

**YOUNG ADULT PRE-CON RETREAT
CAMP JOY — BEREA, W. VA.
AUGUST 7 - 11, 1974**

Theme: "Joy Is Knowing"

"Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore" (Psalm 16:11).

The staff for the young adult retreat at Camp Joy is looking forward to a joyful experience with the young adults (ages 18-35) who will participate with us.

Emphasis will be placed on Bible studies so we may know and claim the promises which God offers to us now. A balanced program will include music, prayer and praise, small group sharing, counseling and recreation.

Members of the staff have had educational training at Alfred University, Milton College, Salem College, and advanced work in schools in California, Montana, Wyoming, Florida, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Special preparation includes training at Basic Youth Conflicts Seminars, Campus Crusade for Christ, Lay Witness Missions for Church Renewal and Light Bearers for Christ.

"When you obey Me you are living in My love, just as I obey My Father and live in His love. I have told you this so that you will be filled with My joy. Yes, your cup of joy will overflow" (John 15:10-11 Living Bible translation).

Those accepting staff assignments are the Rev. Herbert and Barbara Saunders, Plainfield, N. J.; the Rev. Dale and Althea Rood, Waterford, Conn.; John and Lucy Harris, Pennsville, N. J.; Rodney and Camille Henry, and Dr. Ronald E. Davis, M.D., of Los Angeles, Calif.

Information on registration and fees will be announced by the Board of Christian Education.

"Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up, Lord,
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul.
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole." □

—Charles and Anita Harris, Directors
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The 1974 General Conference Host Committee, working with the administration and staff of Salem College, has announced that room and meal charges have been set for those who are planning to attend Conference in Salem, West Virginia, in August.

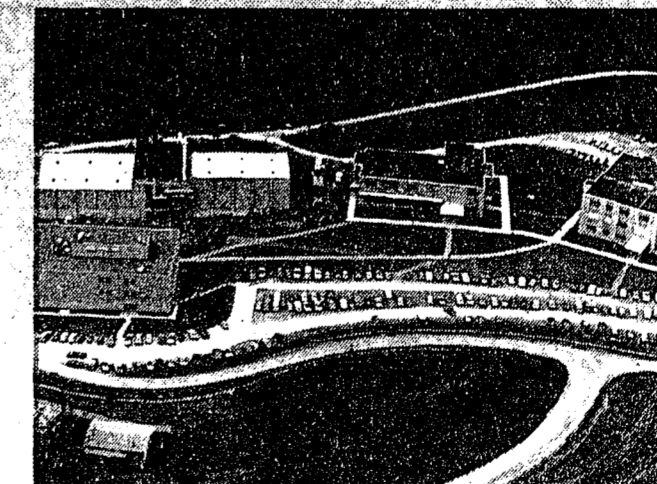
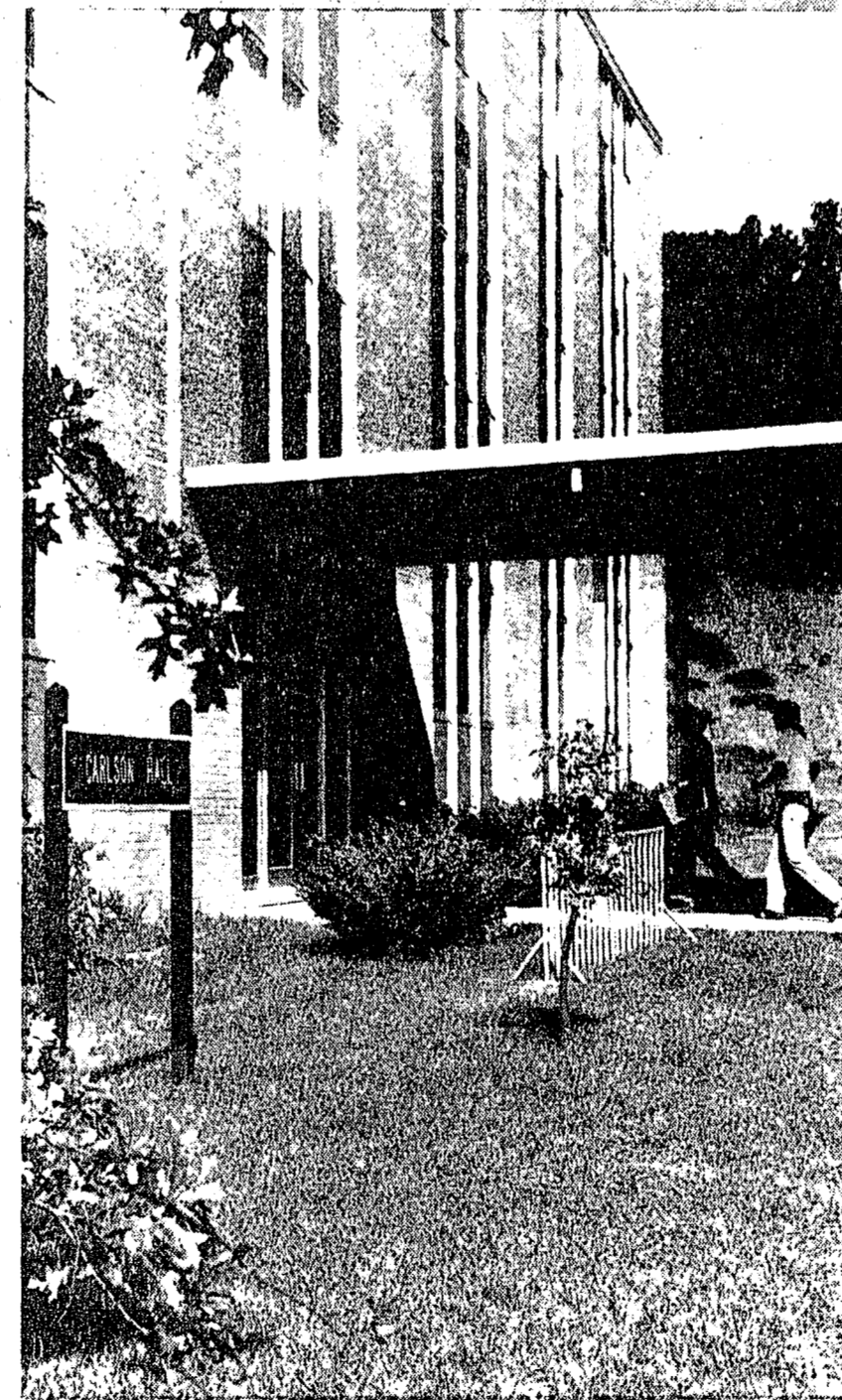
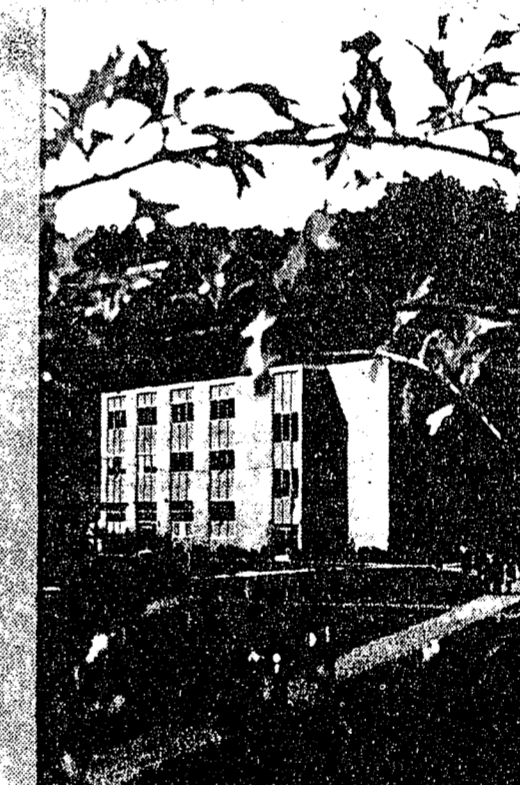
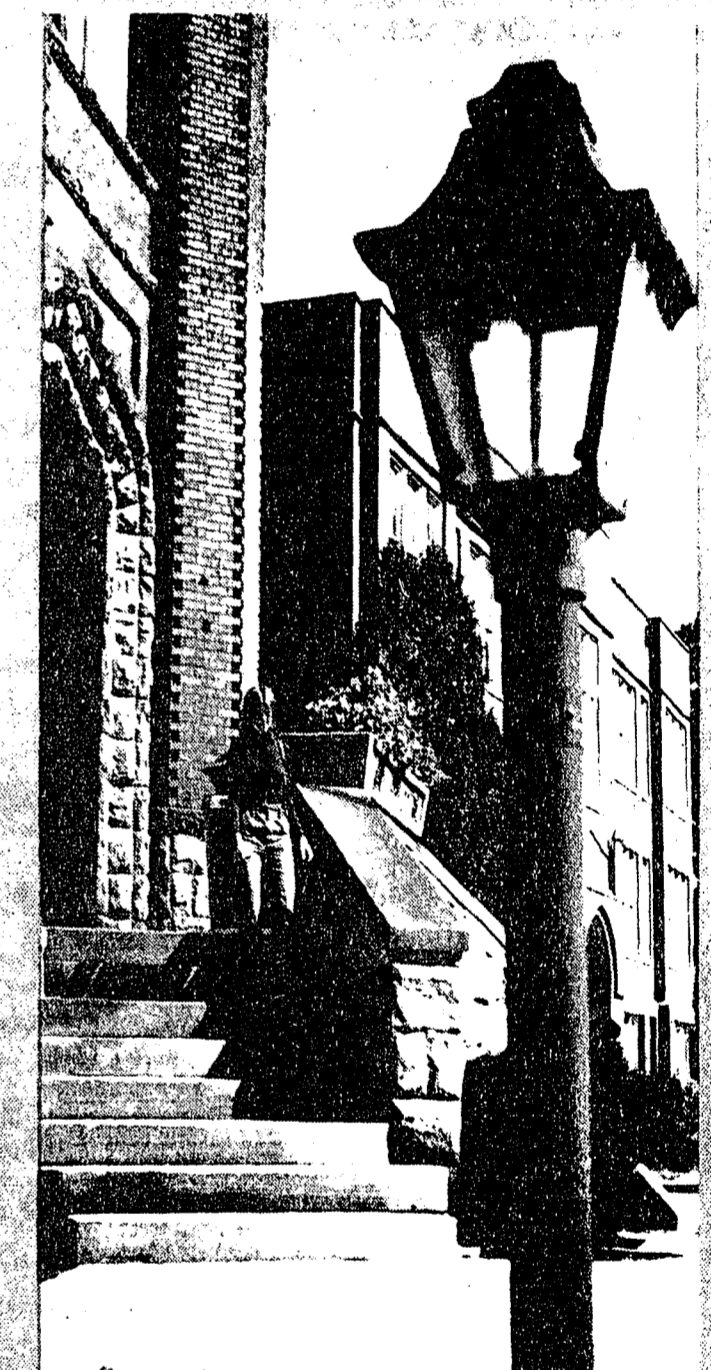
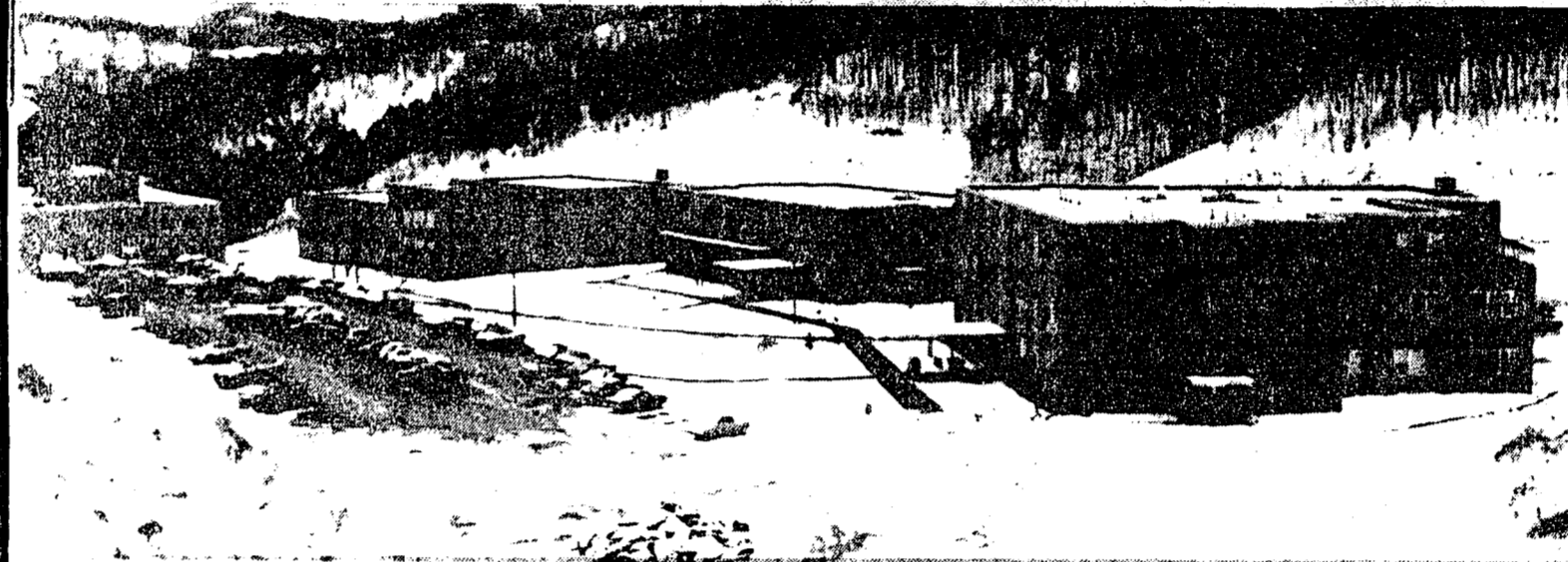
Meals will be available either a la carte or on a meal-ticket basis at the college cafeteria which is located in the Randolph Student Life Center. It is directly across from the air-conditioned T. Edward Davis Gymnasium where most Conference meetings will be held. Also located in the Student Life Center is a snack bar.

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Meal tickets will cost \$30. plus tax for the six days of Conference, or \$5 per day for those not present for the full week. A la carte meals will run slightly higher.

Rooms will be provided in four different dormitories, all within a very short walking distance of the cafeteria and the Davis building. The fifth and sixth floors of Hoffheimer Hall and fourth, fifth and sixth floors of Terrace Towers will be reserved for Conference participants. These buildings are equipped with elevators. Also open for use by those attending Conference will be Oak and Maple Halls in the Woodland Terrace dorm complex overlooking the new campus buildings.

The charge for rooms will be \$15 plus tax per person over twelve years of age. Children under twelve are free. A single room will be \$22.50 plus tax. There is a limit of five people per room.

Guests may either provide their own linens, or rent sheets and pillow cases for \$2.00.

There is no place for camping on the campus, but two comfortable private camp grounds are within a short driving distance. Special arrangements are being made by Fred and Venita Zinn in Salem, and those interested in specific information should contact them.

A large modern motel with restaurant adjoining is now located within ten miles of Salem and there are two smaller motels charging moderate rates closer.

Pre-registration packets with further information are now being prepared by Doyle Zwiebel, Chairman of Registration, and will be sent out to all the churches in the near future.

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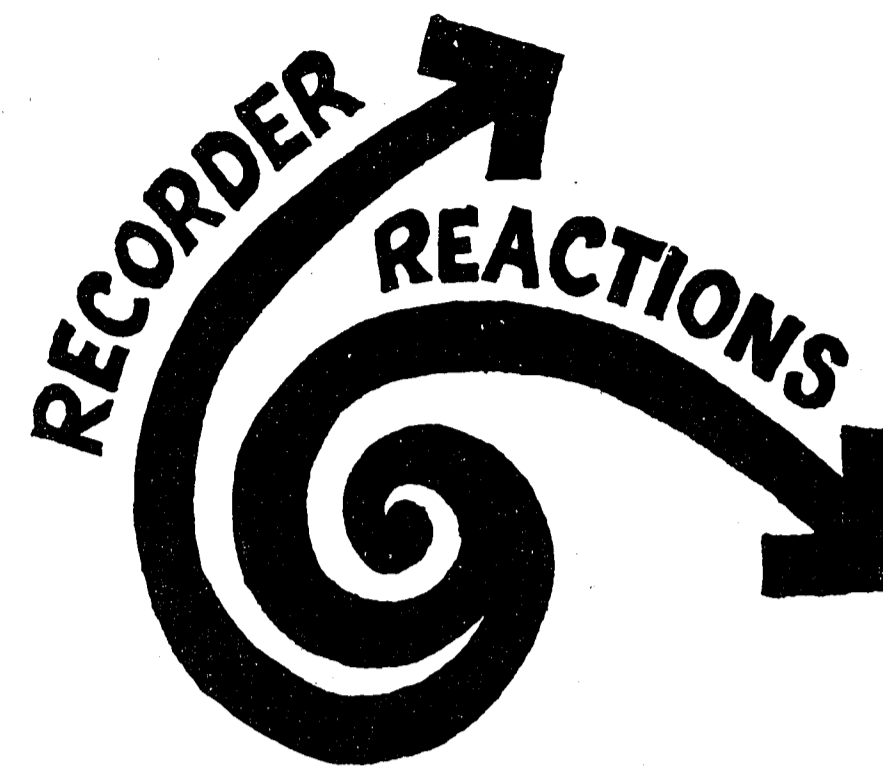
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Who are you?

Where are you

Just a moment please . . . Do you mind being asked who you are, and where you are living? Now you may wonder why we ask. We know that it really does not matter who you are vocationally and socially speaking. And certainly it is not too important where you live geographically. Yet on the other hand, we question: for it is of utmost importance to know who you are and where you are living *spiritually!*

There are three men specifically described in God's Word. These men are delineated as Natural, Carnal, and Spiritual (1 Corinthians 2:14; 3:1-4; 2:15, 9-12). You will find them graphically presented for your meditation and study in the accompanying chart.

