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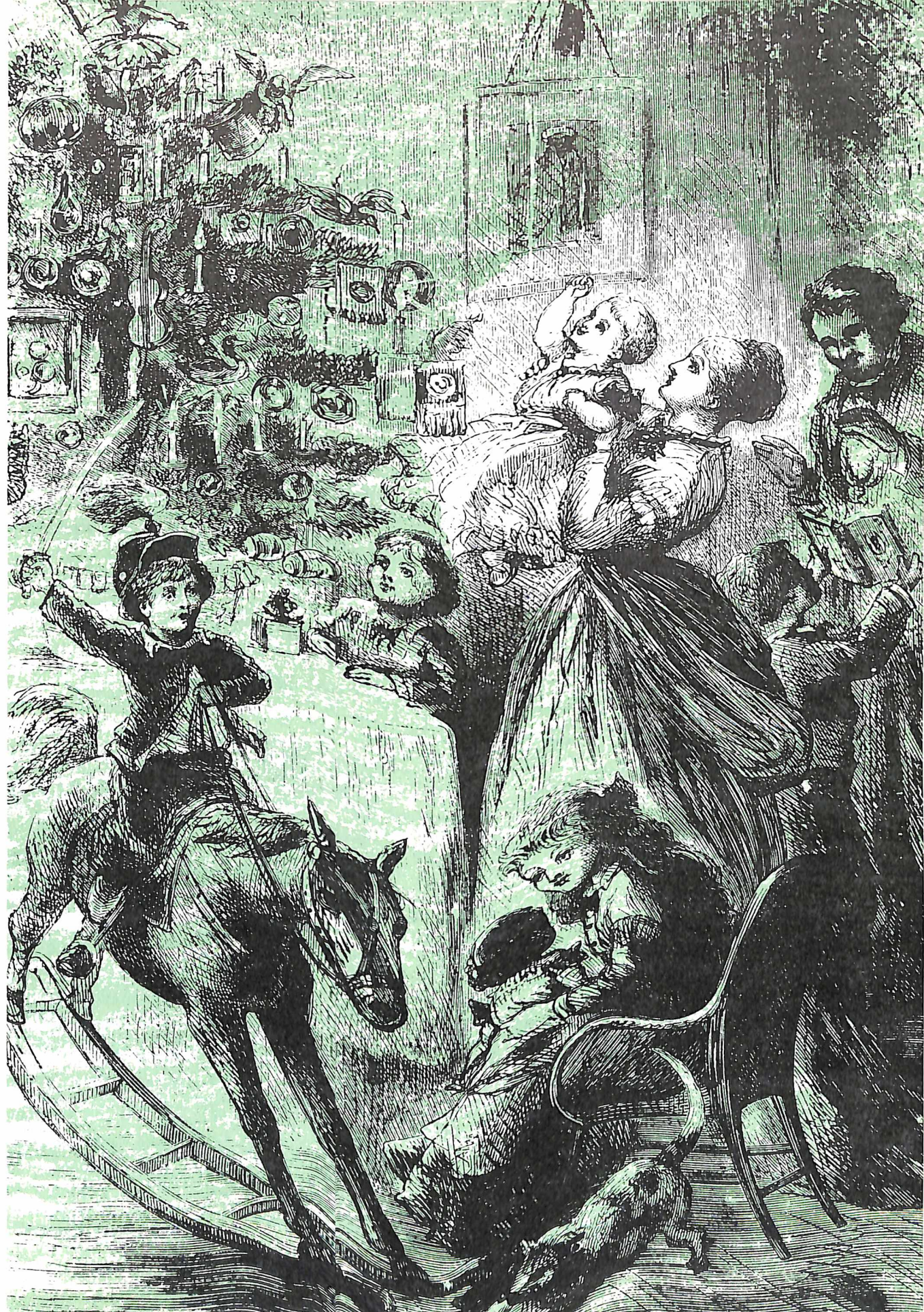
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The Superintendent's Corner

By Dean Gregory
General Superintendent
Oregon Yearly Meeting

Some Reflections During Christmas Season, 1965

AMONG MY EARLIEST memories are the recollections of those yearly "practices for the Christmas program." For some strange reason, I remember the practices better than the real performances. There was the time when, before electricity had come to our country neighborhood, the men rigged up some real exciting lighting for the pageant by running a wire to the platform of the meetinghouse from a model T Ford from which had been borrowed the headlight bulbs (no seal-beam head lamps then,) for "foot-light illumination." This arrangement, to say the least, was not always dependable or adequate.

As I recall it, the lights worked only when the model T was running, and when the motor died, the lights went out, since the power came not from a storage battery, but through a positive current supplied by a magneto through a system of coils.

And so it is that for nearly two milleniums, the story of Christ's coming has been celebrated by Christian people who have "practiced their faith" and portrayed to the world the eternal implications of the drama of the wise men, the star, the humble shepherds, the song of the angels, the holy family—and above all the holy child, Jesus.

The church has been promised a sure and dependable source of energy and light. "In Him was life; and the life was the light of men." John 1:4, and there need be no disappointing power failures.

The church, as a human institution, has often failed to meet the world's challenges head on. Christians too often look the other way and refuse costly involvement with the

unsavory and difficult ills of the world. But the church, the Body of Christ, must penetrate the darkness with the miraculous and wonderful light of Christ—for he came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

It is very appropriate that with this season of Christianity on view to the world, we, the representatives of Christ, speak to our world in words easy to be understood. We can do this in many ways.

First, our Mission Board announces that another young couple, Nicholas and Alice Maurer will leave the United States on January 1, 1966, for the Peru Friends mission field, stopping in Costa Rica for eight months of language study. These young Friends cannot and must not go without our strong prayer support and financial backing.

Second, our Service department has challenged us all to involve ourselves in a program of sending food to hungry, undernourished people through the World Relief Commission, a service arm of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Third, many of our youth are involved in the call of our country. A number of our young men have chosen the lawful alternative of civilian service and two of them, Jamie Sandoz in Nepal, and Harold Thomas in Guatemala, are representing us in taking the Light to far-off places.

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No Lump Judgments

LAST EVENING I happened to see CBS reporter Walter Cronkite's newscast. An interview with two or three G. I.'s in Viet Nam was shown:

Reporter: (To a weary-looking, combat-fatigue dressed young soldier), "Have you killed anybody over here?"

G. I.: (Hesitantly), "Yes. . . yes, quite a few, I guess."

Reporter: "How did it feel? I mean, did you find it hard to kill at close range? Do you feel any regret?"

G. I.: (Thoughtfully, squinting a little with a faraway look), "I used to wonder if I could ever really kill anybody, even in war. . . but, it isn't hard . . . not when your buddies are going down all around you. And, when you see all the dead around you they don't seem like people. They seem more like a bunch of mannequins or something. I don't think about killing people. . . I'm just doing a job. After all. . . it's either kill them or get killed sometimes."

The T. V. camera showed us a patch of ground in the jungle strewn with these "mannequins."

I slipped a little New Testament out of my pocket and read again a part we had been studying in a Bible Study group: "In the beginning. . . the Word was God. All things were made by him. . . In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light (or the life) shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." (John 1:1-5). This light is the difference between men and mannequins; it is a sacred possession that God alone gives each though it can be snuffed out forever by men, even men at close range. It can be done in desperation or routinely like any other job.

The political implications of all this sweep over the spiritual implications like waves of darkness until we all reel in uncertainty, reaching out with hands of faith to some real support to keep us from striking out or striking back. In war-time we think largely in slogans; the Christian with a newspaper in one hand and a Bible in the other reads them: "National loyalty," "A new law I give unto. . . thou shalt love. . ." "Stop the Communists now," "Thou shalt not kill," "It's either kill or be killed," "And they struck Him on the face. . . and He answered them not a word. . ." "The Viet Cong aren't really people. . . just animals in the jungle," "This Light. . . lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

Deep in my heart I love my country. Being out of it so long I learned that. And, deep in my heart, a little deeper, I love my Lord and this is one reason I once left my country to try to penetrate this darkness that covers the Light that gives all men life. So I feel caught in war-time for I don't have any simple political solutions to our national dilemma. There are none that I can see. So I join no peace marches or demonstrations, I deplore suicides of men burning themselves as public spectacles, yet, I know that killing all the Viet Cong, then killing all the Chinese, and finally all

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An old pamphlet, non-dated but written more than half a century ago by Lewis I. Hadley on the general subject of the nature and work of the Friends Church, has been found by his grandson, Allen Hadley of First Friends Church. Lewis I. Hadley was a respected Friends minister and Bible teacher more than a generation ago whose ministry touched many different Yearly Meetings of America. The concerns expressed here relate to the place of elders in the Friends Church and are excerpts taken from his pamphlet. Lewis I. Hadley was Dean of what was then known as North Pacific Evangelistic Institute of Portland, now called Cascade College. — Editor

What Constitutes a New Testament Church?

A CHURCH IS A called-out company of believers, organized and officered by persons designated by the Holy Spirit, and associated together in the name of the Lord to preach the Gospel to every creature (Matthew 28:19, 20), and for the edifying of the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:11-16). The church was intended of God to be the depository of Christian doctrine (Titus 1:9; 2 Timothy 2:1-15; 3:1-5; 4:1-8; John 17:8-14), and a channel for the Divine communication of doctrinal truth to the world (John 17:18; Matthew 28:19-20). In Romans 1:1-14 Paul declares that he is debtor to all men, to help the church to be a channel of communication of the truth as it is in Jesus. John says much the same in 1 John 1:1-4. Having heard the truth, he says, they, according to Divine command, communicate it to others that they may receive the same relation to God that the Apostles had.

The early Apostolic church appeared from the visible, human side to be congregational in form of church government, with no ecclesiastical body superior to the particular congregation. But on the Divine side it was a real Theocracy like the theocracy of Israel in the time of the judges. During that time God was the real head (King) of Israel, and ruled the nation by God-appointed leaders. When Israel chose Saul as king it was because they desired a human leader, to lead them like the world nations about them. God told Samuel that Israel had not rejected him, but "they had rejected Me."

