EDINBURG, TEX. - The Edinburg Day Baptist and Protestant Church has been blessed with the presence of Pastor and Mrs. Ted Hibbard, Faith and Teddy, of Hammond, of Church has been blessed with the presence of Pastor Hibbard conducted thirteen services. He showed religious films in two Seventh Day Baptist and four other homes. Considerable interest was shown in the Sabbath and Protestantism.

Pastor Hibbard baptized seven citizens of Mexico who had been Catholics. Mrs. Hibbard is a wonderful help among Spanish-speaking people since she speaks Spanish well and has a way of winning people readily.

There was a good turnout of children for Church February 23 because of the "magic" Pastor Hibbard had promised them. Several children's sermons were appreciated by all 36 who were present. The children, composing more than half of the congregation, sang several choruses.

One the same Sabbath morning, Bert Boehler, age 14, received a third year bar for his Sabbath school attendance pin. His sister Rose Mary, age 6, and two adults also had perfect attendance for 1951. The average Sabbath school and Church attendance for 1951 was 12. Our Church resident membership is only 11 and nonresident membership was 16 at the end of 1951.

We are happy to report that our plans for a Church building are going forward. A dwelling house is in the process of being remodeled to serve as Church, Sabbath school rooms, and pastor's apartment. Clark Todd is doing the carpenter work.

We have with us as winter visitors Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boehler, of Milton, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Todd of Milton, Wis. We wish that more of our people from the North might decide to spend the winter months in our sunny southland.

Our 1951 Church officers were re-elected at our yearly meeting January 6 to serve in 1952. New Sabbath school officers are as follows: Superintendent, L. L. Van Horn; assistant superintendent, Robert (Bert) Boehler; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Elaine P. Boehler; missionary committee chairman, L. L. Van Horn; temperance committee chairman, Angeline F. Allen. (Mrs. L. L.) Mary H. Van Horn, Church Clerk.

BIRTHS

Davis. — A daughter, Leslie Jennifer, to Mr. and Mrs. Courtland V. Davis, Jr., of Bristolville, Ohio, March 2, 1952.

Obituaries

Lowther. — Norton Seymour, son of Stillman and Sarah Davis Lowther, was born August 21, 1885, at West Union, W. Va., and was the victim of a fatal automobile accident in Illinois on January 15, 1952.

Norton grew up in young manhood in Salem, W. Va., where he received his grammar school education and attended Salem College Academy. It was while he was attending Milton Academy in Wisconsin that he met Grace Rood, whom he married in Madison, Wis., on October 10, 1907. They made their home in Milton, Wis., except for short periods.

Norton was baptized in his youth by Dr. Gardiner, and was a member of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church. In his lifetime he had supervision of the stonemason in the construction of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Grace; three daughters, Mrs. Robert Durkee, Biloxi, Miss.; Mrs. Edgar Cloke, St. Paul, Minn.; and Mrs. Chester Smithley, Milton, Wisc.; four sisters, Mrs. Dwight Clark, Milton; Mrs. L. P. Sutton, Winchester, Va.; Mrs. O. A. Bond, Kent, Ohio; and Miss Mildred Lowther, Salem, W. Va.; six granddaughters, and six nephews.

Farewell services were conducted on January 20 in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church with his pastor, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, officiating. Interment was in the Milton Cemetery.

Tomlinson. — Charles F., was born August 25, 1868, and passed away February 19, 1952, at his home in Absecon, N. J. He is survived by his wife, Cora B. Tomlinson, and a son, Harry.

Farewell services were conducted by Rev. Robert Lippincott at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Shiloh, N. J., February 22, 1952. Burial was in the Shiloh Cemetery, R. L. Collins. — Sylvester, was born at Berea, W. Va., November 19, 1853, and died January 24, 1952, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Holly Sutton, in Buckhannon, W. Va.

His ninety-eight years of life in and about Ritchie County made him a host of friends.

His wife, Cynthia Bee Collins, preceded him in death by many years. Of their seven children, three survive him: Mrs. Dale Dennis, Lancaster, Ohio; Mrs. Nell Kelley, Berea, W. Va.; and Mrs. Beulah Sutton, Buckhannon, W. Va.

