

**OUR WORLD MISSION**  
**OWM Budget Receipts For July 1964**

	Treasurer's		Boards'		Treasurer's		Boards'
	July	10 Mos.	10 Mos.		July	10 Mos.	10 Mos.
Adams Center	\$ 107.05	\$ 662.65		Memorial Fund	450.74	1,501.83	1,000.00
Albion	50.00	420.05		Middle Island	69.00	352.00	
Alfred, 1st	1,363.50	5,434.16		Milton	2,724.62	8,601.32	235.00
Alfred, 2nd	190.01	1,736.82		Milton Junction	167.00	1,667.00	
Associations				New Auburn	118.07	566.26	
& Groups	213.25	552.35	\$ 724.58	North Loup	862.11	1,720.51	440.92
Battle Creek	692.44	5,397.21	50.00	Nortonville	450.50	1,515.83	75.00
Bay Area	101.50	426.50	77.62	Old Stone Fort	86.00	360.25	197.50
Berlin	104.81	1,108.82	35.00	Paint Rock		195.00	
Boulder	115.45	532.91		Pawcatuck	493.75	5,131.10	
Brookfield, 1st	55.00	360.60		Plainfield	300.09	3,462.43	
Brookfield, 2nd		104.00	20.00	Richburg	186.75	1,297.25	
Buffalo	5.00	345.00		Ritchie	33.00	322.00	
Chicago	252.50	1,150.00		Riverside	451.51	4,137.62	
Daytona Beach	107.00	1,045.27	126.50	Roanoke	10.00	110.00	
Denver	178.69	1,196.01	25.00	Rockville	76.30	539.18	
De Ruyter	62.00	380.25		Salem	253.50	2,000.00	
Dodge Center	229.22	1,136.95	5.00	Salemville	30.00	244.41	6.00
Farina	116.75	469.40		Schenectady		144.60	
Fouke	33.00	103.00		Shiloh	970.15	6,193.06	10.00
Hammond	25.00	105.93		Texarkana		44.30	
Hebron, 1st	124.00	757.78		Trustees of			
Hopkinton, 1st	353.20	2,410.26		Gen. Conf.		101.45	
Hopkinton, 2nd	28.50	129.88		Verona	522.40	1,504.44	
Houston	55.10	254.76		Walworth	129.75	791.25	
Independence	204.00	1,043.85		Washington	120.00	341.50	
Individuals	481.00	817.00	1,820.23	Washington			
Irvington	700.00	1,900.00	200.00	People's	15.00	117.00	
Jackson Center		250.00		Waterford	150.95	1,403.05	
Kansas City	55.00	475.00		White Cloud	114.82	618.18	
Little Genesee	147.60	1,258.55		Yonah Mt.		65.00	
Little Rock	7.00	259.50					
Los Angeles	520.00	2,960.00	15.00	Budget	\$15,942.06	\$84,517.62	\$5,063.35
Los Angeles,				Non-budget		41.58	
Christ's	10.00	145.00		Total to			
Lost Creek	180.00	1,294.65		disburse	\$15,983.64		
Marlboro	288.48	2,845.69					

**JULY DISBURSEMENTS**

Board of Christian Education	\$ 1,412.28
Historical Society	99.43
Ministerial Retirement (Mem. Fd.)	1,235.50
Ministerial Education	2,104.89
Missionary Society	7,272.31
Tract Society	2,169.89
Trustees of General Conference	137.67
Women's Society	296.81
World Fellowship & Service	220.53
General Conference	1,004.33
Salem College	30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,983.64</b>

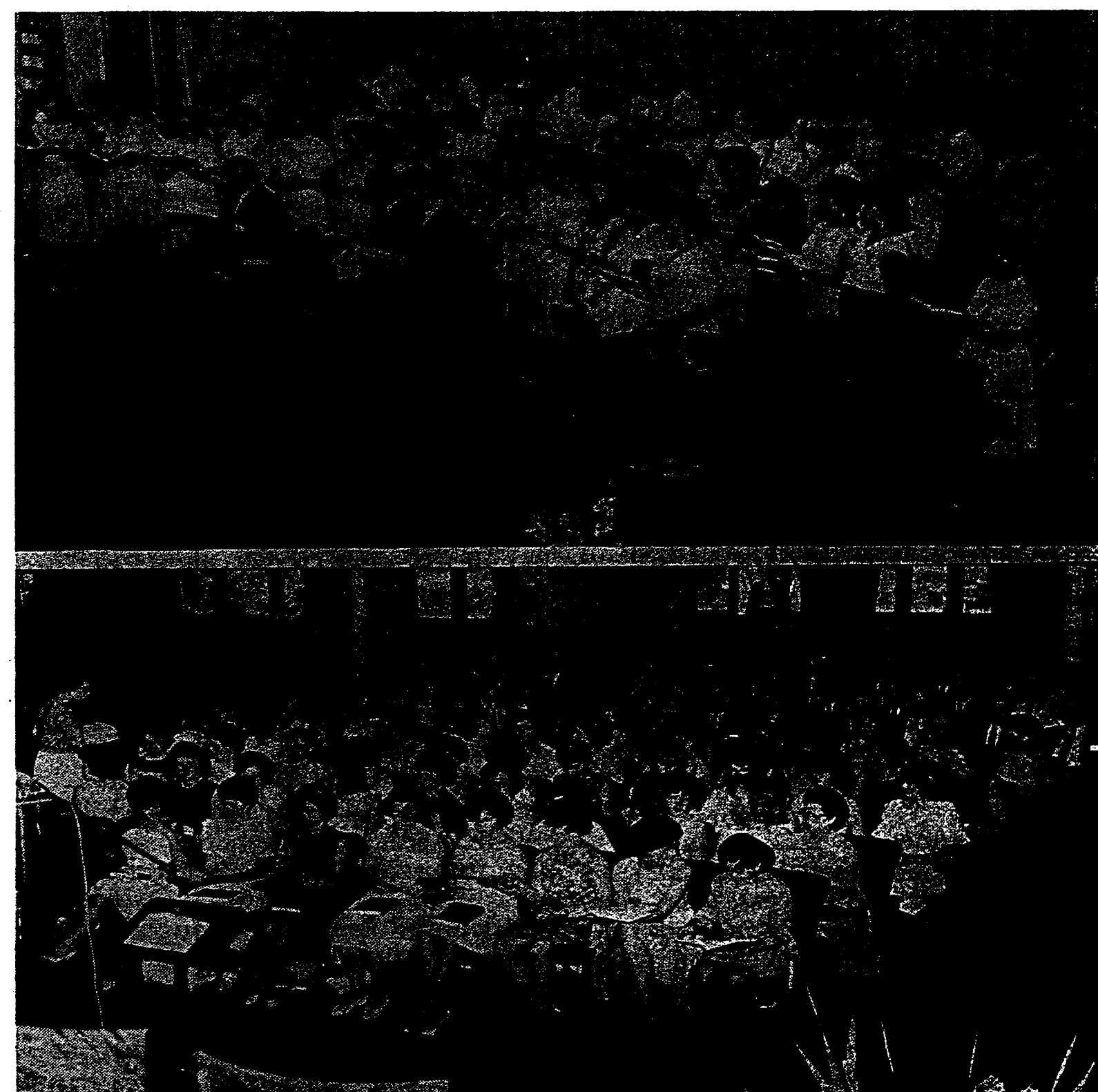
**SUMMARY**

1963-1964 OWM Budget	\$100,510.00
Receipts for 10 months:	
OWM Treasurer	\$84,517.62
Boards	5,063.35
	89,580.97
Amount needed to raise budget	\$ 10,929.03
Needed per month to raise budget	
by July 31	\$ 26,811.79
Percentage of (10 month) time elapsed	100%
Percentage of budget raised	89.12%

Gordon L. Sanford,  
Little Genesee, N. Y.,  
OWM Treasurer.

