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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Pastor's Column

May has come and gone and it leaves in its train some good records and cherished memories. Mother's Day was attended more largely than ever before in the history of the church with some people unable to get into the sanctuary after the placing of extra chairs and people standing throughout the service.

Sunday, May the 12th recognition was given to six splendid young people upon graduation from high school. They were Rene Riendeau, Carleton Knisley, Sandra White, Virginia Leonard and Donna Jones. Each was presented with an autographed copy of Stanley Jones' book, *Abundant Living*. Graduating from Toledo University with a B. Ed. degree was Mrs. Clyde Frantz who was presented with Norman Vincent Peale's recent book, *The Power of Positive Thinking*. This group while smaller than most of the previous years and only about one-third as large as last year's group lacked not one whit in quality. They are fine and loyal youth of the church. Next year's group will be much larger. Upton justly rejoices in its young people.

Sunday, May 31, twenty-five persons with relations throughout the United States and Europe were remembered in a very impressive memorial service. As pastor and in behalf my thanks to the committees who worked so diligently and effectively in arranging and carrying out these days. They are:

Mother's Day: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Van Fleet, Chrmn., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hopkins and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pegorsch.

Graduation Day: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frybarger, Chrmn., Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rhoades.

Memorial Sunday: Mrs. O. E. Johnson, Chrmn., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chatfield and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Stock.

The Building Committee was called together at a kick-off dinner meeting on Thursday evening, May 14th and was organized with Leonard E. Hendrickson chairman and Ronald E. Knisely associate chairman. Mrs. O. E. Coder is the secretary. Sub-committee chairmen and their associates are as follows:

Finance: Paul Stevens, Chrmn., Wm. Schmitt, Assoc. Chrmn.

Plans: Ted Ziegler, Chrmn., Geo. Kuehn, Assoc. Chrmn.

Furnishings: Mrs. Wm. Schmitt, Chrmn., Mrs. Carl Braun, Assoc. Chrmn.

The committees are being organized and certain committees are already at work. Pray for them that they may be guided

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Church Erection Fund

June 1st, 1953

\$35,242.95

Two and one-half years of the three year period to pay Church Erection pledges have passed, which leaves but *six months* to complete payments.

Summer Schedule

(Beginning June 21st)

Sunday School

9:15 a. m.

(Let's be on time)

Worship

10:00 a. m.

We hope that each of you will be in Sunday School and Worship at Upton every Sunday that you are in the city throughout the summer.

W. S. W. S.

Women's Society of World Service, together with the Girls' Missionary and Girls' Friendship Guilds as guests, met on Friday evening, June 6th in the Church Social Rooms. A few of the mothers of the girls were also guests. We were happy that each could come. A total of 43 were present.

Mrs. Kuehn, president, opened our meeting, leading in the prayer. "I Would Be True", was sung.

Reports from the various secretaries were heard. Mrs. Stock, Secretary of Missionary Education, was very elated in the fact that since she had secured twenty-one Evangel subscriptions, including one new one, that our Society had made one point in growth.

A few new books have been bought for the reading course. We were urged to at least get started on our course for the year.

Mrs. Kuehn reported the sending of 34 shirts, 22 rolls of bandage, 16 pairs of glasses and some extra odd lenses to the leprosy work.

The Society voted to again sell Christmas Cards. Samples will soon be on hand. Your order will help the Society.

Our devotions were brought by Mrs. Neil Stock. Mrs. Maurice Taylor gave us a reading on Concern for Children,

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Willing Workers

The regular business and social meeting of the Willing Workers class was held in the church social rooms, Friday evening, May 29th.

Twenty-six members were present, a smaller group than usual, but maybe it being the night before a holiday was the reason.

The secretary read thank you notes from Mrs. Butz, Mrs. Weist and Mrs. Ada Snyder for the flowers and cards they received while ill.

Mrs. Bertha Kuehn has invited the class to her cottage at Vineyard Lake for the Fourth of July and we hope every one will plan to go.

Plans also have been made for our July class meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Coder. It will be a pot luck and roast out in their yard.

Mr. Robert Snyder, our class president, deserves high commendation for the good work he is doing with our class. He thinks of everything (with the help of Madge).

We can not say too much for our teacher, Mr. Lugibihl and the interesting lessons he brings to us each Sunday morning.

Our next meeting will be at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huffman, Sunday, June 28, after church services. This will also be a pot luck, each one to take a covered dish. Hope you can all go.
—Mrs. Harbaugh, Sec'y.

Our Service Men

Word has been received from several of our men in service.

Word comes to us that A-3c Robert Dotson has left Korea and is on his way home.

Sgt. William T. Schmitt who has made several important missions to the Philippines, Okinawa and Formosa, is now back at his base.

A letter from Cpl. Mearl Main says he is well and expects to start home in August. He recently had a rest period in Japan.

S-FC Thomas W. Powless, writes home of his work in command of the motor trucks. He is well and trying to catch up on the letters to the home folks. He sent home the picture of the mountain scenery across from their company.

