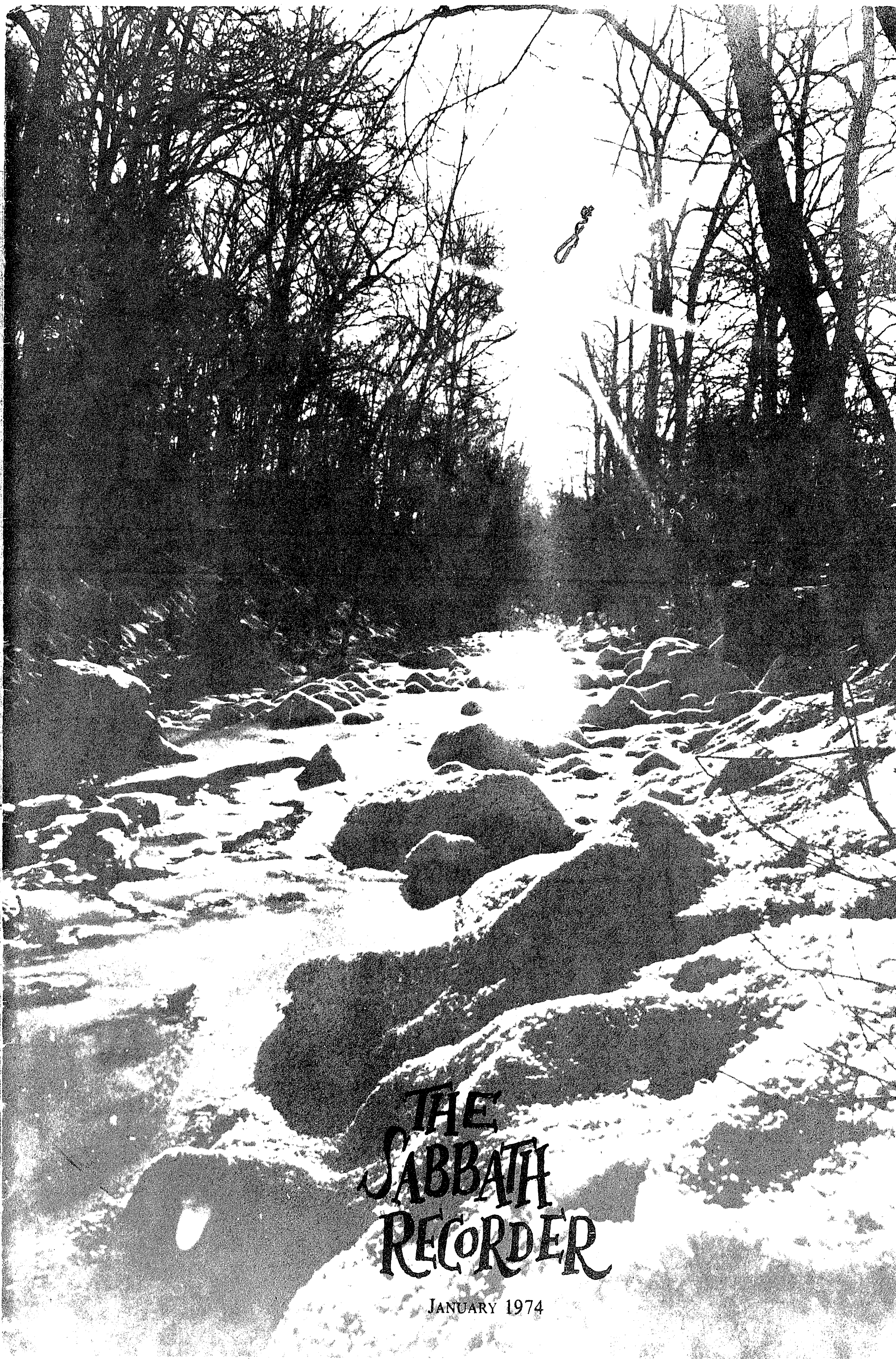


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Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.



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Gas Shortage Creates Many

"Seventh Day Baptists"

All reports of the two initial "car-free" Sundays among churches of the Baptist Union of the Netherlands were encouraging, according to General Secretary Theo van der Laan, with attendance "normal to better than normal."

With a no-Sunday-driving ban imposed due to oil delivery cutoffs to the nation, Baptist church members accepted the challenge to remain faithful in church attendance, and took advantage of good weather to be outside. They were aided by the excellent public transformation facilities within the country.

Looking toward future car-less Sundays, Netherlands Baptist leaders suggest that those churches serving a region or entire province may begin to feel a pinch in attendance. Some congregations are considering holding services on Saturday evenings in addition to Sunday mornings.

In neighboring Belgium, also hard-hit by the petroleum crisis, at least two churches became, for at least one week, "seventh-day Baptist" congregations.

The Baptist church at Leuze changed its regular worship service from Sunday morning to Saturday afternoon for a weekend in November. And, at the International Baptist Church of Brussels, a six o'clock Saturday afternoon service drew "at least average" attendance with several newcomers present. The "Sunday Bible School" also met Saturday, before the worship service. —European Baptist Press Service.

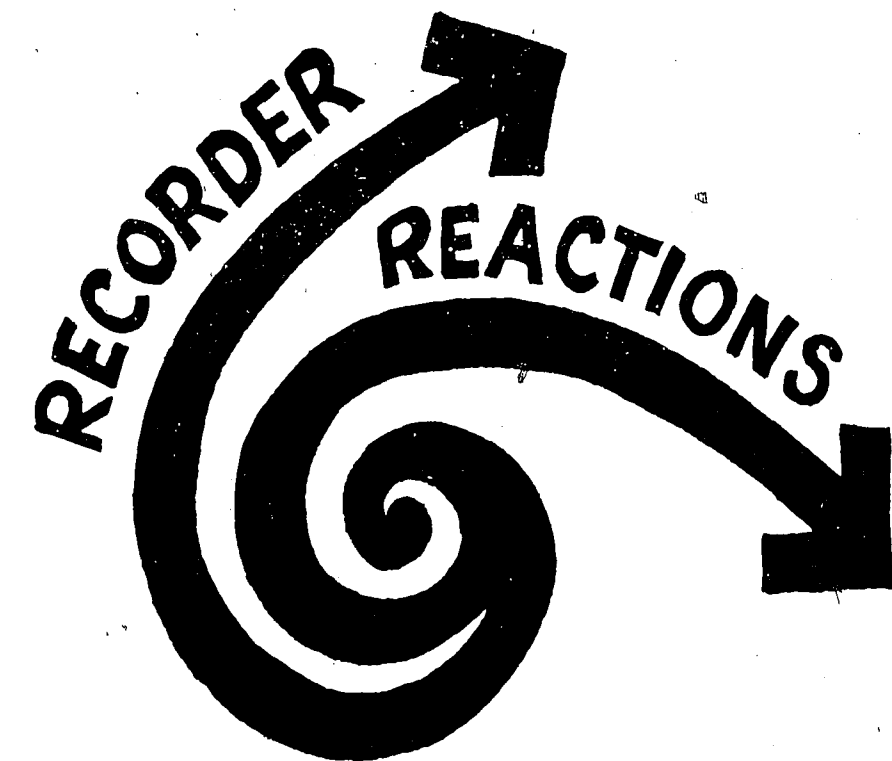
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The early morning sun breaks through a cloudy sky, adding sparkle to the quiet beauty of the Sligo stream near Takoma Park, Maryland.

—Religious News Service Photo

NEXT MONTH

Special theme section "Little Things Mean a Lot" compiled by Mrs. Gladys (Sutton) Randolph, Freeport, Ill.



RECORDER REACTIONS

I believe the new change for the Recorder is an excellent plan. I am looking forward to the first copy. Change is good as long as you keep God's word the same. Please renew my subscription.

—Mrs. H. Wicklund
North Miami Beach, Fla.

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I'm looking forward to the new Recorder. I have always received a great deal of good from former editions.

—Mrs. Bertha M. Drake
Shinglehouse, Pa.

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I enjoy the Reader Reactions in the Sabbath Recorder; I very much favor this new way of bringing your readers close together. . . . Keep up the good work.

—Mr. Leigh Stewart
St. Louis, Mo.

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The Sabbath Recorder is a source of interest and inspiration to me, and I do enjoy its new general aspect. Especially inspiring to me are the work and messages of the Rev. John Rao of India.

—Miss Flora Zinn
Milton, Wis.

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I like the new Recorder very much. It's very good dealing with the Sabbath question. I would like to see it used for a twofold purpose: that of saving people through Jesus Christ and giving Seventh Day Baptists an identity of their own which they may be able to pass on to others

—Mrs. Geraldine Cramer
Dundee, Fla.

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DENOMINATIONAL DATELINE

January 6-12
Seventh Day Baptist Week of Prayer

January 8
Women's Board Meeting
Denver, Colo.

January 13
Memorial Fund Trustees Meeting
Plainfield, N. J.

January 13
Board of Christian Education Meeting
Alfred, N. Y.

January 20
American Sabbath Tract Society Board Meeting
Plainfield, N. J.

January 27
Missionary Society Board Meeting
Westerly, R. I.

February 2
Christian Endeavor Sabbath

I heard my mother say over eighty years ago that she could do without butter on her bread, but she would not want to do without the Sabbath Recorder. I am ninety years of age and I feel the same way.

—Mrs. Laura Cooper
Los Angeles, Calif.

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I enjoy reading the Sabbath Recorder, it has been in my home since childhood. My Recorder is always passed on to a friend. Thank you for a very helpful paper.

—Daisy F. Allen
Riverside, Calif.

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We would like to thank those responsible for our gift subscription which we received following our marriage. We think it is a great way to introduce newlyweds to the Recorder. We really think the new look is great . . . Please renew our subscription.

—Mr. and Mrs. Don Graffius
Salem, West Virginia

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We are looking forward with anticipation to the new Recorder . . .

—Martha Mills
Brookfield, N. Y.

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We are enjoying the "new look" in the Sabbath Recorder and wish to continue receiving it. Please renew our subscription.

—William Babcock
West Concord, Minn.

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I want to compliment you on the new features and format of the Recorder. Keep up the good work and I am looking forward to the proposed Recorder change in 1974.

—Mrs. Philip Hazen
Hyattsville, Md.

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We enjoy the Sabbath Recorder and appreciate the good job that is being done. May God continually bless . . .

—Charles and Esther Swing
Albuquerque, N. M.

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I love the new format and especially the idea of a monthly Recorder. Keep up the good work. Ah, youth has such enthusiasm and good ideas it just doesn't seem fair! God bless you.

—Mrs. Ron Goodrich
North Loup, Nebr.

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SUMMER INSTITUTE



Students who attended the 1973 Summer Institute and the dean: L-R, Robert Harris, John Pettway, Melvin Stephan, Dean Rex Zwiebel, and Floyd Goodson.

One of the most important functions of the Seventh Day Baptist Center for Ministerial Education is the annual Summer Institute, held at denominational headquarters in Plainfield, New Jersey.

The Summer Institute is presented for persons who are preparing for the Seventh Day Baptist ministry, local pastors who have not studied in these chosen areas, and those who are willing to serve as pastors in Seventh Day Baptist churches. Other interested persons may attend, at their own expense, at the discretion of the dean in conference with the chairman of the Seventh Day Baptist Council on Ministry. Seventh Day Baptist ministerial students who are in the denominational program are expected to participate in all of the Summer Institutes.

Seventh Day Baptist pastors who seek denominational accreditation must take all three courses, at least two of which must be taken at the Center for Ministerial Education. For these workers, as well as for the ministerial students, there is no charge for matriculation, and some help is offered for transportation coming to Plainfield.

Three subjects are taught at the Summer Insti-

tutes: "Philosophy of the Sabbath," "Seventh Day Baptist History," and "Seventh Day Baptist Polity."

The course for 1974 will be the "Philosophy of the Sabbath." This is a study of the seventh-day Sabbath in the life of the church with particular emphases on the beliefs and attitudes that make the Sabbath pertinent to life in the world today.

Requirements for this course of study include extensive reading, attendance at lectures, participation in discussion, and the writing of two major papers. Normally, classes, study, and research run from 8:00 a.m. through 9 p.m. each day except Fridays and Sabbaths.

As plans are at this writing, the program will begin on June 10 and end on June 28, 1974. It is expected that at least five men will undertake the study this time.

