spered in the review of the history was music of former years—one anthem by a choir under the direction of Prof. L. H. Stringer, and another by an early Junior choir led by the founder, Kenneth Babcock. This music was of particular interest not alone for the memories brought back, but the fact that some of the music had been recorded originally on a machine that used a wire for the record.

After a stirring anthem by a double quintet composed of young folk of the present day, Pastor Randolph, assisted by his wife, showed many colored slides of more recent events and people. It was an uplifting experience to relive Christmas joys, as scenes of the chancel and of the outdoor creche of several different years were shown in their splendor and color. Memories of Christian fellowship were stirred as groups of loved ones of former years were thrown on the screen. The day ended with thoughts of thanksgiving for the past and a forward look of hope for the future.

—Correspondent.

BOULDER, COLO.—Our church recently received a very generous bequest from the estate of Herbert N. Wheeler. The church is very grateful not only for the long years of active service given by Mr. Wheeler but also for this gift of love. Mr. Wheeler was a retired Forest Service supervisor and lecturer.

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ROCKVILLE, R.I.—This year, Vacation Bible School was held jointly with the Hope Valley Baptist Church, the primary department being conducted in our parish house, the beginner and middler departments in the Hope Valley Church School rooms, and the junior department being in the form of a day camp held at Woodville. The day camp was a new venture and it proved to be very successful and popular with the children.

The Loyal Workers have done good work this year, having raised and used for foreign and home mission work almost $300. Most of this was accomplished by putting on two suppers and sales, one in the spring and one in the fall. They have also made nine blankets for the Seaman's Church Institute in New York City.

Layman's Sabbath and Mission Emphasis Sabbath were observed with laymen taking part in each. A member of the Gideon Society spoke to us on November 13 telling us about their work in distributing Bibles to hotels, motels, schools, and the Armed Forces. He described the experiences of some of the people who were influenced by them. Our church was host to the South County hymn sing on Sunday night, November 28. — Correspondent.

Insomnia?

What better way can you find than to close the curtains of the day and to set the mind and heart at rest than a few minutes of quiet meditation and prayer? For in the spirit of quiet surrender to God we can leave ourselves in the everlasting arms of one who "gives his beloved sleep." — Ralph Heynen.

Marriages

Burdick-Welch.—Miss Leona E. Welch, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Leslie A. Welch, Berea, W. Va., and Michael E. Burdick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Burdick, Brookfield, N. Y., were united in marriage by the bride's father, assisted by the Rev. Howard Waddell in the First Brookfield (Leonardsville) Seventh Day Baptist Church on Nov. 13, 1965.

Births

Davis.—A son, Karl Lovell, was born Feb. 18, 1965, to Arden L. and Janice Scott Davis of North Loup, Neb.

Granger.—A son, John Douglas, to Harry and Jeannette Williams Granger of Giltner, Neb., on February 24, 1965.


Langridge.—A daughter, Rebecca Lynn, to Richard and Sharolyn King Langridge, of Colorado Springs, Colo., on Sep. 15, 1965.

Miller.—A son, William Davis, to Janis (Davis) and Bill Madara of Merchantville, N. J., on November 1, 1965.


Williams.—A daughter, Laura Carole, to Roger and Vicky Williams of Grand Island, Neb., on February 24, 1965.
Can We Put Christianity into Labor Relations?

The United States Chamber of Commerce notes the claim by Secretary of Labor Walter Connally that there is "no longer a labor peace in the country today than there has been for a long time." In commenting on the statement the Chamber declared: "We cannot accept the thesis that the reports from the Labor Department do not bear out the claim but show a sharp increase each year in the number of strikes, workers involved, time lost by strikers. Over a five-year period, including the first eight months of this year, the number of strikes increased 19 per cent, the number of workers 44 per cent. The man-days of work lost by strikers increased 90 per cent, climaxing in June, when 161,000,000 man-days were lost by strikers, as compared with 89,600,000 in the same period the year before.

