

# The Sabbath Recorder

Sabbath Rally Day

May 27, 1950

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**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**

Statement of Treasurer, March 31, 1950

Receipts		March	6 months		
Albion			\$ 79.00		
Alfred, First			800.04		
Alfred, Second	99.96		300.46		
Associations and groups			252.16		
Battle Creek			592.17		
Berlin			214.09		
Boulder	19.12		140.77		
Brookfield, First			50.00		
Brookfield, Second	24.85		153.35		
Chicago			297.00		
Daytona Beach	35.25		174.66		
Denver	24.23		183.63		
De Ruyter			69.73		
Des Moines			10.00		
Dodge Center			55.82		
Edinburg			49.43		
Farina	138.25		260.05		
Fouke	116.00		131.43		
Friendship	15.00		37.85		
Gentry	5.00		16.88		
Hammond	60.00		60.00		
Healdsburg-Ukiah			30.00		
Hebron, First	7.75		72.29		
Hopkinton, First			177.80		
Hopkinton, Second	6.00		21.00		
Independence	16.00		175.00		
Individuals	10.00		626.00		
Irvington			100.00		
Little Genesee			305.47		
Los Angeles			115.96		
Lost Creek			229.58		
Marlboro	72.00		360.00		
Middle Island	5.60		41.62		
Milton	564.05		2,251.07		
Milton Junction	76.77		446.06		
New Auburn	23.70		89.84		
New York City, First	105.71		185.22		
North Loup			153.02		
Nortonville				53.75	
Pawcatuck			576.67	1,926.67	
Piscataway			22.00	100.25	
Plainfield			315.95	1,110.90	
Richburg			25.00	154.00	
Ritchie				30.00	
Riverside			526.19	811.32	
Roanoke			6.00	16.00	
Rochester				30.00	
Rockville			27.55	62.71	
Salem			351.00	539.51	
Salemville				48.02	
Shiloh				1,101.47	
Verona			419.05	426.55	
Walworth			36.60	73.20	
Washington, People's				50.00	
Waterford			19.30	131.53	
White Cloud			14.32	114.39	
Totals			\$3,764.87	\$16,088.72	
Disbursements					
			Budget	Specials	
Missionary Society			\$ 939.06	\$ 115.55	
Tract Society			678.93	2.00	
Board of					
Christian Education			520.28	5.00	
Women's Society			17.41	20.00	
Historical Society			80.80		
Ministerial Retirement			264.41	117.03	
S. D. B. Building			95.58		
World Fellowship					
and Service			24.63	5.00	
General Conference			399.08		
Relief Appeals			215.70		
Debt Reduction:					
Miss. Society			\$ 98.63		
Tract Society			115.28		
Board of					
Christian Ed.			30.67		
S. D. B. Building			19.83		
			264.41		
Totals			\$3,284.59	\$ 480.28	

**Comparative Figures**

	Total Budget			Normal
Total Budget	\$37,250.00			
Receipts for October	\$1,489.99	4.00%	\$3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for November	1,508.67	4.00%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for December	3,841.75	10.30%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for January	2,000.14	5.37%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for February	2,049.91	5.50%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for March	3,284.59	8.80%	3,104.16	8 1/3%

Totals	\$14,175.05	37.97%	\$18,624.96	50%
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Special gifts, designated:

October	\$ 348.19
November	120.00
December	506.09
January	165.50
February	293.61
March	480.28

Total \$1,913.67

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## Study of Prayer to Be Featured at Ministers' Conference

During the Ministers' Conference, May 15-18, one of the significant features of the program will be the study and practice of private devotional life. A workshop will be conducted in the afternoons by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley and in the morning a forty-five minute period is provided for the purpose of putting into practice the principles discovered in the study sessions.

Mr. Hurley urges that ministers planning to attend the Conference make preparation for this important workshop by reading and by introspective study of their own prayer life. For reading he highly recommends the recent book, "Teach Us to Pray," by Charles Francis Whiston. "If all of us learned what he has to give us," says Mr. Hurley, "we would not need much of a workshop, for we would be trained to enter into the divine fellowship." Also high on the list of suggested reading are the following: "Prayer" by Laubach, "Quiet Talks on Prayer" by Gordon, and "Living Prayerfully" by Kirby Page.

It is Mr. Hurley's plan to have at hand during the conference a selected library of devotional materials. Thus the ministers will have an opportunity to browse in such books as "Prayer" by Buttrick, "Asking and Receiving" by Rice, "Ways of Praying" by Royden, "Methods in Private Religious Living" by Wieman, and "Devotional Life of Young People" by Cranford. In addition there will be a group of titles in the field of devotional reading: "Testament of Devotion" by Kelly, "Abundant Living" and "Victorious Living" by Jones, "Guide to Confident Living" by Peale, and others. It is suggested that delegates bring with them their own favorite volumes to add to this fund of devotional reading. — Wayne R. Rood, for the Ministers' Conference Program Committee.

## SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Indian Trails Camp

Milton, Wis.

May 15-18, 1950

## DENOMINATIONAL DYNAMICS

### A Beehive at the Denominational Building

No, the Denominational Building has not gone into the bee business. And to suggest that the building may have become a place of considerable activity for any length of time will be contrary to the impression made upon certain recent visitors.

The first of the week of April 16-21 saw our headquarters building fully and intensively in use. Beginning Sunday morning, the Committee on Budget Promotion met in the office of Corresponding Secretary Frank R. Kellogg of the American Sabbath Tract Society with Mr. Kellogg and Rev. David S. Clarke representing the Missionary Board, and Rev. Albert N. Rogers, the Board of Christian Education.

While this committee was in session, the Conference president, Dr. Lloyd D. Seager, in company with Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, chairman of the Commission, Rev. Loyal F. Hurley, last year's Conference president and a member of the Commission, and Mrs. Loyal F. Hurley, representing the Women's Society of General Conference, were completing their trip from Salem to Plainfield in the Hurleys' fleet Hudson.