Now as you very carefully and prayerfully examine this chart and look up the attendant Scripture verses, will you allow His Holy Spirit to deeply search your heart?

In examining your personal life, ask yourself the question: "Who am I? Am I natural? Am I carnal? Am I spiritual?"

Thereupon you should pursue the questioning even further and ask: "Where am I living? Am I groping the low way — dead in trespasses and sins, without eternal life, void of God and without hope? Or am I living on a subnormal plain—drifting along with the motley crowd on the 'misty flats' — without victory over Satan, self, and sin? Or am I climbing the highway—enjoying my walk with Jesus in the way of holiness, abiding in the light?"

It is in the heart of God to help you to look realistically at yourself. Indeed He will help you determine who you are and where you are living. Now as He opens your eyes to see your spiritual state as He sees it, then you must act. This

living?

action will involve you in a decision. If you see that you are indeed a natural man, then decide now to do something about your condition. Make your way immediately to Calvary. "Be no more stiff-necked" (Deuteronomy 10:16). Bow humbly at His Cross in repentance and faith and thereby receive eternal life, by means of new birth, and begin to live in newness of life.

If you are a Christian but carnal, and therefore living in an up and down experience, then you, too, must act! You must decide to make your way back to Calvary's cross. Once more you must come down and take the low place of brokenness and contrition at His feet. Obey again the injunction: "Be no more stiff-necked." By means of deep repentance and absolute submission enter into the fulness of the Holy Spirit. Begin to enjoy now all that Calvary affords: death to self, a defeated enemy and victory over Satan, self, and sin through Jesus Christ, your indwelling Victor.

Christian friend, you can have the experience of the spiritual man who, through the Spirit, discerns all that can be perennially enjoyed in Christ. As you keep very low and broken at Calvary you will ever look upon Jesus and discover in Him all you need. Humbly walking with Him you will appropriate more and more the things of Christ Himself and grow in your knowledge of that which "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man (the natural or the carnal), the things which God hath prepared (in this present life) for them that love him . . . yea, the deep things of God . . . the things (in Christ) that are freely given to us of God" (1 Corinthians 2:9, 10, 12).

—Rev. Donald I. Phillips is pastor of the Riverside, California, Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Young Adult Pre-Con Retreat

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Do you need a reason for singing? There will be many reasons for singing this year at the Pre-Con retreat for the young adults at Camp Joy.

With the Light Bearers for Christ involved in the camp program and activities, music should be a highlight of the retreat experience. Group singing, special numbers, and rehearsals for a program at General Conference should thrill everyone.

There will be many tapes and books in a reading and listening area for individual or group use. Authors such as Bob Mumford, Don Basham, Hal Lindsey, Malcolm Smith, and Dr. Robert Frost are representative of materials available.

Bob Bond, Pennsylvania Conservation Agronomist, has produced a beautiful set of slides of flowering plants found in West Virginia and neighboring states which will be available for projection.

A time for recreation is set aside mornings and afternoons with Pastor Herb Saunders and Althea Rood leading in many activities.

The morning series of Bible study being planned by Pastor Saunders will center on Joy in asking, in receiving, in praising, and in living. Pastor Dale Rood will continue in the afternoons with a series of topics including Joy Is Knowing Jesus, Joy Is Living by Faith, Joy Is Kingdom Living.

All leaders are free to innovate in any of their programs. "You have let me experience the joys of life and the exquisite pleasures of your own eternal presence" (Psalm 16:11 LB).

The theme "Joy Is Knowing" should lead us into permanent joys which will continue in the hearts of all present. It is the prayer of the entire staff that a oneness in the Spirit will prevail among all those in the Young Adult retreat. "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord."

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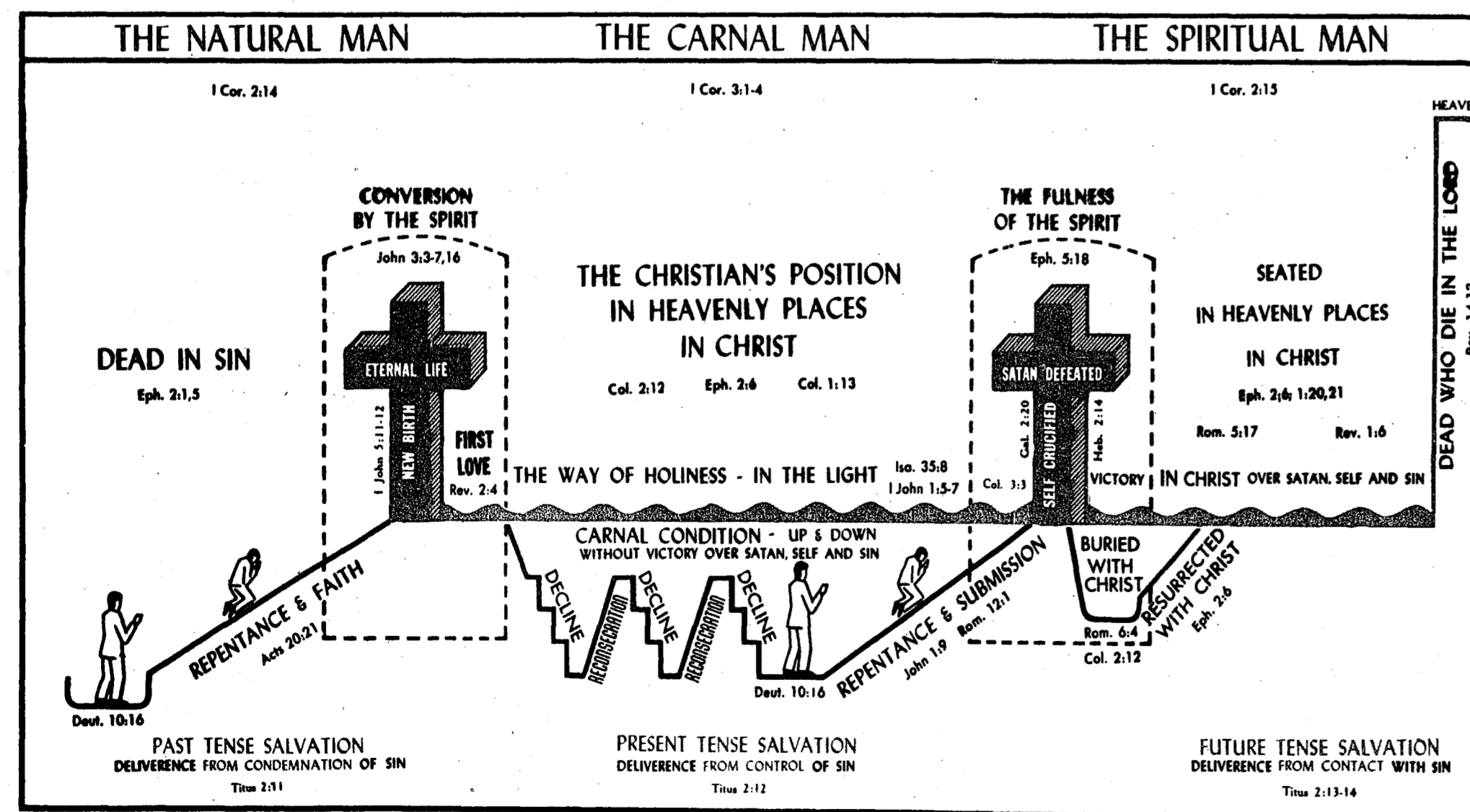
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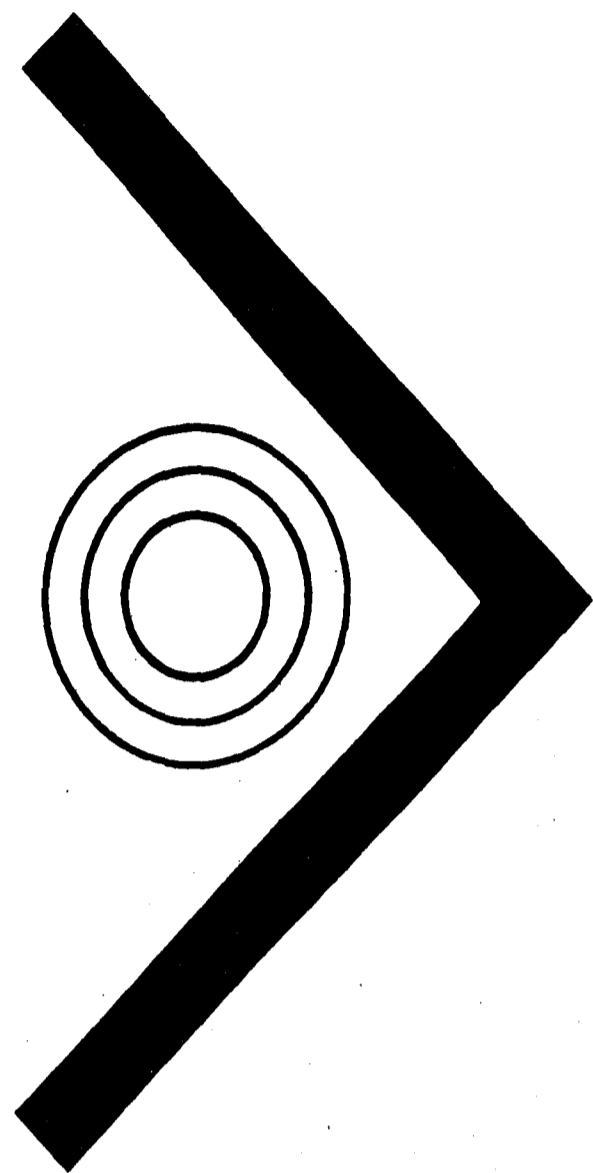
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Small Group Sharing and Bible Study

The evening sessions will be given to a time of informal group singing, prayer and praise, followed by small group sharing of practical problems and experiences.





Designing a Year-round Strategy of Lay Evangelism

ROBERT L. HART

BASIC CONCEPTS

The basic concept in the New Testament is of the church as a chosen core totally committed to communicating Christ to the world. Today a massive tradition and a monumental institution have displaced the concept of the church as a movement to evangelize this planet.

In its search for identity the church must be the church! It must put evangelism at its heart or atrophy to its death. The church must be liberated fully to the kind of dynamic evangelism that will change the world.

Evangelistic penetration of the non-Christian world can be the normal operating procedure for any church.

Every church must therefore establish the priority of congregational evangelism by designing a lay-oriented, year-

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round strategy with the following principles.

Evangelism by the whole church—not by the clergy alone. This principle indicates that every Christian is called to communicate the grace of God. While all have differing abilities, all have the same responsibility to evangelize.

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain" (John 51:16).

Evangelism with the whole Gospel—not by one facet alone. This principle implies an understanding of conversion, discipleship, and nurture. In other words, each Christian-evangelist must have a mature and biblical understanding of what the Gospel is!

Evangelism for the whole world—not in our area of interest alone. This will eliminate a prejudicial concept of mission. It says that our evangelism must have an element of total commitment that has a world vision to it. Every strata and every community of men or nations must benefit from our obedience to the Great Commission.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

Pastoral leadership that is ablaze for God and enthusiastically committed to the priority of evangelism. This is an indispensable element for developing a year-round program of lay witness. A pastor who is apathetic or preoccupied with administration destroys effective congregational evangelism.

The pastor must be an evangelist due not only to ordination but to his conversion. Stephen Neill said, "It is not permitted for a minister to say, 'I am not an evangelist.' The minister is ordained (by God) for the—purpose of bringing men and women to Christ: if he is not, it is questionable whether he ought to be in the ministry at all."

Many pastors are keenly aware of the urgency of evangelism but, tragically, decisions for Christ are the bright exceptions to their

ministry. As John Knox cried, "Give me Scotland—or I die!" many men of God agonize over a parish seemingly immobilized to reach the perishing.

What are the essential factors of a productive personal and congregational evangelism?

Commitment to God is the first factor. John Wesley, the missionary, went back to England an empty man, only to have his "heart strangely warmed" through conversion and then to return a flaming evangelist.

Aids to a deeper personal communion with the Lord are found in *Power through Prayer* by E. M. Bounds, *Fire on the Earth* by Sidney Powell, *With the Holy Spirit and with Fire* by Samuel Shoemaker, or *The Holy Spirit* (Book Three) from Campus Crusade for Christ.

Courage to change is a great asset for the pastor who will set the pace for personal evangelism. He may need to dramatically change the pattern of operation in his life and in his church.

He must insist on blocks of uninterrupted time to communicate both with God and man. He may need to change his whole style of pastoral leadership.

Encounter with the unconverted in their homes should come second only to God and family. He may need to learn how to say to a fruitful friend, "Will you please help me!"

LAY EVANGELISM DEVELOPMENT

The man-to-man relationship between pastor and layman, although the costliest in time, is by far the most productive for the individual.

Robert E. Colman has said, "Better to give a year or so to one or two men who learn what it means to conquer for Christ, than to spend a life-time with a congregation just keeping the program going."

Coleman is the author of *The Master Plan of Evangelism*, which

studies the strategy of our Lord in teaching the disciples to evangelize.

The lay evangelism cell in training for evangelism is the next step in mobilizing laymen. Such a small group should be formed simply and slowly for solid results.

The prayer, study and action of this group should have a spontaneous quality blended with specific planning. The workbook, *Study Guide to the Master Plan of Evangelism* by Roy J. Fish, and *Group Dynamics in Evangelism* by Paul Miller or *Groups that Work* from Zondervan Publishing house, are recommended.

Appointment evangelism can be the forte of the lay evangelism cell, bringing results beyond expectation! The conditions of success are essentially two—the thorough training of cell members and the continual contact of non-Christians by personal appointment.

Equip the lay-evangelists by giving them the best aids available in addition to fine evangelistic literature such as *Four Spiritual Laws*, *Steps to Peace with God*, and *The Real Purpose of Life*, there are films, records, and tapes which both teach and reach.

Team evangelism is the next level of evangelistic strategy. After considerable experience at the personal and small group levels you may wish to form *Lay Evangelism Teams* out of your cell groups.

This would put your lay team into the arena of group evangelism. It would not be a typical "gospel team," but a highly flexible small group of lay people who are very good at telling how Christ has revolutionized their lives. On a weekend they may travel to another area for a creative lay crusade or group confrontation.

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

The Christian home in a primary sense is a headquarters for world evangelism. There is no other agency that can duplicate the role

of Christian parents to rear children to love and serve God.

The home can be a center for training or a target for evangelism. To win children without winning the parents is a precarious strategy.

The church must work at strengthening the family life. How evangelism relates to family life can be seen through the filmstrip, "Trophies of Grace," from the Book Fellowship of North Syracuse, New York.

Social units are usually broken into groups which have characteristics in common. After winning a full family, the members should also be reached in the church by their peers—men to men, etc.

Social units such as single adults or older persons can be reached by their own kind. Persuasion studies indicate we should first reach those who are the leaders in any social unit.

Friendship evangelism is a natural means of drawing persons to Christ by winning the right to be heard. There is not a person in the world who does not want a friend—thus there is a universal opportunity to love someone into the kingdom of God.

This evangelism takes two forms—spontaneous and structured. One uses every-day relationships for evangelism. A dinner party, a baked cake, a thoughtful card, a kind deed can open the way for personal evangelistic contacts.

The other can be structured by a church—a men's breakfast, a women's tea, a guest service, a public reception.

J. Edgar Smith, in his book *Friendship Evangelism* says, "Friendship evangelism does not begin with a carefully worked out plan. It must begin in the hearts and lives of Christian people."

Before a strategy of a year-round lay evangelism can work, the church must truly be alive! And that may be not so much by making dry bones live again as by converting evangelical fat into evangelistic muscle! ■

OF THE REST OF YOUR LIFE” .

“TODAY IS THE FIRST DAY

“This is a gun. Just keep walking or you're dead.”

You don't argue with a man who has a gun jammed into your back. Though frozen with fear, I walked . . . shaking with every step.

“Please God, don't let him kill me,” I prayed.

Quickly and silently we walked into a dark parking lot between two buildings on the streets of Los Angeles. My assailant's partner ran out of the shadows. I made no effort to protest while they deftly emptied my pockets and took my wrist-watch. Then the partner turned and ran.

The man with the gun stepped back to run, and I heard the crack of a pistol shot. My body spun to the right, and I struggled to keep from falling.

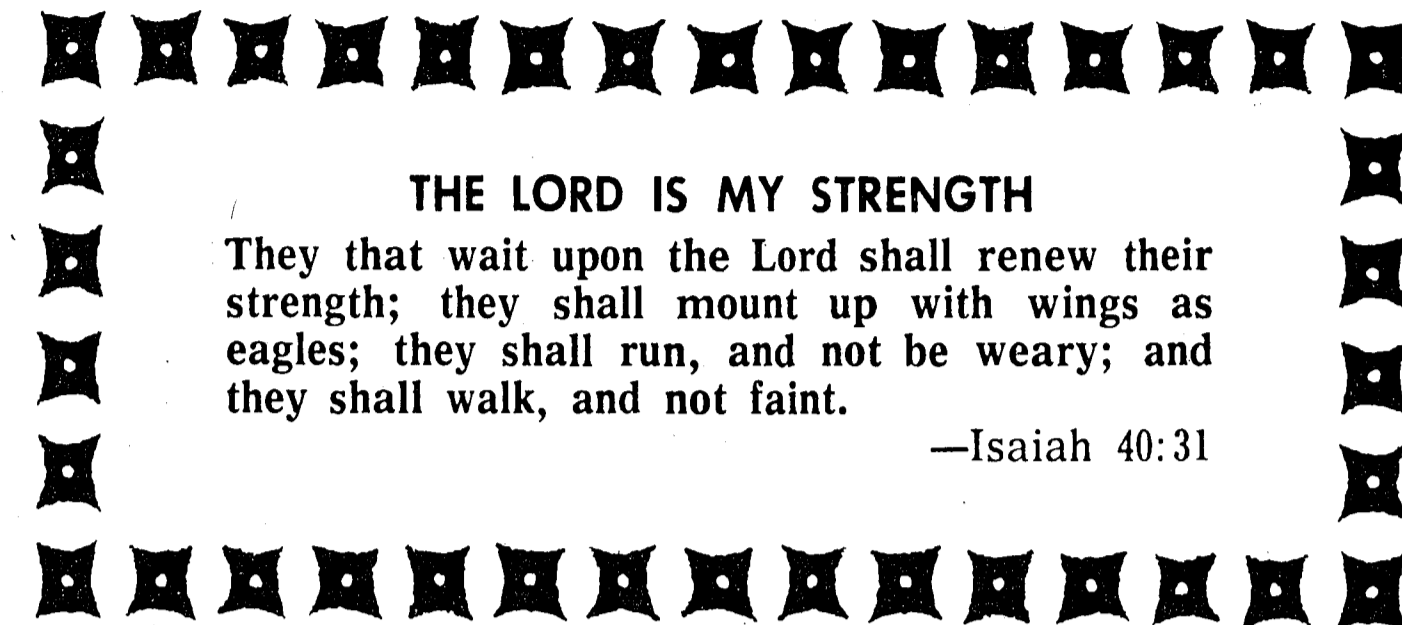
“My God,” I cried, “You shot me.”