Did this vast loss of wages, production, and profits represent an equal gain for the country as a whole? Is this the kind of high, moral, labor relations that is discussed in the Sunday schools? And what about the religious attitude toward such violence? Do we honestly believe that Jesus taught that love of God and love of man must be manifest in the labor situation?

Are we making progress toward putting Christianity into the settlement of disputes between labor and management, or is the law of the jungle pretty much in evidence? Does the fact that extreme violence seldom erupts in strikes prove that men's hearts are changed and that principles of Christianity are taking root in the generation? It hardly seems so. It may be that the above-mentioned increase in strikes does not represent an increase in concern for high principles in labor relations nor a more lofty view of what is best for the country as a whole.

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We might well ask ourselves which of the above remarks comes closer to the way we feel down inside. The second attitude seems to reflect some combination of experiences or reports of unpleasant experiences of others with certain Jews. It is so easy to generalize or to assume that all the people of an ethnic group have the undesirable characteristics that have been evident in a few. The bishops of the Catholic Church have recently tried to correct this attitude by decreeing that the Jews of modern times cannot be held responsible for the death of Christ. The term commonly used by Catholics is 'conversion.' Incidentally, some Jewish leaders have written articles for religious journals complaining that the Vatican Council was not not enough for the union leaders.

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Regular and Special Giving

If there is any time in the year when appeals for special giving should incline a listening ear and draw a warm response from the heart of the Christian it is the present time. We are pondering again God's great love for His Son when He was born in Bethlehem. Christ came as a gift; He came to give—to give His life "a ransom for many." Yes, this is the season when we feel prompted to give to special causes—to the poor, to the handicapped, to the men in Vietnam, to displaced civilians, and to Christian workers without adequate support in faraway lands.

It is our intention to give. Sometimes the intention is not fully translated into action. One reason may be that the presents we bought for loved ones and friends set us back more than we expected and there wasn't much cash left to give to Christian and philanthropic causes. But many carry through with their intentions and make special contributions to a number of special causes. Perhaps they have not. We have saved up the money for just such things.

But if this is the time of special giving, can it also be the time for regular giving? That is sometimes a question. A little reflection will remind us that to let up on contributing "to the necessities of the saints," missionaries and pastors, who are dependent on us for their monthly support, will lament our desire to do something special is not good. Our missionary and other board budgets cannot take a vacation in December while we divert our money to other, perhaps more popular, charities. Our full-time workers will not enjoy Christmas gifts if receiving them that the regular work they felt called to do is without adequate support.

What has been said above may make all of us want to turn to the back page of this issue and run down through the list of churches to our own local church. Having done so, in an attitude of prayer we may decide that whatever else we do we will keep our giving and give serious thought to helping many special projects within the OWM budget.

Letters to the Editor

Resurrection Article

I would like to comment on the article "Resurrection on the Third Day" by A. E. Knoch in the issues of October 4 and October 11. Before we can know the time of the resurrection we must consider the day of the crucifixion and remember the words of the Lord Jesus when He said in Matthew 12:50, "If I were to send My Spirit to the sheep, the Father would love Me and hear My voice; and the Father would love Me and hear My voice."

Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. While we may agree that the crucifixion occurs, on the "preparation" day, John 19:14 tell us "it was the preparation of the passover" and verse 31, "for that sabbath day was an high day."

Mr. Knoch makes no mention of the "passover sabbath" which also had a preparation day but did not coincide with the weekly seventh-day Sabbath so might fall on any day of the week.

Lev. 23:32 says, "From even unto even shall ye celebrate your sabbath."

We read in Matthew 12:48, "In the end of the sabbath as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre." John 20:1 says, "The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre."

Mark 16:2 reads, "And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun."

In each case they found He had risen.

Mark 16:9 does not tell me that He rose on the first day of the week but that He appeared to Mary Magdalene at that time. See also Luke 24:1, 2, 3.

