin be a believable human being who has some evident personal failing? Or will he be the perfect little black man. Will he be a character who is more than black, whose weaknesses are both evident and believable?

But now history has again triumphed over time and the sands of another year have all run through the glass. Let us learn from the lessons of 1968 at the close of the sixties and pray in hope at the doorway of a new decade.

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## MISSION NEWS

### ROSCOE KNIGHT COMMENTS ON MEXICAN WORK

In a recent report to the Mission Board, Roscoe Knight made the following interesting observation concerning their work in Mexico: "I'm sure that I can better sympathize with pastors at home after working here in Mexico. In both Bolivia and Peru the response to the Gospel was far better than here, and building a church not nearly as difficult. Working here in Mexico City is very comparable to working in the U.S. as far as response to the Gospel is concerned. So much indifference, suspicion, religiously satisfied attitudes prevail. It's one by one, hand-picked work. Only God can develop a church here, but we are still convinced that He is going to do it if we remain faithful."

### QUENTIN NORDYKE TO STUDY AYMARA

Quentin Nordyke, now in Peru with his family on their second term of service on the mission field, is scheduled to spend the four months of January through April, 1969, in a concentrated course of Aymara study. The Nordyke family will be living in Cochabamba, Bolivia, during this time while Quentin is studying there.

## Why Join the Church?

Once we face with honesty and humility the call of Christ in the whole of life, an awareness of our citizenship in the kingdom of God moves us to seek the society of genuine Christians. "By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments; and his commandments are not grievous." (1 John 5:2, 3)

The church is composed not of people who consider themselves better than average, but of those who have a longing for Christian fellowship, for new and more complete knowledge of God and His Word. It is a body of people who have given themselves to God and who have found the joy of sins forgiven through Jesus. This "new birth" lifts one above prejudices, personalities, or circumstances in seeking the experience of worship, Bible study and the various channels of Christian living, the spiritual training of our children, and ways of assuring day by day Christian growth.

Church membership is a voluntary step, entered upon because of an inner compulsion of the Spirit of God. Its continued validity is not measured by contributions given or "church work" done, but upon one's response to the Head, Jesus our Lord, and the actual

relationship developed between the members. The church is a divine institution, and it becomes weak when it forgets this fact. There are many members in the "body of Christ," and the Friends Church denomination is one of them. The Friends have an impressive history, not because of the name, the technique, or the doctrine, but because God has blessed those who have given themselves to Him to be filled with His Spirit, and to be used in His service.

To absorb the services, teachings, and atmosphere of the church for one's self and family without giving of himself in return to its service and support is basically selfish. Yet it is perhaps worse to join without pouring one's self into its program and its emphasis with sacrificial loyalty. The question is not so much whether or not we should join; the truly serious consideration is this: how much of ourselves are we willing to give to Christ through the church? Everyone who is born of God must immediately come to grips with what he will do about the church in its mission to penetrate all the world with the Gospel of Christ.

God has given Oregon Yearly Meeting an impressive mission field of opportunity which when viewed in the light of Christ's call and God's love, makes it a serious Christian obligation: to live lives pleasing to Him, to worship and work together in harmony and united purpose; to cooperate in service and sacrifice to extend the kingdom of God to hearts everywhere. —J.L.W.

## MONEY MATTERS \$ \$ \$

### UNITED BUDGET SUPPORT

Each local church of Oregon Yearly Meeting is invited to participate in the outreach ministry of the Church by voluntary giving to the United Budget. The missionary program, the magazine, church extension, youth programs including the alternate service overseas work—all these and other departmental emphases come from the United Budget.

The total pledged to the United Budget for this church year and approved by the Yearly Meeting is \$127,945.00. As of December 20, \$43,974.14 had been received. Calculated on a monthly basis, we should have \$53,310.00 by this time which means we are \$9,335.86 short at the close of the calendar year. Approximately \$8,000.00 more than this had come in by this date one year ago on last year's United Budget.

### FIXED EXPENSE

The other major fund of the Yearly Meeting is the Fixed Expense, an assessment of active, resident members. This is used for ad-

ministrative costs and staff salaries. The total Fixed Expense for this church year is \$33,324.00 which is \$12.53 per member. By December 20, \$11,921.77 had been received which is \$1,963.23 below what a five-month period should be. (A total of \$13,885.00 should have come in to be on schedule.)

It is a privilege to be a member of a local Friends Church and one for which most Friends are willing to contribute in many ways. But there are members whose "privilege" is costing others in the local church. This is because the assessments are made on the basis of the total number of adult members of the Meeting. If some do not care for their part, others must give more.

The fine response to the outreach and administrative work of our church across the years is commendable. Few Friends would want to curtail this work. It is helpful, however, if regular month by month contributions could be promptly forwarded to the Yearly Meeting treasurer, P.O. Box 190, Newberg, Oregon 97132, in order to keep all accounts and pledges up to date.

### FRIENDSVIEW MANOR STATISTICS

The number of residents in the Friendsview Manor, Newberg, Oregon, is 171, of whom 165 occupy apartments and 6 reside in the Infirmary. There are 117 women and 54 men—a ratio of approximately two to one. This is better than eight women to one man in a Salem home. There are 39 couples, and 15 men and 78 women unattached.

In the seven and one-half years since the Friendsview Manor opened on April 1, 1961, 240 persons have resided in the Manor. There have been 47 deaths and 22 move-outs. Of the latter, there were seven couples and eight singles.

The average age of Manor residents is 78.8, being the same for both men and women residents. The age range for the women is 63 to 97 years; for the men it runs from 69 to 89 years.



## Frosty Windshields

*"Let the peace of God rule in your hearts . . . let Christ's teaching live in your hearts." Colossians 3:15, 16. (Phillips)*

My car windows were frosted over. Ice covers the windshield on the outside, you know. You can scrape the ice away, or rub it off, but it continues to form again, that is, until the car starts to warm up inside. This is the only sure way to clear the frost and ice away.

The warmth of God inside us will do for us what no amount of harsh discipline and rubbed on good deeds will ever do. Lighting the fires of faith with the abiding presence of Christ within is the only effective way for keeping our souls from filming over with frustration, fear and religious fatigue.

There is far too much cold religion. Some are peering and straining to see the road of life through frosty spiritual windshields, scraping away at a few sins here and there that quickly freeze over again. This is not a comfortable way to travel; and, it is downright dangerous.

Let Jesus come into your heart. Let the warmth of His love and peace rule over you. Let His instructions live in your life. It is comfortable to live with God in your life. It is safe. "Acknowledge him in all thy ways, and he will direct your path;" you can see where you are going.

It is unthinkable these days to have a car without a heater. It is worse yet to have to drive that way. Do you see where you are going? Or are you driving into a new year with a spiritually frosty windshield?

—Jack L. Willcuts

## From George Fox College

### FINE ARTS CENTER DRIVE AUTHORIZED

A drive to raise funds for a new, nearly \$2 million chapel and fine arts center for George Fox College by 1972 has been authorized by the board of trustees. Funds will be sought from Oregon Yearly Meeting members, the Newberg community, Oregon corporations, alumni and national foundations.

The new center is planned in three separate divisions covering more than 75,000 square feet of floor space. One wing will contain music and drama classes, the other wing will be communication (speech) classroom and the chapel, with orchestra seating and a pipe organ. The auditorium-chapel will seat 1,100 persons.

Echoes from activity on the campus include completion of the new \$125,000 addition to the Student Union building, more than \$1,400 raised by the Women's Auxiliary's traditional bazaar and dinner December 6 for a new grand piano for the music department studio, and presentation of Handel's *Messiah* in a community concert on December 7.

### GFC MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

"Mission Possible" is the theme of the George Fox College annual Missionary Conference to be held January 19-22. Meetings will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. daily in Heacock Commons on the campus.

Dr. Dick Hillis, founder and general director of Overseas Crusades, Inc., will be the main speaker of the conference, drawing upon 32 years of missionary experience and thor-

ough understanding of the Bible in speaking on the role of missions today. From his home office in Palo Alto, California, Hillis is responsible for over 100 foreign and national missionaries. Special music and displays by various mission boards with mission representatives present are other features of the four-day session.

### GEORGE FOX COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Formation of a George Fox College Foundation, independent of, but with a close liaison with the Newberg college, has been announced. The new foundation, organized to expand the investment opportunities and services of the college, has the power to acquire and hold real property, gifts, endowments, estates, securities, and become trustees for short term trusts, and to purchase property. It can also issue annuities and invest in real estate. Articles of incorporation have been filed with the state, and application is being made for tax-exempt status with the federal government.

### YOUTH PROJECT

The youth of Friends Memorial Church, Seattle, completed a money raising project to provide airplane fare to bring Karen Knight to the United States. Karen, daughter of our missionaries in Mexico City, had the privilege of attending Midwinter Convention at Twin Rocks December 27-31 followed by ten days of visiting in the homes of various ones of the Friends Memorial young people.

## AMONG THE CHURCHES

### PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

Maplewood—Roy Clark, pastor

A week of revival the first of November with Ron Crecelius was a rich time of blessing and uplift for the church, with more than a dozen decisions and dedications made at the altar. Special music was provided by the Clarks.

More than 240 people crowded our church November 17 to hear a concert by the Youth for Christ "New Americans" 50-voice teen-age choir and orchestra. Hillsboro Friends joined us for this occasion. Priscilla Clark and Alvera Sawyer are members of the choir. They are planning a concert tour to Europe next summer.

Our annual church Thanksgiving dinner packed our old chapel, which has been made into a fellowship hall, with 96 people enjoying a ham dinner provided by the ladies. A fine program was presented by Ed Bruerd, public relations director of George Fox College, who showed pictures of his work in India.

Recent improvements at Maplewood have been shrubbery planting donated from Piedmont and done by Edgar Haworth and Art Castor; and the remodeling of the old kitchen in the annex by Marvin Astleford, Al Winchester, and Ray Boggio.

New families joining our church recently have been George and Wilma Little, and Ray and Lenore Boggio and four children, all from the Maplewood community.

Recreation nights have been scheduled in the elementary school gym across the street from the church, directed by Curt Drahn and Dave Swenwold, our youth sponsors. More than 25 young people enjoyed the first play night.

Glen Ludtke directed our Christmas choir cantata "Born a King." Glen is our organist,

### EXTENSION BIBLE SCHOOL UNDER STUDY IN BOLIVIA

On October 25 a meeting was called inviting all national leaders of all the La Paz area denominations to hear a short presentation of the basic ideas of an Extension Bible School. This is a follow-up of the workshop conducted in Cochabamba, Bolivia, at which Quentin Nordyke and Nick Maurer of the Peruvian field and the Stansells of the Bolivian work were in attendance. Four of the INELA Mesa Directiva members attended the October meeting and seemed quite interested, especially Antonio Mamani and Carmelo Aspi. All agree that one big obstacle now is the securing of bilingual Aymara-Spanish programmed texts. A provisional guiding committee (interdenominational) has been named to initiate steps toward a permanent committee to be charged with the task of preparing these texts.



and a music major at GFC. Beverly Castor directed our Christmas program by the children.

*Svensen—Willard Kennon, pastor*

Attendance at the midweek service for Bible study and prayer has increased lately. After singing several hymns of praise, and discussing prayer requests, the meeting divides into three groups. The adults remain in the sanctuary while the young people meet in another room. The juniors requested their own study and prayer group, and meet in still another room.

The WMU sponsored a Thanksgiving dinner on November 19. Over one hundred members and friends enjoyed the dinner, after which a musical program and two films were shown. The WMU ladies also distributed food to a needy family in the community. Several pounds of clothing have been collected and will be sent to the World Relief Commission of NAE.