Sgt. Thomas W. Swisher is still at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

A-2c Charles F. Cruse is now stationed at Nome, Alaska.

Pvt. Wayne C. Seger is home on furlough from Camp Polk, La., and Cpl. Harry Powless is home from having been overseas two years in Germany.

Mr. Bessie Wolcott, Comm. Chrmn.

Bluffton Post Office

PASTOR'S COLUMN

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of God and that the work of building our so much needed church may be realized at the earliest possible moment.

One more thing you can do. See to it that all the contributions possible are made during the next seven months. (Just a little over six by the time you receive this word.) If you have a pledge be sure that it is paid during this period. One of the things the bank will want to know will be, "How much was pledged to be paid during this three year period?"

The second, and just as important, "How much was paid on those pledges *during that period?*" Your payment of your pledge and within the given time is just as important and may be more so than the pledge itself for if we have unpaid pledges, they cut the percentage of reliability and jeopardize us just that much.

We feel sure that you will see that your pledge is paid and on time. Others can be invaluable at this time; those without a pledge giving generously will greatly enhance our financial ratings. If you desire envelopes, notify the secretary, La.0936. (Mrs. O. E. Coder.)

By the time this reaches you, the delegate and the alternate to the annual conference will have been elected. They are the church's representatives to the annual conference and the one seated has voting power. It is through them that the church makes known its desire as to a change or a continuance in the pastorate of the church. It is perfectly in line that you express yourself in this matter to the delegate. The names of the above will be given you through the church bulletin.

Summer schedule will begin Sunday, June 21. Sunday School will convene at 9:15 and worship at 10:00 A. M. This enables our services to be completed before the mid-day heat of these summer mornings. Services will conclude by eleven to eleven-ten with attempt being made to hold to the eleven o'clock hour.

This is said with some concern, for there are always those who are more concerned for a few moments than for a time really given to worship. At Upton we have been fortunate through the years in that overwhelmingly our people have had the genuine desire to worship. Let us pray that such may always be so and then let us be considerate and wise in the matter of keeping within reasonable bounds our time.

This summer schedule is set with the hope that our people will put forth special effort to be present. Many of our people will be out of town on vacations and for week ends at the lake. We are glad that such is possible. We also hope that when possible, these people will attend a church near them at the time. Then for those at home and in Toledo on summer Sunday mornings, will you not make the special effort to be in your church? This is the time of year when you will be able to find a seat in the sanctuary. It is then that your church

especially needs your presence. All together we move onward and upward in His Cause.

Let me close with an asking for your prayers in behalf of your pastor and the church and with a statement of my confidence that you will do all that you can in seeing that we as a church do all possible in helping others to know Him. I believe that you will do all that you can to see the work go forward.—O. E. J.

Sunday School

Our average attendance during May was 279 as compared with 275 last May.

Now that June is here, it has also brought vacation time. During June and July, several of our young people will attend our church camp at St. Marys. Each year, many of them look forward to their week at camp. They certainly have a wonderful time. Their daily classes are made so interesting and informal that very few campers miss any. During the balance of the time there is plenty of activity to keep them busy.

Also during June our younger folks attended two weeks of Daily Vacation Bible school directed this year by Mrs. Norman Nelson.

Our Sunday School attendance thus far has been very good this summer. We are hoping this trend will continue so that our teachers will not be looking at too many empty chairs. While we are in town let's make sure that ours is filled. During the summer months, Sunday School will begin at 9:15, Worship service at 10:00. This makes it possible for services to be over by 11:00 A. M., or shortly thereafter before the day becomes too warm. Also if we wish to go away for the noonday meal, we can be there on time. Having attended Sunday school, let us then remain for the worship services of our Church throughout the summer. —E. McShane, Supt.

Beginners' Church

Each Sunday morning during Worship Service there is a Beginner's Church held in the Parish House. This is for three, four and five year old children.

I have had charge of this group since April 26. To date Robbie Volzer has been there each Sunday I have taught. Our average attendance has been about 10 members each Sunday.

We have a Bible lesson, prayer time, singing, offering time, work period, snack time and play time during our period of worship.

Any child three, four or five years of age is welcome to join us each Sunday in the Parish House.

Mrs. Alice Papenfuss

What we choose to do when we are free to choose what we please is an unfailling test of character.

The man behind the man behind the pulpit is a bigger factor in the church than he will ever know.

Ladies Aid

There were 22 ladies present at our June 9th meeting. Mrs. Elsie Williams, the vice president, was in charge in the absence of Mrs. Kane.

Devotions were given by Mrs. Clara Young. Her topic was "For Father's Day."

The ladies wish to thank those people that used their cars to get the rummage to Grace Presbyterian Church. Our special thanks to Charles Kanaus, Mr. Williams and Mr. Kanaus.