Blood gushed from my mouth and nose, and I began spitting out something which I was sure must be my teeth. I held my handkerchief to my mouth. “I must find help before I pass out,” I thought. There was no pain, but I could tell from the impact that the bullet had gone into my head directly behind my left ear which was ringing violently. I was equally sure that the bullet had come out my right front cheek, but I was afraid to feel for fear that part of my face was blown away.

Thoughts raced through my mind as I ran for help. I thought of my wife Mary and my two girls and of having to spend a long time in a hospital in Los Angeles, more than 2,000 miles away from home in Nashville, Tenn. I wondered why I had taken a walk before going to bed and who would lead the stewardship and Cooperative Program promotion meetings the next day . . . There was no pain, but I was still bleeding badly. My teeth were apparently all in place, but there was a hole in the roof of my mouth.

Even so, I had a strong feeling of assurance that nothing was wrong. I remembered the Scripture that had meant so much to me when I was flying in the Navy, Psalm 139:7-10: “Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me” (KJV).

By Michael L. Speer



THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

—Isaiah 40:31

I knew even then that I was in the right hand of God. Three men were standing in the middle of the next block. Crossing the street, I ran up to them. “Can you please help me?” I begged, “I've been shot.” One of the men ran across the street to a bar and asked the bartender to call the police and an ambulance. They arrived quickly and rushed me to a hospital. Hospital personnel stuffed gauze in my mouth to stop the bleeding and gave me glucose. An attendant looked me over briefly and sent me for X-rays. No one said how badly I might be hurt.

The doctor who was supposed to be on duty could not be found, and I lay for nearly eight hours in a hall of the emergency area, waiting. The night seemed an eternity, and I relived the events of the day. It was Labor Day, 1971. I had come to California for a series of associational stewardship and Cooperative Program promotion meetings. It had been a long day, and I decided to take a quick walk before going to bed. I had walked about two blocks when I heard footsteps behind me and those unforgettable words.

The next morning, a doctor told me that the bullet had entered the left side of my head just behind the ear lobe. It had grazed my ear canal, missed my jugular vein by a fraction of an inch, passed over the roots of my teeth, under my sinus cavities, and ripped through the roof of my mouth. Apparently the small-caliber bullet had shattered when it passed through the roof of my mouth, and I had spit most of it out. One small fragment came out my right cheek, leaving only a small hole. The doctors called it a miracle. They only had to give me an antibiotic to keep down infection. I had no pain, no stitches, no bandages; and it left no scars.

After the examination I was placed in a ward for observation with eleven other persons, mostly indigents. No one knew me — no one seemed to

care. I was just another nameless face. For the first time in my life I tasted the flavor of loneliness. All my life I had been surrounded by people who loved me, who thought I was of some worth. Now more than 2,000 miles from home, a man had decided that my life was worthless and had tried to end it. I lay in the ward the rest of the day waiting until I knew my wife would be home from work. I had asked that no one notify her of the accident — I wanted to do that myself.

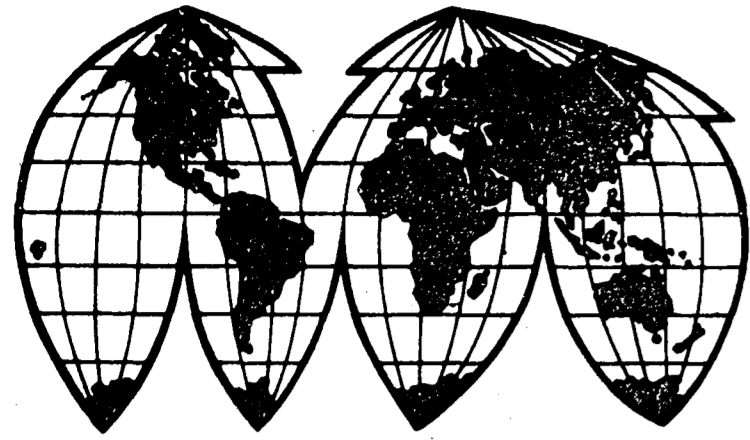
How do you tell your wife that you've been shot through the head but that you are all right? The fact that I was calling was the only assurance she had that I was being truthful.

The next morning I checked out of the hospital, took a hot shower, shaved, packed my bags, and left for the airport to catch a plane back home.

A crowd of friends were waiting at the airport—my wife, Mary, and two daughters Melinda and Marie, and my best friend, Brooks Faulkner. As my feet touched the ground, arms went around me from every direction; hands and fingers slipped into mine. The taste of loneliness dissolved. Once again people knew me and loved me, and for the first time throughout the ordeal, I cried.

On the way home I learned that on the morning after my accident, a local frame shop had called Brooks to tell him that a poster he was having framed for me was ready. He picked it up and took it to my office as a surprise, not knowing what had happened to me the night before. That poster now occupies a prominent place on my office wall, but even if it were not there I could never forget the words. They are etched indelibly on my mind:

“Today is the first day of the rest of your life.” □



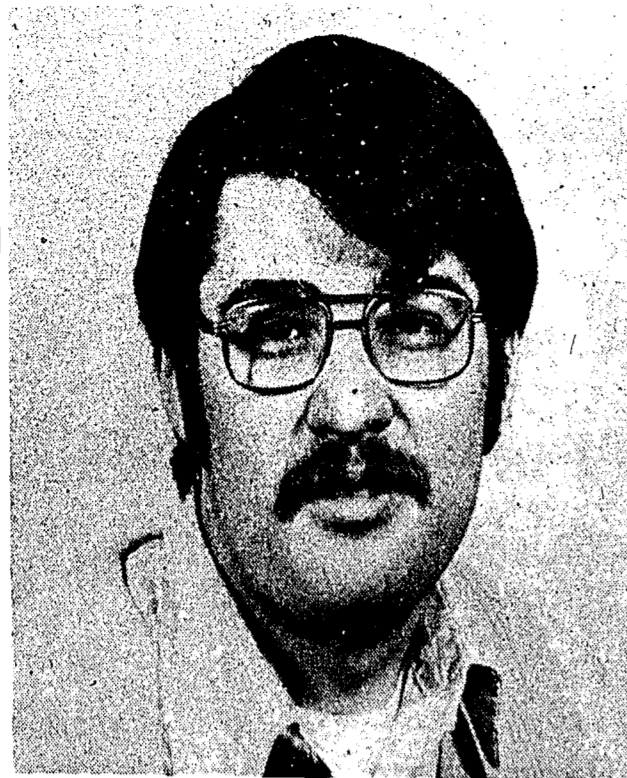
MISSIONS—Leon R. Lawton

answering the call

Jane Mackintosh writes . . .

OUR CALL: Our sense of call to Jamaica has been coming since last January (1973) when we first discussed the possibility of mission work. We had been praying toward it when Doug went to Association in Riverside over Easter weekend. He heard about the need in Malawi, felt God telling him he was spiritually ready for mission work, and so he came to discuss it with me. We discussed what steps to take and decided he should write the Missionary Board explaining our training and offering ourselves for service. Neither one of us particularly wanted to go to Malawi, but wanted to be open to any possibility God had in mind. When we got your letter about Jamaica, the idea and timing clicked with us both and we found that God had rewarded our obedience by bringing us from indifference to mission work, to considering it, to not being excited about the possibility but willing to go, to being very excited about the possibility of service in Jamaica. Doug particularly is excited about the challenge of being a principal of Crandall High School. I'm scared, but excited!

Naturally, Jamaica has been on



Douglas and Jane Mackintosh are now in Jamaica assuming leadership duties at Crandall High School. They were commissioned at a special service in the Pawcatuck S.D.B. Church, Westerly, R. I., on Sabbath, June 29. Let us remember these two new missionaries that they may have a great work for the Lord in Jamaica.

the top of our prayer list for months, and we feel excited about whatever God wants us to do wherever He wants us to do it. I think we're both most excited about the fact that He wants us!

OUR TRAINING:

Douglas — has a B.S. degree from the University of Redlands with a Chemistry major; California State Teaching Credentials both in elementary and secondary education, both are Life Credentials and the secondary credential states that he has a Chemistry major and Math and Physics minors and is thus able to teach them. Having completed a Master's of Arts degree in Secondary Administration, and a course in "Equal Opportunities in the Classroom," he will be in the highest column on the pay scale for most California schools. He's well educated!

Doug's spiritual training is strongly based in his background. His parents have instilled much in him over the years, and his church affiliation has provided a spiritual family in which to grow. Within the last year, he has attended Basic Youth Conflicts (Bill Gothard), I.V.C.F.'s Fall and Spring Conferences with John Scott of England and Dave Howard, former missionary in South America. Both Conferences were excellent and were dynamic influences in our lives. Presently he is co-leading a Bible Study with John Peil for those church members in our area. We meet weekly in our home and are reaping many blessings. From this new wife's point of view, God has



developed him immensely in the past year as a spiritual leader.

Jane—I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature from the University of Redlands and a Partial Teaching Credential in both elementary and secondary education.

My spiritual training is also based in a Christian home and church. I was raised Southern Baptist though am now a member of the Los Angeles Seventh Day Baptist Church. I had excellent training spiritually at the University of Redlands as I was a freshman when the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship really got serious about the campus and began praying daily together for the campus. We began with two or three in these daily prayer meetings and by the end of the semester, forty or fifty were coming daily. God blessed and many became Christians and many Christians found a much deeper relationship with our Lord as a result of these prayer meetings. God taught me to listen, so He used me much on a one-to-one basis with fellow students. I count both of these types of experiences as a great deal of my Christian training. I.V.C.F. on the state and national basis provides much training and I was fortunate to be able to attend Fall and Spring Conferences, summer training camps, weekend specials, and Urbana '70, the tri-annual missionary convention. For the last two January Interims at the University of Redlands, I was able to take the course of intensive study in the Gospel of Mark. □

THE SABBATH RECORDER

NEW OUTREACH IN JAMAICA

For the last year the Jamaica SDB Conference has been studying and taking action on the establishment of a new work at Lower Buxton, St. Ann. The Jamaica Conference has purchased a site with a house that has been converted for use as a chapel.

Over 100 persons attended the dedication service that was held on April 21. Delegates were present from the Higgintown, Wakefield, Tydixon, Blue Mountain and Kingston churches.

The chairman for the evening service was Deacon J. U. Thompson from the Luna church. An address was given by the Conference president, Rev. V. R. Smith. He presented a letter of credential to Elder Thomas, the leader of the Lower Buxton work. The dedicatory act was conducted by Pastor J. B. Roberts the prayer of dedication was by Pastor C. S. Lyons, who was one of the pioneer workers in the area.

The evening message was given by Rev. Joe A. Samuels. His topic was, "The Church Reaches Out." He encouraged the brethren to let the "little church" be a light to the community.

Let us pray for the "Church in the Wilderness" that the witness there may be an effective one. □



Two minibuses brought S.D.B.'s from sister churches to attend the dedication of the Lower Buxton church.

Annual Missionary Society Report

PERSPECTIVE FOR TODAY

As Christians we live in exciting days. There are more people than ever before with whom we can share the gospel. New methods of communication and ease of travel allow easier contact with peoples everywhere. The growing national church in many nations is assuming more responsibility for its national witness and work as well as looking to the other lands where open doors of opportunity await the response of God's children.

As Christians we live in days of rapid change. This is true of the spiritual realms. Situations that seemed secure and realistic only a few years ago no longer remain. Thus we must be open and flexible "preaching and teaching the unchangeable Word in a changing world." Ways of witness and work that have been proved through the experience of years may not work



A portion of the congregation is shown participating in the dedication of the new church. Over 100 were in attendance.

in effective ways today. Traditions, held dear, may hinder our vital response to God's call and will for today.

As Christians we must live more by faith and be open to the Lord's leading. He knows the total picture. He makes all things new—for the person "in Christ" (2 Cor. 5:17); for the world to come (Rev. 21:5). But God works through individuals who respond to His love, become His children and are willing to heed His call.

As Christians we must respond prayerfully to the vision and command of our Savior—"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:37, 38). This is our opportunity, our responsibility and our joy! To this end this society is committed. To this work we call every reader and every Seventh Day Baptist.

—From the conclusion □



Elder E. Gulfan and Rev. E. Ferraren are shown working on the new bamboo church in Cebu City, the Philippines. The women also contribute to the new building. Mrs. Corazon Gulfan is shown preparing a beam.

THE PHILIPPINES



Mrs. Corazon Gulfan teaches a large Sabbath School class at the Cebu City church. The American Sabbath Tract Society recently sent supplies to aid in her important work among the children of the island.

personality profile

Rev. John P. Pettway, Jr.



The Rev. John P. Pettway was born into a devout Seventh-day Adventist home in Hampton, Virginia. One of eight children, John shared his father's interest in music. His father, a skilled artisan in the making of violins, named his son John Phillip after the famous composer and band conductor.

Coming from a Christian home, John Pettway was taught from a very early age about the Lord and His saving grace. His father often held family devotions and all the children learned to recite Scriptural verses. At the age of eleven, John accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior.

John attended the noted Hampton Institute where he graduated with a Bachelor of Business degree. He continued to reside in Hampton where he coached basketball and worshipped as an Adventist until the age of twenty-five. About that time he began to question certain Adventist doctrines and the strict, legalistic demands that Adventism seemed to place on its adherents. In an effort to obtain more freedom in his worship of the Lord and in exercising his right to a more personal Spirit-led interpretation of the Bible, John became a Baptist in 1958. Even though he attended Sunday services, John continued to keep the Sabbath.

In 1962 while working on his Master's Degree and serving as the first black manager in interstate trucking, John began to have serious thoughts about the direction his life was taking. His conscience seemed to be impressing him that he was not pursuing a line of work from which he could reap maximal satisfaction. His real ambition had always been in the area of serving the Lord and working with people. The more he thought about this the more he felt a call to the ministry.

He attended the Washington Baptist Seminary and the School of Ministerial Studies in Ravenna, Ohio, from which he received his Bachelor of Divinity degree. The Mt. Bethel Baptist Church in Washington ordained and licensed him to preach. John worked with this church for several years.

Having always adhered to Sabbathkeeping, though in a Sunday church, he continually searched for a Sabbatarian congregation with which to worship. In the late summer of 1971, John saw a listing for the Seventh Day Baptist church in the Washington telephone book. After some study with Pastor Delmer Van Horn, John became a Seventh Day Baptist.

He became an assistant to the pastor and later assistant pastor. When Pastor Van Horn accepted a call to West Virginia, John became the interim pastor of the Washington congregation. On March 9, 1974, he became the pastor of the church.

Pastor Pettway views himself as the "under-shepherd for his church; Christ is the shepherd." He feels that his greatest responsibility is to care for the flock entrusted to him. His main goal is to see the church become more spiritual and aggressive in its evangelistic outreach. He wants to see the Washington church become a more complete part of the community it seeks to serve.

When Pastor Pettway delivers a sermon, his chief objective is to teach the flock. As did Christ when he encountered the temptations in the wilderness, the pastor believes that the Word of God is his most effective weapon in the battle against Satan. Therefore, he strives to teach much of "thus saith the Lord" in his sermons as the meat from the Bible which will provide the strength needed by his congregation as they seek to confront the daily temptations of life.