The three courses may be taken by correspondence by anyone for a fee of \$10.00.

Information regarding the Summer Institutes or the correspondence courses may be obtained from the dean, Seventh Day Baptist Center for Ministerial Education, Box 868, Plainfield, NJ 07061.

TRAVELING WITH THE PRESIDENT

Early Monday morning I met with forty-eight young men and one young lady in a Dairy Nutrition class at the Agricultural Technical Institute of Ohio State University in Wooster, Ohio. The purpose of the session was to explore the use of antibiotics in animal feeding.

I arrived for class some fifteen minutes early in order to be ready at the appointed hour. A few students were already on hand awaiting the beginning of the class period; most of the class arrived on time while a few struggled in after the class had started.

Each one of these young people, I am sure, had a different goal in life; each one striving to inquire into some new area of knowledge that would be valuable to him in reaching those goals.

As I talked with these young people, I found them vibrant, enthusiastic, questioning, and some even skeptical. To them, it made sense to go to school, to meet an early class, to ask questions and to seek answers. *Their lives had meaning.*

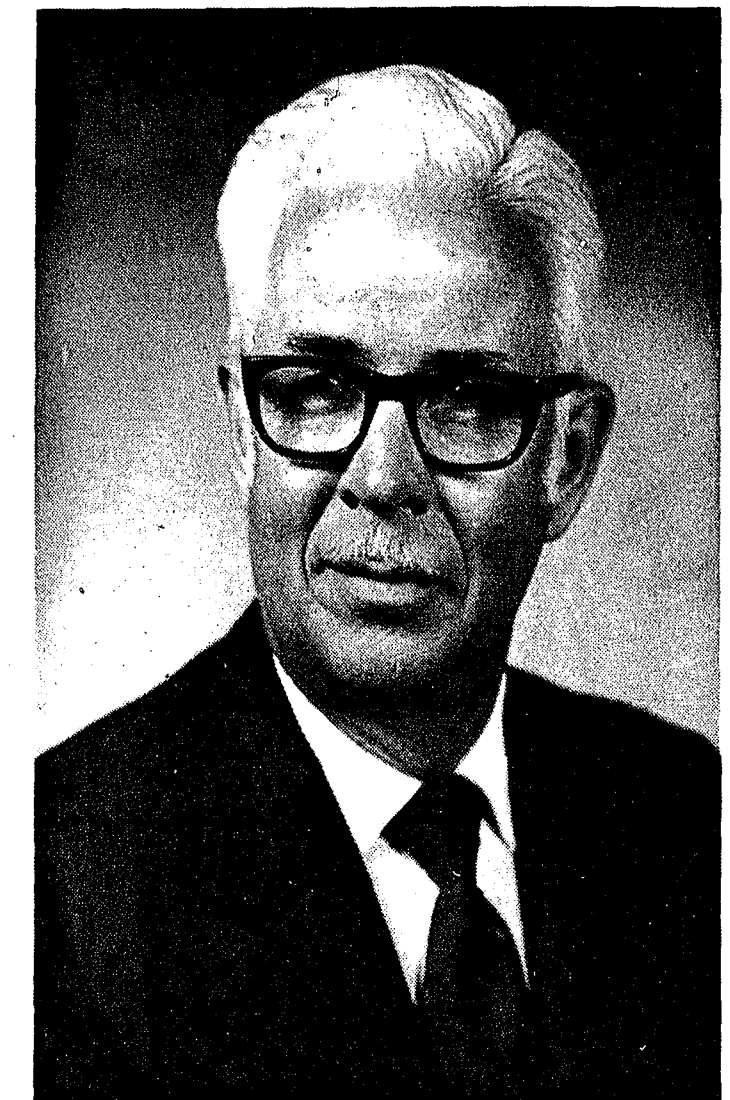
Later this same day I was driving through one of Ohio's largest Amish counties and I observed a completely different way of life. A half dozen buggies were tied in front of the local store; the feed store and the craft shops, including the blacksmith's shop and the buggy shop were open and doing business; boys in their homemade clothes and girls with their white, starched caps were playing ball on the school playground.

All along the road from Charm to Farmersville, Ohio, were well kept farms, freshly painted homes, and farm buildings indicated: pride in the soil, pride in their livestock, pride in a way of life and a very real closeness to God. All this was not without planning, orderliness, and hard work. *For these humble people, life also had meaning.*

There was, however, a difference. The Amish people had no energy crisis, there was no shortage of electric power, neither was there a need for gasoline rationing. Here were communities of people who were living much as rural America lived fifty or one hundred years ago. Yet they are making a contribution that many communities are not able to make. They are feeding a nation.

This is the heart of the "food basket" of Ohio. Seven million broilers are produced here each year; most of the fluid milk for the Cleveland-Akron-Youngstown metropolitan area is produced here; much of the brick for northern Ohio and Michigan is manufactured here. Not to mention the crafts (that many of us can not do or even remember) that are handed down from father to son and mother to daughter in this beautiful countryside. *Life has real meaning. Life makes sense.*

Both of these examples of people in their daily pursuit of happiness and continued efforts to



make a contribution to the world in which they live are making sense out of living. Where life makes sense, it has meaning. *Christ gives direction to that meaning.*

Your Conference president is impressed by the efforts of pastors, Association leaders and denominational agencies to carry out our Conference Theme for 1974. *"Christ Gives Meaning to Your World."*

Church bulletins from across the nation indicate that many pastors are using portions of John's Gospel to point out to us how Christ does give meaning to our lives.

It is also noted that the new quarter of the *Helping Hand* also features the study of the Gospel of John. I am sure it was the Lord's leading that helped in the selection of this book in the Bible for our Conference emphasis this year.

It is the hope of your Conference president that special attention will be given to the fourteenth chapter of John and that your own personal study and Bible study groups consider this book as it relates to the Conference theme for this year.

The Rev. Francis D. Saunders has prepared a study guide and outline that may be obtained by writing to Pastor Saunders, the general secretary's office in Plainfield, or to the Conference president. Each of us would be happy to hear of your experiences in exploring the Conference theme—*"Christ Gives Meaning to Your World."*

Sincerely, as Christ adds meaning to my world,
Ernest F. Bond, Conference President

“...and
death is no
parenthesis”

Kim Machan



I was waiting for the elevator on the fifth floor of the hospital after visiting a friend who was to undergo minor surgery. I had just gotten out of the hospital myself a month earlier, having won a bout with pneumonia, and was still following a recuperation program.

My own doctor came around the corner, saw that the elevator was on its way, then noticed me. “Still drinking lots of water?” he asked.

“Sure am. Lots of it,” I replied. Besides our doctor-patient relationship, we were good friends. His son was a high school classmate of mine, and we had known each other for nearly ten years.

He looked at the ground silently for a moment, then said, “Have you heard about Janet Cash?”

Janet was also in my high school class, and had been the girl friend of one of my best friends, Gordon Tyler, for three years. His words startled me. There was something in the way he said it that made me know what he would say next. I had never before heard the words spoken about someone I knew well, but the knotted feeling in my stomach told me what he was about to say nonetheless.

“She was killed in a car accident at the Highway 20-Fulton Road intersection. She died after about an hour in the emergency room downstairs.”

All I could say was, “Does Gordon know yet?”

“I don’t know,” he said. The elevator arrived, and we rode down in silence to the lobby.

It took about twenty minutes for the news to sink in, to register in my mind what had occurred. A girl that I had known well, who was one of the most exuberant, likable, cheerful people I had ever known, was dead. She would never again laugh. She would never again make a good-natured wisecrack. She would never again be the life of a party. She would never again walk along with Gordon, her shiny black hair flowing behind her. She was gone. Period. She no longer existed.

Then I thought about the intersection where she had met death. For years people who frequently used it had clamored for traffic signals. Visibility was poor from all angles, and scarcely a month would go by that there wasn’t an accident at the corner. I was to discover a week later that the city had approved a signal for that corner on the day of Janet’s death, and construction began shortly thereafter.

That night I went to the mortuary. Gordon was sitting in the chapel where the closed casket lay in front of the altar. I walked down the aisle quietly and sat down next to him in the second pew. He sat there, staring at the casket.

Finally I broke the silence, “She brought happi-

ness wherever she went, Gordon,” I said softly. “I’m sure God has a special place in the new earth for people who radiate love like she did.”

He looked at me, his eyes moist, his face puffy. “For her sake, I hope so,” he said. I had forgotten. Gordon was an agnostic.

For Gordon, there was nothing. He did not believe he would ever see her again. It must have been devastating to him. After a few minutes I left the mortuary, unable to stand it any longer.

The funeral was the next day. The ministers spoke about meeting Janet again in the presence of Christ, and her friends gave short tributes to the girl who had always had a warm smile, a kind word, or a witty remark for every situation. There were nearly a thousand people in the church.

Twenty years old and gone, I kept thinking. I was reminded that God sees a purpose in everything. I thought that maybe His purpose in letting Janet go at such a tender age was to hit people in the face with the possibility of dying and not being ready. Maybe He was talking specifically to Gordon, but I heard it too, and I doubt that I was the only one.

I began to look at the turn my own life had taken in the past few months. I had been relegating God to a minor role in my life. And new the prospect of sudden death had hit close to home.

After the funeral I drove around for a couple of hours, not going anywhere in particular, just thinking. I went home and turned on the television and then turned it off and went to bed. Lying there, I decided to pray.

I prayed for Gordon. I wanted him to believe again, and to be able to see Janet when Christ returned. To be without hope is to be without anything.

And I prayed for myself. I asked for forgiveness for the way I had been living lately, and asked for His guidance in setting myself straight again. As I prayed, I began to feel better. I knew He would help me, and that I could make it. When I finally went to sleep that night, I was no longer afraid of not waking up. Warm up that radiant smile, Janet, I’m ready now too.

Kim Machan died last spring. A letter from his parents said that he lost a twenty-year battle with bronchial asthma. He lived in Newbury Park, California. He was twenty-two. This article was reprinted from INSIGHT, a Christian youth magazine published by Seventh Day Adventists, copyright 1972, Review and Herald Publishing Association.



by Madeline Fitz Randolph

Your Women's Society editor is thrilled to be a part of this new publication for Seventh Day Baptists. For, "Lo, these many years" the masthead on the *Sabbath Recorder* has read "Women's Work," and what a vast area these two little words have covered! There isn't any way to measure the impact of our past communication by way of the *Recorder*. We do know that there is a great body of material representing "Women's Work" to which we can point with pride, and browse through with pleasure. Yes, the past *Recorders* are literally treasure stores of fact as well as inspiration, and we are very thankful for them!

During the past few months we have found ourselves as a Women's Society in a most advantageous position for advance! Through the inspiring leadership of our president, Myrna Cox, we have been able to look at our various committee functions; we have taken time to evaluate our potential; we have become more organized in our thinking as to our function as a "cog" in the denominational "machinery," and we have set specific goals.

In William Barclay's "Daily Celebration" (Word Books, 1971), there is a paragraph entitled "The Mirror." It is a parallel to the attitude of our Women's Society of late. As we apply the principle of "looking in a mirror" to our personal lives, so we may also apply it to the life of an organization such as our own Women's Society. Looking in a mirror for the purpose of admiration alone results in the death of the soul, for admiration fosters no desire for change. With no wish to grow or change, the soul will die. Conversely, if we will not look in the mirror at all, we are refusing to take stock of ourselves, perhaps because we are afraid of what we may see. Honest looking in a mirror is a necessity in life, for only in self-examination may we be able to take stock of ourselves. Your Board of Directors has indeed done much "looking in a mirror." We have tried to take stock honestly and we feel a great deal of enthusiasm for the work we believe that the Lord has for us to do. We now quote from Barclay:

"But we must not just look.
We must act.
And in Jesus we can.
He can give a new image to us all."

How can we most effectively promote *communication* among us? This new publication should bring about a greater interest across our denomination. There is, however, a concept of communication among some readers of all our publications that receiving and reading is all that is necessary for them to do. We would hasten to say that true communication is a two-way activity! It is a connecting line — not just target practice! We can send out our ideas and thoughts to you, but to be true communication, there must be response. To best serve you, we need your input of ideas concerning the best use of this space entitled "Women's Work."

Christian Culture Committee work is well under way, with some of the projects and goals already implemented. The members who make up the group are Ilona Varga, Vera Wright, Barbara Wright, Nancy Warner, Jean Jorgensen, with Barbara White as chairman, and Myrna Cox an ex officio member. The tasks this group have started are quite impressive in their scope.