(In a similar fashion) Christ is Head over all things to His church, and rules by Divinely-appointed leaders. George Fox was one called of God, baptized with the Holy Spirit and specially anointed to preach the truth as

it is in Jesus. His preaching resulted in the saving of multitudes of people and necessitated an organization of the believers of the truth; and when they were organized they had the same faith once delivered to the saints, and their government was identical with the Apostolic form, purely congregational with the various congregations affiliated.

God never meant for the church to be (anything else but) the depository and the communicator of Divine truth. This was exactly the attitude the church took toward the Gospel during the first century, or during the lifetime of the Apostles. This was also precisely the attitude of the early Friends. . . their burden for the church was to get the truth and be obedient to the Holy Spirit in communicating the truth. Hence our name "Friends," John 15:14, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." Each saved one was to be obedient to Jesus in communication of the truth that had been the means of saving them.

THE APOSTOLIC MODEL

Christian churches must comply with the Apostolic model or be constitutionally in error. Let us consider how the early Friends church fits this model. The officers in the Apostolic church were: (a) Apostles, (b) Elders, (c) Deacons.

The apostles were the God-called, Spirit-filled, holy, anointed ones, supernaturally and unerringly guided while giving the doctrine and polity of the Christian church once for all. A counterpart of the Apostles in the early Friends church was (that of) George Fox (who) was called of God and especially anointed with the Holy Ghost to preach anew the doctrinal truth once delivered to the Apostles,

and to cry out against the ecclesiastical Nicolaitinism of this day. His preaching. . . resulted in the salvation and sanctification of multitudes who were led by the Spirit to withdraw from the Nicolaitinized churches—the word "Nicolaitane" is a God-coined word, formed by compounding two words together: "nicho"—to conquer, and "laos"—the laity, or people—to conquer and (control) the people. (This reference compares the Church of England or state controlled church of George Fox's day with the rigid, ecclesiastical system of the Jewish religion under the Pharisees of Christ's time.) Then, George Fox (found it necessary) to organize a new church (composed of those liberated by Christ) upon the Apostolic model.

The "Elders" and "Bishops" (episkopos—literally, overseers) designate the same office; "elder" refers to the man who holds the office, and "bishop" to the function of the office, that is, overseer. The eldership in the Apostolic local churches was always plural. There is no instance of only one elder in a local church. Note that the elders in the Apostolic church were God-called preachers. Why were there always more than one God-called preacher for each local church? Because it takes the full God-appointed variety of preaching to perfect the saints and edify the body, and keep it in the fullness of the measure of the stature of Christ, so they will not wobble around by every wind of doctrine.

When every God-appointed variety of ministry: Apostolic, prophetic, evangelistic, pastoral and teaching, is given privilege to speak the truth in love in public worship, moved by the Holy Spirit, as a man would move the joints of his body, such a ministry increases the church and edifies itself in love (Ephesians 4:11-16). This was emphasized in the early Friends church. Their silences (also) were real times of searching the will of the Head of the church.

Notice that, while there were five different ministry gifts mentioned, there was only one grade in the ministry. No matter which of the ministry gifts an elder had, there was (none) with rights that another did not have. The functions of the elders were to guard the body of revealed truth from perversion and error and to oversee the church as a shepherd his flock. (Acts 20:28; John 21:15-17; Hebrews 13:17; 1 Peter 5:2).

Friends conform to the thought that God calls the preachers, and that all the church has to do in the ordination of preachers is to acknowledge that God has conferred a gift in the ministry upon them. The counterpart of

the elders in the Apostolic church is the "recorded minister" of the Friends church.

The appointment of the first deacons is recorded in Acts 6:1-6. By reading the occasion of their appointment you see they were to attend to the necessary secular affairs, and to keep peace in the church, hear grievances and settle them if they could without coming to the church with them. These were not always called to preach, yet some of them, at least two, Stephen, Acts 7:2-53, and Philip, Acts 8:5-40, became very efficient preachers.

The counterpart of the deacons in the early Friends church are the non-preaching elders, and overseers. Their work is identical.

MISSIONARY WORK

The Apostolic local churches were the centers of evangelistic and missionary work. The Gospel went forth from the local churches, (Acts 13:1-4). In this passage we have the method of selecting, setting apart and sending forth Gospel missionaries and preachers. It was done by the local church. Also we have the process by which they learned from the Lord who should go. It was while they ministered and prayed doubtless with a missionary burden upon them, that the Holy Ghost spake and revealed not only who should go, but who should send them, that is, the local church. God made the local church His partner and co-worker in evangelizing the world.

These missionaries who were sent out reported to the local church: "And thence they sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled. And when they were come, and had gathered the (local) church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how He had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles." (Acts 14:26-27). This is another important method of the Apostolic missionary and evangelistic work. The local church sent them out, and when they came back they reported to the local church that had sent them, even though, as in this case, Paul was an Apostle.

The early Friends church fits the model here. From the very first of its history, when a preacher was moved of the Holy Ghost to make a religious, missionary or evangelistic visit, near or far, it was the local church to which the preacher belonged that sent him forth, freed him for religious service, by paying the traveling expenses and seeing that his family was suitably provided for during his absence. And when he had completed the work for which he was liberated, he made a report of the work to the local church that

sent him forth. It was because of this that such an amazing amount of missionary work was done by the early Friends during the first fifty years; and even down to my own experience as a preacher, when my local church freed me for my religious service, they paid my way, and I was expected, according to Apostolic custom to report to the local church that sent me. We call it "returning our minute," with report of service. When I attended (New York Yearly Meeting), at the close of a meeting, the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting came to me wishing to know where I expected to go next. I told him, and he gave me money to pay my way to the next point, (where they presumably did the same), with the very appropriate thought expressed, "We want thee to be helped on thy way by the brethren."

(Thus) the Friends church had the Apostolic form of government, and, traditionally at least, the holy doctrines. The churches of a region throw their local churches together into one great conference body called a Yearly Meeting. But each Yearly Meeting (is to be) an independent local body, as independent of any other Yearly Meeting as any congregational local church is from any other.

Could anything be more complete? All the churches are so determined to explain what they think the Bible means, and so satisfied that their church polity is the best, that very few have ever really studied what the Word of God does say concerning the New Testament form and method of church government and discipline.

SHARE SHARE SHARE

The response to the Share call for Clackamas Park Friends Church has been disappointing in that only \$2,319.50 has come in to date. The Board of Evangelism is hoping that \$4000.00 will come in on this call. The group at Clackamas Park has extended themselves as far as they and the board feel to be financially sound. Perhaps you have mislaid your Share Call or didn't receive one. Will you include them in your Christmas gifts. All gifts tax deductible.

Send all gifts to: SHARE
P. O. Box 190
Newberg, Oregon
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Executive Council Nominates Jack L. Willcuts For Superintendency

"THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL was polled by its chairman in respect to the nominating committee's report, and unanimous approval was voiced that Jack Willcuts' name should be presented to the Yearly Meeting as our nomination for the new General Superintendent."

With this recorded minute of its December 4, 1965, session, the Executive Council gave formal approval to the nomination of Jack L. Willcuts to the office of General Superintendent of Oregon Yearly Meeting. This official action constituted the next step in a period of diligent and prayerful study to present the name of the one to succeed Dean Gregory, who tendered his resignation during the 1965 Yearly Meeting sessions. This nomination is to be submitted for final approval by the Yearly Meeting in August, 1966.

Jack Willcuts needs no new introduction to Oregon Yearly Meeting. He began his ministry in OYM as pastor of the N. E. Tacoma church in 1944, and today pastors the Medford Friends Church. The intervening years have offered opportunity for him for missionary service in Bolivia, South America, as well as in pastoral work at Second Friends, Portland and at West Chehalem near Newberg. In addition to his pastoral responsibilities, Jack has been active on various boards and Yearly Meeting committees, inter-yearly meeting commissions, and continues to serve as editor of the Northwest Friend.

During the past fourteen and a half years, we have witnessed significant developments in the various ministries of Oregon Yearly Meeting under the supervision of Dean Gregory. Church membership has recorded a 30% gain, and the 17 churches organized since 1951 include the Korean Church in Portland, Oregon. Twenty-eight new church buildings



were erected during this period, and the Yearly Meeting offices were housed in the new headquarters building in Newberg in 1961. Competent attention to administrative details and an active oversight of the many yearly meeting activities mark Dean Gregory's dispatch of the duties of his office.

Another major personnel change relates itself to the resignation of Clynton Crisman from the position of Assistant Superintendent effective June, 1966, at which time he will re-enter pastoral work as he goes to Friends Memorial in Seattle. Clynton has been very active in the church extension and Christian education work of the yearly meeting, in addition to assuming increased responsibility as Acting Superintendent during the recent illness of Dean Gregory. The Executive Council is authorized and is pursuing its study to select an administrative assistant for the yearly meeting.

World Day of Prayer

WHEATON, ILL. — "Believing, ye shall receive" is the theme for the 1966 World Day of Prayer scheduled for February 25. It is also the title of the program book written by Rosalind Rinker, internationally-known author of six books and a noted speaker at prayer retreats.

Hundreds of communities across the nation will observe this special day on the Protestant calendar.

These Bible-centered worship materials are made available without charge by the National Association of Evangelicals. A sample copy may be secured by writing to the National Association of Evangelicals, P. O. Box 28, Wheaton, Illinois.

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AN URGENT NEED

AS THE DYING ECHOES of another national Thanksgiving blend with the din of a modern spirited commercialized Christmas, the child of God, transformed by the power of the blessed Spirit of the Saviour, keenly senses his responsibilities to this generation. May Oregon Yearly Meeting bow in deep gratitude to God for His love and mercy as the true Spirit of Christmas grips our hearts.

Thanks be to God for all who are standing by the Yearly Meeting in the stewardship of prayer and giving. Through the faithfulness of others of the past and with your dedicated help today, Oregon Yearly Meeting will be able to continue her ministry through the several boards and salaried personnel.

To date, the response to both the United Budget and Fixed Expense has been light in most Quarters, even lighter than in former years. This is a matter of real concern to your Board of Finance. You are, therefore, urged to join in praying that God will direct the minds and hearts of many who could share now, some in a limited measure and others very substantially, for the continuing ministry of Oregon Yearly Meeting.