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**Music Scenes from Conference**

**Upper photo:** The Tuesday evening (Aug. 18) worship service led by Rev. Neal D. Mills and Naval Harley, with Rev. J. Paul Green ready to preach the sermon. On the platform are members of the Conference choir, which rendered beautiful music each evening.

**Lower photo:** The youth pre-Con chorus under the direction of Mrs. Mynor Soper, rehearsing in the college auditorium for their evening songfest.

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## Our World Consultation

The First World Consultation of Delegates of Seventh Day Baptist Conferences which has been promoted largely by the Missionary Society has now become an accomplished fact, and some comments other than the official report are in order. Readers are urged to refer back to the center section of the August 3 Recorder for pictures and the program outline, which was followed in general through the four days of deliberation in Clarksburg and Salem, W. Va., August 12-16. Other articles and pictures relating to this gathering and the foreign delegates who won the hearts of those who came to know them will appear as space permits.

Here is the way the consultation started. All delegates, alternates, and advisers checked in at the Waldo Hotel in Clarksburg on Tuesday, the 11th of August, and had their first meal together the next morning. Representatives from six countries had been in the United States from a few days to two weeks but were now assembling to engage in the consultation for which they had made the long journey.

It was a thrilling and perhaps somewhat awesome experience to enter the carefully arranged room where problems and hopes of Seventh Day Baptist churches throughout the world would be discussed. The room arrangement, some said, was patterned after the United Nations in that the official delegates held assigned places of honor at the tables, with alternates or advisers sitting behind them or within reach so that the delegates could ask them to clarify a given point or so that they could ask the delegate for permission to speak. Although this provision seemed at first a little awesome it was designed to emphasize the equality of delegates and to draw out the ideas of those from the younger churches without having the conversation dominated by missionaries, board secretaries, or others of the United States whose experience might qualify them to speak. In order to make it easier for observers to hear, the long delegate tables were later separated into a V shape with the chairman, Loren Osborn, outside the point of the V and the official secretary, Rev. Alton L. Wheeler, at a table in the open end.

A television commentator who photographed the first evening session for the local station surprised some of the viewers at the hotel by suggesting that the delegates were arranged in a V-for-victory formation. A perceptive Jamaican delegate thought it more appropriate to think that the tables extended out indefinitely to include all the Seventh Day Baptists of the world.

Under the free and careful supervision of chairman Loren Osborn, the objective of equal standing was quickly and consistently achieved. During the first hour it was difficult to get full discussion from some of those from mission lands or from Europe where there was a bit of hesitancy in free expression in the English language. Soon, however, the voice of the continental and the younger churches was adding much to the consultation.

The group was not large. Visitors were welcome, but few attended regularly. Dr. W. B. Lewis of Battle Creek, long interested in missions, had come to spend the entire time with the consultation. Others came to the meeting place from time to time as they had opportunity, sitting close enough to hear what was going on and to catch the significance of these international deliberations, which were designed to be mutually helpful rather than to pass motions.

The participants, as before mentioned, were the official delegates — two from Germany, two from Jamaica, one each from the United States, England, Holland, Malawi, and British Guiana. Present most of the time were three alternates (without vote) for the U.S. delegate, Rev. Rex Zwiebel: Secretary E. T. Harris for the Missionary Board, Secretary L. M. Maltby for the Tract Board, and Stephen Rogers for the young people. As advisers to the Malawi delegate were Miss Sarah Becker and Miss Joan Clement, and to the Jamaican delegates, Rev. Leon Lawton, and Rev. and Mrs. Grover Brissey.

Those who were participants became accustomed to each other and soon forgot that they had not been acquainted for long. They respected the opinions of all. It was not consciously a meeting of older and younger churches but a blending of ideas as common problems were faced.

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The vigor and enthusiasm of men representing the expanding work in Jamaica, Malawi, and British Guiana was caught by the men who were older in years and in the church history of Seventh Day Baptists in their country. It was definitely stimulating. Observers, alternates, and visitors were thrilled to be in such a meeting and expressed the feeling that the best thing that could happen to our young people and older people would be to sit in on some sessions of CoWoCo. A young American participant when asked to express himself on one of the points being discussed stated that in most groups he was accustomed to speaking out but in this one he enjoyed listening.



Signing Consultation Report

The official delegates, each with a specially inscribed pen signing the report of the Consultation which is now printed in pamphlet form for distribution in the various conferences. The signing, which took place in the office of the president of Salem College, was photographed for viewing on a TV news program.

The experiences of the consultation are not easy to describe to those who were not involved. It was the first of its kind and therefore there is nothing with which to compare it. It was quite different from the public appearance of the delegates at churches and at Conference, valuable as those appeared to be. It changed everyone concerned in one way or another. The preconceived notions of how the proposed questions would be discussed or answered gradually faded away as everyone felt the impact of the course the deliberations took. It was unifying experience, truly a world consultation.

## First Session of Conference

In the well-filled auditorium of Salem College, President C. Rex Burdick called to order the 152nd annual session of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference on August 17 at 9:30 a.m. with the dignity which the occasion called for. It was to be a Conference of great significance for those in attendance and for all the churches which they represented. There would be more world overtones in this gathering than in previous ones because of the presence of representatives from five other Conferences who had been meeting in the vicinity during the preceding week.

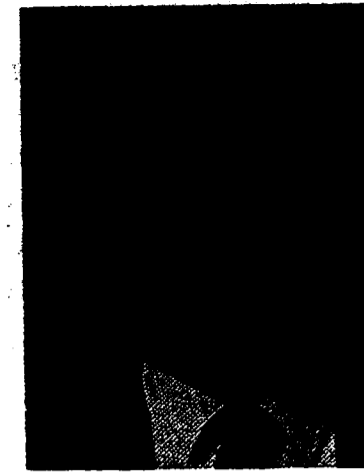
The Conference choir was on the platform; the organist was at the console, and the leader of the opening worship service, the Rev. Albert N. Rogers, had arranged a meaningful program that brought carefully prepared statements reminding the worshipers of their situation in time and eternity and continued with an act of dedication in which the cosmopolitan, nationwide, worldwide congregation joined in an alternate reading from a mimeographed sheet.

After the president's statement to the Conference (printed in this issue) there were the usual addresses of welcome — if such messages by Leland Bond and the president of the college, K. Duane Hurley, can be called usual, which they cannot. Mr. Bond had a flowery speech (the word SPEECH printed on a flower-adorned card) which he tossed aside. He gave a few appropriate remarks about the forward-looking work of the Southeastern Association which was host for the General Conference. Mr. Hurley gave a little story of the Seventh Day Baptist background of Salem College, which is now expanding in so many ways in facilities, finances and student enrollment. He noted that the annual budget is now over one million dollars and that the capital expansion program is drawing more participation from Seventh Day Baptist donors than ever before. To the campus of such a college he expressed the welcome that had already been felt by those who had already been so adequately housed in dormitories and homes. Herbert L. Crouch,

chairman of Commission, in his quiet but thoughtful way, voiced the response of the delegates and visitors.