The prayers and interest of all our Seventh Day Baptist women are solicited in their behalf. The committee has begun work on a packet of program materials to be used as a resource by local societies. It is anticipated that these materials will apply to both urban and rural church groups and in the use of them our women across the country will develop a sense of unity.

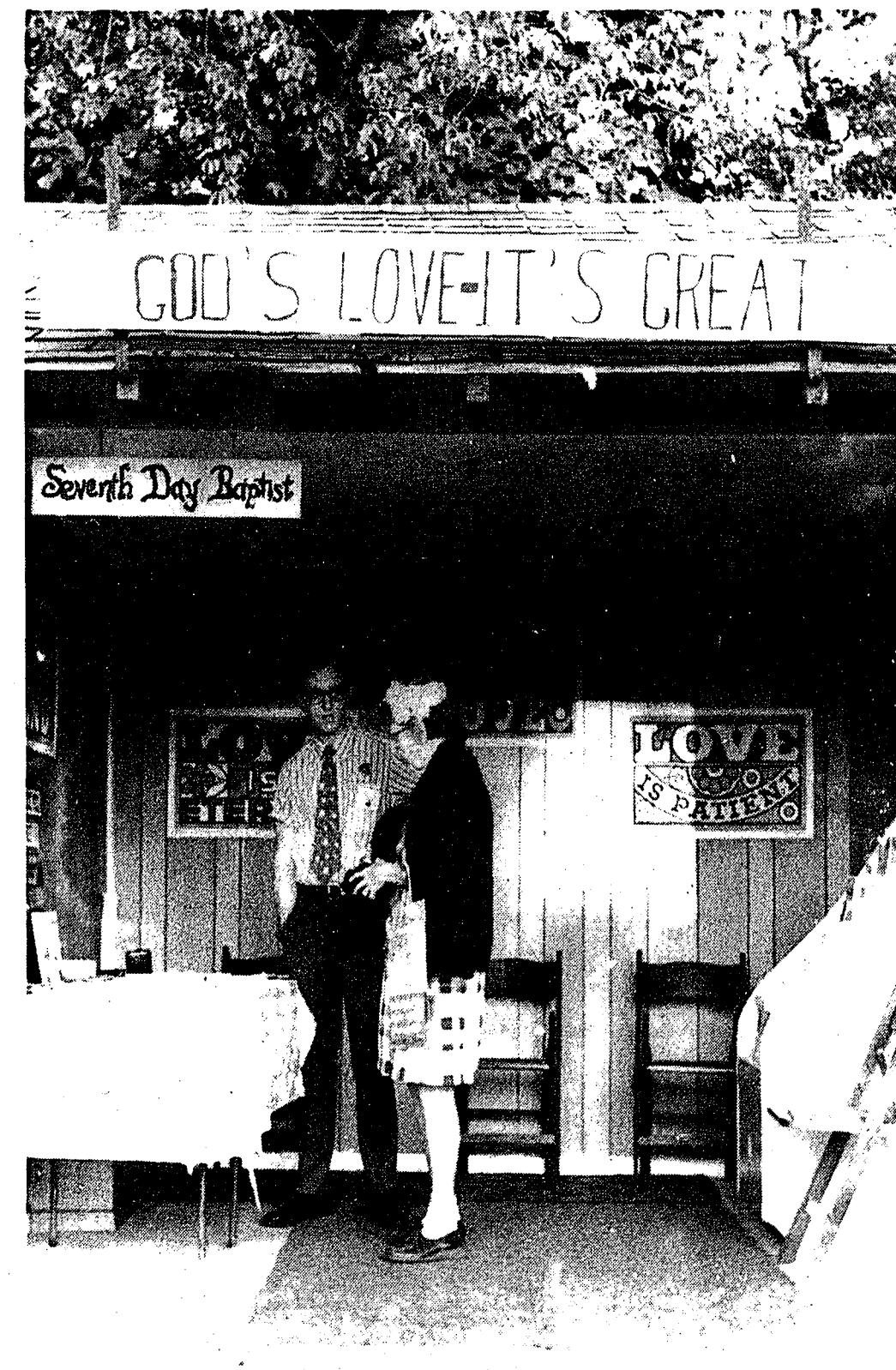
Another project is a Traveling Reading Display, appealing to Christian women and to be made available for use in the fall of 1974. This display will be sent to the various association meetings for use of our women when they gather for these yearly meetings with the sister churches. A plan to prepare at least two church bulletin covers has already been implemented in part, since the first cover, featuring the work of the Summer Christian Service Corps, was distributed in November. The remaining bulletin covers will also be a method of publicity for some phase of our Women's Work. The committee has had a good response from the promotion of the *Sabbath Recorder* which began in the October *Newsletter*. The "every-member a subscriber" program has met with quite some success. Progress reports will be made through the *Newsletter*; Christian



The Executive Committee of the Women's Society. From left to right: Ada Davis, vice-president; Madeline Fitz Randolph, editor; Jane Bottoms, corresponding secretary; Myrna Cox, president; Frances Stephan, recording secretary. Jennie Wells Munn, treasurer, absent from photo.

Culture Committee will also continue to promote and coordinate the "Robe of Achievement" program, a great source of inspiration to our women.

There are other goals to which the Christian Culture Committee has given consideration, and which will be implemented when details are worked out. One of these which can be mentioned briefly is that of the development of a program of spiritual growth to be shared across the denomination by personal presentations and experiences of the members of our Women's Society. We are hoping that this plan might be carried out in this year (1974) at least by fall. It is truly one of life's richest blessings to be involved in the kind of program which is planned to benefit our women spiritually. In the words of our president, Myrna, as she gave her report to Planning Committee in September 1973, "We are launching our . . . program on the basis that we have been called to *commitment*. If we cannot work out the will of God where He has placed us, then why has He placed us here?"



Pastor Dale Rood witnessing at the Rocky Hill Fair booth in Rhode Island.

ROCKY HILL FAIR BOOTH

Pastor Dale Rood

This was the third year of a Seventh Day Baptist booth at Rocky Hill Fair, East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Like previous years, we had tracts, magazines, and other materials on display for fair goers to pick up and take with them. As in past years, there were materials telling about Jesus Christ and salvation, about the Sabbath, and about Seventh Day Baptists. As in the past, there were drawings for free New Testaments which were mailed to the winners after the fair was over.

The plan for the booth's arrangement was different this year, however. The tables and tract holders were set up in such a way so as to make people feel free to walk in and talk. Rugs were laid out and the booth was panelled to make it warm and welcoming. As a result, we had much different contacts this year from last year. There was much more interest in the Sabbath and Seventh Day Baptists than last year. People apparently felt free to ask more questions.

There were not as many contacts this year as last. Last year the booth was set up to catch them as they walked by. This year they had to walk into the booth. But this year it seemed as though the contacts we had were better. Opportunities to share faith came much easier.

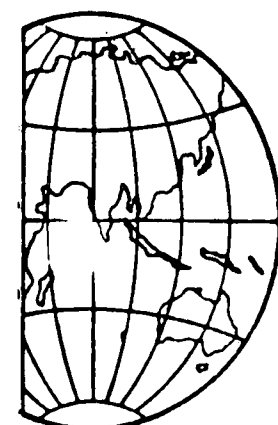
The *Sabbath Recorders* proved to be especially helpful tools this year. The February 1973 special issue entitled, "Joy Is Like the Rain," was especially popular. The attractive cover captured a good deal of attention. Also very helpful was the May special issue which had an evangelistic thrust. I would take this out of the rack and show it to certain booth visitors who I thought might be interested. I remember showing it to three rather rough looking young boys. Their interest was sparked by the article, "Dear Junkie," on page 7 of that issue. "Boy, I gotta read this," a couple of them said. The fact that one of the three refused a copy only showed the genuine interest of the two who did take copies.

Wednesday of the fair, a reporter for the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*, Rhode Island's largest newspaper, took pictures and wrote an article on "Religion at the Fair." When it appeared in the paper, it was a full page spread, and our booth was given a very favorable position in the article.

The Lord was indeed at work. My wife, Althea, and I were very tired the day we were at the fair. Yet the Lord blessed by bringing a spiritually hungry youth to our booth and Althea had the privilege of leading him to the Lord. Needless to say we both were revived. Other booth workers reported similar blessings on the days they were there. Praise God for this opportunity to serve Him.



NOTES
FROM
THE
FIELDS



Guyana

Mrs. Leroy (Marjorie) Bass, with Valerie and Marvin, returned to the U.S. from Guyana on November 26, 1973, for health and study reasons. This leaves Pastor Bass, Vivian, and Clifford in Georgetown, Guyana. Gordon, the oldest son has remained in school in the U. S. since the family returned to Guyana for their second term of service in 1971. Marjorie and the children plan to be at the Overseas Ministries Study Center, PO Box 2057, Ventnor, N.J. 08406 from early in December.

Response to the request for clothing and Sabbath School papers and literature for use in Guyana was very good. Pastor Bass reports, "We received about nineteen cartons of clothing and twenty-five parcels or packets of papers and literature. It was just wonderful!" The clothing will meet known needs until well into 1974 so more is not needed now. In the early part of the new year further papers and lesson materials will be needed again, however.

A special Training Seminar was held in Georgetown the first week of December for church leaders and young men. A second spiritual retreat is also being planned for an early date.

Jamaica

The students at Crandall High School have been raising funds for the projected new classroom. It was their hope to reach over J\$600 before the end of 1973. Plans for this new science classroom are drawn and it is hoped that construction can begin at an early date so it can be in use by the spring term.

The Rev. Harold R. Crandall Memorial Fund has been designated to provide furnishings for the new science classroom. Donations are still being received to help meet this need, in Pastor Crandall's memory.

At the Jamaica SDB Conference Board meeting, November 4, 1973, a standing Evangelism Committee of nine was set up to (1) plan and promote denominational efforts; (2) encourage the local church on promoting and conducting evangelistic efforts in new or semi-new prospective areas; (3) evaluate and investigate new fields which may develop and make recommendations; (4) recommend an annual budget for evangelism; (5) maintain a calendar of known activities and publicize these in the *Circular*.

The Jamaica SDB Conference Council on Ministerial Affairs plans to start a ministerial training

program in January 1974. The course would run for two years. Each candidate would be asked to be in Kingston for two weeks' instruction, then go to his field and spend four weeks in service, etc. — two weeks' instruction/four weeks' service. Pastor Geoffrey Smith, recent graduate of Jamaica Theological Seminary, was named the dean of the training program.

Malawi

The arrival of Menzo and Audrey Fuller for service at Makapwa Medical Center early in December was a long awaited blessing, coming three months later than originally planned. They are having a period of orientation before Nurse Sarah Becker returns to the U. S. on furlough, having served nine months over her regular term of service.

Since July 1973, the medical staff from Makapwa has conducted two mobile "under fives" clinics (for babies under five years old who are brought by their mothers). These are held once a month in villages, and are in addition to the clinics held each week at Makapwa. In November the attendance had grown to fifty in one village and eighty in the other. Sarah wrote, "We do enjoy these for the mothers are interested in learning and immunizations for their little ones."

Since last October, when cholera arrived in Malawi, the Makapwa Medical Center has been an immunization and cholera quarantine observation station. On November 10 it was reported, "So far we have not yet diagnosed a case of cholera but there are a great many carriers without symptoms."

KEY '73

MAIL OUTREACH



Many of our churches have cooperated with other groups in their communities in distribution of Scripture portions or in other Key '73 emphases. In large urban areas this is not always as easily done.

Pastor John A. Conrod, field pastor for the Pacific Coast Association, pondered how outreach might be made effective in the Bay Area. This resulted in a direct mail emphasis. A special letter was prepared and mailed under permit to just over two hundred obtained from the phone book. These were individuals living in the area where the Bay Area church meets.

On the second such mailing a couple responded and have since become members of the Bay Area

church. A third mailing has recently been made.

The letter sent is as follows:

"Dear Neighbor,

"Do you know God loves you as an individual, uniquely special to Him? Jesus said not one sparrow can fall without God knowing and we are immensely more precious to Him than many sparrows (Matthew 10:31). Jesus also said He came into this world because He wants to help us live 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10).