It would be well for the local Finance Committee to review response to their own United Budget pledge and the askings of the Finance Board for the Yearly Meeting Fixed Expense. If these obligations can be pro-rated and kept current, it will greatly help to facilitate your Yearly Meeting program here at home as well as in Bolivia and Peru.

May I say, "Thank you so very much", for your immediate attention to this urgent appeal.

Calvin Wilkins,
Financial Secretary of O. Y. M.



'Christmas Was God's Idea'

By Charles S. Ball

This title and theme were first suggested to the writer by an article with this title in the Cooperative Consumer.

"WHAT A WONDERFUL idea Christmas was!" No other day of the year is anticipated so much. No other day is filled with so much excitement. No other day has the same preparations and so many beautiful traditions in so many lands around the world.

Christmas is a season when a generous spirit prevails. It is a time of giving, a time of remembering, a time of greetings and gifts. Christmas is the time when cherished hopes of children have fulfillment. The brightly decorated evergreen Christmas tree is symbolic of eternal hope in all men.

But for too many, Christmas time is only a festive occasion of fun and food for the family. It is really quite empty of real spiritual meaning. And worst of all, too many either forget or have no true idea of the origin and meaning of Christmas. We must never forget that Christmas was originally God's idea!

The weeks immediately before Christmas are called "advent" which means "coming." This is the time of preparation for the Festival of the Nativity. It is a time of anticipation of the greatest Gift of all. All of the preparations for the festivities of Christmas are empty and they simply wear us out unless there is the preparation for the true festivity of the coming of Christ into our hearts and homes. And we have missed the whole purpose of the season and the day if we have forgotten God's reason for the day.

Christmas is the supreme expression of God's love and His sacrificial Gift (John 3:16.) That which He gave was not insignificant, no trifle from His vast resources, but a Gift which meant the giving of His best—His only begotten Son. To Jesus also it meant much to be sent to this world, entering it as a little Baby, in preparation for His great redeeming act.

Christmas means much to man. It means that God is now putting into operation His plan for the saving of all who will believe. The condemnation of sin can be removed and eternal life—God's gift—received through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christmas is a time of receiving. The gifts we receive are not nearly as important or as meaningful as God's gift. Whatever else Christmas means, it is a time for receiving Jesus Christ into our hearts and our homes.

"But only God could have thought of Christmas! And only God's Gift is what we really need."

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

"WOMEN MINISTERING UNTO _____"

By Geraldine Willcuts

NOW THAT Retreat is over and we are back home and working in our unions, have we remembered those good recommendations given us by our president, May Nordyke? If you haven't remembered let me call them to mind: 1. Begin your meeting on time. 2. Make preparation for the meeting. 3. Financial goals are first in importance. These are a few of her apt suggestions useful to us as unions and should be put into practice.

There was one important item given by May Nordyke that has been mentioned by our delegates more than any other. It is that our missionary union meetings are important. And if it is important to elect officers, make program books, have programs, then it is important for all to attend. How else can we keep up on prayer requests for our twenty two missionaries in Peru and Bolivia? Where else do you learn about the needs of our pastors and their families in our nine outposts?

Attendance at every women's missionary meeting is important. Make your prayers and money count in our missionary efforts by attending, praying and giving.

Patty Morse, former Home Project Chairman, used the title of this column, "Women Ministering Unto _____", for an article about our work in the Home Project part of our W. M. U. She has such good motivation thoughts we want to give them here. The Bible tells us to "Lift up your eyes unto the fields". These "fields" are your neighbors next door; helping in your missionary foreign project or helping in the local home project in church, parsonage or Sunday School. We have our responsibility to our Outposts or our youth camps and these are areas where the W. M. U. ladies can help. This you see is Women ministering unto _____ those in need at home as well as in foreign lands. "Let him labor working with his hands that he may have to give to him that needeth". . . Ephesians 5:28b."

As we think of these words and remember our responsibilities, let's look at the Home Project work sheet from our Retreat Packets.

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We can check the list again and perhaps there are several areas in which we can work and pray.

Be encouraged in your W. M. U. work, it is done for Christ. Attend the meetings, pray for the Outpost workers, pray for the missionary families in Bolivia, Peru and Nepal. Help others around you; study for your part in the missionary program—it is important! "Women Ministering unto _____".

Dedication Held At Clackamas Park

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, more than 325 crowded into the newest Friends Church of the Yearly Meeting—Clackamas Park—for a Thanksgiving service of praise and dedication. The building in a growing area of Portland was designed by Donald Lindgren, A. I. A., and contains 6,810 square feet of floor space. The sanctuary will comfortably seat 175 adults with additional overflow space for another 75. The present building has 13 classrooms; six of these are in the fellowship hall where folding doors allow use of the room for church dinners and socials. Electric heat, controlled by seven day clocks, is used throughout the building.

The laminated beams, a burnt orange carpet, stained glass windows all make this an attractive sanctuary. The parent monthly meeting, First Friends Church of Portland, is making a gift of new pews for the outpost church.

The pastor Howard Harmon led in the act of dedication following a dedicatory message by Acting Superintendent Clynton Crisman. General Superintendent Dean Gregory gave the dedicatory prayer. Charlotte Zimmerly sang, "How Great Thou Art."

Others participating in the service were Miss Leta Hockett, church song leader, Dr. Earl Barker, Portland Quarterly Meeting Superintendent, Charles Beals, Board of Evangelism President and Gerald Dillon, pastor of the parent church. Kenneth Eichenberger and George Palmer shared the story of the history of the work, expressing appreciation for the many who had given so much time, energy and finances. Surprise gifts of corsages were given to George Palmer, Bert Frazier and Larry Newton for the wives of these men for the many hours their husbands had spent away from home working on the church!

In November, Marshal and Catherine Cavit returned again to LaPaz, Bolivia, for another term of service on our Friends mission field. This is their third term of cooperative service between the World Gospel Mission and Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends. During these years they have joined the Newberg Friends Church and Marshal has been recorded as a minister of our Yearly Meeting. The following is his personal testimony of the Lord's leading in their present move under. . .

DIVINE GUIDANCE

By Marshal Cavit

AMONG SOME OF the most precious blessings that God has for His children are His guiding hand and voice. For thirty-two and a half years, since the Lord sanctified me, the thing that I have craved most is just to hear His voice in every line and to know that I am walking under divine orders. Many times I have prayed with the Psalmist, "Order my steps in thy word." Two promises that I have claimed the most are for this direction: "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye" (Psalm 32:8). "And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left." (Isaiah 30:21).

The requirements for enjoying this blessing are very clear and we must be diligent to keep them. "If the Lord delight in us, then He will bring us into this land, and give it us. . ." (Numbers 14:8). "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:6). These requirements are out of line with anything less than a life of holiness, but they are in complete harmony with that.

It is wonderful to have a living God who knows all ways, from the very beginning clear out to the end. His great love for His children demands that He choose the best for us. He is all-wise to plan it for us and all-powerful to work it out. There is nothing more wonderful and comforting in the realm of reason or thought than these established truths.

Many times we cannot understand the way that He chooses and yet His orders are so

clear that there is no room for doubt. This is not strange, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8, 9). "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!" (Romans 11:33).

In these days we are following orders of this type—orders that we cannot plan but neither can we doubt. According to the date in the margin of my Bible, it was on January 23, 1963, that the Lord spoke to my heart while I was in prayer and fasting at the noon hour in our home at Jennings Lodge, Oregon. Catherine and I had been praying much about our return to Bolivia. For ten years we had worked in a divided situation, receiving our allowance from World Gospel Mission but working as associate missionaries of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends. A number of times we had said to each other that we ought to be 100% with either one or the other mission board. Since we had worked all of our missionary years with the Aymara Indians of the high plains, we were feeling inclined to return to Bolivia with the Friends, who have their work in that area. But then came the emergency at Berea Bible Institute of the World Gospel Mission in Santa Cruz, Bolivia when furlough time came for the director of this school, and we were asked to help in the Institute in their place. While I was waiting before the Lord that day, there came very clear direction that we should return for two years to help

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A LETTER FROM RICKY

It's fun to be a "Missionary Kid" in Bolivia. We have jungle trails and highland lakes that are lots of fun for adventures.

When I hike to the churches in the jungle with my father I take my butterfly net. We have some beautiful butterflies and other rare insects.

We have trails close to our place where my brothers and I hike. We make maps and have pretend adventures when we aren't in school. We also have a club house.

I got to go fishing with my Dad and David Thomas at a lake by the Yungas pass. I caught four trout. I even caught the biggest one! It was eighteen inches long and over two pounds! We got fifteen in all.

by
Ricky Comfort



"Here I am in church at Mundial"



"David Thomas and myself with our trout"



"This was when I went to church at Israel"

Pension Plan of Ohio - Oregon Yearly Meetings

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Administered on behalf of Oregon by the Pension Committee consisting of Dillon Mills, Roger Minthorne, Orville Winters, Clyde Miller, John Hays, and Wilbur Brandenburg—named by the Yearly Meeting and responsible directly to the Board of Finance.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Plan is open to clergymen and laymen who are actively employed by the Yearly Meeting or local churches thereof; foreign missionaries commissioned by the Yearly Meeting; teachers in George Fox College and Greenleaf Academy; and full time employees of Barclay Press, Friendsview Manor, and groups owned or controlled by the Yearly Meeting. (By definition, "active" and "full time" employment constitutes a minimum annual salary of \$1800.00 and a major portion of time given to the respective employment).

CHURCH PARTICIPATION

Participation by a church or other qualified employing organization is optional with that body. However, a church electing to enter the program will be expected to execute an agreement to continue therein indefinitely.

PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN

A. Age Retirement Annuities: Upon retirement each member employee shall receive a monthly annuity payment as based upon the total sum of both his own and the church's contribution to his account plus investment earnings, with the provision that upon his death 60% of his annuity will be continued to his widow. (The member may elect at the time of retirement a "single life" monthly annuity instead of an annuity of a joint-life and survivorship basis.)