In life there seems to be some impelling force that keeps one going in spite of all of life's trials and defeats. For Pastor Pettway, the force behind him is no secret. It is found in Psalm 27:1—"The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" □

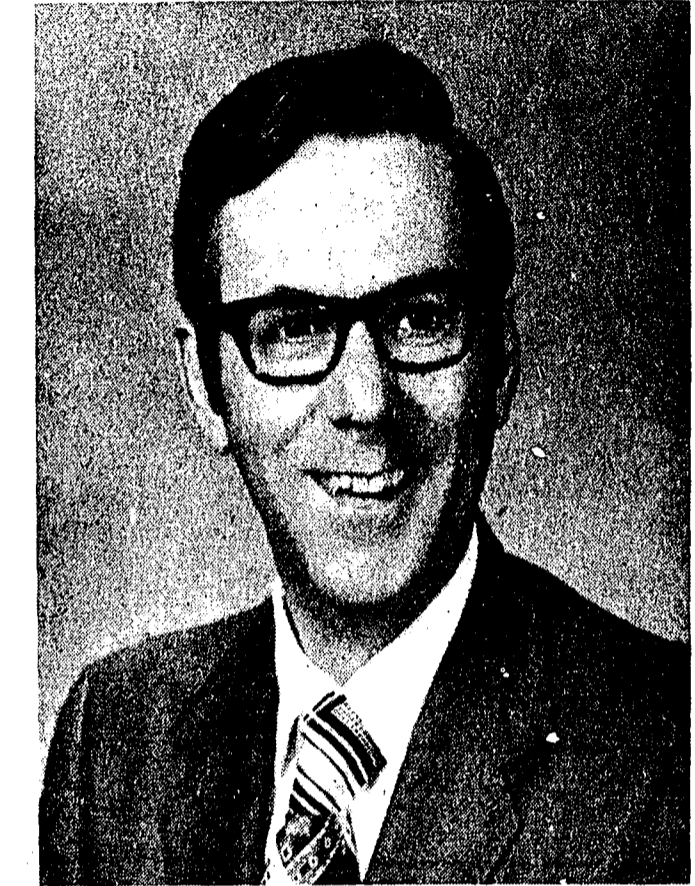
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Seventh Day Baptist General Conference

WELCOME TO SALEM COLLEGE (The Valley of Learning)

In August, Seventh Day Baptists will be coming to Salem College for General Conference. Everyone will find it an interesting and exhilarating experience to see the new buildings in the Valley of Learning. For many — ministers and laymen who are graduates; parents who have students on campus; church people whose relatives have played a vital role in the founding and maintenance of the college — it will be sort of a pilgrimage to a place made holy through the years by the sacrifice and devotion of countless dedicated individuals. One such person is the denomination's own Senator, Jennings Randolph, who has served his Alma Mater for fifty consecutive years as a member of the Board of Trustees. Having taken the place of his father who replaced his grandfather, one of the founding fathers of the college, Senator Randolph exemplifies the spirit of personal dedication which has made progress possible from the very beginning of the institution in 1888. Properly, this has been the Senator Jennings Randolph Year at Salem College.

Of course, changes occur not only in physical facilities but in administration and in educational programs in order to meet more effectively current educational needs. But the basic heritage and traditions of Salem College continue with full strength and impact, honoring the worth of each



individual in the sight of God, true to the American concepts of religious freedom, and recognizing the eternal validity of educating the whole person — body, mind, and Spirit.

Your presence at Salem will help to maintain our ties with the past and strengthen our hold on the future. On behalf of all associated with Salem College Mrs. Bailey and I bid you welcome! We are looking forward to your visit on campus and pledge our help in every way to make the 1974 Conference a most rewarding and profitable experience. □

—Dr. Dallas Bailey, President
Salem College

RESPONSE

Thank you Dr. Dallas Bailey. This response is on behalf of the General Conference. We anticipate a week of renewed spiritual dedication and a revitalization of our interests in our Seventh Day Baptist Heritage.

We expect this Conference to provide a deeper understanding of the concerns which face us as a denomination and as individuals. Our coming together is a challenge to the Conference delegates to work on the problems of a nation and a world in turmoil. The moral and spiritual fabric of our republic has been rent, but it remains basically strong in the hearts of those Seventh Day Baptists who gather on this Salem College campus for prayer and meditation and counseling.

We would hope that in this Valley of Learning, we might more fully remember the past, commit ourselves to reasoned action in the present, and prepare, with God's help, for the challenge of the future.

—U. S. Senator Jennings Randolph



**PRESIDENT BOND
ANNOUNCES**

The
Conference Program

Plans are nearing completion for the 162nd Annual Session of the Seventh Baptist General Conference on the campus of Salem College, in the Valley of Learning just north of the original college campus, in the beautiful hills of West Virginia.

The Conference Host Committee, under chairman Rev. Melvin Nida, has made all the necessary arrangements for our physical comfort, our entertainment, and the facilities to carry on the business and spiritual program of this 1974 annual Conference.

The business of Conference is always handled by fourteen Conference Committees. From their recommendations, denominational decisions are made. It is through this method of participation that every individual is provided with an opportunity to provide input into the decisions of the General Conference. Each person attending Conference is urged to select one of these committees, whose work is of particular interest to him, and to become active in the work of that particular committee during Conference session.

Daily Bible study on five important chapters of the Book of John will be led by two ministers and three laymen, under the direction of our Bible study coordinator, the Rev. Francis D. Saunders. The evening worship services will bring inspiration and beauty to our lives under the planning of our worship coordinator, the Rev. Delmer Van Horn, while emphasis on the Conference theme, "Christ Gives Meaning to Your World," will be presented daily under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Parrott. This area of Conference thought is titled: "How are you using your B.A. (Born Again) Degree?"

Never before in our history have we had the opportunity to really know about the work of other Seventh Day Baptist groups around

the world. With the return of our ambassadors, Rev. Alton L. Wheeler and Rev. Leon R. Lawton, from their three month tour among Sabbathkeeping Baptists around the world, much time will be given to their trip and their evaluation of our mission to these people in their search for meaning.

Time will be provided for our returning missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Bass, returning from two years of duty in Guyana; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Crandall returning from two terms in Jamaica and Miss Sarah Becker who has returned to the states from an extended tour of service in Malawi, to present the progress of the word in these mission fields. An opportunity to talk personally with these dedicated people will be provided each evening following the regular program.

Two features of this year's program will include the clearing of the program of all Conference activities on Wednesday night, in order that the complete time may be devoted to the program of the Women's Banquet and the Youth Banquet. The men attending Conference will be free during this period to sing in a Men's Chorus or to take over the activities of child care.

Secondly, the Friday afternoon program has been cleared in order that those attending Conference from long distances, may have the opportunity to visit friends and relatives in central West Virginia; visit the churches in Salem, Lost Creek, Middle Island, and Berea, West Virginia, with guided historical emphasis provided by the local churches and the Historical Society or visit the New Heritage Arts Center on the campus.

This time has also been cleared in order that those who have travelled long distances and have been away from home for extended time as well as our local hosts may have



President Ernest F. Bond

time for R and R, handling laundry, doing the weekly shopping and chores that seem necessary. It is also the hope of the Conference president that this Friday afternoon (sixth day) would be used by all for preparation for the Sabbath.

The music of Conference will be one of the highlights, featuring the Conference choir under the direction of Prof. Dennis Cox of the Salem College faculty and the Conference organist will be Mrs. J. Paul (Denise) Green of Salem. The Conference song leader will be Roger Chenoweth, pastor of the Ritchie S.D.B. Church and active youth leader in the Central West Virginia area.

Conference at Salem is designed for worship, for study, for music and inspiration. It is designed for handling the business of the denomination and for inspiration of "Our Mission" to the world. It is designed for training in churchmanship and expanding our own personal witness ("Extend Now" and "Reach Out Now") to those in our own communities. It is designed for you to meet old friends and to meet new ones and to provide you the opportunity to visit Salem College with its Seventh Day Baptist heritage and its forward look in education.

This year's program will be what you make it. Your participation and your input will help you find meaning in your world. It is our personal desire to see you at Salem in August.

—Ernest F. Bond, President □

CONFERENCE THEME:

"Christ Gives Meaning To Your World"

Bible Emphasis Book:
The Gospel of John
Conference theme chapter:
John 14
John 14: v. 6 —"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."



BIBLE STUDY COORDINATOR:
Rev. Francis D. Saunders
Westerly, Rhode Island
Bible study — Monday through Friday — 8:30 a.m.



MONDAY, AUG. 12
Leader — Rev. Russell G. Johnson,
Alfred, New York
Topic: "Wells of Living Water"
(Water — 99.44 percent pure?)
Daily study book: John 4.

TUESDAY, AUG. 13
Leader — Dr. K. Duane Hurley,
Salem, West Virginia
Topic: "Bread That Gives Life to the World"
(Bread, Without Which No Man Can Live?)
Daily study book: John 6



WEDNESDAY, Aug. 14
Leader — Rev. Duane L. Davis
Seattle, Washington
Topic: "Light That Dispels Darkness"
(Laser Beam — New Source of Power)
Daily study book: John 8

THURSDAY, Aug. 15
Leader — Leland W. Bond
Clarksburg, West Virginia
Topic: "The Shepherd Who Cares for His Sheep"
(CARE — What Every Man Is Searching for?)
Daily study book: John 10



FRIDAY, AUG. 16
Leader — John Peil
Los Angeles, California
Topic: "The Vine in Control of the Branch"
(Life — Quality? — Quantity?)
Daily study book: John 15

A conference with time for social fellowship—a conference with time for meditation and spiritual renewal—this is the goal President Ernest Bond is seeking as he sets up the schedule of activities that will fill the days of General Conference in Salem, West Virginia, August 11 - 17.

Friday afternoon, for instance, is being kept free of programming with the thought that the delegates and their families may want time to visit the other lovely West Virginia Seventh Day Baptist churches in the area; or see some of the interesting attractions in the Salem area; or may just make preparation for the Sabbath.

Also in keeping with this idea of a more relaxed conference, President Bond has made Wednesday night strictly "banquet night" with no evening program scheduled that might rush the banquet programs.

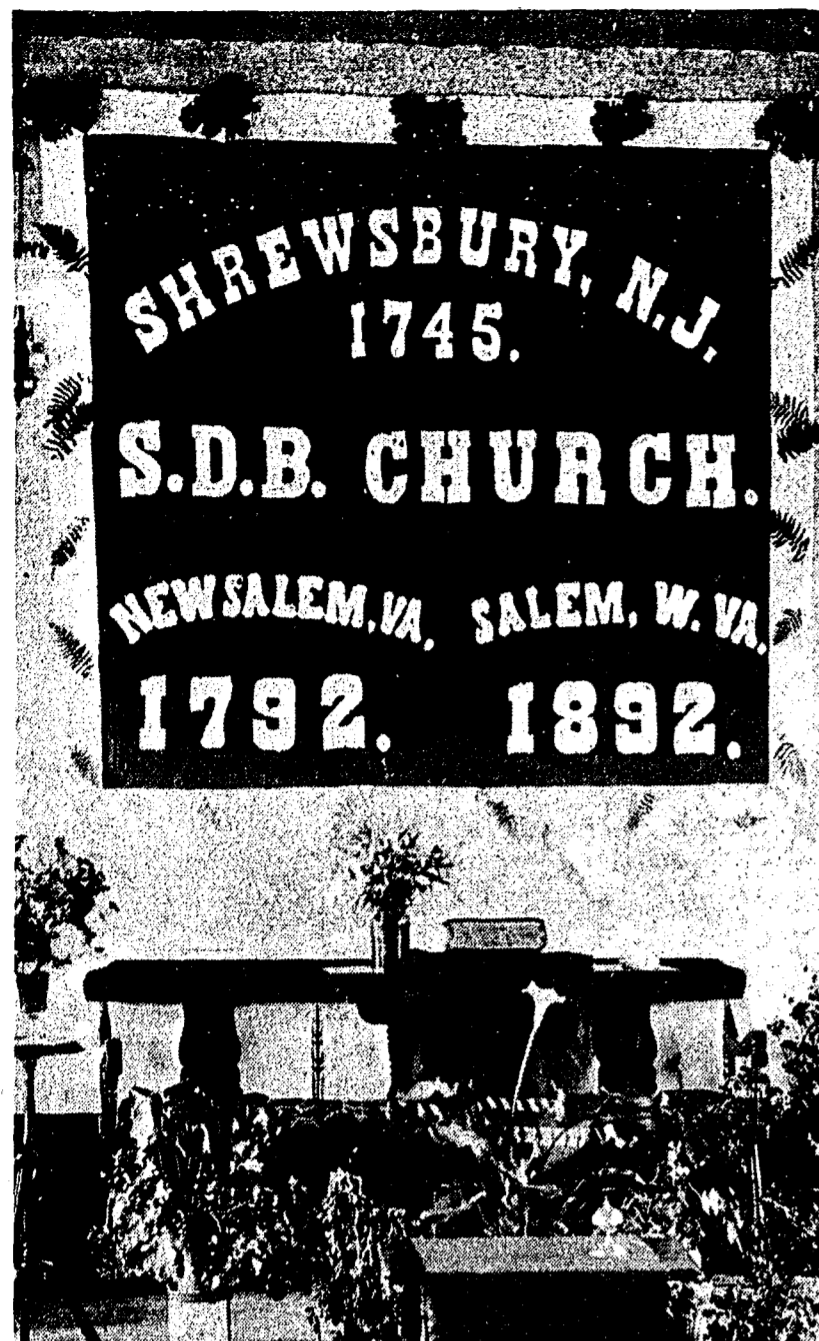
Some time will be left free each day at about four o'clock when the choir can practice and others can enjoy the recreational facilities now available in the new physical educational building—facilities which included an olympic-size swimming pool. Richard Bond of Salem will coordinate recreational activities.

Other highlights of the week's schedule will include daily prayer cell meetings in the dormitories, led by young people from the Summer Christian Service Corps. Bible study groups will meet every day under the coordination of Pastor Fran Saunders. Also meeting every day will be special thirty-minute workshops on "Areas of Meaning in Our World."

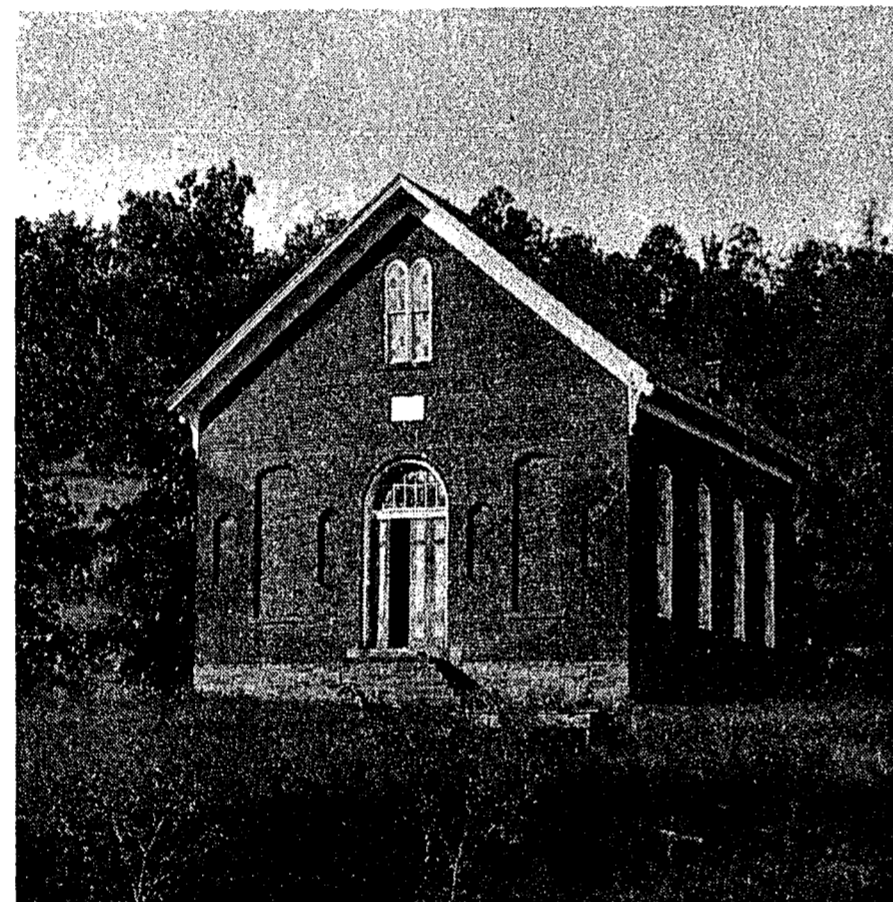
Of course, an important part of each day's activities will be the evening worship service. The Rev. Delmar Van Horn will serve as sermon coordinator. The Rev. Charles Bond will deliver the sermon for the Sabbath morning worship service.

Special plans are being made, also, for the Associated Conferences—Junior High, Junior Conference, Kindergarten and nursery-aged children. □

SDB Heritage Checkpoints in West Virginia Churches



Seventh Day Baptists came to West Virginia in a heroic trek that began in 1789. Babcock, Bee, Davis, Maxson, and Randolph families and others from New Jersey, and Bonds from Maryland, were among the first to come. These suggested tours will give an opportunity on Friday, August 16, for Conference guests to see some of the main points of interest and history. Take a "native" guide!

