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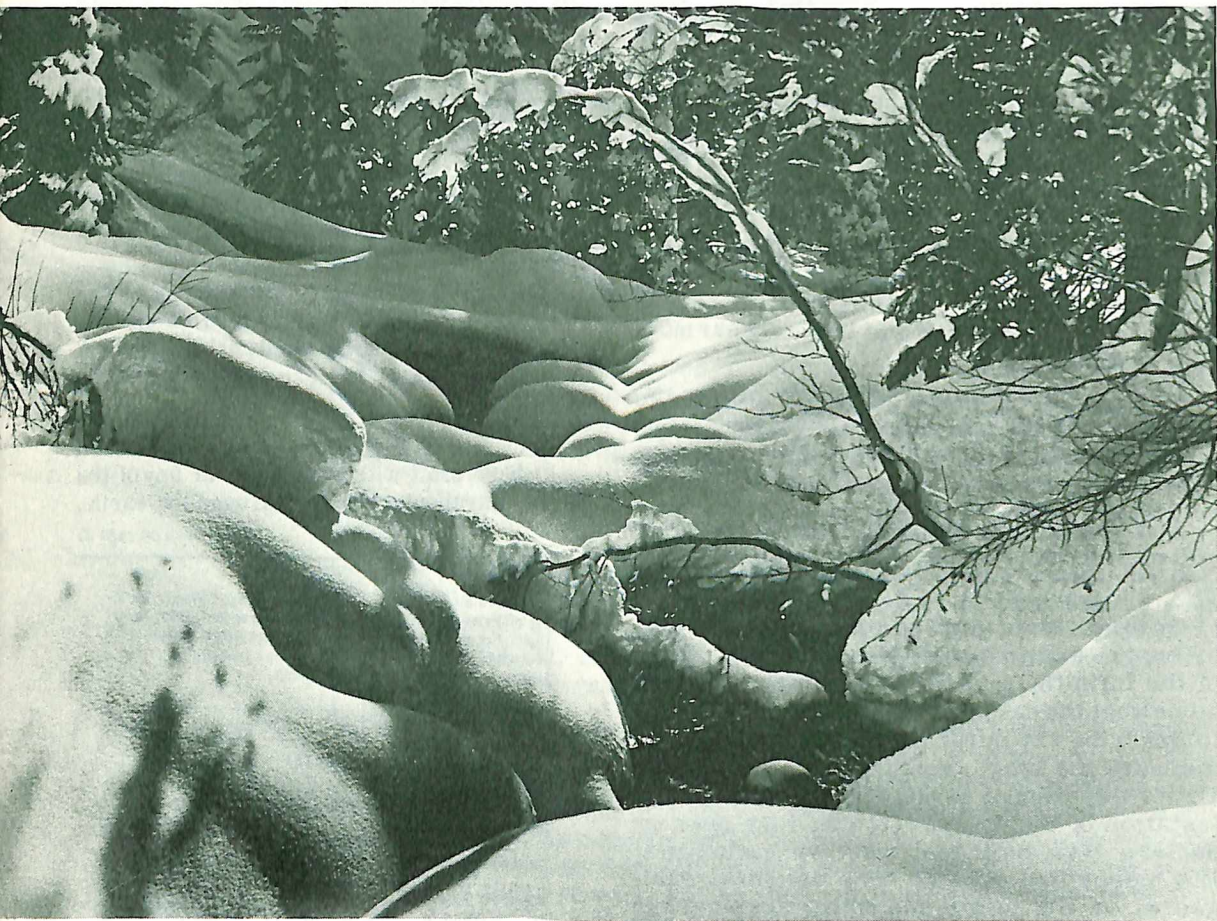
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The HARMONY of HOLINESS

By Hubert C. Mardock

This widely-known Friends evangelist presents a study from the book of Ephesians.



It has been said by some who speak with a degree of authority upon the subject, that of the Pauline Epistles the one addressed to the church at Ephesus is the most concise in its presentation of the doctrine of holiness.

Whether this be true or not, we are confident it does present a doctrine which translated into experience in human hearts and lives, banishes discord and brings a harmony akin to heaven.

It is of this harmony we would speak. To consider it from an orderly viewpoint one might say: Holiness is in harmony with "The Supreme Cause"—The Almighty Himself.

God speaking to us in 1 Peter 1:15, 16 declares His holiness, "Be ye holy for I am holy."

For the human mind to conceive the thought or human expression to describe the person of the Infinite, staggers human ability in somewhat the same way as when one attempts to describe the duration of God's eternity or measure the length and breadth of space. But of this we are certain, there is no manifestation of the Infinite One that does not declare His holiness, whether reflected in His mercy that glows with celestial effulgence, or His judgments which descend with unspeakable and eternal horror upon them that reject Him.

The angelic host echoes the refrain, crying one to another until the courts of heaven ring, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God of hosts." Isaiah 6:3.

Turning to the Revelation we read of those who are making their triumphal entry into the Glory, having come up through great tribulation. They sing the song of Moses and the Lamb, the theme of which declares the holiness of God. Yes, holiness is in harmony with God.

Secondly, holiness is in harmony with the creation, "And God saw every thing that He made and behold it was very good."

It is only reasonable to believe that coming fresh from the hand of the Creator, the created thing would bear the finger prints of its author.

It would be unreasonable to believe that He would pronounce it "very good," had there been a spot in it.

It was the great evangelist, Dr. Torrey, who said, "I challenge any man to sit down before the four gospels with an unbiased mind and conclude that Jesus Christ was not the Son of God." Likewise, it would seem to us, impossible for one to sit down before the universe and not in his mind confess the fact of the Infinite Designer.

Looking upward the Psalmist cries, "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork." "I see," he seems to say, "the finger prints of the Almighty."

I suspect if any of us had been on board the space craft with John Glenn or any of the other astronauts who sped around the earth,

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Editorial

Go to Crete for Christmas

AFTER reading the Christmas story in Luke, let's thumb on through to Titus this year. Have you read it according to the Titus account?

Christmas is most of all a family observance, it touches us at every level of kinship connection. There is first the securing of gifts for the children. Then the household list is reviewed to see how far out we go this year. Grandma? Of course. Uncle Bill? Perhaps. Cousin John? (What did he do last time?) At last the giving situation is all arranged.

Paul's concern for the new Christians on the isle of Crete was apparently on a family level. Titus was told to tell the Cretians how to live as Christians at home as families. He was to "set in order the things that are wanting. . . in every city." Now Homer has written somewhere of Crete's "one hundred cities," which if true, gave Titus quite an assignment. An island only 50 miles across and possibly five times longer, could not handle many large cities, so they must have been one hundred villages or communities; but still quite a task for tradition has it that Titus stayed with it until he was 94!

Much of the Christian world does not link snow, evergreens and sleigh bells with Christmas, and the Cretians didn't either. But they did know of "grace, mercy, and peace. . . through Jesus our Saviour," and this is a closer link with our Christmas than any St. Nicolas. They learned too, these Cretians, that Christian faith is learned first at home when the children, the mothers and fathers, and the grandparents make hearthside Christianity real.

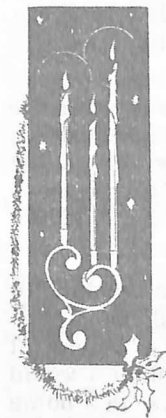
God does not bless people because of their accomplishments, but because of their aspirations. We love our loved ones, not because of what they give us for Christmas, but because of what they are. So in drawing up your family gift list, check first this time with Titus and do it early. There may not be many more shopping days left!

Daddy: Your gift exchange with the office staff must include "unquestioned integrity" (Phillips); your children are to have the present of being "brought up as Christians," by your being "discreet, fair-minded, holy and self-controlled, a man who can stand on the orthodox faith, so that he can by sound teaching both stimulate faith and control the household." To your wife, you are to give yourself as a "genuine lover, not hot-tempered or greedy, but a man of unimpeachable virtue."

Mother: Your gift list shall include "love to your husband and your children, a life that is chaste, home-loving, kindhearted and willing to adapt to your husband's—a good advertisement for the Christian faith."

Grandpa: Your package will contain "Temperance in all things, seriousness, wisdom—spiritual health through faith and love and patience."

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Is There a Solution to the Church Music Problem?

By Letha Scanzoni *

A UNIVERSITY student expressed a desire to know more about Jesus Christ. Encouraged by her interest and concerned for her salvation, a friend invited her to an evangelistic meeting. At the service, a propeller-armed song leader kept insisting that "Everyone smile! Smile!"—that everyone "do the motions. . . You adults, too, or I'll make you come up here and sing a solo." And, that the men should jump up on the "praise ye the Lord" parts after the women jumped up on the "hallelujah" parts in the next chorus. At this point, the university student was visibly upset and murmured to her friend that it looked like "a bunch of crazy jack-in-the-boxes."

SOUNDED LIKE BROADWAY

The special numbers that concluded the song service were likewise disappointing and reminded the visitor of some Broadway show tunes she had heard recently. Out of courtesy, she remained through the service but was so disturbed that she could scarcely give attention to the message which followed. She vowed never again to attend "such an irreverent service." When told of the incident afterward, the song leader and evangelist agreed that she must have been under conviction of sin and was driven away by "the offense of the Cross."

How ridiculous! It was not the offense of the Cross. It was the offense of the music! Incidents such as this are not isolated and only serve to emphasize that evangelicals today are confronted by vast problems in the realm of church music.

Simply stated, the problem is two-fold. Evangelicals are neglecting the rich heritage of hymns in favor of almost exclusive use of gospel songs; and secondly, there is a rapidly growing tendency to compose new "sacred songs" which are shallow and trite and set to Tin-Pan-Alley-type tunes.

Concern has been expressed and much has been written on the fact of this problem, but little has been said as to its causes. What are some of the reasons for this situation? Is there a solution? Let us examine several factors that have contributed to the plight of present-day music in evangelical circles.

1. A false belief in the infallibility of gospel songs. —Two closely related ideas are that "if it's in the hymnbook it must be a good song" and the notion that if a song is written by a fellow evangelical we should not evaluate it or criticize it. Thus, gospel song composers can visit Christian gatherings and introduce the most sensual harmonies, trite thoughts set to poor poetry, and dance rhythms under the guise of a sacred song! Sometimes they will claim with false modesty, "I didn't write this song; God wrote it through me. This thought came to me suddenly and I quickly wrote it down. . . it only took 14 minutes. And God is blessing and using this song He gave me and is saving souls through it." The hearer then becomes afraid to weigh the merits of such an "inspired" song!