A person is not eligible for an age retirement annuity until he has attained the age of 65 years. Retirement shall be understood to mean the giving up of any ecclesiastic or other office or position and also the termination of salary relationship.

B. Family Protection Benefit:

1. An immediate cash payment is made to the beneficiary of a member who dies in active service prior to retirement, provided that the account of the member and employer if fully paid up for the previous calendar year. The scale of lump-sum benefits shall be as follows (female employees, lower):

Age at Death	Death Benefit	Age at Death	Death Benefit
Through 34	\$20,000.00	50 to 54	\$9,000.00
35 through 39	17,000.00	55 through 59	3,000.00
40 through 44	13,000.00	60 through 64	1,500.00
45 through 49	11,000.00	65 through 69	1,000.00
		70 or over	500.00

2. The Pension Plan also includes a death benefit after retirement for those who are fully covered under the Family Protection Benefit Plan at the time of retirement. A lump sum of \$400.00 will be paid to the beneficiary of a retired member upon his death, and another \$400.00 to the beneficiary of his not remarried widow. (A lump sum of \$400.00 to be paid the beneficiary of the member's wife in the event she predeces him in death).

C. Widows Minimum Pensions

The widow of a member who dies in active service, with his account and the account of his employer fully paid up for the previous calendar year, shall receive a minimum pension of \$30.00 per month for as many years as the husband served the church—but for a period of not less than 15 years, or until all his children have reached the age of 18 years. This minimum pension supplement in any case is to be discontinued upon the marriage of the widow.

If at or over the age of 50 years at the time of the death of her husband, the widow will receive this minimum pension for the remainder of her life or until remarriage.

At a point in the member's pension participation, his accumulations will reach a total which will provide more than this minimum. The widow will then receive the correspondingly greater amount.

D. Disability Retirement Benefits

This benefit is available to eligible members who retire prior to attaining age 65 on account of total and permanent disability. The benefit consists of a minimum pension of \$30.00 per month for life unless the accumulations to the credit of the member will provide a larger retirement pension, in which event the larger pension will be paid.

In order to be eligible, the member shall have been a member of the Pension Plan for not less than five years, and shall have entered upon the service of the Church prior to attaining the age of 45 years. Also, the accounts of the member and employer must have been paid in full for the calendar year immediately preceding the date of the disability.

CONTRIBUTIONS

This Pension Plan calls for contribution of 4% of the salary by the pastor and 8% by the congregation, a total of 12%. Of this 12%, 1% is for Family Protection Benefits, 1/2% for Widows Minimum Pensions, and 1/2% for Disability Benefits, administrative purposes, and contingent fund, deducted from the 8% congregation contributions, leaving annual contributions accumulated for the member of 10%.

As a basis for determining the contributions, 15% is added to the cash salary when parsonage is provided by the congregation, or the actual rental figures when home is rented.

Examples:	1.	Salary	\$4,000.00	Pastor's 4% of \$4600.	=	\$184.00
		15% for parsonage	600.00	Congregation's 8%	=	368.00
		Total salary	\$4,600.00			
	2.	Salary	\$4,000.00	Pastor's 4% of \$4960.	=	\$198.40
		Actual rent	960.00	Congregation's 8%	=	396.80
		Total Salary	\$4,960.00			

The 4% contribution by the pastor is withheld from his pay check.

Members may make additional contributions, not to exceed a total sum of \$12,500.00 in the aggregate, for the purpose of providing greater annuity benefits, under regulations and limitations covering withdrawal privileges and annuity arrangements.

ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS

A separate account is opened for each individual member into which his contributions and the allocations of his congregation are credited. The investment of this money in stocks, bonds, and government securities is managed by the Trust Department of the Chase Manhattan Bank of New York City. The earnings of each member will be credited to his individual account.

WITHDRAWAL BENEFITS

1. Ministers or other workers who no longer qualify for membership under the rules of the Pension Plan can make no further payments to the Plan. In such event, upon application, the total of the member's own contribution and earnings thereof may be paid him but without further claim upon the Plan. However, if such member leaves the accumulation of his own contributions in the Plan, all of his church allocations to the time of the termination of his services shall remain to his credit. All such accumulations will be increased by interest additions and applied towards providing age or disability retirement annuities, widow's annuities, and other death benefits as outlined herein.

2. Transfer to Non-Participating Yearly Meetings: A pastor may remain in the Pension Plan when transferring to pastor in a non-participating Yearly Meeting provided that the church or churches where he serves make the 8% contribution in his behalf and he in every other way complies with the provisions as set forth in the Plan.

3. Refund at Death: Excess of member contributions at retirement over total annuity payments received by the member and/or survivor beneficiary shall be paid to the member's estate.

PROPOSED MINIMUM PENSION SUPPLEMENT to the OHIO-OREGON YEARLY MEETINGS PENSION PLAN

(1965 Yearly Meeting Minutes read: "The minimum provision feature will be studied, sent to each local meeting for evaluation, and reported back to the Board of Finance by mid-year meeting for further action.")

MINIMUM PENSIONS

Since a number of our pastors are in middle age or older and thus cannot build up sufficient credits for adequate pensions by regular accumulations, a plan for minimum pensions is established. All pastors and missionaries who qualify by joining and paying at least one year in full before December 31, 1967, are eligible for minimum pensions of \$40.00 a month. The benefits under this program are effective in 1968.

Upon the death of a member after retirement, a surviving widow is entitled to 50% of his pension for the remainder of her life, or until remarriage.

The cost of the difference between the monthly pension that the member's accumulations will provide him and the \$40.00 minimum is covered by the Pension Plan through annual allocations from the Oregon Yearly Meeting through its Fixed Expense Budget.

For example, if the accumulations of a member should be sufficient to bring him a pension of only \$25.00 per month, the Yearly Meeting would then allocate \$15.00 per month to bring his pension to the \$40.00 minimum. It is obvious that younger members will reach a point in their participation where their accumulations will provide more than this minimum figure, in which case there will need be no subsidy by the Yearly Meeting.

MEMO FROM THE PENSION COMMITTEE

During January each local congregation will be apprised by the Pension Committee of the estimated cost for the Pension Plan and the Minimum Pension Supplement both to the meeting and the pastor.

The 1966 Missionary Calendar

By John Fankhauser

YOU WILL NOTICE the new missionary calendars for the coming year have some definite changes in format. There are reasons for this and the Mission Board is hopeful that all Friends will clearly understand the reason for such change.

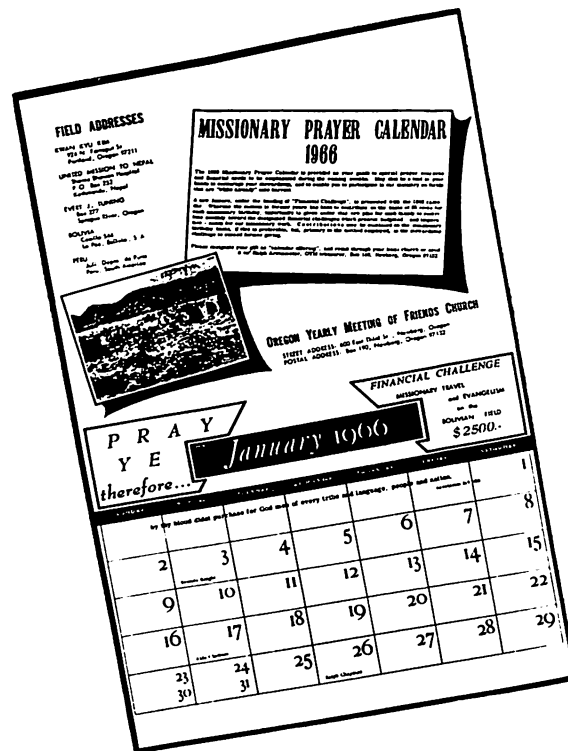
In the first place we are not encouraging any group to do away with the birthday emphasis. This has been appreciated in the past and those who have found it effective are urged to continue with this emphasis. There have, however, been some who feel a need of change in order to stimulate giving and we as a board felt a responsibility to suggest some alternate plan.

Each month of the year there will be featured a financial challenge (taken from the Mission budget) for which an offering may be taken which will go to the general fund of the board. It is with faith in the constituency of Oregon Yearly Meeting that we anticipate an increased income for the cause of our foreign missions budget.

There will be sent to each pastor and missionary chairman a letter previous to each month, explaining the project as it relates to our mission work.

The general fund of the board has been operating with a deficit for some six to eight months, and at this time December 15, 1965, we find the general fund is in serious need of income.

The United Budget division gave the Mission Board \$26,200.00 for the year 1965-66. After prayerful consideration of the budget we feel it expedient to continue with the proposed asking of almost \$68,000 which must come in if we continue the work the Lord has given us. Only as each one of us share of our abundance will this budget be met and we pray that this new use of the calendar will be effective in this.



GUIDANCE *continued*

at Berea Institute and then make a complete change to be with the Friends again.

The time has come for this change to be made. At the end of October we made arrangements to return to the high plains as missionaries of Oregon Yearly Meeting. There is joy with the thought of returning to work among the people to whom we have already given many years of our lives, although there are mingled feelings at times for we always miss the missionary companions and nationals of the station when we leave for a new assignment. We do want to make it clear that this move comes about for no reason other than that our ears have heard a voice behind us saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it."

We are certainly ready to render any service we can in the days out ahead and we covet most earnestly your continued prayers.

MISSIONARY PICTURES: The small set of missionary pictures prepared by J. Emel Swanson is now available for just \$1.00 according to an announcement from the Oregon Yearly Meeting Board of Missions. Write to the Board of Missions, P. O. Box 190, Newberg, Oregon 97132 for information.

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Missionary News Notes

The 1965 Evangelism-in-Depth Campaign in Bolivia terminated with a resounding note of victory and praise for the national conference and parade in LaPaz. This week of activities ending on November 21, 1965, climaxed this

program of visitation, personal evangelism, and united Protestant effort.

This concluding, nation-wide conference experienced a remarkable upsurge in attendance from three or four thousand the first night to twelve thousand by the time the conference ended. Many hundreds were first time converts under the ministry of the evangelists secured through the Evangelism-in-Depth organization of Latin America Mission, San Jose, Costa Rica.