Early Sunday afternoon the Budget Committee and the Hurleys' Hudson group, being joined by Dr. Corliss F. Randolph, president of the Historical Society, Karl G. Stillman, treasurer of the Missionary Society, Franklin A. Langworthy, president of the Tract Society, Courtland V. Davis, corresponding secretary of General Conference and secretary of the Commission, and the editor of the Sabbath Recorder, became a committee of the whole at the invitation of the Conference president.

Problems perennial and matters mutual, many and various, were presented and discussed.

### Saved by Tea

Temporarily, at least, the "dear old" Sabbath Recorder was saved by time for tea. As has been the courteous custom of the Historical Society, the entire com-

mittee was afforded an opportunity for brief recess and a pleasant time for social fellowship with coffee, tea, and wafers in the Historical Rooms.

The matter being discussed at time for tea was the Sabbath Recorder, and particularly the large subsidy necessary to publish it in keeping with its present standards. The subject was not considered again in the committee of the whole. We understand that at the Commission meeting on Monday, April 17, the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee for further study and report at the Pre-Conference meeting of the Commission next August.

The Sabbath Recorder is cited as an example of the many matters considered.

Following tea, two groups were at work — the committee of the whole continued under the leadership of the Conference president and the Commission members present met with Treasurer Stillman and Secretary Clarke.

Sunday evening the entire group met again.

### The Commission Meets

Monday morning the Commission assembled for work with the addition of Rev. Lester G. Osborn. Throughout the day and well into the evening this body continued in session. Much of the denominational organization and program was given prayerful, thorough consideration. Several matters were referred to committees for further study and report.

### The Co-ordinating Committee

The Co-ordinating Committee, consisting of the board secretaries or their representatives and the Conference president, sandwiched in meetings along with other committees of the Commission.

### Summer Evangelism

One feature of our work that was of great concern to all present was the proposed program of summer evangelism. This program is being ardently promoted by the Conference president in co-operation with the denominational boards. Mrs. Hurley reported that the Women's Society of the General Conference will support an evangelistic team at Woodville, Ala., this summer for two or three weeks

and will contribute \$200 toward the support of the Summer Co-ordinated Evangelistic Program.

We asked a member of the Commission this (Tuesday) morning about a certain matter. He replied that so much was discussed that his head was almost in a whirl, that the recording secretary, a past master at the task, had made complete minutes, and that in due time items would be released for publication in the Sabbath Recorder.

These brief comments prove that the Seventh Day Baptist denomination is alive and deeply concerned about the Father's business — this is Denominational Dynamics.

### FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Dear Sabbath Recorder:

I'm enclosing \$3 to pay for my Recorder for another year. . . . I enjoy reading the many good articles, sermons, and so on. . . . This year I'm sending it on to one of my sisters who is unable to get around very well on account of arthritis. After all, we do have so many things to be thankful for.

Sincerely, your sister in Christ,  
Sylvia M. Lanphere.

920 Columbia Road,  
Madison 5, Wis.,  
March 2, 1950.

Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed \$3 for renewal of my subscription to the Sabbath Recorder for one year. I don't want to get along without it.

Yours truly,  
Jennie Burdick.

Box 223, De Ruyter, N. Y.,  
March 17, 1950.

Sabbath Recorder

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is my check for \$3 for my subscription which expires this week. . . .

I "loan" my Recorder, and then give it to a new "convert" to the Sabbath, who hopes soon to subscribe for it. I shall be alert to find someone else who needs the Recorder — I believe nearly all the Seventh Day Baptists here take it. It is an

excellent publication. Much success to it and to you all.

Mrs. Flora R. Schule.  
De Ruyter, N. Y.,  
April 6, 1950.

Sabbath Recorder

Dear Editor:

I am enclosing \$3 for renewal of my subscription to the Recorder which expires soon.

The Recorder is a welcome visitor in our home each week as it helps to keep us in touch with other Churches and happenings throughout the denomination.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Harry E. Thomas.  
Milton, Wis.,  
April 12, 1950.

### DENVER PASTOR ACCEPTS NORTH LOUP CALL

Rev. Francis D. Saunders, now pastor at Denver, Colo., has accepted the call to become pastor of this Church, beginning August 1, 1950. This will cause a lapse of two months following the going of your present pastor, who, with his family, will leave here Monday morning, May 29, for De Ruyter, N. Y. — North Loup, Neb., Church Bulletin.

### Lewis Camp, Ashaway, R. I.

Lewis Camp this year is to be held from July 18-27. A committee consisting of the pastor and a lay member from each of the New England Churches met Tuesday evening, March 28, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. Harmon Dickinson to make plans for the coming year at camp. The above dates were set, and it is hoped a goodly number will be attending our camp this year.

We believe that we are going to have our best year and young people from the ages of 12-18 are urged to begin early making plans to come. The following officers were elected to serve: President, Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson; business manager, Rev. Charles H. Bond; secretary, Miss Dorothy Palmer; publicity, Rev. Kenneth A. Stickney; director to be announced later. — Kenneth A. Stickney, Publicity Director.

### THE LAYMAN AND THE CHURCH

By Deacon Frank R. Kellogg  
Corresponding Secretary,  
American Sabbath Tract Society

(Sermon preached Sabbath Rally Day, May 28, 1949, at the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christ, Plainfield, N. J.)

Text: Romans 10: 1-15; Exodus 31: 12-18.

We hear a great deal of criticism today about the Church not meeting the challenge of the world, and that religion is losing out. I believe that the majority of these critics feel that they have no responsibility or part in helping the Church meet this challenge of the world. They never have done anything, yet claim membership in the Church and believe themselves to be Christian.

Constructive criticism is worth while. I am not speaking of that of the world at large but of the laymen who go to make up the Church in general. Laymen who criticize but do nothing to help would be offended if told they were not honest in their religion. This applies not only to Seventh Day Baptists but to every Christian Church.

I believe there are many problems confronting the Church that could be handled by a layman more efficiently and easily than by a pastor. In the eyes of many, the pastor does what he is paid to do, but were a layman to do or say the same thing, these people would give it more serious consideration. This is not in any way to discredit our pastor, for we in Plainfield recognize him as our leader, love him, and believe in him. However, we as laymen should realize that we are appointed as helpers. It is our sacred duty to help.