*—Ruth Thompson, reporter*

*Second Friends—Clare Willcuts, pastor*

The ladies of WMU held a bazaar in the Committee Room of the Equitable Savings and Loan Co. at Eastport Plaza on Saturday, November 2. Hand made gifts and home made baked goods and candies were sold.

Our pastor enjoyed the privilege of holding special meetings in the Star Friends Church November 10-17. Services during this period were taken care of by our former pastor Lyle Love and George Leppert and Phil Morrill, students from Western Evangelical Seminary.

The annual Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by the WMU ladies was held Wednesday evening November 27. Our guests were the Gene Comfort family, missionaries on furlough from Bolivia. They brought a challenging message and showed slides of the mission field.

#### PUGET SOUND QUARTERLY MEETING

*Everett—Calvin Hull, pastor*

Sunday afternoon November 24, we held a fellowship potluck Thanksgiving dinner followed by our evening service.

The WMU met this December at the home of Alma Kines.

Our Christmas program was held on December 15 this year. Susan Seratte and Kathy Owbridge directed it.

Our high school girls have now undertaken a new task. They have started a junior church. The children fellowship together with songs, stories and films, learning about their Jesus.

*—Margret Shipman, reporter*

*Tacoma First—A. Clark Smith, pastor*

As there was a mix-up in correspondence Wayne Piersall did not conduct special meetings November 17-22. Pastor A. Clark Smith was our speaker and on Friday, November 22 we had a guest speaker: Steve Geil, Northeast Tacoma Church, spoke to the young people. Friday night was designated as youth night and they had a dinner for the young people (Jr. and Sr. High) and their teachers. Twenty-eight attended the dinner. There was a total attendance of 215 for the six meetings. Everyone agreed God really spoke to our hearts through Pastor Smith's messages.

November 24 we had our Harvest Dinner. We use this time of fellowship and potluck

dinner as an opportunity to remind people of our emergency cupboard. Everyone brings several cans of food and there is a collection for the same purpose.

*—Dolores Sacha, reporter*

#### SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

*Highland Avenue—Marion Clarkson, pastor*

We had an excellent guest speaker, Victor Prodehl, at morning service on November 3. He is chairman of Lay Institute for Evangelism, which was held in the local First Baptist Church November 11-17.

Our church had a "clean-up" work day on November 2 with a most welcome noon hot lunch.

The evening of November 15 was indeed a happy time at Highland, as it was our annual Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by the WMU. Our pastor's brother, Everett Clarkson, was our splendid guest speaker. He showed interesting slides of South American nationals dramatizing "The Prodigal Son," and also the parable of the four kinds of seed. We are glad that Alda Clarkson was present also. They brought a number of interesting items from South America.

It's of special interest to us here at Highland that Gary Black is stationed at Da Nang, as he is a brother of our own Carolyn Merriss.

*Rosedale—Frank Haskins, pastor*

Our week of revival meetings with Oscar Brown was a real help and time of blessing from the Lord. Harold Clark sang and helped with the special music.

The Stewardship committee sponsored a poster contest with several taking part.

We had a potluck Thanksgiving dinner and devotions at the church Wednesday evening, November 27.

A special offering for NAE was taken November 24.

We were happy to have some young people from George Fox College in our services November 24. They sang special numbers and Marvin Walker brought the evening message.

*—Reba Russell, reporter*

*South Salem—Freeman Conant, pastor*

The evening service on November 24 was a praise and thanksgiving service with many members participating.

The young people attended the Ethel Waters Concert at the Portland Youth for Christ.

We are happy to welcome Everett and Alda Clarkson and family into membership of our church, transferring from Haviland, Kansas.

*—Novelyn Franklin, reporter*

*Talent—Randall Emry, pastor*

On October 6 the Talent Friends Church celebrated its 25th Anniversary. We were happy to have three former pastors—Milo Ross, Leroy Neifert and Clark Smith—with us; also the Yearly Meeting superintendent, Jack Willcuts.

Bill Adams, the secretary of visitation of Oregon Yearly Meeting FY, met with the youth of Ashland and Talent October 25 and 26. Bill also spoke at the eleven o'clock service on October 27.

We were in the KORO Crusade and competed with Eugene. They beat!

*—Bessie Hill, reporter*

#### SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING

*Camas—Dorwin Smith, pastor*

Our church took part in the Sunday school contest. We came in 2nd place in our division, which was encouraging. November 10 we had David Lee to bring the morning service, showing pictures of his work in Korea in the evening. George Palmer was with us the following Sunday, and on November 24 Kenneth Williams came to us. These people ministered while our pastor was enjoying a trip to the Holy Land.

*—Millie Attebery, reporter*

*Cherry Grove—Herbert Sargent, pastor*

On the first Sunday in October our church was host to the North Clark County Singspiration. There were 135 present and nine churches represented.

The following Wednesday the WMU spent the day in Vancouver at the Boys Academy doing sewing and mending.

The regular business meeting was held on the second Sunday of the month following a Fellowship Dinner. The building committee brought before the meeting some possible building sites.

On October 20 Lynwood FY'ers were with us in the evening and showed slides and told of their trip to the Southwest Indian School at Glendale, Arizona.

The first Sunday evening in the month the evening service was canceled so the congregation could attend the area meeting at First Friends in Vancouver.

The youth of the church were in attendance at the Portland Youth for Christ on November 9.

Our monthly Fellowship dinner was held on the second Sunday followed by the monthly business meeting. In the evening Jean Zeiler brought pictures of her trip to the Southwest Indian School and her trip to visit the Havasupai tribe.

Seven young people and four adults attended North Clark County inter-church Lay Institute for Evangelism the week of November 10-17.

Three were welcomed into membership on November 17.

On the afternoon of December 1 the primary church brought some of the songs they have been practicing for the Christmas program to the residents of the Convalescent home and in the evening 12 from our church attended the Singspiration at the Charter Oak Evangelical Free Church and were greatly inspired by the testimony in song and word of the Challengers Quartet.

*—Lulu B. Johnson, reporter*

*Forest Home—Robert Morse, pastor*

A memorial service in honor of Ed and Edna Wright was held November 24 at the morning service. Ronald Crecelius was the guest speaker and special music was by Ron and Divonna Crecelius.

Our WMU held its annual Christmas sale at the home of Helen Heriford on December 13.

*Rose Valley—George Bales, pastor*

The Monthly Meeting approved the recommendation of the Planning and Development Committee that we purchase the Sanders property that joins our property to the east.



This will give us an additional 2.6 acres for a much needed road and future development. Much interest has been shown by S.S. students, interested friends in the community and church members. "Friendly Deeds" in certificate form have been presented to each one who sponsored one or more \$1.00 lots on the chart of 1,000 lots. More than half are sold and we hope they'll all be gone by our deadline of December 15. The Junior High Dept. held two car washes and several ladies of the church and community had a rummage sale with all proceeds going towards the property purchase.

The Florene Nordyke WMU met at the home of Ettanell Chadderton this month with 19 present. Clara Lemmons brought us a good lesson on the theme of Thanksgiving.

Our annual Share Service was held just before Thanksgiving with the pastor of the Salvation Army as guest speaker. A group of eight young "lassies" played their timbrels for us. We brought offerings from our cupboards to share with those needy people of our community served by the Salvation Army.

The Junior Choir of about 15 members continues to practice each week and they sing for adult church once a month before going to Junior church. Their Thanksgiving number was quite unique as they were accompanied by the pastor on a zither.

We are thankful for Thea Bales' continued improvement in her recovery from brain surgery. She was able to attend church for the first time on December 1. Cobalt treatments were completed December 11.

The Rose Valley Church continues to rent the Longview Roller Rink on the second Monday of each month as we host a monthly skating party, October through May. Through the years we have found this to be a time of fun and recreation for families of our community and a way of becoming acquainted with new people. Attendance usually is between 80-100 at these parties for all ages.

#### BOISE VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

*Boise—Dale Field, pastor*

Bill Adams, visitation secretary for the FY, and a student at GFC was guest speaker Sunday morning November 10.

Dr. Milo Ross had charge of our Sunday evening service on November 10. Slides were shown of his recent tour of Europe.

November WMU met in the home of Letha Dillon Tuesday evening the 12th. Our ladies were requested to bring gift items to pack Christmas boxes.

Our pastor, Dale Field, held a ten-day series of evangelistic meetings in Hayden Lake beginning November 13. He reported a rewarding time with victories and blessings.

Mr. Hardin Young filled the pulpit in the absence of our pastor on Sunday morning November 17. He is the manager of the Christian Supply book store. Mr. Young worked several years with the American Sunday School Union and is presently active in the Gideons and is serving as vice-president of the Treasure Valley Sunday School Committee.

An informative film entitled *Who Sets Your Standards?* was shown during our Sunday evening service on November 17.

We had an old fashioned "pounding" for

our pastor and his family following the evening service on November 24.

Plans were made and are now in effect for a weekly men's prayer meeting each Monday morning at 6:45 a.m. The men report that these are real special times. The first Sunday of each month we have Children's Church with Phyllis Hand as leader. This is for children grades one through six and they meet in the annex.

Russel and Frances Stands and their daughter Peggy were Sunday morning visitors in our church on December 1. Russel is a former pastor of our church and is now serving the Lord at Hillsboro Friends.

*—Margaret Peterson, reporter*

*Star—Dean Gregory, pastor*

The Sunday school contest, "Prospecting for God," was a good experience for all. The Idaho City Miners was the winning team but all who participated were winners in some way.

Revival meetings were held November 10-17. Clare Willcuts, pastor of the Second Friends Church in Portland, Oregon, was our evangelist. Each meeting was excellent. Dale Field, Boise Friends Church pastor, conducted meetings on November 11 and 12 for the children. These were days of spiritual renewing for all who attended.

Quarterly Meeting Friends Youth rally was held Friday, November 22 at Star. Tacos, music, and a talk from Dean Gregory, substituting for Bill Adams, filled the evening. Bill Adams, FY visitation secretary from Newberg, met with the combined Meridian and Star FY groups on Saturday and Sunday. Bill ended his visit at Star by presenting the evening message to the Meridian and Star people on November 24.

Thanksgiving activities included a potluck dinner on November 24 and a Union Thanksgiving Service with the Star Christian Church on Wednesday. *—Leona Ireland, reporter*

#### GREENLEAF QUARTERLY MEETING

*Greenleaf—Kenneth Pitts, pastor*

Christmas events at Greenleaf included the Tina Knight WMU Christmas dinner for husbands on December 8; the Christmas cantata under direction of Esther Hardinger combining the adult and Academy choirs on December 15; and the Sunday school Christmas program on December 22 in the evening.

The baked beans and ham dinner served by the Academy Auxiliary netted about \$152 with the Old Country Store clearing \$49.

A Quaker Artist music program, sponsored by the Academy and featuring outstanding Quaker musicians, is planned for March 15.

The Academy Junior Class presented the play, "The Little Minister," on November 29 and 30 to a total audience of 313.

#### NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

*Newberg—Gerald Dillon, pulpit minister  
Dan Nolta, interim pastor*

November was observed as stewardship month. This included stewardship messages and testimonies. A film *The Boat that Rocked the Family* was shown November 17. The Stewardship Banquet was held at Heacock Commons on December 3. Lanson Ross of

Vancouver was speaker. Pledges were taken to reduce the indebtedness on the church building program.

Newberg won over Haviland, Kansas, in the KORO Crusade, but was second to Adrian, Michigan, Friends Church.

The Union Thanksgiving service was held in our church. The speaker was Archie Mathias of the Free Methodist Church. A Newberg youth choir sang two numbers.

Gerald Dillon was speaker at Newberg Quarterly Meeting Rally at Tigard on November 15. Sunday school was the theme.