In connection with the national conference, between twenty and twenty five thousand Protestant believers paraded the streets of LaPaz on Sunday afternoon, November 21. Twenty five floats were entered in this parade which took three hours to pass a given point, with that of the World Gospel Mission, Santa Cruz, receiving first prize. It is reported that between nine hundred to one thousand of our own Friends Aymara believers were present in this parade.

JOHN and LAURA TRACHSEL

John and Laura Trachsel arrived in Seattle, Washington, on Wednesday, December 15 as they conclude another five year term of service under World Gospel Mission in Formosa. They visited with relatives and friends in the Seattle and Newberg areas until December 21 when they flew on to Marion, Indiana, to be with their daughters, Carol and Joy, for Christmas. The Trachsels' furlough schedule may bring them to the northwest at the close of the current school year. Their address at present is Box 949, Marion, Indiana.

HAROLD THOMAS

Harold Thomas, now at Chiquimula, Guatemala, writes concerning his opportunity for service on Youth Ambassador projects:

"I have been going with Edgar (Madrid) and John Astleford to different churches. With Edgar I went to Bananera to hold a service in English one Saturday night, and to play my horn on Sunday. I have gone to various churches with John Astleford on Sundays to play for the singing, and to give my testimony. I hope to start a youth group in Jocotan and help on the church building. I would ask your prayers in this. I will have to overcome inertia on the part of the youth of that Church, and will have difficult problems with the language as the Chorti youth know almost no Spanish."

Book Review

By Charles Mylander

The Master Plan of Evangelism by Robert E. Coleman, professor of evangelism, Asbury Seminary. (Fleming Revell Co. Westwood, N.J., 126 pages, \$1.00).

As I finished this book, I wished it were possible to give it to every pastor in Oregon Yearly Meeting as a Christmas present. Many Sunday School teachers, and active laymen who love the Lord could likewise profit.

This short book has the genius of being practical, but not superficial; deep, but not difficult; scholarly but not dull. The author sticks to his main subject, training men, all through the book and puts everything else in footnotes. In fact it is worth the \$1.00 investment simply for the research and reference material given in the footnotes on a great many practical subjects.

The author drives at one main theme: Jesus training men for evangelism. In an orderly sequence he clearly describes the principles and used by Jesus Christ in imparting to those around Him all of His life and teaching for the great burden of His heart: evangelism. Jesus first selected certain carefully-screened men. Then by association with Himself, He imparted His Spirit to them. He required complete obedience of these men, but patiently tolerated their faults and mistakes. He taught them the meaning of faith, how to pray and the importance of the scriptures. He showed them by example how to meet and deal with people. Then he gave them assignments, usually in pairs, and carefully supervised their activities. By imparting both His plan and His life to these few men in such depth, the world was changed.

Perhaps the problem that seemed most apparent as a reader, was being compared with the Master Teacher in training others. But then, is not Jesus our example in everything—including evangelism. And did not Christ promise, "He that believeth on me, the work that I do shall he do also" (John 14:12)?

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the Russians until there would be no one left to evangelize would not make our country strong.

It is, of course, so easy to make lump judgments. Some Christian military men would say they are not trying to kill all Viet Cong, just win the war. And lump judgments work both ways too. Just because I don't know how I could bring myself to kill a man doesn't mean I want to be considered a part of all the anti-war movements or even affiliated with a Quaker pacifist stand based more on political action than Christian convictions. How quickly condemnation and defensive thinking arises! I am so thankful for a nation of religious freedom, but this remark quickly brings the rejoinder that this freedom was purchased with the blood of dying soldiers to which I reply that soldiers have died for every cause, or no cause at all at times, so it is the religious freedom that counts, and, if God's will could be really followed, these highest of goals could be reached without the necessity of war. "But God's will isn't being followed in the world," they say, "So we have to kill or be killed." Yet I understand that Christ reversed this position by teaching and demonstrating that "it is better to be killed than kill," so God's will for me as a Christian is quite clear.

Are there no alternatives to permit a man to follow his conscience and express his love for his country and others? Fortunately, there are. Men volunteering for medical and technical research in Nepal. . . helping the homeless in Korea. . . building houses in earthquake ruined cities. . . clearing jungle in Peru. . . caring for the mentally ill. . . working in hospitals and on county farms. . . aiding refugees to freedom. . . dairy testing. . . serving as agricultural crop specialists. . . youth camps. . . working quietly in out of the way places or snatching the wounded from front lines. These are the Selective Service's alternate work assignments for C. O.'s.

Much of this is not dramatic or spectacular, even though it is tremendously significant. Even in dissent men may serve their country nobly. And the strength of a good conscience, when a certain acceptance of God's Word in literal terms means life or death, gives a boy the strength of ten.

We do not know what the future will be. There may be wider opportunities, or it may become more difficult to serve in construc-

tive alternative work. The true C. O.'s may be victimized by political opportunists or those who choose a course of expediency rather than conviction. Perhaps the time may come again when we will suffer injustice for the sake of our faith as did many of our forefathers. But, cost what it may, I believe we cannot depersonalize the Gospel in war-time to fit the circumstances and newscasts, or imagine a field of murdered men, buddies or V.C.'s are mere mannequins. I am encouraged to see the many courageous Christian youth who have found this faith and truth in Christ by believing the Bible means what it says.

Let's be careful however, that we keep the Bible in one hand lest our spiritual judgment become distorted and the darkness of this day extinguish the candlestick of the Friends Church which also has been given the Light of life.

J. L. W.

SUPERINTENDENT *continued*

Fourth, our schools, George Fox College, Western Evangelical Seminary and Greenleaf Academy, are preparing our youth for an effective and spirit-filled ministry of Light-bearing. They too, are in urgent need of our spiritual and financial backing.

We have just had a full month (November) of stewardship emphasis throughout the Yearly Meeting. The concern of your church leaders is that every member may be equipped adequately to involve himself and his whole church in the business of proving by life, by word and by actions, that Christ Jesus can meet every human need.

In this issue of the Northwest Friend, you will read the announcement of the nomination of Jack L. Willcuts as the new Oregon Yearly Meeting General Superintendent, to take office September 1, 1966. I am delighted with this decision of our Executive Council and it is with confidence that I look forward to his capable leadership through the future years. I pledge my efforts toward making this change of office as smoothly as possible. Jack Willcuts is one of my close associates in the Christian ministry and I am happy to endorse his nomination for this important place of church leadership.

Clynton Crisman and I along with our families, wish for all of you a Christmas season filled with a blessing—to you is born a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

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LISTEN! LITTLE QUAKERS

By Marie Haines

The Christmas Program

LOOK HOW FAT Sandy looks in her angel costume," Teddy pointed laughing.

"Ha, ha! Fat angel! Fat angel!" Myron began to laugh too.

"You be still," Sandy's eyes flashed. "I'd rather be a fat angel than a shepherd wearing my night clothes in front of all the people."

"I'm not wearing night clothes. This is a tablecloth."

"Well, then, a tablecloth. I'd hate to look like you do wearing a tablecloth."

"Children. Children." Miss Shirley clapped her hands. "Come now. Sandy climb up the ladder. You are the smallest. I want you on the top step. Ellen, you are next. Now Cleta, you next. The ladder will be covered. Myron, be careful, don't bump the ladder. You girls look beautiful up there."

But the whole program was spoiled for Sandy. Did she really look fat? She had been so happy when she had been chosen to be the littlest angel. Angry tears filled her eyes.

"Don't mind Teddy," Ellen whispered. "He likes to tease. You aren't fat."

"I hate Teddy," Sandy whispered back fiercely. "He's always saying mean things to me."

Miss Shirley saw the scowl on Sandy's face and the tears in her eyes. "Remember dear," she said as they were taking their costumes off, "This is our Christmas offering to Jesus. He cannot accept it unless we have love in our hearts." She tried to put her arm around Sandy but Sandy jerked away.

"I can't love those mean boys," she muttered.

The night of the Christmas program, Sandy had almost forgotten the boys in the excitement of the hour. Then she heard, "Fat angel! Fat angel!" somebody whispered and the boys laughed again.

"Come Sandy, Ellen, Cleta, it is almost your turn. Be very careful now. Don't trip over your dresses. You look lovely, lovely."

The ladder was beautifully decorated with greens. As Sandy climbed to the top, it seemed almost as if she were in heaven. Why did she feel so cross? It was all the fault of those mean boys. She turned around to settle herself and crossly gave her robe a twitch. Some way, her feet got caught and she stumbled.

"Look out, she's slipping. The ladder's falling!" Sandy saw Teddy jump to catch the ladder. The next she knew, she was lying on the davenport in the ladies' room.

"Where—where am I?" she asked dazedly sitting up. "What happened?"

"You got mixed up in your gown and the ladder fell," Miss Shirley soothed. "Are you all right now?"

"I feel fine. What happened to the program?"

"They went on without the angels," mother leaned over to kiss her. "Are you sure you feel well?"

Sandy stretched her legs and felt her arms. "Nothing broken," she laughed.

"We can thank Teddy for that," Mother said, with a catch in her voice. "He broke his arm when the ladder and you fell on him."

Sandy felt ashamed. She hid her face in her mother's lap. "I hated Teddy. I felt all cross inside," she said. "I think Jesus knew I wouldn't be a very good angel. Maybe that was why I fell."

Mother looked at Miss Shirley and smiled over Sandy's head. "What do you think you ought to do about it now?" she said.

"I want Jesus to forgive me and I want Teddy to forgive me too," Sandy's voice was muffled.

"Aw, that's all right Sandy," Teddy said in embarrassment the next day. "Here's a pencil. Want to write your name on my cast? I guess I was pretty mean too."

"Isn't Jesus wonderful?" Sandy said on the way home as she skipped along. "I'm glad He was born. I'm glad it is Christmas. I just love everybody."