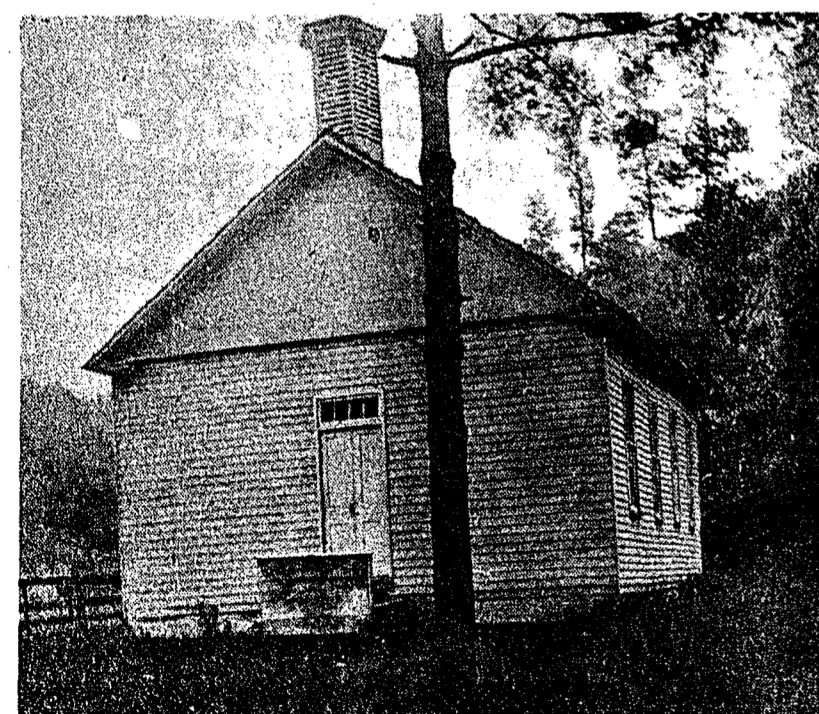


Lost Creek Church
Erected 1870
Rebuilt after fire 1887

Tour 3: Middle Island

(West on Rt. 50)

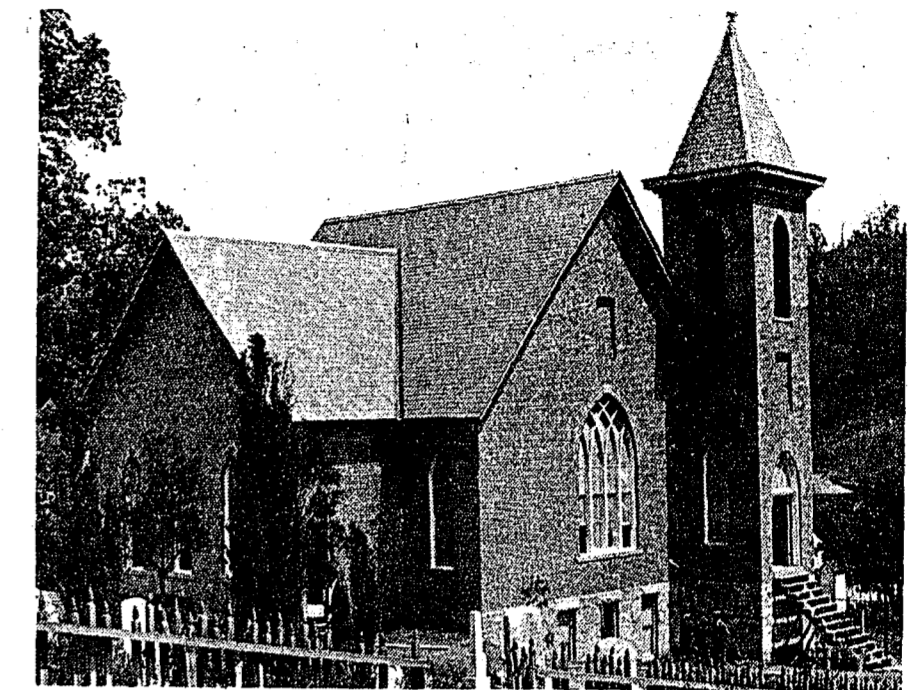
- a— Visit site of West Union Academy, (north from Smithburg exit, second light) established by Eld. Azor Estee, 1857, but closed at outbreak of Civil War.
- b— See Middle Island Church (south on Rt. 18, through Blandville) — Pastor Doyle K. Zwiebel.
- c— Visit Parsonage, Parish House, Cemetery adjoining.
- d— Note swinging foot-bridge across highway.
- e— Special interests:
Randolph home now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beck.
Birthplace of Rev. Alva L. Davis on Burbridge farm, Rt. 18.
Home of Mr. and Mrs. Brada Sutton, parents of Rev. Harley Sutton, 1902-56.



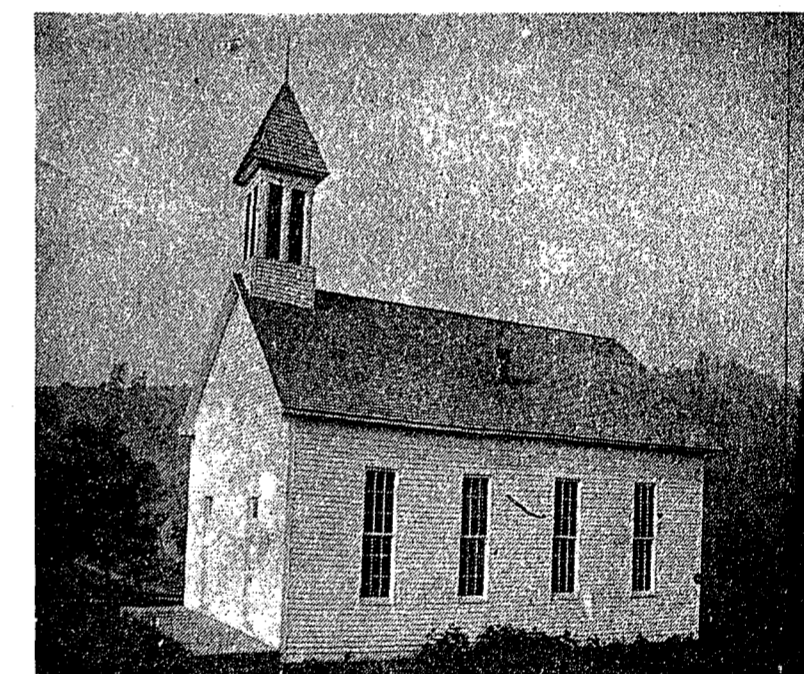
Middle Island Church
Erected 1867
Steeple added later

Tour 1: Salem, Greenbrier

- a— See Salem Church, Trainer Room—Pastor J. Paul Green.
- b— Call at Parsonage.
- c— Visit old Cemetery, note graves and dates.
- d— Find site of early Blockhouse, erected for protection against warlike Indians.
- e— Drive to old Greenbrier Church served by Eld. Peter Davis, Rev. Lewis F. Randolph, Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, and others.
- f— See Fort New Salem, Heritage Arts Project of Salem College located on access road from Valley of Learning to Rt. 50 (admission 75 cents, 25 cents).



Salem Church
Erected 1902
Restored after fire 1947



Greenbrier Church
Erected 1880
Steeple since removed



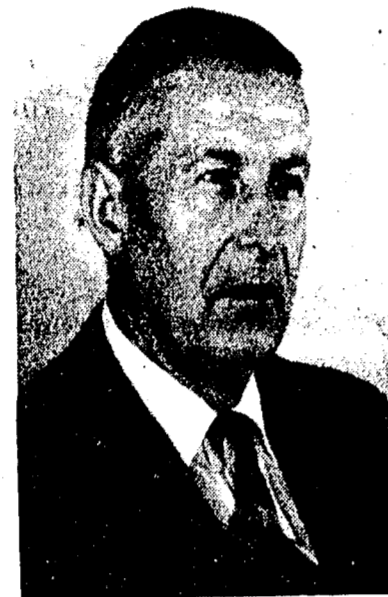
Ritchie (Berea) Church
Erected 1927
Fire destroyed earlier house
of worship built in 1881

Tour 3: Berea

- f— Drive to Berea (Rt. 50 via Ellenboro, Harrisville and Pullman).
- g— See Ritchie Church — Pastor Roger Chenoweth.
- h— Visit Camp Joy, Southeastern Association.
- i— Inquire about old covered bridge site, cave, Indian mounds.
- j— Learn about Rev. Experience (Perie) Randolph Burdick, first SDB woman minister, ordained in 1885.

**GENERAL CONFERENCE
RATES**

- Registration fee**
 —Adults (12 and over)\$11.00
 —Children 2.00
Lodging
 —Single room, per person 22.50
 —Double room 15.00
Meals
 —Adult ticket (18 meals) .. 30.00
 —Children or adults a la
 carte (same food costs
 more a la carte)
 —Banquet tickets extra



CRUZAN



ROOD



VESPERS — 7:00 p.m. Daily (Out-
 side when possible)
 Monday — Youth Pre-Con
 Tuesday — Young Adult Pre-Con
 Wednesday — (Banquets)
 Thursday — The Light Bearers
 Friday — The Conference Choir
 Sabbath — Men's Chorus

EVENING WORSHIP — 8:15 p.m.
 Daily
 Worship coordinator: Rev. Delmer
 E. Van Horn
 Lost Creek, W. Va.
 Conference theme: "Christ Gives
 Meaning to Your World"

MONDAY EVENING:
 Worship leader — Rev. Earl Cruzan,
 Milton, Wis.
 Speaker — Rev. Dale Rood, Water-
 ford, Conn.
 Sermon Topic: "Jesus, 'The Bread of
 Life,' Gives Meaning to Your
 World."



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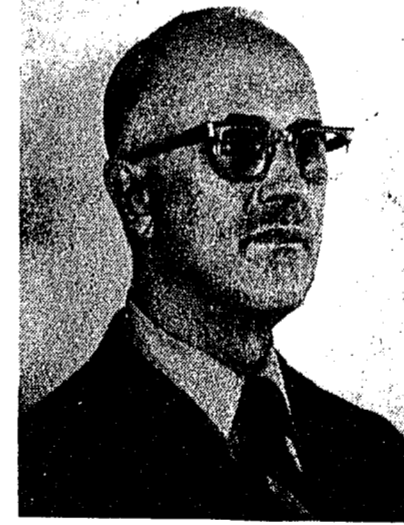
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TUESDAY EVENING:
 Worship leader — Rev. Gordon
 Oliver, Schenectady, N. Y.
 Speaker — Rev. Charles Graffius,
 New Enterprise, Pa.
 Sermon topic: "Christ, 'the Light,'
 Gives Meaning to Your World."

THURSDAY EVENING:
 Worship leader — Rev. John Ca-
 menga, Little Rock, Ark.
 Speaker — Rev. Kenneth B. Van
 Horn, Coudersport, Pa.
 Sermon topic: "Christ, 'the Resurrec-
 tion and the Life,' Gives Mean-
 ing to Your World."

FRIDAY EVENING:
 Communion service. Directed by:
 Rev. John Pettway, Washington,
 D. C.
 Rev. Delmer Van Horn, Lost
 Creek, W. Va.

SABBATH MORNING:—Conference
 at Worship.
 Worship leader—Rev. J. Paul Green,
 Salem, W. Va.
 Speaker — Rev. Charles H. Bond,
 Shiloh, N. J.
 Sermon topic: "Jesus, 'the Way, the
 Truth, and the Life,' Gives Mean-
 ing to Your World."

TRANSPORTATION

The most convenient transporta-
 tion to General Conference at Sa-
 lem, West Virginia, this year will be
 the automobile. Many who have
 not been to Salem in recent years
 will be surprised at the major im-
 provements that have been made in
 the highway system throughout the
 area. Construction can be expected
 in the Clarksburg area with some
 delays.

Salem can be reached from the
 west and Parkersburg by US 50,
 now a four-lane highway. Those
 approaching the Salem-Clarksburg
 area from the north or south will
 want to take Interstate 79. Route
 40 from the east connects with I 79
 at Morgantown.

Salem can be reached directly by
 Greyhound Bus with three stops
 daily from either east or west.
 Those coming from the north or
 south will arrive in Clarksburg

where Greyhound connections can
 be made to Salem with some de-
 lays or call the transportation com-
 mittee. There is no local bus ser-
 vice from Clarksburg to Salem ex-
 cept by Greyhound.

The Salem-Clarksburg area is
 served by the Allegheny Air System
 with arrivals and departures from
 the Clarksburg - Bridgeport Bene-
 dum Airport. Several commuter
 and regular flights connect with
 Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New York,
 Hartford, Chicago, Charleston, and
 other cities. If you fly, arrange-
 ments for transportation to or from
 Salem will need to be made.

For assistance in transportation
 write or telephone giving your plans
 prior to arrival so that arrange-
 ments can be made and long waits
 prevented. Leland W. Bond, 1101
 Taylor St., Clarksburg, W. Va.,
 26301, is in charge of transporta-
 tion (telephone 622-2952). During
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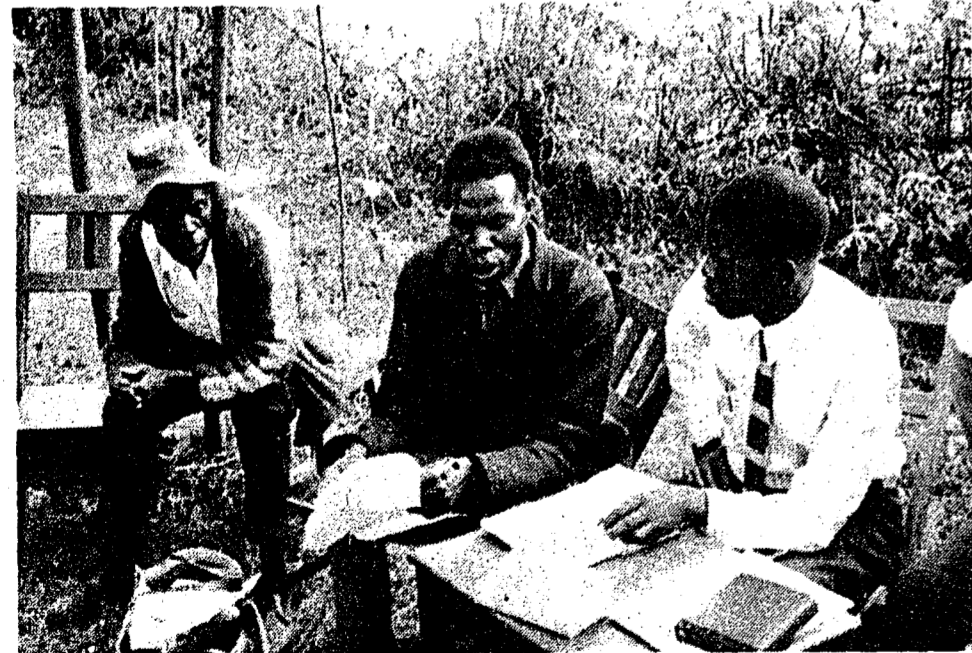
AMBASSADORIAL MISSION OUTREACH in Central Africa

by Rev. Leon R. Lawton

Though many people are familiar with the Central Africa Conference of Seventh Day Baptists in Malawi, some are not aware that there are growing ministries in neighboring countries. For many years there have been groups in Mozambique, adjacent to and related with CAC Southeastern Association. These are mainly branches of churches in Malawi, but some are churches in their own right.

In recent months new contacts in the Port City of Beira, Mozambique have been encouraged to organize a new S. D. B. witness. Leaders have visited Blantyre and are in fellowship with the Central Africa Conference. The American Sabbath Tract Society (USA) has published tracts in Portuguese to aid in their witness and outreach.

Adjacent to the Northern Association in Malawi is Zambia. On several occasions meetings and evangelistic endeavors have been held in border areas but we know of no organized churches there as yet.



CAC Sec'y. Otrain Manani talks with Pastor Joseph Okero in Kisii, Kenya

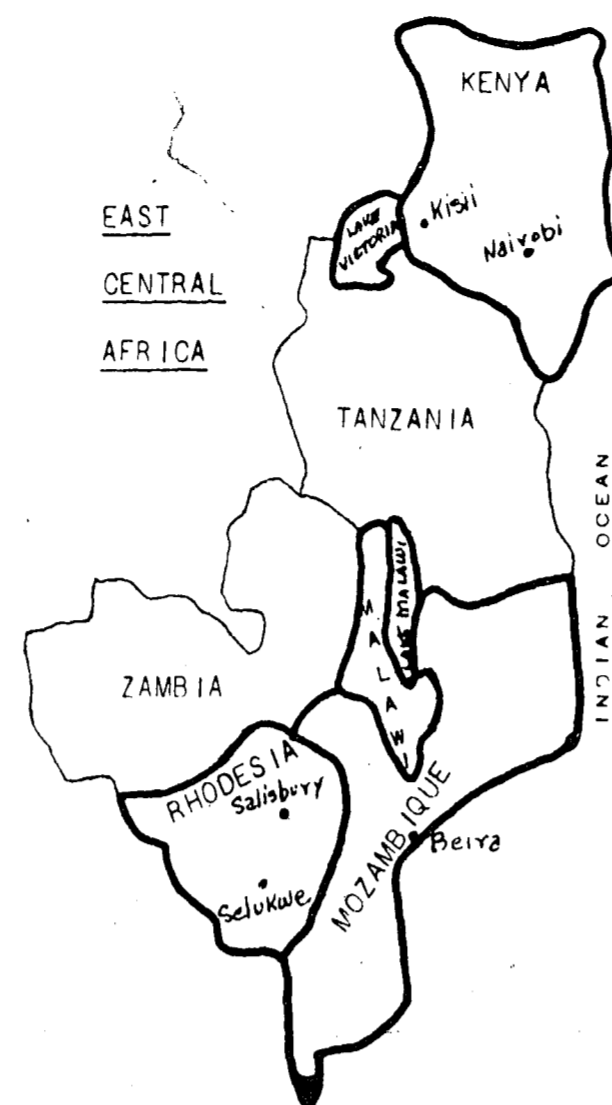
Since 1969, work in Rhodesia has been encouraged. A Baptist seminary student, L. M. Vumah, was able to attend special pastoral training classes in Makapwa Station after becoming a Seventh Day Baptist. He returned to his own country as a missionary, receiving limited support from the CAC. The first church was organized at Selukwe in Central Rhodesia where meetings are held in a building provided by a mining company. In 1973 Pastor J. Sithole was ordained and continues to serve the Selukwe congregation while working at the mine.

Missionary L. M. Vumah moved about 150 miles north and west to the Mafungabusi Plateau near the town of Gokwe. There the Memeta Mission was established. Other Seventh Day Baptist preaching points are reported at Rabie, Tutape, and Nyaje. Recently work has been started in the second largest city in Rhodesia — Bulawayo.

About two years ago correspondence began with individuals in

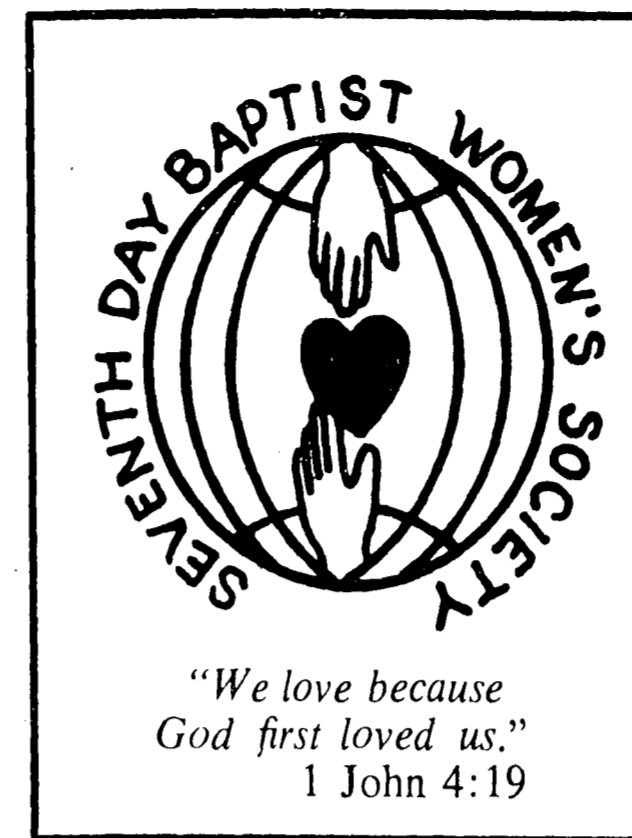


Missionary L. M. Vumah and family of Rhodesia, Africa.