The international flavor of the Conference was accentuated at the first session by presenting on the platform all the delegates from foreign shores, each of whom was asked to bring a three-minute greeting. It was noted that the idea of such a world consultation as had been held was first proposed 287 years ago by Seventh Day Baptist leaders. The representative from England was able to speak of a grandparent relation to the American churches. In 1664 Stephen Mumford came from England to the colonies and started the work in Newport, R. I. In 1964 the pastor of Mumford's home church came to the United States. The British Guiana citizen noted that he was the first since the days of T. L. M. Spencer to come to this country. The two German delegates spoke of the present state of the German churches which were lately-born daughters of the mother church (1934). From the new nation of Malawi (July 6, 1964) Pastor Manan brought greetings from the mission, from the village church he serves, and from his own family, and thanked the Conference for missionaries, financial help, and prayers. Mr. Zijlstra spoke of the 80-year history of the Dutch church started by the Sabbath tract work of Nathan Wardner. The Netherlands Conference meeting in July with 270 in attendance extended greetings through him. The two representatives from Jamaica spoke of the continuing need of missionary help on their island. They spoke of being touched by the warmth of welcome they had received in homes and churches and of their hopes for a very profitable Conference. Mr. Osborn, chairman, mentioned the official report of CoWoCo to be presented later in the week. At the conclusion of this part of the morning program there was a great ovation.

At the first business session the recording secretary presented a motion outlining business procedure and including an invitation for full participation of foreign visitors except that voting on matters relating to the United States Conference be official delegates as determined by the Credentials Committee.



## Establishing Conference Objectives

*A message given by the  
Conference President at the opening  
session at Salem, W. Va., August 17, 1964*

By Rev. C. Rex Burdick

From across the face of these great United States, from mountain and plain, from city and farm, we have covered upon this little city of Salem in West Virginia. We have gathered in this small conference of this small denomination known by the name of Seventh Day Baptist to attend to the greatest work on earth, to attend to the work of Christ's Kingdom on earth. From the far corners of the globe, from sun-drenched tropical isle to steaming central Africa, from beautiful South America to bustling Western Europe, we have left the material pursuits of our everyday lives that command so much of our body's energies, in order that we may for a time more fully give ourselves to the spiritual pursuits which command our higher loyalties.

I am sure that we shall have a delightful time as we mingle together and as we share in the fellowship and the faith which has come to be so meaningful to us as Seventh Day Baptists. But let it also be remembered,

"We are not here to play, to dream,  
to drift:

We have hard work to do and loads  
to lift."

This Seventh Day Baptist General Conference is not primarily a social gathering where we exchange a pleasant annual greeting with our friends. This is a great religious convocation in which we shall sharpen our spiritual perception, deepen our spiritual experience, enlarge our spiritual vision, and develop our spiritual service.

As during this Conference, we take a look at some of the problems which face the last one third of the twentieth century, we shall either be overwhelmed by the magnitude of those problems; or we shall

be overwhelmed by the magnitude of the Savior who holds the answer, who, indeed, is the answer to the multiplicity of today's problems. We shall face the future with foreboding because of the uncertainties engendered by our political, social, moral, and spiritual dilemmas; or we shall face the future with faith because of our certainty in a God who is greater than the universe He orders. We shall be incurable pessimists, basing our insecurity on the news headlines and our hopelessness on the nature of man; or we shall be unalterable optimists, basing our security on the biblical headlines and our hope in the nature of an all-powerful, yet all-merciful God. It is my sincere hope, my continual prayer, that during these sessions we shall discover anew that **Christ Is the Answer.**

Shortly after the Conference theme was announced, someone asked, "In just what way would Christ be any answer?" and "Do you think there really are answers in terms of solution?" Christ is the answer, first of all, because when He resides within us the problems which we encounter fade away, become insignificant, because of the spiritual excellence of His presence within us, so that even though the problems are not solved they are loved away even as the hurt of a little child is kissed away by the love of a concerned parent. The presence of Christ within us is greater than the fears which possess us or the problems which vex us. You see, the answer is primarily that "Christ (is) in us the hope of glory" (Col. 1: 27b).

Further, He is the answer because when the minds of men are yielded both to the person and will of Christ He directs them in love to the solution. The solution may not be immediately at hand, but it is ulti-

mately as certain as the ultimate triumph of Christ is certain. For example, when the minds of persons of all races are sufficiently possessed by Christ, respect, mutual acceptance, and love will replace the prejudice, discrimination, and violence which accompany the present racial conflict. When the minds of enough persons from the various nations are sufficiently possessed by Christ the threat of atomic warfare will cease to exist, for the desire of men will no longer be to destroy one another but rather to help one another.

It is true that we live in a day of unprecedented problems, but the presence of these problems makes it a day of unparalleled challenge. I think that this is the most exciting time in which to live that the world has ever seen. The world has again been brought to the point of crisis, and I believe that the next few years will determine the direction in which the future lies, whether by means of atomic holocaust we shall revert to the pre-civilization level, or whether by the means of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we shall launch a new adventure of brotherhood in Christ. In this crisis the scales will be tipped, not by the men in the chairs of political influence, but by the Church as it puts the power of Jesus Christ to work, or as it fails to concern itself with Christ as the answer.

Seventh Day Baptists seem to have been caught napping, following the paths of least resistance, concerning ourselves with trifles, allowing tradition to determine the pattern of our witness, and circumstances to shape the pattern of our growth, all this while other churches have been enjoying a period of phenomenal growth and development. But tradition and circumstances must not shape our witness; by our witness we must change our circumstance and develop a new and contemporary tradition.

Fellow Seventh Day Baptists, I am an optimist! I believe that God's Kingdom will come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven, whether or not Seventh Day Baptists take their place in this great thrust, for God's will is not so easily thwarted. "If these hold their peace, the very stones will cry out." However, I believe that Seventh Day Baptists may

have a very real, important, significant role to play in this continuing extension of God's Kingdom on earth. Whether or not we shall fulfill this role depends largely upon our willingness to seek God's will and follow His leadership now in a changing and demanding world. I have confidence that we shall be able to rise to meet this challenge as God lays it upon our hearts.

During this conference we want our denomination to increase in spiritual stature. We want to come to a more complete commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. We want to discover a bit more about our place in the family of churches. We want to increase our contribution to the faith of the world. We want to discover the best way to make our witness to a desperate world. We want to delve into the depths of the race crisis. We want to explore the spiritual aspects of church and state and their mutual relationships. We want to take our place in the study of and the stemming of the tide of declining morality. We want to determine how we can best share our faith with non-Christians and with Christians of other denominations. Yet we want to hold fast to the distinctive Sabbath witness which we believe God has given us, not lose this precious witness by default in our desire to be one with others. United in service, yet distinctive in faith, might well be the watchword of Seventh Day Baptists.

We are Seventh Day Baptists, not because ours is the perfect denomination, but because, of all the denominations, ours most nearly conforms to our understanding of Christ's will for the church. I am a Seventh Day Baptist because I hold this basic conviction.

During the experiences of this year, one thought more than any other, has grown upon me. It is that he who truly loves Christ must also truly love Christ's Church. The Scriptures frequently describe the Church as the body of Christ or as the bride of Christ. In Colossians 1: 18, we read that Christ is "The head of the body, the church." In Ephesians 5: 25-27, St. Paul tells us that Christ "loved the church and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it, . . . that

### MEMORY TEXT

Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Luke 10: 2.

he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle. . . ." It would appear to be impossible for a man to love Christ and at the same time to despise Christ's body, His bride, the Church for which He died.