The Sanctuary Choir opened the Christmas season December 1 with the cantata "Night of Miracles," by John W. Peterson, directed by Sheldon Louthan.

On December 1 Daniel Cammack told the Sunday school about his missionary experiences in Bolivia and Peru the past summer.

*—Margaret Weesner, reporter*

*Springbrook—David Whitcomb, pastor*

We were pleased with the results of our KORO Crusade. At times our attendance almost doubled and it is still staying up.

A potluck was held in honor of the Gene Comfort family October 27. It was a time of renewing old friendships and making new ones also.

Dr. David Le Shana held a series of meetings November 6-10. Dr. Le Shana and his wife Becky brought several special numbers in music. Many received special blessings from these meetings.

The ladies of our WMU have raised \$55 toward our new gas furnace which has been recently installed.

Jan Thompson's losing KORO team presented a Thanksgiving pageant the evening of November 24.

*—Marie Mills, reporter*

## VITAL STATISTICS

### MARRIAGES

**YORK-PHILPOTT.** Vera York and Samuel Philpott of Everett, Washington, were married October 26, 1968.

**TOWELL-MOORE.** Bonita Towell and Gary Moore were united in marriage Saturday evening November 23 with Dale Field officiating.

### BIRTHS

**SMITHERMAN—**To Ken and Karen Smitherman, Salem, a daughter, Michele Anne, born November 30, 1968.

**WURZER—**To Ivan and Carol (Smith) Wurzer, a daughter by adoption, September 9, 1968.

**GIBERSON—**To Dale and Sharon Giberson, Kelso, Washington, a son, Michael Dale, born November 26, 1968.

**BELT—**To Courtney and Joyce (Hoover) Belt, a daughter, Kathryn Lyn, born November 14, 1968, at Lewiston, Idaho.

**KENNISON—**To Jesse and Dianna Kennison of Greenleaf, Idaho, a daughter, Kimberly Ann, born November 25.

**PETERSON—**To Vic and Sharrie Peterson, a daughter, Tresa Corrine, born November 25 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

### DEATHS

**KNOBEL—**Edwin Knobel went to be with his Lord October 26, 1968.



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## REVIVAL METHODS AND INNOVATIONS

BY COOPER BEATY

"How was the revival meeting?"

"Oh, we had a good meeting, and good preaching."

"Anyone saved?"

"Well, no. Crowds were small. Mostly church people. Several church members were helped, though."

Small crowds and meager results are causing some churches to question the value of revival meetings. Church leaders are wondering whether mass evangelism as a revival method is worth the effort.

There must be a reason for this disillusionment. *First*, there is an unwillingness to "change the pattern." The old pattern of calling an evangelist and paying him to win souls will not do.

*Secondly*, the personal experience of many church people has gone stale. Christians with a lost vision and lost sense of urgency become only spectators!

*Thirdly*, the church has not prepared for the revival meeting with year around evangelism. Her efforts are like an attempt to reap a crop without first preparing the soil, sowing the seed, and cultivating the crop.

*Fourthly*, there is "program without passion." The church attempts the mechanics of evangelism without the dynamics.

Abolish the revival meeting! This is what some people conclude. It is as if the revival meeting and mass evangelism were not valid for our day. Jesus considered its use in His day. He ministered to human needs with compassion and the crowds came! The early church gave the truth in love. This, plus the miracles of God, drew the crowds! Human nature and needs have not changed. The power of God is still the same. People will still come! The Billy Graham meetings and similar crusades prove it!

Rather than discard the method, why not revitalize and supplement it? Jesus supplemented His public ministry by personal evangelism. His interviews with Nicodemus and the rich young ruler are examples. He was an "impromptu" evangelist as He talked with

*Cooper Beaty of Seiling, Oklahoma, is a recorded minister of Kansas Yearly Meeting giving full time in the field of evangelism. He is held in Christian esteem by all who know him.*

## From the Superintendent



### THE NEW YEAR

For thousands of people, life has no meaning. They move along the stream of time, mechanically following a routine, without interest or purpose. The New Year is a new figure on the calendar, nothing more. To some it is an attempt to forget our fears, failures, sins, and shame by drunkenness and revelry.

What does the New Year mean to a Christian? The apostle Paul gives a good answer, "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth to those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:13-14). This is life with a purpose.

Paul was not satisfied with himself. No true Christian can be. He is always humbled by the contrast between what he is and what he desires to be. Our hope is ahead. We must not be victims of the past. God is able to deliver us from the failures of the yesterdays.

Paul also forgot his accomplishments. The pride of success did not pin him down. New tasks awaited him. We, too, must not rest content with what has been done. We dare not spend our future steeped in self-pity over the sufferings and losses that seared our souls in the midst of sacrificial living.

"I press toward the mark" said the great apostle. Here is a note of urgency. Millions are in darkness. God's business requires haste. The word "press" is indicative of constancy. The prize is gained by those who never give up.

Our cause requires fervency. Our love for God cannot grow cold when we forget our own needs in the knowledge of the needs of others. In saving others we also shall save ourselves and obtain a crown of life. This is life with a purpose.

### PERSONAL NOTES

October 30-November 17, I was engaged in a Stewardship-Church Extension Tour of the Yearly Meeting. C. Earle Turner, pastor at Plainview, Nebraska, and chairman of the Yearly Meeting Board of Stewardship, accompanied me and gave excellent messages on the subject of stewardship. Friends Bible College favored us with a boys' trio in the first five services and a girls' trio in the last four. This assistance was a definite blessing.

Esther Turner and Ruth Roe were present in some of the services and gave able assistance. Nineteen presentations were made, covering every area of the Yearly Meeting. The attendance was gratifying and the various responses indicated good interest. The total number present in all 19 services was more than 600.

We want to thank each church and pastor for their cooperation in making this tour possible. We also are grateful for the Christian hospitality experienced in each home that entertained us.

Several of our pastors met in Colorado Springs, Colorado, November 19, to discuss current needs and how to make our ministry more effective. This was a profitable time.

The Midyear Board Meetings (including the Executive Council) met in the Colorado Springs Church, November 20-21. The attendance was commendable and God's presence was very evident as plans were made for another departmental year. I appreciated the time taken by so many to be present for these meetings.

May the year 1969 be a victorious and fruitful one for each reader of this supplement.

*Prayerfully yours, Merle A. Roe*

the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. Sometimes He prepared for His public campaigns by sending His disciples out "two by two."

The early church also supplemented her public ministry. Philip was an example as he won the Ethiopian official to Christ. Paul was a great personal worker.

Churches can supplement the revival effort with other methods: child evangelism, Sunday school evangelism, literature evangelism and friendship evangelism, to mention a few. Some modern innovations are effective: campus evangelism, beach evangelism, debates, discussions, "hootenannies," informal conversa-



tions, cell groups for Bible study, sports clinics and exhibition ball games. These are effective because a clear-cut challenge is given for decisions for Christ!

The revival meeting can be revitalized by recapturing the dynamics of evangelism. Before evangelism is a program, it must be a passion. The impact of the gospel message is directly related to the urgency of its delivery. A condemned prisoner said to the minister who was trying to lead him to Christ, "If I believed your Gospel were true, I would crawl across the country on broken glass to tell men about it."

It is not a better method that is the real need. God is looking for better men! Leighton Ford in his book, *The Christian Persuader*, says that the growth of any movement is in direct proportion to its ability to mobilize its *entire membership* for continuous evangelistic action. It takes the public ministry of pastors, teachers, and evangelists to do this.

The heart of evangelism is to offer Jesus Christ to sinners. This is not restricted to specialists nor limited to methods! Evangelism has been defined as "one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread." Sharing the good news—that is evangelism! The dynamics of this kind of evangelism are the Holy Spirit and the burning heart.

Horace F. Dean in his book, *Operations Evangelism*, says that there will always be the need for the itinerant evangelists. They are God's gift to His church (Ephesians 4:11). Their real work is to reinforce the church's ministry of soul-winning.

The revival meeting is worth the effort. A mobilization of the *entire membership* with hearts as a "flame of fire" will make it so!

## SPRINGBANK QUARTERLY MEETING

The Springbank Quarterly Meeting met in the regular business sessions on November 2-3, 1968, at Allen, Nebraska.

Greetings were extended to visitors, Paul Smith, Denver, Colorado; and Ed Karras, Waterloo, Nebraska; who were first-time attenders.

A boys' trio from FBC consisting of Joseph Joyner, Rick Kester, and John Penrose, sang many beautiful hymns to guitar accompaniment.

Saturday afternoon C. Earle Turner, pastor of the Plainview, Nebraska, Friends Church, stressed (Isaiah 6:1-8) that in good stewardship, we must (1) recognize our need; (2) recognize that God will fill us; and (3) recognize that God is Holy so that we may become involved in witness for Him. We need to be good stewards of both our time and finances.

Yearly Meeting Superintendent Merle Roe presented a tape recording of several laymen's views of the church extension work throughout the YM. He also showed slides of the Fort Collins and the Omaha Church Extension work.

These SQM sessions were devoted to reports of the departmental chairmen. Our next SQM, which will convene February 1-2, 1969, in Omaha, Nebraska, will have a workshop presented by Wayne Jones, chairman of the Moral Action Committee.

—Edna Mathiesen, recording clerk



## RMYM MIDYEAR BOARD MEETINGS

Midyear meetings of the RMYM Boards were held at the First Friends Church of Colorado Springs, Colorado, on November 20. The RMYM Executive Council met the following day.

The photo of the Evangelism and Church



Extension Board shows: (front row) Della Cline, Virginia Jones, Ella Tappana; (back row) Carl Norton, Paul Smith, David Leach, Ernest Allen, and Joseph Watkins, chairman.

The Missions Board photo shows: (front row) Chairman Robert Lund, Vern Ellis, Homer Carpenter, Gerald Davis; (back row) Martha Ellis, Myrl Brown, Iona Kinser, Martha Wilson, and Wallace Bryant.

# ROUGH ROCK FRIENDS MISSION NEAR CHINLE, ARIZONA

We were happy to see Mrs. Herschel Thornburg and her son-in-law, Dan Roberts, who came from Ganado, Arizona, to visit the Mission. Mrs. Thornburg has been visiting her daughter, Ann, and son-in-law who are living at Ganado.

A workshop was held in Gallup, New Mexico, to present a method of teaching Navajo reading to our people. Lois Ellis and I drove to Gallup on October 28. We attended classes that afternoon and evening, and stayed overnight. The following day, after half a day of classes, we returned to the Mission. While we were gone, Vern Ellis held a funeral service for a baby from one of the homes in our area.

The road leading up Black Mountain was improved on October 31 and November 1. Vern Ellis, assisted by Freddie Benally and some workers from the Demonstration School, used a Caterpillar tractor for this task.

Varied camps in our area are being visited these days by Vern and Freddie Benally. We pray that the Holy Spirit will speak through God's Word as it is brought to them in these services.

On November 9 the elders of our Mission Church met for their regular meeting at the Mission. Approximately 14 were present. As usual the group participated in a time of prayer and sharing of concerns and meditations from God's Word. Due to the loveliness of the weather, Lois served the noon meal on their front porch.

This year our release-time Bible classes at the Demonstration School, including over a hundred children, are all held in the gym. Each of four classes takes a corner of the gym, and the fifth class is held on the stage. A portion of the hour is often spent in a Christian filmstrip or movie being shown to the entire group. These visual aids are usually shared with our Bible classes at Many Farms Boarding School.

We welcomed the arrival of Mr. and Mrs.

Floyd Bevan, Lois Ellis' parents, to the Mission on November 16. Their fellowship and assistance is much appreciated during these days.