Kisii District, Kenya, who were interested in beginning a Seventh Day Baptist work. In April 1973 Secretary Otrain B. Manani of the CAC spent three weeks visiting several groups there. They were not yet organized.

Pastor Manani made a second visit to Kenya in February/March 1974, meeting Ambassadors Alton L. Wheeler and Leon R. Lawton in Nairobi. They went with him to visit individuals in Kisii where discussion was held on organizing a work. Individuals there were willing to do what they could but asked for a missionary, like Pastor Manani, to come and help them get their witness and work started in the proper way. Thus this new field is related to the Central Africa Conference and hope has been expressed that needed help can be given. □



by Madeline Fitz Randolph

Plan to be there!

Where?

IN SALEM, WEST VIRGINIA
FOR CONFERENCE, AUGUST 11 - 17, 1974

This year's Conference will be an outstanding experience, and a blessing to all who attend. Let us give you some information about our **Women's Program**.

Beginning with the Women's Work Interest Committee, we have arranged a totally different approach from that of previous years. Miss Florence Bowden, chair person, will be helping to implement these goals:

1. How can a local Women's Society be revitalized? A skit will be performed as an opener for this mini-workshop.
2. An "awareness" workshop will be led by Miss Bowden to show us areas where Christian women might become more involved.
3. An updated report of our responsibility and involvement in Church Women United and North American Baptist Women's Union will be shared.
4. A goal-planning session will allow us an opportunity to unite our efforts as Christian women.
5. Opportunity will be given to review the Annual Report of the Women's Society.

We are earnestly praying that a "balanced" age span of women be involved in these activities. The work of our churches must be a "shared" work, not just the responsibility of a few. We strongly urge **both** older and younger women to attend!

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET

August 14, 1974 will be a festive evening for all of our women. Plans have been made for us to enjoy an Hawaiian luau, for our banquet. During the evening the Robe of Achievement will be awarded; Mrs. Marie Mathis, president of the Women's Department, Baptist World Alliance, will be our speaker. Mrs. Mathis is a unique and deeply dedicated Christian who has represented Baptists around the globe.

The banquet, prepared by the Salem College staff, will cost us \$2.75 in addition to our meal tickets. Put away some extra pennies, get out your long dresses, and join us for an unforgettable evening. Christian fellowship and inspiration will be ours!

THE LOVE GIFT

Your Board of Directors is considering the following plan for our Love Gift Offering at Conference. We are strongly thinking of dividing the offering into two gifts, as we did during the past year.

Since we feel that the work of Miss Nachipo, field worker for our women in Malawi, has made such a fine start already this past year, and we want her to continue, we would want to show our love in this way, with half our gift.

Since there is a new Home Economics room which has been added to Crandall High, we feel that our love gift might well go toward some furnishings for this room.

Last year our gift amounted to \$724.38. We know you want to be a part of such a project. If you are not able to come to Salem, and you wish to contribute your own gift of love, you may send it to Mrs. Jane Bottoms, 1118 Ravenwood Rd., Boulder, Colo. 80302 — just mark it "Love Gift."

OUR TIME TOGETHER COULD BE
THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME! □

THANK YOU

"Thank you!" to the women of the Allegheny Association and the women of the Eastern Association who made it possible for the Woman's Board to implement this goal:

"To make personal contact with as many associations as possible and share the program of the board."

Your warmth and love was felt everywhere I went and I am thankful for the opportunity to have become acquainted with many new faces and to share your concerns and hopes, as well as those of the board. Our mission is not impossible because God is working in many wondrous ways throughout our denomination.

Shalom,
—Myrna Cox, President

WEB OF LIFE

Two recent Seventh Day Baptist camp training programs have brought together over fifty persons with several different responsibilities toward camp programs sponsored at Camp Joy in Berea, W. Va., and Camp Harley Sutton near Alfred Station, N. Y.

A "colorful dialog" (or is it a "multilog?") occurred at both preparatory programs, guided by a teaching tool introduced from Christian educators concerned about "ecology" or earth stewardship. Secretary David Clarke, as guest leader at both programs, asked eight different persons to each take a cluster of ten strands of yarn each four feet long. Each cluster was a different color, tied together at the top. Each person's color represented a different aspect of the ecology, as: minerals, water, sunlight, land animals, water animals, vegetation, air, and man. Then each person explained in brief how he depends on the other elements, handing one of the strands of his cluster to the representative of each element he expresses need for. Man is left to the last, and it is important how few, if any, "need" man for their existence, but how man needs every one of them. The thoughtful explanations and frequent humor or subjective attitudes on ecology make the "colorful dialog" quite creative in appreciating the "web of life" and our place in God's good universe.

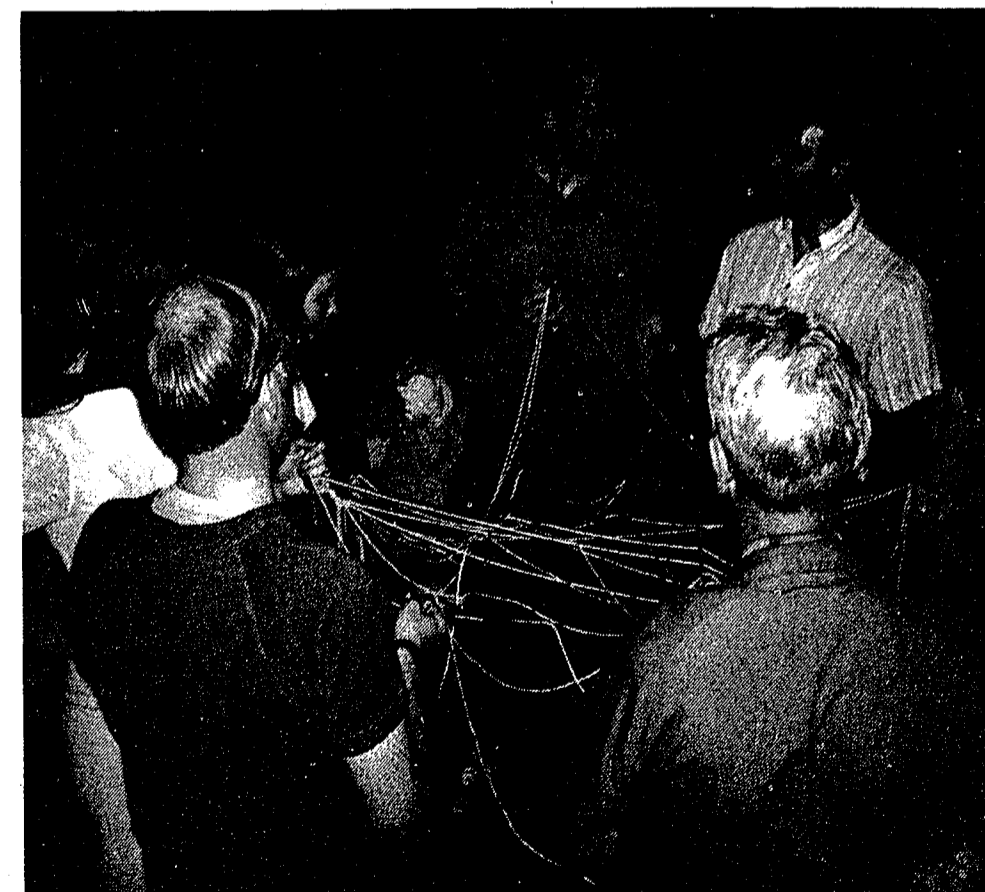
The "web of life" yarn procedure was also used in another way that proved equally stimulating to thoughtful conversation in a small group. The different colors were used to represent different roles played by members of the church in achieving outdoor Christian education. Very warm appreciation expressed among the members of the circle really amounted to a worship experience as God was thanked for the contributions of camp trustees, church members, directors, cooks, campers, etc. The strands were even extended outside the circle to observers representing family or other leaders.

Other parts of the training programs included the working together of members of the staffs of separate camps to be held this summer, the practicing of camp cookery, exploration of materials (a large display from the Board of Christian Edu-

cation was put out at each training program), comparisons with other S.D.B. camp manuals or plans, and preparation of teaching or craft materials for the upcoming camps. Cold rain hampered the outdoor activities of both "Leader Labs," since the staffs were still pretty "soft" after a long spring!

Resources and resource persons in crafts, nature study, group dynamics and programming were a part of each preparatory session. Representatives of the camp management committees in both associations were on hand to share the concerns of the staffs who create the program of outdoor Christian education. They made helpful suggestions and received useful proposals and requests.

Other S.D.B. camps conduct similar training sessions at this time or earlier. It is hoped that evaluation procedures will be adopted which will help both the program planners and the facilities managers to continue improving the quality of Christian growth in the "special community" that is a camp program. Reports from these camp leadership programs are invited for the **Recorder**. □



"Web of Life" Camp Joy LeaderLab

Creative Camping Project

Gathered at Camp Paul Hummel above Boulder, Colo., are about thirty lay persons from Seventh Day Baptist churches related to the twelve camps operated by SDB's across the nation. Their prime purpose: to explore camping procedures and create new worship, music, drama, study, recreation, and fellowship resources. In bringing their own skills and concerns to this "creative camping project," they hope to enrich the reservoir of outdoor Christian education sources to take back to the several SDB programs.

The Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, pastor at Boulder, is the prime enabler of this project. He laid out the basic plans, speaking from a life-time church camping experience which also includes several years as a professional Boy Scout camper.

The camp is structured in small groups of five to six persons. There primary groups combine

for certain functions into paired families, and of course the whole group unites for some worship experiences and some other activities. The small groups are seeking to explore camp plans at a depth not possible in larger groupings.

The campers are together from July 4 - 14, brought together with the aid of the S.D.B. Memorial Fund and the Board of Christian Education. Camp Paul Hummel trustees are providing their facilities, including the Watts Memorial Telescope.

Other enablers besides Pastor Randolph are Dr. Paul Yambert of Illinois University, Clarence Rogers of Salem, W. Va., Pastor Herbert Saunders of Plainfield, N. J., and Secretary David Clarke of the Board of Christian Education.

Dr. Paul Yambert will spend part of the week with the camp, giving from his rich experience in ecology education. He spoke very effectively at the recent national American Camping Association convention, and was engaged by Mr. Randolph.

Among the campers are: Phil and Jan Bond of Shiloh, N. J.; Cynthia Brissey of Salem, W. Va.; Mrs. Dorothy Parrott of Battle Creek, Mich.; Dr. Ruth Rogers of Daytona Beach, Fla.; Barbara Saunders of Plainfield, N. J.; Ruth Sarah Rogers of Salem, W. Va.; Garth and Mayola Warner of Verona, N. Y.; Jim August of Boulder, Colo.; Dale and Janet Thorngate of Washington, D. C.; and others. Four SCSCers working in the Colorado churches will be in attendance, representing other SDB camp areas. □

OASIS sought by Baptist Youth

Delegates to the eighth Baptist Youth World Conference will be asked to participate in an "Oasis" relief project to dig wells in Zaire, in West Africa, and to buy coconut trees to be planted in India.

Karl-Heinz Walter, of Hamburg, Baptist World Alliance (BWA) youth committee, said portions of Zaire are extremely dry, particularly where Angolan refugees have settled. The coconut trees in India are needed to help residents become more economically self-sufficient.

The youth will be asked to participate in the project through an offering at the conference, and possibly through individual purchases of the coconut tree. A single tree can be purchased for \$1.50 (American).

Money for the coconut trees will be channeled through the Telugu Baptist Churches in India. The trees take five years to mature and will outlive the present population, Walter said. They will provide the people with a badly needed cash income, he added.

The United States was chosen for the 1974 meeting at the request of youth from other nations who wanted to visit America. They will find in America a more affluent free church atmosphere than they have known in their own land.

American youth are being reminded therefore that they have a particular responsibility to these youth coming to the States. One writer said, "We need to support the conference to the fullest. These visitors are depending on us to be friendly and to be the best kind of hosts."

Small groups and person-to-person interaction will be a major focus of the conference. Each registrant will be an ambassador and diplomat in every sense of the word. Each young person's actions will help to determine the attitude of Baptists toward each other from every part of the world.

Karl-Heinz Walter, chairman of the Baptist World Alliance youth committee, brought with him the

registrations of 610 Europeans to a planning committee meeting for the eighth Baptist Youth World Conference.

A total attendance of 8,000 to 10,000 young people and their leaders is expected from sixty or more countries. The conference theme will be "Christ — Our Challenge To Live."

Seventh Day Baptists will be represented at the Baptist Youth World Conference by nine persons headed by their National Y. F. president, Larry Graffius, who will be completing a summer's mission among our churches and youth groups. Six other SDB's are the SCSCers from Colorado and Seattle projects. Also sharing the Convention will be the Rev. John Conrod of the Pacific Coast Association and the Rev. David S. Clarke, executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education, Inc. □

The Church in Action

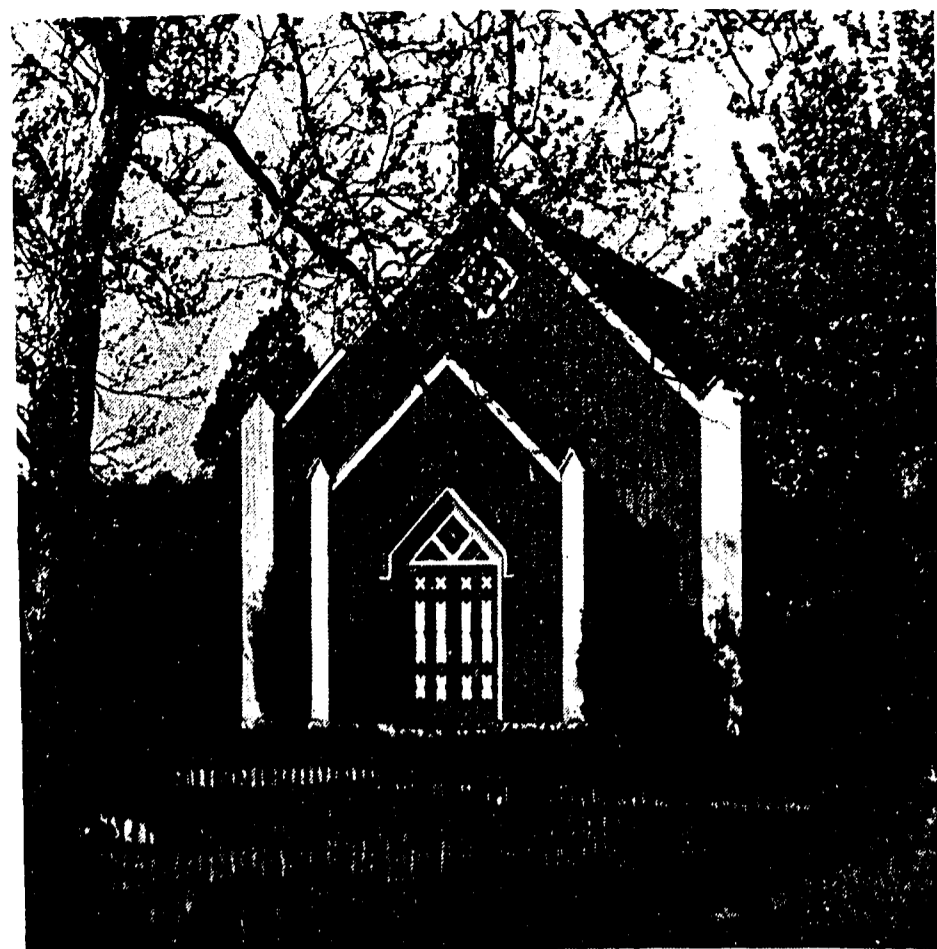
NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

EASTERN ASSOCIATION DELEGATES URGED TO BECOME "AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST"

MARLBORO, N. J. — The annual meeting of the Eastern Seventh Day Baptist Association was held at the Marlboro Seventh Day Baptist Church near Bridgeton, N. J. The theme for the weekend was "Be Ambassadors for Christ" taken from Eph. 6:11-20 and 2 Cor. 5:14-21. The weekend services began on Friday evening with a welcome from the Association President R. Wesley Davis, and a sermon by the Rev. Gordon Oliver of Schenectady, N. Y. The Rev. Oliver spoke about our calling as Ambassadors for Christ. The worship service was led by the Rev. C. Rex Burdick of the Berlin, N. Y., church.

On Sabbath morning the host pastor, the Rev. Don Richards, led the worship and the Rev. Dr. Kenneth Smith spoke on the subject "Equipping Ambassadors for Christ." He emphasized the importance of being ready to face any foe of our Christian faith with courage and strength.

In the afternoon, our Ambassadors to the World, the Rev. Alton Wheeler and the Rev. Leon Lawton shared many of their experiences on the worldwide tour for Seventh Day Baptists. They emphasized the urgency of the time and appealed to us to not only be Ambassadors for Christ now but to share our witness as we can with those who are laboring for Christ



The Marlboro, N. J., church hosted the Eastern Association.

throughout the world. The needs are urgent and the time is now.

The speaker for the Association Women's meeting was Mrs. Myrna Cox, president of the S.D.B. Women's Board. She gave some historical background of the denominational Women's Board work and shared some of the urgent matters that are a part of their work.

