### OUR WORLD MISSION

**Statement of Denominational Treasurer, May 31, 1957**

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#### Comparative Figures

- **Current annual budget**: $95,469.50
- **Treas' budget receipts in 8 mos.**: 45,427.60
- **Boards' budget receipts in 8 mos.**: 5,759.98
- **Approx. 8 mos. budget total**: $51,187.58
- **Amount required the next 4 months**: 44,281.92
- **Av. monthly requirement next 4 mos.**: 11,070.48
- **Budget receipts in May**: 7,615.45
- **Per cent of budget year elapsed**: 66.66
- **Per cent of budget raised to date**: 53.62
- **Approx. budget shortage to date**: $12,458.74

*This is an approximate amount of budget gifts received directly by our boards, according to the latest figures reported from the board treasurers to the executive secretary.*

GOD SAW THAT IT WAS GOOD.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth . . . the fruit tree yielding fruit after its kind . . . ."

On tropical islands and over great land areas primitive peoples would perish except for the coconut palm and all that it provides. The most unusual tree pictured above is crowned with more than 200 golden fruits — one tree furnishing meat and drink for many. God's spiritual provision for man is equally abundant. In Christ all may find the bread of life, the water of life, and shelter in the time of storm.
Preaching to the Nation

Nothing in the history of American evangelism can compare with the nation-wide impact of the current Billy Graham Crusade in New York City. It has gone far beyond all predictions. At the time of writing, all records for continuous attendance at Madison Square Garden have been broken and indications are that the great arena will continue to be well filled until the closing date on July 20.

Attendance, however, is no measure of the magnitude of this Crusade. On June 26, Dr. Graham, in humble earnestness, called for more prayer and for more volunteer helpers to handle the details of the campaign. On that day his New York office had received nearly 60,000 letters. “Thousands of them say every day that Billy Graham preaches to the nation as no other evangelist has ever done. Televising of the Saturday night service was planned from the beginning. All tickets were sold out and sold later at a cost of $60,000 an hour on a pay-as-you-go basis. The nightly offerings for local expenses are said to be about average for church audiences - a little less than fifty cents per person. Little emphasis is placed on money (the collectors cover the vast audience in a little over one minute). No effort is made to make this great Crusade that money in any way is allowed to get in the way of the Gospel. The leaders apparently carefully consider each move as an investment in winning souls and transforming lives. The fact that Christians are willing to make such great investments is cause for encouragement. The number of decisions for Christ at the Billy Graham meetings has been mounting steadily, hundreds every night to make a total of between 20 and 25,000, according to latest reports of cards signed by those who came forward and were personally counseled with. Great as that figure is, it does not compare with the television decisions.

According to a statement made by Dr. Graham to his television audience on June 29, more people were won to Christ in one hour on June 22 through TV than in Madison Square Garden in all of his 6 weeks of meetings put together. He called it fantastic. But the letters received between June 22 and 29 from people claiming to have received Christ as a result of that service proved it. Now wonder his face was often turned away from his visible audience on June 29 as his responsibility to the unseen audience weighed heavily upon him.

If there is rejoicing in heaven over “one sinner that repenteth” it behooves us to be in that frame of mind, that attitude of expectancy, which will make us fully capable of rejoicing here on earth when those of our own acquaintance and in our own sphere of activity make the great decision for Christ. To sit within a few feet of a platform from which one man preaches to the nation is indeed a thrilling experience. Not all have that privilege but there is scarcely a church or home where our magazine is read which does not have the opportunity to receive direct or secondary blessing.

The question was not in the minds of all and indeed was suspected though not proven previously to exist. Figures have just been released which are startling. The Senate Rackets Committee has received 50,000 letters from all parts of the country charging labor union officials with misdeeds. We should never make the mistake of counting charges as proofs but that much smoke indicates a considerable amount of smoldering fire.

We are not interested in taking sides where guilt has not been established beyond reasonable doubt. Our only comment is that unregenerate man, whether he wears a white collar or overalls, must be governed by moral law and be subject to the bar of justice. The ideal situation is to work for the conversion of every man, bringing his will and life into subjection to the righteous will of God through Christ. Neither labor organizations nor any other human organization can be relied upon as a short cut to social justice. Christ is the answer.

Investigation Long Overdue

Labor unions have rendered a valuable service to their members and have in times past bettered conditions for all laboring men who were not properly compensated for the contribution they made to industrial development. But labor has now become almost bigger than big business. Too long this super organization has been immune to the power of the churches. The very fact that a large number of unscrupulous labor leaders than in the hands of unscrupulous labor leaders is cause for concern. Moreover, the immunity enjoyed easily gave rise to opportunities for graft, theft and embezzlement.