Vern Ellis left for Colorado on November 19. He attended the Missions Board meeting in Colorado Springs, and took part in weekend services in Denver, Colorado, at a Missionary Conference.

Our Christian people on the mountain had a Thanksgiving dinner and service for our people at the location of the church. It was a time of blessing, as the Christians fellowshiped together.

At these holiday seasons, our hearts are deeply grateful to our Lord for numerous spiritual blessings which He has bestowed upon us in the ministry to our people here.

—Mary Gafford

## HARVEY C. ADDISON HONORED AT ROCKY VIEW QUARTERLY MEETING

Harvey C. Addison died June 25, 1968, at 20 years of age. He was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John (Jack) C. Randall of Florence, Colorado.

Special recognition was given to Harvey Addison during the sessions of Rocky View Quarterly Meeting on November 9.

Warrant Officer Addison, an Army helicopter pilot serving his country in Vietnam, died from injuries received in a collision with another helicopter.

A memorial fund has been established to help with improvements at Quaker Ridge Camp, where Harvey Addison worked for several summers during his high school years. Mrs. Harvey Addison, nee Kathleen (Katy) Hamlett of Ojai, California, requests that contributions to the Harvey Addison Memorial Fund for QRC be sent to David M. Leach, 4661 Eliot St., Denver, Colorado 80211.

—Bula Allison



# NEEDS AT QUAKER RIDGE

The following items are needed at Quaker Ridge Camp. If you have items you can donate, please write to Ethel Clark, Quaker Ridge Camp, Woodland Park, Colorado 80863.

Mirrors, large  
Electric heaters, portable, 110 volt  
Gas heaters, propane or butane, vented  
.22 rifles, single shot, bolt action (bring to QRC or ship via freight; *unlawful* to mail parcel post)

Mirrors and heaters are needed for the dormitories and cabins.

The .22 rifles are needed for the target shooting program during our summer camps. Mart Remington, who has been a member of the National Rifle Association for ten years and who is an approved NRA instructor, will be in charge of the riflery program during RMYM summer camps. A half mile north of the Chapel at QRC is a 50-foot rifle range with a log and earth backstop, and a shooter's bench rest. Using rotating schedules during our camps, all campers will have an opportunity to participate in target shooting.

—Mona Berry

## ROCKY VIEW QUARTERLY MEETING

"Missions are at the crossroads," declared Paul Barnett of Emporia, Kansas, in the Missions Workshop conducted November 9, 1968, during the sessions of Rocky View Quarterly Meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado. "The American image overseas that counteracts the message the missionary gives, the ban on Bibles being brought into Russia, and the prohibiting of new missionaries entering India, are conditions which are to be met in this generation; pray that missionaries may go, and be effective." The "good tidings" that Jesus came to bring "to all people" is the answer to the sin question in men's hearts today.

"Spiritual communion is older than the last supper," Paul Barnett informed us in the worship service, referring to 1 Corinthians 10:3-4. "I am that bread of life," (John 6:48) and to "worship Him in spirit and in truth" is personal communion. United communion was referred to when Jesus tells us, "The true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth," which is made possible by the Holy Spirit who unites believers in the spirit of Christ.

Harvey C. Addison was honored during the RVQM sessions. (See separate article in this issue.)

The Friends Youth attended the evangelistic service in the Colorado Springs First Friends Church Friday night, November 8. This was followed by slumber parties with the girls visiting Pat Ellis and the Norman Hutsons entertaining the boys. They enjoyed bowling before breakfast Saturday morning, and then joined in the RVQM sessions.

Rocky View Quarterly Meeting closed to meet in regular session on February 8, 1969, at the First Denver Friends Church in Denver, Colorado.

—Bula Allison, reporter

## STEWARDSHIP AND CHURCH EXTENSION TEAM TOURS RMYM

Traveling over 4,000 miles from October 30 through November 17, Yearly Meeting Superintendent Merle Roe and Earle Turner made 19 presentations at RMYM churches stressing Stewardship and Church Extension. Also helping with some of the presentations were Ruth Roe and Esther Turner.

The Plainview, Nebraska, Friends Church members kindly released their pastor, Earle Turner, to help with stewardship presentations during this three-week tour.

Accompanying the team at the start of the tour was a boys' trio from Friends Bible College, Haviland, Kansas, consisting of Joseph Joyner, Rick Kester, and John Penrose. The last part of the tour a girls' trio and pianist from FBC, Sandra Smitherman, Charlene Helsel, Rita Skinner, and Alanna Elmore, accompanied the team.

—Ira S. Berry



## BESSIE FRANC BROWN MEMORIAL

Shown in the photo (left to right) are Vern Ellis, Rachel and Harvey Mikel, with the new pickup for Rough Rock Friends Mission. The older Mission pickup was traded for the new pickup during October of this year. The Mikels paid the difference for the new pickup as a memorial to Bessie Franc Brown for her years of service and for financial assistance to the Mission.

The Mikels live in Mesa, Arizona. They

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# FRIENDLY LINES

## FIRST DENVER FRIENDS,

Denver, Colorado

David M. and Marcile Leach, pastors

Teen Dynamics, sponsored by Youth for Christ in Denver, November 3-5, was attended by many of our members. An in-depth study of today's youth enlightened adults to a new understanding of the youth.

Our Sunday night, November 17, service featuring Stewardship and Church Extension, was presented by Merle Roe and Earle Turner with the help of a girls' trio from FBC.

The Festival of Missions, held at our church November 22-24, highlighted speakers Jim Spillman, Cooper Beaty, and Vern Ellis, who gave us a new insight into the work of missions.

—Dennis Haley, reporter

## HARMONY FRIENDS,

Wessington Springs, South Dakota

D. Robert Short, pastor

A Church Extension meeting was held Sunday evening, November 3. C. Earle Turner and Merle Roe were the speakers.

The Harmony men sang at an oratorio of the Dunham Historical Society at Wessington Springs on the evening of November 18. Robert Short is president of the society.

Hugh Doughty left November 20 to drive to Pharr, Texas, to spend the winter.

—Ed Helm, reporter

## PLEASANT VALLEY FRIENDS,

Benkelman, Nebraska

Alvyn Daniels, pastor

A going-away party was held for Susie Ellis, who planned to attend college, but an unfortunate accident hindered. She now plans to go in February.

A five-day revival was held recently with Rev. and Mrs. Don Engle as evangelists. They presented scene-felt pictures depicting Bible stories. Although there were no conversions, definite spiritual victories were gained. The meetings were well attended.

Several attended the dedication of the Benkelman Friends Church, October 20.

We enjoyed being hosts for the Stewardship-Church Extension Team that gave a presentation during Hiawatha Quarterly Meeting, October 31. The team consisted of Merle Roe, Earle Turner and a boys' trio from Friends Bible College, Haviland, Kansas.

—Dan Ellis, reporter

## NEW HOPE FRIENDS,

near Hay Springs, Nebraska

F. Ernest and Blanche Allen, pastors

The missionary meeting was held November 5 at the Allen home. Mrs. Robert Alcorn gave both the lesson and devotions.

Ernest Allen attended Board Meetings in Colorado Springs, Colorado, November 18-20.

The Gideons held services for us on November 25. Frank Hamilton of Gordon, Nebraska, and Mr. Ravion of Crawford, Nebraska, told us about their distribution of Bibles and how some persons have been saved using Bibles stolen from hotels.

Union Thanksgiving services were held on November 27 at the Methodist Church in Hay Springs.

—Mrs. Norman Bork, reporter

## GRAND JUNCTION FRIENDS,

Grand Junction, Colorado

Olen R. and Martha E. Ellis, pastors

We held our fellowship supper the evening of November 7 in conjunction with the visit of Earle Turner, and Merle and Ruth Roe. They called on us in the interest of Stewardship and Church Extension.

Our Missionary Society hosted the Western Slope Missionary Conference November 14. Seventeen ladies were present to enjoy the luncheon and hear the guest speaker, Mrs. Richard Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner are working for Wycliffe Bible Translators among the Chinantec Indians in the inland mountains of Mexico. They also told us about their work at our evening service November 24.

Our pastors attended YM Board Meetings in Colorado Springs, Colorado, November 19-21.

David and Sue Perkins visited in town during the week of November 17. Because they couldn't stay for Sunday services, they left a beautiful bouquet of white chrysanthemums, which we enjoyed.

We held a cooperative dinner at 12 noon at the church on Thanksgiving Day. Raymond Drewry furnished a large turkey for our feast.

—Helen E. Carpenter, reporter

## SOUTH FORK FRIENDS,

near St. Francis, Kansas

William W. Leach, pastor

Shown in the photo is a scene from the Fifteenth Annual Dinner and Auction sponsored by our church on November 26, 1968. It was held in the school house, which was filled to overflowing. A ham and turkey



dinner was served to 152 people. Duane Hansen gave the invocation and presented our thanks to the Lord. Altogether 209 articles were sold. Friends and neighbors enjoyed the auctioneers' "chaff and humor" and the evening's proceeds helped our church to meet expenses and commitments.

Jim Case and his parents presented an evening of mission life in Ecuador, South America, October 6. Jim spent the summer in Ecuador assisting with construction of a mission school. He went on a gospel team tour from St. Paul's Bible School in Minnesota immediately after graduation and remained to help in South America while the rest of his group returned home.

On November 10 Carol Lockard told of life in British Honduras. She served two years in the Peace Corps and also carried the Christian message as she worked to establish better libraries and educational methods there.

—Ruby Holliman, reporter

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## 1969 COMING EVENTS

January 10-11 Arkansas Valley Quarterly Meeting, Pueblo, Colorado

January 18-19 Hiawatha Quarterly Meeting, Benkelman, Nebraska

February 1-2 Springbank Quarterly Meeting, Omaha, Nebraska

February 8 Rocky View Quarterly Meeting, Denver, Colorado

February 20-21 Colorado Association of Evangelicals, Denver, Colorado

February 22 CAE Sunday School Convention, Calvary Temple, Denver, Colorado

March 2 Western Slope Quarterly Meeting, Paonia, Colorado

March 31 Palm Sunday

April 4 Good Friday

April 6 Easter

April 15-17 National Association of Evangelicals, Cincinnati, Ohio

April 22 EVANGELICAL FRIEND Editorial Board, Quaker Ridge Camp, Woodland Park, Colorado

April 22-25 Evangelical Friends Alliance, Quaker Ridge Camp

June 17-18 RMYM Boards and Executive Council, Quaker Ridge Camp

June 19-22 Sessions of Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting, Quaker Ridge Camp

June 23-27 Friends Youth Senior Camp, Quaker Ridge Camp

July 7-11 FY Junior High Camp, Quaker Ridge Camp, Woodland Park, Colorado

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## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

KINSER—Helen Rae Kinser was born November 20, 1968. She came to make her home with Jack and Mildred Kinser, Palisade, Colorado.

### DEATHS

ADDISON—Harvey C. Addison, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John (Jack) C. Randall of Florence, Colorado, died June 25, 1968, as the result of an Army helicopter accident in Vietnam.

BLAIR—Bryson P. Blair, a member of the First Denver Friends Church, Denver, Colorado, passed away November 29, 1968.



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## TO THE EVANGELICAL FRIEND

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## TOTAL INVOLVEMENT: A Concern for Spiritual Renewal

The program of TOTAL INVOLVEMENT is a call for spiritual renewal in areas of personal commitment, prayer, and outreach. The following are included in the area of personal commitment:

*The Enlisting of the Individual into a Personal Commitment*

The singleness found within the Christian life is reflected in the words of Paul, "This one thing I do." The average person knows

the frustration which comes from the avalanche of pressures and duties. It is not a question of finding something to do, but rather what task is to be done and what is to be left undone. Commitment for the Christian is the pledging or giving of himself to Christ. It is two-way: Our Lord made the first commitment on Calvary, the second is ours to make through entire consecration. Where once there was hesitation, now there is a will-

ingness to be involved. Such a commitment helps establish correct priorities, and answers the questions of where a person should give his time, energy, and resources.