Jesus was the head of the Church — the leader, yet he needed helpers. Therefore, He gathered about Him twelve laymen, and gave them a task to do that cost some of them their lives. Later He chose seventy — not merely as followers, but as witnesses to the glad tidings of the love of Jesus Christ for everyone.

We are familiar with the story of Jesus at the age of twelve — how He said to His parents, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" That same business is our business as laymen of His Church. Jesus went about His

Father's business, and during His ministry showed His disciples just what their work would be. Jesus did not finish His Father's business. He finished His part, but the work must go on, and He has left this work in the hands of pastors and laymen. They are to be partakers in the greatest of all businesses, the saving of souls.

This work is not to be done by a certain few but by every true follower of Jesus Christ — by the laity of the Church, you and me. Any well-conducted business does not depend on just the head ones — the president or superintendent — but upon everyone working in the plant. Each one has his particular job, each is a part of the organization. So, in our Father's business, every true follower has a certain task to do. We are not just born into this world, rather, we are born for a purpose. As true followers we must find just what that purpose is, and where God needs us most. We must not stand idly by and say there is nothing we can do.

Jesus said to the fishermen: "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men" — partners in this greatest of all businesses, "My Father's business." Jesus did not ask just for followers. We are not simply Church members, or trustees, or deacons, but co-workers in the business of saving souls. "But," you say, "there is nothing I can do, I have no talent for that kind of work." Remember what Peter said to the lame man that he and John met at the temple gate: "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I unto you." We know what happened. Can we say less? Surely, such as we have, we should dedicate to God's work.

Perhaps we think we are giving our all. Remember the young ruler who asked Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life and Jesus reminded him of the commandments. The ruler answered: "These have I kept from my youth." Jesus said: "But one thing thou lackest." Maybe we lack only one thing.

There was the widow with the two mites. She cast in all she had, and Jesus said to His disciples: "She hath given more than any." Did you ever wonder how she might have cast in one and kept one

for herself? Perhaps we would have done that but she gave her all.

Then there was the boy with the five loaves and two fishes. That was not very much with which to feed the five thousand, but in the hands of Jesus, with His blessing, He was able to perform one of His greatest miracles. If we are truly sincere should we not ask, "What do I lack?"

You may say that I am picturing the ideal. Perhaps I am. Is anything less good enough for Him who gave His all for us, even His life? We need to pray: "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" Then listen for that still small voice, and be able to say, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly call."

God needs men on whom He may call at any time, men who are alert, ready to do His bidding on the spur of the moment, men such as Philip who went quickly when an angel spoke to him and said: "Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza." And he arose and went quickly. We know how he met the Ethiopian and explained to him the Scriptures, and baptized him.

There are so many things we can do if the power of Jesus Christ is added to our own strength. I believe that all this fits in with our Sabbath Rally Day program. The Church needs whole families, young and old, to stand before our own people, and the peoples of the world, with such noble and pure lives that they will inspire others to follow in their footsteps. The Church needs men and women whose light will so shine before our young people that it will illuminate their pathway; a pathway that will lead them to that city which hath foundations whose maker and builder is God. The Church needs men and women with high ideals, who, looking about, will realize that someone is following them, following them because they trust them and believe that whatever they do is right.

We, who are so anxious about our young people, should realize that someone — and we know not how many — is shaping his life according to our pattern. Yes, very young children usually look to someone as their ideal. Even if we feel

that our young people are leaving the Sabbath we should not condemn them. Rather, we should use Jesus' way, and through love, kindness, and sympathy prove to them that the seventh day as the Sabbath is a sacred day. To keep it is all gain, to neglect it is all loss. We should pray as Elisha did when he asked God to open the eyes of his servant that he might see that the power of God that was with them was far greater than that which was against them. We should pray God to open the eyes of our young people that they might catch a vision and realize that the treasures laid up in heaven are of far greater value than any earthly treasure.

I would not be a true friend of our young people if I only mentioned those who are indifferent. We have all through our denomination, in every Church, groups of young people who are true, loyal Seventh Day Baptists. They are doing a wonderful work and we are proud of them. Especially should we thank God for the wonderful, noble, and loyal group of young people in this very Church — young men and women whose ideals are of the finest, young people who are doing their part in helping this Church to meet any challenge that may come before it. No matter what the test may be, they are taking Jesus at His word, "Lo, I am with you alway." It is such groups as this that give us confidence for the future, and faith to believe that our Church and denomination will be safe in their hands. May the windows of heaven be opened and a rich blessing be poured out upon them.

This day which we have set apart as Sabbath Rally Day should mean a great deal to us — a time when we gather together as one great God-loving, Sabbath-keeping family; a time to count our blessings even though we do not realize even a small part of them, they are so numerous; a time to ask God to open our eyes that we may see above and beyond the sordid things of this world, and see the beauty, and feel the joy, of a life consecrated to the work our Master has left for us to do as partners in His Father's business.

If we are to be co-workers, partners in our Father's business, we need to be fired with a zeal that will cause our hearts to

burn within us as we walk and talk by the way with our risen Lord.

No one knows God's plans. He has a plan for each of us, both young and old. Who knows? Perhaps some of us may be among those of whom Paul spoke in his letter to the Romans. "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" Or possibly, if we are willing to give such as we have, we might be a chosen vessel to witness for Him before the world. So pray the great God of the harvest that we may so live that He will use us as reapers — that, when we are called before Him, we may come bringing our sheaves with us.

### NEWS FROM ALFRED UNIVERSITY

If there's anything you want to know about Alfred University students, the man to ask is Registrar Clifford M. Potter.

Mr. Potter's statistics on students span all 93 years since the university was granted its State charter, and include pertinent information about men and women now living in all corners of the world.

A teacher of mathematics for several years before assuming his present job in 1946, the registrar still finds a slide rule his most handy gadget for keeping track of student grades. In addition, he must classify the university's 1,061 men and women by classes, courses, geographic distribution, and religion.