The recent Congressional investigation may not be entirely prophetic but it has brought to light conditions which were suspected though not proven previously to exist. Figures have just been released which are startling. The Senate Rackets Committee has received 50,000 letters from all parts of the country charging labor union officials with misdeeds. We should never make the mistake of counting charges as proofs but that much smoke indicates a considerable amount of smoldering fire.

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Church Mergers

What the result will be of the recently concluded merger of the American Reformed Church and the Congregational Christian Churches should probably be considered as speculation. In Westerly, R.I., where two local churches were involved, a joint meeting was held by the two pastors, according to the newspaper report, that the formation of the United Church of Christ was in a sense "the beginning of a greater merger of all traditionally free Protestant churches."

We believe any such statement is premature and unwarranted. Although we can find ourselves sympathizing with the idea of cooperation among the churches do not get together, forgetting their negligible differences, we cannot say that we sympathize with the plans and hopes of some church leaders for a merger of all Protestant churches. All of us recognize some elements of weakness in the present situation of division and subdivision. It is easy to say that anything would be better than this. We wonder, however, if many who take such an attitude are not allowing a prophetic vision enabling them to see the future pitfalls of large-scale church union.
Frankly, we do not have such vision. Your editor did manage in the Army during World War II to keep reasonably free from the anxiety that the worst conditions are in the camp I am in now, and the best are in the camp I just came from.

When we see so many human problems, petty jealousies to rule our local churches and denominations, do we dare to believe that greater union would change human nature? We fear that it would often magnify the dire consequences of self-seeking rather than to cure that spirit. We cannot assume that organizational union of all Protestantism would be as much directed by the Holy Spirit as are some of our union evangelistic campaigns. It is not hard to imagine conformity pressures that would violate the conscience of Sabbathkeeping Christians or subject them to persecution such as is not now known.

Unstable motorists are the killers on the highways rather than the professional drivers. U.S. truck registrations have doubled since 1945. They are the biggest, the most powerful, and a little more unselfishness and Christian courtesy would keep us from most of the catastrophes of this great 'civil war' in which we annually kill more friends in peace-time than we ever lost to our enemies in wartime.

NEW RECORDER PAGING

A new volume of the Sabbath Recorder began with the last issue. Libraries and general readers are asked to take notice that each issue from now on will be pagged separately from 1 to 16 rather than consecutively as in the past. We believe this will be more pleasing to the majority of our subscribers. Other improvements will be made from time to time.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

JULY 8, 1957

Some will say that we are trying to get you to come for all sessions of Conference, and so we are!

Our Board of Christian Education will have one of its programs during the day. You will hear the welcome to Conference by Prof. D. Nelson Inglis, and the response to this welcome by Karl G. Stillman.

The Conference Choir, under the direction of Prof. Emeritus L. H. Stringer, former head of the Music Department at Milton College, will also anticipate the young people's chorus with Kenneth Babcock directing.

Two items have been given to our executive secretary, Mrs. R. T. Fetherst on, for use in the newsheet which she sends to the churches. The first was an appeal for support to go to Conference to help evaluate the work of our denomination, and to help determine future policies. The second was the need to attend the Conference on May 20th for our spiritual inspiration and for strengthening of our beliefs.

The Recorder Press is now printing bumper cards for distribution among our churches for our use as we drive to Conference. Let us plan to put them on our cars, or have them there for any Baptist tracts at hand, and travel to Milton proud of our cause and destination.

TUESDAY AT CONFERENCE

One of the most important days at Conference is the first day. We hope that all of you will plan to be in Milton for these opening sessions.

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This year we will have the privilege of hearing two of our Nyropean workers, Rev. Paul B. Osborn. Thoughts will be centered on the nature and value of prayer. We look forward with pleasure to the anthems and special music as it is directed by Prof. Emeritus L. H. Stringer, former head of the Music Department at Milton College. We also anticipate the young people's chorus with Kenneth Babcock directing.

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When Critics Become Workers

The church has many critics, some of whom are outside the church. They do not worry me; I just stay away from them. I do worry about are those whose names are on the church roll, but to whom that means nothing. Like the man in the Book of Bethesda, they wait that nobody will help them. They complain, "The preacher never comes to see me... I don't like the music... I hate the idea that when the congregation fellow begins to walk on his own within the church, to support it with his prayers, his presence, and his gifts and his service, he finds joy and strength therein. One is "made whole" only when he begins some worth-while activity. The sickest people are usually those who have the most. Chester L. Allen, in The Touch of the Master's Hand (The Fleming H. Revell Company).
I have been a bit hasty in teaching the course without going into the detail which is evidenced in these last lessons (7-9) but I found that my pupils had difficulty appreciating many of these details and understanding them with their limited knowledge of the U.S.A., its vast distances, etc. This made me feel as though I had pursued the course as I did.