2. Associating the great hymns with dead formalism, and lively gospel songs with vital, joyous Christianity. —It is not unusual to find well-meaning Christians who feel that

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Grandma: Her gift carries a tasteful wrapping and a delightful fragrance for it contains reverence, an uncomplaining spirit, and exemplary character in conversation and behaviour.

Teenager: Your gift to the family and the Lord most appreciated: "take life seriously, show a pattern for good living, have the strictest regard for truth. Your speech should be unaffected and logical. . ." (Philips).

If Titus was successful in his teaching to these grandparents, parents and young people, Crete must have had some wonderful Christmases. I can think of no place I would rather spend the holidays—than in a home where these gifts are regularly exchanged. ●

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since hymns are sung in non evangelical churches, evangelicals should not use them. Thus the great heritage left for us by dedicated Christians of the past—hymns that call our attention to God in all of His power and holiness—hymns that set forth the great doctrines of the faith—hymns that call us to utter submission to Jesus Christ and yieldedness to the Holy Spirit—hymns that cause us to mourn our sin and turn to Him for victory; all of this is bypassed in order to sing shallow ditties about sunshine in our hearts or wanting "to be a friend of Christ, umm and a little bit more."

INCONSISTENT LEADERS

3. Inconsistency in attitudes toward music. —A youth leader will warn high school students about the evils of dancing, giving as one of the reasons "the sensual music that can lead to wicked thoughts and deeds." He will warn of the sinful effects of "rock 'n roll" and other popular music. He will criticize "those worldly churches that even go so far as to use jazz in their services, thinking they'll reach teenagers in this way!" And then he announces the next song or "special"; and except for the words about Jesus, one could not possibly distinguish it from the forms he has just condemned.

Such inconsistency is confusing to both young and old. This writer recalls observing the incongruous sight of a usually quiet elderly woman suddenly grabbing a towel and beginning to dance around the kitchen while a group of church young people, gathered in the living room, were singing a lively rendition of "Drinking at the Springs of Living Water." She had mistaken it for a polka! Using sacred music for dancing would be shocking to most evangelicals! Yet, much of the modern variety rightly lends itself to that.

RECORDS OFTEN SHALLOW

4. Failure, in many cases, of communications media to set high standards in sacred music. —Christian recording companies and Christian radio stations are increasing in number. This is encouraging since more persons are exposed to the Gospel message through these means. Yet, all too often, it is the cheap, empty, "gospel with a beat" songs, renditions, and arrange-

ments that are heard. However, there is a reassuring sign in the growing number of current record releases that draw one's heart Godward rather than toward the performer.

5. The content and layout of many hymnals discourage the use of worth-while Christian music. —Many hymnals contain few hymns, and these are usually tucked in the back of the book (or at the bottom of the page under a lively gospel song) so that the hymns are hardly noticed. Even the more meaningful of the gospel songs are often not included in such books. But again, there is hope to be found in some of the more recent interdenominational hymnal publications.

6. The lack of training in church music that characterizes many Christian leaders. —Too few Bible institutes and seminaries have required courses in church music for future pastors and other Christian workers. Such courses should not be merely courses on how to read music and lead singing, but should rather be well-constructed courses in music appreciation and hymnology.

7. The poor quality of music generally used in youth gatherings and at Bible conferences. —Often, both in special numbers and in congregational singing, entertainment and fun replace worship and edification. It is sometimes voiced that majestic and joyful hymns will not be appreciated, whereas choruses will be well received. Yet, young people can come to love and even prefer good hymns. The writer has seen this demonstrated again and again both in working with youth choirs and in youth gatherings. The theme song for a local Youth for Christ camp a few years ago was Charles Wesley's moving: "And can it be that I should gain?" Amazingly, the young people enjoyed this song and sang it with much greater gusto than they did any of the choruses in the camp songbook! One need only attend conventions such as the American Keswicks to hear great Christian music sung with joy and meaning by evangelicals who love the Lord Jesus supremely.

8. A failure to realize the Christian education values of church music. —Music has real teaching value, a principle which God

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*This month's Music Box, usually written by Ruth Corbin, presents this thought-provoking article by Mrs. Scanzoni as it appeared in the September 8, 1962, issue of THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES. Mrs. Scanzoni of Eugene, Oregon, is a free-lance writer, composer and arranger, and editor of "Stoncroft Music Note," a music service for rural churches. "Is There a Solution to the Church Music Problem?" is copyrighted by THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES and used with permission.

Himself established and used, as seen in Deuteronomy 3:19 to 32:44. There He instructed Moses to compose a song, under His inspiration, that would be sung by His people and passed on to their children as a means of remembering His dealings and warnings. Throughout the ages, songs have been used as vehicles of instruction and propagation of ideas, whether for good or evil.

HYMNS CAN TEACH

Children can learn doctrine and instruction in Christian living through hymns on the level of their age and understanding. There are many, many excellent children's hymns that are seldom used by evangelicals. Yet, when they are introduced to them, children love them and gain benefit. Some may object and say that children could not understand them, but actually these are written in clearer and more literal language than most of the songs and choruses used with children in many churches. Think of the symbolism of "Jewels," "Sunshine Mountain," and "Deep and Wide." Countless examples could be given to show that many children do not understand these and similar songs, as illustrated by the four-year-old who told his mother he learned to sing "Rolled Away" with motions in vacation Bible School. When asked if he knew what it meant, the child replied, "Sure Mommy, it means pat-a-cake." To him it was just a fun game.

Even so, some may be thinking at this point, "But why change? We sing what we like; we like what we know. We're satisfied with our favorites for children and youth. Why learn new songs?" Needless to say, should we apply such reasoning to other areas of Christian education (the Sunday school), deciding to "stay where we are" and learn nothing new, we would be defeating the very purpose of Christian education.

MATURITY THE NORM

9. Failure to see a relationship between spiritual growth and musical preferences. —"When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things" (1 Cor. 13:11). Just as growth is a normal and desirable fact of physical life, so it should be the normal pattern in one's spiritual life. Becoming a Christian through faith in Jesus Christ and what He did on the cross and at the tomb is only the beginning, the new birth.

The Christian life should be a steady growth into a fuller knowledge of God. Worthwhile

Christian music can aid us in this. And conversely, as we go deeper with Him we find our preferences in music will change, too. Paul illustrates spiritual advancement by using the analogy of a babe drinking milk as compared to a mature man desiring strong meat (Heb. 5:12-14). Likewise in music, as we grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ, there will be a corresponding growth from the "milk" of the gospel song (the greater portion of which are concerned with the beginning of the Christian life: testimonies of conversion; and with the last stage, Heaven, whether arriving through death or through the return of the Lord) to the "solid meat" of the great hymns (encompassing the whole of the Christian life and the Church; instruction from the entire Word of God: the great truths of the Gospels, worship in the Psalms, and the doctrines and teachings in Christian living of the New Testament Epistles).

This does not mean that there is no place for the gospel song with its easily learned, folk-type melody and rhythm and its repeated chorus, or that gospel songs and choruses are used only by babes in Christ. Neither does it mean that hymn users are necessarily more spiritual. It does mean that there is danger in limiting our church music to exclusive use of shallow songs, which often results in a shallow experience and dwarfed Christian growth.

These then are some of the causes of the unwholesome present-day trends in evangelical Christian music. Is there a solution to the problem? Is there a way out? The answer depends upon Christian leaders and laymen alike who will recognize the situation and face frankly its root causes; and then who will not fear to analyze and evaluate music they use and hear, putting it to the age-old test of whether or not it is really "for the glory of God and the edification of man."

Evangelicals who will think through each song they sing, obeying the injunction to "sing with the understanding" (Psa. 47:7; 1 Cor. 14:15), and who desire that their music should be consistent with the holiness and greatness of God, will find that, for them, no church music problem exists. The Scriptural solution is to "let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts unto God. And whatsoever ye do, in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Col. 3:16, 17).

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SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNSEL

By Allen Hadley

PRE-SESSION activity for Junior-Hi pupils? Yes, of course! But first, let's understand our terminology. Pre-session activity is purposeful activity before Sunday School begins. What a shame to waste the time of a single student who comes early to Sunday School. Especially when minutes with our pupils are so hard to come by anyhow. One teacher said, "We have very little trouble with latecomers. Our problem is what to do with early arrivals." A problem perhaps—and yet a wonderful opportunity. A well planned pre-session will result in more early arrivals and fewer late comers. Even a few minutes added to the brief Sunday School hour are valuable. Impressions are so important. Each student should be welcomed warmly. He should be greeted by name and given a feeling of belonging. An empty room or a pre-occupied teacher does not give the student the impression that either he or the Sunday School is important.

And what's to do? Well, let's go back to the Junior Hi department and see what "purposeful activity" can be introduced to this group which will make it worthwhile coming early to Sunday School. Missionary interests can be presented in a number of ways—write letters, make gifts and recordings; write and practice original missionary skits to be presented during opening assembly periods. Present new library books; listen to tapes and records; fold bulletins; have pre-prayer service; work on contest preparation; write to absentees; preparation of visual aids for use in departmental opening exercise or classroom use; Bible reading; conversation and counselling.

Junior department pre-session activities can include all of these same ideas except geared to junior capacity plus memory work emphasis and Bible drill; art activities (murals, posters, bulletin board work, room decorations) music-choir practice and informal singing around the piano; story time

(Juniors not only enjoy hearing stories but telling them); missionary center or missionary stories with projects, pictures, View Masters and curios; help students complete their work books; planning time—they have many good ideas and are eager to help plan projects, worship period, visitation and help solve problems.

Primaries? Educational activities (puzzles and Bible games); dramatic play (story play, finger play); art activities (murals, posters, room decorations, free hand drawings); nature center (twigs, moss, pine cones, shells, rocks, bird's nests, terrariums, flowers, plants, turtle, fish); audio corner (music and story records, tape recordings, rhythm band, choral reading, singing games); handwork (paper and paper cutting, clay modeling, scrapbooks, coloring); visual aids (sand pan, flannelgraph, table top projects, dioramas, peek boxes, models, objects, dolls, puppets, magnet board, pictures, films, filmstrips).