The variety of forms and files in his large office in Kanakadea Hall help keep tabs on honor students, attendance, withdrawals, and degrees. In all, Mr. Potter's list of duties runs to 27 items ranging from "Issue all transcripts of permanent records" to "Act as secretary of the faculty."

In between, the list includes such items as registering Jamestown Extension students, mailing catalogs to 700 other colleges, libraries, and educational publishing houses, and acting on several university committees.

A graduate of Alfred in 1918, Mr. Potter taught industrial mechanics at his alma mater for seven years, then headed the physics department for 20 years. Subjects he has taught include algebra, trigonometry, and meteorology.

### A SURVEY OF SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST PARSONAGES

(Conducted for the School of Theology's class in Rural Sociology under the direction of Professor Ben R. Crandall.)

The parsonage is not just a place where the preacher and his family live. It is much more. It is one expression of the congregation's relation to the pastor as well as the pastor's relation to the congregation. It is here that the congregation often express their appreciation to their spiritual leader by their care in providing the same comforts and pleasant surroundings that they themselves enjoy. The parsonage is more than a home to the pastor. Here he studies, here he meets God, and here he prepares the words of comfort, exhortation, and challenge for his people.

The parsonage is also an expression to the community as to what the Church thinks of its religion as well as its pastor. If the parsonage is shabby — we have to face it — the expression to the community is one of a shabby religion. If the parsonage is outdated and inconvenient, how can we expect people to be attracted to it, the pastor, or our Church.

Are we as Seventh Day Baptists serving the Lord acceptably in the provision of the parsonage? This is the question that we considered in conducting this survey. We have not answered it, although we have come to some general conclusions. Each of us must answer the question himself; and, conceivably, do something about it as individuals and groups if the answer is not in the affirmative.

A total of 45 questionnaires received from pastors and clerks of our Churches form the basis of this survey. Of our Churches that own their house of worship, 84.5 per cent have Church-owned parsonages. Two of our pastors rent their own

In his spare time, Mr. Potter does such things as build houses, garages, and household furniture. During the summer vacation he likes to fish.

But for eleven months of the year he is concerned with following the movements of more than a thousand students, each one of whom is doing something different than his neighbor. — George W. Ince, Director of Publicity.

parsonage, and one parsonage is supplied by a member of the Church.

As revealed by this survey, a high percentage of the parsonages are well painted and in "good repair." Eighty-five per cent gave affirmative answers to questions about the physical appearance and average standard of the parsonage in the community. Four parsonages are above average, and two are below the average of other homes.

An old proverb says, "Clothes do not make the man"; and just so, fresh paint, a good roof, and shade trees do not make the parsonage — they only help. Let us proceed inside. The pastor's study is the most important room in the Church's physical setup. In his study the conscientious pastor communes with God, prepares to help his people, and meets many of his parishioners when they come for help and advice. The active Church should demand of its pastor that he "grow in wisdom," and the active pastor should demand of his Church that they provide a place where he may do so. With only 71 per cent of our Seventh Day Baptist parsonages equipped with studies suitable for private meditation and 60 per cent suitable for personal interviews with his people, the pastor is handicapped in his work at the grass roots. Even the best artisan must have adequate and sharp tools if he is to do his job well.

The pastor's wife fares even worse. Only 62 per cent of the kitchens are adequately equipped and "planned to save steps." In an interdenominational study conducted in 1947, the conclusion was reached that as a rule pastors' wives are the best educated women in the community and receive the least for their labors. The study went on to reveal that a pastor's wife spends 34 years on an average in the parsonage — 34 years in a house she does not own, and without salary. But the home only begins her work; she engages on the average in 13 different Church activities. It would seem, therefore, that it is the privilege and responsibility of the Church to provide her with ample play space for her children, a modern kitchen, and a laundry adequately equipped so that she might make her best contribution to her husband, her home, and her community.

Have we neglected the weightier matters of the pastor's study and the kitchen of the pastor's wife for that of outside appearance?

Sixty-five per cent of our Churches pay all the pastor's moving expenses and another 18 per cent pay about half of this expense. With the pastors moving on an average of 830 miles at the average cost to these 37 Churches of \$178 every 6.4 years, it might be wise to consider another alternative. Approximately 25 per cent of our Churches own the basic furniture — stoves, refrigerator, piano, tables, chairs, beds, kitchen cabinets, bookcases, etc., — and if a greater percentage did, it would not be necessary for the pastor to have this heavy furniture moved every time he changes parishes.

Revealed by this survey is inadequate insurance coverage. One third of the parsonages are not adequately insured, and only 12 of the 45 have coverage on the furnishings.

Remembering that 45 questionnaires is the denominator, here are some returns from which you may figure out the percentage: 33 parsonages have adequate garden space; there are 35 garages; 5 provide recreational equipment on the parsonage property; 1 parsonage has a fireplace; 25 have screens; 20 storm doors; in 38 the heating system is adequate for the coldest days in that area; 28 have adequate storage space; 31 have closets; 6 parsonages are without adequate water supply; only 7 have stationary laundry tubs, while 26 are without indoor drying space for clothes; 20 Churches own a mimeograph, and 6 own a typewriter; 3 Churches provide fuel for the parsonage; 2 provide electricity; and 8 provide the telephone. The average size of the parsonage family is four.

Doubtless, a careful study of the results of this survey of our own parsonages will reveal different things to different people. We would suggest the following in way of recommendations:

1. Some standardization of parsonage furnishings. The heavy basic furnishings might well be supplied by the Church.
2. More careful planning for, and of, the pastor's study.

3. More careful planning of the kitchen. All permanent improvements such as built-in cupboards, built-in sinks, refrigeration, and work surfaces should be parsonage owned.

It is certainly encouraging that so many of our Churches are planning improvements or are already under way with them. About 12 per cent of the questionnaires indicated that plans were laid for improvements or that they were already underway.

The following are some excerpts from the questionnaires:

"The answers were not 'yes' when we came, but we ourselves built in all kinds of work helps and storage."