Welcome to the Ministry

When ordaining hands had been laid upon O. S. Davis of Phoenix, Ariz., at Riverside, Calif., on April 13, Dr. O. B. Bond was the one chosen to welcome him to the ministry. This choice was significant. Dr. Bond spent most of his active years of labor in the teaching profession in West Virginia. It was not until he became eligible for retirement that he was ordained to the Gospel ministry preparatory to going out on a strenuous tour of missionary duty in Jamaica.

Thus he was one of the newest ministers in the church, and many of these details and opportunities and its special problems stir the young people and adults who realize that they have been too long in their work for a short time.

World Council Committee Meeting

Of particular interest to us in the Eastern Association churches is a meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches which will be held at the Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn., this will be the first meeting of the committee in America since the World Council of Churches was organized in council meeting in Amsterdam in 1945. Two meetings will be open to the public.

On Thursday evening, August 1, at 7:45 in Woolsey Hall, a public meeting will present the life and work of this ecumenical movement. Among those invited to participate are Bishop Otto Dibelius of Berlin; Dr. W. A. Visser ’t Hooft, general secretary of the World Council; and Dr. Leslie E. Cooke, associate general secretary and director of the Division of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees.

The other meeting will be a worship service, August 4, at 4:30 p.m., in Center Church, New Haven. The Archbishop of Canterbury will speak.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwibel

Children at General Conference

Activity programs are now being prepared for the children who will accompany their parents to General Conference in August. There will be two divisions: Junior Conference for those from 6 to 11 years of age, and Junior Hi Conference, for those from 12 to 14. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fatato will be in charge of the juniors, and Miss Velma L. Maxson will be in charge of the seniors. Those who would like to help with these groups are urgently needed. Any who can help with handicraft, worship, or recreation are asked to write to either Eugene Fatato, in care of Rev. Leland E. Davis, 619 North Ave., Battle Creek, Mich., or to Miss Velma L. Maxson, 707 S. Erie Ave., Bay City, Mich.

If many people work for a short time in the children’s conferences, it will make it possible for others to attend General Conference sessions part of the time.

Prayer from a lone Sabbathkeeper: Please, dear God, I humbly ask that you help me to become so well acquainted with Your Son and Your Book that when critics assail my beliefs and my actions, I shall be able to provide them with Your answers.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK is September 29 - October 6, 1957

The United Church of Christ

(The following notice was printed on the front of the Evangelical and Reformed Church Bulletin, and a copy of it is enclosed.)

Tuesday, June 25, 1957, marks a memorable day for Ecumenical Christianity. On this day in Cleveland, Ohio, the General Council of the Congregational Christian Church and the Evangelical and Reformed Church formed the United Church of Christ. The true significance of this union lies not in the fact that the new church in point of membership becomes one of the largest among American Protestant churches, but that the two communications — the one having its beginning on the continent of Europe and the other in England, the one a covenant fellowship and the other a confessional church — find oneness in their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and in their common acceptance of His way of life as revealed in the Scriptures.

College Students at Madison Square Garden

One hundred one students professed conversion during the first two weeks of the Crusade — ninety college and university students and eleven student nurses. Some of them have already attended an Inter-Varsity weekend conference especially geared to teach them how to grow spiritually.

There must be joy in heaven over the large number of souls who repent of their sins night after night in the Billy Graham Crusade. Will you continue to remember the Crusade in your prayers? Thousands of students are flocking to New York for postgraduate work during the summer months. How wonderful it would be if they returned to their homes new creatures in Christ! We pray to this end. — I. V. C. F.

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Youth News

Southwestern Camp Biggest Ever

To many of us the Southwestern Association is a sort of great unknown. The churches are small and scattered almost all the way across the southern half of the nation. One does not visit these churches as easily as the churches of the far West. However, with an active camp, a shepherding Bible-study, and youth leadership, the Southwest is becoming increasingly prominent. Its unique opportunities and its special problems form the imagination and quicken the interest of northern young people and adults who realize that they have been too long in their cold nuts.

Camp MILES this year reached over to Palatka, Fla., to call Clifford and Clara Beebe for the staff of the camp, held from June 29-29 near Hammond, La., at a Salvation Army camp ground. Mrs. Beebe reports that there were 35 full or part-time campers — the biggest camp ever held in the Association. The boys were housed in 3 small cabins and the 18 girls in one large one.

Rev. Marion Van Horn of Fouke, Ark., led a class on Christian Witnessing using materials from the Tract Society. Pastor Beebe conducted a class studying the Bible and its messages.