And the same general course of action is outlined for the pre-school pupils on their level. Their program would also include a block center, book center, nature center, art center and music with records and singing around the piano.

And who is going to be responsible for this part of the program? All the personnel of the department—the superintendent, the teachers, helpers, and officers. They should be present at least 15 minutes—some a half hour before the formal opening of the Sunday School hour.

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we would have felt we had been going places and seeing things, and we would have; but, when we think of the vast machinery of the heavens with its worlds and suns, each intent upon its course as prescribed by its Creator, or limitless space where countless heavenly bodies float and fiery comets speed all in perfect order, we are not surprised the awed Psalmist declares the law of the Lord is perfect even to that of converting the soul of man.

Libraries could be written not only of the finger prints of Deity as seen in the realm of the telescopic, but no less wonderful in the microscopic—the trained eye of the scientist beholding whole systems like planetary systems in the heart of the atom!

Even to the casual eye, the world as we know it despite the distortion caused by the invasion of sin, there yet can be seen the stamp of God.

While the glorious promise of the Word is that although the whole creation groaneth in pain longing for the redemption of the body, the day is coming when that groaning will be heard, and instead of the thorn will come up the fir tree; the brier will be replaced by the myrtle tree; the lion and the lamb shall lie down together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and none shall hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain.

Holiness is in harmony with creation!

Holiness is in harmony with the Word.

The very name ascribed to the Book is Holy Bible, and upon its authority we find how it came into existence—"holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

Time and space do not permit a lengthy discussion of our subject as contained in the Word, but we must call attention to a few mountain peaks which shine with heavenly radiance.

Shall we pause just a moment at Abel's altar as described in the "Book of Beginnings." When we see the type of sacrifice on it we can begin to understand why it was accepted by Jehovah, while Cain's was rejected. Upon Abel's altar was the firstling of the flock with the shedding of blood typifying Calvary. But also present was the fat of the sacrifice typifying the Holy Spirit, Who is, according to sacred Scripture, "The Spirit of Holiness."

Next let us listen in on David's prayer, Psalms 51:2, as he prays, "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity and cleanse me from my sin." In verse seven he speaks of the manner by which as he prays, "Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean." As fat and oil are types of the person and office of the Holy Spirit, so also is hyssop.

We are cleansed by the blood of Christ but the Holy Spirit is the active agent—the dispenser of the blood.

That dark night in old Egypt, when the death angel passed over, it was hyssop dipped in blood, with which the posts of the door were smitten, guaranteeing the safety of the first born within. And now again it is hyssop in evidence in the cleansing of the heart.

We note the extent of the cleansing as described in verse seven—"Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow." The tiny snow flake that looks so pure and white to the natural eye, if examined through the eye of the microscope is found to have a speck of dirt in its heart.

Now let us pause just a moment and consider the gracious words falling from the inspired pen of the prophet Isaiah—"An highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness."

Following the prophecy of Malachi, the last of the Old Testament prophets, the heavens were silent for a period of almost 400 years, a silence unbroken until the gospel age was ushered in by the coming of Christ.

In describing this manifestation, Malachi declares Him to be like a refiner's fire and like fuller's soap.

The writer to the Hebrews centuries later, in speaking of the purpose of Calvary says, "Wherefore, Jesus also that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate."

John, the Baptist, announcing the Christ and describing the baptism with which He would baptize (Matt. 3:11, 12) says, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire, Whose fan is in His hand and He will thoroughly purge His floor."

Before leaving this point we must tarry a moment at the book of the Acts. Glimpsing the wonders of Pentecost, beholding its miracles, and feeling its glow; then seeing its effect upon the Simon Peters with their cowardice and the Thomases with their doubts, and later reading such reports as that of the Cornelius revival.

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'SANCTIFY THEM'

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A READY answer to this question is found in the simple, direct statement of Luke, "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost."—Acts 2:4. This is not a statement of physical fact, but it would be meaningless unless it is recognized as spiritual truth

The Epistles are all vibrant with the doctrine of holiness as in Hebrews 12:14. We read, "without which no man shall see the Lord."

When we pass the border line of worlds, if we have lived in the state of holiness before God and man, it now becomes the state of eternal fixedness—"He that is holy let him be holy still." Rev. 22:11

Yes, holiness is in harmony with the Word.

This one further consideration—Holiness is in harmony with the deepest desire of the soul of man.

That is how it is, that under the impact of the message of full salvation, the hardest hearts have been broken and the wayward have repented of their sins. Also, it is noteworthy that those who turn to the Lord and are born again under the message of holiness are stronger at birth, generally, than those converted under the ministry of "an Appolos" knowing only the baptism of John.

There is a book entitled, "The Music of the Spheres." It is a tremendous book from the standpoint of the discoveries of science. However, there is another book, which is the Book of Books, anteceding all scientific discovery, and which speaks of a day "when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy." Job 18:7, when the universe of God, including this planet, vibrated with the harmony of holiness.

In conclusion may we ask, "Does this harmony permeate your own soul?" This experience can be yours. "For the promise is unto you and to your children and to all that are afar off even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Acts 2:39

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based on the symbolism of physical fact. The sacred writer must have intended an analogy, and if so, some of the details of the symbol should give light on the meaning.

A pail with a pebble in the bottom cannot be filled with water. The pebble must be removed. Likewise the human heart, gloriously created to be the living temple of the Holy Ghost, cannot be filled with Him while any sin remains. Isaiah, seeing in vision Solomon's temple filled with the glory of God, was immediately aware of the dreadful contrast of his own depraved heart. "Woe is me!" he said, and at once the seraph brought the cleansing fire.

When we wish to fill a container, we pour very carefully at the last to fill it exactly to the brim. Not so with God, for He "giveth not the Spirit by measure."—John 3:34. The filling is made certain by the overflow; the "more abundant life" is the life which spills over with the good things of God with blessing to the thirsty round about. John tells us (John 7:37-39) that it was the Holy Spirit Jesus was speaking of when He said, "He that believeth on me. . . out of his inmost parts shall flow rivers of living water."

That which fills our hearts dominates our lives. We speak of the salt shaker, the cream pitcher, the sugar bowl. These containers are identified with the various table commodities because they are dedicated to them; they are never filled with anything else. Let it be settled, then, that we who have received the gracious gift of the Spirit (Luke 11:13) have no room or capacity for anything of a contrary nature. If we have not received Him, "how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"

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An Outpost Christmas

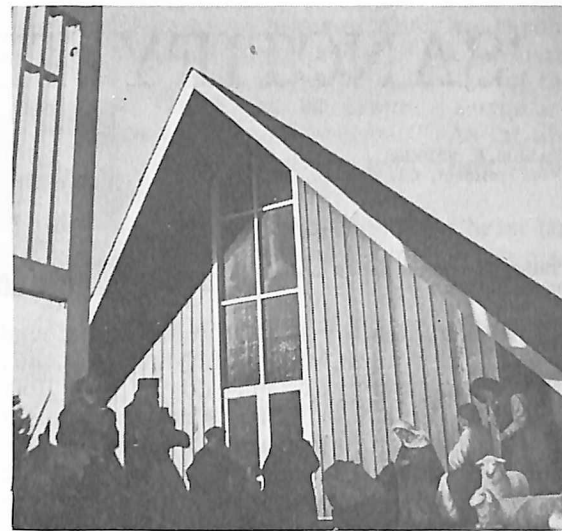
WOULD the parents come to hear their children in the Christmas program in that beginning year of 1953? There was a holy hush that morning when we gathered in the evergreen decked garage which had been turned into a chapel with a seating capacity of about fifty. A neighbor with a beautiful bass voice sang "O Holy Night" and as his rich tones brought again the picture of the first Christmas, we worshipped together. The children spoke well, and the play by the juniors and the brief message by the pastor were well received by an appreciative audience. The parents had come to this first Christmas program and valuable contacts were made.

Christmases passed. During the year of 1958 in the good providences of God a church was built. As December days flew by, the big question was—could we move into the church by the time of the Sunday morning Christmas program? During Saturday night when I awakened I wondered if the program would be held in the chapel at the house or in the spacious new auditorium?

Throughout the hours William Thomas, carpenter, a neighbor plumber, Mr. Speece, whose grandchildren would be in the program, and the pastor worked at the church. At about one o'clock the final pipe was connected to install the furnace and the gas lighted. Anxiously they kept vigil to be sure everything was functioning correctly.

We met in the auditorium of our new church, sitting on borrowed chairs, and using the unfinished platform. As the children sang and spoke bringing again the story of Jesus' birth, our hearts were filled with praise for God's goodness in bringing to a reality the dream of a church building.

After moving into the church building more adults from the community began to attend. Now they are helping to tell in the neighborhood the Christmas story—old, yet ever new.



Nativity scene sets Christmas atmosphere in front of beautiful new Friends Church in Ashland, Oregon, subject of "An Outpost Christmas."

Book Review

By Arthur O. Roberts

An ideal Christmas present for the Sunday School teacher in your household is THE NEW BIBLE DICTIONARY, edited by a group of scholars known as the Tyndale Fellowship for Biblical Research under the direction of J. D. Douglas (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1962; 1375 pp, 16 plates and 17 maps; \$12.95). The book supplements the useful one-volume NEW BIBLE COMMENTARY, published a few years ago.

When they say new they mean new, for each of the 2300 articles was especially written for the volume, with contributions by a number of British, Commonwealth, and American scholars. Although predominately within the moderate Calvinist traditions, the writers are generally fair in presenting differing evangelical interpretations on topics such as "sanctification" or "sin." This is not a handbook of theology, of course, and the primary value of the volume rests in the material which will assist one in quickly learning about names and places, from Aaron to Zuzim. The discussion of archeology, Biblical chronology, the descriptive plates and maps—such helps have a value readily apparent to any serious student of the Bible. Such helps are doubly appreciated when they reflect evangelical confidence in the integrity of the Scriptures.