If in the end of the Sabbath which was at sunset, was already gone, how could He have risen on the first day when that day had not yet begun?

Mrs. Leila Franklin, Battle Creek.

Editor:

I was surprised when opening the Sabbatarian Recorder to read the article of A. E. Knoch on "Resurrection on the third day," as some years ago an aged brother in Holland, who was greatly interested in the Concordant translation, would make us believe too, that Jesus rose on Sabbath morning. Later, however, he retracted his view. . . .

The rule of the Concordant translation is that a certain Greek word, willed ever possible, ought to be translated by the same word. On this ground Mr. Knoch translated PROI and PROIA always by the Greek. The meaning of the words, however, is "early" as well as morning.

Mark 16:9 could be read "having risen early on the first day of the week (of the Sabbath) to Mary." This is in full accordance with John 20, where we read that Mary came early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre. PROI SKOTIAS, I would say, means "in the beginning of darkness" (here shortly after the sepulchre), not "in the morning," as Mr. Knoch chooses.

Even if we connect the words "having risen" and "early" instead of connecting "early" and "he appeared," we do not find anything of the rising of Jesus in the morning.

Mr. Knoch passes by Matthew 28, where it is true, we are not told that Jesus rose on Sabbath morning. There was a great earthquake and that the sepulchre was rolled away, late on the Sabbath. We may surely assume that this was the moment of the rising of Jesus.

Passing the translation "one of the sabbaths" of the Concordant translation instead of "the first day of the week," which is a capital fault, we would still point out that we rather wish to say that Jesus, when He said: "... so shall the son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth," meant what He said, so that with a simple sum we could say that the Lord was buried late on the 4th day of the week, the preparation of the Passover Sabbath (John 19:31).

G. Zijlstra, Holland.

Missioners in Dodge Center

By Myra Thornege Barber

The church in Dodge Center took part in a Spiritual Awakening during the weekend of November 26, 27, and 28, when Edwin Johnson and son, Russell, of Kansas City were guest speakers. Although the weather was far from being favorable, since the first winter storm came on Friday, Nov. 26, a large number of members and guests were present to listen to the inspiring messages and songs given by the missionaries.

They arrived late Friday night, due to the storms which forced them to stay in Nebraska and left Sunday afternoon. On Friday night Mr. Johnson spoke on the subject of the "Beginning of Faith." On Sabbath morning the subject was "The Manifestation of Faith" and in the evening he spoke on "The Fruits and Fullness of Faith." These services were interspersed with duets by Mr. Johnson and his son, also a solo by Mr. Johnson. In the afternoon there was a "Treasure Trove" during which time there were testimonies, songs, and slides.

Special music was provided at all the services by members of the church. There was a Meal of Sharing Sabbath noon on Friday night.

Pastor Richards was in charge of the regular service appointments for Sabbath morning. The children's message was given by Edwin Johnson.

In the evening there was a social hour following the service during which time Mr. Johnson and son were present with gifts.

On Sunday morning there was a youth service with Russell in charge.

Because there were several home for Thanksgiving the meetings were doubly appreciated.

December 13, 1965
It is to be noted that there is a difference in function and authority between the denominational Planning Committee and Commission. The Planning Committee, made up of elected and secretaries of boards, met earlier than usual this fall, and for a longer period (Sept. 26-Oct. 1). The plan by which growth made by that group are reviewed by the Commission. Considerable time is devoted to budget matters.

If it is expected a full report of decisions reached and some statement of discussions and tentative plans will be available for the next issue of this journal. Normally Commission holds but two extended meetings during the year, the next one being just before Conference. Longer and meaningful reports are now being received through the office of the general secretary, and polling of the group by mail is quite common.