The other meeting will be a worship service, August 4, at 4:30 p.m., in Center Church, New Haven. The Archbishop of Canterbury will speak.
Moses' request to see the glory of God was a natural and human one. The request and God's answer to it are found in Exodus 33: 18, 19b: "And he (Moses) said, I beseech thee, show me thy glory. And he (God) said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee. . . ." The request may seem presumptuous but that would depend upon the motive behind it. To enter into the mysterious presence of God, to learn what is at the very heart of this universe, this is one of the supreme aspirations of mankind — of the best men of the ages. And it cannot be laid to curiosity. This quest surely is rooted in a longing for the highest and best in life — that men may give themselves in absolute dedication to it; may prostrate themselves before the Most High God in a spirit of reverence and worship.

Man seeks that to which he can give himself utterly and without reservation. I believe it was in this spirit that Moses asked for the glory of God and God accepted the request because of the spirit behind it and gave Moses this unusual answer: "I will make all my goodness pass before thee."

**God's Glory Is In His Goodness**

This interpretation that God's glory is His goodness — His long-suffering kindness; His great, most redemptive, sacrificial spirit — this is the most marvelous thing in all the world. Glory is associated in most men's minds with dazzling light, with the pomp and glitter of powerful armies on parade, with sceptres and thrones and positions of honor that demand homage. But how does that compare with that which God considered His glory, according to the revelation that came to Moses?

"I beseech thee, show me thy glory," Moses requested. "I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before thee," was God's reply. And then the account goes on to say:

"And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed the Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth. Can anything surpass that for a man make of the trust it holds in such a truth as should make us humble beyond words.

It is such a truth as calls forth all the long story of grace in the years to follow — the Incarnation, the Cross of Christ, the Resurrection, all the gracious promises of the Holy Spirit, as we seek God today. God is not indifferent toward us (impersonal). God is good and personal. Have we ever fully understood what that answer means and will continue to mean to us personally — and how we then should live in the light of it?

This revelation that God's essential nature is best seen not in power but in goodness; not in splendor but in kindness; not in noisy, violent things of this world; but in the quiet workings of the Spirit — the gentle persistent love, the sacrificial love of saints is helpful to me. And the wonder of this revelation came to Moses so long before the coming of Christ — and that Christ so perfectly revealed that glory of God.

Like a flash of lightning that for a moment lights up the whole landscape, so this revelation from Moses reveals the very heart of God, reveals the way the Bible story will unfold during the coming centuries until the day of Christ himself.

Let us think further, then, of what this revelation means about the nature of Jehovah God and how we should live in the light of this revelation and what should be our "glory."

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This revelation coincides with that which was revealed to Elijah when he fled to Mount Horebe, the earthquake, wind, and fire passed by him. But God did not speak to Elijah out of the earth...

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**What Should Be Expected of Me?**

"And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed the Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth. Can anything surpass that for a man make of the trust it holds in such a truth as should make us humble beyond words.

It is such a truth as calls forth all the long story of grace in the years to follow — the Incarnation, the Cross of Christ, the Resurrection, all the gracious promises of the Holy Spirit, as we seek God today. God is not indifferent toward us (impersonal). God is good and personal. Have we ever fully understood what that answer means and will continue to mean to us personally — and how we then should live in the light of it?

This revelation that God's essential nature is best seen not in power but in goodness; not in splendor but in kindness; not in noisy, violent things of this world; but in the quiet workings of the Spirit — the gentle persistent love, the sacrificial love of saints is helpful to me. And the wonder of this revelation came to Moses so long before the coming of Christ — and that Christ so perfectly revealed that glory of God.

Like a flash of lightning that for a moment lights up the whole landscape, so this revelation from Moses reveals the very heart of God, reveals the way the Bible story will unfold during the coming centuries until the day of Christ himself.

Let us think further, then, of what this revelation means about the nature of Jehovah God and how we should live in the light of this revelation and what should be our "glory."

"Lord, let not this sin stand against the Lord, for I have seen the sleep of death. We can hardly bear to look upon the face of Stephen, reflecting the glory of God. Can we hear this revelation of the greatness of God being His goodness? — His sacrificial goodness?

Modern photography has taken pictures of the seething hot center of a volcano — the intense heat that no human could ever bear to look upon it. By means of a radio-operated plane flying over the crater and using especially treated film that could withstand the heat, pictures are taken of the heart of the earth on which we live. In a sense we look at the very heart of God when we see Christ on the Cross — we see one whose greatness and glory is revealed by His goodness — by His willingness to suffer and die for us. What a revelation!

Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my life, my love, my all.

"Let love so amazing, so divine, Demands my life, my love, my all.