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PARAGRAPHS from PENDLETON

Seven speakers and four discussion speakers on Saturday, November 17,—and the day passed quickly! This is ample evidence of the success of the third annual Quaker Men's Conference. Not only was it evident that the Holy Spirit directed the speakers, but He opened the hearts and minds of the listeners. The sense of fellowship and the inspiration of the hours spent together—while the Holy Spirit exhorted, instructed, and revealed Truth—were high moments in my Christian experience. One of the valid tests of a successful venture is whether you plan to attend again. The 1962 Pendleton Conference passed the test. I plan to attend in 1963.

— Frank Cole



Men who attended annual Spiritual Life Conference in Pendleton in November.

Be strong! . . . Be strong! . . . Be strong! . . . The theme rang out to Quaker Men attending the Spiritual Life Conference in Pendleton representing all Quarterly Meetings except one.

The challenging messages of Hubert Mardock and the sessions on being strong. . . inspiration and information. . . added together with friends and fellowship, food and fun, totaled to make an outstanding spiritual blessing and time of victory for Oregon Yearly Meeting Quaker Men at their third annual Conference.

Boise Valley had more than one-third of the total registered, with 15 men coming from Nampa. There were 58 reported as registered, the highest attendance in the three-year conference history.

— Harold Antrim

Our newest missionaries to Bolivia, PAUL and MARTHA PUCKETT and family, enplane from Portland on first lap of trip to San Jose, Costa Rica where they begin language study in January.

PRAY FOR THE PUCKETTS!



CE of the Month (Continued from back cover)

ary Chairman, Carolanne Harmon; Vice-president and Program Chairman, Suzanne Harmon; Secretary and Social Chairman, Janet Covington; Treasurer, Jim Grown; Look-out Chairman, Betty Davis; and Sponsor, Ed Harmon.

Titles of a few of the "unusual" lessons were: Goldilocks and the Three Bewares, Poison Ivories, Home on the Range, A Trip Through Outer Space, A Ride Through Bolivia, Never Say Diet, and Man on the Street.

The fall began with a kick-off party followed by a few "fifth quarter" parties. Later in the year there was a Christmas snow ball party, a progressive dinner and toboggan parties. With spring came a hayride and picnics. They took advantage of summer's good weather and had a scavenger hunt, a treasure hunt and a watermelon feed.

Publicity, aimed to interest newcomers, included posters, post cards, telephone calls, personal contacts, skits, and signs on cars.

Other projects included Christmas caroling, planting the church lawn, and painting the annex.

Twelve Ashland C. E. 'ers went to Mid-Winter and eight attended Yearly Meeting. A total of eighteen young people attended camp at Sa-wa-li-nais the last year.

Lessons, parties, and publicity—these were a part of the Ashland C. E. this past year. But any C. E. success story usually boils down to hard work, preparation, and dependence on God for results. Is your C. E. "Building for the Future" this year? Maybe some tips from Ashland C. E. will help you lay your foundation.

COMMERCIAL OR SHOP SPACE FOR LEASE—17' x 33'—3415 S. E. Belmont, near First Friends Church in Portland. Brick building—New store front—steam heat. For further information call Mrs. Lloyd Fitzsimmons, AT 2-4612.

The SOUL CRY of the AYMARA

WHO HOLDS THE RUDDER?

By Gene Comfort

YOU have heard the adventure of crossing the Straits of Tiquina since there have been missionaries in Bolivia. The scene hasn't changed much, though in earlier years the ferries were reed boats lashed together, creating more need of strategy in balancing. Today's modernized (?) ferries are bulky, flat-bottomed sailboats made of rough boards two inches thick.

It is a fairly safe maneuver to cross the straits. However, in April a passenger bus loaded with cargo capsized due to its huge size and a strong wind. It was empty of passengers and in a few days was salvaged by a deep-sea diver and sailboats. Nevertheless, it is the only way to get one's car to the Peninsula where there are five churches beside the island churches.

Crossing the straits became routine during the months we lived on the Peninsula, but is a novel experience the first few times—lunging up over boulders at the landing and placing the vehicle just so on the flat bed of the ferry; relaxing (or otherwise) to the slap of the waves against the boat, the creaking of the old wooden frames and the splash of the oars if there is no wind. The huge, weather-worn sail flaps and whips the breeze into working position. And someone holds the rudder.

Who holds the rudder and how he holds it is all important, for the wind can push the



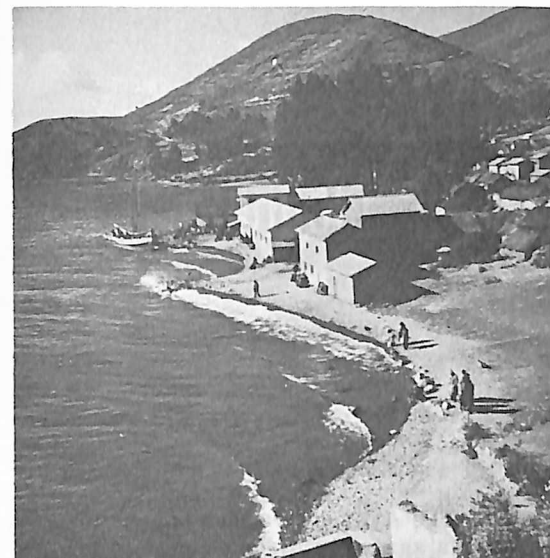
"Holding the rudder" while crossing the Straits of Tiquina

boat far off course if the rudder-man is not reliable. Small boys, well-trained, sometimes guide directly across. Even an adept appearing old fellow may take the boat way off its course. A lot depends on the attentiveness of the man at the rudder.

The National Church of Bolivia is a huge ferry-boat. There is a goal—the "landing at the other side." Who holds the rudder? The leaders of the National Church are in control. Sometimes their eyes are attracted by pleasing vistas on the shore behind, sometimes by the huge waves, the poor visibility, or the stillness of the breeze. Often they are allured off course. And many passengers are carried with them.

We missionaries influence through our example, exhortation, and prayer. We do not hold the rudder. Prayer from the home—

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Tiquina, peninsula side. The rocky spot on shoreline is the boat landing.

land can hold the storm in check and strengthen those in control. The Lord is able. He will not permit more than His beloved Aymara can withstand. We must pray that their attention will be always fixed on the Master of the sea and the port on the other side. Do pray.

Stalwart Men

By Betty Comfort

MEET an old Friend—Baltazar Yujra. (Y-o-u-c-ruh) Baltazar isn't the oldest among the Bolivian brethren, but with the life expectancy of the Aymara at 45 years, at 63 he is considered a very old and experienced man. His word is honored.

Baltazar has been in the Friends church since the 1930's. He has held prominent positions in the work of the Mission. At earlier times he was opposed to the transition of the plan of the National Church. For this reason we praised God as we heard him preach.

It was conference time at Amacari. There had been murmuring. Some of the Peninsula churches are among the oldest in our work. It is slow for them to catch the vision of being self-supporting and self-propagating, although they are very much in favor of be-

ing self-governed. The missionaries' hearts were heavy and wrung out from loving and being accused of not having love because we couldn't give all the material help for which they asked.

It was the final message on Sunday.

"Brethren, do you realize that thousands of souls are dying every minute without the gospel? And here we are accusing the missionaries, murmuring, and thinking about our own troubles. What does the Bible say? It says, 'Go ye into all the world and PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE.' Whether or not we get another bit of money from our mission we must obey the command of the Lord. We must quit complaining. We must preach the Gospel. This only."

Everyone listened as Baltazar proclaimed his convictions. Leading members who had led the opposition sat with their heads in their hands. The hearts of the missionaries were encouraged with the thought, "The children of Israel murmured on the way to the Promised Land. But there were Moses and Aaron, Caleb and Joshua. And through those faithful men they did finally arrive."

The National Church of Friends in Bolivia, too, has its stalwarts—men rooted and built up in the Lord. We can't count on personalities. They too often fail. But we can and must uphold in prayer those men who stand firm in face of opposition. There are many other such faithful men.

Your greatest help to your mission work in Latin America just now is prayer.



Baltazar Yujra and wife



missionary moments

By Phyllis Cammack

THESE two boys are thinking on the error of their way. The Aymara grandpa has just given them an irate scolding for scraping one side of the balsa against a hidden rock and breaking a little straw rope.

They had been enjoying real sport. They had crawled into grandpa's new balsa while the rest of the folks were preparing corn for a "huminta-picnic" on the Island Ospique near Anapia. The Aymara boy managed the pole while the white-headed lad balanced himself on the edge reaching for reeds as the boat glided across the water. They had taken a long ride on top of the waves. In coming back to shore they had just barely scraped the rock. But the old grizzled grandpa had been watching. He hurriedly stumbled down to the water's edge to tell them to get out of that boat and stay out.

The broken straw rope was not expensive, but it was tied tightly in a critical place holding two rolls of reeds together in the bouyant pile of straw. It would be tedious and difficult to repair without tearing the boat apart.

Dionicio has tears in his eyes. Joseph doesn't feel it so deeply. His father won't tell him to get away and stay away until dark as Dioncio's father will. Grandpa will ignore them both while he busily rows his damaged balsa around the bend out of sight. Joseph will say he's really sorry but he can't do much more than that. He just doesn't know how to take care of balsas with their important little straw ropes. It is a frustrating missionary moment. ●

W.M.U. NEWS

Literature reading news: These are suggestions for the reading program for this year:

1. Count 200 pages as a book.
2. Read at least 10 books from at least five of these categories:

Devotional	Christian Biography
Christian Education	Foreign Missions
Stewardship	Home Missions
Church History	Christian Periodicals
Christian Fiction	Our New Mission Field

3. The new category, entitled, "Our New Mission Field" includes books that inform us of conditions next door, in our homes, or nation. Some suggestions are textbooks especially for high school and college and any of J. Edgar Hoover's books and lectures.

His annual report may be obtained free for the asking. Other books that would be good are: "The Internal Threat to the American Way of Life," by Benson; "The Atheistic Communists Are Driving Hard," messages given over Light and Life Hour; "Nine Men Against America," Gordon; "Odyssey of a Fellow Traveler," Matthews; "The Tragedy of Bolivia," Guiterrez; "Dear and Glorious Physician," Caldwell; "The Savage My Kinsman," Elliott; "The Strange Case of Alger Hiss," these last 2 taken from Reader's Digest Book Section. The Northwest Friend may be counted among Christian periodicals. Read the Bible daily but not for reading credit.