"In order to have a full, satisfying life, we must believe Jesus has paid for it by dying on the cross for us (1 Peter 1:18-19). God says He will accept us as His children no matter what we have done if we will trust Jesus to take away our sin (John 1:12; Romans 5:8).

"If you believe these truths, ask Jesus right now to be your Savior. He will help you to have a full, satisfying life. If you desire more help, we invite you to worship with us as we together seek to grow in this new life in Christ. We meet every Sabbath (Saturday) at 10:30 a.m. in the chapel at 52 Arlington Avenue in Kensington, just north of Berkeley. (The chapel entrance is through the Rincon Drive parking lot.) You may also be interested in attending the home Bible studies in San Jose. Call 264-9371 for the next meeting time and location.

"You may have noted that we meet to worship God on the seventh day of the week. We do so because we are told we can show our love to God by keeping His commandments (1 John 5:3), and one of His Ten Commandments is to observe the seventh day of the week as His holy Sabbath day (Exodus 20:8-10)."

In the lower left corner is a sketch map giving directions on reaching the chapel where Sabbath services are held.

We are thankful for this way of witness and praise the Lord for His blessing upon it and those who have been blessed by it. Let us continue to pray for our brethren in California as they seek new ways to make known their presence and the gospel of Jesus Christ.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY IN THE NEW YEAR

No area of life today is free from the rapid, and sometimes abrupt, change we face. This has been true in the church, where traditional ways have been challenged and hypocrisy and meaningless customs revealed. As people are brought back to the "changeless truth" of God's word, new spiritual life springs forth.

The ministry of carrying out the Great Commission faces a changing world scene too. New tools, methods, opportunities, and the growing participation of Christians from every race and land brings exciting experiences. The "old" way must face the "light" of today's world, and changes may be required to use our time, resources, and talents to the fullest extent. With a population

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Because, in measure, denominational mission agencies are inflexible to recognize and act quickly, new interdenominational agencies have come into being by the hundreds in this country in the last quarter century. Seeing specific opportunity and need they have been quick to make the most of the time, and, in the name of Christ, move to more fully proclaim the truth of God. Only a few will illustrate this:

World Vision — orphan child care, relief, information center, etc.;

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Far East Broadcasting Co. — gospel programs over their twenty-one radio stations in the various countries of Asia;

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Wycliffe Bible Translators — reducing language into written form and producing the Bible in these languages so new readers may read God's word.

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But this does not mean that your Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society has been inactive and tied only to sending American missionaries to the work. For decades every worker sent has been a "needed" person, able to carry out a task vital to the work of the national church which they helped bring into existence and with which they work. Independent, indigenous Conferences have been brought into being by the national church. In the last decade the Missionary Board took the lead, encouraging the CoWoCo (Consultation of World Conferences of Seventh Day Baptists) meeting in 1964, which brought forth the first meeting of the twelve member Seventh Day Baptist World Federation in 1971.

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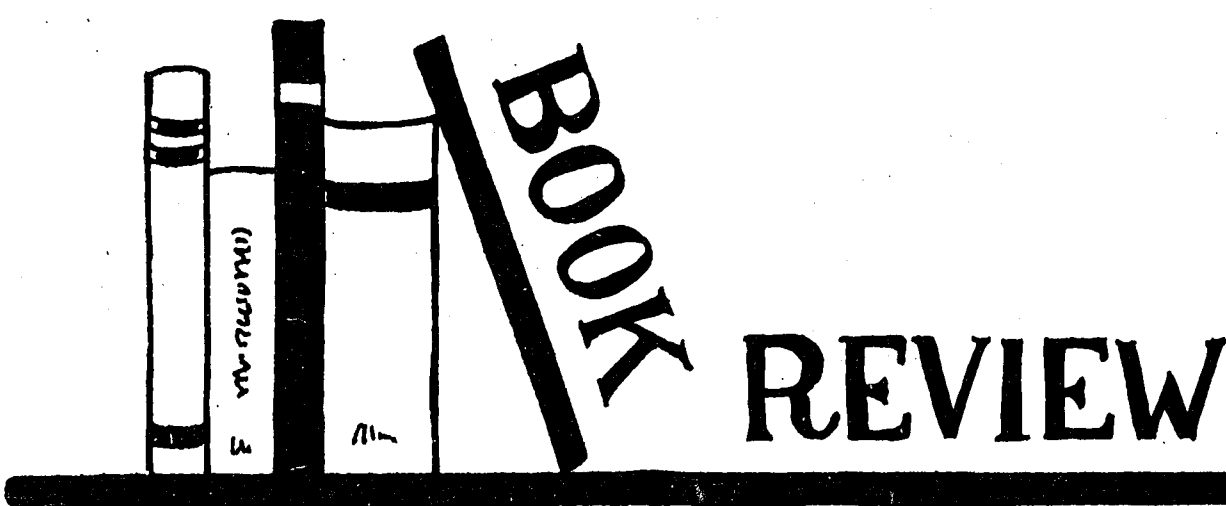
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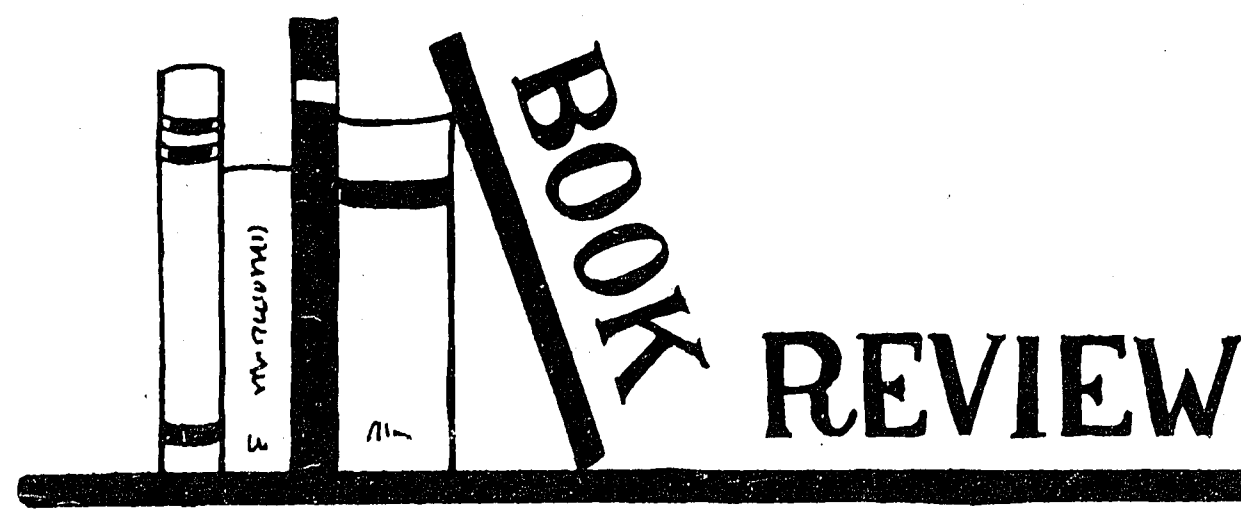
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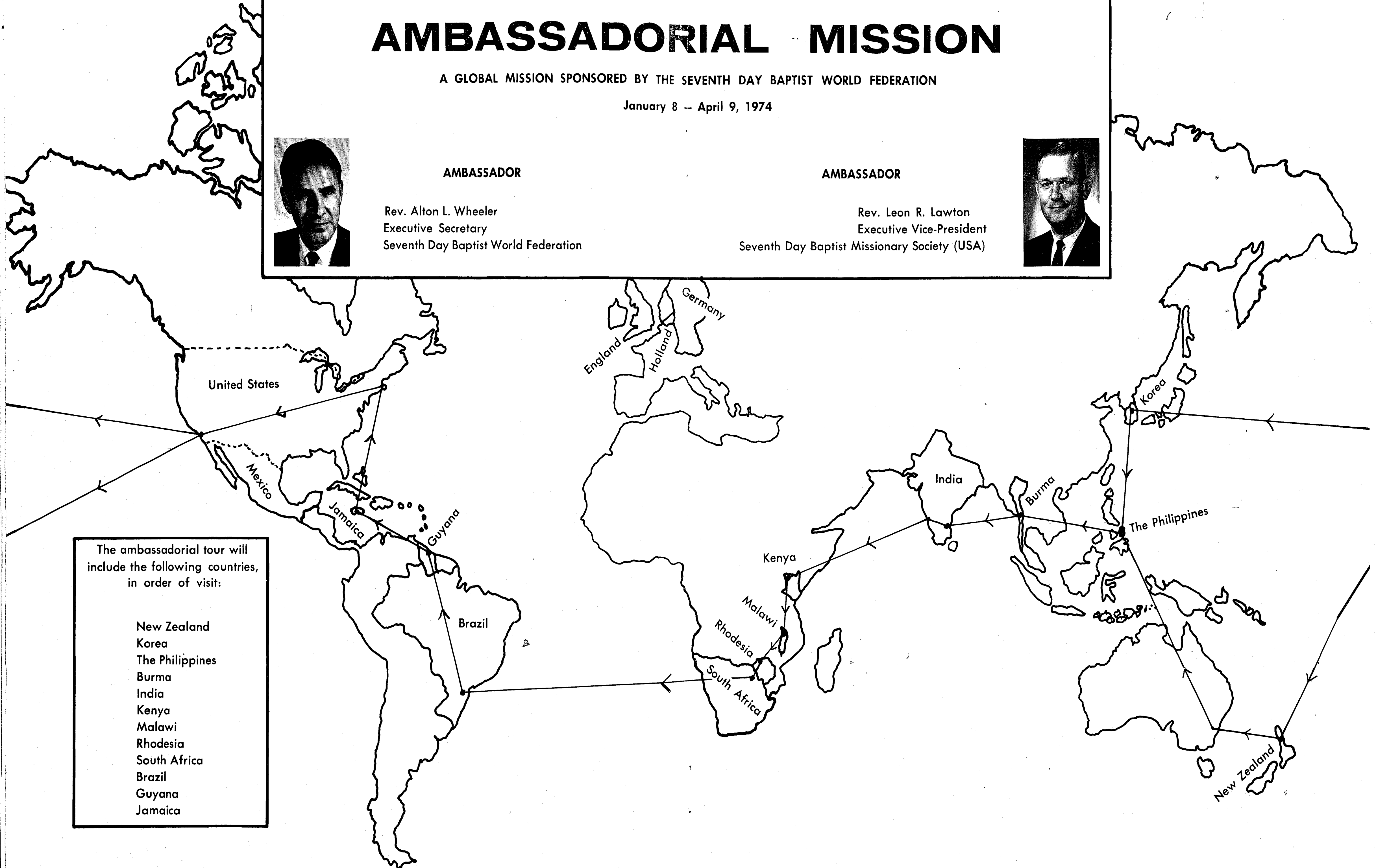
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- India
- Kenya
- Malawi
- Rhodesia
- South Africa
- Brazil
- Guyana
- Jamaica



THE SABBATH

A DAY OF REST

by
Rev. Herbert E. Saunders

"Six days of labor will feed and clothe the body; Sabbath labor will starve the soul." The underlying principle and God-ordained purpose of the Sabbath is rest. Ordained at creation for God's own rest, it remains therefore as a rest day for the people of God. The idea of rest has high Biblical authority, and it means far more than just physical relaxation. Dietrich Bonhoeffer writes: "In the Bible 'rest' really means more than 'having a rest.' It means rest after the work is accomplished, it means completion, it means the perfection and peace of God in which the world rests, it means transformation, it means turning our eyes absolutely upon God's being God and towards worshipping him." And Heschel writes: "'Menuha' which we usually render with 'rest' means here much more than withdrawal from labor and exertion, more than freedom from toil, strain or activity of any kind. 'Menuha' is not a negative concept but something real and intrinsically positive . . . it took a special act of creation to bring it into being, . . . the universe would be incomplete without it. What was created on the seventh day? Tranquility, senerity, peace and repose."