Farewell services were conducted from the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Berea, W. Va., January 26, 1952, by Rev. John Fitz Randolph, assisted by Rev. T. N. Bennett of Buckhannon, W. Va.
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MINISTERS' CONFERENCE SPEAKER NAMED
At a meeting of Central and Western Association ministers in De Ruyter on March 11, M. Holmes Hartshorne was named as the headline speaker for the annual Seventh Day Baptist Ministers’ Conference, slated for May 5-8 at Brookfield and Leonardsville, N. Y. During the four-day conference, Dr. Hartshorne will deliver five lectures on the theme, Preaching in Recent Theology.

Acting this year as chaplain of Colgate University, Mr. Hartshorne is Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion at this Baptist institution. He began his college studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, planning to become an engineer, and finished his undergraduate course at Williams College where he majored in philosophy and took honors in mathematical physics. He also holds an M.S. degree from Williams in mathematical physics. His Ph.D. was taken at Yale and he was awarded a B.D. degree at Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

Two years after his initial ministry preceded a four-year teaching assignment at Union, he was made available to the board of the Tract Society, where he served as Professor of Philosophy and Psychology. Contributed.

“The Greatest Story Ever Told”
The Sabbath Recorder has received recently the scripts of the final versions of the two Easter programs to be broadcast on April 6 and 13 at 5:30 p.m., EST, over the ABC network.

The American Broadcasting Company has granted permission for the use of the scripts by schools, churches, homes, or other groups provided that the presentation is not done commercially, and provided that the program is not broadcast. These scripts are fully protected by copyright.

It would seem that an excellent opportunity is offered the church to use of these outstanding scripts which are being so generously furnished by the American Broadcasting Company. The two scripts, entitled “The Passion and the Crucifixion” and “The Resurrection,” may be secured by writing to the American Broadcasting Company, Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

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THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER
More folks are praying today than ever before. Suddenly we have found ourselves faced with situations far beyond our ability to handle. We are deeply conscious of our need of God. But sometimes we wonder for what we should pray. And does our praying do any good?

On June 16, 1942, Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, now serving in the Department of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J., gave a very helpful address over WJZ on this subject. He said, "In the first place, always remember that religion and prayer cannot be separated. Religion has little chance with a man until he prays. As a matter of fact, the difference between religion and a philosophy or code of morals is that in the former you have prayer, but not in the latter. If you take prayer out of religion you may have a code of ethics left and a philosophy, but not a religion.

A union for very simple, but fundamental fact is that God does not send some blessings until we ask Him. Dr. Sizoo continues, "I remember a father telling me about his son who had problems, who had worries, who had needs. The father had prayed for the boy — given him all the care and shelter he needed, made available for him a fine education, and had given him as fine a home as a boy could have. Then the father became conscious that the boy was carrying an anxiety. The father knew what it was and tried to intimate to the boy that he was aware of it and could help him. But each time he approached the boy, at once the door closed and the boy would not let his father talk about it. And yet this father knew the boy had a problem, but he could do nothing about it except sit back and watch it, "The boy said not give us our daily bread or our peace or strength until we ask it. He stands at the door, but we must open it. "It is only after we have asked that we receive. It is only after we have knocked that the door can be opened.

In reality we are committing our lives to the will of God. We do not ask God to change His mind. We do ask Him to reveal His mind to us and that our minds may be in tune with His purpose. Because of this, true prayer is not easy. Some times we find it hard to pray, "Not my will, but thine, be done."

In speaking of intercessory prayer, "We are never so near to other people as when we pray for them, and never so far from others as when we pray for others without a concern for them. The final test of our prayers is the 'quality and character' of their concern for others.

TRACT BOARD TO MEET QUARTERLY
Beginning with the annual meetings of the American Sabbath Tract Society in September, 1952, the meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Tract Society will be held on the third first day of December, March, and June, with the annual corporate meetings occurring in September. At the time of the annual corporate meetings, the meeting of the outgoing Board of Trustees is held as well as the meeting of the incoming Board of Trustees.

This action was taken at the regular bimonthly meeting of the Tract Board held in New York City. For many years the Board of Trustees of the Tract Society met each month in each bi monthly plan was to meet as frequently as the business and interest of the Church and American Sabbath Tract Society should demand. Although the vote was not unanimous in favor of the quarterly plan, yet it was in this spirit that the proposal was adopted by majority vote. The provision for calling special meetings of the board will stand.

The bimonthly meetings which will...
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Items from the Corresponding Secretary's Office
American Sabbath Tract Society

Dear Secretary Kellogg,

We used the filmstrip on Guide for Service with good response in Boy Scout troop as well as Bible Study group. The Scout's God and Country Award took on new meaning.