The mission of the church is to encourage a person to make this type of commitment to Christ and to faithfully keep that pledge once it is made. Nominal or mild Christianity never answers the Biblical description of Christian discipleship. The message from the pulpit needs to be clear, the witness of the congregation must be plain, and opportunities given for such commitments need to be made public.

*The Practice of Personal and Family Devotions*

One of the paradoxes in today's world is that hunger and affluence can exist side by side. The bounty of literature, newspapers, magazines, and books can never satisfy the hunger of the human spirit for *Truth*. The Bible, even though a best seller, is not the best read. If prayer is to the soul what breathing is to the body, then many need to reassess the importance of personal devotions.

The national average for divorce is one out of every four marriages. Billy Graham compared this average with that among marriages in which the husband and wife worshiped together and maintained a family altar. For this group the ratio is one divorce in every 400 marriages. What a difference family worship makes! Our churches, then, ought to find ways of helping families in this area.

*The Development of Meaningful Worship Experience*

Worship is more than a duty or habit—it is an appointment with the Creator-Redeemer. The attitude of the person as he enters into the worship service will determine its worth to him and also add or detract from the service's contribution to others.

Two questions which might help at this point are: Why do I attend the worship service? How does the visitor evaluate the service? First impressions are important. Take an objective look at your worship services to discover how you yourself might be able to improve them. Examine yourself on these points: a. my attitude—cheerful, reverent, friendly, expectant; b. my participation—in singing, in meditation and prayer, in listening, in application of truth received.

Materials which may be of some further help are the three Quaker Concern pamphlets: "Family Worship," "Church Attendance," and "Reverence in the Sanctuary." These are available from the yearly meeting office.

—Galen Hinshaw

### SUPERINTENDENT'S SCOPE

## TOTAL INVOLVEMENT IN OUTREACH



The healthy Christian is one who takes in and gives out as well. The reason the waters of the Dead Sea in Palestine are dead is that it receives the water from the Jordan River but has no outlet for the water to flow on since it is 1,290 feet below sea level. Unless you become involved in the outreach ministry of the church, your soul will shrivel and you will become spiritually dry and lifeless.

It is true that the total outreach of the church includes the mission programs at home and abroad. But for many Quakers, it is easier to become involved with helping financially to send missionaries to Africa or help support church extension than it is to become involved with the business of winning our neighbors. The author is unknown who wrote the following poem:

### THE MAN NEXT DOOR

Jesus died to bring salvation  
For the rich and for the poor;  
Men of every tribe and nation,  
He includes the man next door.

Millions are in heathen darkness,  
And with pleading hands implore  
For the gospel of salvation.  
What about the man next door?

"Go to all the world," said Jesus,  
"Tell them of My mighty power;  
Bring your sheaves from every nation,  
Bring with you the man next door."

When we stand before the Savior  
On that glad eternal shore,  
Heaven's glory will be brighter  
If we've brought the man next door.

Psalms 126:5, 6 emphasizes our part and God's part in the harvest of souls. "He that goeth forth with weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

Our part is to "go forth." It is easy to argue that we do not know how or we are too busy with other important duties, but the sad fact is that we are commanded to "go" and we disobey God when we do not. Three qualities are needed to witness for Christ: knowledge, wisdom, and courage, these three, but the greatest of these is courage.

We are to go forth *with seed*. This seed is the Word of God or the *Gospel of Christ*. It is *precious seed*. Its value is eternal rather than temporal. And we are to go forth *with weeping*. Not so much salt water issuing from the physical eye but a weeping heart such as our Lord had when He wept over Jerusalem.

God's part is to give *rejoicing*. The joy of winning a soul to Christ is only surpassed by the joy of one's own salvation. It not only brings joy to you but also "there is joy in heaven over one sinner who repents."

And God's part is to give the fruit. We have no power over this. We cannot compel anyone to accept. God promises that we will have "sheaves" to bring with us if we are faithful to sow the seed. God's promise is "My Word shall not return unto me void."

—Fred Littlefield



# Visitation Evangelism

BY STEVE HARMON

What if John 3:16 were to read this way: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that only a few could believe in him and not perish but have everlasting life"? This would make a terrible difference in my relationship to God. Suppose that I am the one who is left out. Woe is me! Oh no, I am praising God because it reads "whosoever believeth." This is all inclusive and a promise that God has given to all men and even to me. But then a sobering thought comes to me. If I make a personal claim to this promise, what about another part of God's Word that is just as all inclusive? In Mark 16:15 I read: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Am I being fair if I claim the first verse and ignore

the second? I must confess that I would feel badly if someone treated me that way. Therefore, I determine that I must and will honor this great love that has been shown to me by being a witness for God. But how?

I am so fearful! Another all inclusive verse comes my way: Acts 1:8 tells me "but ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me." God not only commands me to be a witness but empowers and accompanies me as I work at the job. With this kind of help I can be a victorious witness for my Lord. I am fearful that comparatively few people are taking advantage of God's love and mercy at all, and fewer still are considering seriously His command to be a witness. What about you?

## Burundi Prayer Corner

Praise for good meetings held at Mweya Bible School and Kibimba Normal School by George Thomas and an African pastor. Several were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

The children at Windy Hill were also helped by the services Dorothy Thomas and Meryl Essenwein held for them.

### KIBIMBA

Pray for the physical protection of our Christian leaders.

Pray for Bukura and Rose, our two new teachers for women's and girl's work. They are graduates from the Free Methodist Girl's School and will have much of the responsibility of teaching this year.

Pray that our church members will seek the baptism of the Holy Spirit so they will have strength to stand in these days of so many temptations.

### KWIBUKA

Pray for some of our school teachers who were once elders and church leaders but have been taken out of the church.

Pray that the Lord will direct and give spirit-filled leaders for the "New Life For All" Evangelism Program we hope to start soon.

### MUTAHU

Pray that the Lord will continue to work in the Cagura area. Some who were put on church probation have repented and asked forgiveness for hard feelings and words said to pastors and elders.

### KWISUMO

Pray for the solving of some internal problems in the Kwisumo church.

### NYANKANDA

Pray for Joan Rawson who is now taking her required month of practical nursing in the Bujumbura Hospital. She had hoped to be finished by Christmas, but due to illness when she began and losing several days of work she may have to continue on after Christmas.

### MWEYA

Pray that a spirit of revival will continue on among the students and be carried to all parts

of Burundi, Congo, and Rwanda from where the students come.

Pray for several of the Mweya primary school teachers to be saved.

Keep praying for a second teacher for the Windy Hill School. We thank the Lord for the good adjustment the children have made to dorm life.

### GENERAL

Pray for the binding up of the demons of drink, hate, lust, and greed which are sweeping our country.

Pray for a genuine return of the love of the Lord in many of our church member's hearts until they will tithe and give to the Lord's work with a willing heart.

Pray for our Women's Missionary Society which is getting started this month and for the leaders who have been chosen. This is something entirely new for them so pray with us that they will really become interested and want to share in the blessing of helping others.

## Friends Bible College

### "IN HIS STEPS"

The drama *In His Steps* was presented by the drama department of FBC in December. The play was written by Anne Coulter Martens from Charles M. Sheldon's book, *In His Steps*. It is the story of a minister and his congregation who decide to get involved in reaching the lost in the slum district of their town. In doing so they see the importance of putting the Lord first and things second.

Mr. Homer Cox directed the cast which included Fred Miller, Marki Bowen, Jeannie Smelser, Homer Smuch, Carol Dean Fitch, Beverly Knight, and Rick Kester.

### MUSICAL GROUPS

The Friends Bible College Collegiate Chorale is composed of 28 members with Mr. Harold Andrews as director. They presented their first concert of the year December 11 at the Haviland Friends Church. A Christmas concert was given by the choir in several churches during December.

# Friends University



## QUARTER SYSTEM ACCEPTED

A recent survey of 254 students reflects the general acceptance of the recent curriculum and class system changes at Friends. Dr. Harley Stuckey, academic vice-president, reported that 60 percent of the students surveyed said their reaction to the quarter system was favorable or highly favorable. Fifteen percent saw little change, and 22 percent had an unfavorable reaction to the idea of concentrating on larger units and taking fewer courses.

The change from the semester to the quarter system corresponds with other unique educational opportunities now being offered at Friends University.

## SINGING QUAKERS OPEN CENTURY II

Friends University's internationally-known Singing Quakers will help open Wichita's new Civic Center, officially named Century II. The January 16 concert will be presented to a reserve seat audience of over 2,000.

## MIDWINTER AT FRIENDS

The Kansas Yearly Meeting Midwinter Youth Convention was held on the Friends University campus, December 26-28, 1968. High school students from the Yearly Meeting took advantage of this conference as a time of spiritual and social refreshment in the middle of a busy school year. Ken Anderson, director of the Wichita Youth for Christ activities, was the featured guest speaker and discussion leader.

Several small musical groups have been active on campus and on team trips. The Christeens Trio composed of Alanna Elmore, Rita Skinner, Charlene Helsel, with Sandy Smitherman as pianist; The Crimsonaires Trio composed of Lynne Williamson, Annette Beaty, Linda Pauley, with Marvia Gumscheimer as pianist; the Royales Trio with Rick Kester, Joe Joyner and John Penrose; and the King's Teens Quartet involving Glenda Spray, Judy Gwin, Casey Davidson, and Homer Smuch, with Kathy Thornburg as pianist.

## THE CHRISTMAS WREATH

The Christmas Wreath again decorated the parlor in Phillips Hall. The many greeting cards sent to Friends Bible College were attached to the wreath for all to enjoy. The contributions enclosed with the cards are being used to underwrite the training of young people to spread the joyful news—"on earth peace, good will toward men."



## WESTERN OKLAHOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

February 14 and 15, 1969

### First Christian Church, Clinton, Oklahoma

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Arthur Edwards (Dean, Manhattan Bible College, Manhattan, Kansas)

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Ronald Chadwick (Instructor in Christian Education, Calvary Bible College, Kansas City, Missouri)

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Christian Youth—Their Ethics And Morality

Message (Saturday Banquet) "Three Teachers At Thessalonica"

Rev. John Unger (Minister of Christian Education, Hillsboro Mennonite Brethren Church, Hillsboro, Kansas)

#### Workshops:

Working Effectively With Preschoolers  
Developing Social Activities In the Church Program  
The Heart of a Teacher  
Youth Club Program in the Local Church

# CHURCH CONCERNS

## ALBA

Ralph Lemmons, Pastor

We are happy to report that we have finished the church annex. It is paneled on the east end, with sheet rock on the rest of the walls and the ceiling. There is a combination study and classroom in the southwest corner, new kitchen cabinets, and closets. Part of this was taken care of through funds given as a memorial to David Betemanner, one of our devoted young men who gave his life in the Vietnam war. Plans were for a memorial service and open house for the annex Sunday afternoon, November 17.

Attendance in our Sunday school is fairly good, and there seems to be an increase of interest in our worship services. Also there is much interest in our newly organized Friends Youth with Alice Lassiter as sponsor.

Plans are now under way to celebrate our 75th or "Diamond Jubilee" year of our church on Sunday, June 1, 1969.

We are still using the worship period of the first Sunday evening of each month as singspiration time. Everyone is enjoying this.

Quarterly Meetings this fall and last summer have been times of blessings, but the Friendship Meeting had to bear the burden of these last two. Roscoe Townsend was the speaker and brought some good messages in our October meeting. George and Dorothy Thomas were with us in the July meeting which was a time of real blessing.