The Sabbath night service was led by the Rev. Dale Rood of the Waterford, Conn., church. He spoke about "Youthful Ambassadors." On Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Garth Warner of Verona, N. Y., delegates from the Central New York Association led in the devotions. Associational President Wesley Davis led in the business sessions. The Association voted to continue with financial assistance to the Schenectady church and also voted to lend support to the Plainfield church for the New York City work.

The following persons were elected to lead the Association for 1974-75. President, Mr. William C. Harrison; Vice-President, Mr. William Bowyer; Second Vice-President, Mrs. John D. (Hope) Bevis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. James Waite; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Albert Camara; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna C. North; Engrossing Clerk, the Rev. Albert N. Rogers.

It was reported that there will be a new Lewis Camp location in New England. It was announced that the next meeting of the Eastern Association will be held at the First Hopkinton S.D.B. Church in Ashaway, R. I. The New Jersey-New

York Yearly Meeting will be held at the Shiloh, N. J., church Sept. 27 - 28, 1974.

The sessions of the Association were closed by devotions led by the Rev. Ernest K. Bee, Jr., delegate from the Southeastern Association. The delegates were all urged to return home as Ambassadors for Christ. □

—Rev. Herbert Saunders

S. D. B.'s MEETING IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, OREGON.— Pastor C. Justin Camenga reports that regular Sabbath services are now being held at 1:30 p.m. each week at 8434 S.E. Clay in Portland, Oregon 97216, with three families committed to participate regularly. For more information call in Portland (503) 255-7817. Let us all join in prayer for this new work in Oregon. □

NEW YORK MEETING

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.— Seventh Day Baptists in New York City are now meeting at the Sloane House YMCA (Cushman Room) 34th Street and 9th Avenue in Manhattan every Sabbath from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Attendance and interest are growing in this new work. The Plainfield church, as the sponsoring church, leads in the planning for the worship service. For more information call in Brooklyn, Mr. Socrates Thompson (212) 773-6277. □

SEVEN ORDAINED TO THE DIACONATE IN SPECIAL SERVICE AT MILTON

MILTON, WIS. — On May 11, 1974, the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Milton, Wisconsin, devoted its morning worship service to the ordination to the Diaconate. The congregations of the Milton Junction and the Albion churches joined in this service and Deacon George and Madelene Parrish from Battle Creek, Mich., represented the Battle Creek church. The worship service was conducted by Pastor Cruzan. Devotional music was provided with Betty Daland at the organ, a Bell Choir Call to Worship, two anthems by the choir—"Rejoice in the Lord" by Balakireff and "Behold a Host" by Grieg, and a solo "Acquaint Now Thyself with Him" by MacDermid sung by Miss Linda Burdick.

Following a statement by the church clerk on the action of the church the candidates, Margaret L. Burdick, Jonathan D. Cruzan, Dale R. Green, Helen R. Green, Kenneth B. Ochs, James A. Skaggs, and Jared A. H. Van Horn each gave a statement of faith and religious experience. The morning Scripture from 1 Tim. 3:8-15 was read by Deacon Loyal Todd; the Charge to the Candidates was given by the Rev. Don A. Sanford; the Charge to the Church was given by Deacon George Parrish of Battle Creek, Mich. As ordained persons present joined in the Laying on of Hands, Pastor Cruzan gave the consecrating prayer, Welcome to the Diaconate was extended by Deacon J. Leland Skaggs.

This very impressive service left many people deeply moved and with a renewed concern for the spiritual leadership of the church. This was evidenced also as the Advisory Board met in first session with the new members of the Diaconate at 1:15 in the afternoon, following the fellowship of the monthly "Meal of Sharing."

Offerings during 1974 taken at the Milton Meal of Sharing are directed to the S. S. Mission Offerings New Missions Concepts. □

ALLEGHENY HOSTS BOND - COX

The sessions of the Allegheny Association were held at the Alfred, N. Y., church, May 10-12. Speaking at the Sabbath morning worship service was Conference President Ernest Bond, Mrs. Myrna Cox of Boulder, Colorado, discussed the work of the Women's Board of which she is president.

Elected to serve the Association for 1974-75 were: Moderator, the Rev. Edward Sutton of Alfred Station; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mae Lewis of Almond; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Onnalee Saunders of Richburg; Treasurer, Mrs. Don Stearns of Shinglehouse, Pa.; Vice Moderator, ReRogers Baker of Friendship. The fall meeting of the Association will meet with the Richburg, New York, Seventh Day Baptist Church, October 10-11, 1974. □



President Ernest Bond discusses Conference plans with Dr. and Mrs. Burton Crandall of Alfred.



Mrs. Simon Aldrich and Mrs. Harley Sutton were interested to learn more about the work of the Women's Board from President Myrna Cox (right).

HEBRON REPORTS BUSY PROGRAM

HEBRON, PA.— In 1973, Hebron church was 140 years old. Until the church building was erected in 1889, services were held in homes and in the schoolhouse. Later this year a brief history of our church will be reported.

New WSSS officers are: President, Kathryn Thompson; Vice-President, Agnes LaBar; Secretary-Treasurer, Pearl Brock; Keyworker, Dana Kenyon; Programs, Rachel Kenyon.

At the last meeting, it was voted to send \$25 to the Women's Board for the Menzo Fullers, and cards were signed for Essie Eimer and Don Stearns.

For the June meeting, the women plan to clean the church. There was a good attendance when, on April 24, the Light Bearers presented another wonderful service of music and testimony. God bless these dedicated youth.

At church quarterly business meeting, it was voted to have the church wall repaired and new front steps built. Work is to begin in June. For pulpit exchange on April 27, our pastor went to the Buffalo church and Pastor Ed Sutton led the service here and at Little Genesee. The Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Van Horn attended Ministers Conference at Berea, W. Va., April 30-May 8. They are also to be our delegates to General Conference.

There were no services at Hebron May 11, due to Allegheny Association, nor on June 1, when there were union services with the Little Genesee church at Little Genesee, N. Y. Sabbath Renewal Day was observed May 18. May 19, a "bee" was held to clean the church lawn and park for mowing. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 10 - 14. The VBS picnic will be held at the Shinglehouse park June 15, following Sabbath School.

Each Sabbath before pastoral prayer, Pastor Van Horn dedicates a few moments to silent prayer for stated and unspoken prayer re-

quests. Through Pastor Ken's Spirit-filled zeal and the earnest teaching and prayerful study of God's Word in adult class and weekly Bible study, we have been inspired to pray much, witness more and keep yielded to the Savior.

Trusting to greet all of you at that blessed meeting in the air. □
Leta Burdick

NORTH LOUP HAS ACTIVE YEAR

NORTH LOUP, NEBR.— Early in March, Pastor and Mrs. Victor Skaggs spent a weekend in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Burrows and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Babcock to help them organize a fellowship in that area. It's exciting to see the Holy Spirit working in our Association!

An old-fashioned evening social was held on Saturday, March 30. It was a fun night and was well attended. The audience sat at card tables, ate cookies and munched popcorn with tea or coffee, and watched the program. When there's so much talent, it's good to share it.

The Easter season began with Men's Lenten Breakfasts each week, alternating with United Methodist men. A union service was held at the United Methodist Church the evening of Good Friday. On Sabbath morning, the choir presented the cantata, "The Sorrow — The Victory," by Robert Hughes. It's a great experience to celebrate and worship a risen Lord. The young people participated in the area Easter sunrise on Sunday morning.

North Loup hosted the Mid-Continent Association Youth Spring Retreat the weekend of April 26, 27, 28. The theme was "A Special Kind of Man." This began with a wiener roast at Camp Riverview on Friday evening. The Sabbath morning worship service was conducted by the North Loup Youth Fellowship, very ably, too. Jerry Van Horn was worship leader and there was a lot of special music. A banquet at the church Sabbath night was followed by the film, "Day of Triumph," a two-hour feature dealing with the ministry of Christ. This was sponsored by the Christian Education Commit-

tee, using our newly-purchased projector. It was indeed a film worth seeing. Later, the youth had a roller-skating party. A business meeting was held Sunday morning. Sixteen youth from Denver, Boulder, and Kansas City were present besides those from our Nebraska.

Dr. Grace Missionary Society filled May baskets at the May meeting and later delivered them to shut-ins, sick and elderly in the village.

We were happy to have the Rev. David Clarke, a former pastor here, with us May 10 and 11. A group met with him Sabbath Eve for an informal meeting. He brought the message Sabbath morning, then had to rush to make plane connections. We're expecting him back in the fall to conduct more meetings on Christian Education.

A fellowship dinner Sabbath Day, May 11, honored our graduates. Those graduating from high school were Cheryl Abel, Dawn Soper, Victor Clement (Kearney), Stanley Soper, and Russell Williams. Graduates from colleges and universities noted were Rolland Davis, John Jacobsen, Colleen Keown, Galen Severance, Ivan Soper, Tom and Diane Merchant, and Allory Deiss.

Those present were seated, with Pastor and Mrs. Skaggs, at a special table. The center piece was a beautifully decorated graduation cake made by Mrs. Skaggs. Tables were decorated by Mrs. Sheldon Van Horn, and Chuck Abel made appropriate decorative signs. Light Bearers for Christ sang in the afternoon.

A baptismal service was held Sabbath Eve, May 17. Six youth were baptized. They were Lesa Williams, Kevin Williams, Brooke Soper, Corina Soper, Mark Hovey, and Brian Hovey. Lesa, Kevin, and Brooke became members of the church on Sabbath morning.

It's so good to have the Light Bearers for Christ with us again for a month. Fellowship with them is such a blessing. They presented their music and testimonies in a fantastic program on Friday, May 24. Praise the Lord! They've had other concerts in the area, too. They've been working hard at their headquarters and practicing to prepare for their summer tour, beginning June 14.

Friends of Menzo and Audrey Fuller were glad that Menzo's mother, Madge Fuller, shared a letter with us from them. Our prayers are with them in their labor of love! God bless them!

—Mrs. Bertha Clement

HELP WANTED

Church Administrative Assistant — a Seventh Day Baptist who is a high school graduate with typing, writing, and office skills

to answer phone and letter requests, assist in church programs, and manage the church office

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. Kenneth D. Chroniger, a recent graduate of Calvary Bible College, Kansas City, Missouri, is serving as the summer pastor of the Farina, Illinois, Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Mr. Chroniger is the son of Deacon and Mrs. Pratt Chroniger of the Washington Seventh Day Baptist Church. He has registered as a participant in the Seventh Day Baptist Center for Ministerial Education program, beginning this fall.

Mr. John M. Peil, a middler at the American Baptist Seminary of the West, Covina, California, and a participant in the Seventh Day Baptist Center for Ministerial Education, is serving as the assistant to the pastor of the Battle Creek, Michigan, Seventh Day Baptist Church. He participated in the Summer Institute of the Center during the month of June.

Mr. Paul Davis, a pre-ministerial student at Salem College is serving as assistant to the pastor of the Shiloh, New Jersey, Seventh Day Baptist Church. □

Also serving are: Los Angeles—Gary Hemminger; Salem—Pat Lawton; Denver—Scott Smith.

Accessions

BAY AREA, CALIF.

Rev. Oscar C. Burdick, Pastor

By Testimony:

James Snyder

Rita (Mrs. James Snyder)

By Letter:

John Conrod

Joyce (Mrs. John) Conrod

NORTH LOUP, NEBR.

Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, Pastor

By Baptism:

Lesa Williams

Kevin Williams

Brooke Soper

SALEM, W. VA.

Rev. Paul Green, Pastor

By Baptism:

Carl Green

Steve Green

Gil Sanders

Doug Brissey

Shirley (Mrs. Gene) Smith

By Letter:

Gene Smith

VERONA, N. Y.

Rev. Wayne Babcock, Pastor

By Letter:

Phillip Osborn

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Rev. John P. Pettway, Sr., Pastor

By Testimony:

Mr. Leo Floyd

Mrs. Leo (Zelia) Floyd

Mrs. Frances Layne

Jewel Queen

Marriages

Hurst - Devine.— Ted Hurst and Anne D. Devine both of Bristol, W. Va., were united in marriage on February 14, 1974, by the Rev. Paul Green.

Bond - Sanford.— Timothy L. Bond, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Bond of Shiloh, N. J., and Donna Sanford, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Don A. Sanford of Milton, Wis., were united in marriage on April 14, 1974, at the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, with the fathers of the bride and groom and Pastor Earl Cruzan, officiating. They are making their home at Shiloh, N. J.

Births

Gilmore.— A daughter, Angela Sue, to Beaumont and Linda (Loofboro) Gilmore, of Madison, Wis., on May 15, 1974.

Vierow.— A daughter, Morgen Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Vierow of Sherrill, N. Y., on May 15, 1974.

Le Mieux.— Stephanie Leigh, to William and Nancy (Armstrong) Le Mieux of North Plainfield, N. J., on April 30, 1974.

Obituaries

BECKER.— Fred L. was born January 9, 1897, in Newark, N. J., and died May 15, 1974, in Pompton Plains, N. J., following a short illness.

Mr. Becker married Frances Saylor, Sept. 7, 1963, who survives. He was a baker by profession having retired several years ago. He was associated with the Irvington German Seventh Day Baptist Church where his wife is an active member. Mr. Becker was faithful in his attendance and support of the Irvington church. On numerous occasions he and his wife hosted the church in their home. His cheery smile and friendly spirit will be greatly missed by the members of the German church.

The funeral service was conducted in Irvington by the Rev. Albert N. Rogers of Plainfield. Burial was in the Clifton Memorial Park Cemetery.

—J. G. S.

DAVIS.— Rosa Cole, daughter of Maurice Newman and Harriet Eliza Simms Cole, was born May 25, 1884, at Stanardsville, Va., and died January 27, 1974, at Clarksburg, W. Va.

After teaching a few years in Virginia, "Rose" married Guy Davis and they made their home in Salem where he was a carpenter and contractor. She became a member of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church, whose sanctuary her late husband along with Oris Stutler rebuilt following a disastrous fire in 1946.

She is survived by two sons: Vivian C., Lugoff, S. C., and Winston S., Salem; two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Paul Green, pastor of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church and the Rev. Fell Kennedy, interim pastor of the Salem Baptist Church, with burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Salem.

—J. P. G.

PEREZ.— Vonita Lou was born to Mr. and Mrs. Avelino S. Perez in San Jose, California, on March 13, 1973, and died unexpectedly from what is called "crib death" on April 8, 1974.

Trusting in the words of Jesus that "of such is the kingdom of heaven," she will be remembered as a little soul that was budded on earth to bloom in heaven. Besides her parents and several brothers and sisters, she is survived by her grandparents, William and Velma Atchley of Los Banos, California, and a grandfather, Petra Perez, as well as several uncles, aunts, and cousins. Memorial services were held in both Spanish and English by Eduardo Apolarin, one of her uncles and a lay leader in the San Jose Seventh Day Baptist group, and pastor John A. Conrod, Pacific Coast field pastor. Interment was in the babyland section of Mission City Memorial Park.

—J. A. C.

ROOD.— Byron R., son of the late Charley and Rosa Rood, was born in North Loup, Nebr., October 2, 1878,

and died on May 17, 1974, at Mercy Hospital, Janesville, Wis., after a brief illness.

He was married to Lena Nelson on July 6, 1904. To this union three children were born: Leman of Edgerton, Wis., Nelsie of Milton, and Edward who died in 1960. He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. Martin Nelson and Miss Elsie Rood, Milton, and Mrs. Charles Harmon, Beaver City, Nebr.; six grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. The Rev. Dale Rood, pastor at Waterford, Conn., is one of his grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church where he had been a member for sixty-two years, by his pastor, the Rev. Earl Cruzan on May 20, 1974. Burial was in Milton Cemetery.

—E. C.

WELLS.— Lena Grace, third child of Emma Brown Wells and George Clark Wells, was born Nov. 24, 1876, in the family home near Farina, Ill. She died April 8, 1974, at the age of ninety-seven at Salem, Ill.

Preceding her in death were a sister, Harriet Wells, a brother, Oscar C. Wells, and a nephew, Glenn C. Wells. Survivors include nieces, Gail Wells Alderdyce, Battle Creek, Michigan; Oma Wells Morley, Weslaco, Texas; Elsie Wells Russell, Laguna Hills, California; and a nephew, George R. Wells, Joliet, Ill. Several great nephews and great nieces also survive.

Miss Lena, a graduate of Farina High School, attended Milton College, then took up a teaching career, a pattern set by her father and brother, and for thirteen years taught in the Farina Public Schools. Subsequently, she left the teaching field and joined her father and sister Harriet in the poultry business, her work for many years.

A lifetime member of the Farina Seventh Day Baptist Church, she served it in many areas, a few of which were as Sabbath School teacher, pianist, and church clerk. For many years, she sang in the choir and also played the viola in the church orchestra. In her youth she was active in young people's organizations, and in later years gave generously of her time to the Aid Society and to any other area where needed.

Viewing the church memorial last August was a joyful occasion for her. She stood near the monolith and read the names of her father, her brother, and her nephew Glenn, as well as her own, on the bronze plates.

When she was no longer able to maintain her own home she took up residence at the Twin Willows Nursing Center in Salem. There she entered into the recreational activities and especially enjoyed the Bible discussion group. For the past several years, a regular feature of the annual Christmas program was her reciting the poem, "The Night Before Christmas," in its entirety. This she had memorized in early childhood. Her keen memory of Bible passages, especially the Psalms, was a source of great comfort to her in her later years.

Her life was one of service and dedication. She will be greatly missed.

—C. L. M.



WOMEN'S LIB MOVEMENT BRINGS CHANGE

The women's liberation movement has brought about a change in the theme for the thirteenth Baptist World Congress, to be held in Stockholm, July 8-13, 1975.

Meeting here in its spring session, the Baptist World Alliance administrative subcommittee accepted a motion that the theme should be changed from "New Men for a New World — Through Christ" to read "New People for a New World — Through Christ."