**What Should Be Expected of Me?**

"What kind of a man should I be in the time of grace? What should be expected of me? What should I do? What should I be? What should I hope for? What should I expect?*

"Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne,
But that scaffold sways the future, and
Behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the shadow keep­ing watch upon the brow of man."

— James Russell Lowell.

And not only should I have greater confidence in God because of this revelation, but I should let my life exemplify...
those qualities which are the glory of God.

He is merciful and gracious. Am I gra
cious in my contacts with all I meet? Do I
show mercy and forgiveness toward others — and in my actions? Or do I expect to be shown mercy by others, while I myself may be permitted to be strict and harsh with others?

Am I long-suffering or do my patience run out quickly? God is not in a hurry. All the ages proclaim this truth. Things done in a rush. It is to the glory of God when a man will hold his temper and possess his soul in patience, and work

Surely the opposite meaning is plain. We

mean to can lose our souls by impatient, hasty acts and so should we strive to be.

And God is "abundant in goodness."

Do we tend to skimp on our goodness? And God is thinking of

Paul, Christ."

Long ago the Apostle Paul, thinking of the gracious forgiveness of God made possible through Christ, cried out, "God's glory is His goodness and mercy. And because He is like that, there is hope for the world — hope for our children's children. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Moses said, "Show me thy glory," and God said, "I will show you Christ on the cross."

Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Tract Board Action

Not all of the actions taken on June 16 by the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society can be printed at this time. Some of them concern the annual statement to the General Board and deal with budget matters which will come before Commission just prior to Conference. It can be stated that in its fiscal year just ended the board accomplished many things. It printed and distributed many thousand more tracts than the previous year and did much more in the field of Sabbath promotion. It encouraged As sociations and local churches to set in motion plans for a stronger testimony and a wider distribution of tracts.

The Tract Board tentatively adopted a budget before Conference last year which was much larger than that which was accepted by Commission and Conference. Those who are interested in the figures may compare totals on pages 57 and 154 of the 1956 Year Book. After Conference the board continued to plan work on the basis of a larger budget, even increasing that budget to cover mounting Sabbath Recorder costs. This was done with the understanding that the trustees would pay for this expanded

work from the board's own sources of income and by using a portion of its accumulated General Fund.

Some of the anticipated work, such as paid tract distribution in the metropolitan area of New Jersey and the employment of a ministerial student for somewhat similar work during the summer, did not materialize, due to circumstances beyond the control of the board. On the other hand, the income was not as great as expected.

Without going into detail, the year ended with enough money in the General Fund so that the majority of the trustees present at the June meeting felt that a contribution of $2,000 could be made to the denominational treasurer for Our World Mission. This represents, in general, the amount not contemplated but not done for which funds were available. Most of it comes from the resour ces of the board without much relation to the current giving of the people. The amount of $2,000 was voted out as indicated above as a gesture of the board's concern and the work of the denominational treasurer. It will show in the June receipts of Olin C. Davis, denominational treasurer.

though the news did sound as if it were 3,200 years old.

The special effects department at Paramount Pictures, is impressively successful in creating "Tract Board Action.

Some there are who seem to think the Decalogue a sufficient guide to morality. It is important, however, to climb the New Testament mountain if we would learn how the story of the Ten Commandments really turns out. The Law was preceded by the Gospel, and Moses did not have the last word on morality! "You have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not kill,'" said Jesus (Matt. 5: 21f., RSV). But I say to you, whoever is angry — as the narrator in "Moses" could be made to say in its radiance, realizing its significance and ele­

Editor's Note: In the verses quoted and referred to in the above paragraph it should be apparent that the morality required by Jesus is not more lenient than that of the Decalogue. Some may be inclined to see a risk in popular thinking about the relation between Law and Gospel.
Semiannual Meeting
Held in New Church
By A. G. Churchward

The New Auburn Seventh Day Baptist church building project was near enough to completion so that it was possible to use it for the Semiannual Meeting of the Northern Wisconsin and Minnesota Churches the weekend of June 11, 12, 13, and 14.

The attendance was good throughout. Nearly all of the Dodge Center's resident members were able to be present and the Minneapolis and Milton churches were also represented, a number having come for the Friday evening service. Rev. Kenneth Van Horn spoke at that time on the subject, "Walking and Thinking with God." Sabbath morning the sermon was by Rev. Don Sanford on the subject, "Giving."

A Dodge Center quartet favored us with several numbers during the services, and other special vocal music from visiting and local delegates added much to the inspiration of the meetings.

Dinners were served on new folding tables in the dining room, from the nearly finished kitchen.