The whole series on Guide for Living inspired a kind of understanding of well-rounded Christianity and has set us to working on a program of advancement, step by step, in Christian skills or graces.

The film on Getting Along with Your Parents was well worth showing in more than the three groups where it had fruitful attention. We found good results in encouraging remarks or discussion during the showing itself. Unless in a strictly worshipful service, discussion should be invited with the Guide for Living series too, I believe.

The Christian Family gave perspective to many of our family problems and its emphasis on the family council plan is practicable because it is not made hard and fast but is adaptable.

Yours in the Master's service,
David S. Clarke

Church Conference of Social Work

The Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, Ill., will be the scene of the Church Conference of Social Work, May 27-29, according to word received from the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.

This conference is being sponsored by the Department of Social Welfare of the National Council, and is "an affiliate organization of the National Conference of Social Work."

"The Nation's People — the Church's Responsibility" has been chosen as the general theme of the conference. Among subjects to be considered are: "Rehabilitation of Alcoholics," "Aid to Migrant Farm Workers," and "Service for the Aging."

MARCH IS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

Have you contributed?

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN LONDON AND NEWPORT

1669 - 1685

By Dr. Corliss F. Randolph
President and Librarian, Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society

The following extracts from correspondence between our church in Newport, R. I., and our church in London in the second half of the 17th century, are from copies made by Isaac Backus, a Baptist historian of note, who flourished in the latter half of the 18th century. *Backus copied these extracts for Dr. John Rippon of London from the well known "Journal" of Samuel Hubbard, a constituent and leading member of the Newport Church. Backus was wont to copy into this "Journal" his entire correspondence, both the letters which he wrote and which he received. This "Journal" was in existence in 1830, since then it has disappeared. A biographical sketch of Samuel Hubbard appears in "Seventh Day Baptist Memorial," Vol. I, pp. 145-157.

Backus's original extracts are in the library of the Baptist Historical Society of Great Britain, and, for photostatic copies of them, we are indebted to Dr. A. E. Payne, General Secretary of The Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland.

The extracts follow:

For Dr. John Rippon in London.

Extracts of letters which were wrote from England to Newport on Rhode Island, and from thence to England. Confer first collection of letter(s) preserved by mr. Samuel Hubbard. x

Mr. Stephen Mumford, who was born in Newbury in Gloucestershire, came over from London to his family to Newport in 1669, & led a number of Mr. John Clarke's church into the practice of keeping the 7th day Sabbath; but two brethren and their wives, who had so done for some time, turned back to the keeping of the first day, which others called apostasy, and wrote to England for advice how to act toward them, which occasioned the following letters.

*Note: Isaac Backus was the author of "A History of New England, with Special Reference to the Denominations Called Baptists (3 vols., Boston, 1777-96, reprinted, 2 vols. Newt., Mass.). It is very scarce.

When Veterans Sell Their Homes

Recent information from the Regional Office of the Veterans Administration, 20 Washington Place, Newark 2, N. J., states that: "Veterans who sell their homes and let the purchasers assume the 4 per cent GI loan, remain personally responsible for the payment of the loan."

Veterans who have bought their homes under the GI loan provisions do want to get in touch with their nearest Veterans Administration Regional Office if they have either sold their homes or contemplate doing so. In the location of the nearest Regional Office of the Veterans Administration is not known, the local post office should be able to furnish the information.

ARMY NEEDS PROTESTANT CHAPLAINS

According to First Army Headquarters, the Army is seeking 300 Protestant chaplains. Chaplain (Major General) Roy H. Parker, Chief of Army Chaplains, cited "the increased size of the war" as the reasons for this urgent appeal. Upon appointment as chaplains, these clergyman will be assigned to service with American troops in the United States and overseas.

The Chief of Chaplains Office is especially interested in receiving applications from young men who will be graduated from theological seminaries this year. "Applicants must be graduates of the United States" between the ages of 21 and 38 years (not having reached their 38th birthday). They must be "either actively engaged in the civil or semi­narians who will be graduated in 120 days or less. They must be endorsed by their denominations and meet the educational and physical requirements established by the Department of the Army."

In talking recently with Chaplain John I. Rhea, First Army Chaplain, Governors Island, N. Y., under whose supervision we had the privilege of working when in France and the Netherlands during the latter part of World War II, he pointed out that a chaplain now has a 100 per cent better chance for character guidance in the Army than during World War II.

The chaplain is considered to be a training officer along with other training officers when he reports for active duty," Chaplain Rhea declared.