If you want more information or have questions, contact Dilla Winslow, literature chairman.

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LISTEN! LITTLE QUAVERS

By Marie Haines

THE EXTRA GIFTS

THIS was the best Christmas we ever had," Julie said happily looking over the piles of gifts. "I got everything I wanted."

"Me too," John chimed in, "Erector set from Uncle Ben, bicycle from Mom and Dad, new clothes, books, games—"

"Aren't we lucky," Julie held her baby doll close. "Say, what did Grandpa and Grandma send us?"

Hastily, they looked over their gifts. "Mom, didn't we get anything from Grandpa?"

"Not yet," mother smiled. "There was a big snowstorm and mail was delayed. Maybe something will come today."

Sure enough, when the mailman came there were letters for John and Julie. "Hurrah!" John waved his hat in the air. "Five whole dollars to buy anything I want!"

"I got one too," Julie said in excitement. "What are you going to get, Johnny?"

The children began looking over their gifts. "I can't think of anything I want now," John said slowly.

"Let's get mother to take us shopping and then maybe we can see something," Julie suggested.

"All right," mother agreed. "Everything is marked down now."

"John," Julie said thoughtfully as they rode along in the car. "Do you suppose we should tithe our money?"

"No," John said. "If grandpa and grandma had given us a gift instead of us buying it, we wouldn't tithe that."

"What do you think, mama," Julie asked?

Mother thought a moment. "How about tithing all your gifts?"

"But people wouldn't want us to give away the things they gave us would they?"

"You wouldn't like me to give away my bicycle would you?"

Mother studied that one. Then she shrugged. "I guess you'll have to figure it out for yourselves."

The children were both sober as they wandered about the toy department. Julie fingered a beautiful doll. "Look mama, she is half price now!"

"But you have a doll."

"I know, but I have decided to buy this one anyway. It is only \$4.98." Julie had the clerk wrap it up.

John was not interested in dolls. He looked at boats and engines and cars. Then he found the musical instruments. "Look at this keen ukelele, mom," he finally said. "Only \$4.69. I'll take that."

Proudly the children carried their packages to the car. "Now mom, will you drive to Larry's house?"

Mother nodded. If she guessed, she said nothing.

"I'm going to give this uke to Larry. He's been sick all winter and he said they wouldn't have much of a Christmas," John explained as he got out of the car.

"I'm going to give this doll to Charlotte," Julie shook her curls. "She only has a little ten cent store doll to play with."

On the way home, the children were very happy. "I just feel good all over," John said.

"Do you s'ppose Grandma and Grandpa will care?" Julie asked.

"I think they will be happier than you are to think you thought of others," mother smiled.

"I'm still thinking about a tithe of my toys," Julie went on. "When I get home, I'm going to look them over."

"You do whatever you feel the Lord wants you to do, honey," mother said. "Everything you received is yours to do with as you please."

John looked thoughtful too. What do you think, boys and girls?

AMONG THE CHURCHES

Greenleaf Quarterly Meeting

Caldwell—Nathan B. Pierson

A Harvest Dinner was held following the morning worship service, Sunday, November 4. An entertaining program followed the dinner, in which each member of the church with musical talent was asked to perform. Our special guest for Worship Service that morning was Ira Craven. He brought an excellent stewardship message, and sang a solo for us entitled, "The Bank of Heaven." ¶ Mr. Everett Craven was our messenger for the morning worship hour November 18. He represents GFC and gave an excellent inspirational message and report on GFC. ¶ The senior CE presented a short skit with a stewardship message to the evening worship service. ¶ We are anticipating a season of spiritual refreshment and revival December 5 through 16 with Herschel Thornburg ministering to us.

Greenleaf—Kenneth Pitts, pastor

John Roberts, Ira Craven and Derrol Hockett brought good reports of the Quaker Men Conference at Pendleton, at our Sunday evening service, November 18. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pitts, our pastors, held open house for the young people after church on October 28. A time of fellowship and refreshments was enjoyed by about 40 young people. ¶ Rosalie Pitts entertained the W. C. T. U. in her home, November 1. ¶ Denver Headrick of GFC development office, brought the morning message November 11. ¶ On November 11, the SS staff and their families gathered after church in the Home Ec rooms of the Academy for dinner. Following this they listened to teaching records by Henrietta Mears.

Newberg Quarterly Meeting

Chehalem Center—Robert Fiscus, pastor

Tuesday night before Halloween a group of our young people met at the parsonage to prepare treats for a different type of "Trick or Treat" campaign. Wednesday night, following a short prayer meeting, they gathered again at the parsonage, in costume, and went in cars out into the community to pass out the treats with invitations to SS and church attached. ¶ November 4, each church family was requested to invite another family to church and then remain for a fellowship dinner. We were thankful for the response with several guest families in attendance. ¶ Harold Parry and James Raymond attended the Quaker Men Spiritual Life Conference at Pendleton held November 16-18. ¶ A new visual aid filing system for our SS is in progress and we hope to soon have it available for use. ¶ In observing GFC Day, Dick Foster spoke to us in the evening service. He is the recipient of our ministerial scholarship to

¶ Greenleaf Academy and the ladies of the three missionary unions hosted and provided entertainment and meals for the Northwest Fellowship of Christian Schools, October 25 and 26.

Homedale—Irwin Alger, pastor

On the evening of October 7, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Craven were present with Mr. Craven giving an impressive talk on stewardship. He is clerk of the Greenleaf Quarterly Meeting and also a member of the Yearly Meeting Stewardship Board. ¶ WMU had an all day meeting in the church basement. One of their projects is selling fruit cakes. ¶ The junior high CE group, the adults and the senior CE met the evening of October 14, to see a series of slides shown by Celia Cowan about her missionary work in the Congo. For the evening service a group from Greenleaf presented an excellent program of music with Roy Knight, principal of Greenleaf Academy in charge. Others present from Greenleaf were Mrs. Crittie Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hardinger and Mr. and Mrs. Joe McAfee. ¶ The SS contest of five weeks has ended with an attendance average of 161. This was 11 more than the past year's average. ¶ Herschel Thornburg conducted a series of evangelistic services October 24 through November 6. Attendance was very good with a number making first decisions for Christ as Savior. Many were strengthened in their Christian faith. ¶ A tape recording of SS classes will be presented by Norene Arnold at the WMU at Mary Nichols home. ¶ The Friendship Circle met at the home of Grace Martin November 6. The annual smorgasbord dinner plans were completed.

GFC. Also the Yearly Meeting CE officers met with our young people and stayed to worship in the evening service.

—Imy Arndt, reporting

Nehalem—Bernice Mardock, Elsie Gherke, pastors

On October 19, 20, 21, we held weekend evangelistic meetings in which we had the pleasure of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nickles in charge of the services. Sunday afternoon there was a potluck dinner for the church group at Twin Rocks conference grounds at which members of the Walter King family were hosts. ¶ October 20, the Nehalem CE group went to the zoo for the afternoon. ¶ Release Time for the school children in which they are allowed time for religious concentration during school time was held at the church for the first time on November 8. ¶ Both of the Nehalem CE groups attended a swimming party at the Nehalem Grade School, af-

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ter which there was a devotional time followed by refreshments. ¶ On the afternoon of Sunday, November 11, the Nehalem CE attended the CE Rally at Tigard. They attended the evening services along with Walter King from Twin Rocks. ¶ November 13 was work night at the church in which all the men of the church participated.

Newberg—Glen Rinard, pastor

Everett Clarkson was speaker on Sunday morning, October 28, during our Missionary Convention. He presented our mission field in Bolivia. Paul and Phyllis Cammack presented our field in Peru on Friday night. Saturday night speaker was Clarence Carter, who had served in India under the Church of the Nazarene. Milo Ross spoke on the total mission of the church on Sunday evening. The church choir presented the missionary cantata "The Greatest Story Yet Untold" on Sunday afternoon, and again on Sunday evening, November 4. ¶ Special speakers in our services have included Arthur Roberts, Edgar Madrid, Fredric Carter. ¶ A church pot luck supper was held on Monday evening, November 12. Joyce Hester showed pictures of her recent trip to Europe. ¶ Fifteen new members, active, associate and affiliate, were recently welcomed into the church. ¶ Herschel and Esther Thornburg honored her parents, Verl and Florence Davis, on their golden wedding anniversary at an open house on Sunday afternoon, November 4. ¶ WMU met on Thursday afternoon, November 15. Group 1 met in the fireplace room at the church with Ruby Thatcher and Ernestine Amick as hostesses. Group 2 met at the home of Gwen Parker with Grace Hadley as co-hostess. Devotions were led by Mildred Beals and Ethol George presented the lesson. ¶ The Mothers' Club met with Janet Lyda on November 1.

—Margaret Weesner, reporting

Sherwood—Gordon St. George, pastor

In the morning worship service on November 4, Dorwin Smith spoke about the new outpost work at Meridian. Rev. Willis Keithely began his series of "Sermons from Science" with words, music and moving slides on Wednesday, November 7. The services were continued every night except Saturday through November 18. The meetings were educational and inspirational and many people found themselves drawn closer to the Lord in a re-dedication of their lives to Him. GFC provided much of the music for the services which was greatly enjoyed by all. ¶ Our annual Thanksgiving turkey dinner was held on Friday, November 16, with about 150 people present. Rev. Keithely's sermon, "Consider the Lilies" and the slides of the flowers were an inspirational way of ending a good time of fellowship.

—Shirley Hackworth, reporting

Springbrook—Edwin Clarkson, pastor

Paul Mills has spoken two Sunday evenings on visitation. From this, the Christian Education Committee has organized an evening of visitation in the community. ¶ Milt Van Zanten spoke of Temperance at our Sunday morning service November 4. ¶ The WMU met at the Opal Mills home with

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Adah Peters and Lilah Newby having Devotions and Marjorie Crisman the Program. ¶ Springbrook WMU has a "baby". A new Union has been organized with the young women of the church. They call themselves "Missionary-Minded Women's Union". Judy Nolte was elected president.