Sabbath Bumper Stickers
Would you like to promote the Sabbath by encouraging the use of luminous car bumper stickers with some wording as “The 7th Day (Sat.) is the Sabbath of the Lord”? If so, write the Tract Society, P.O. Box 868, Plainfield, N. J. 07061. Immediate response is needed. One church has plans. The price can be very low.

MISSIONS—Sec. Everett T. Harris

Syracuse Church Progress
(This report was prepared upon request by Rev. Delmer E. Van Horn.)

The Syracuse Seventh Day Baptist Church, in existence since 1909, Dec. 22, 1965, although it has not always met every Sabbath, it has maintained meetings most of the time at least monthly, ever since. Through this year the Association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches in Central New York, the Syracuse church is again meeting regularly each Sabbath day and extending its witness throughout the metropolitan area of central New York.

For several years, Mrs. Edith C. Spaid opened her home to the church for its meetings. While Rev. Loyd F. Hurley was chairman of the Central Association Missionary Committee, arrangements were made by the association in co-operation with the Syracuse church to hold divine worship services at the Calvary Baptist Church. Later the church felt led to make arrangements to meet at the original site of the Syracuse church which is the former Storer Methodist Church where Cumberland Avenue meets Tecumseh Road.

Sabbath visiting in the Syracuse area is invited to worship with the church at 10:30 a.m. each Sabbath. Sabbath School follows immediately after the divine worship service.

Last summer the Syracuse church, working in co-operation with the Missionary Board, asked the Adams Center church to share their pastor on a part-time basis. Rev. Delmer E. Van Horn began this work on September 12, 1965. The general plan is for Pastor Van Horn to spend the second Sabbath in each month with the Syracuse church and to offer two days each week in visitation and organizational work in the Syracuse area. On the second Sabbath of each month the fellowship dinner is held and an afternoon discussion and planning meeting follows.

The members of the Syracuse church have a real concern for spreading the Good News of the redeeming power of Jesus to the people. They solicit your prayers that they may proceed with boldness, as did the disciples after Jesus’ ascension and they had received the Holy Spirit. They feel that the Good News takes in all of the truths of the Bible including our distinctive witness to baptism by immersion and God’s Holy Sabbath, the seventh day of the week.

The team of young people of the Syracuse church corps which was supported by the Women’s Board and worked under the direction of the Rev. Leon Lawton brought a real spiritual uplift to the people of the church as well as an outreach of behalf of Christ and His Church. Mr. Lawton, through the guidance of the Spirit, and with suggestions from the New York State Council of Churches and information gleaned from his earlier visits to the Syracuse area, worked in two somewhat centralized locations. One such location is what is known as Moyers Corners. It is the area surrounding the junction of New York State Routes 57 and 31 and is northwest of Syracuse. Three of the families connected with the Syracuse church live near Moyers Corners. The other location that is known as the “Salt City Housing Project.” It is in Syracuse and is an integrated housing project.

At Moyers Corners the young people and Director Lawton did house-to-house visitation and conducted a Vacation Bible School. The use of an empty store building on Vreni Circle, Mrs. Rupert Hall. The sixty-eight pupils registered were from twenty-nine families and seven churches. Twenty-four of the sixty-eight were affiliated with one church or another and eighty percent or preference; eight of the pupils were from Roman Catholic homes. The SCSC is interested in additional interest in Christ and His Church in this area, opening the door for follow-up work, left a good impression upon the people of themselves and Seventh Day Baptists and a desire for another such experience, if possible, next summer.

The Salt City Housing Project presented an entirely different situation. A different class of people and kind of home was represented by those who attended
Houston Astrodome Becomes Christian Cathedral

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British Guiana Independence

It has been announced that British Guiana, South America, will gain national independence on May 26, 1966. It is expected that the new nation will continue to remain a member of the British Commonwealth. The announcement of independence was made in London by Colonial Secretary Anthony Greenwood, following seventeen days of discussion with Guianese leaders.