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AMONG THE CHURCHES



GREENLEAF QUARTERLY MEETING

CALDWELL, Nathan Pierson, pastor

The Missionary ladies met in the fellowship Hall October 21 for their business session followed by a luncheon at noon. The Emmett Missionary Union and also the Riverside group met with us. Reports were given by the ones who had attended the retreat at Pendleton. ¶ There was a baby shower for Wilma Cole as a part of the meeting together. The shower was for one, but the Coles were blessed with two little boys. ¶ Sunday, October 31, was the date when the birthdays of those covering October, November & December were remembered with a covered dish luncheon at the church following the morning services. ¶ Nick and Alice Maurer were with us in the morning service, October 17. They brought the message and sang a number of selections.

—Rosella Moon, reporting

GREENLEAF, Kenneth Pitts, pastor

Several Greenleaf ladies attended the State WCTU convention in Boise, October 13, 14, where they enjoyed hearing Virginia Helm. ¶ Nick and Alice Maurer spoke to the SS October 17. A "Hallelujah March" was enjoyed by the congregation when a sizable offering was taken for the Maurers and for Literature. ¶ Monday evening October 11 was "SS Staff Night."

INLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

ENTIAT, Edwin Clarkson, pastor

The FY had a progressive dinner on October 23, beginning with the first course at the home of Cris Griffith, then to the parsonage, and Dean Rose home, finishing at the Thurston home, with a time of fellowship and fun. ¶ We were happy to have Stanley Perisho and family with us October 24 to bring the morning message, and present GFC. Stanley was pastor here for two years. ¶ We were pleased to have as our guest speaker on Sunday morning October 31 our acting Yearly Meeting Superintendent Clynton Crisman. He brought a challenging and inspiring message. That some evening the FY were in charge of the service. This is always a time of inspiration. ¶ Cris Griffith was chosen High-School Carnival Queen November 6. ¶ Inland Quarterly Meeting was held at Entiat November 12, 13. Friday night was the FY rally with Jon Bishop as the guest speaker. He showed pictures of the Leadership Conference held in Colorado last sum-

Our SS Superintendent, Myrtle Burton, had an interesting program. ¶ Rev. Richard Winger, youthful minister in the Mennonite Church and missionary worker at Caldwell Labor Camp spoke to the young people in their evening meeting, October 13. ¶ On November 1, Norman Winters became the principal of the Academy. ¶ Our pastor, Kenneth Pitts, attended the Pastor's Short Course at GFC. In his absence, Fred Knight and Scott Clark preached. Frances Carr had charge of the prayer meeting. Currently Kenneth Pitts is at Hayden Lake helping the Piersalls in revival efforts. ¶ We enjoyed having Quarterly Meeting at Greenleaf November 4-6. Denver Headrick and Ruth were in attendance. He preached on Saturday morning. ¶ Kenneth Eichenberger preached in our evening meeting November 9 and presented the work of Western Evangelical Seminary.

—May Hodson, reporting

HOMEDALE, Quincy Fodge, pastor

We have started some new things in our church. On Wednesday we are studying from a booklet called "First Course of the Bible" which has proved very interesting and attendance has been good. On Sunday nights we are studying Genesis. The First Sunday evening of each month we have a singspiration and have our music department perform several numbers.

mer, and also brought the message. There were 112 in attendance. ¶ Saturday morning the Ministry and Oversight met at 9 o'clock, with Kenneth Eichenberger as speaker. He also spoke during the worship service at 11 o'clock. This also was a time of heart searching and challenge. There were 90 present at the morning service and 70 for the business session. ¶ Kenneth Pitts, pastor of Greenleaf Meeting was with us and brought the devotions for the business meeting. He spoke to the SS teachers and officers on the "raw material" with which they have to work.

HAYDEN LAKE, Wayne Piersall, pastor

We had a SS contest to promote the attendance. This contest was concluded with a potluck dinner October 30, with the 7th-adult department winning. ¶ We have started a new addition to the church; this will be for the much needed class rooms. Many man hours have already been spent on its building. ¶ To

start our basketball program we had Basketball Jam-boree November 9. ¶ Kenneth Pitts conducted revival meetings from November 10-21. ¶ Everyone is enjoying the new song books, "Praise and Worship".

—Connie Cuff, reporting

SPOKANE, Clare Willcuts, pastor

Our pastor was among the group who attended the Pastors' Short Course at GFC in October. Our FY groups have the Sunday evening service on the fifth Sunday when it occurs. The last Sunday in October

NEWBERG QUARTERLY MEETING

TIGARD, Orville Winters, pastor

Betty Esau opened her home October 21 for a Baum Toy Party. A profit of \$20 was made, and this was donated to the Church building fund. ¶ Our pastor attended the Pastors' Short Course held in Newberg October 26-29. ¶ The Church has hired our own Lansing Bulgin to be Director of Music. ¶ We're still praising the Lord for many evident blessings. Our weekly offerings continue to top previous offerings.

CHEHALEM CENTER, Eugene B. Hibbs, pastor

The young people of our FY had the evening service Sunday night, October 3, using the theme of "An old time Quaker Meeting." The service was a great blessing to all attending. ¶ Mrs. Hibbs brought a very good message Sunday evening November 7 on Stewardship. ¶ Nine of our people attended the Visitation Workshop held at the Oregon Yearly Meeting Headquarters, November 18. ¶ Four men from our church attended the Men's Retreat. ¶ Our church

PORTLAND QUARTERLY MEETING

SECOND FRIENDS, Lyle Love, pastor

Ruby Collver, the SS teacher for the Junior girls, took the class one Sunday and visited the Clackamas Park Church for the services. Also she held a slumber party at her home for the girls and a good time was reported by all. ¶ The FY had charge of a Sunday evening service and had the Royalaires Trio of Cascade College present the program. The Social Committee following the service held a Halloween Party in the basement of the church. To gain admittance to the party each individual was asked to bring a food item for the Thanksgiving basket for our Timber pastors. ¶ We were happy to have Ron Stansell with us and present pictures and tell of his recent trip to Peru and Bolivia as the youth ambassador. ¶ The people at Timber held a pot-luck supper and an evening of fellowship for our church at the school house in Timber.

METOLIUS, Richard Cossel, pastor

The WMU has started a project to help Kathy Liu and her family. They are gathering food, clothing and other useable goods. The fifth and sixth grade FY group donated \$7.50 to Kathy also. ¶ The Thanks-

they put on a very interesting skit. ¶ For our Sunday evening service on October 24 our church joined the other evangelical churches of Spokane to attend the NAE Convention. ¶ November 5 the FY went on a hay ride party and then returned to the church for a chili feed. We had 20 young people in attendance. ¶ At our WMU meeting November 11, the ladies each drew the name of a home or foreign missionary. We are each to write a Christmas letter to the name we received. ¶ About fifteen of our groups attended Quarterly Meeting at Entiat, Washington. A great spiritual uplift and wonderful fellowship was reported by those attending.

attended the combined Thanksgiving service at the First Baptist Church of Newberg, Wednesday evening November 24.

NEWBERG, Charles S. Ball, pastor

Newberg Friends Church observed stewardship month during November. This included a fund-raising campaign and fellowship banquet looking forward to improvements in the church building. ¶ Earl and Janice Perisho told the SS about the Alaska mission work on November 7. ¶ Lonny Fendall brought the message on October 24, and the SS workers were given recognition. ¶ Fifteen members were welcomed into the church on November 7. ¶ Ralph Chapman presented the missionary literature program at the evening service on November 21. ¶ Harold Thomas was given recognition as a Youth Ambassador in the evening service on October 31. He will do his alternate service on the California Yearly Meeting mission field in Guatemala. ¶ The Billy Graham film, "World's Fair Encounter," was shown in our church on Tuesday evening, October 26, sponsored by the Newberg Ministerial Association.

giving dinner was held on November 10. Turkey and all the trimmings were prepared by the women of the church. ¶ A children's choir has been started under the direction of Divonna Cossel. They are preparing songs for the Christmas season. ¶ The Senior FY had a Halloween taffy pull at Donna Cloud's home.

—Cathy Clites, reporting

MAPLEWOOD, Roy and Harold Clark, pastors

Several new activities have been started this fall. Children's Bible Clubs are conducted each Friday afternoon by our parish workers, Bernice Mardock and Elsie Gerhke. A junior church meets during the worship hour Sunday morning, conducted by Sharon Ehler and assisted by Priscilla Clark. ¶ Our newly organized chancel choir, directed by Harold Clark, sings an anthem each Sunday morning, and is preparing a Christmas cantata. ¶ Great enthusiasm is being shown in the SS contest now in progress, with team captains Dick Phillips and Edgar Haworth. ¶ Fifty people enjoyed a Halloween party in the church annex, October 29. ¶ The Adult Bible Class, taught by Elsie Gerhke, met recently to organize for outreach, with Betty Adams as class president. ¶ Recent missionary emphases have been brought by the Merl

Furry and Nick Maurer families. ¶The church is looking forward to a week of revival the first of December with our pastors as evangelists.

PARKROSE, Herbert Sargent, pastor

On October 3, Parkrose Friends had a fellowship dinner following the morning worship service. Clynton Crisman was our guest at the dinner and he also brought the message at our morning service. ¶The young people were in charge of the Halloween Party this year. They did a good job of preparing the events for the evening. We greatly thank our young people for all their work in making this a successful event.

FIRST FRIENDS, Gerald Dillon, pastor

Sunday afternoon, October 17, three young people visited the Korean SS where Pastor Kim ministers. ¶Congratulations to all the SS classes who have had 100% attendance and our award-winning Young Married and Friendly Persuaders Classes. ¶Thirty-seven Junior FY's went to the Portland Zoo, October 29 to enjoy the pleasures of the Halloween Spook Ride. ¶A choir dedication service was held Sunday, November 7, with the dedication of 80 voices. These 80 voices are made up of people from 5 years and up. Appreciation goes to Ruth Corbin, Beverly Lane and the others who make this possible.