"Basic items of furniture might be supplied by the Churches to a much larger degree than they now are. Caution should be taken that such items are not community castoffs but good, substantial, and reasonably modern pieces. Observation shows that a good deal of parsonage furniture is not fit to live with."

"More attention needs to be given to the provision of adequate closet space in the parsonage."

"Whenever there is any possibility of doing so, a piano should be provided in the parsonage. A piano is an essential, and many pastors can neither afford to buy their own, nor to ship it from place to place when moving."

"I would especially like the study moved from the parsonage to the Church. This would do away with many unprofitable, though pleasant, distractions at the parsonage, and allow the pastor to study and work in solitude."

"We are putting on a new roof and making a new chimney, and there will be considerable redecorating inside the parsonage."

"One item needed in many parsonages, and in ours, is bathroom facilities on the first or main floor. Many times it is awkward to take guests to the family bathroom on the second floor."

"Our lawn is adequate in size for a social gathering of upwards of a hundred people; but there is no outside lighting and no way in which a set of lights might be connected. I would like to share my experience of three winters ago. I bor-

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## FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE DEVELOPING NATIONAL COUNCIL

The proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America as designed by the 1944 constitution will have five Seventh Day Baptist basic representatives and one additional lay representative. One of these representatives will be a member of the Executive Committee of the National Council. One half of these representatives should be appointed by the boards and agencies of the member denominations according to the proposed constitution. One of the strengths of the new body will be more efficient channeling of the actual working force of the agencies of the denominations and not simply of the conferences or conventions as legislative bodies. Representative quotas will be determined by the number of "communicant" members (adult believers) although the Division of Foreign Missions will determine its members from quotas based on amounts spent in mission work.

Alternates are to be appointed where desired who will serve in the general assembly and division assemblies, etc., in case of inability of representatives to participate.

The developing National Council for the Churches of the United States seems to be in harmony with the ecumenical movement which has produced the effective Protestant co-operation by National Christian Councils of many lands since the middle of the last century. It provides the possibility of more effective Protestantism in America because it brings together the working agencies of our major denominations within a representative yet responsible federation. It can forge ahead in the Master's kingdom work if we will all take a responsible part in expressing our faith in "Jesus Christ as divine Lord and Saviour," recognizing many imperfections but yielding together to God's purpose of saving all men, using our lives to help. The council can greatly enlarge the possibilities of the American Churches **working together with** other national Protestant groups as well as **sending** workers and supplies to them. It can draw together the educational, missionary, and service

functions of our Protestant Churches in a tremendous response to Christ's Great Commission, if we will recognize the largeness of God's kingdom and the importance of our own denomination in the great ecumenical movement. The new council can grow along with Protestant movements in education, evangelism, and service, and in union such as "Federal Union."

The relationships of the Foreign Missions Conference with the new body have been perhaps the hardest to define of any of the co-operative agencies merging in the National Council. The others are: Home Missions Council of North America, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, International Council of Religious Education, Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, National Protestant Council on Higher Education, United Council of Church Women, and United Stewardship Council. For a time last year it appeared that there would be no Division of Foreign Missions in the new council. But now the proposal to the special meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference for April 25, 26, is that that body become the Division of Foreign Missions. The constitution of the National Council encourages large autonomy in each division in carrying out their work. The divisions would be: The Church and the Community, Christian Education, Home Missions, Foreign Missions. The proposed charter allows for each division to have directly appointed representatives outside council-member-denominations.

This proposed new relationship with the National Council on the part of the denominations in the Foreign Missions Conference speaks well for the spirit of devotion and of "co-operation in diversity" possible among Protestants. For 57 years, the Foreign Missions Conference has brought together perhaps the most diverse group of Protestants of any of the national agencies. It is hoped that the National Council will prove to be so devoted to the kingdom that the dogmatic and sectarian interests of member-denominations may be transformed by wholeheartedly and unitedly working at the great educational and evangelistic tasks ahead of us on the kingdom frontiers.

The Missionary Society has been con-

tributing to the extent of \$350 to \$410 per year to the work of the Foreign Missions Conference through its area and functional committees for several years. We firmly believe that the spirit of co-operation and efficiency will be enhanced by the organization of the National Council scheduled to occur at the Constituting Convention, November 26 - December 2, 1950, at Cleveland, Ohio. D. S. C.

### PROTESTANT RALLY IN NEW ZEALAND

From a recent letter dated March 29, from Auckland, New Zealand, Rev. Francis Johnson reports: "We are carrying on the work, looking forward with renewed interest to the coming evangelist. One new member joined our Church on a recent Sabbath — a dear old brother who often sings for us.

"We are holding a mission also on Sunday afternoons, Brother Mason, our assistant leader, taking the services. Brother Mason is a good speaker and we praise the Lord for the help. We have two young ladies who sing solos for us — Mrs. Morgan and Miss Rosemary Leare. My wife is pianist at the mission, also Brother Morton sings and plays the organ, so we have organ and piano duos.

"One Sunday night I held a Protestant rally, speaking on the errors of the Church of Rome and the need to awake. Twenty-two strangers besides our own members attended and we had quite a good meeting.

"You will be sorry to hear of the death of Pastor Asirvatham, our Indian missionary (Nazareth, South India). We do pray God that He will raise up another worker for this needy field. Pastor Asirvatham gave a life of service to the truth he loved so well; his courage was great amid hardships and privation. We do praise the Lord for his noble life.

"I feel that this message of Sabbath truth must go to all the world. What is our board doing about Italy? By the way, I believe the leader of the independent Sabbathkeepers in Poland is coming to Australia. I do hope I can contact him and win him for our work. I believe Brother Ballenger and Pastor McGeachy might be able to help in this matter."

### INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

#### Youth to Take a Hand for ICU

Just as the International Christian University is designed to have a great impact on the youth of Japan, even so the youth of America are feeling the momentum of the undertaking through their plans to aid in the \$10,000,000 project. All over the United States and Canada there is a quickening of interest and the desire to take a leading part in getting out "the vote for peace and good will" in ICU Week, April 19 to 26, and in making a gift as a token of what the friendship of American youth really can mean.