It was in December 1964, almost one year ago, that the election of Forbes Burnham, a negro lawyer, took place. At that time he replaced Premier Cheddi Jagan, an East Indian with Marxist inclinations. During the past year the country has prospered as Mr. Burnham's coalition government with that of Finance Minister Pete D'Aguiar has put the colony back on the road to prosperity and progress.

The new government has worked out a constitution that offers hope and promise of a stable and democratic future. Elections will be held under a system of proportionate representation which may bring an end to the intense rivalry and feuding between the brown and black people of this land. Those who know and care about these people fervently hope and pray that this may be so.

The new nation will call itself Guyana.

Government leaders hope to join the OAS family of hemispheric nations. Many who read this will know that the Organization of American States has been meeting at Rio de Janeiro during recent weeks, where 19 American nations are seeking to assess the role of this organization in a rapidly changing hemisphere. In 1948 the OAS was begun as a regional United Nations to provide mutual defense and promote economic development. It would seem that Guyana's efforts to join this organization are wise.

The Seventh Day Baptists of the United States rejoice with their brethren of British Guiana that at last their dreams of receiving independence are coming true. May God grant wisdom to national leaders and to the people as they accept both the privileges and the responsibilities that go along with independence.

God's usual way of working is in silence. The breaking of the day or the setting of the sun or the falling of the dew are not heard by the human ear.

— Ralph Heynen in Building Your Spiritual Strength.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for December 25, 1965

Nehemiah: Committed to a Task

Lesson Scripture: Nehemiah 4:16, 21-23
Knowing Our History
By Philip Rood* 

We, as Seventh Day Baptists, have a unique and distinguished history to look back upon. But, how many of us know our history and its importance to us today? Although Seventh Day Baptists didn't appear by name until the seventeenth century, our history begins before the time of Christ. The roots of Christianity go deep into the pages of the Old Testament to the many prophecies foretelling the coming of Christ.

In Roman times, Christianity was nascent and struggling. The New Testament tells of Christ's coming and fulfilling of the prophecies by His life. His teachings, His crucifixion, and His resurrection are familiar to us all. The rest of the New Testament is primarily concerned with the spreading of Christianity by the apostles. But, from this point on, we begin to get a bit hazy. During the next two centuries, Christians were severely persecuted by the Romans, many of them being driven into places of seclusion, out of contact with the rest of the world.

The Emperor Constantine (in the fourth century) converted the Roman Empire to Christianity and began tampering with the laws and beliefs of the church. It was during this time that Constantine replaced Saturday as the Sabbath day. A long, drawn-out controversy followed that the seventh day was the Sabbath. A long, drawn-out controversy followed that the seventh day was the Sab- 

The first Seventh Day Baptist in America was Stephen Mumford. He came from a London church in approximately 1664 and was said to have been in London when John James was martyred in 1661. When he arrived in America he joined the Baptist church in Newport, Rhode Island, and shortly converted several of its members and began preaching the Sabbath day. A long, drawn-out controversy followed which ended in the Sabbath keepers being expelled from the church. So on December 23, 1671, this church took on new meaning when the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. — Isa. 7:14.

one of the most important things about our history is the way our beliefs came to us. One important point is that many of the churches' beliefs, including Sabbatarianism, were not changed until the fourth century. For this reason, no one can claim that the apostles changed the laws shortly after Christ died. A second, more important point can also be made. Seventh Day Baptists' beliefs were greatly influenced by them and by other groups, notably the Anabaptists. Since these groups were common in England it is logical that the Seventh Day Baptists standardized meetings in England.

About 1617, the first Seventh Day Baptist church was organized in London. It was while preaching for this church, that John James was martyred, and eventually martyred. Altogether, about thirty different churches were scattered around the British Isles at one time or another. Another important connection is that the fact that they had been foretold years before. Another important connection between Christ and the Old Testament concerns the lamb. When the priest offered a sacrifice he had to use a firstborn, male lamb — one that was unblemished, and the lamb's blood had to flow freely. Consequently, when Christ is called the Lamb of God, it takes on a new meaning to those who know the background.