HILLSBORO, J. Russel Stands, pastor

We had a pot luck dinner October 14 to honor the Peck family. It was a wedding shower for David and Cheryl and a farewell gesture for Edna and Mary Lou Peck, who are moving to Portland. ¶We were happy to host the Portland Quarterly Meeting October 22, 23. There was good attendance at each meeting and Svensen gets to keep the FY Attendance Trophy after winning it three times. ¶Janice Beals and Alameda Sawyer gave their SS classes a Halloween party at the home of Gene and Helen Sams with thirteen children enjoying a pleasant evening. ¶Our FY group presented a play "A Church for Mrs. Jordan" for their fifth Sunday night service. They had special music and read the scripture. ¶Russel Stands attended the Pastors Short Course and visited all of our young people attending GFC during that week. ¶Several of our membership attended Homecoming activities at GFC. ¶November 14, at the close of the morning service, we had public recognition and welcome for ten new active and two new associate members.

PIEDMONT, Glenn Armstrong, pastor

Sunday, October 10, was Blast-Off Day for Piedmont's Space-Age SS Contest. Members were divided into four teams to orbit spaceships Faith 2, Early Bird, Molly Brown, and Friendship 7. The ships

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING

CHERRY GROVE, William Murphy, pastor

We are pleased to report good increase in attendance, and that several new families have been attending recently. We are very glad to welcome them. The fracture of a heel that Mr. Murphy suffered short-

were brought down November 21, at the conclusion of the contest. ¶The dedication of our new organ was held October 24 with Ron Hylton of Cascade College as guest organist. He presented an excellent selection of organ music, and Mrs. Hylton sang. Ruth Corbin spoke on "The Place of Music in the Church." ¶Recent special speakers at our services have been Mr. and Mrs. Merle Furry, missionaries leaving for Burundi, Africa to work with Central Africian Broadcasting Company and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Long who are going as missionaries to Mexico with Wycliffe Bible Translators. ¶Jessie Almquist is the new SS superintendent, beginning September 19.

CLACKAMAS PARK, Howard E. Harmon, pastor

September 12, 1965 was the opening Sunday for Clackamas Park Friends. The attendance that Sunday was very encouraging and the average attendance for October was: SS-65; morning worship-70; evening worship-48; prayer meeting-27. ¶We have appreciated the good response of church members in helping finish the church. There have also been several from other Friends churches who have spent many hours working here. Some of the work done has been: sanding and painting wood-work, laying tile, carpeting floors, cleaning windows and painting walls. ¶Two youth groups have been formed. Gary and Ellie Fendall are sponsors of the Jr. High FY and Sam and Gerri Morse are the sponsors for the High School group. ¶Leta Hockett is the director of the newly formed choir and is doing fine work. ¶Dan and Linnea Stahlnecker, both attending Western Evangelical Seminary, are serving as assistant pastors. ¶Two fellowship dinners have already been enjoyed by the members. At least one fellowship a month is planned. ¶Paul Lund, missionary to Haiti under the Oriental Missionary Society, showed pictures of the work there one Sunday evening. Ralph and Marie Chapman spoke in SS and church one Sunday in November.

—Linnea Stahlnecker, reporting

LYNWOOD, Charles Morgan, pastor

We have had a good deal of illness at Lynwood but not enough to prevent our winning our contest with Rose Valley. We surpassed our goal of 200 by six for an average gain of three percent. Considering that we've had five families move away in the last few months, we are especially grateful for this encouraging gain. ¶Sixty-seven new chairs have been purchased for our classrooms through the concern of Allen Hester. ¶Our very active youth group recently visited a Roman Catholic church and will be visiting a Jewish synagogue in their study of different religions. ¶December 5 was GFC Day at Lynwood. The program was planned with our high school young people in mind.

ly after moving here is mending nicely, and he is now able to use it, with care. ¶Tuesday, October 26, the Intermediate Girls' class met at the home of their teacher, Mr. Ed Rengo, for a combination birthday-Halloween party. The following Saturday the FY held their annual Halloween hay ride, with 35 attend-

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ing. Ruth Crosse, Robert Carter, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Plaisted acted as chaperones. ¶A new feature, appreciated by young and old alike, is the "Story Time" in the morning worship service. This is a sermonette by the pastor, geared to the young children of Junior Church age who meet with adults for the first half of the worship hour. ¶David Heinrich, his wife and two small sons were with us the morning of November 7 to bring the morning message. David is a student at Western Evangelical Seminary. ¶For the evening service November 7, and also for the FY meeting, we were glad to have with us newly appointed missionaries Nicholas and Alice Maurer, who gave their testimonies, and told the story of how God called them to the mission field. They challenged each of us to be a missionary in our own "mission field". A time of getting acquainted followed, with refreshments being served in the church basement. ¶Plans and practice sessions are underway for our Christmas program, which this year will feature a cantata, "The Lost Carol".

—Marjorie Rengo, reporting

ROSE VALLEY, George Bales, pastor

The Junior and Senior High FY visited a "Spooky old house" and stayed there to have their annual Halloween party. Duane and Sharon Lemmons, youth advisors, were assisted at the party by Margaret and Gerald Lemmons. ¶The Mel Lamm family presented a musical program, The Road to Calvary, for the Sunday evening service, October 24. Many souls were uplifted by this event. ¶The kitchen is finished and the kitchenette in the library is completed except for finishing work. ¶We lost our SS attendance contest with Lynwood, but the entire church profited by the month long attempt. The adult department, headed by Elenita Bales, had a great deal of Bible reading and had special speakers emphasizing the week's lesson. The Junior department had the theme "the greatest treasures are free" and presented prizes for children who learned some of the treasure of the Bible such as The Lords Prayer, The Ten Commandments, and so forth. The entire church will benefit from the new members that were brought as a result of the contest. ¶Quarterly meeting was held at Rose Valley on Saturday, November 13. The film, "For Their Sake," was shown and refreshments were served.

PUGET SOUND QUARTERLY MEETING

EVERETT, Calvin Hull, pastor

The church has been delighted with our new childrens Choir composed of 13 children—grades second through sixth. They are learning parts and sing at times for church services. ¶The men have felt a spiritual concern and now have a Tuesday evening Prayer Band. ¶A new roof for the parsonage was authorized by the Monthly Meeting and our own professional roofer, Delbert Shipman, did the work. ¶Two new gas stoves and a cabinet have gladdened our kitchen, making it easier for the women to serve dinners and fellowship groups. ¶Our FY group from Everett entertained the young people from two Seattle churches for a spaghetti supper and Halloween masquerade party. ¶Our SS Superintendent, Lela Hull, and Frank Burris have been happy to display

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ROSEMERE, Edwin Cammack, pastor

We at Rosemere, along with friends, have really been enjoying the "new look" about the church made possible by the faithfulness of each member depending upon God to supply the need, as it arises. He hasn't failed yet! In the face of adversity God works miracles. ¶Before this article goes to press, Rosemere will have celebrated its 25th anniversary as a monthly meeting, enjoying the fellowship of many of the former pastors, workers, and members, along with many Friends. ¶On October 15, a potluck supper and pictures of the New Tribes Mission with Margaret Reece as guest was enjoyed. ¶October 25 found a goodly number from all SS classes taking part in an old fashioned Halloween social in the basement of the church. Games were enjoyed with winners receiving prizes. ¶Robert Geyer, associated with Cascade College, held a 3-day series of revival meetings on October 28-30. These were soul-searching days, with the speaker well-versed in his subject, revealing the need of the day. Only in eternity will we know the results. ¶On November 12 the Kings Daughters WMU were hostesses to the women of the church at a "Harvest Time" social presenting Mrs. Carol Arensmeier as guest speaker, and Jan Newmeyer, guest soloist, both are from GFC.

—M. Eunice Coats, reporting

VANCOUVER FIRST, Fred Newkirk, pastor

We were privileged to have Milton Wayne as guest speaker in the morning service on November 7. He is the Director of Young Life in Japan. In the Sunday evening service on November 7 we had Pastor Kim with his childrens' choir. ¶The women of the church have been attending a weekly Bible study and discussion hour. It is held every Tuesday morning in the fireside room at the church, with Pastor Newkirk leading. Refreshments are served afterwards with time for visiting. ¶The Homebuilders SS class enjoyed a hockey game in Portland November 6, and then went to Larry and Karen Barnes' home for refreshments. ¶We have 12 maroon choir robes, with stoles, that we wish to sell. We are asking \$5.00 each for them. Any one interested can contact our director, Dick Person, phone 698-2876.

—Beverly Richey, reporting

award ribbons earned for increased attendance during the first three months of this new church year.

—Kathy Grimseth, reporting

NORTHEAST TACOMA, Frederick Baker, pastor

Each Sunday evening 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. a group of interested adults are meeting and endeavoring to plan a more effective Christian Education program. ¶Christian Worker's Conference was held October 19. Guest speaker for the evening was Marjorie Molland, Child Evangelism Director for the Greater Tacoma area. ¶October 23, FY Leadership Conference was held for the Puget Sound Quarterly Meeting at McKinley Avenue Friends Church. There were 46 registered and 6 young people from Newberg, Oregon. ¶A Leadership Training Institute is being held in Tacoma

for six weeks from October 25 through December 6, 1965 meeting on six Monday nights from 7:15 to 9:00 p.m. It is being held at the Bethesda Baptist Church. Several of our teachers and workers are attending. ¶ Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Marvin from the Tacoma Rescue Mission were our guest speakers Sunday, October 31, as Fred Baker was at GFC. We united with McKinley Avenue Church on Sunday evening for the Youth meeting and the service. A film was shown entitled "The Unfinished Task." ¶ McKinley Avenue FY invited our FY to attend a Halloween party on October 22 at the home of Mona Warner.