—Lilah R. Newby, reporting

Tigard—Orville Winters, pastor

On October 28, we were privileged to have the Everett Clarkson family with us. They showed color slides and presented the work of our church mission in S. A. ¶ Tigard church hosted Newberg Quarterly Meeting November 9-11. About 60 were served at dinner Saturday evening. The CE Rally had a gathering of 115 on Sunday. ¶ The "Quaker Maids" 4-h Club held a style show at the church the afternoon of November 17. The girls, age 9-14, modeled their skirts. Tanya Wym, president of the club, acted as narrator. ¶ Our pastor attended Quaker Men's Retreat at Pendleton, Saturday, November 17. He gave a report of the sessions at the Sunday evening service. ¶ Dick Esau, leader of Boy Scout Troop #299, presented the Scout Charter during morning worship on November 18. ¶ Sunday evening, November 18, the senior CE traveled to Newberg to pay a return visit to Newberg CE. ¶ Several of our SS teachers, along with our pastor, are attending a SS teacher workshop presented by the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Dr. Bob Bennett, head of Christian Education department at Western Evangelical Seminary, is in charge of the workshop. ¶ Plans are in the making for our Christmas program. Barbara Armstrong and Maddy Beck are in charge. ¶ Maddy and Larry Beck have organized and are sponsors for a junior high CE group.

—Hazel Dycke, reporting

West Chehalem—Gene Hockett, pastor

Our community along with many others suffered extensive damage as a result of the heavy winds of October 12. Russell Baker's dairy barn was ruined. The Kenneth Fendall home burned. Others of our members suffered heavy losses in buildings and orchards. The flue of the church building was damaged and several trees in the grove were blown down. We met for service the next Sunday in an unheated building thanking the Lord that there was no loss of life in our midst. ¶ West Chehalem SS came in second in the Yearly Meeting SS contest. The month of November is the month for our local SS contest. The two space missiles have been gaining speed and our attendance is rising. ¶ The two WMU groups met in late October with Marie Chapman giving a report of the WMU Retreat. The groups met again November 13. Ethol George had the program at the Mary-Martha group which met at the home of Paula Benham. These women's groups are sponsoring a special missionary literature fund. ¶ The senior CE had a Halloween hayride, and a Thanksgiving party. The junior CE is active under the leadership of Verne Baker and Betty Hockett. ¶ The choir has begun practice on the Christmas cantata, entitled "Night of Miracles," by John Peterson.

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Boise Valley Quarterly Meeting

Whitney—Randall Emry, pastor

On October 7, Dorwin Smith filled the pulpit while our minister and his family were on vacation. ¶ Clair Lund, who is going to Arizona to an Indian Mission, spoke in our opening exercises of SS on October 28. Following church services there was a potluck dinner. ¶ During Halloween week most of the classes and CE's had parties. ¶ Clynton Crisman, who was speaker at our last Quarterly Meeting, was in our morning services November 4. While here he held meetings at Fairfield and also at the Meridian and Emmett outposts. ¶ The senior CE is selling candy as a money raising project.

—Beverly Smith, reporting

Boise—Dale Field, pastor

The ladies sewing club met Monday evening, November 5, in the home of Lucile Mylander. There was a special Christmas demonstration from the H. B. Hobby shop. ¶ "Christ is the Answer" was the theme of the special meetings held in our church from November 7 through November 18 with Herschel Thornburg as evangelist. This talented servant of God used his ability as a musician and artist to effectively present the gospel message. We were admonished to expect great things from God, and to remember the weekday, to keep it holy. Herschel Thornburg showed slides taken during his

evangelistic ministry in Formosa. He also displayed a heathen altar setting which he brought back. ¶ The social committee sponsored a covered dish fellowship dinner in the church basement, after church on November 11. ¶ Our average SS attendance for the month of October was 127, morning worship 111, evening worship 60, and prayer meeting 22. We are above last year's average for SS and evening service, but we are below for morning worship and prayer meeting. As a church group we are part of God's plan and much of the fulfillment of His will depends on us.

—Margaret Peterson, reporting

Nampa—Clare Willcuts, pastor

Fifteen Quaker Men from Nampa attended the Spiritual Life Conference at Pendleton. ¶ The film "Regions Beyond" was shown on Sunday evening this month, in preparation for the Missionary Convention. ¶ The nursery has just been freshly painted by members of the Homebuilders SS class. ¶ The Dorwin Smith family has been worshipping with us on Sunday evenings this fall. ¶ We are anticipating the Missionary Conference Thanksgiving weekend. A full and varied program has been planned. Cottage prayer meetings and special prayer groups have been active. This promises to be a highlight of our church year.

Sunday evening worship service and presents its musical numbers during the morning worship service on the following Sunday. ¶ Five couples from the Homebuilders SS class attended a Halloween party at the home of Norman and Carol Thrasher on October 26. ¶ The Story Hour and F. C. Club resumed their Wednesday meetings on November 7, and will continue to meet on this day throughout the school year. ¶ WMU met at the home of Catherine Schimming on November 8. ¶ Our church joined with the two Culver churches for a Union Thanksgiving Service on November 18 in the Culver Christian Church with Richard Cossel bringing the message. A time of fellowship and refreshments followed the service. ¶ The annual Thanksgiving dinner of the church was this year combined with the reception for the Metolius Elementary School teachers held on November 20. ¶ The week of November 21-26 has been designated as "Clean Up the Basement of the Church" week by the WMU.

Maplewood—Dillon Mills, pastor

A general work day was recently declared with rugs cleaned, floors polished and windows washed. The men worked on plumbing in the kitchen among various jobs. ¶ The last Sunday of September, the CE took charge of the evening service. Topic was "Flying High." ¶ Evangelistic services were held October 3 through October 7 by Herschel Thornburg and James Raymond. Members were faithful in attendance and some guests attended for the first time.

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churches where they did have services. We are grateful no greater damage was sustained by our members.

Second Friends—Lyle Love, pastor

A recognition service was held for three active and 15 associate members of our church. ¶ A miscellaneous shower was held for Robert Lewis and Bernice Kimball following a Wednesday evening service. ¶ We are thankful for the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst in our various services and in one of our Sunday evening services recently there was no preaching as various ones testified, prayed, and exhorted. It was a very melting time and a precious spirit as all gathered around the altar for prayer at the close of the service. ¶ As stewardship is stressed in our churches of the Yearly Meeting during the month of November, our own stewardship committee under the leadership of Yvonne Judd have been responsible for bulletin inserts, posters, a display of books and pamphlets. The pastor has also been giving stewardship messages in the Sunday morning services. ¶ It was a privilege to have Dorwin Smith speak in a recent Sunday evening service and present his concern for the Meridian work. Also we were glad to have Allen Hadley of First Friends present the program to 19 ladies of our WMU. ¶ Fred Baker, our Quarterly Meeting superintendent, brought messages Sunday morning and evening services on Thanksgiving Sunday. The Intermediates and Juniors, under the direction of Jane Laughlin, presented a very beautiful playlet depicting Thanksgiving now and in the Bible days. This was given in the opening exercises of SS. ¶ In our local SS contest, which was held in co-operation with the Yearly Meeting contest, our adults lost to the Juniors and Intermediates. Therefore our adults were hosts to a party for the Juniors and Intermediates. This was a Hobby Show and Talent Night held in the basement of the church with 80 in attendance.

Inland Quarterly Meeting

East Wenatchee—Robert Morrill, pastor

November 11 was our big day—our first regular church service in the sanctuary! Our attendance was increased more than fifty percent that day. Two of our local church members have donated the new electric organ and piano. The Harry Lovejoys had furnished all the floral arrangements as well as landscaping shrubs. The evening service was a very thankful singspiration and program of praise to the Lord. ¶ There is added interest and attendance with the Junior Church choir practice. ¶ The junior CE had a fine Halloween party with their sponsors, Keith and Beverly Smith. ¶ Arthur Vesper, principal of Tegucigalpa Bible Institute, Honduras, was guest speaker on November 25, in three services in our church sponsored by the Holiness Association. ¶ A Thanksgiving Day service with special music furnished by Philip Morrill, home for vacation from GFC, was held on November 22.

Hayden Lake, Wayne Piersall, pastor

The special meetings held by Dean Gregory have been highly successful with new souls won for Christ

and others rededicated. Hayden Lake continues to grow. ¶ Nine CE's and three adults attended Quarterly Meeting sessions at the new East Wenatchee Friends Church. We were spiritually lifted by the presence of Almighty God in this the first service in the new sanctuary. ¶ Four of our men attended the Spiritual Life Conference at Pendleton. They reported that they received a great blessing from it and urged all men to plan on attending next year. ¶ The ladies of the church have set aside each Tuesday morning to gather for a time of prayer. ¶ We continue to diminish our debt with the goal of starting our new superstructure in the spring.

Spokane—Floyd Dunlap, pastor

This has been a month of visiting and visitors. Several families from here attended Inland Quarterly Meeting held at the Wenatchee Friends Church November 9 and 10. Those going reported a feeling of thankfulness on seeing the new sanctuary being used. ¶ Blythe McLean, missionary for the American SS Union, spoke at the evening services on November 4, concerning the Union's work. Colored

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slides emphasized the challenging work with the Negroes in the Southern states. ¶ Featured speaker at the meeting of the WMU on November 8, was Mrs. Tusant, wife of Rev. Richard Tusant of the Lidgerwood E. U. B. Church of Spokane. Mrs. Tusant spoke of her concern for the people of South America as she related and showed via colored slides the trip taken there this summer by her husband and herself. ¶ Giving the evening message on November

Salem Quarterly Meeting

Highland Avenue—Merle Green, pastor

A Quaker youth club has been started for all boys and girls from grades 3 to 6. They meet on Tuesday right after school. Several new children have started attending since the first meeting. ¶ In the Yearly Meeting SS contest, we had a local contest within our SS. We had two sides, the red rockets and the blue rockets. The points were changed to miles to see which side would reach the moon first. The losing side provided entertainment for the winning side. ¶ A skit entitled "10 seconds 66" was presented during the SS hour on November 4. ¶ Paul Cammack brought our morning message on November 11. He also spoke at the close of the SS hour on the importance of stewardship. ¶ Our church has recently been given a beautiful new exterior paint job by W. W. Wells and Sons, at least the third time this company has been contracted to paint our building.