In much the same way, our beliefs and ideas take on new meaning when we know their heritage. You may have noticed that in my review of our history, I included many events that took place before the New Testament was written. This is because we know their heritage.

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THE SABBATH RECORDER

December 13, 1965
Youth Work

The Youth Work Committee of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christian Education has considered a proposition from the Distribution Committee of the American Sabbath-Teachers League that mutual work of youth of our SDBY Fellowships might do more dedicated work in their respective areas of distribution. It was proposed that a workshop dealing with this be offered at Youth Pre-Con Retreat. This will be suggested to the director of the Pre-Con Retreat. In the meantime, we urge those fellowships who are interested now in going to work with the chairman of the Distribution Committee, the Rev. Rex E. Bond, Shiloh, N. J., for ideas in distribution.

Progress is being made in most areas of the programming work that is the lot of the Youth Work Committee. We expect to have several encouraging announcements to make soon.

Suggestions for the celebration of National Youth Week (January 30-February 14) have been mailed to all our churches having SDBY Fellowships and to other churches desiring them. We believe that they will provide the basis for services that will greatly enrich the work of youth in the church.

Now is the time for all SDBY Fellowships to send in their registration for National Youth Week. The dues are $1.00 per year per member. All SDBYF members ought to participate in the national program. Send your list of members with addresses to Lyle Sutton, Youth Work Committee chairman, Almond, N. Y.

A study is being made of the duties of a dedicated youth field worker. A subcommittee has been appointed to investigate relationships with the International Service Youth Fellowship. We hope that all of our churches are planning special recognition of Church Vocations Day, January 1, 1966.

Youth Achievement

A clipping from the Clarksburg Exponent was sent in by a denominational writer from Ohio with this comment, "This is the kind of publicity we like to see for our young people." The newspaper story tells of two high school students in the rural area of West Union who were honored by the Kiwanis Club of that place for their outstanding achievements.

The boys had been named by the faculty of the Doddridge County High School as the boy and girl of the month for October.

The boy honored is Joel Sutton, a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sutton of New Milford. The newspaper notes that he is president of the senior class and that he has distinguished himself in sports and in his studies. Joel is present vice-president of the math club. The clipping concludes with this paragraph:

"Joel is a member of the Middle Island Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Milton and the National Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowship as well as the Associated Youth Fellowship. He plans to enter West Virginia University in the fall."

WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. Lawrence W. Marston

UCW Regional Training Sessions

Women: Please note the following partial list of state annual meetings of United Church Women and put the appropriate dates and place in your calendar.

Date State Place of Meeting
January
18 Rhode Island Providence
20-21 N. Cal.-Nev.* San Jose
21 S. Cal.-S. Nev.* So. Pasadena
24-25 Arizona* Tucson
24-25 Colorado* Denver
24-26 North Carolina Raleigh
February
1-3 Texas Austin
3-5 Mississippi Jackson
8 and 10 Pennsylvania* Harrisburg
14-16 Southern Idaho Twin Falls
* Annual meetings will be held as usual, with 1966 Training Sessions scheduled for a separate time. Other states listed will hold annual meetings combined with their 1966 Training Sessions.

Advice to Freshmen

Most colleges have some friendly sport each fall at the expense of the freshmen. They are humbled in various ways by the lofty sophomores. There have been occasions when hazing has been overdone and has resulted in serious bodily injuries. Some Christian colleges try to channel the same into being a constructive work. The sophomores at King's College, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., this year came up with a new idea that might well be taken as a suggestion for freshmen who are now nearly halfway toward becoming upper classmen. We quote from "Kappa Kappa Gamma," Vol. 13, No. 6:

"Along with the traditional humbling of the lowly frosh, initiation at King's took on a new slant this fall. Sophomore Allen Hansen met with the Briarcliff Village Board of Trustees and made arrangements for the freshmen to wash windows and do other constructive jobs for the merchants in the business district.