## CHEROKEE

John Havens, Pastor

A fitting climax and continuation of our KORO Crusade was our revival held October 27 through November 3. Everett Lindstrom, lay-evangelist from the Asbury Methodist Church in Wichita, was certainly led by the Holy Spirit as he brought us ten soul-searching messages that gave new light and a challenge to live closer to Christ. John Havens led the singing for these inspirational meetings which were a real blessing to all who attended.

The family of Oscar T. Myers has presented the church with a beautiful table top lectern and a set of fine hymnals for Wednesday night services. These memorials are deeply appreciated by the congregation as was the life and witness of the Quaker minister for whom they were given.

Two Nigerian students who attend Northwestern State College at Alva brought a most

interesting evening service to our meeting recently. Their deep appreciation of Christian missionaries for their people was a great blessing to all who heard their message.

The Friends Youth are selling fourfold note paper with a very fine picture of the church on it. They plan to use the money for one of the youth projects.

We feel fortunate to have Ed and Carole Grover teach our Teen Tower Sunday school class. Their concern that our youth have the right Bible answers when facing the proponents of atheist beliefs on any U.S. campus is a real blessing for us who are parents. They are making good use of a 16 MM projector that was presented to the church by an anonymous donor.

Mary Coppock, Lillian Blue, Florence Gass, and Willard Coppock attended the Stella Friends Academy reunion held at Friends University on November 11.

## FOWLER

Galen Hinshaw, Pastor

The Friends Youth have sponsored "Fun Hour" after football games this fall for the youth of the community.

Fowler competed against Alva Friends Church in the KORO Crusade. Total accumulated points for Fowler were 181.

The children presented their first Music Night on August 4 which featured a children's choir, instrumentals, and vocal solos. The annual Music Night by the adult church choir was held October 27 which included a youth orchestra, vocal groups, and instrumentals also. Over 200 attended this service.

The Falcons of Friends University and Carl Gordon presented the morning worship service on November 3. They and the high school youth were luncheon guests of the church after the service.

New families worshiping with our church include the Max Newbys and the Milo Newmans. Max is the high school principal of Minneola, and Milo is the Fowler Grade School principal.

## FRIENDSWOOD

To many Friends Meetings across the land, being without pastoral leadership would be the accepted situation. To most of us in Friendswood Monthly Meeting it is a new and different experience. We are endeavoring to meet the challenge of the circumstance and we are finding the help of the Lord sufficient for every need.

From the latter part of August to this present time the pulpit ministry has been shared by three men from our congregation: Robert Kellum, John Cartmill, and Hugh Davis. We deeply appreciate their dedicated service. The entire congregation has maintained a fine attendance and a prayerful cooperative attitude for which we are extremely grateful.

On Sunday, November 24, we had our annual Fall Retreat. This was a meeting of all committee chairmen, members of Ministry and Oversight and their husbands or wives. The purpose of the retreat is to formulate plans for the remainder of the year's work; to

# Women's Missionary Union

## "HALFWAY"

A new calendar year has arrived, but it finds us as a church in the middle of the year. It seems like the first half has gone rather rapidly. I'm wondering how much you, as the youth of Kansas Yearly Meeting, have done for missions and missionaries in this first half.

Have you written to any of the students in the Normal or Bible School in Burundi? Remember they sent us their names last year. Have you contributed to the encyclopedias for them? Have you written to any of the

missionaries' children? Have you prayed for the Burundi youth and missionaries? Have you sent any material things to help in the work there? Have you helped with anything for the Friends Special School in San Antonio?

Let's take inventory and see what we, as the youth, have done for missions. And if we have *not* done these things, let's really get busy and do them BEFORE June 29!

—Marjorie Harmon  
Secretary of Youth



give suggestions as to how these plans are to be carried out; and to consider and discuss problems in a problem solving atmosphere—in general, it is a time for sharing our common concerns as we meet together in Christian fellowship.

Our annual Christmas program was presented on Sunday, December 22, by the Sunday school department and the Adult Choir. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. K. Harris, presented the Christmas cantata, "Today the Prince of Peace is Born," by Philip M. Young.

We anticipated rich blessings from the Lord as we looked forward to a week of special services, December 15-22, with guest minister, John L. Robinson, pastor of Haviland Friends Church.

#### GARDNER

*Jerry Kintzel, Pastor*

On Sunday, June 23, a farewell dinner was given for Erwin and Ardith Cook and children. In the afternoon we viewed slides of the church and members of the congregation taken during the time we moved the church to Gardner and remodeled it. A gift of stainless tableware was presented to them as an expression of our appreciation for their 12 years of service to our church.

As our new pastors could not begin pastoral work here until August we were able to have the interior of the parsonage repainted and the floors carpeted in the month of July.

A successful Sunday School Crusade was held during the month of October with an attendance well over our goal each of the four Sundays. An award was given to the primary class for having the highest cumulative score for the month.

#### GREAT BEND

*Val Bridenstine, Pastor*

A reception was held at the church July 7 to honor our new pastors, Val and Carolyn Bridenstine, who arrived June 28 to begin pastoral work with us.

Kenneth Routon gave the church a new pulpit which makes a nice addition to the sanctuary.

The Sunday night Bible study is using the book, *New Training for Service* by C. J. Sharp.

Prayer meeting leaders are named two months in advance, using members of the congregation.

The WMU meets regularly each month for a program. A recent project has been to send toys and clothing to Friends Special School in San Antonio.

Our peak attendance was on August 11 with 37 present. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frederick were honored on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. The pastor had promised to bake a cake when the attendance reached 35 and this promise was kept on September 29 following a singspiration.

The church enjoyed a "fish fry" on September 30. Buford Toland furnished the fish.

We are having a singspiration the last Sunday night of each month with a social time following. This is creating new interest.

The pastor has presented church extension at workshops in Booker and Glen Elder and for the Men's Fellowship at Hutchinson Friends.

Since mid-September the children have been meeting at the church on Wednesday evening after school for choir, handcraft, and refreshments. Their project is to make gifts for the residents at the Great Bend Manor.

We are hoping to begin a building fund for a new sanctuary. We appreciate the interest and concern of the Yearly Meeting for the work here in Great Bend. Continue to pray for us and let us know if you know of anyone living in Great Bend who would be a prospect for the church.

#### LOWELL

*Robert Williams, Pastor*

We have been experiencing growth in our prayer meeting attendance and participation. There are two prayer groups meeting regularly on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We feel that this is the secret to our spiritual growth and accomplishments. New converts have been added and attendance at all services cause us to rejoice in the Lord.

Our pastors are continuing their ministry with us for their seventh year.

Our Friends Youth groups are quite active. We have four groups meeting each Sunday evening. A current project is the purchasing of recreational equipment for the annex. A new Ping-Pong table has proven to be popular and an attraction to the young people of the community. Other projects are being planned and money is being raised for them. We feel quite responsible to be able to answer Query 4 with an affirmative answer.

The Jr. and Sr. high FY groups meet at 6:00 each Sunday evening for 45 minutes of music. Books of arrangements have been purchased and practice sessions are proving to be fun for all. The groups are currently in charge of chapel services at the Seneca Indian School at Wyandotte the second Wednesday of each month. This provides a wonderful opportunity for the young people to use their talents for the Lord. Karen Prather, teacher at KSTC, Pittsburg, is providing capable leadership with the assistance of the pastors and other Friends.

#### RAMONA

*Richard Buck, Pastor*

This is the second year with Richard and Nancy Buck as our pastors. They have recently moved into a home that has been remodeled for a parsonage and made very attractive. The old property will be sold.

The church had a fellowship dinner November 10. We were expecting the Falconeers from Friends University but due to illness of some they were unable to come. The Ramona High School ball teams attended this morning

worship service en masse. The High School girls' chorus of our church rendered two fine vocal numbers for this service. This same group attended Yearly Meeting and sang in the talent contest for their first public try.

On November 17 Francis McKinney of Pratt, Kansas, came as our evangelist for a ten-day meeting.

Fred and Mary Moore of Fairfield, Iowa, members of our meeting, were visiting us in October. Fred was asked to have both services on October 20 at the Collinsville Friends Church.

Our missionary ladies have recently sent five large sacks of clothing to the San Antonio Friends Special School. Our pastors and three young people from our church spent a week this summer helping and working at this Friends School.

Luster and Grace Key were at our church and showed the mission slides that he took while in Africa.

#### STAFFORD

*Glen Morford, Pastor*

An "All Church Party" for all junior high and senior high age young people was enjoyed on October 27. They had a hayrack ride to a country home and saw the film, *The Misfit*.

Several of our members have been attending the Community Church breakfasts held at the different churches the first Tuesday morning of each month. Spiritual blessings and good times of fellowship are enjoyed by all who attend.

A committee from the Ministry and Oversight body and the Monthly Meeting was appointed to further study the Evaluation Guides which the membership filled out. We feel this will enable us to make our church more profitable and progressive in the future.

We saw the film *Africa's Hour* shown by Cooper Beatty on November 13 at our Wednesday evening service.

#### BIRTHS

DELL—A son, Robert Martin, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dell of Carthage, Missouri, on August 31, 1968.

#### MARRIAGES

ROUTON-KNIGHT. Nadine Routon became the bride of Gary Knight on June 8, 1968, at the Fowler Friends Church.

BAYHA-LEWIS. Ardith Bayha and Ronald Lewis were united in marriage on November 9, 1968, at the Fowler Friends Church.

#### DEATHS

CHAMBERS—William Chambers, member of the Lowell Friends Church, passed away October 10 after a short illness. Bill, as known by many, had found new forgiveness in Christ and witnessed to his family, pastor, and friends. Funeral services were conducted by the pastor on October 13 with a capacity crowd in attendance. Survivors include his wife, Faye; two sons, Max and Rex of Denver; and four grandchildren.

MCCRACKEN—Mable Lenora McCracken, wife of John McCracken who is the pastor of Walsh Friends Church, in Walsh, Colorado, passed away November 19 in a car accident. Funeral services were held at Walsh Friends Church on November 22 with Rev. Hubert C. Mardock and Rev. D. E. Moller officiating.

### TOP FIVE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

First Quarter, 1968

<i>Sunday School</i>	<i>Gain</i>
Stanwood	13
Gardner	10
University	9
Chandler	8
Texas City	7



# OHIO SUPPLEMENT

## TO THE EVANGELICAL FRIEND

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## Cleveland Pastor Visits Israel

Pastor Wayne Root of Willoughby Hills Friends Church in Cleveland was one of a group of seven Ohio Friends to visit Israel



Wayne Root

October 21 to 31. Accompanying him were his wife, Rachel, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Morris of the Willoughby Hills Church, and Mary Knab and Marian Stevenson of the West Park Friends Church. The seventh member of the group was Evangelist Willis Miller who went to collect background material for a book he is writing. He was assisted in making the trip by the generous assistance of many Friends.

Pastor Root reflects on his experiences in the following paragraphs:

"I feel that words are inadequate to express how I feel in my soul. There were so many rich experiences in this visit to Israel, the land of Jesus. I want to thank God for this opportunity given to both my wife, Rachel, and me.

"This is a dream come true. For 15 years it had been my great desire to see the lands of the Bible and the cradle where the Church of Jesus Christ was born. It is impossible for me to tell the spiritual benefits received, and time does not allow me to speak of the tremendous stirs in my soul and mind.

"A thrill rushed through my spirit at the first sight of the Holy City. Just to be able to walk the streets of Jerusalem and on to Mt. Moriah, Mt. Zion, and Mt. Olivet where great events are soon to take place—words fail me.