—Louise Hawk, reporting

Marion—Robert L. Smith, pastor

Work is soon to begin in the finishing of the parsonage upstairs. ¶ Dean Gregory, OYM superintendent, was with us October 21. ¶ Our plans for our future new church additions are on display. This beautiful dream we pray will soon come true. Over \$250 is now allocated to this account. ¶ Our first "March for our Missionary Project" was November 4. ¶ The teaching methods of Jesus were discussed at the Teachers Meeting November 4. There are 12 weeks of these meetings. ¶ Waldo Hicks is to be our evangelist in the near future. ¶ Paul Cammack was with us December 2, bringing us his concern for the South American missionary work. ¶ Fall meetings of the WMU have started with a work day at the church. Special Monday night prayer meetings have also begun.

—George Wilkinson, reporting

Medford—Jack L. Willcuts, pastor

Medford Friends Church just finished a two week series of revival meetings with Hubert Mardock. Meetings were held nightly except Saturday and also three mornings a week. We trust that the help received will be of great blessing to our church. ¶ A SS dinner was held November 8 for the teachers, husbands and wives. The Betty Comfort WMU served the dinner. About 40 enjoyed the dinner and talks by those who attended the SS workshop at Menucha. The dinner was adjourned to hear Hubert Mardock. ¶ About 50 of our young people attended a roller skating party recently. ¶ A church orchestra is being organized with Ken and Rachel Vandenhoeck and Dick Logan in charge. About 20 attended the first rehearsal. ¶ A youth hobby night, for

11, was OYM General Superintendent, Dean Gregory, who also gave an informative and interesting talk on the church extension work to the adult study class. ¶ The second largest delegation of men at the Quaker Men's Spiritual Life Conference at Pendleton, Oregon, arrived back in Spokane with reports of, "We're glad we went!"

—Juanita Stenson, reporting

junior high and high school begins November 27 and will meet every two weeks. Classes being offered are Ceramics, Wood Carving, Electronics, Oil Painting, Driver Training Class and Christian Training class.

—Avadna Boshears, reporting

Rosedale—Harold Beck, pastor

Everett and Alda Clarkson and family were with us for the SS and morning worship services November 4. Everett showed pictures of their missionary work in Bolivia. At the noon hour a pot luck dinner was served in the church basement. ¶ Our pastor held revival meetings at Sprague River November 7-18. ¶ During our pastor's absence Frank Haskins brought the morning and evening messages November 11. ¶ The wind of October 12 took down several trees from around the church and knocked down part of the chimney. The men of the church rallied to repair the damage as well as to make some improvements. The parking facility has been considerably enlarged. More gravel has been hauled in. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Ira Downs, former missionaries to Alaska, were with us November 18 for the morning worship service with Mr. Downs bringing the message. ¶ Our senior high CE group was in charge of the evening service. ¶ Forrest Cammack attended the Quaker Men Retreat at Pendleton.

Scotts Mills—Marvin Kistler, pastor

A CE candle light service was held October 14, because of power outage from the October 12 storm. ¶ Donuts were taken to 14 homes of the senior citizens on Halloween night by the senior CE'ers. ¶ Eight junior CE'ers had a Halloween party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Burlingame, after they "Trick or Treated" a few homes. ¶ The film, "The Family that Changed the World" was shown October 28. ¶ A coffee hour was held at Silverton in the Friends Church, November 12. There was a carload of ladies from Scotts Mills that attended. ¶ October 6, the Everett Clarksons were here and showed films of the mission field in Bolivia.

—Sharon Fink, reporting

Silverton—Charlotte Macy, pastor

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," was the focal point of the first Missionary Conference of the Silverton Friends Church November 9-11. Dorwin Smith emphasized home missions (Jerusalem); Cammacks on the work in Bolivia and Peru (Judaea and Samaria); and Joy Ridderhof, the uttermost parts of the earth in her work in Gospel Recordings. ¶ Our hearts were thrilled when all in attendance at the Sunday

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evening service committed their lives anew to the Lord. We were all deeply grateful for the working of the Lord when over \$3,000 in faith promises were received for missions. Joy Ridderhof spoke about the spreading of the gospel through records at a coffee hour on Monday morning, November 12, sponsored by the WMU of our church. Over 40 women from other missionary groups in the Silverton churches attended the meeting. ¶ Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice! For the Lord has done great things for us—This was the theme of Joy Ridderhof's messages to us during the week of November 12-18. She shared with us many stories of the calling and



Joy Ridderhof

enabling by God in seemingly impossible situations in her life. Truly the Lord has used this life committed to Him, in the outreach of the gospel to tribes who have never heard it, through the use of records made by Gospel Recordings. ¶ Our own hearts were blessed, and our spiritual lives enriched by her testimonies and the wonderful realization that God will lead those who are willing to be led and used of Him; and He will provide exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think.

—Minnie Engeman, reporting

Talent—A. Clark Smith, pastor

Eunice Jones of Medford WMU gave a very inspiring report on the WMU Retreat at Menucha, at a WMU meeting held at the parsonage. ¶ Sunday evening, October 28, our pastor and wife were given a food pounding. ¶ The teachers of the Primary department and 4-6 grades gave their classes a Halloween party. ¶ In spite of colds and sickness, our SS has increased this month. ¶ The SS has purchased

Puget Sound Quarterly Meeting

Agnew—May Wallace, pastor

Five from Agnew attended the Quarterly Meeting at Everett on November 2-3. They came home filled with the blessings of the meetings and inspiration. ¶ We were all thrilled with the second place win in our division in the SS contest. In connection with this the losers (adults) had to give a party to the young and very young people, the winners. This was held at the Agnew Community Hall Friday, November 9. It was a Hobo Festival with prizes

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a new slide projector. ¶ Virginia and Elmer Weitzel gave an interesting talk and showed pictures about their work among the Navajo Indians at Rough Rock Mission in Arizona.

—Margaret Bentley, reporting

South Salem—John G. Fankhauser, pastor

On November 11 the fiftieth anniversary of South Salem meeting was observed. On the platform with our pastor for the worship service were former pastors Carl Miller, Miller Porter and Dillon Mills. After a few words from each, a ladies' trio composed of Sandra Dealy, Carolyn Staples and Ellouise Chandler sang. The message of the hour was brought by Dr. Levi T. Pennington, who was also the speaker at the first dedication of the meeting in 1912 (and again at a commemoration in 1927). Dr. Pennington brought a timely and challenging message which was appreciated by all. At the conclusion of the morning worship service, friends met for a fellowship dinner in the basement of the church. All the adults of the 125 persons present introduced themselves and the opportunity was given for remarks by those who have attended South Salem meeting in past years. Ivan and May Hadley sang a duet, accompanied by Mrs. Hadley on the accordion. We appreciated having former pastors' wives present, among them Bertha Haworth and Hazel Lowe Witt, as well as Fern Mills and Hazel Porter. Also able to be with us for the fellowship dinner were Frank and Lois Haskins. ¶ Two interesting SS opening worship services were taken up with the testimony of Gilbert Rivero, a blind youngster from British Honduras, and his foster mother in Salem, Mrs. Dunn. This young man's spiritual testimony and his foster mother's account of how the Lord is using Him in an unusual way made a gripping account to our congregation. ¶ Forrest Smith and Delbert Shipman attended Quaker Men's retreat at Pendleton. The South Salem Quaker Men had a dinner meeting to which they invited their wives. President Don Barrick introduced as speaker Rev. Lloyd Uecker, who spent a fifty-day mission in an isolated valley in Japan this summer. Rev. Uecker, who says he came back a changed man, related how Christ met his needs and enabled him to lead 24 Japanese people to a saving knowledge of Christ. He saw the power of God in the Gospel in the same way that our missionaries returning from Bolivia and Peru report. ¶ Our pastors spent Thanksgiving in Nampa with their daughter's family, the Arnold Willcuts. They plan to take part in the missionary conference in Nampa Friends Church.

—Margaret Shipman, reporting

given for the best hobo costume. About 50 were in attendance to enjoy games and refreshments. ¶ The WMU meeting was held at the parsonage Friday, November 16. ¶ On Sunday, November 18, we were honored to have Paul Cammack in our services, both SS and morning worship bringing a message on the Bible's Missionaries. He also spoke in Spanish to our three Spanish speaking students. ¶ On Sunday evening the services were dismissed to hear John H. Noble, author of "I Was a Slave in Russia"

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and "I Found God in Soviet Russia", speak in Port Angeles.

Friends Memorial—Paul Goins, pastor

A very enjoyable Father-Son Banquet was held by the Boy's Club, with thirty-five in attendance. ¶ Guest speakers have been Paul Cammack and Paul and Martha Puckett. ¶ We were privileged to be co-sponsors for a SS Convention where Mr. Harold Etling, president of the National SS Association, was the main speaker. ¶ The Finance Committee prayerfully outlined three goals for the coming year. These goals have been presented to the Monthly Meeting and approved. The first one—to balance the budget by October 1 has been reached. The second goal is to buy an organ for the sanctuary by December 1. The third goal is to break ground for the addition to our church by October, 1963. We rejoice that the first goal has been reached, and by faith we look to the fulfillment of the two goals yet before us.

—Dorothy Groves, reporting

Holly Park—Charles Morgan, pastor

Holly Park meeting was well represented at Puget Sound Quarterly Meeting held in Everett November 3. ¶ We are rejoicing over the beautiful Conn organ which is a memorial gift to the Holly Park Friends Church in memory of Frances Elizabeth Johnson, Allison and Inez Rogers and Donavon William Schaefer. ¶ Guest speakers the past month were Paul Cammack, returned missionary from Peru, and Paul and Martha Puckett recent appointees to our mission work in Bolivia. Their messages deepened our missionary vision and zeal. ¶ The personal evangelism classes conducted by Rev. George Delemartar of the Free Methodist Church was well attended. His presentation was excellent. We are trusting it will result in many souls being saved. ¶ Mattie Stephens has word from Beatrice Fritschle stating that x-rays taken at the India Research Institute reveal the first confirmation of her trouble. She is much encouraged she can be cured. However tests on the rest of the family still in India show that Ernest and Ruth are afflicted with the same type of parasite. Prayer is urged. ¶ The CE served a chili dinner in the church basement Nov-

S.W. Washington Quarterly Meeting

Cherry Grove—Lloyd Melhorn, pastor

Lloyd Melhorn was recently elected Chairman-Director of Twin Rocks Tween Camp. He attended conference sessions held at Warm Beach, Wash., the first week of October. ¶ Three Halloween parties were held on Saturday, October 27. The 4th and 5th graders had a costume party, the junior high CE'ers held theirs in the church basement and the senior high CE group had an old fashioned hayride followed by a big bonfire by the river, where they roasted weiners and played games. ¶ Sunday evening, October 29, the Paul Puckett family, our newest missionaries to Bolivia, was with us for CE and evening service. Their two older girls sang for us. ¶ Our pastor has brought some very good stewardship messages in keeping with November

ember 15 to help raise their Yearly Meeting CE pledge and expenses to the Mid-Year Convention. They are well pleased with the response of the families in the community. ¶ Sonja Dalgardno gave a report of the WMU Retreat to both Unions. Elma Perisho added to it in her message to the Queen Esther Union. ¶ The film, "Beyond These Skies" was shown the evening of November 18. ¶ The "All Day of Prayer for Missions" held annually by the Puget Sound WMU's met in the church November 16. Several members were present. Illness prevented some from attending.