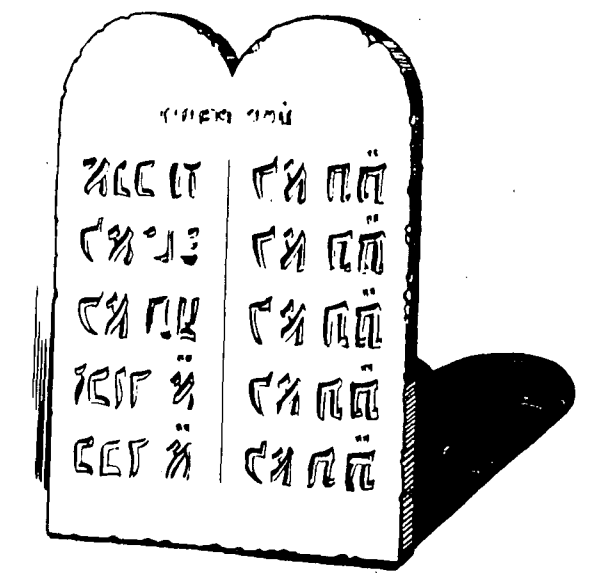
This idea of the Sabbath is meaningful to modern man. Although leisure time is expanding, and the work-week is gradually diminishing, there is a need for this consecrated idea of rest — this act of putting aside one day for the unique refreshment of one's body and soul. Consecrated rest, thus understood, demands also consecrated work—six days of worldly toil that give one the satisfaction of having completed his assigned task in God's plan. The Sabbath gives times for one to reflect on the accomplishments of his work and to glory in their completion. Man "can consecrate his work," writes Lewis,

"and from the Sabbath he may renew the eternal life which shall help him to give some sabbatic quality to the work days." As Heschel writes: "The Sabbath is the inspirer, the other days the inspired."

It is of tremendous importance, then, that we accept God's gift of the Sabbath as a day of rest. Without it the other days cannot be consecrated. Without it the rest of the week falls into routine and bears no significant fruit. The Sabbath, as the inspirer of the other days, gives meaningful expression to the needs of mankind and fulfills its obligation by giving man an opportunity for life renewing rest.

"God recognizes the need for rest, spiritual and physical. In the midst of life's pressing demands He calls a halt and bids men cease their activity and give attention to the things of the spirit. To their own astonishment, they find that taking time out for spiritual duties does not hinder but rather helps in temporal affairs; that the physical rest on the Sabbath does not delay their work, but gives them added zest and strength for their common pursuits on the other days of the week."

No, Sabbath rest is not designed to contribute to lethargy, stagnation, and apathy, but to be the spiritual antidote for it. How we make use of the Sabbath rest will verify whether or not we believe in the Sabbath for what it is and keep it as Sabbath. ". . . the world needs a day of rest, the church needs a day of rest, our religious activities need a day of rest, our Christianity of these times needs a day of rest, a spiritual Sabbathizing." We who embrace God's Sabbath need to find the "Sabbath rest" promised by Christ. We need to experience the Sabbath as a day for the quiet replenishing of our Christian zeal. We need to rest in God and contemplate the work of God's spirit in our



lives.

As Lewis writes: "The Sabbath has taught its lesson — that God is a spirit, and that there is no fathoming his nature by the intellect and no controlling of it by magic. Yet spirit can touch spirit, and to great issues. This is Immanuel, God with us. This is the secret of rest." Meeting God, acquainting ourselves with His Son, and being revived by His Spirit, this is at the heart of Sabbath rest.

It is time that Seventh Day Baptists realized the importance of Sabbath rest. We have too long suffered under the illusion that the Sabbath rest simply means release from physical toil. We have not found in it the completion of consecrated work. We have maintained a Sabbath air and a Sabbath righteousness but our rest has never quite reached the point of introducing us to God's Son and reviving our interest in being born of God's spirit.

Our Sabbath rest is a vastly watered down version of true Sabbath rest. It consists of arguments reflecting on what should "not be done on the Sabbath" rather than concentrating on being in the presence of God and finding an expression for life. "There remaineth therefore a Sabbath rest to the people of God," but the "people of God" are those who find in their Sabbath observance a fellowship with the Trinity that changes their lives. If Seventh Day Baptists are to have an influential role in Sabbath reform and a new Sabbath understanding and practice, they must first of all "clean their own Sabbath house" and refurnish it with true spiritual Sabbathism. Saunders, Herbert E. *The Sabbath Symbol of Creation and Re-Creation*, pp. 83-85. Available from the Seventh Day Baptist Publishing House.

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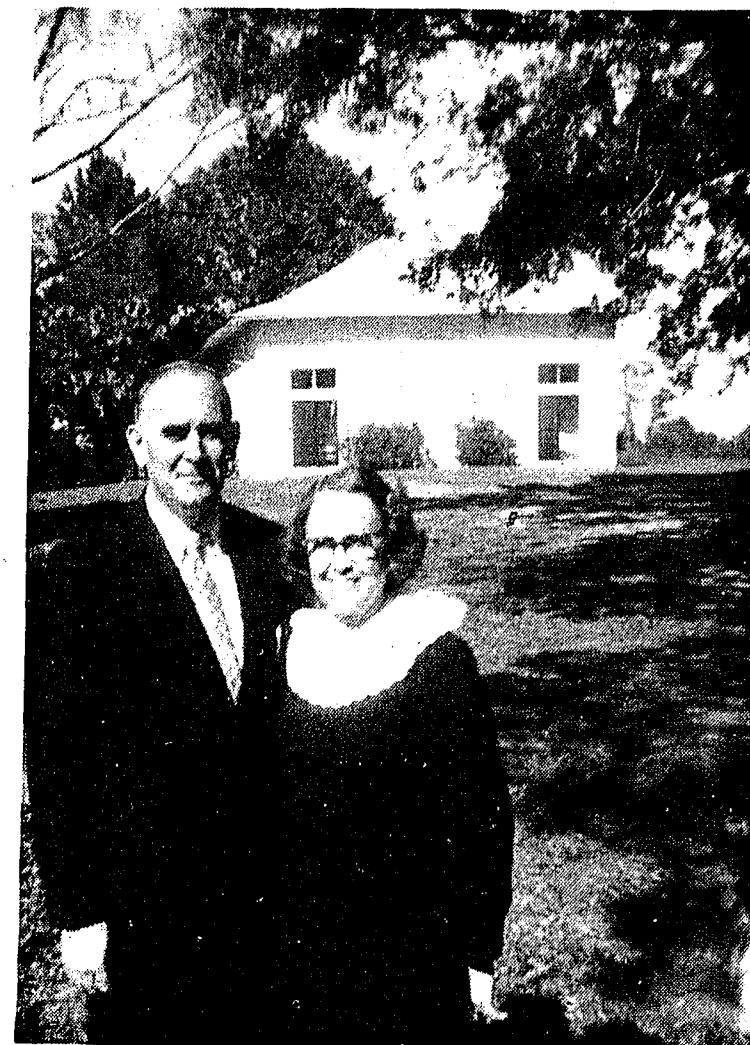
Churches...



Riverside Seventh Day Baptist Church

NEW FELLOWSHIP IN CALIFORNIA

On Sabbath, December 8, a special meeting was held in northern California in the Montague-Yreka area for the purpose of organizing a new Seventh Day Baptist Fellowship. Rev. John A. Conrod, field pastor for the Pacific Coast Association was in charge of the organizational meeting. Watch for a special report on this new group in the February RECORDER. Let us pray for our brethren in northern California.



NEW MINISTER

Pastor and Mrs. Floyd Goodson are serving the Fouke, Arkansas, Seventh Day Baptist Church.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.— During the past eighteen months the Riverside Seventh Day Baptist Church has conducted three Candlelight Communion - Baptismal Services. There have been sixteen who have followed their Lord in baptism. The most recent service of this nature was conducted on Friday evening, November 16, 1973, with the Rev. Don Phillips, pastor of the church officiating.

This unique service combined the two ordinances of Communion and Baptism in a beautiful candlelight setting. The pastor, with the candidates especially in mind, presented a meditation at the Communion table which joined the two ordinances together. He indicated that Communion points us to Christ's sacrifice upon Calvary for our sins, and our identification with Him in His death; while Baptism signifies our burial and resurrection with Christ to walk in newness of life. Following the impressive and worshipful Communion service the candidates retired with the pastor to prepare for baptism, while Dr. Pete May led the congregation in a song and testimony service.

At an appropriate time the pastor entered the baptistry as the lights were lowered. The flowers and candelabras made for a lovely setting. Seven candidates all with a fervent testimony for Christ, were baptized. They were three adults and four young people. The adults were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swingen, of Lutheran background, and Mrs. Bill Whitlock, formerly a Roman Catholic. The young people were Karen and Kendall Elmer, Tony Maddox and Pete May, II. The young people were all from church families.

Three of them indicated that they had found Christ as Savior at our Pacific Pines Camp. One indicated that he had trusted the Lord Jesus at the Christian school he attends.

Each of these were received into membership on the following day except for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swingen. We also received Mrs. Dolly (Lewis) Appel, by transfer of letter.

SALEMVILLE, PA., GERMAN CHURCH.— The Holy Spirit has been doing exciting things to people in Salemville. It only took a spark several months ago to get the fire going. It began to spread, and then the Light Bearers for Christ came to Salemville for lay training sessions and evangelistic services. Was it real? Was it worth it? Twelve days and nights of spiritual blessing produced the following comments from people in Salemville.

1. I heard my mother pray for the first time in my life.
2. Churches or denominations don't matter — just that people love God.
3. This is the first time that I have prayed in four years.
4. I was afraid to think of Christ coming back again — now I am anxious.
5. This has been the greatest spiritual blessing of my entire life.
6. People are sharing boldly — proudly — that Jesus Christ is the answer.
7. I want to be just like (indicating a spirit filled woman whom the Lord had healed by a miracle).
8. Thirty people showed up for a prayer breakfast at 6 a.m.
9. The TV studio said "Come

back anytime and we will give you a full half hour of free TV time for the Light Bearers for Christ."

10. I never thought I would be able to tell others about Christ, but this first day of my new Christian life, the words just came out. I can't believe myself.

11. Young man to his minister: "You should have been at our 'prayer party' last night. It was wonderful. I have never been to anything like it."

12. After living for years next to my neighbor, I went today to talk to her about Christ. She said, "I've been waiting for you to come, why have you waited so long?" She accepted Christ into her life that very day as a result of that visit.

What do you think? Was it real? Was it worth it?

—Rev. Charles Graffius

SEATTLE, WASH.— Seattle Area Seventh Day Baptist Church is now meeting in a new building which they have secured for their full-time use in spreading the gospel, at 755 S. Homer Street, Seattle, Washington 98108.

Dedication services for the new home of the youngest member church of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, USA, were held Sabbath afternoon, October 20, during the Pacific Coast Association sessions. Delegates drove to Seattle from the Lutherland Bible Camp, at Federal Way, twenty miles south, where Association was scheduled before the new church location was found. Visitors were able to examine the facilities and share in the joy and unity of spirit of the local church, as well as join in prayer for God's blessing here. The first regular services were held in the "new" church on October 27.

Two buildings are available for use, the original edifice with stained glass windows erected in 1912, and an adjacent annex building, constructed in 1949. Both are in good repair, with a sanctuary seating around 150, a social hall, rest rooms, seventeen class rooms, two kitchens and room for a church office. Included are a Hammond organ, oak pews, hymnals, tables, and chairs.

The Seattle Area members believe that finding this church was a direct answer to prayer. After meeting Sabbaths in the First Baptist Church of Des Moines, a small



New home for the Seattle Area Seventh Day Baptist Church

suburb south of Seattle for over five years with all other meetings in members' homes, there is genuine enthusiasm about a place available all week for meetings, office and community outreach. The Georgetown area is about three miles south of the city center. Much of the area has been industrialized and the Georgetown Presbyterian Church disbanded in January to merge with another United Presbyterian congregation about two miles away. Near the church is a large new beautifully landscaped warehouse and office building area. Just across the street is a Georgetown Playground, a city playground park. Directly off the Seattle Freeway, Interstate 5, the church's accessibility is a real asset for a congregation scattered all over the Seattle - Tacoma area.

An agreement was reached with the trustees of the Presbyterian church to rent the buildings for one year, with a lease option to buy. The Seventh Day Baptists pay \$150 per month, plus utilities and insurance, which is a large forward step for the five-year old congregation. At the end of the year, the Church may exercise its option and purchase for \$45,000, with one-third down. The buildings are on a lot 100 by 120 feet.

Since securing the church, much volunteer work has been done painting and cleaning, preparing new classrooms and the office. A ministry of calling in the local neighborhood has begun, and plans are being made for a "Neighborhood Open House."