#### Eminent Americans and Canadians Are ICU Fund Sponsors

When the International Christian University \$10,000,000 Fund Campaign opens on the day after Easter, April 9, it will have behind it a most influential group of Americans and Canadians. Nearly 140 prominent people have already promised to serve as sponsors.

Representing 28 states and the District of Columbia and several provinces of Canada, this sponsoring committee includes United States senators and representatives, a number of State governors, ranking officers of the Army and Navy, editors of influential newspapers, bishops and moderators of the major Churches, labor and industrial leaders, lawyers of wide renown — a cross section of the upper strata of the men and women whose prestige is greatest in North America.

#### Many Letters of Endorsement

From nearly all of those who have accepted membership have come letters attesting the worth of the undertaking of JICUF to establish in Japan a university that will play such a valuable part in making that nation a democratic and great friend of the rest of the world.

The \$10,000,000 campaign to be carried on in the seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost is already, in the opinion of many, exerting a lasting influence on both Canada and the United States. Reports from Japan tell that the Japanese, having oversubscribed their 150,000,000 Yen ICU Fund by more than 5,000,000 yen, are

### SEEKING GOD

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." Psalm 51: 17.

The Japanese once boasted that they were the light of Asia, a light which would emancipate the Orient from the darkness of Western domination and bring forth in the East a new order of peace and prosperity. Thus they led themselves into a fatal war, committing grave sins against God and humanity. But when the Japanese came to themselves, they knew that they are not, as a people, of such arrogance and insolence. Materialism and secularism make all people selfish, arrogant, and sinful.

There is an old Japanese poem which says, "Do not think you see with the power of your own eyes, but by the light of the moon, you see the moon." So the Japanese people must see God, not with the power of their own physical eyes, but humbly receiving the aid of the light which shines forth from Jesus Christ. Then they can walk in that light, become a part of that light, and thus shine in the dark land of Japan.

One of the pupils at a Baptist girls' school in Japan was trying hard to have faith in God, but somehow she could not attain it. One day this thought came to her mind, "If I want to buy something, I have to go to my parent first and ask for money. Then why not go directly to my Heavenly Father and humbly ask for faith?" Well, she did. Early in the morning she went into a chapel and there alone with a humble spirit and repentant heart she prayed to God very earnestly. And faith was given to her. She became a new creature. She was graduated from school some years ago, and is now a happy Christian wife and mother. — Rev. Isamu Chiba, Principal of Soshin Girls' School, Yokohama, Japan.

"If you want the melon you dare not cut the vine." — Lost Creek, W. Va., Church Bulletin.

watching the project in the New World with an intense interest — ICU Newsletter, March, 1950.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS NOTES

By Rev. Albert N. Rogers  
President, Seventh Day Baptist  
Board of Christian Education

◆ Yesterday was National Christian College Day on the calendar of some Churches. College associates become life-long friends. And friends are as influential many times as the views of faculty for good or ill. Does your Church have a future in the leaders being trained in Christian colleges?

◆ We are prompted to pay tribute to the late Velma Davis of Lost Creek, W. Va. She was a teacher in public schools by profession and in Church schools by choice. In both she gave completely of her abilities and of herself to others. For her there were no reservations in the response she gave to Him who said, "Go . . . teach."

◆ "Sometimes I think our children get too many papers. I would prefer they get one good paper with the lesson and maybe one story. The Sabbath Visitor is a fine paper, and it is ours!" — Mrs. Gladys Randolph, Milton, Wis.

◆ National Family Week is coming up early in May. Plan what you can do to make your family ties stronger. God works through homes, through devoted homes, through modest homes, through genuine families, through brave families. He works even through unhappiness when families help take the shock.

◆ Rev. Ronald I. Hargis, secretary-elect of the Board of Christian Education, met with the board on April 16 to discuss plans for beginning his work the last day of May. He will complete his studies at the Hartford Theological Foundation, Hartford, Conn., before moving to R. D. 2, Coudersport, Pa., where he will occupy the First Hebron Church parsonage while carrying on a study of religious education in the Church and community there.

## Seventh Day Baptist General Conference

SALEM, W. VA., AUGUST 22-27, 1950

## WORLD CONVENTION ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

From Angola and Venezuela, from Australia and the Fiji Islands, from the Bible Lands, the Gold Coast, and behind the Iron Curtain, from Kenya, Pakistan, Thailand, and many other countries will come 5,000 delegates to the World Convention on Christian Education at Toronto, Canada, next summer.

Church school leaders, children, youth, and adult guidance experts, ministers, and laymen from nearly 70 nations will attend the mid-century convention from August 10 through 16, sponsored by the World Council of Christian Education, according to Dr. Forest L. Knapp, general secretary.

The theme will be "Jesus Christ — Teacher and Lord."

Among the more than 200 speakers, leaders of worship and discussion groups, and others in responsible positions are the following world-known Christian educators: Lord Macintosh of Halifax, of England, president of the W. C. C. E., and chairman of the National Savings Movement; Dr. Luther A. Weigle, of the United States, chairman of the Assembly of the W. C. C. E., and dean emeritus of the Yale Divinity School; Bishop Stephen C. Neill, of England, assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and associate general secretary of the World Council of Churches; Dr. Charles Malik, of Lebanon, head of the Lebanese delegation to the United Nations, and former chairman of the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); C. W. Li, of China, chairman of the World Christian Youth Commission, and formerly on the staff of the World's Alliance of the Young Men's Christian Association; and other prominent speakers and leaders from India, Canada, Switzerland, Mexico, Japan, and the Fiji Islands.

Special features of the convention include a mass youth service of witness; a vesper service at the statue of Robert Raikes, founder of the modern Sunday school movement; meetings by Church communions; regional gatherings; recreation; morning worship services; and international choirs at evening plenary sessions.

Films and other audio-visual aids will

be prominent in the many sessions of the convention. Paper pictures, charts, filmstrips, and slides are being gathered from all parts of the world. Filmstrips are being prepared for premier showing at the convention.