—M. Ethel Cowgill, reporting

McKinley Avenue—David Fendall, pastor

The young married couples and college age SS class, soon to be otherwise named, met at the church Sunday morning, November 18, with their teacher, Lewis Byrd for a Thanksgiving breakfast. Sunday, November 18, was a special day of music in our church. For the morning service 18 Junior Choir members provided special numbers for the morning worship service under the direction of Mary Ellen Byrd. For the evening service the adult choir, directed by Irma Tallmadge, presented the Thanksgiving cantata, "Praise and Thanksgiving." ¶ Paul and Martha Puckett and their two older daughters were with us the evening of November 4 for a service of inspiration and testimony in word and song. ¶ Our church has a new look with a new outside paint job on the main building and interior redecorating in the annex.

—Mona Warner, reporting

Northeast Tacoma—Howard S. Harmon, pastor

We were third in the SS attendance contest. We ended the first of many Improvement Fund Contests with both sides going over the \$100 mark. ¶ Several young people attended a CE Halloween party in the church basement on October 27. ¶ The WMU met in the church basement on November 8. Some of the women from McKinley Ave. reported on Menucha. Several of the women attended the Prayer Day at Holly Park on November 6. ¶ A Thanksgiving dinner was held, after church on November 18, with a large crowd in attendance. Paul Cammack was guest speaker in the evening service on November 18.

—Judy Cole, reporting

stewardship month. ¶ A CE Advance was held at Twin Rocks on Friday and Saturday following Thanksgiving. ¶ Daytime WMU met November 15 and the Evening Circle of WMU met November 19.

—Marjorie Rengo, reporting

Forest Home—Clayton Brown, pastor

Forest Home has been invited by Oak Park to attend their two weeks of revival meetings with Hubert Mardock starting November 19. ¶ Camas Union Thanksgiving service will be held at the Presbyterian Church this year beginning at 10 a. m. Thanksgiving day. ¶ Our WMU met in the lovely new home of Virginia Trenner on November 8. ¶ Perhaps at this Thanksgiving time we should express our appreciation for the interesting and worth-

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while messages by our pastor, Clayton Brown and all other faithful workers in our church.

Oak Park—Earl Geil, pastor

We are glad to report that the old parsonage is being used to house SS classes. ¶ A very interesting presentation of the missionary work in Peru was brought to us by Paul Cammack on October 28 in the morning service. In the evening David Cammack and two African students from GFC met with the senior CE. ¶ Fred and Melva Baker, former pastors, were with us October 4 and Fred brought a very impressive message at the morning worship. At noon a pot luck dinner was served. ¶ Bill and Gwen West have moved to Spokane and are planning to make their home there. ¶ Dr. and Mrs. George Moore and a girls trio from GFC were with us Sunday evening, November 18. Dr. Moore brought a very fine presentation of GFC.

Rosemere—Alden & Esther White, pastors

Damage done to the church and parsonage was slight compared to the damage done in other places by the storm of October 12. The two walnut trees south of the parsonage had to be removed. The roots of one of the trees broke the water pipe to the church. The sign in front of the church was ripped off and one window taken off its hinges. The ceiling of the sanctuary was loosened and we had a number of shingles torn off both the church and the parsonage. We were without electricity for 52 hours and so enjoyed a "candlelight service" and our pastor preached standing between an old fashioned kerosene lamp and lantern. ¶ The grounds at Orchards camp meeting suffered considerable loss with all but two of the buildings damaged. The tabernacle was counted a total loss. Esther White said that she counted 110 trees which fell. ¶ Eleven people sought and found help at the altar during the month. Marshal and Catherine Cavit were with us for meetings from October 22 to November 4. ¶ Marshal Cavit was asked to be one of the main speakers at the "Holiness Institute" at the Salvation Army, directed by Major Kendall, on October 27. Several of our people attended this all day meeting. ¶ Mrs. Charlotte Giberson supplied in bringing the message for the morning service on November 11.

—Louisa Fich, reporting

Vancouver—Fred Newkirk, pastor

The WMU met at the Al Neal home. Dortha Rausch reported on the WMU Retreat. ¶ The junior CE had a swimming party with 12 attending. ¶ Halloween was remembered by 13 high school CE'ers in a deserted house. They even provided the spooks. ¶ William Penn Club met October 22 with 15 men present. Ronald DuFresne spoke on the layman as a missionary. ¶ A good representative group of our SS staff attended the Greater Portland SS Convention at the Central Bible Church, October 15-18. ¶ Friday, November 9, was the William Penn Club-sponsored Fun Night at the Memorial Building. Swimming and volleyball were popular activities. ¶ The WMU had a worknight at the church. The basement received a good housecleaning. ¶ A good number from the church attended all or part of the Homecoming activities at GFC. Gerry Larsen was in one of the

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plays Friday night. ¶ The church collected several boxes of clothing to send to our Spanish friends near Barcelona, Spain. We are also collecting Christian books for Ethiopia. ¶ We held special meetings November 25 to December 2 with Mahlon Macy as our speaker.

—Marian Larsen, reporting

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

MINER. —To Kent and Rosalie Miner, Nampa, Idaho, a daughter born October 27.
CROW. —To Howard and Sally Crow, a daughter born November 3, at Boise, Idaho
ROBERTS. —To Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roberts, a son, Douglas Duane, born October 18.
MOOR. —To Glen and Lesta Moor, an adopted daughter, Ellita Norine, born October 22.
BARNICK. —To Mr. and Mrs. Vic Barnick, a daughter, Vicki Lynne, born July 21.
JONES. —To Amos and May Jones, a son, Matthew Stephen, born October 2.
KENNISON. —To James and Jo Kennison, Wilmore, Kentucky, a daughter, Elisabeth Anne, born November 10.
ROBERTS. —To Duane and Carol Ann Roberts, Boise, Idaho, a daughter, Barbara Jean, born September 21.
TERRY. —To Bill and Nancy Terry, Santa Maria, California, a daughter, Joy Annette, born October 14.

MARRIAGES

JAVEAUX-SMITH. —Ronald Javeaux and Carolyn Smith of Greenleaf, Idaho, were united in marriage November 2, in Boise, Idaho.
TROST-McCLINTOCK—Clarence Trost, Concordia, Kansas, and Velma McClintock, Nampa, Idaho, were united in marriage November 19, at the Nampa Friends Church.
BAUDER-LABUTE. —Robert Bauder and Joanne LaBute were united in marriage November 17, at the Holly Park Friends Church with Charles Morgan officiating.
CAMPBELL-WOLK-LANIEWSKI. —Marvin Campbell and Karen Wolk-Laniewski were united in marriage November 3, at the Medford Friends Church with Jack Willcuts officiating.
COOK-DAVIS. —Lee Cook and Diane Davis were married November 16 at the Medford Friends Church with Jack Willcuts officiating.

DEATHS

WILLIAMS. —Alice Williams, mother of Esther Beacham, died October 20 at the age of 92 in Medford. Jack Willcuts officiated at the services. Burial was in California.
RANDALL. —Dwight D. Randall, recorded minister of Oregon Yearly Meeting, passed away November 10, in Medford at the age of 77. Jack Willcuts officiated at the services.

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"To Live is Christ"

God plus 350 teens, plus Cannon Beach Conference grounds, plus inspirational speakers and leaders equals Mid-Winter 1962. "To Live Is Christ" is this year's theme.

Everett Clarkson, our own missionary to Bolivia, will be this year's evangelist. Willard Kennon, pastor of Star Friends Church, will be leading the group in a Bible study.

Classes being offered will appeal to teenagers with many interests. Some of these include: "Science and the Bible", "Christ in Citizenship", "Why Am I a Christian?", and "Youth Faces the World."

Skating, bowling, basketball, volleyball, a treasure hunt, and a beach party are planned for recreation.

The spiritual blessings, inspiration, and fun you will gain will be well worth the \$10.00 it costs to go. So plan now to attend Mid-Winter at Cannon Beach this month, December 26 - 29.

Ashland

Just a little over a year ago, teens at Ashland Friends Church organized a Senior C.E. starting with three members and growing to twelve by the end of the year. What helped Ashland C.E. grow? Well-planned lessons and active officers seemed to be the key.

Their officers included: President and Mission-

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By Chuck Mylander

TO LIVE IS CHRIST

This is the theme for the coming 1962 Mid-winter C.E. Convention. In Philippians 1:21 it says, "For me to live is Christ." This should be the life ambition of every Christian. Jesus said, "I am. . . life," (John 14:6) and "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10b). This abundant life starts now and lasts throughout eternity!

How may we have this full, abundant, eternal life? First, we must receive Jesus as our personal Saviour. We do this by believing that Christ rose from the dead and telling others we believe in Jesus Christ. We must also pray and ask the Lord to forgive our sins, and invite Him into our lives. (See Romans 10:9, 10, 13; 1 John 1:9; John 1:12; and Revelation 3:20). But this is just the first step. You, as a Christian must love the Lord enough to obey His commandments. The more you obey Him, the more you will love Him. Then God will give you this abundant, eternal life that is in Him. Jesus said: "If a man love me, he will keep my words; and my father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode (home) with him." John 14:23. Because you are obedient, God will give you the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:32). Then you will have abundant life and be able to say, "For me to live is Christ."

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