The Seattle Area brethren wish to thank all who have joined in praying for God's leading for their church home and to invite further prayer for guidance in the decision to purchase by November 1974, if God leads.

NORTH LOUP, NEBR.— Here are a few highlights of what has happened in North Loup this fall!

Miss Colleen Keown was a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln at the end of the summer session and is now employed in Lincoln.

September found our young folks bound for higher institutions of learning. Attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln are: Ivan and Loren Soper, Jim and Janece Goodrich, Terry Keown, Keith Severance, Jerry Van Horn, and Maris Cox Gregg (of Murray, Nebraska). Bernard Keown is now taking post-graduate work at the University of Nebraska. Dawn Lippincott is again attending the University of Wyoming at Laramie. Theresa Clement of Kearney, Nebraska, is attending Kearney State College. Pat Skaggs is attending Missouri Institute of Technology in Kansas City. Galen Severance is enrolled in the Grand Island School of Business.

The September 15 worship service was held by the Light Bearers for Christ, while Pastor Skaggs and others of the congregation met with the Lincoln Fellowship. The Light Bearers spent a weekend at Scottsbluff, Nebraska, then went east for evangelistic work.

Some of our members attended Mid-Continent Association at Denver, Colorado, October 5-7. Others had planned to go, but due to the tragic accident that took the life of one of our young men, Allen Williams, plans were changed. A special service was held in church that Sabbath, and a memorial service for Allen was held at our church on that Sunday, October 7. His life was short, but so full and meaningful, and we all miss him very much!

Pastor and Mrs. Skaggs had a much needed and well deserved

vacation in October. Part of it was spent with their son, Pat, in Kansas City.

The Annual Lord's Acre Turkey Supper was held November 4. It was a time for meeting and greeting friends.

The Dr. Grace Missionary Society sponsored a "Bakeless Food Sale" in November. They were also in charge of worship and visitation at the Ord Nursing Home and Parkview Village in Ord, Nebraska, November 8.

Community Thanksgiving Services were held at our church Thanksgiving Eve, with the Rev. Ron Toemmich of the Ord United Methodist Church bringing the message. In spite of the devastating hail storm of last August, we have much to be thankful for!

The Annual Lord's Acre In-gathering took place at the Seventh morning worship November 24. The congregation presented their gifts to the Lord at the altar.

The Light Bearers have returned home to headquarters from their fall tour and have much to share. It is a blessing to have them with us!

December promises to be a busy month, with Christmas activities honoring Christ's birth, as well as some weddings. —Correspondent PLAINFIELD, N. J.— All who attended the Light Bearers' inspiring concerts at our church October 26 and 27 were greatly blessed. Music director Steve Crouch and the other five singers presented a variety of sacred music, both old and modern, all thrillingly rendered. Their testimonies were enthusiastic and heart-warming. Rod and Camille Henry, Phil Osborn, Chris Pederson, and Ruth Soper were the other singers, and the Rev. Mynor Soper also spoke and gave his testimony. The program was a memorable one.

The Light Bearers for Christ and the four ministerial students were our guests at the Sabbath service October 27 and at the fellowship dinner following Sabbath School.

The next weekend, November 2-4, we enjoyed our fall retreat at the Baptist Conference Center in Lebanon, N. J. Highlights were: Sabbath Eve singspiration, Sabbath morning church service, including Communion and a song by the Junior Choir, small-group discussions on temptation, anxiety, and morality, children's and adults' fun activities, delicious meals and re-

freshments sponsored by the Fellowship Committee. The retreat was a happy time of Christian fellowship and sharing.

While Pastor Herbert Saunders and our young people were attending the Wapenjer Youth Retreat in Washington, D. C., November 9-11, we observed Laity Sabbath, with John Bevis in charge of the service. He spoke on the topic, "The Church Is You!" Mike and Alice Parker sang and spoke movingly on the theme, "I Believe."

Our pastor's sermons on "Christ Gives Meaning to Your World," based on the Book of John, have included "Christ Gives New Birth, Living Water, Living Bread, Light, Truth, Resurrection and Life, Love, Hope, Peace, Joy, and Unity to Your World."

The Young Adult Group met at the home of George and Patricia Cruzan in Ringoes, N. J., the evening of December 1. John and Hope Bevis and the Cruzans were in charge of the program.

The Women's Society had their secret pal Christmas party the evening of December 3. It was preceded by a dish-to-pass dinner. The Pro-Con Group held their Christmas party December 9, while the all-church Christmas party took place the evening of December 15.

We look forward to a blessed new year filled with zeal for the Lord's work and love for one another and for all people everywhere.

—Ruth Parker, Correspondent SCHENECTADY, N. Y.— In October the Schenectady and Berlin Seventh Day Baptist Churches held a joint Communion service at Schenectady. Following the service was a fellowship dinner and a welcoming service for our new pastor, the Rev. Gordon D. Oliver and family. A special gift was presented to the Olivers.

Several of our members attended Yearly Meeting at the Berlin church. Two of our young people were privileged to attend the fall retreat held at the Ashaway, R. I., church. Our church has now organized a youth group.

We were blessed by having the Light Bearers for Christ with us the last of October. We would request the prayers of all as we seek to reach others for Christ in the weeks ahead.

—Virginia Swartz, Correspondent

WELCOME NEW SUBSCRIBERS

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CAMPING—

A REVIVING EXPERIENCE

Rev Don Phillips
and

Rev. Michael Markham

"My own personal life was changed! Jesus spoke to me and gave me the one way to salvation . . . Do you know, I really get excited and I have a very real joy in my heart just talking about Jesus and what I can do for Him in the future."

This was a testimony from one of the young adults who met the Lord this year during a camping experience.

Last June 1 - 3, the Riverside and Los Angeles SDB Churches in California met at our Pacific Pines Camp, located in the beautiful San Bernardino mountains, for a three day "Christian Education Conference." The program included workshops in the morning directed toward juniors, teens, and adults. Other instructive orientation during the afternoon included the recruitment of leaders for Christian education activities. There was fun time, free time, and sports. There were also hours in the program for Bible instruction and inspiration.

During the inspirational hours, Pastor Michael Markham, a Baptist pastor and spiritual life teacher from Mission Hills, California, gave three messages which included, "The Principle and Practice of the Cross," "Prayer-Asking in His Name," and "Your Best Friend — The Holy Spirit."

The convicting power of the Holy Spirit was very present as Pastor Markham concluded his first message. Our people began to act upon what they had heard and started immediately to reconcile their differences and to ask forgiveness for hard feelings. Two ladies felt they should bury their enmity toward each other at the Cross. Together, they found forgiveness, reconciliation, and a new bond of love. A young lady became convicted of stealing from her grandmother. Later, she confessed this and indicated her intention to make it right. Another person, a young man, became convicted about his doubts and uncertainties and gave them over to the Lord. It was



evident from the outset that God had come to visit our first Christian Education Conference. This was only the beginning of His working in our midst. There was more to follow!

The Reviving Holy Spirit

The message on prayer presented by Pastor Markham was very informative and inspirational. We were encouraged to enter into a new and vital experience of fellowship with God through *Asking in the Spirit*. Then Pastors Phillips and Markham teamed together in the Sabbath afternoon service. Pastor Phillips centered his remarks around the need of brokenness and told the story of Evan Roberts and the Welsh revival. He indicated that the prayer of the revival in Wales was: "Bend me! Bend me, O God." This word of challenge and exhortation was used to prepare for Pastor Markham's message on the Holy Spirit. The results which followed were obviously a deeper work in the Holy Spirit in lives. Our people felt to pray this prayer, "Bend me!" Many sought to be filled with the Holy Spirit. A medical doctor became broken and contrite. He confessed his need of the power of the Holy Spirit. One of the ladies, who has given years of service to Christian camping, came forward. She desired to be filled and enabled by the fulness of the Holy Spirit. The pastors and others gathered around her to pray. God met her in a new way as she yielded to the control of the Holy Spirit. Others confessed in tears and brokenness that their lives and testimonies and witness before the world had been weak; others told how much they had failed the Lord in their devotional life. Many believed, that June day, for the fulness of the Holy Spirit and there came into our midst a new spirit of love, power, and freedom with rejoicing.

Young Adults Meet God

One month after the close of the Christian Education Confer-

ence, with its blessing, our two churches joined again in a young adult camp. Pastor Leland Davis, of Los Angeles, was camp pastor. Once again the Rev. Michael Markham was present to minister to us from the Word of God. Only, by this time the young people were calling him "Mike." Once again the Holy Spirit used "Mike" to minister to our hearts.

The Afterglow

Now months after the conferences at Pacific Pines Camp we are finding the Spirit continues to work in the lives of many of our people. One who had a new encounter with God at camp this summer has written: "I have a new teaching position this fall and through my experience at camp I discovered that Christ knew what I could do and He would be with me . . . I have an inner peace which I haven't felt in years . . . I am growing in Christ and I am trying to learn and understand His will . . . I have grown closer to Christ, my love for Him is stronger, and because of this my love for others is greater."

At the outset of this article a wonderful testimony is given. The young man who gave it is married. He said, later, "I know that after a month my wife and I have had such a beautiful life since I have accepted Christ. I didn't realize marriage could be so sweet day in and day out." One final testimony comes from a student who attends a Christian college. This young person writes: "I met other young adults who are happy in the Lord . . . I went to camp not expecting much but the Lord changed my heart. During the messages I realized that God really loves me as I am . . . The Lord continues to bless me as I study at school . . . God is love! I'll never forget those times that the Lord used at camp. If it wasn't for the camp, I wouldn't have the happiness that I found in His love."

**CAMENGA AND HARRIS
PRE-CON DIRECTORS**

The Rev. John Camengas and the Charles HARRISES will direct the national Youth and Young Adult Pre-Con Retreats respectively before the national Seventh Day Baptist Conference at Salem College in August, the Youth Program Committee announced the first of December 1973.

John and Linda (Van Horn) Camenga have expressed love and understanding with conviction and grace in their parishes in Penn-

sylvania and Minnesota. They will be gathering a staff to conduct the Youth Pre-Con Retreat at Huttonville, W. Va., where the Conference Host Committee has secured use of a religious retreat center. High school and early college youth will want to put this event into plans for next summer! Details will be forthcoming in the *Sabbath Recorder*, *Beacon*, and special YF mailings.

The Charles HARRISES are develop-

ing program and staff for the Young Adult Retreat to be held at Camp Joy in Berea, W. Va. The short four days of the Pre-Con period will be packed with quality-joy at Joy if the HARRISES' experienced scheduling and resourcing works out.

Charles and Anita Harris are well known for their educational achievements — he in biology and guidance, she in music. And their contributions through church and community have overflowed from the local church to area projects, to denominational boards and the Conference at large. Charles was president of Conference in 1956-57. They are currently assisting the Light Bearers for Christ as well as their local church, the Memorial Fund trustees, and the Tract Society.

Watch for further details on these August 7-11, 1974, events to be announced through S.D.B. periodicals and special mailings from the Youth Program Committee or the National S.D.B. Your Fellowship.

**CASSETTE READING
SERVICE TO BLIND**

The Library of Congress reports an astonishing increase in the use of cassette tapes for "reading" by blind people, 37,500 individuals now regularly receiving mailings from regional libraries. The older program for loan of disc records as talking books and magazines presently involves 360,000 persons.

Proceeds of the Nathan E. Lewis Fund for the Blind have been used by the Seventh Day Baptist Memorial Fund to provide such services when they are not otherwise available. Any reader of *The Sabbath Recorder* who knows of such a need is invited to write for information on resources available in care of the editor.

**SHARE YOUR
SABBATH
RECORDER
WITH A
FRIEND**

APOLLOS

As with the teacher Apollos from Alexandria, all of us can learn "the way of God more accurately" (Acts 18:24-28). Sharing Christian education events and emphases from various churches across our denomination will help us better to teach — and to learn — the Way of Christ. Without going to the moon (in extreme educational experiments) we can have our own Apollos programs!

Riverside, Calif.: (Church bulletin item, December) "The Visual Aids Committee asks that teachers look through their lesson materials for the next quarter, and let us know if there is anything that we can obtain for you, such as maps, filmstrips, films, pictures or supplies."