Our church is not the perfect church, else there would be no place in it for us with our imperfections. The imperfections of its members are reflected in the church on earth. The Church in heaven is the only perfect church, but we believe that our church is the best church on earth. Though our church is not the perfect church, it is the object of our Savior's love, and as such, it must be the object of our love. Our duty to the church is to pray for it, labor for it, live our lives for it, and it may be, give our lives for it, that it may grow toward the perfection which Christ desires in His Church.

Already in the act of worship we have in unison stated our purposes, our objectives for this Conference. My desire for this Conference is that we shall grow in the likeness of Christ, develop in faith, deepen in commitment, pray with meaning, sing with devotion, speak with clarity, differ with charity, labor with love, plan with fervor, seek God's will for our denomination, and act under the leadership and inspiration of the Holy Spirit. My desire for us as individuals in the Conference is that because we are here, we shall be better Christians, better Seventh Day Baptists, and that because we are here the Seventh Day Baptist Church will become a better church, a more useful and usable arm for the extension of the Kingdom of God on earth.

In the days of the knights there was one of whom it could be said, "His strength was as the strength of ten because his heart was pure." Do we pray for strength without striving for purity?

## Institute at Training Center Now Under Way

By Victor W. Skaggs, dean

The first major activity at the newly established Seventh Day Baptist Center for Ministerial Education in the Denominational Building is under way. It has been launched with high hopes and humble prayer. Almost all of the efforts of the dean to this point have, of necessity, been aimed at the preparation of the physical arrangement of the Center and the preparation and organization of the course of study. Other urgent duties await the completion of this Institute.

The first Institute at the Center is a concentrated two weeks' study on Seventh Day Baptist polity. It will present for study and discussion the organization of our churches and the principles on which that organization is founded. It will relate our forms of polity to the forms found in other churches, both Catholic and Protestant. Its aim will be to clarify our position in the midst of the different and often conflicting views in the Church at large.

Those participating with the dean in presenting the study will be Harley D. Bond, executive secretary of the General Conference; Rev. Everett T. Harris, corresponding secretary of the Missionary Society; Rev. Leon M. Maltby, corresponding secretary of the American Sabbath Tract Society; Rev. Rex E. Zwiebel, executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education.

Those attending for study include CoWoCo representatives:

- British Guiana .. Jacob N. Tyrrell
- Jamaica ..... Rev. Joseph A. Samuels
- Naval Harley
- Malawi ..... Rev. Otrain B. Manan

Other CoWoCo representatives who are visiting at will and participating for a part of the time are the Rev. James McGeachy, England, and Johannes Bahlke, Germany. Students from the United States are Pastor Paul Beebe, Edward Sutton and Glen Warner.

# First World Consultation of Delegates from Seventh Day Baptist Conferences

## Introductory

Mutual understanding and increased appreciation for the hopes and problems of others have been the major achievement of this first CoWoCo session. As delegates of seven Seventh Day Baptist groups from as many nations shared and discussed with each other, a spirit of co-operation and joint resolve developed perceptibly. The delegates' remarks time and again employed the thought of love and unity — Christian love for our brothers and unity of purpose in Christ. The report of the deliberations of this historic meeting will demonstrate in small part the large import of what can only be described as intangible.

At the opening session of the First World Consultation of Seventh Day Baptists, opportunity was given for delegates and alternates to present items for consideration. It was voted that the ten suggested subjects listed in the printed program be considered with Item 8 (pertaining to "the possibilities of Europe becoming a mission field . . .") being deferred until last. A summary is herein presented:

**1. How may we best continue the worthwhile contributions of missionary efforts of the past under present national developments?**

Four suggestions were submitted:

1. The leadership education of pastors and laymen in mission fields toward the end of encouraging and enabling them to become indigenous.
  2. The employment of traveling missionaries each of whom would offer assistance with more than one mission area.
  3. The correlation of giving financial support or assistance to specific mission efforts.
  4. The extension of evangelistic endeavors acknowledging a significant shift of population from rural to urban areas.
- 2. Is there a continuing need for missionary service and if so, in what forms and how shall we proceed?**

There was general agreement that there is definitely a continuing need, and the following specific forms of filling the need were enumerated:

1. The need for traveling missionaries.
2. A wide distribution of religious literature, with extended follow-up through

personal contact as well as through correspondence.

3. The adequate training of national leaders and the providing of additional financial support, enabling trained leaders currently on part-time employment to devote more time to Christian service.

4. A challenge extended to those now receiving missionary assistance to look toward sending missionaries to other areas in the future.

5. A call to dedicated service on the part of laymen, including our youth (as during summer months) going to mission fields abroad as well as at home, as individuals or teams.

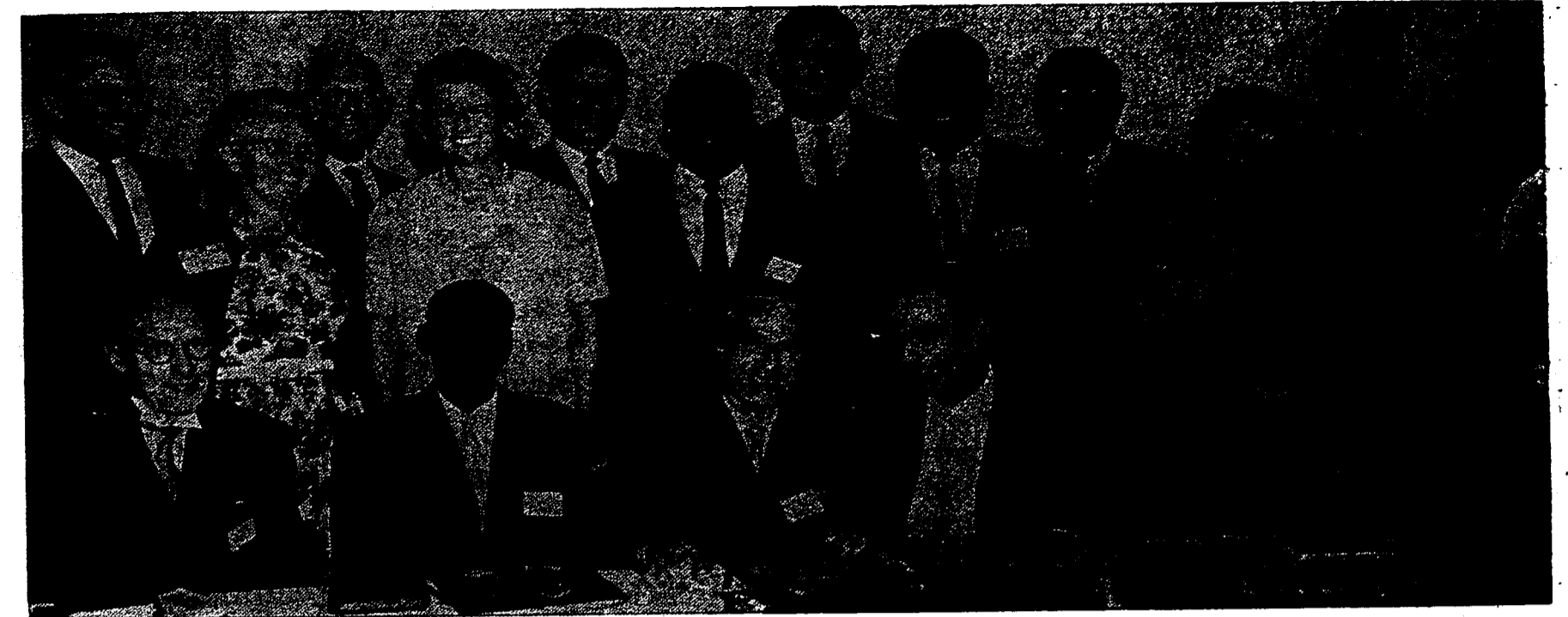
6. A communication of the Gospel by radio on an international level with financial responsibility shared by several conferences.