The change is of significance chiefly in the English language, where the word "men" is interpreted not only as meaning mankind, as in the theme's context, but as particularly noting members of the male sex.

Gerhard Claas, general secretary of the Baptist Union of West Germany who is chairman of the congress program committee, said that German and most other European languages would translate the theme using a word (menschen) meaning "people" without sexual connotation.

He said that the committee had discussed the English language problem at length when it first selected the theme in July 1972, and that English speaking members had agreed on "man" as generally used in English translations of the Bible to denote persons of both sexes.

The Scriptural text for the chosen theme reads in the King James Version: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

—Baptist World

BWA GRANTED "CONSULTATIVE STATUS" BY UNITED NATIONS

NEW YORK (BP)—The Baptist World Alliance (BWA) has been accepted for "consultative status" by the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

Under this arrangement, provided for in article 71 of the U. S. charter, the United Nations and various non-governmental organizations may exchange information and views on matters of mutual interest.

The BWA is an international organization, with ninety-five affiliates (members) in seventy-four countries and dependencies. Its membership represents approximately 82.6 per cent of the Baptists in the world.

The U. S. admits an organization to consultative status only if it is international in character. Thus, individual Baptist conventions have not been eligible, although the three conventions in the United States have had "observers" accredited to the public relations office of the U. S. That relationship in no way compares to full-fledged consultative status.

Robert S. Denny, BWA general secretary with headquarters in Washington, said that the alliance does not plan on having a representative resident in the New York or Geneva areas.

"Our regional secretaries—Carl W. Tiller in North America and C. Ronald Goulding in Europe—will be responsible for maintaining contacts, even though their offices are in Washington and London, not New York and Geneva," Denny said. "On matters of major significance, our president, V. Carney Hargroves of Philadelphia, and I will be available of course to take part in such consultations as may be advisable."

Denny explained that "subjects of mutual concern" may include such things as relief, refugee resettlement, economic development pro-

gram, human rights and the disposition of mandated and trust territories (in many of which there are Baptist churches).

The alliance at its congress in Tokyo, Japan, in 1970, adopted resolutions on peace and other world problems which expressed support for the United Nations, but until this time it has had no channel for making views known to those in the U. N. structures.

The BWA staff introduced the idea of seeking consultative status during the organization's executive committee meeting in 1972. It was agreed to at the body's meeting in 1973, after the adoption of certain safeguards, instructing the officers and staff how to avoid embarrassment to Baptists in the course of the consultations.

—Baptist Press

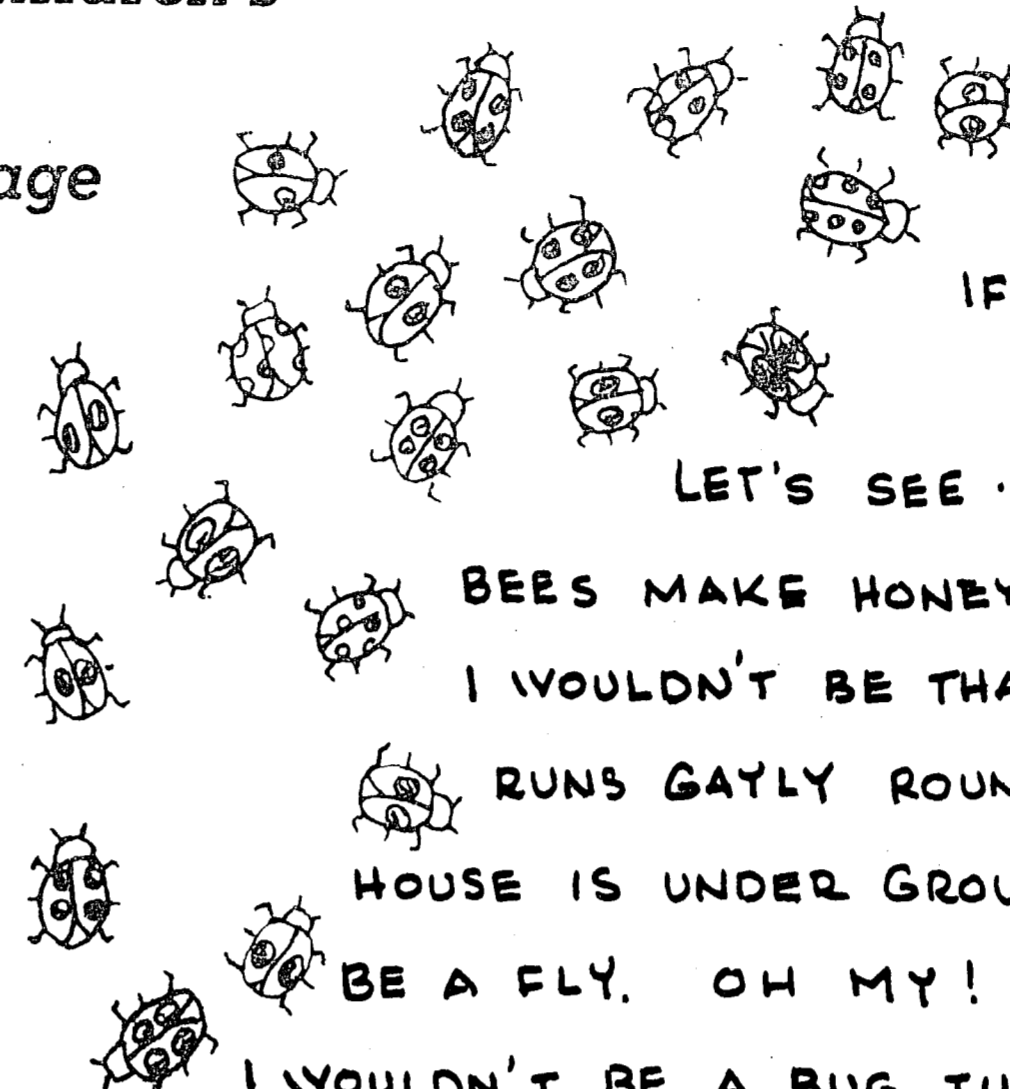
THE HIDING PLACE

She hid Jews in her attic during World War II. Her underground escape operation saved hundreds of Jewish lives. When the Nazis raided her house, she was shipped from Holland to Germany and placed in a concentration camp where she faced the threat of the gas chambers. Her sister and father died in prison.

Corrie ten Bloom was liberated, and in her fifties she became a worldwide missionary for Jesus Christ. The story of her life, *The Hiding Place*, has over two million copies in print. Now it is being made into a motion picture for an international audience by World Wide Pictures, the film arm of the Billy Graham Association. The picture is scheduled to be released early in 1975.

Says Bill Brown, World Wide's president, "This film is by far the most ambitious ever produced within the Christian community." The film will be produced in several languages for use throughout the world.

Children's Page



IF I WERE AN INSECT,
WHAT WOULD I BE?

LET'S SEE I WOULDN'T BE A BEE.

BEEES MAKE HONEY, BUT THERE'S THE STING.

I WOULDN'T BE THAT SORT OF THING. AN ANT

RUNS GATLY ROUND AND ROUND, BUT HIS OWN

HOUSE IS UNDER GROUND. I WOULDN'T WANT TO

BE A FLY. OH MY! NO ONE LIKES A FLY!

I WOULDN'T BE A BUG THAT BITES OR A SCARY ONE
THAT RUNS AT NIGHT. A LADY BUG?

A LADY BUG! A LADY BUG I'D BE. THAT'S FOR ME!

A JOLLY LITTLE LADY BUG, A SHINY ORANGE LADY BUG

WHO EATS THE BAD BUGS OFF THE ROSES AND LARKSPURS

AND THE OTHER POSIES — A LADY BUG ALL CLEAN AND

NEAT, WITH SPOTTED BACK AND DAINTY FEET, WITH

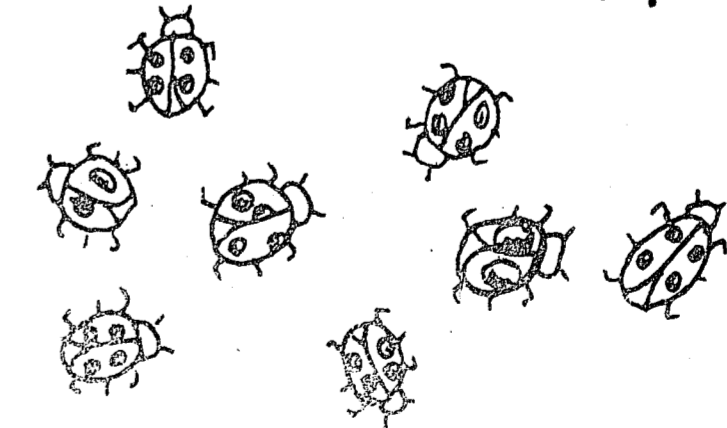
LITTLE WINGS TUCKED SAFE AWAY BENEATH A COAT

THAT'S VERY GAY. FROM SPRINGTIME TILL

THE SUMMER'S END, I'D BE YOUR HAPPY, HELPFUL

FRIEND.

.....
EVEN A CHILD IS KNOWN BY HIS DOINGS, WHETHER HIS
WORK BE PURE, AND WHETHER IT BE RIGHT. PROV. 20:11



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OUR WORLD MISSION

OWM BUDGET RECEIPTS FOR MAY 1974

	Treasurer's		Boards'	
	May	5 months	5 months	
Adams Center NY	\$	362.65	\$	70.00
Albion WI	44.80	243.16		125.58
Alfred NY		1,773.80		305.00
Alfred Station NY	273.92	967.15		30.00
Ashaway RI	306.53	2,037.49		175.00
Assns & Groups	320.12	650.30		530.00
Battle Creek MI	506.22	2,645.90		100.00
Bay Area CA	125.00	270.00		
Berea WV	45.00	151.00		
Berlin NY	129.33	918.31		30.00
Boulder CO		480.29		165.00
Brookfield NY		92.50		82.50
Buffalo NY	100.00	750.00		
Dallas Fellowship TX				
Daytona Beach FL		680.00		60.00
Denver CO	31.15	1,191.24		85.00
De Ruyter NY		163.00		10.00
Dodge Center MN		934.33		50.00
Farina IL		106.38		10.00
Fouke AR		50.00		10.00
Hammond LA				
Hebron PA	113.55	484.08		70.00
Hopkinton RI				140.00
Houston TX	230.00	320.00		10.00
Independence NY	21.25	215.25		30.00
Individuals	150.00	280.45		456.88
Irvington NJ		950.00		200.00
Kansas City MO		256.55		10.00
Leonardsville NY	25.00	216.00		62.50
Little Genesee NY	121.05	705.16		20.00
Little Rock AR	14.61	50.96		20.00
Los Angeles CA		1,800.00		1,195.00
Lost Creek WV		1,666.94		100.00
Marlboro NJ	357.00	2,109.48		20.00
Metairie LA				
Milton WI	1,282.51	5,068.65		390.00
Milton Junction WI	54.00	359.90		100.00
Monterey CA		100.00		
New Auburn WI		276.45		88.47
New Milton WV	60.00	225.00		
New Orleans LA				
North Loup NB	250.00	1,150.00		55.00
Nortonville KS		798.00		80.00
Ohio Fellowship OH	50.00	540.00		100.00
Paint Rock AL		285.00		110.82
Phoenix, AZ				
Plainfield NJ		1,479.76		545.90
Putnam County FL		100.00		
Richburg NY	100.15	874.93		60.00
Riverside CA		2,136.00		80.00
Rockville RI	50.00	274.00		20.00
Salem WV	380.45	1,585.18		150.00

	Treasurer's		Boards'	
	May	5 months	5 months	
Salemville PA	110.00	275.00		206.00
Schenectady NY	19.30	40.10		
Seattle WA		263.63		10.00
Shiloh NJ		3,472.40		80.00
Siskiyou, CA				
Stonefort IL	65.00	250.00		20.00
Syracuse NY				
Texarkana AR		20.00		20.00
Verona NY	113.00	688.15		50.00
Walworth WI	210.00	510.00		
Washington DC	355.00	560.00		30.00
Waterford CT	203.94	792.36		90.00
Westerly RI	638.00	1,448.00		350.55
White Cloud MI	78.12	404.27		20.00
Budget	\$6,934.00	\$47,499.15		\$6,829.20
Non-Budget	160.00			

Total To Disburse \$ 7,094.00

MAY DISBURSEMENTS

Board of Christian Education	\$	415.36
Council on Ministry		232.15
Historical Society		2.64
Ministerial Retirement		488.84
Missionary Society		2,128.44
Tract Society		768.58
Trustees of General Conference		7.62
Women's Society		118.69
World Fellowship & Service		67.53
General Conference		2,839.15
Salem College		25.00
		\$ 7,094.00

SUMMARY

1974 Budget	\$183,650.00
Receipts for five months:	
OWM Treasurer	\$47,499.15
Boards	6,829.20
	54,328.35
To be raised by December 1974	\$129,321.65
Percentage of year elapsed	41.67%
Percentage of budget raised	29.58%
Five months:	
Due	\$ 76,520.85
Raised	54,328.35
Arrears	\$ 22,192.50

Gordon Sanford
OWM Treasurer

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tion Year 1974" is available from the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, United Nations, New York, N. Y. 10017.

"New Options for the World's Peoples" is available at .25 cents a copy or \$6.00 per hundred from Population Crisis Committee, 1835 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006. Other study material includes: "The People Packet," National Associa-

tion for Foreign Student Affairs, 1860 19th St. N.W., Washington, D. C. 20009. Free. Includes a bibliography, program guidelines, audiovisual materials, and a list of population organizations and centers. An excellent view of the overall problem is found in "The Challenge of World Population" .50 cents per copy, order from Engage/Social Action, 100 Maryland Ave. N. E., Washington, D. C. 20002. □

EDITORIAL

THE WORLD POPULATION



"The increase in world population is the greatest problem facing the world today, and most of our other major problems are directly or indirectly related to it," said James Brown of the editorial staff of the *New York Times*. Mr. Brown was the keynote speaker at a recent seminar on "World Population Issues" sponsored by the Associated Church Press and the Department of Population Problems of the United Methodist Church.

The United Nations has declared 1974 as "World Population Year." They are attempting to encourage governments, private institutions, and individuals to study the impact of the rapidly growing numbers of humankind on such world problems as development, pollution, resources, poverty, food supplies, and human rights. Since many of the issues involved are crucial, complex and deeply moral and ethical the church is involved. In fact, in the years ahead many of the priorities facing the churches will be affected by the questions being considered during world population year. Mr. Brown concluded his remarks by urging that the church press take a leading role in calling attention to the complicated and ever-challenging problem of world population growth.

According to a United Nations report, at the present time there are four babies being born every second — or 200,000 more people in the world every day. Part of the problem is the fact that over 70% of these children are born into "developing" countries where in many cases, the population growth has cancelled out more than half the economic and social gains made in the past ten years. In 1830 there were one billion people on the earth, it took one hundred years to reach the next billion, but by 1960 the third billion mark was reached. In 1974 we have four billion people and the experts are predicting that by the year 2000 this will almost double to seven billion people.

This means of course that we will need twice as much of everything, food, education, gasoline, power, housing, etc. If with four billion people we are consuming and depleting the earth's resources what will it be with seven billion? If we have wars and tensions between people now, what will it be like in a few years?

Since most Seventh Day Baptists live in rural areas we are seeming not faced with the complexity of the problem. It may be difficult for many to realize how enormous this problem is and how it will ultimately affect our lives no

matter where we live. Paul Ehrlich in his book, *The Population Bomb*, describes how the "population problem" suddenly dawned on him as he visited in India.

He wrote: "As we crawled through the city (in a taxi), we entered a crowded slum area. The temperature was well over 100, and the air was a haze of dust and smoke. The streets seemed alive with people. People eating, people washing, people sleeping. People visiting, arguing, and screaming. People thrusting their hand through the taxi window, begging. People defecating and urinating. People clinging to buses. People herding animals. People, people, people, people. As we moved slowly through the mob, hand horn squawking, the dust, noise, heat, and cooking fires gave the scene a hellish aspect. Would we ever get to our hotel? All three of us were, frankly, frightened . . . since that night I've known the feel of overpopulation."

The problem is real, it is complex, it is growing and solutions are hard to find. Controlling population growth in itself will not end all of man's problems. However, if the rate of growth can be slowed in a way that guarantees human rights and protects human dignity then man can work to develop social and distributive justice.

It is true that man alone cannot solve all of the world's problems. We must seek solutions prayerfully, knowing that God does have a plan for us individually and collectively. As Christians we must be willing to be directed and used of God to accomplish His will for this earth.

We are our brother's keeper, over and over we are instructed by Scripture to care for the poor, the sick, the homeless and destitute. Being a Christian, a true follower of Jesus Christ, is not just praying for God to step in and solve all our problems for us. Being a true follower means getting involved. Involved in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with a lost and dying world, involved in helping our fellowman to achieve a better life on this earth, yet involved in the world in which we live. "Concern for all peoples is not a religious option; it is a religious duty."

What can we do? We can become aware and informed about the enormous problem of world population growth. Churches and/or individuals may want to study some of the many sources available this year as we seek to understand and look for solutions. Information on "World Popula-

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INDEPENDENCE DAY

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From The Living Bible

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, whose people he has chosen as his own. The Lord gazes down upon mankind from heaven where he lives. He has made their hearts and closely watches everything they do. The best-equipped army cannot save a king—for great strength is not enough to save anyone. A war horse is a poor risk for winning victories—it is strong but it cannot save. But the eyes of the Lord are watching over those who fear him, who rely upon his steady love. He will keep them from death even in times of famine! We depend upon the Lord alone to save us. Only he can help us; he protects us like a shield. No wonder we are happy in the Lord! For we are trusting him. We trust his holy name. Yes, Lord, let your constant love surround us, for our hopes are in you alone.

(Psalms 33:12-22)

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—Tom C. Clark