Morning sessions will find delegates divided into four groups to consider the effect of the contemporary world upon Christian education.

Afternoon sessions will see the four groups further divided into two sections each. One will introduce visual aids and literature on special topics for each group; the other will feature exhibits, demonstrations, examination of materials, and making of new friendships.

On five evenings the 5,000 or more delegates with visitors, will meet in the coliseum of the Canadian Exposition Park for worship, fellowship singing, with familiar hymns in different languages; dramatic episodes; and addresses by notable Christian leaders from different continents.

Included in the convention will be the 22nd Quadrennial Convention of the International Council of Religious Education, previously scheduled for 1951. — International Council of Religious Education Release.

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rowed an electric pump . . . borrowed help . . . and by dint of much labor . . . iced over about two thirds of our front lawn for a skating rink. The result? Untold satisfaction in providing a clean, wholesome, supervised recreation, and the hearty appreciation of all the youngsters in the neighborhood."

"Parsonage improvements planned. We are planning and are raising money for another bedroom and a large living room, also kitchen cabinets."

"The Home of the Rural Pastor" contains a full interdenominational survey with plans for building, suggestions for improvement, ways to make the parsonage more effective, etc. This pamphlet may be secured from Ralph A. Felton, Drew University, Madison, N. J., at 40 cents each or three for one dollar.

Melvin G. Nida.

Alfred, N. Y.,  
March, 1950.



## OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

Address: Mizpah S. Greene  
Andover, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am eleven years old and am in the sixth grade. I have two sisters and two brothers. Bonnie is thirteen years old, Barbara is three years old, Bobby is four years old, and Billy will be two years old on May 6, 1950.

I go to Sabbath school and like it very much. There are four other pupils in our class. My teacher is Mrs. Wallace Greene.

We also have parties, including roller skating parties.

I guess I will have to study my Sabbath school lesson.

May God bless you,  
Vivian Louise Bonser.

R. R. 1, Dodge Center, Minn.

Dear Vivian:

It was good to receive your letter and to learn about your nice family. You and Barbara must be happy playmates, judging from your ages, and the same will be true of Bobby and Billy as they grow older.

We have just been enjoying a visit from our son and his family from Bridgeton, N. J. They got here soon after ten o'clock last Wednesday night, April 5, and started for home soon after the nine o'clock whistle blew Sabbath night. It was our first sight of their darling baby Kathie, just five months old March 27. Her older sister and brother think she is wonderful and I, of course, agree with them.

They had only been here a few minutes when, to the dismay of us all, we discovered that six-year-old Kristie was coming down with chicken pox, though he hated to own up to it. He kept saying, "If I had chicken pox I'd tell you." It sort of spoiled the visit for him as he had planned to stay nights with a little friend, the son of one of our near neighbors, and besides, he didn't like being cooped up in the house, especially as he wasn't very sick.

Roller skating parties must be a lot of fun. I do believe my thirteen-year-old granddaughter, Joyce, would rather roller skate than eat.

Don't forget to write often.  
Yours in Christian love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am a little girl seven years old. I come over to my grandma's and read the Children's Page, so I thought I would write you a letter.

I am in the second grade. I like to read. I live close to school.

The Church is just a little way from my home. I like Sabbath school.

I have a brother whose name is Bruce. I like to play with him.

Your friend,  
Janet Lippincott.

Milton, Wis.

Dear Janet:

I'm pleased that you enjoy reading the Children's Page enough to do your part to make other children enjoy reading it and I do hope I'll receive many good letters from you. Please send your letters directly to me after this instead of to the Recorder.

I'm glad you like to read, for in doing so, you can spend many happy hours. Little Kristie's chicken pox was more bearable because he does love to read and to be read to. He likes to read the funnies — that is, the really nice, ones. Do you?

My favorite playmate when I was a little girl was my own brother, too. We lived on a farm just a short distance from the country school, so of course we had other friends, but we enjoyed our fun at home best of all. My brother now lives in Alberta, Canada, and I haven't seen him in a long, long time, but I often hear from him.

My granddaughter, Joyce, has a new dog which she has named Cheeko. Isn't that a funny name for a doggie? Now her sister Gretchen thinks she must have a kitty. What do you think?

I heard the other day about a little girl who was surprised to find a nice white kitty at the front door begging to be let in. Her mother said she could have it for her own if no one else claimed it. At first she was kind to her pet and the kitty was playful and loving. But one day she came crying to her mother and said

## CHURCH NEWS

PLAINFIELD, N. J. — The 112th annual business meeting of the Plainfield Church was held in the sanctuary on April 2, 1950.

The pastor's report revealed a modification in the order of the morning worship to add interest to that service. He also reported that as a result of the directory notice in the Plainfield Courier-News and the news items on Church activities, an interested person has started coming to the prayer meetings and morning worship. The pastor was re-elected for two years.

Highlights from the report of the advisory committee reveal the rendition of parts of Handel's "Messiah" in mid-December in which residents of the community participated. This project was successfully consummated under the capable directorship of Dr. Howard S. Savage, choir director. This committee also aided in the visitation campaign last fall of Church members who have failed to attend for a long time. Much enthusiasm and interest was engendered.

The Pro-Con group, young adults in the Church, has helped to initiate the raising of funds to replace pew cushions. The succeeding project will be the recarpeting of the sanctuary.

The Sabbath school showed an increase in membership. The primary department under the able leadership of Miss Lucy H. Whitford is filling an important need in Bible instruction of preschool children.

A chicken supper was tastefully prepared by Mrs. Henry A. Poulin and her committee, which followed the afternoon session. — Frederick J. Bakker, Reporter.

the kitty was bad and had scratched her. "Did you do anything to the kitty to make her scratch you?" asked her mother. "I only pulled her tail," answered the little girl.

"It must have hurt the poor kitty," said her mother. "If you are kind to the kitty, I'm sure she will be kind to you." The little girl hung her head and said, "I won't pull her tail or be naughty to kitty again."