Applicants who are accepted for the chaplaincy will be initially appointed to the rank of first lieutenant. Accepted to active service, the initial assignment will normally be to The Chaplain School, Fort Slocum, N. Y., for the six-weeks Army Chaplains' Officers Basic Course," states First Army Headquarters.

May the day be hastened when character guidance may be directed to fitting men for pursuits of peace rather than to fitting them for fighting battles of war! occur on the second Sunday, in May and July, 1952, respectively, will be held since the quarterly plan does not go into effect until September. The May meeting will be held at Shiloh and the July meeting at Plainfield.

Following the adoption of the quarterly plan of meeting to begin in September, it was voted that the March quarterly meeting be held at Shiloh with the annual corporate meetings and the other quarterly meetings of the board being held in Plainfield.

The adoption of the quarterly meeting plan for the Tract Board will necessitate the closing of the report year on May 31 instead of June 30. Consequently, it was voted that the treasurer's books be closed as of May 31, 1953. The reports this year will be made as of June 30.

In selecting the dates for the quarterly meetings of the Tract Board, every effort was made to avoid conflicting with the regular meeting dates of other boards. Thus, if and when an executive secretary is appointed, he will be at liberty to attend the separate meetings of the boards.

This is quite a radical departure from the former custom of meeting more frequently, but it is hoped that it will work out for the best interest of the Tract Board's co-operative share in the great kingdom work as represented by Seventh Day Baptists.
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CHURCH NEWS

ASHAWAY, R. I. — The annual every-member canvass of the First Hopkinton Church was conducted during the month of February. The incomplete report brought in on February 11 was gratifying to the several canvassers that took part. A membership census is also being conducted to help each one appraise his relation to the Church and give valuable information for the Church and the pastor.

The pastor is bringing a new series of Sunday night meetings beginning March 2, and leading up to Easter. His sermons are based on “Present Day Events in the Light of the Bible.”

At a recent business meeting, it was voted to establish a finance committee of three members. This committee will have charge of checking payments on pledges, sending our quarterly reports, and making the budget.

The World Day of Prayer was observed in the Church at the Sabbath eve service on February 21. The Cross Section and Hopkinton Churches and the Potter Hill Chapel also participated. “The Power of Prayer” was the topic and several special numbers were presented. The service was sponsored by the Ladies’ Aid Society and the offering taken was designated for World Missions.

The Kum Dubble Klub met at the parsonage Sabbath night, February 23, for an evening of fun and fellowship. An interesting evening of games was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hosts. The Kum Dubble Klub is sponsoring a nursery for the tiny tots up to three years of age at the Sabbath morning worship service each week. Plans are progressing for a loudspeaker extension to the Sabbath school rooms where the nursery is held so that those tending the tots may hear the service. — Mrs. Raymond Kenyon, Correspondent.

VERONA, N. Y. — The Booster Sabbath School Class held their monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alden Vie- row. The worship program was conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bedford. A committee was appointed to plan for a picnic and homecoming later.

The Ladies’ Benevolent Society was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Williams for their February meeting and election of officers. Mrs. Ruth Davis, led the worship program after which a song shower was given Mrs. Dorothy Cattin. Three young people from our Church attended the Young People’s Conference in Elmira on February 22-24. During the service last Sabbath a men’s chorus sang.

The meetings and Bible study conducted by Pastor Victor W. Skaggs are being held every Friday night at a different home in the society.

Pastor V. Skaggs has been guest speaker in the Durhamville Baptist Church for several Sunday mornings as they have no pastor at present. There have been several cases of membership sought among our children recently. — Press Committee.

WHITE CLOUD, MICH. — The auxiliary of our Church finished an upstairs attic for an extra bedroom in the parsonage. After the regular meetings, some of the men went over to work during the evening. Proceeds from a bake sale and individual contributions have been used to help finance the project.

Friends and relatives of Adelbert Branch held open house in the Church basement on February 24, honoring him on his ninetieth birthday. Mr. Branch is one of the founders of the Church and the oldest living member.

The stucco siding of the Church building, which has been loosening for a number of years, is no longer replaced with green shingles. Cruzan Brothers, who are members of the Church, are doing the work.

Cash gifts and subscriptions by members and friends, in addition to funds raised by the Ladies’ Aid Society, are paying for this much-needed improvement.