7. A continued encouragement of making missions indigenous. (Each of the delegates from British Guiana, Jamaica, and Malawi, however, stated that there is definite need of continued missionary assistance from abroad at this time, especially on a leadership training basis.)

8. An acknowledgement of the paramount need for prayer invoking the guidance, aid and blessing of God, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

**3. How may the various Seventh Day Baptist Conferences co-operate in such a way as to strengthen the individual Conferences?**

1. National groups might name contributing editors from whom materials could on occasion be submitted for inclusion in periodicals of others.



Consultation Delegates, Alternates and Advisers

Pictured here are the eight official delegates, U.S. alternates and missionary advisers who made up the First World Consultation of Delegates of Seventh Day Baptist Conferences, photographed by the secretary-editor, also an alternate delegate. Standing, left to right: Loren G. Osborn, chairman; Sarah E. Becker, adviser; G. Zijlstra, delegate; Joan Clement, adviser; Alton L. Wheeler, recorder; Otrain Manan, delegate; Leon R. Lawton, adviser; Joe Samuels, delegate; Grover and Alma Brissey, advisers; Stephen Rogers, alternate; Everett T. Harris, alternate. Seated: James McGeachy, J. N. Tyrrell, J. Bahlke, A. Mellmann, N. Harley, and Rex Zwiebel, delegates.

2. When more than one group contributes toward a given mission effort, they would do well to correlate their plans and labors (including the possible setting up of a "central treasury" or "co-ordinating agency").

3. Tape libraries might be formed for interchange.

4. Exchange of delegates could be made between conferences.

5. Financial assistance should be increased for ministerial students.

It was voted (a) that a centralized Denominational Ministerial Training Fund be established, (b) that sister conferences be invited to make annual contributions to it, (c) that the Council on Ministerial Education of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference (USA) be the administrator and that one representative from each participating conference be appointed by such conference to the central administrative committee in a correspondent capacity, and (d) that individual conferences be allowed to train their own ministers outside of this plan where applicable and where practicable.

**4. What are the Theological Education advantages in each country represented at CoWoCo? What are the opportunities and**

**handicaps to training of ministers in my country?**

A. It was noted that there are several advantages of educating ministerial students in their own countries:

1. This precludes the problem of language barrier.
2. The individual is educated within his own cultural environment.
3. While he is being educated, he is available for part-time service.
4. The student is often able to economize by living in his own home while furthering his education.

B. As the delegates called to mind certain opportunities and handicaps to training of ministers in their respective countries, it was apparent that:

1. While there are seminaries and Bible institutes of other denominations or of inter- or non-denominational affiliation available to those training for Seventh Day Baptist leadership, the need prevails for some means to teach courses in denominational doctrine, polity and history.
  - a. It was voted that we recommend to the Seventh Day Baptist Conference (USA) that the correspondence courses on Seventh Day Baptist History and Polity be revised and made available to use by

all Seventh Day Baptist conferences by and through the office of the Dean of the United States Theological Training Center.

b. It was voted that we recommend to all Seventh Day Baptist conferences that each prepare a concise history of its conference and offer it to be included in the third volume of Seventh Day Baptist history now being prepared, this arrangement subject to the agreement of the Historical Society and its editor.

c. It was voted that we recommend that the United States Conference Historical Society be asked to explore the possibility and feasibility of paperback binding of handily used portions of the unbound copies of *Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America* that may be considered to be pertinent history for use in the correspondence course.

2. There is a shortage of candidates who indicate having heard the call to enter into training for roles of Christian leadership.

3. Delegates of some countries expressed concern over having a comparatively small percentage of young people in the churches of some of the countries represented.

5. What is in the future for my Conference? What is the growth potential and how go about strengthening the church in each Conference?

As each of the delegates related instances of opportunities, challenges and obstacles, there were several manifestations of optimism shared.

6. My Conference and the Ecumenical Movement. What should be the attitude of Seventh Day Baptists of the world in regard to the trend toward merging of denominations? Is there a place for greater co-operation between denominations on mission fields?

The consensus of opinion shared by delegates was that merging with other denominations is out of the question at this time because of our distinctive belief in the Sabbath truth, free will of the individual, and local autonomy of the church; however, we desire to co-operate with other groups in the spirit of ecumenicity realizing that we could do some

things together more efficiently than alone. Through co-operation we are also afforded the opportunity to witness to the Sabbath truth.

7. Religious Freedom. How may the Conferences aid one another in the upward striving toward religious freedom? Is there common ground as to the separation of church and state issue? As to other threatened basic human rights?

No serious problems were posed in this area by those present, even though it was observed that some delegates live in countries where there is separation of church and state while others do not.

8. Suggestion from Holland: How can a better correlation of mission contributions with those from America be achieved as relates to sending gifts from England, Holland, and Germany to the younger churches?

After there had been discussion as to whether it might be deemed wiser to send contributions through or reports of contributions made to a central agency, it was agreed that this matter should be deferred for discretionary action by proposed Seventh Day Baptist World Federation if and when formed.

9. Looking toward the future: What plans should be suggested for another Consultation of Seventh Day Baptist Conferences?

It was voted that we recommend to the Seventh Day Baptist groups that they plan toward holding a meeting of delegates within five years.

The Commission of the General Conference (USA) confronted the CoWoCo with three paragraphs of Questions, the third series of which pertained to plans for some form of inter-conference or group organization. These questions coincided with those which delegates had encountered as they envisioned implementing their anticipated co-operative efforts, co-ordinating their respective programs and missions, and strengthening their ties of Christian lowship around the world.

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## NYASALAND BECOMES MALAWI

By Mrs. David C. Pearson

The red, green, and black Malawi flag was raised at midnight, July 5, over Central Stadium, Blantyre. There were approximately 40,000 spectators including Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburg, who represented the Queen, and delegates of more than 60 countries. Monday morning, July 6, six years after the day when Dr. Hastings Kamuzu Banda returned from England to lead the African National party he took the responsibility as Prime Minister of the independent land when he and the Governor-General, Sir Glyn Jones, were handed the instruments of government. After 73 years as a British Protectorate, the former Nyasaland is now Malawi, the 37th African autonomous state.

In a brief independence message printed in *The Times*, July 3, 1964 (the leading newspaper of the country,) Dr. Banda stated (in part),

"I am a man of peace. God knows how I love peace. Now that oppression has gone I extend to all of you a sincere appeal to join us. I need all of you to assist me and my Government in building up a prosperous and contented nation in which we can all live in peace.

"I could not omit to urge on every man, woman, and child to remember that self-government and independence politically can only be successful if it is accompanied by self-governing personally."

The name "Malawi" seems to have been used centuries ago for a large territory including this country and surrounding area, and the Malawi its people. Later the people were subdivided into other tribes, the Malawi empire being a commonwealth of loosely-knit groups with one paramount ruler for many years, before the entrance of the white man. Since the beginning of the drive for freedom in 1958, these people have used this word and when the party was reorganized in 1959, it was taken as their name. Malawi in Chinyanja means "flames." As well as being an original African name for this territory, it was fitting for a title in their effort for self-government as the fire burn-

ing in their hearts would not be quenched until they attained their desire.

To those in the U.S. who have thought in terms of Nyasaland as a mission field for many years, we ask you to continue to think in terms of your sister church in the land of Malawi, and its continuing need. (Friends will note that the address of our mission now should read: Makapwa Mission, P.O. Sandama, Malawi, Africa.) May we not lessen our efforts and our prayers for this country, that even as they have political freedom, there may be many more who will know the truth in Christ Jesus, which "shall make you free."