"Sometimes one literally could not speak, such as the Sunday morning service in a boat on the Sea of Galilee, when several felt the live presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. With two days in Tiberias, we also traveled to Nazareth and Capernaum.

"The journeys came to an end by our spending a couple of days walking in the footsteps of the Apostle Paul. We stood where he had preached many times in the city of Corinth and where he worked so hard to get a small Christian group started. Then on to Athens, still one of the outstanding areas of the world. We stood atop Mars Hill and could think of Paul expounding the Risen Lord to the religious but lost multitudes of people, and they are still there today.

"I conclude by simply saying: the harvest is out beyond us yet; there is much to accomplish and so little time, for the Bridegroom cometh."

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

## KNOWING THE TIME



Three words in Romans 13:11, "knowing the time," are suggestive as we face the new year, 1969.

We should know time in its *nature*. Someone has said that time is a "fragment of eternity broken off at both ends." Time in its nature is fleeting, uncertain but of the utmost importance.

Let us also realize that we should know time in its *use*. Multitudes squander time with reckless unconcern. They misuse it as though it were entirely their own, wholly at their disposal and never to be accounted for by them.

Time also has its *value*. Measurements for value are not always simple and easy!

1. The worth of time can be valued by its scarcity. The clock that strikes informs us *not* that we have so much time in our possession but that so much time in our short span of life is irrecoverably gone. Time is dealt by particles and in single drops and not one of them may be wasted without serious harm. The wealthiest person on earth can't buy an extra year. Extra time is not for sale.

2. The value of time may be judged by the advantages which may accrue through the wise stewardship of it. Think of what may be gained by the improvement and proper disposal of time! How rich are its treasures to the faithful steward who uses his time to be involved in Christ's mission.

3. We may value time by the shortness of the period we shall have it to accomplish our work. It is like a shadow that declineth, a vapor that appeareth for a little time, swifter than a weaver's shuttle, when once gone it will return no more. If we are going to serve Christ, we must do it today. None of us has promise of tomorrow.

The management of our time will determine what we accomplish. For many the careful and wise management of time is grossly neglected. We need to remember that God gives us time for our work. Had we carefully managed our time last year, how we might have improved ourselves; how much more we might have done for others; how much more we might have done for our church; how much more we might have done for Christ.

May nearly 8,000 Friends in Ohio Yearly Meeting so use their time in 1969 that we may have a victorious year of evangelism, unprecedented in our generation. We are encouraged to reach out toward something beyond our present state. "Knowing the time" will be the ladder that is available and that is set before the disciple of faithful obedience.

—Russell Myers

## MEN IN MISSIONS REACHES GOAL FOR THE YEAR

**GILEAD AND ALUM CREEK  
MEN GIVE BOOST**

During the Yearly Meeting sessions in August of 1968, the Men in Missions of the Ohio Yearly Meeting agreed to support the goal of \$4,500, an approved item in the missionary budget, for the purpose of building the proposed Nanching Church in Taiwan.

Thanks to a recent gift of \$1,000 from the Alum Creek and Gilead Men in Missions organizations, the goal of \$4,500 has been exceeded with the most recent total of cash and pledges being \$4,648.

In addition to the \$1,000 gift to the Nanching Church project, the Alum Creek and

Gilead men also gave \$500 to the general budget of the Missionary Board.

We salute the men of the Alum Creek and Gilead Men in Missions organizations for meeting the challenge and for their interest in missions. Certainly this should give each of the other Men in Missions organizations throughout our yearly meeting inspiration to double our goal.

It is always interesting to read about the successes of other organizations. If you have an interesting and active project or program for your Men in Missions, please send details of the program to me, in care of Malone College, and this information will be publicized in the EVANGELICAL FRIEND.

—Herbert Hallman, Superintendent of  
Missionary Education for Men



## A WELCOME TO SOME NEW READERS

During recent weeks the mailing list of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND has been in the process of revision, and it is anticipated that by this time a number of new readers may have joined us, while others who have moved away or otherwise severed their Ohio Yearly Meeting connections have been discontinued.

The EVANGELICAL FRIEND is supplied without cost to 4,850 members and supporters of Ohio Yearly Meeting, as well as to the constituents of three other yearly meetings of the Evangelical Friends Alliance: Kansas, Oregon, Rocky Mountain. In Ohio, its cost is cared for from the Unified Budget and from the Appropriations and Apportionments.

With this revision, a new policy is being instituted concerning maintenance of the mailing list. ALL ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS ARE TO BE CLEARED THROUGH YOUR PASTOR who will communicate them to the Ohio Regional Editor, Roger Wood, 2032 Scotland St., N.W., Canton, Ohio 44709. He will then notify the publisher. Pastors and readers are also requested to inform the editor when a reader moves, discontinues interest, or is deceased. In this way, new names can be added promptly to replace those deleted.

## KORO Crusade Excites Interest At Raisin Valley

BY LAWRENCE COX, PASTOR

Those of us at the Raisin Valley Friends Church are very thankful to God for the help that He gave us in reaching many new people during the KORO Crusade. We are grateful also that we were able to come out in first place in Division A as well as to receive the highest total number of points in the contest.

It was a real blessing to see the church packed with people every Sunday. Each Sunday of the Crusade had a special emphasis as follows: September 29, Complete Household Day; October 6, Perfect Attendance Day; October 13, Homecoming Day; October 20, Rally Day; and October 27, Old Fashioned Quaker Day.

The Old Fashioned Quaker service proved to be a real blessing. Many of the folk were dressed in old costumes, including the pastor and wife, and two families came to church in restored antique automobiles. But in the service itself in one section sat the men and in

*Losing team captain, Calvin Gritzmaker, pulling winning team captain, Robert Ransom.*



*Russell Myers speaks to group.*

## Malone College News

Charles W. McKinney, a 1960 graduate of Malone college, has been appointed editor-in-chief of Moody Press. Mr. McKinney was the pastor of the Whipple Road Baptist Church while he was a student at Malone.

Jay Kesler, vice-president for personnel, Youth for Christ International, was the speaker for the annual fall Christian Life Week services November 12 to 15. He spoke at the morning chapel service each morning in Bethel Temple, and addressed a packed lecture room each evening on the campus.

Malone's oratorio chorus presented Handel's *Messiah* on Sunday, December 8, at 3:30 p.m. in Bethel Temple. Featured soloists were Violet Weber, soprano; Ruth Bartlett, mezzo-soprano; Larry Brown, tenor; and Thomas Weiss, bass-baritone. Associate Professor Donald R. Murray, chairman of the Division of Fine Arts, conducted the oratorio.

the other the ladies. Also, various individuals participated in prayer, testimony, reading of Scripture, etc., and there were periods of silence in the manner of early Friends meetings. The attendance that day was 419 in the worship service and 421 in the Sunday school period.

Many people as they left the meeting house that day made expression of the blessing that this old fashioned service had been to them.

The secret of success was in the fact that everyone in the entire church and Sunday school was involved in personal invitation. The boys and girls in the sixth grade and below were given awards for bringing visitors. The Adult Department was divided into two teams with a captain for each. The contest between these teams was based upon invitations that were given. The count was taken each Sunday and the score kept. The winning

*Raisin Valley pastor, Lawrence Cox.*

## SUPERINTENDENTS MEET WITH MALONE STUDENTS

On December 6, General Superintendent Russell Myers, and assistant, Sherman Brantingham, met at Malone College with 32 of the 73 Friends students enrolled there. Thirteen faculty members who are Friends joined with the group.

The major purpose of the meeting was to allow yearly meeting leaders to get acquainted with the young people. Mr. Myers expressed his strong interest in encouraging the young people, who represent the future of the church, as potential ministers and laymen.

Many of the Friends students reported, when asked, that they regularly receive bulletins or other communications from their home churches. Some, however, indicated that they do not hear from their church.

A discussion period concluded the meeting, as several expressed concerns about the relatively low status of real moral action in the yearly meeting. Others regret that youth are not deeply involved in the decision-making process at all levels in the church.

team captain was to be honored on the last Sunday by riding around the church in the buggy drawn by the losing team captain.

All of us feel that this special effort has been a real blessing and we are now working to keep these new folk as a regular part of our fellowship.

## A REMINDER TO CORRESPONDENTS

All church news and information about special activities of interest to readers of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND should be sent to Roger Wood, 2032 Scotland St., N.W., Canton, Ohio 44709, at the end of each month. News reaching him after the first of the month usually will be delayed an entire month more than would be necessary if it were sent promptly. When one considers the fact that it is usually nearly five weeks from the time he sends the news to the publisher until it reaches the readers, the importance of prompt reporting becomes more apparent.

It is often helpful to anticipate events and send news concerning planned events even before they occur. This method not only provides the editor with time to gather more details, but it enables him to publish news that is really fresh. He is totally dependent upon you who send him the news.



# WITH OUR CHURCHES

## ALUM CREEK QUARTERLY MEETING

*ALUM CREEK—Richard Johnson, pastor*

The Delaware County Historical Society requested that the skit from our sesquicentennial program of one year ago be presented for it. This was done on Monday evening, November 25, in the Asbury Methodist Church of Delaware, Ohio. Laurence Westbrook introduced those participating with an explanation of the early settlers of our community and church. Edwin Jeffries then interviewed persons playing the part of the early pioneers about their lives and their interest in establishing the Alum Creek Church.

—*Elma Black, correspondent*

## SULLIVAN AVENUE—

*Ralph Blackburn, pastor*

Many items of interest were presented by the Christian Education Committee to arouse interest in the recent KORO Crusade. Our motto was "Let's Go Over the Top for KORO." Boxes with items beginning with the first letter of each word of the motto were given to the persons who guessed their contents. One Sunday was Grandparents Day, another was Birthday Sunday, and a third Homecoming Day. The last Sunday of the contest was climaxed with a program presented by the Circleville Bible College choir of 38 voices.

—*Alma Marmon, correspondent*

## CLEVELAND QUARTERLY MEETING

*BARBERTON—Charles Bancroft, pastor*

The KORO Crusade generated considerable excitement in our church. Pastor Bancroft was captain of the Blue team, while Mr. Emerson Snyder, our Sunday school superintendent, was captain of the Red team. It must be reported that Pastor Bancroft and his team were consistent winners each week by a small margin. We are happy that our church won fourth place in Division B, even though we were striving for first place.

A Spiritual Life Crusade was held November 15 to 24 with Dr. H. Gilbert Williams as the evangelist. Several knelt at the altar seeking spiritual help during the series of meetings.

—*Arlie W. Lupardus, correspondent*

## WADSWORTH-BETHANY—

*Dale Neff, pastor*

We held a Missionary Conference October 31 to November 3, setting a new Faith Promise goal higher than last year's. Esther Close, for 30 years a missionary to India and now on her way to Haiti for the Oriental Missionary Society; Milford Ferguson, missionary to Brazil; and Barbara Brantingham, on furlough from service on Taiwan, were the speakers.

Mrs. Florence Munroe, more often known as "Auntie Mun" or the "Little General," spoke to the FY and in the evening service on November 10. She is a veteran missionary who just cannot seem to retire!

—*Stella Herzog, correspondent*

## WEST PARK—Earl M. Smith, pastor

Our annual church dinner given by the Mary and Martha Missionary Society was held November 1. After a delicious roast beef dinner, those who attended were treated to a wonderful program. The McPherson Family and Dennis Hennis and his trombone provided musical numbers, and Barbara Brantingham gave us a humorous look at what a missionary wife, housekeeper, and mother goes through in a strange new land.

Thursday evening, November 14, the Men in Missions meeting was opened to the families of the church. Special guests were the Roy Nelson family, missionaries to Guatemala.

On Thanksgiving Day a service was held at 9:30 a.m. The pastor brought a short message, and many gave expressions of praise in song and testimonies.