Television and Radio, the Miracle Tools of the Church

For the first time in history a world conference on Christian broadcasting has been held. Convened at Frankfurt, Germany, April 25 to May 1, it adopted a statement by one of its study committees which deserves wide circulation in every denomination engaged in the use of radio and television to carry its message to the world. That statement follows:

I. Why We Broadcast

1. To reach the unreached. The urgency of the unfinished task of the church is such that we cannot afford to neglect the unparalleled potential of the media to cross every barrier and even to enter into minds and hearts hitherto closed to the Gospel. There are more missions who do not know Christ than there were fifty or even twenty-five years ago. We must accelerate and amplify the church's efforts to reach them. Other voices are being heard: the church's voice must also be heard.

2. To concentrate on reaching those whom it is difficult or impossible to reach in other ways.

3. To do for Christians what is not being done, or cannot be done as well by other means, such as bringing spiritual nurture into the homes and areas from which people cannot readily come to Christian churches and to encourage and enable them to spread the Gospel themselves.

II. What We Hope To Accomplish

1. To make Jesus Christ, Christian truth, and the Christian way of life known, understood, and accepted throughout the world.

2. To bring the judgment of Christ to bear upon our culture, and to speak to the condition of modern man.

3. To create a sense of responsibility and an awareness of the availability of spiritual resources adequate to meet modern man's needs. We must equip him for any task.

4. To stab awake, to disturbe complacency, and to create a tension between what is and what ought to be that can be resolved only by moving toward Christ and the Church, and to hold before the world the concept, as expressed by Dr. John Mackay, that "the Christian lives a life of terrific tension, at the very heart of which is calm."

5. To help the work of the Holy Spirit in the Christian and non-Christian to keep alive all aspects of that conversion which is accomplished by God through human instrumentalities guided by the Holy Spirit.

6. To bring people into the fellowship of the world's Christian worshipping congregations that extend the leavening influence of the Gospel into the secular sphere, permeating every walk of life, every community relationship, and all the institutions of modern society.

7. To deepen and widen the life of those already committed and to help them experience a oneness in Christ that impels them to take an active part in the evangelizing of others. In this regard, Christian broadcasting is supplementary to and not a substitute for the associating of Christians with each other in work, study, and worship.

III. Policies

1. Christian broadcasting should be in the truest sense "communication."

2. The message presented must be given thought forms in terms of the needs looking forward toward the coming day.

3. To do for Christians what is not being done, or cannot be done as well by other means, such as bringing spiritual

BONES OF WYCLIFFE

The enemies of reformer Wycliffe sought to remove all traces of his so-called heresy. They exhumed his bones, burned them, and cast the ashes into a brook leading to the Avon and the Severn rivers. It came to be a symbol of the way his teachings and his Bible spread to the world. Someone has written: "The Avon to the Severn, runs. The Seine to the sea.

So Wycliffe's ashes shall be borne

WHERE'er those waters be."

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

The Board of Managers of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society will meet in the vestry of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church in Westerly, R. I., for the regular quarterly meeting at 2 o'clock on June 15, to be followed by a meeting of the Missionary nurses, Beth Severle and Joan Clement, are expected to report on Nyasaland.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. E. E. Zwingel

The Quarterly Meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education will be held on Sunday afternoon, July 21, at 2:00, at the School of Theology Building.
Teen Talk

"I Don't See Anything Bad About It!"

By Helen Thorngate

A friend of mine says she has a horror of the epitaph being written on her tombstone, "She meant well."

I have come to feel that one of the most dangerous attitudes people have is revealed when they say, "I don't see anything bad about it." In business dealings, recreation, Sabbathkeeping, our criterion for making decisions which may have lasting moral and spiritual importance in our lives too often may be: It isn't actually any better than that. It is fine and good and worthy of a child of God. What a pity!

If a store displayed cartons of eggs, some marked "strictly fresh," and others, "not rotten," we'd not find many takers for the latter, even at half price. Isn't it strange that we are content in the moral field to settle down close to the border-line of right and wrong rather than stretch to reach the plane of idealistic living.

I was aware of this pitfall years ago. I might have helped my children. When I heard the familiar "Aw, Mom, what's bad about it?" instead of my reluctant, "Well, no, I guess there's nothing wrong about it." I might have countered by asking, "What is right and acceptable? What is the best and finest course or action? Does it fit into your ideal of Christian living? If it doesn't, it just isn't good enough for you.

One of our gang, when I was younger at North Loup, Neb., used to be fascinated by seeing how low he could turn the wick of the kerosene lamp without having the flame extinguished. He always seemed a bit surprised when it inevitably guttered and went out. It really didn't pose much difficulty in the lightness of the room by that time, though.

Why do we so much of the time dwell in the twilight of the "not bad" when we might hold the sunshine and gaiety and freshness of the atmosphere of goodness and love about the throne of God?