## Recent Visitors to Makapwa

By Rev. David C. Pearson

Missions stationed in major towns are frequently bombarded by people who "just happen to drop in." Hospitality becomes a problem.

Makapwa Mission is so situated that a minimum of guests may be expected. The presence of visitors sometimes highlights mission life.

In accordance with pre-arranged plans for special meeting, Mr. Amos Zuze, a native evangelist (mlaliki) employed by the South African General Mission, stepped down off the train at Makapwa Halt on Friday midafternoon, June 5.

His coming up from Chiromo by rail preceded the coming down from Blantyre by car on June 6, of the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Barr. Mr. Barr is Regional Superintendent of the South Africa General Mission.

On June 5, at the Sabbath-opening service, Mr. Zuze spoke to a small group, largely mission personnel, from Lev. 6: 8-13. His text was the 13th verse which reads: "The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out." He proceeded to state reasons why the fire should never go out. Herein was a challenge for us. What about the fires of our hearts? Do they ever burn brightly; do they sometimes go out?

On Sabbath morning the Barrs arrived, their second visit to Makapwa — their first to see our new church. Mr. and Mrs. Barr first came to Nyasaland (Malawi

since July 6, 1964) in 1937. During these many years he has become thoroughly conversant with the African people of Southern Nyasaland, their way of life and language.

The local populace was pleased with his use of their language. One, having noted his manner of speech, declared that "all the white man had left him," a rare and rewarding compliment from African lips.

Mrs. Barr addressed the ladies Sabbath School class, and Mr. Barr presented the morning message at the 11 a.m. worship hour.

Two meetings were conducted in the afternoon, one at the hospital, the other at the church, Mr. Zuze and Mr. Barr sharing in the preaching. Two additional services convened on Sunday, with the same two servants of God sharing, Zuze in the morning and Barr in the afternoon. During the afternoon service Mrs. Barr also stood, and challenged her audience with the familiar 12th chapter of Romans, expressing herself clearly in the language of the people.

More recently the mission was blessed with the coming of the G. P. Nantikwa family. Mr. Nantikwa is an account's clerk employed by the Malawi Government. He has known of the Sabbath for many years, but only recently has come to acknowledge the truth of it. He has withdrawn membership with the C.C.A.P. (Church of Central Africa, Presbyterian), and plans to join us at a later date.

Dr. Victor Burdick was scheduled to preach at Makapwa's main Sabbath service on July 11, but willingly gave place to Bro. Nantikwa, no stranger to the Word of God. During the meeting, the Nantikwas — father, mother, and three children — sang a special song. It is not common to see a family participate in like manner.

In his message he likened Israel's deliverance to the deliverance of the Malawi people. Israel having been delivered proceeded to forsake God, for which they suffered. The present need here is for people to remember God, lest Malawi come to nothingness.

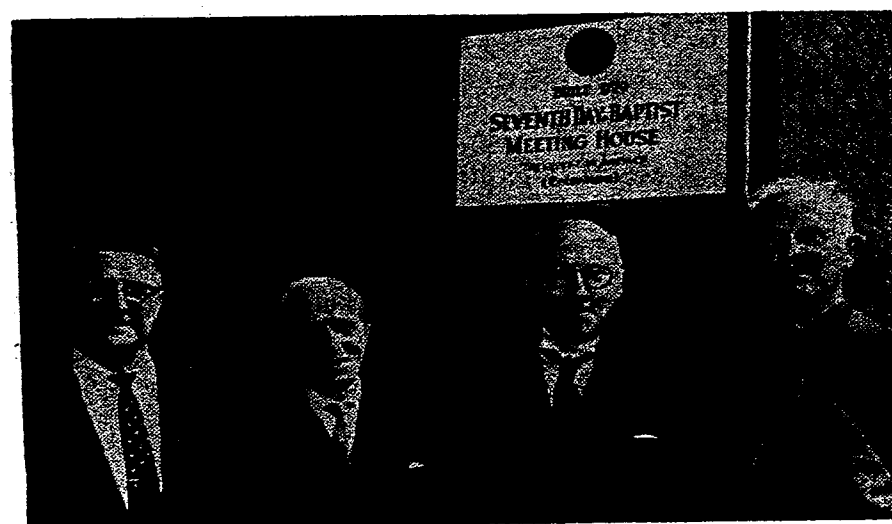
The message was extremely fitting to the day and its need. May God help us to spiritually prosper, as we note and con-

sider the Israelites and others, their victories and their failures.

May God continue to use Bro. Zuze, the Barrs, and the Nantikwas "to the good pleasure of his will" and "to the praise of the glory of his grace."

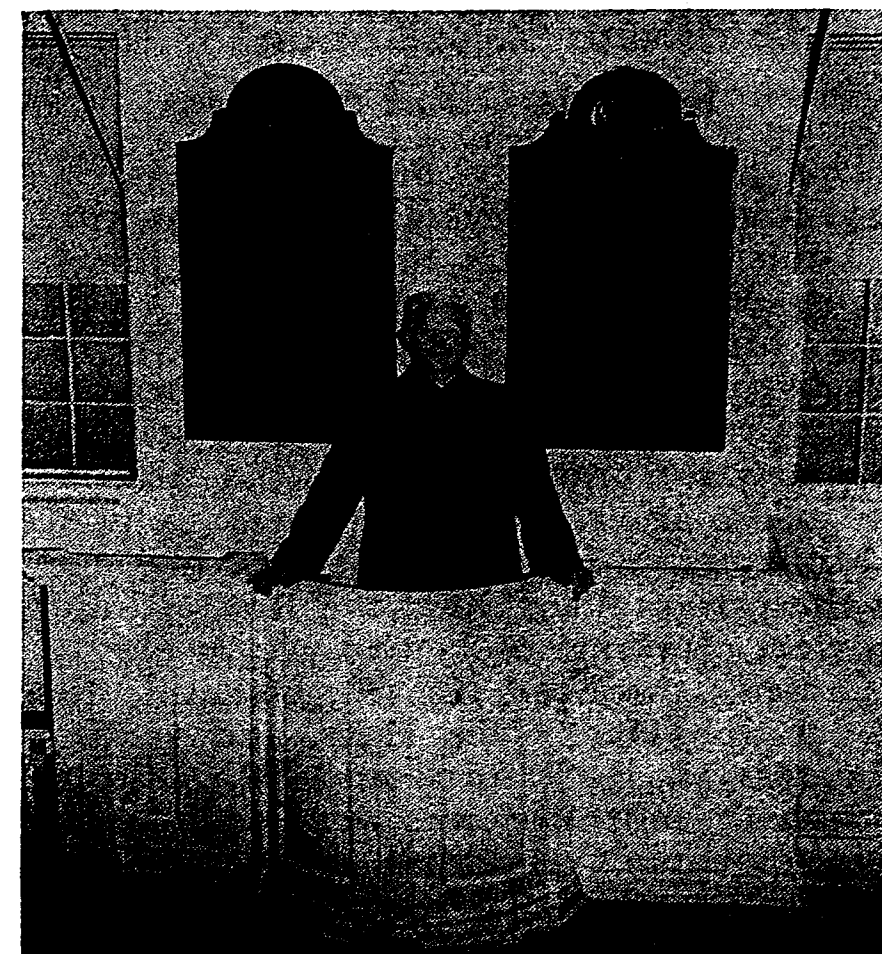
### Newport Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage to the meetinghouse of the first Seventh Day Baptist church on this continent is an interesting experience, especially if the group making it is composed of representatives from Europe, America, and the so-called mission lands. Such was the case on Sunday, August 9, when grandmother churches and granddaughter churches made a trip to the little museum-housed structure at Newport, R. I., that was built for the congregation organized in 1671.