—*Matilda Kuch, correspondent*

## DAMASCUS QUARTERLY MEETING

*ALLIANCE—Galen Weingart, pastor*

Pastor Weingart recently took a leave of absence of several weeks to work on his master's thesis. In his absence the following men occupied the Alliance pulpit: Russell Myers, Chester Stanley, Sherman Brantingham, Herbert Handy, Edward Escolme, Paul Uhrig, David Rawson, Edward Mitchell, Eugene Collins, Tim and Pat Kirkpatrick, Robert Hess, and Jerry Butcher.

The Alliance Music Study Club presented a special choir concert of sacred music, including Christmas numbers, in our church on the afternoon of December 15.

Harold Piovesan, missionary from the New Tribes Mission, was the speaker for the evening service on December 15.

—*Ruth Hoff, correspondent*

*EAST GOSHEN—E. Roy Skeeter, pastor*

October was a very busy month at East Goshen. Harvest Home day for the Friends Home was held October 13. On Sunday, the 20th, the Sunday school gave \$114 for Christmas for our missionaries in the annual birthday march. On the 27th Rally Day was held with an attendance of 264.

—*Mary Mercer, correspondent*

*LISBON TRINITY—Gilbert Thomas, pastor*

We are very grateful to have been offered the use of a bus for our church. Our youth groups have already used it for some activities, and it has been a great help.

We also have a new look in our church sanctuary. We have new pews donated by the Columbiana Presbyterian Church. We have also added some new seats in the downstairs Sunday school classrooms.

Special evangelistic meetings were held October 27 to November 3. Edwin Jeffries, Director of Admissions at Malone College, was the evangelist. He brought heart-searching and helpful messages.

## GOSHEN QUARTERLY MEETING

*BELLEFONTAINE—Bruce Burch, pastor*

Eleven ladies from our church attended the annual Ladies Missionary Retreat for Goshen Quarter at the Fulton Creek Friends Church. Barbara Brantingham and her mother, Catherine Cattell, were the speakers.

Our Friends Youth brought back the at-

tendance banner from the Quarterly Meeting Friends Youth hayride on October 26 at the Fulton Creek church. We had about 25 there.

—*Josephine Jordan, correspondent*

*BYHALIA—Jason Sherwood, pastor*

The Byhalia Ladies Missionary Society had a Fall Tea for ladies of local churches on October 24. Geraldine Blackburn of Columbus was the guest speaker.

Miss Marsha Eastman received the thousand new pennies offered as prize to the contestant with the most points in our KORO contest.

—*Ethel Eastman, correspondent*

## URBANA—

*Don and Georgia Kensler, pastors*

A weekend meeting was held November 1 to 3. Bob Simmons and the "Harmonettes" were in charge of the preaching and the music.

Christian Training Classes were held November 4 to 8 with Mrs. Kensler in charge.

A Sunday school workers conference was held at our church November 16, conducted by Marjorie Langdon and Marjorie Landwert. The Mt. Carmel, Marysville, Springfield, and North Lewisburg churches participated with us.

—*Ethel Barnett, correspondent*

## GRINNELL QUARTERLY MEETING

*NORTHSIDE—Myron Harris, pastor*

On October 25, Mrs. C. A. Cheeseman spoke to us about the Indian work at Farmington, New Mexico. Delmona Wesaw played her accordion and sang. They showed colorful pictures of Navajoland and requested prayer for much-needed teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kunkle from World Gospel Mission were with us on November 14. They were on deputation work, and will be going to Bolivia as missionaries. She made a clever chalk drawing while he was giving a short message and his testimony. Pictures were shown of the work in Bolivia.

—*Nola Graves, correspondent*

## HAMPTON ROADS QUARTERLY MEETING

*HANOVER—George Robinson, pastor*

The KORO Crusade was a success as far as Hanover Friends is concerned. Our average Sunday school attendance was 111, which was our base average for both services last year. The last two weeks of the contest we broke all records.

November 3 we began special services with C. T. Mangrum, Sr., and Charles Robinson. Every service was "special," and the last Sunday was a day all will remember. The morning service was one in which the Holy Spirit was sensed in an unusual way, with fifteen persons seeking help at the altar. The evening service was also very unusual. After the message on "Light" the altar was filled with seekers. During the testimony time, the Spirit continued to speak to people and the altar was filled again.

—*Eileen Robinson, correspondent*

## NEWPORT NEWS FIRST FRIENDS—

*Paul Williams, pastor*

On November 17 nearly seventy people within our quarterly meeting met in our church for a seminar on evangelism. Dr. Edward Mitchell spoke in the morning and



## 1969 OHIO YEARLY MEETING CALENDAR

January 26-February 1 Youth Week  
 February 19 Malone College Honors Convocation  
 February 21 Friends Home Board Meeting  
 March 8 Christian Education Board Meeting at Malone College  
 March 10-14 Malone College Founders Week  
 March 11 Meeting of the Friends Youth Board at Malone College  
 March 14-15 Malone College Board of Trustees  
 March 17 Malone College Founders Day  
 March 18 Meeting of the Nominating Board at Damascus  
 March 21-22 Meeting of the Missionary Board at Damascus  
 March 22 Meeting of the Board of Finance and Stewardship at Malone College  
 March 22 Meeting of the Pension Board at Malone College  
 March 24 Meeting of the Moral Action Board at Malone College  
 March 25 Meeting of the Publications Board at Malone College  
 March 27 Meeting of the Evangelistic, Pastoral and Extension Board at Malone  
 March 28 Meeting of the Executive Board at Malone College  
 April 18-20 Malone College Youth Conference  
 April 22-24 Meeting of the Evangelical Friends Alliance in Colorado  
 May 5-9 Ministers Conference at Camp Muskingum  
 May 16 Meeting of the Friends Home Board in Columbus  
 May 23-25 Men in Missions Conference at Camp Muskingum  
 May 31 Malone College Alumni Day  
 June 1 Malone College Baccalaureate  
 June 2 Malone College Commencement  
 June 30-July 5 Camp Caesar, Webster Springs, West Virginia  
 July 14 Girls Junior Camp begins at Quaker Canyon  
 July 21 Boys Junior Camp begins at Quaker Canyon  
 July 28 Junior High Camp begins at Quaker Canyon  
 August 15 Meeting of Friends Home Board  
 August 18-24 Ohio Yearly Meeting at Malone College, Canton, Ohio

evening meetings, and Milton Lipes spoke in the afternoon and led a panel discussion. Bill Garthwaite spoke and showed a filmstrip on Spage-age Evangelism.

Our fall revival meetings were held from November 22 to December 2. The preaching evangelist was Percy Trueblood of Hertford, North Carolina, and Bryan Teague of Portsmouth sang.

### PELHAM QUARTERLY MEETING

*PELHAM—Lynn Shreve, pastor*

Our annual Thanksgiving Fellowship Supper on October 13 was a great success, with over one hundred present. We were fortunate to have John Brantingham and his family as our guests. They showed pictures and gave stimulating testimonies.

With the KORO Crusade we broke two records on consecutive Sundays. It was very thrilling to see the attendance increasing.

*—Dorothy Matthews, correspondent*

### PIEDMONT QUARTERLY MEETING

#### HUNTER HILLS—

*Kenneth Headland, pastor*

We at Hunter Hills Friends Church are very confident that our God very definitely prepared an evangelist for our fall revival which was held November 17 to 24. How encouraging it was to see many children, several young people, and young married couples, and also a young mother meet our Savior at the altar of prayer. Our evangelist brought Spirit-filled messages reinforced by prayer and a godly concern for the lost. If you are seeking for an evangelist who will be true to the Word and to you, why not use one

of our own whom God has called? We heartily recommend to you C. T. Mangrum, Sr., who is now in full time evangelism.

*—Kenneth Headland*

### SHORT CREEK QUARTERLY MEETING

#### MOUNT PLEASANT—

*Milton E. Coleman, pastor*

John and Barbara Brantingham were speakers for the Short Creek Quarterly Meeting youth rally held at the Mount Pleasant church Sunday afternoon, November 17. The Kandel Trio from Malone College sang several times during the service.

The Milton Colemans held open house November 10 to give the members of the church an opportunity to see the recent innovations and improvements at the parsonage.

*—Elisabeth Lupton, correspondent*

#### SMITHFIELD—Harry Marshall, pastor

A Cherub Choir for children from two to five has been organized under the direction of Rita Zifzal. Stories, music, and games are enjoyed by the children while their parents attend prayer meeting.

Many are active in the "Doorways Unlimited" program. A community survey has been conducted and several home Bible study groups organized. Messages are taped and regular services held in rest homes and for shut-ins.

On October 30, Pastor and Mrs. Marshall held open house at the parsonage so the congregation could see the recently completed remodeling.

November 17 the Kandel Triplets from Malone College sang several numbers and gave their testimonies in the morning service.

## MARRIAGES

**ROTH-THOMPSON.** Sandra Dianne Roth and Clyde H. Thompson, both of Cleveland, November 2, 1968, at the Willoughby Hills Friends Church.

**FLETCHER-YEAGLEY.** Anna Ruth Fletcher and Jeffrey A. Yeagley, both of Beloit, Ohio, November 9, 1968, in the Beloit Friends Church. Pastor Dr. Byron L. Osborne officiated.

**POTTS-GAPP.** Grace Potts and Warren Gapp, August 31, 1968, Pelham Friends Church.

**CRAWFORD-BECKETT.** Shelley Crawford and Raymond Beckett, Pelham Friends Church, September 28, 1968.

**HAGGERTY-STEEL.** Joy Haggerty and Rodger Steele, August 16, 1968, at the Ridgeville Bible Chapel near Pelham, Ontario, August 16, 1968.

**WHITTAKER-CARSON.** Anita Whittaker and Edward Carson, September 14, 1968, at the Smithfield Friends Church. Pastor Harry Marshall performed the ceremony.

## BIRTHS

**JOHNSON—**To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson of the Alliance Friends Church, Ohio, a son, Michael Ray, November 14, 1968.

**HUFF—**To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Huff of Lisbon, Ohio, a son, Roy James, Jr., October 30, 1968.

**EDWARDS—**To Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Edwards of First Friends Church, Newport News, Virginia, a son, Kermit Gilford, Jr., July 15, 1968.

**LUNSFORD—**To Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lunsford of First Friends Church, Newport News, a son by adoption, Charles Benny, October 4, 1968.

**SCHRUM—**To Mr. and Mrs. Danny Schrum of First Friends Church, Newport News, a daughter, Stephanie Ann, October 27, 1968.

**SHAFFER—**To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer of First Friends Church, Newport News, a daughter, Shirley Joyanita, October 21, 1968.

**STALL—**To Mr. and Mrs. David Stall of First Friends Church, Newport News, a daughter, Rachel Richey, August 24, 1968.

**SCOTT—**To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leimberger, of Hanover Friends Church, a son, Daniel Scott, November 19, 1968.

**THOMAS—**To Mr. and Mrs. Kent Thomas of Hunter Hills Friends Church, a son, Michael Kent, November 18, 1968.

## DEATHS

**ADLING—**Robert L. Adling of Bethany Friends Church passed away October 22, 1968. Pastor Dale Neff conducted the service.

**BOWHALL—**Harold Bowhall of the Alliance Friends Church passed away November 23, 1968. Pastor Galen Weingart conducted the services.

**McKINLEY—**Matilda McKinley of Willoughby Hills Friends Church passed away October 30, 1968. Pastor Wayne Root assisted in the service.

**ROBINSON—**Lewis E. Robinson of Bellefontaine went to be with the Lord October 15, 1968. Pastor Bruce Burch conducted the funeral service.