Note: The above message for youth was written for the Pacific Coast news publication called Pacific Tidings. Helen Shaw Thorngate needs no introduction to most Seventh Day Baptist adults, but some of our young folks may need to be told that she is the wife of Dr. George Thorngate, Sr., and the mother of several medical doctors. She and her husband spent many years as missionaries in China. Their home has always been, as it is now, a center of love and understanding where people are able to gather. They live at Monterey Park, Calif., on a bluff that overlooks the blue Pacific.

Deacon Henry Pieters 1888 - 1957

Mr. Pieters came to Alfred, N. Y., from Haarlem, The Netherlands, in 1907. He was married to Johanna Glaser of Haarlem on November 2, 1914. Mr. Pieters died in 1951. The home was blessed with five daughters: Mrs. Johanna Blanchard, Miss Christine Pieters, and Mrs. Jeannette Cornelius, all of Buffalo; Mrs. Henrietta Wells, East Aurora, N. Y., and Mrs. Anne Fuller, Spring Lake, Mich. There also survive three sisters: Mrs. John Baker, Battle Creek, Mich.; Mrs. John W. Overkerk, and Mrs. Mathilda Kloppenberg, both of The Netherlands; and seven grandchildren.

He united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred on April 13, 1918, by letter from Haarlem. He was ordained deacon of the Alfred Church September 15, 1916, in the presence of his father in that office. He was a dependable member of the choir for many years.

Mr. Pieters operated a bakery in Alfred for thirty-five years. Upon retirement he moved to East Aurora to live with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wells.

Prayer services were held from the Howe Funeral Home, East Aurora, on Sunday evening, May 26, with Rev. Robert H. Emmons of the First Baptist Church officiating. Memorial services were conducted at the Alfred Church on Monday afternoon, May 27, by Rev. Rex T. Zwiebel, pastor of the Buffalo Fellowship, which Mr. Pieters attended in recent years. Rev. Hurley S. Warren. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery. — H. S. W.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

NEW AUBURN, WIS. — See separate article about the new church and the Semiannual Meeting held here June 15.

We are looking forward to the Association meeting during which time the new church will be dedicated. And we hope each church of the Association will be represented at that time along with others of theost members.

We are grateful to all those who made the effort to be present at our Semiannual Meeting and the laying of the cornerstone, and to those who stayed over to help put on another double layer of roofing Sunday.

The new folding tables and the steel chairs brought at our recent meetings were furnished by the Cum Dubl Klub and the kitchen equipment by the Ladies' Aid. The new dishes were furnished by Mrs. C. B. Louko, her daughter and granddaughter; the stainless steel cutlery, by Mrs. A. M. North.

MARLBORO, N. J. — The past months have found the church activities progressing. I wish I had been more aware of this fact before: a show material for the Junior Sabbath School Quarterly for April, May, and June. A contest of the Sabbath School is also helping stimulate Sundays. The singing, the late interest in attendance, lesson study, and Bible reading. The Banner Design Contest was won by Carroll Johnson. The first prize of $1045, for designing the 1945-1946 Bible text taught by Mrs. Lavinia Ayars.

A lot, donated by Frank Davis, across the church from Highway 49 is the site of the new parsonage. The ground was broken the first part of June and the foundation has been laid.

Our average worship attendance is 94. On Friedays the average is 12. There is also a prayer group on Sunday evenings with Deacon and Mrs. Luther S. Davis in Shiloh.

Mrs. Doris Fetherston, denominational executive secretary, brought a brief but interesting message concerning "Our World Mission" on Sabbath, March 16.

We had a special "Tract Emphasis Day" this spring, and Mr. Pieters, "Travel with a Tract." During the Sabbath School hour a tract quiz proved exciting and educational. The prize of the Sabbath Recorder for one year went to the winner.

Family Day was observed with the dedication service of five babies. There was a rosedub for each one.

The Junior Class was June 1. As usual, the children were inspired with their recitations, songs, and happy faces. The Junior Class gave a playlet entitled "The Kingdom of the Missionary Reporter," written by our pastor, Paul Osborn; the young people taking the parts of our Missionary Board members.

During the past months the work of the church served several chicken pot-pie suppers under the supervision of the Ways and Means Committee, netting a total of $300.

A total of 27 from Marlboro attended the Association in Plainfield.

Miss Barbara Bivins, a registered nurse and a student of the Barrington Bible College, Providence, R. I., is planning to be a missionary. She has had a well-earned vacation at home before going to De Ruyter, N. Y., for the Vacation Bible School.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. — Sabbath evening, June 8, was the time of the reception for Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fatoa who are serving the church this summer as assistant pastor and wife. This reception was scheduled for the following evening, June 9 and an enjoyable evening of music was presented. Mr. and Mrs. Fatoa are making their home at Holston Camp. The reception was preceded by the regular vespers service and Berean Hour. Mrs. R. T. Fetherston, executive secretary, and Mrs. Claire Merchant, secretary of the Women's Board, reported on the meetings at De Ruyter, N. Y., of the Central New York Association from which they had just returned.