Denver, Colo: Last fall the Denver SDB Church had a Christian Education Sabbath worship in which the chairman of the Christian Education Committee, Nancy Brannon, spoke on "Bloom Where You Are Planted." The chairman of the Memorials Committee, Mrs. Richard Shepard, talked about "the things we have to work with" including new educational tools displayed before the chancel. The pastor talked on "the four functions of a healthy church, letting the organ represent worship, the altar stewardship, the pulpit evangelism, and the Christian Education display Christian education." Take-off point for his message on the day's theme was "the portability of the new chairs, boards, flannelgraphs, and tables with the materials on them," he reported, "(but) nothing pointed up the need for quality Christian Education like the little 'opportunity to test your knowledge of the Christian Life.'"

Perhaps your church might benefit from "the little opportunity" given the Denver congregation near the close of that Sabbath's worship. (Or maybe you would like to make up your own, adapt this one, or repeat one you have tried earlier or have seen tried elsewhere.) Write Pastor Glen Warner, 2301 Wadsworth Blvd., Lakewood, Colo. 80215 if you want the whole thing. Here are some of the "opportunities" to

test your comprehension and retention of Bible wisdom:

List three passages that teach us about eternal life:

Name six parables that Jesus told:

Name the following antitheses mentioned by Jesus: (example: a—Two eternities. Ans.: Heaven, Hell). b—Two masters. c—Two foundations. d—Two kingdoms. e—Two gates.

Complete the following quotation: (part of five different verses from the Gospels)

(From today's *Helping Hand* lesson) Complete this verse: (three phrases omitted from printed verse).

This is a fair test. True , False

The unison prayer of dedication used in this service is helpful to others, we feel sure: "Our Father, Who didst call little children to our Lord for blessing, guide these teachers we pray, that they may be faithful and loving in their appointed tasks. Grant that we may see the greatness of this work. Remind us that as we sow, so shall we reap. Make us ever mindful that we can never learn all there is to know of Thy Kingdom. Stir in all our hearts the longing to understand. Bring to life the desire to apply ourselves and be diligent in our study. May we learn the usefulness of our salvation as an act of loving obedience to Thee, the Author of life and the Source of all knowledge. Through our Lord we pray. Amen."

Yourtown, USA: Several churches are using "the elective principle" in adult class groupings, thus encouraging high school through senior citizens to attend whichever Sabbath School class most concerns their minds and spirits. Leadership is spread among the church membership in various ways. Learning styles vary, and so both topic and style enter into the Sabbath scholar's choice. Some choices offered in SDB church schools recently include: Bible-initiated dialogue. Uniform Series lessons (mostly *Helping Hand* based), sermon feedback, book studies, current issues debate, open discussion of members' concerns or needs.

Washington, D. C.: "It's Your Bag and God Wants All of It" was theme of a November weekend retreat for the SDB youth of Pennsylvania, Jersey, and Washington, D.C. Youth Fellowship advisor, the Rev.

John Pettway, spoke Sabbath morning on "It May Be Your Bag but You Must Have *Christian Degrees*." That same weekend some Washington Christian educators were attending a Church School Convention. Vivid reminder that all of us need the credentials of personal experience and growth with God.

Seattle, Wash.: With new facilities located just opposite the Georgetown playground, and with the Sabbath School superintendent conducting teacher training, the church and Sabbath School can grow and minister in Christ's name inside class time and outside on playground.

Berea, W. Va.: Church refuses to cooperate? Reports of the Southeastern Association meetings last fall indicate that the Berea church had refused to accept \$6,000 repayment for improvements they had put into the "retired" school building making it a good camp lodge and dormitory. When the Association incorporated to operate the facility as Camp Joy, the church donated building and improvements! That's the kind of refusals that agencies in Christian education like to hear! What is your contribution to growing in Christ?

Salem, W. Va.: So many high school youths offered to serve the churches of the Southeastern Association after experiences in their retreat last spring that the churches were unable to come up with enough spaces for their service. But the continuation of helpful relations between youth and older leaders was sustained by a Camp Joy class in counseling and leadership for these youth.

Westerly, R. I.: (Bulletin item, Nov. 3) "Sabbath School begins at 9:45 a.m. This Sabbath marks the beginning of a new program for the Sabbath School in which all of the classes (graded division and adult) meet together for opening worship and exercises. Let us make a real effort to be on time and help make this change a blessing to our Sabbath School and a real service for our Lord." Some other Sabbath Schools have returned to the idea of an assembly for all students either on a weekly or monthly basis. Is there hunger for more inter-generational sharing and gathered worship in your Sabbath School? Write Pastor Fran Saunders in Westerly if you're interested in how Pawcatuck SDB Church is working.

THE ROLE OF THE TEACHER

The role of the teacher is that of "enabler," helping pupils to

- sort out ideas and their meanings;
- learn to develop, or "grow" an idea;
- develop confidence in themselves and in others;
- learn to transfer what they learn in class sessions to other life experiences;
- understand and evaluate the culture in which they live;
- struggle for their own understanding of God and its meaning for their lives;
- verbalize their meanings.

An Enabler is one who...

- views himself as a learner;
- listens creatively;
- shares understandings, meanings, and convictions;
- sets goals and invites others to do the same.





The loan library of the Board of Christian Education has some recent additions which point to some exciting growth for users who will be able to better create growth-situations for learners in Christian grace and truth. If you're interested in borrowing any of the new additions (or getting older ones you suspect we might have, or getting suggestions on resources) just write to the board at its new office: Box 1381, Alfred, NY 14802. We will try to meet your schedule, and with resources you specify or with suggestions from related sources.

One month should be a good limit for use of books or pamphlets on loan from our library, but we shall be glad to extend borrowing time when needed. Take note of date materials are received and put the date on your calendar in the next month to remind you to return them for others' use.

Using Bible Simulations, a perforated program book with some mighty good introductory statements on the dramatic power of Bible study was written by Donald Miller, Graydon Snyder and Robert Neff after testing resources in Bethany Theological Seminary and several churches. Judson Press, Valley Forge, Pa. 19481 published the 8 x 10" book in 1973 at \$4.95.

Simulations are dramatic expressions of the Biblical event with as much accuracy of feeling and thought as the group can bring to their study, sometimes extended over six hours of mutual exploration. Plans are presented for one to six-hour studies with clear reference to many valuable resources and suggested roles for students and leaders.

Bible simulations endeavor to "allow Scriptural events to be lived deeply, imaginatively and intensely . . . Simulations are designed to help us feel the Biblical events, to identify with Biblical personalities, to sense their dilemmas and choices, their hopes and expectations. Their purpose is to encourage within us a trust that can tolerate conflict and a hope that finds God's Kingdom breaking in among us. Their purpose is to let the past be present in order that the future may be ours."

First of All Persons! by Elizabeth and William Genné. Friendship Press, NYC. \$1.95. A study and action guide for persons or groups living amidst changes from quite clear stereotypes of marriage roles. Designed for a minimum of six sessions, the guide explores the legal and social customs that entrap us, the economic discriminations that oppress us, and the role of faith in liberating persons, both male and female. A final chapter also explores the options open to families in the future as a source of personal fulfillment.

SOURCES FOR ENABLERS OF CHRISTIAN GROWTH

Useful for persons of either sex and any age above junior high school level.

Wilderness Cookery, by Bradford Angier. Stackpole Books, Harrisburg, Pa. \$1.95. Moving from principles of "Sustenance in the Silent Spaces" to desserts listed under "Topping It Off," Angier gives much information on outdoor eating and food preservation, carrying and cooking. Helpful to individual or group camping, the book also describes "Free Eating" (with drawings) also of many wild plants. Tables on cooking times, calories, and other measures add to the book's value.

Acclimatization. A Sensory and Conceptual Approach to Ecological Involvement, by Steve Van Matre. American Camping Association, Bradford Woods, Ind. \$2.95. A manual on how to help youth *feel* the out-of-door world, to become excited about cooperating with God in care and development of this world's beautiful environment. Daily programs are outlined as to area for the learning experiences and concepts to be experienced, with detailed explanations on what, how, and why of session-planning.

Respond, Volume 3. A Resource Book for Youth Ministry. Edited by Mason Brown. Judson Press, Valley Forge, Pa. \$3.95. Special sections on worship celebrations, camping, fund-raising, and service projects are preceded by materials for programs on the Bible, evangelism, the Christian faith, international mission, spiritualism, vocation, etc. Also valuable for youth and their leaders are lists of books, films, and other media which are generally related to youth in the Church. (The national SDBYF officers also have a copy of this one.)

OFFICE HAS NEW CENTRALITY

After an interim period of occupying a pleasant and efficient office at the Alfred Ceramic Enterprise in Alfred Station, the Board of Christian Education has secured a long-term lease for the office-suite at 15 South Main Street in Alfred. Not only is the office within walking distance of many board members, of the Alfred central business district, and of both Alfred colleges, but it is a little closer to the geographic center of the directors' homes. Further, the suite has a conference room large enough for sizeable committee meetings which makes the board's office a potential center for consultations and projects.

The board is grateful to Martin Curran, manager-owner of Alfred Ceramic Enterprises, for generous and prompt provision of services during

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A LETTER FROM GOD

Albert N. Rogers



One evening I walked home from a meeting with an elderly friend. He was telling me about his pastor whom he appreciates. "You know, he came into the denomination in a curious way. A woman pasted up a copy of *The Sabbath Recorder* over a crack in the wall of her house to keep the wind out. That was out from North Loup, Nebr., a few miles. Then she read something about the church and decided to visit next Sabbath, inviting our pastor's family who lived near them to go along. They liked what they found, and so they joined in time, both families."

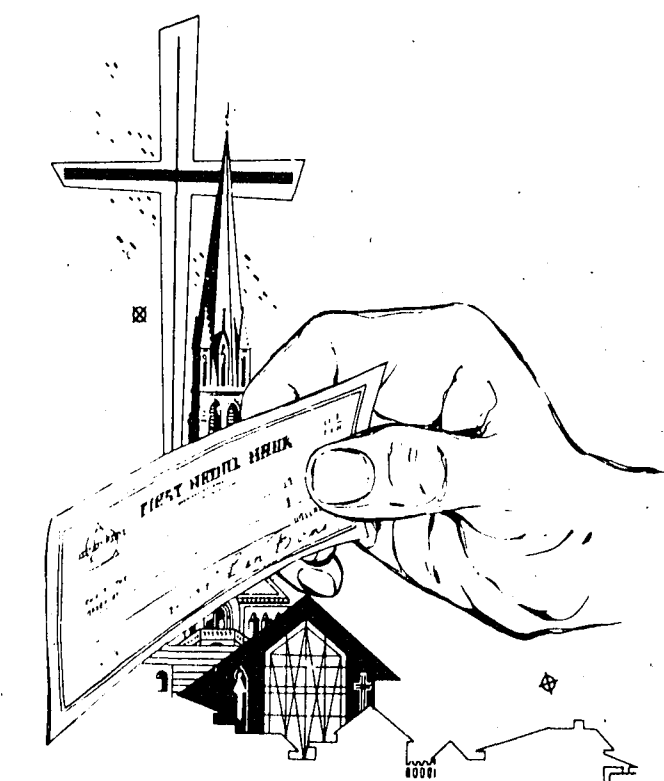
In eastern academies and western school houses selections from *The Sabbath Recorder* have served as a basis for debates, declamations, and cultural readings. For lone Sabbathkeepers its pages have brought news of loved ones and from the churches. Busy pastors and missionaries receive from it insights and direction for their service. Best of all, perhaps, are the "glimpses of truth" brought to some hungry mind seeking answers to questions, like the fragment of the Bible which a sea captain found floating in a Japanese harbor and which gave him the good news of the gospel. Hundreds of people have made a scrapbook of things they wanted to keep from this periodical which seems to many most like their Bible.

Early issues of *The Sabbath Recorder* a century and a quarter ago were markedly different from the political, mercantile, romantic, and sensational publications of that day. Their only illustrations were dark woodcuts, but they brought light just the same.

The personality of a paper changes somewhat with each change of editor. A. H. Lewis with his scholarship, Theodore L. Gardiner with his dynamic leadership, Herbert C. Van Horn with his great Christian comradeship, to name but a few, guided the policy of the *Recorder* in years past. John Bevis brings fresh ideas and format, breadth of perspective, and sensitivity to these pages. And he is recruiting new helpers on the publishing team. We welcome him on behalf of the readers of the past who would have liked his vitality.