At the last Communion service, Rev. John L. Francis of the Methodist Church presented this wonderful new Communion service set in appreciation of the use of our building during the time they were rebuilding their Church which was destroyed by fire over a year ago. — Mrs. Zoe Branch, Correspondent.

OUR SERVICEMEN

Where They Are

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San Francisco, Calif.

Milton, Wis.
Pfc. Claude R. Hill, US55101620
Prov. Co. S.E. No. 737
APO 615, c-o Postmaster
San Francisco, Calif.

BIRTHS

Bonee. — A son, Burton Basil, to Mr. and Mrs. George Bonee, Residence: Dodge Center, Minn., January 25, 1952.

Bond. — A daughter, Carol Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Ormond Bond of Kasson, Minn., March 3, 1952.

Conrad. — A daughter, Karna Irene, to Pvt. and Mrs. Donald Conrad of Hayfield, Minn., March 5, 1952.

OBITUARIES

Moulton. — Orrin L., was born at Dodge Center, April 6, 1883, and passed away at his home of his disease, Mrs. Roy Hinkins, near Sayre, Okla., February 11, 1952.

He was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Dodge Center, Minn.

He was married to Carrie Crandall at Dodge Center on February 28, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Moulton moved to western Oklahoma from Arkansas in 1909 and settled in the Grimes Community.

Survivors include three sons: A. D. Moulton of DeRidder, La.; B. R. Moulton of Battle Creek, Mich.; and Shirley Moulton of Grimes; two daughters, Mrs. Roy Hinkins of Sayre and Mrs. Willie York of Durham. His wife preceded him in death on March 5, 1952.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. N. Gibble of the First Christian Church. Burial was in the Sayre-Doxey Cemetery.
DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET
Statement of Treasurer, February 29, 1952

Receipts
February 5 months
Balance on hand Feb. 1 $ 47.73
Adams Center 132.37
Albion 101.50
Alfred, First 1,087.79
Alfred, Second 76.60
Associations and groups 187.65
Battle Creek 1,616.26
Bergeron 147.22
Brookfield, First 89.05
Brookfield, Second 240.42
Chicago 267.65
Daytona Beach 390.87
De Ruiter 399.00
Dinuba 22.00
Dodge Center 274.69
Edinburgh 23.07
Farina 140.29
Fouke 31.88
Friendship 8.00
Hammond 48.25
Hebron, First 87.10
Hopkinson, First 414.85
Independence 127.00
Individuals 135.00
Irvington 230.00
Jackson Center 6.50
Little Genesee 260.80
Little Prairie 8.70
Los Angeles 58.00
Lost Creek 296.97
Marlboro 388.86
Middle Island 35.30
Milford 1,863.47
Milford Junction 535.87
New Auburn 39.96
New York City, First 91.10
North Lothrop 79.82
Nortonville 106.50
Putnamville 2,011.75
Philadelphia 6.00
Piscataway 43.50
Plainfield 191.00
Putnam County (Fla.) 2,961.85
Richburg 10.00
Richie 147.00
Rochester 35.00
Roosevelt 912.66
Rome 5.00
Rockport 11.65
Rockville 20.15
Salem 452.75
Salemville 109.84
Shiloh 928.20
Stone Fort 7.00
Wyoming 230.35
Washington 10.00
Waterford 66.41
Winton 10.00
White Cloud 194.68
Total $2,385.19 $18,705.44
Disbursements
Budget 383.61 25.00
Specials 25.00
Women's Society 52.06
Historical Society 143.07 101.23
Ministerial Retirement 59.66
S.D.B. Building 11.97
World Fellowship 306.66 12.50
and Service 84.40
General Conference
Balance on hand

Comparative Figures
Receipts in February: 1952
$1,984.40 400.79
Comparative
Budget 1951
$1,936.67 399.73
Specials
Receipts in 5 months:
Budget 14,387.19 10,861.32
$1,936.67 4,318.29 3,802.25
Specials 43,825.00 37,000.00
Annual Budget
Percentage of budget
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THE GREAT INVOCATION
From the point of Light within the Mind of God
Let light stream forth into the minds of men.
Let Light descend on Earth.

From the point of Love within the Heart of God
Let love stream forth into the hearts of men.
May Christ return to Earth.

From the centre where the Will of God is known
Let purpose guide the little wills of men —
The purpose which the Master knows and serves.

From the centre which we call the race of men
Let the Plan of Love and Light work out.
And may it seal the door where evil dwells.

Let Light and Love and Power restore the Plan on Earth.