"But the feature of this year's initiation week which was totally different occurred when Mr. Sherman of Briarcliff donated 1,000 trees to be planted in the town park. Thus, the freshmen were forced to 'dig in' to their work at the direction of the sophomores. . . ."

The result: a beautiful town park, good will among the people of the community, and several dozen freshman fellows who had the enviable task of washing ample portions of dirt from under their fingernails."

Syracuse Church Progress

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The Vacation Bible School here. Discipline became a major concern of those teaching classes. The parents were well informed of the program but no schedule for another year. The city officials who have authority in the housing project appreciated the work done. All who came in contact with Mr. Lawton were favorably impressed. Follow-up work here is both challenging and very important because those who attend church have little experience with Jesus as Savior and Lord of their lives. The SCSC did open the door for this work but only continual effort on the part of others to follow up will leave any lasting effects. Programs have been offered to the Executive Committee of the Salt City Improvement Organization but so far our purposes for such programs do not seem to coincide with their desires.

The pastor is attempting to call with those in general to help keep each other in mind. Sometimes all three purposes are in mind at one place, other times one of the purposes may be uppermost. First, calls are being made on Seventh Day Baptists, including those who have been affiliated at some time with our denomination to extend the church's concern for and interest in them. Second, appreciation calls are being made upon those families with
definite denominational affiliation other than Seventh Day Baptist, to say thank you for their attendance at Vacation Church School or for cooperation with the SCSC and Mr. Lawton. Third (but not last in importance), evangelistic calls in which the claims of Christ and His Church are presented. Of course, in every call an attempt is made to give information about Seventh Day Baptists and to secure information about the persons visited.

Again those of us connected with the Syracuse church solicit the prayers of each of you who read this, that the Holy Spirit may move mightily in the saving of many souls for Christ and His Church in this area.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Religions of the World

According to a recent religious survey broadcast by the American Bible Society, the more than three billion people in the world may be classified under eleven major faiths, plus a large miscellaneous grouping. - This "miscellaneous grouping" includes the most books sold in anyone's opinion, this is a weekly record sale for any book and the constant strengthening of smaller denominations the total is very large. One reason for meeting the budget a third to home missions. It is expected that it will amount to $2.25 million. Thanksgiving services were held on November 22; open house and farewell for Pastor Richards and family on the afternoon of December 12; the pastor's farewell message on December 29.

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N. Rogers was used in the morning service.

New Billy Graham Book

World Aflame, Evangelist Billy Graham's latest book, has sold 263,430 copies and skyrocketed to the major best seller lists across the country.

One hundred thousand copies of World Aflame were sold before the book was even distributed. A second printing was authorized in August, giving it the largest single-day distribution of any title in the history of the publisher. The book has officially been out since September 3.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

San Diego Fellowship, Calif.

The following information appeared in the December 4 bulletin of the Los Angeles church, which has been encouraging the new fellowship.

"The San Diego Fellowship has progressed to the point where it is ready to have a permanent place of worship. One of the group is renting a large room in order that it may be used for a regular place of worship. Continue to remember this outreach in constant prayer."

Milton Junction Wis.

The Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church observed its 90th anniversary Sabbath day, November 20, with one hundred present at the morning service. The congregation consisted of present members, nonresident and former members. The whole attendance was present. The dramatic reading, "One People Bound Together," by Rev. Albert
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OWM Budget Receipts for November 1965

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SUMMARY

1965-1966 Budget........... $120,554.00
Receipts for 2 months: OWM Treasurer $14,042.61
OWM Education $251.30
Amount due in 10 months $106,260.09
Needed per month $10,620.01
Percentage of Budget raised 11.86%
Percentage of Budget year elapsed 16.66%

DECEMBER 20, 1965

The Sabbath Recorder

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