HOLLY PARK, Leroy Neifert, pastor
Our WMU entertained the Quarterly Meeting WMU

BOISE VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

MERIDIAN, Dorwin Smith, pastor
We had a very large attendance for our church dedication October 24. Our many thanks to those who came to help us show our praise and blessings to our Lord for our church. ¶ We have had several more work days and all exterior painting is done. There is still more work inside, but we are planning to have it done soon. ¶ A boys club is now being started by the men in the church. Good interest and enthusiasm was shown at the first meeting. ¶ November 4 the church went to Pat's cafe in Meridian for supper. A large group of 22 attended for a night of fun and fellowship. ¶ Our annual Thanksgiving pot luck dinner was held November 21 at the church.
—Margaret Sheirbon, reporting

WHITNEY, Randall Emry, pastor
The Senior FY spent a Saturday afternoon recently helping to clean the church inside and outside. ¶ Whitney was the host church for a union service with the Meridian and Boise churches as our guests. Dr. Paul Petticord, the speaker for the evening, presented a challenging message. ¶ Our FY have won the Quarterly Meeting Attendance Trophy twice in a row. One more time and they get to keep it. ¶ Two women attended the WMU retreat in Pendleton and came home

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

SPRAGUE RIVER, Evert J. Tuning, pastor
Forest and Orpha Cammack were with us October 24. Our pastors were gone to Vancouver, Washington where they had been invited to speak on their missionary work. ¶ Evert attended the Pastors' Short Courses at GFC. ¶ Our young people enjoyed a party at the parsonage Friday evening November 12. ¶ A clean-up day was held at the church October 15.
—Pauline Childs, reporting

PRINGLE, Paul Baker, pastor
Everyone is enjoying the skits that have been presented for the SS opening exercises the last few weeks. It is on Families for Christ the theme for our campaign this fall. ¶ November 4, our church again presented the services at the Union Gospel Mission. Ernest Pearson led the singing. Mabel Kampstra sang a solo. Paul Baker brought the mes-

"Day of Prayer" October 27 in our church. Ruth Brown was guest speaker. ¶ Elva and Leroy Neifert and Ethel Cowgill attended Quarterly Meeting Pastors Fellowship-Supper in Agnew, October 25. ¶ Friends Memorial Meeting joined our meeting in our church October 31 for the evening service. The film "Because of These" was shown. ¶ Mattie Stephens is visiting her daughter Beatrice Fritschle who is in Mayo Brothers Hospital in Minnesota. Latest word to date November 9, states Beatrice is much improved in health. ¶ Seventeen of our Youth attended a dinner and costume party at Everett November 6. Also two carloads of young people attended a Youth Leadership class at McKinley Avenue church October 22.

—M. Ethel Cowgill, reporting

very inspired and presented glowing reports. ¶ Our pastor was able to attend Pastor's Short Course.
—Beverly Smith, reporting

BOISE, Dale Field, pastor

Our church was represented at the following assemblies during the past month: The State WCTU convention held at the First Baptist church on October 13, 14, and 15. The Child Evangelism Fellowship conference at the Cole Community church on October 15; and an Evangelical conference on October 15, 16, 17 at the First Nazarene church. Sunday evening services were dismissed in our church in order to attend this meeting on the 16th. Dr. Paul Petticord, president of Western Evangelical Seminary, was the speaker. Also, several attended the meeting and banquet of the Allied Civic Forces, which was held in the Meridian Methodist Church. ¶ The Campus Crusade for Christ began a Leadership Training Class in our church Monday evening October 25. Forty eight people were registered. ¶ The Senior FY had charge of the Sunday evening services on October 31. A clarinet trio brought the special music and George Lephert was the speaker. Their presentation was a real inspiration.
—Margaret Peterson, reporting

sage, "Sinners in the Hands of Christ". Testimonies were given. ¶ November 7, our pastor preached at the Capital Manor. ¶ After much prayer and some sacrifices we have accumulated enough money to make a down payment on an organ. ¶ November 14, we celebrated our 20th Anniversary. Roger Smith, our former pastor was our guest speaker. His wife sang a special number during the service. After the services a pot luck dinner was served. Several early members were guests, and slides were shown of the early church, SS classes, Max Pemberton's truck that was used for a bus, and others. ¶ At our evening services Sunday, November 28, three members of Men for Missions were our guests. ¶ December 5, a trio from GFC furnished our special music for the morning service, Dr. Myron Goldsmith was the speaker. ¶ Elizabeth McCall of Child Evangelism, brought a special message for the children using visual aids. Being the first Sunday of the month coffee and cookies were served after the services.

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SOUTH SALEM, John Fankhauser, pastor

Our pastor attended the annual Pastor's Short Course held at GFC in October. ¶ A large number of our young people attended the Salem Quarterly Meeting hay ride and barn party October 30. ¶ The WMU groups met together for their October meeting to hear reports from Pat Smith and May Nordyke about the WMU Retreat at Pendleton. ¶ The Women's Bible Study meets each Thursday morning at the home of Edna Springer who teaches the class. ¶ Each Monday evening during November is calling night. ¶ We are glad to welcome home Quentin and Florene Nordyke and their children. They arrived in Los Angeles November 3, and in Salem November 12. They spoke briefly in SS on November 14—answering questions which had been written out previously by many different people. Prior to their coming, the church had a work day at the house where the Nordykes will live while on furlough. ¶ A Scripture memorization plan has been started so that Junior High and Senior High young people can receive credit toward expenses of Junior High Jamboree and Mid-Winter Convention. ¶ Our choir is joining with other Friends churches of the Salem area to practice for a Christmas cantata with Rolly Hartley directing. ¶ On November 14, following the morning service, was a fellowship dinner honoring our Alaskan students from Chemawa. Following the dinner, Parolee Downs showed slides taken when she and her husband were missionaries in Alaska. Also present were Janice and Earl Perisho who are now home in furlough from Kotzebue, Alaska. The Perishos are also speaking in the Sunday evening service, December 12.
—Joyce Nordyke, reporting

ROSEDALE, Frank Haskins, pastor

Sunday October 10 Mrs. Marcy Tigner with her puppet little Marcy from Eugene, Oregon, had charge of the service during the SS hour at the Rally Day service. ¶ Our pastor and a good number of members attended Quarterly Meeting at Pringle Church. The FY groups had a fellowship dinner at our church for the Alaskan young people; then they all attended the rally at Pringle. ¶ Our pastor attended the Yearly Meeting board of Evangelism Retreat at Prineville. ¶ A family night pre-Thanksgiving dinner was held in the church basement the evening of November 11, followed by a short program. ¶ Two young couples dedicated their children to the Lord at the morning service November 7.

—Reba Russell, reporting

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES

ROBERTS-SAMS—David Roberts and Sylvia Sams were united in marriage June 25 at the Greenleaf Friends Church. HOLTON-HISKEY—Stanley Holton and Ione Hiskey were united in marriage July 17 at the Greenleaf Friends Church. DAVIS-LAMM—Philip R. Davis and Suzan Kae Lamm were married at the Greenleaf Friends Church on August 12.

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WEEKS-CARTER—Donald Weeks and Joyce Carter were united in marriage at First Friends in an afternoon ceremony on Sunday, October 17.

BIRTHS

HARP—To Bill and Ruth Harp, a daughter; Patsy May, born September 26. GESNER—To Royal and Loraine Gesner, a son, Mark McClain, born November 26. BATES—To Jerry and Sharon (Pitts) Bates, a girl Donita Kay, born August 17. MORSE—To Paul and Meredith Morse, a daughter Kathryn Ann, born October 26. BROWN—To Harold and Edith (Meyers) Brown, a daughter, Virginia Kay, born November 9.

DEATHS

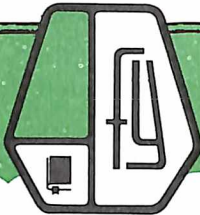
LEWIS—Russell W. Lewis, 78, passed away November 13. He had been an English professor at GFC 30 years and at Friends University three years. Funeral services were held at Newberg Friends Church on November 17 with Charles Beals, Walter Cook and Levi T. Pennington officiating. JOHNSON—Charles M. Johnson, Sr., of the Northeast Tacoma Friends Church, passed away November 3. Funeral services held November 5, with Fred Baker conducting the services. PHILLIPS—Sylvia Diane Phillips, six years of age, passed away November 2. Charles Morgan assisted by Leroy Neifert officiated at the funeral. HOLTON—Myron Holton of Greenleaf passed away July 8, 1965. WINSLOW—Tedford Winslow, son of Dale and Louise Winslow of Greenleaf was accidentally killed July 30. HIBBS—Neal Hibbs of Greenleaf passed away August 11, 1965. MCHONE—Fred McHone of Portland passed away November 2. Funeral services were held at Camas, Washington. PATTERSON—Robert K. Patterson, member of Whitney Friends Church passed away October 28 in the Veteran's Hospital, Boise. JONES—Anna Jones of Portland, passed away November 7.

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FY NEWS FROM BOISE VALLEY

Nampa—September 12 the Friends Youth had a Sip and Chat Hour with Oscar and Ruth Brown as guests. On October 17 we had a dinner and planned future lessons.

Whitney—During this past summer our Youth Ambassador, Rick Raml, lead several young people in conquest visitation meetings each week. On September 10 we had a hayride with a large group attending. During the summer the young people of the church led two evening services, including an old-fashioned Quaker meeting.

Meridian—The young people of our church are working on a program to be presented at Christmas.

The Quarterly Meeting Friends Youth Rally was held the evening of October 30. The young people who attended the Leadership Conference in Colorado gave the program on "The Balanced Life."

—Jane Hoskins, reporter

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AS TEENAGERS IT'S quite the habit to pass the buck—especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. In fact, most of our drummed-up excuses

Devotional Corner

By Barbara Baker

and explanations for our personal problems end up on the doorstep of some "older" or "more mature" Christian who "threw a stumbling block in my path."

"Well, be realistic!" you insist indignantly. "After all, we are just adolescents, and the adults should know we're looking to them as examples of Christ-like

living. What's wrong with that?"

Basically, quite a bit. First of all, Christ is the Example for the Christian, irrespective of his maturity. Although it is humanly impossible to just ignore others, the Christian is to pattern his own life after that of Christ alone. And secondly, this point of view fails to recognize the fact that each individual gives his own account before God for his personal reaction to God's demands on his life.

And this isn't just yours truly talking through the hat. Paul plainly states in 1 Corinthians 4:3-4 (Philips): "But, as a matter of fact, it matters very little to me what you, or any man, thinks of me—I don't even value my opinion of myself. For I might be quite ignorant of any fault in myself—but that doesn't justify me before God. My only true judge is the Lord."

So it boils down to just being honest with yourself when you see faults and needs in your own life—honest enough and sincere enough to say, "I shall not permit another person's distortion of Christian living to mar my contact and growth with Jesus Christ."

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