Pictured here are Rev. E. T. Harris, secretary of the Missionary Board, Rev. J. Bahlke of Hamburg, Germany, Rev. J. McGeachy of London, and Mr. G. Zijlstra of Amsterdam, Holland. Others present were pastors and people from daughter churches from New England and New Jersey, missionaries and leaders from Jamaica, British Guiana, and Malawi.

Inside the historic building is the high pulpit plastered like a swallow's nest to the rear wall of the meetinghouse as the custom was in early colonial days. Rev. James McGeachy, pastor of the earlier Mill Yard Church of London, felt a thrill to be following Stephen Mumford of the new world just 300 years later and to stand in Mumford's church. Also very pleased with an opportunity was the representative



of the much younger Dutch churches, G. Zijlstra, pictured here. Backed up with the Law of God a layman like him feels able to speak with authority.

### Interesting Articles to Come

With this issue we begin telling some of the interesting story of the sessions of General Conference and the sidelights that help those who were not present to see a little of the present and future work of Seventh Day Baptists. The story will be told with pictures, as in this issue. The thinking of Commission will probably be printed next week along with some of the action taken by committees and Conference. Several of the major addresses have been promised for future issues as space allows.

This is a good time to start new subscriptions. They may be started with this issue if so desired. Inspiration and information will be gained from a consistent reading of the Sabbath Recorder, especially when important things are happening. Make sure that you and your friends do not miss it.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for September 12, 1964

A Spokesman for God

Lesson Scripture: 1 Sam. 2: 19-20;

7: 5-6; 10-17.

### First World Consultation

(Continued from page 10)

It was voted that:

A. A co-operative venture be launched to be called, "Seventh Day Baptist World Federation"

B. Its purposes shall include:

1. Providing increased communication among Seventh Day Baptist groups throughout the world.

2. Promoting projects of mutual interest which will benefit from international cooperation, including arrangements for the handling of funds.

3. Stimulating fellowship through periodic meetings of delegates or other such exchanges.

4. Co-ordinating mutual endeavors through the office of a secretary, named by CoWoCo, who will:

a. Serve in the office until suitably succeeded,

b. Provide contact among members,

c. Make annual reports to members.

A committee was appointed to draw up a constitution for submission to the conferences which might wish to join the proposed World Federation. The short constitution included the above purposes, provided for a membership of natural bodies, representation at meetings, the usual officers and an executive secretary who would provide contact among members and arrange for meetings every five years (DV). It also provided that the organization would come into being upon ratification of the constitution by four Seventh Day Baptist Conferences. It was anticipated that the U.S. Conference would be the first to have an opportunity to do so. The full constitution appears as part of the report going to all conferences that were invited to send delegates to the First World Consultation.

It is the heartfelt prayer of these undersigned delegates that this report reflects the beginning of a substantial trend toward our goal of Seventh Day Baptist Unity in Christ and a vigorous witness throughout the World.

The tremendous strength of those dedicated to evil lies largely in the indifference of those who profess to be dedicated to good.

## Deacon Frank R. Kellogg

By C. H. Dickinson

The Plainfield church has lost a beloved and faithful deacon. Frank Rutherford Kellogg, born September 2, 1876, in the vicinity of Plainfield, N. J., died in Dunellen, N. J., May 20, 1964.

Frank grew up in a strong Christian atmosphere with strict observance of Sunday as the holy day. He became converted to the Sabbath through the influence of his wife's people and church. He joined the Plainfield Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christ in 1911 upon confession of faith and baptism. He and his wife withdrew in 1917 to join the old Piscataway church, rejoining the Plainfield church in 1947.

Mr. Kellogg was ordained a deacon of the Plainfield church in 1949. As a deacon he was concerned about the spiritual welfare of the church. He brought cheer to others by many calls upon the sick. For a time he was superintendent of the Sabbath School. He was highly respected by members of the church and community.

Deacon Kellogg was licensed to preach by the Piscataway church and served as its pastor from 1951 to 1955. For 23 years he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society. He served on the Sabbath Promotion and the Advisory Committees and for four years was corresponding secretary of the society, a position which he filled with consecration and ability.

Frank R. Kellogg was married in 1901 to Mertie M. Randolph, who preceded him in death. To this union were born six children: Elizabeth (Mrs. Earl) Styres of New York City; Charles, of Sepulveda, Calif.; Clarence of Fords, N. J.; Eleanor (Mrs. William) Allison of Whitestone, N. Y.; Robert of Dunellen, N. J.; and the youngest son, Harold, who was killed in World War II. A sister, Mrs. Gertrude Randolph, of Metuchen, N. J., survives.

The farewell service was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, on May 23, 1964, with interment at Lake Nelson Memorial Park, Piscataway Township, N. J.

## Louisiana Association Reports Good Meeting

The most recently organized Association, composed of several Negro churches in Louisiana, held its third annual meeting in Algiers, New Orleans, July 18-19. God's Lighthouse of Prayer at 1130 Whitney Avenue was the host church. The Rev. Mary Craig Johnson, pastor and general secretary-treasurer, provides the following information about the meetings.

Ministers and lay preachers taking part on the program included the Rev. Adolph Showers of Hammond, who was re-elected president, the Rev. H. E. DeLand, the Rev. Ralph Hays, Jack Hays, and visiting ministers H. B. Randall and W. Chisum.

Sabbath morning was very full and a young people's program featuring Jack Hays as preacher. There was an introductory sermon by Pastor Showers who also taught the Sabbath School lesson followed by a sermon on "The Woman at the Well" by Mr. Chisum.

On the evening after the Sabbath the Rev. H. E. DeLand preached on the theme "The Just Shall Live by Faith." Rev. Mr. Showers presented the annual message on Sunday morning. In the afternoon the women took charge with a dramatic program depicting some of the women of the Bible. This was followed by a sermon by the other visiting minister, H. B. Randall. The concluding sermon in the evening was given by Pastor Ralph Hays.

One new officer was elected, Mrs. Katheleen Lee, vice-president. The secretary remarks that it was by the blessing of God that they were able to hold such an Association meeting.

### C.E. Around the World

"Christian Endeavor is 'on the march' around the world," states Bishop Meadows. "It is now operating in 63 countries of the world and is used by 83 denominational church groups."

Traveling 49,600 miles in five continents, delivering 145 sermons and addresses to over 35,000 people, and witnessing 350 commitments to Christ — that's the record of Bishop Clyde W. Meadows' recent trip around the world as the president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

ALGIERS, LA. — The Lighthouse of Prayer Church sponsored a Vacation Bible School at Gretna, La., June 8-22, attended by 78 children, none of whom were from Seventh Day Baptist homes.

On June 26 the team from Wisconsin, Linda Bingham, Judy Van Horn, Dale Rood, and Alan Crouch began teaching a Bible study course and conducting a recreation program for children for a period of 8 weeks. The total attendance for the once-a-week class was 97 persons including adults. As a follow-up of this work it was announced that beginning August 15 there would be a 3 p.m. service each Sabbath with the Revs. H. E. DeLand, Ralph Hays, and Mary Craig Johnson in charge. — M.C.J.