Your loving Christian friend,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — Special evangelistic services were held at the Seventh Day Baptist Church the weekend of March 25, beginning on Friday evening. Visitors in charge were a quartet, Willard Wells, William Saunders, Deryl White, and Roy Davis. Two pastors were also present, Rev. Francis D. Saunders of Denver, Colo., and Rev. Leland E. Davis of Boulder, Colo.

There were sermons both Sabbath and Sunday mornings and afternoons, given by the ministers, with several selections sung by the quartet. The theme was, "The Christ of the Cross."

Dinners were served at the Church both days, under the leadership of the social committee of the Church, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson. The food was brought by the members. On Sabbath evening the singers called on shut-ins and sang for them.

One carload of visitors left for their homes Sunday evening and the others remained until Monday morning.

This is an evangelistic project started in the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Boulder last October at an associational meeting. It is planned that a similar team will come from Nortonville, Kan., and that a team will go out from the local Church to Kansas and Colorado. — Myra T. Barber, Correspondent.

The offering last week (Second Budget Sabbath, March 25) for the Denominational Budget amounted to \$172.71. Fifty-one dollars of this amount was contributed by the Ladies' Missionary Circle. Thank you, ladies. — North Loup, Neb., Church Bulletin.

## Marriages

Lindahl - Rogers. — Robert N. Lindahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lindahl of Dodge Center, Minn., and Lois Rogers, daughter of Mrs. Jessie Rogers of Rochester, Minn., were united in marriage on February 4, 1950. Rev. R. N. Burrell officiated. The new home is at 311 North 5th St., Austin, Minn.

## BIRTHS

Perrin. — A daughter, Brenda Rae, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Perrin, Jr., Ashaway, R. I., on March 20, 1950. The young father

and mother are both members of the First Hopkinton Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Pickard. — A son, Jerry William, to Mr. and Mrs. William Pickard of Washington, R. I., February 12, 1950.

Bogie. — A daughter, Beverly Brita, to Lieut. and Mrs. Bruce Bogie of Battle Creek, Mich., March 7, 1950. Lieut. Bogie is stationed in Japan at the present time.

Payne. — Douglas Alvin, on March 18, 1950, to Donald and Dean (Rood) Payne of Dodge Center, Minn.

Bond. — Susan Rae, on December 4, 1949, to Raymond and Joan Bond, Dodge Center, Minn.

Cruzan. — Jonathan David, on April 5, 1950, to Earl and Mabel Cruzan, Dodge Center, Minn.

## RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

### Anna Wells Holston

No one hears the door that opens  
When they pass beyond our call,  
Soft as loosened leaves of roses  
One by one our loved ones fall.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has removed from our midst our sister, Anna Wells Holston (Mrs. E. M.), our intimate association with her during the many years makes it fitting that we record our appreciation of her; therefore be it

**Resolved,** That while this life leaves a vacancy which will be deeply felt by all connected with this organization and which proves a serious loss to both the community and the Church, we will continue to hold her life of Christian faith and service in grateful remembrance; and be it further

**Resolved,** That we do say with her this Scripture verse from Deuteronomy 31: 8 which was so dear to her heart in her last illness — "And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed."

**Resolved,** That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the bereaved family with our deepest sympathy, a copy be sent to the Sabbath Recorder, and a copy placed in the records of our society.

The Ladies' Aid Society,  
Battle Creek, Mich.,  
Seventh Day Baptist Church.



The Annual

## SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

MAY 15-18, 1950

Indian Trails Camp, Milton, Wis.

### THE CONFERENCE LECTURES

7:30-8:30; Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings

**World War in the Soul: A New Theology**

(1) The Christian View of Man; (2) The Christian View of Christ; (3) The Christian View of the Church.

Dr. David W. Soper, head of the Department of Religion at Beloit College, is eminently qualified by study and personal contact with contemporary theological leaders to speak of developing religious thought in a world needing spiritual guidance.

### THE BIBLE STUDIES

9:15-10:15; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings

**Sources of Strength**

(1) Our Father; (2) Our Saviour; (3) Our Consolation.

Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, through many years as editor and author of *The Helping Hand*, has amassed a background of Scriptural information from which to speak on matters of primary concern to all pastors.

### THE WORKSHOPS

1:30-3:00 and 3:00-4:30; Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons

**I. The Practice of Private Devotions, 1:30-3:00**

Led by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley, pastor of the Salem Church. Demands upon the spiritual resources of the minister of the Gospel are heavy, not only in counselling others but in maintaining a significant personal religious experience. This workshop is designed to challenge ministers to probe new depths of personal devotional living.

**II. Methods of Sermon Preparation, 3:00-4:30**

Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, pastor of the host church, will direct in this workshop, half of the delegates, toward a sharing and evaluation of the sources and methods each man utilizes in preparing to declare the Word to his congregation.

**III. Radio Techniques, 3:00-4:30**

For pastors interested in microphone practice, studio procedure, and technical speech improvement, Professor Herbert Crouch of Milton College will conduct a radio speech clinic. Pastors are urged to be prepared to choose between these two late afternoon workshops.

### GROUP PARTICIPATION

**The Evening Discussions**

8:30-9:30, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings

Following each of his lectures Dr. Soper will preside at an open discussion, and be prepared to answer questions and pursue further any interest of the group relating to his central theme.

**Viewpoints and Experiences**

11:00-12:00, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings

Mr. Sutton will be in charge of the morning period of shop-talk.

### DEVOTIONAL LIFE

**Morning Devotions**

9:00-9:15, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings

Led by Rev. Kenneth Van Horn, Rev. Francis Saunders, and Rev. Kenneth Stickney.

**Evening Prayer**

7:00-7:30, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings

Led by Rev. Herbert L. Polan, Rev. Lester G. Osborn, and Rev. Paul S. Burdick.

**The Retreat**

10:15-11:00, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings

A period for private prayer.

**The Communion Service**

11:00, Thursday morning

Rev. Hurley S. Warren will conduct the period of "Viewpoints and Experiences," and the Communion will be administered by Rev. Claude L. Hill and Rev. Carroll L. Hill.



The Sabbath  
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