I know that a verse from a book of the Bible

can come to me like a letter from God. The apostle Paul often mentions a personal reference at the beginning or close of one of his important doctrinal statements. This suggests that only as persons with varied interests and gifts can we communicate the great things of the gospel. The new *Sabbath Recorder* can do this, and perhaps it can do it more effectively for the careful planning and new equipment now available. "God who at sundry times and in diverse manners has spoken to us . . ."



ARE YOU HAVING A SABBATH SCHOOL MISSION OFFERING IN YOUR CHURCH IN JANUARY? DON'T START LATE

OUR WORLD MISSION

OWM Budget Receipts for November 1973

	Treasurer's		Boards'	
	November	11 months	11 months	11 months
Adams Ctr NY	\$ 69.00	\$ 903.91	\$ 76.30	
Albion WI		703.19	70.00	
Alfred NY	310.15	5,800.13	306.00	
Alfred Station NY	202.25	2,630.50	10.00	
Ashaway RI	237.00	4,125.40	240.00	
Assns & Groups	203.25	835.54	3,094.03	
Battle Creek MI	852.13	5,896.22	570.00	
Bay Area CA		603.00	32.80	
Berea WV	30.00	403.00	10.00	
Berlin NY	148.00	1,915.12	45.00	
Boulder CO	103.33	1,293.18	215.00	
Brookfield NY	25.00	636.85	65.00	
Buffalo NY		625.00		
Chicago IL	5,070.32	7,380.32	30.00	
Daytona Beach FL	100.00	1,294.00	130.00	
Denver CO	1,000.00	7,817.43	355.00	
De Ruyter NY	91.00	821.00	25.00	
Dodge Center MN	1,207.95	3,081.57	60.00	
Farina IL	35.00	654.04	10.00	
Fouke AR		228.65	10.00	
Hammond LA				
Hebron PA	70.00	1,017.40	70.00	
Hopkinton RI		105.00	130.00	
Houston TX	80.00	320.00	10.00	
Independence NY	17.50	306.35	50.00	
Individuals		1,314.48	773.38	
Irvington NJ		2,360.00	25.00	
Kansas City MO		680.70	40.00	
Leonardsville NY	30.00	599.05	10.00	
Little Genesee NY	126.05	1,719.29	55.00	
Little Rock AR	13.55	305.56	20.00	
Los Angeles CA	450.00	5,493.42	215.00	
Lost Creek WV		2,600.00	80.00	
Marlboro NJ	642.76	4,112.17	85.00	
Metairie LA				
Milton WI	946.80	14,111.75	750.00	
Milton Junction WI	50.00	967.05	10.00	

NOVEMBER DISBURSEMENTS

Board of Christian Education	\$ 1,761.14
Historical Society	12.23
Ministerial Education	574.82
Ministerial Retirement	337.62
Missionary Society	7,502.03
Tract Society	2,374.30
Trustees of General Conference	36.69
Women's Society	271.22
World Fellowship & Service	592.68
General Conference	4,004.81
Total	\$17,467.54

	Treasurer's		Boards'	
	November	11 months	11 months	11 months
Monterey CA		400.00	45.00	
New Auburn WI	90.00	1,046.05	60.00	
New Milton WV	50.00	599.61		
New Orleans LA	10.00	30.00		
North Loup NB	600.00	3,414.30	80.00	
Nortonville KS	184.40	2,616.90	192.58	
Ohio Fellowship OH	40.00	695.00		
Paint Rock AL	60.00	785.00	170.00	
Plainfield NJ		4,787.09	515.20	
Richburg NY	79.00	1,762.68	65.00	
Riverside CA		6,268.00	120.00	
Rockville RI	62.00	694.25	10.00	
Salem WV	229.10	2,222.10	125.00	
Salemville PA	55.00	636.66	62.00	
Schenectady NY	28.00	202.33	10.00	
Seattle WA	50.00	520.00	190.00	
Shiloh NJ	1,469.70	9,217.96	225.00	
Stonefort IL	40.00	651.33	20.00	
Syracuse NY		50.00		
Texarkana AR		60.00	20.00	
Verona NY	199.50	1,831.34	85.00	
Walworth WI	165.00	1,728.00		
Washington DC	184.00	2,094.20	285.00	
Washington People's DC				
Waterford CT	224.46	2,719.89	130.00	
Westerly RI		3,389.60	286.00	
White Cloud MI	81.53	966.75	20.00	
Totals	\$16,012.73	\$133,049.31	\$10,393.29	
Non-Budget	1,454.81			
Total To Disburse	\$17,467.54			

SUMMARY

1973 Budget	\$176,690.00
Receipts for eleven months:	
OWM treasurer	\$133,049.31
Boards	10,393.29
	143,442.60
To be raised by December 31, 1973	\$ 33,247.40
Percentage of year elapsed	91.6%
Percentage of budget raised	81.18%
Eleven months:	
Due	\$161,965.87
Raised	\$143,442.60
Arrears	\$ 18,523.27

Gordon Sanford
OWM Treasurer

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the interim between the old office in the Alfred Station home and the new office at 15 South Main Street in Alfred.

For a year Burton Crandall has chaired a special committee on office facilities which reported to the Executive Committee in October regarding the opening possibilities for a long-term lease on the present office suite. The Executive Committee was authorized on October 21 to move ahead on its best judgment. The office was occupied Dec. 1, 1973, after Executive Committee approval and the making of a mutually agreeable contract between the owner and the board.

Changes required in address involve only slight adjustment for mail and none for phone. The old mailing address: Box 115, Alfred Station, NY 14803. The new: Box 1381, Alfred, NY 14802. Our phone stays: 607-587-2781. As said in our notice to correspondents: "The latch string on the office is the same length or perhaps a little longer. At least it is more accessible The executive secretary and all of the board directors will continue to strive to 'enable the loving revolution' in the field of Christian Education. If we can be of any service to you or your neighboring friends and community, please feel free to call upon us for advice or for services. We have a wide range of resources to which we can refer you and some exciting experiences to share with you if we are called to assist in Christian Education encounters in your church or community."

EDITORIAL

This is the first issue of the new monthly *Sabbath Recorder*. We have found the past few weeks very exciting and challenging as we have worked on this issue. And we hope that you are pleased with the new format.

We would encourage you to share with us your reaction to this issue. We sincerely want to know what you like or dislike and we welcome your suggestions as we attempt to improve our publication. We feel that reader reaction is vital — won't you take just a moment to drop us a card?

Many of you who are reading this *Sabbath Recorder* are not regular subscribers. We have enclosed a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your convenience. We hope that you will try the *Sabbath Recorder* in your home — we believe that you will find it a blessing. Let us all pray for the growth of our printing ministry, as we seek to advance the cause of Christ and the church in 1974.

Births

Baker - Mc Carthy.— Re Rogers Baker of Friendship N. Y., and Wilma Mc Carthy of Friendship, N. Y., were united in marriage on October 12, 1973, in the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist Church, by the pastor, Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson.

Richmond - Petrillo.— David Richmond of Friendship N. Y., and Ann Burdick Petrillo of Friendship, N. Y., were united in marriage on September 22, 1973, with the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson officiating.

Cass - Reedy.— Daniel Cass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cass of R. D., Friendship, N. Y., and Peggy Reedy of Alton, Ill., were united in marriage on August 26, 1973, in a ceremony performed by the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson in the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Finn - Nicoll.— Michael L. Finn, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Finn and Vera L. Nicoll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Nicoll, of Edgerton, Wis., were united in marriage on November 24, 1973, at St. Joseph's Church by Father Wayne Turner and Rev. Addison Appel, pastor of the bride.

Kenyon - Shifo.— Robert Earl Kenyon, Jr., of Janesville, Wis., and Linda Rae Shifo, of Rockford, Ill., were united in marriage on August 25, 1973, at the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church by the groom's pastor, the Rev. A. Addison Appel.

Cruzan.— A daughter, Anna Marie, to Daniel and Diane (Ferguson) Cruzan of Bridgeton, N. J., on November 5, 1973.

Edwards.— A daughter, Christine Sue, to Robert R. and Loisanna Dickinson Edwards of Wellsville, N. Y., on August 2, 1973.

Brock.— A daughter, Joellen Renee, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brock of Roulette, Pennsylvania, on October 19, 1973.

Obituaries

HYDE.— Orville W. was born February 16, 1893, in Verona, N. Y., and died November 17, 1973, in Oneida, N. Y. Orville was the son of William and Flora Williams Hyde. He was married to Alice Dillmann on February 18, 1914.

Mr. Hyde joined the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church in July 1906, and has been an active and faithful member over the years.

Surviving, besides his wife, are three daughters: Mrs. Harold (Louise) Thompson, Oneida, New York; Mrs. Lynn (Gladys) Whiting, Norwich, New York; and Mrs. Howard (Gertrude) Nadeau, Pica Rivers, California; five grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Services were held in the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church on November 20, 1973, and burial was in the New Union Cemetery, Verona Mills.

—L. W. B.

KENYON.— B. Earl, son of Roy and Lillie Kenyon, was born on December 17, 1917, and died on October 26, 1973, of a heart attack while working near Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Kenyon was a welder by trade and a very talented man in mechanical matters. He was a member of the First Hebron Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Farewell services were held at the First Hebron church, and were conducted by his pastor, Kenneth Van Horn. Burial was in the Crandall Hill Cemetery, Hebron, Pennsylvania.

—K. B. V. H.

TALBOT.— Bernard A., son of Frank and Pansy Larkins Talbot, was born in Ord, Nebraska, in 1916, and died suddenly November 21, 1973, at his home in Royal Oak, Michigan.

He came to Battle Creek as a child. Bernard had been an employee of Michigan Telephone Company in Battle Creek, then for the company in Detroit for nineteen years where he was a senior analyst. He was a first lieutenant in the U. S. Signal Corps in Europe for five years during World War II.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Pansy Talbot, and a sister, Mrs. Walter (Merle) Kidder, as well as a nephew, David Kidder, all of Battle Creek.

Funeral services were conducted at the Farley Funeral Home by Pastor S. Kenneth Davis, with burial in Memorial Park Cemetery, Battle Creek, Michigan.

—S. K. D.

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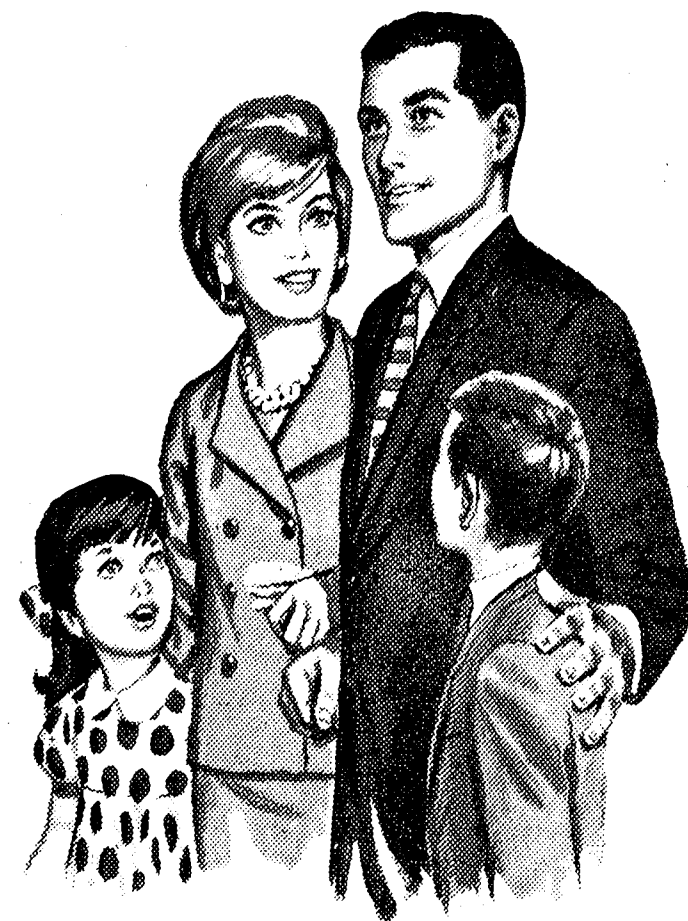
Munn - Wells.— Richard Noel Munn and Jennie Lou Wells, daughter of Willard and Mary (Hummel) Wells, were united in marriage Sabbath afternoon, November 17, 1973, in the sanctuary of the Boulder Seventh Day Baptist Church.

The Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, pastor of the bride, officiated. Richard is serving in the Navy with his present duty in Italy.

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