WHITE CLOUD, MICH. — Betty Babcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Babcock, and a senior in high school, attended the National Music Camp at Interlochen, Mich., June 29-July 12. For the second year she attended on a scholarship given by the Fremont Foundation, won in competition with the youth of Newaygo County. Betty's area of study was in piano, with special emphasis on therapy and expression.

About 45 people attended the annual Sabbath School picnic July 19 at Meinert Park on the shores of Lake Michigan. Arrangements were made by the superintendent, Gary Branch and his wife, Phyllis, assisted by numerous other individuals.

The Ladies Aid project of installing new light fixtures in the sanctuary and a small adjoining room has now been completed. Their attractiveness and better illumination are much appreciated by the congregation. Other improvements at the church include the installation of a new water heater in the kitchen and the painting of the outside of the building.

The church was represented by five young people at Pre-Con Retreat and another at the Young Adult group. Several adults attended Conference in addition to the young people.

During the absence of Pastor Don Sanford, the pulpit was supplied one week by a former pastor, the Rev. Orville W. Babcock. — O.W.B.

NORTONVILLE, KAN. — Pastor Bass attended Seventh Day Baptist Pastors Institute near Little Rock, Ark., May 3-9. He conducted a series of Bible studies from the book of Colossians.

Sabbath Rally Day was observed at our church on May 16 with a special sermon in the morning and a missionary film in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bond and Zella Babcock accompanied Pastor Bass to Kansas City June 11, to attend a meeting held at the Kansas City church by our Conference President Rex Burdick.

Vacation Bible School, with 17 enrolled, convened on June 8 to study "Jesus the Promised Savior." The Bible School program was given on June 20 at the hour of regular worship services. Miss Zella Babcock was director, and teachers were Judy August, Irene Bond, and Julia McCoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stephan of Nortonville celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 5 at the church. Although they were married September 17, 1914, in Alva, Okla., this earlier date was chosen for the celebration because their son Roland and family were being transferred to Guam. All members of the immediate family were present as well as 84 guests.

Ira Bond took a load of campers to attend Mid-Continent Youth Camp at Rocky Mountain Camp in Colorado, July 12-19. Those attending were Florence and Irene Bond, Dorothy Bonnell, and Billy Prentice.

The Ladies Missionary Society completed their theme study for the year on "Love." A silent auction on May 7 netted \$21.20. Officers for the coming year are Lenna Babcock, president; Alice Stephan, vice-president; Edna Wheeler, secretary; Essie Kenyon, treasurer; Marjorie Bass, chaplain; and Edna Wheeler, keyworker.

Church officers for the coming year are Winston Wheeler, moderator; Charles Wheeler, treasurer; Zella Babcock, clerk; Zella Babcock, organist; and Floreen Bond, chorister.

Plans move forward for Lord's Acre Sabbath to be observed again this November. Hazel Stephan and Wilma Adamson are in charge of plans. — Correspondent.



## Accessions

Denver, Colo.

By Letter:  
Mrs. Hazel Warren

By Baptism:  
Carol Jeanne Hastings  
Gisele Annette Steele  
Carol Ann Widman  
Richard Guy Thorngate  
Fouke, Ark.

By Testimony:  
Miss Diana Sullivan  
Paint Rock, Ala.

By Letter:  
Rev. C. Fred Kirtland  
Mrs. C. Fred Kirtland  
Suzanne Kirtland

By Baptism:  
John Tate  
Patrick Allen  
Charles F. Kirtland III  
Phillip Butler  
Mrs. Della Kimbrough  
Mary Kimbrough

By Testimony:  
Mr. Colin Clement  
Plainfield, N. J.

By Testimony:  
Thomas R. Curtis  
Mrs. Thomas (Rosalie) Curtis

By Letter:  
Rev. Victor W. Skaggs  
Mrs. Victor (Ardale) Skaggs  
Miss Janice Louise Skaggs  
Miss Lynne Priscilla Skaggs

## Marriages

**Crandall-Ebeling.**—David Eugene Crandall, son of Dr. and Mrs. Burton B. Crandall of Milton, Wis., and Henrietta Ebeling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ebeling of Fayetteville, N. Y., were united in marriage at the Gothic Chapel in Alfred, N. Y., June 22, 1964, by Pastor Herbert Saunders.

**Rogers-Bond.**—Miss Karen Lucille Bond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest F. Bond of Galena, Ohio, was married to Francis G. Rogers of Jane Lew, W. Va., June 20, 1964, at Lost Creek, W. Va., by the Rev. W. Wayne Morris, uncle of the groom.

## Obituaries

**Kellogg.**—Deacon Frank R., son of Edward and Margaret Gordon Kellogg, was born near Plainfield, N. J., Sept. 2, 1876, and died at his home in Dunellen, N. J., May 20, 1964. See extended obituary elsewhere in this issue.

**Marschner.**—Emma, was born in Germany Nov. 3, 1882, and died June 14, 1964. She was a lifelong, faithful member of the German Seventh Day Baptist Church in Irving-

ton, N. J., and had a special place in her heart for the needy members of our denomination living in the Eastern Sector of Germany. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, the Rev. J. G. Schmid. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery. She leaves two sons, one daughter, and six grandchildren. — J.G.S.

**Mitchell.**—Frank J., husband of Irene Campbell (Davis), was born in St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 21, 1900, and died in Veterans Hospital in New Orleans July 4, 1964.

Besides his wife he leaves to survive him three stepdaughters, three stepsons and a host of stepgrandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Services were held July 5, 1964, at Thomas Memorial Chapel in Hammond, La. Interment was in Greenlawn Cemetery in Hammond.  
— Mrs. Richard Raiford.

**Shelton.**—Edna Louise (Jewett), daughter of Henry and Alice (Hull) Jewett, and granddaughter of the late Rev. Hamilton Hull, was born in Milton Junction, Wis., Sept. 28, 1891, and died July 12, 1964, in San Antonio, Texas, where she had made her home with her son, James, for the past fifteen years.

Mrs. Shelton was an accomplished musician and taught music in the Milton Junction Grade School and the Milton Union High School. She was also supervisor of music in the Rock Co., Wis., rural schools for a time.

She was a member of the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church, director of the church choir, and assisted the young people of the church in their music. After retirement, though residing in Texas, she maintained a home in Milton Junction and often visited that community.

Survivors are two sons, James and Loren, both of San Antonio; four grandchildren, one great-granddaughter; and a brother, Charles Jewett.

At Mrs. Shelton's request, graveside services were held in Milton Junction Cemetery, the Rev. John Fitz Randolph officiating, on July 15.  
— J.F.R.

**West.**—Lillian (Strang) West, the daughter of the late Charles and Mary (Stutes) Stang, and the wife of the late Samuel West, was born in Bridgeton, N. J., and died August 7 at her residence in Bridgeton after failing health for the past several years.

She lived in Shiloh for many years where she became an active member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church. She was faithful in her attendance until her death.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Reba Hemsley, with whom she made her home; one son, Charles, of Medford; two granddaughters, Mrs. Jeanne Campbell of Audubon, and Mrs. Evelyn Yancoskie of Havertown, Pa.; two grandsons, Charles West, Jr., of Shiloh, and John West of Bridgeton, and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 9, at the Carl Funeral Home, Bridgeton, with her pastor officiating. Interment was in the Shiloh Cemetery. — C.H.B.

# The Sabbath Recorder



### Under the Hand of the Almighty

There need be no fear so long as we remember that the whole world is under the benevolent, protective hand of our Divine Lord. Psalm 9 describes His creative and saving hand and calls us to kneel before the Lord our Maker. Creatures of His hand, we are also given a mission to the whole earth, proclaiming His salvation and His Sabbath.