Bible Schools have come to a close with very good attendance. The Convis area Bible School closed June 14 with a total enrollment of 150 and a coloring during the one week of classes. The closing program of the local school was presented the evening of the last day with the school filled with parents and friends. One hundred thirty-five students and twenty-two teachers and
helpers took part in this program. May God truly bless all the dedicated workers who gave so much of time that these young ones might "journey with Jesus."

Sabbath morning, June 29, the new hymnbooks purchased by the Music Committee were dedicated at a special service, and so ends a busy month.

July, too, will prove to be full. The annual all-church picnic was scheduled for the Fourth and then on to an intensive camping program covering all ages. Our prayer is that we may never become so busy that we forget to thank the giver of all good and perfect gifts, for the bountiful blessings with which He has surrounded us. — Correspondent.

FLASH — The New York arrival time of missionaries Beth Severe and Joan Clement is changed to an earlier hour. They will arrive on Flight 521, B.O.A.C at Idlewild Airport on Friday, July 26, at 8:35 a.m. EDT. West Coast and East Coast friends plan to meet them.

Marriages

Perez — Davis. — Renato Perez, formerly of Santiago, Chile, and Nathalie Alice Davis, daughter of David S. and Bernice Malty Davis, of Shiloh, N. J., were united in marriage at a lawn wedding at the home of the bride on June 15, 1957, with Rev. Leon M. Malby, uncle of the bride, officiating.

Births

Speck. — A daughter, Tonys Kay, to Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Speck of 38723-15th E., Palmdale, Calif., on May 24, 1957.

Cole. — A son, to Sanford and Joy Miers Cole of South Sudbury, Mass., on June 14, 1957.

West. — A daughter, Vicki Lynette, was born to Bryce and Miriam Bond West, Omaha, Neb., on April 2, 1957.

Kennedy. — A daughter, Mimi Lynn, was born to Joe and Margaret Kennedy of Clarksburg, W. Va., on April 17, 1957.


Accessions

Los Angeles, Calif.

By Baptism:
Stephan Saunders
Patricia (Mrs. Richard) Ashcraft

By Letter:
John Soper
Daniel Burton
Marianne (Mrs. Daniel) Button

Obituaries

Rogers. — Louise M., daughter of Austria — Hungary immigrant parents Edward and Maria Manni, was born at Troy, N. Y., March 18, 1880, and died at Daytona Beach, Fla., April 27, 1957.

She was married Aug. 23, 1905, at Troy, N. Y., to Clarence M. Rogers. Her husband died in 1933 and she maintained the family home in Daytona Beach until the end of her life. Mrs. Rogers was an associate member of the Daytona Beach Seventh Day Baptist Church and its church pianist for many years.

Her surviving children are: Mrs. Samuel (Mary) McFall of Augusta, Maine; Mrs. Ernest (Frances) Spencer of Mexico, Mo.; Mrs. A. W. (Elizabeth) Sarver of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Lt. Comdr. David E., of Argentia, Newfoundland; Crosby U., of Shelton, Conn.; Clarence M., Jr., of Salem, W. Va.; Mrs. Charles (Julia) Brasser of Orlando, Fla.; and Dr. Ruth T. Rogers, Daytona, Fla. Also surviving are 3 sisters-in-law: Dr. M. Josie Rogers, Miss Mabel T. Rogers, Mrs. W. D. (Helen) Rogers all of Daytona Beach, Fla.; and 20 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Memorial services were conducted in Daytona Beach with the Rev. W. W. McCall in charge, and at the Shiloh, N. J., Seventh Day Baptist Church, with the Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen in charge. Burial was in the Shiloh Cemetery locker grave of her husband. — R. T. K.

Pieters. — Henry Engelbert, son of Herman and Christina Pieters, was born in Haarlem, The Netherlands, March 15, 1888, and died in a Buffalo, N. Y., hospital, May 24, 1957. See extended obituary elsewhere. — H. S. W.

Kennedy. — Osa Mae, daughter of Jesse D. and Ella Freeman Kennedy, was born in Lost Creek, W. Va., Oct. 23, 1881, and died June 22, 1957.

Miss Kennedy spent most of her life in the Lost Creek community. She became a member of the Lost Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church in 1921.

Surviving are one brother, Russell M., of Lost Creek, two nieces, and three nephews. A sister, Maudie, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted for her on June 24, by the Rev. Duane L. Davis, and interment was in the "Brick Church" Cemetery. — D. L. D.