There will be no Ladies Aid business meetings this summer. Any business coming up will be cared for on days of sewing. Our next meeting will be on September 8th. There will be sewing, and anyone interested should contact Mrs. Gifford. She is in charge, and will be happy to answer any questions.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Elsie Williams.

A happy vacation to everyone and let's not forget our aid meetings next fall.

On Wednesday, June 10 several women met in the church and made pads for sick patients of Otterbein Home. Quite a lot was accomplished and the pads will soon be on their way. —G. W.

Jack and Jill Class

The May class meeting was held in the Church basement, due to bad weather. We had originally planned a roast. A short business meeting followed the wonderful meal. We are sponsoring an ice cream social on July 17 from 6 p. m. to 10 p. m. We were very glad to have Dick and Betty Saloff with us at the meeting. All young married couples are welcome to join us. F. M. P.

Among Our People

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reiter who were married in Upton church on May 23rd. Mrs. Reiter is the former Peggy Schaefer.

Several of our Church families have had new arrivals since our last issue of the Challenger. They are; Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ziegler, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harms and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ruhl. Our congratulations to each of these folk.

A letter of appreciation and thanks has come from Mrs. Mearl Main. As you know, Mrs. Main has been ill for several months, however, she is much improved now. Her thanks to all of her church friends for prayers, cards and many other remembrances.

Mrs. Carl Snyder is now at home after a visit to the hospital. She has sent a "Thank You" also for all the nice things done for her by the Church folk.

"Thank You" for the graduation gift from the Church has been received from Sandra White.

We have word that Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thomas and Terrie will soon be leaving California for home.

The following 8 pages contain all articles and news from our Sandusky Conference as compiled and edited for the Sandusky News by the staff thereof. A splendid opportunity to become acquainted with a great conference.

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CAMP ST. MARYS SUMMER CALENDAR

CALENDAR

JUNE 10-12

Branch Convention of the Womens Society for World Service
Mrs. C. D. Wright, President

JUNE 12-14

Senior Youth Week-end Camp
Rev. Don Hochstettler, Director

JUNE 14-20

Senior Youth Camp
Stan Ruggles, President
Rev. Paul Walter, Director

JUNE 20-21

Conference Youth Fellowship Officers Retreat

Rev. Wendell Freshley, Director

This evening we welcome the choir of Findlay First Church who will present a service of sacred choral music interspersed with solo, duo and quartet numbers. This very talented and superbly trained church group has won acclaim as an outstanding church choir over all northwestern Ohio. Professor Clifford Hite who heads the music department of the Findlay Schools is the director of the group.

JUNE 23-27

Bible Conference
Rev. Roy Cramer, Director
Conference School of Music
Rev. C. D. Osborn, Rev. J. C. Searle, Rev. John Osborn, Directors
Observation School
Mrs. Neva Witthune Corl, Director

BIBLE CONFERENCE

The annual Bible Conference under the supervision of the Conference Board of Evangelism will convene on Tuesday, June 23, and continue through the following Sunday. Included on the program will be Bishop I. D. Warner of the Pacific area whose special emphasis will be evangelism. Bishop F. L. Dennis of our own area will be present and conduct a seminar on some very practical aspect of the ministry. Dr. John Clippinger will speak daily on subjects related to pastoral counselling and will deal with procedures and techniques that make for effectiveness in this field.

CONFERENCE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The School of Music will also be included in the Bible Conference program. Various aspects of church music will be treated by three of the members of the conference. Rev. C. D. Osborn will treat with problems of conducting group singing and how such singing can contribute to the worship of the church. Rev. John Searle who is a member of the Hymn Book Commission of the church will consider the value and usefulness of the Hymnal and Rev. John Osborn will give guidance of the place of in-

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Conference Visitation Plans For 1953

All pastors of the Ohio Sandusky Conference will be called upon shortly after Conference to participate in a Friendly Visitation Campaign that should have far-reaching effects upon the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Northwest Ohio. We give below summarized plans and pastors are asked to clear the dates mentioned in this column. It is important that there be perfect participation.

First Step—(Tentatively, Sept. 7-11)
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Letter From Bishop F. L. Dennis

Esteemed Co-Workers in Our Churches of Ohio:

I have been receiving from many persons, some unknown to me by name, communications of sympathy accompanied by expressions of appreciation and prayer for my speedy recovery from the illness reported by the Associated Press some two weeks ago. You are entitled to a clearer statement than was given in that connection. My hospitalization was largely a precautionary measure. The physician in Marion, Ohio, where I was having some physical difficulty, strongly advised hospitalization and a course of medicine calculated to forestall what he feared was a symptom of a coronary disease. Two days of numerous tests in the hospital failed to substantiate his fear; consequently, I was released after two days with the assurance that the heart situation, at least, is normal for a person of my age. The physician did order one week of absolute rest and beyond that, that I reduce my schedule wherever possible. I followed his advice in the former part and am endeavoring to reduce my schedule wherever possible. However, I am confident that it will be possible, barring unforeseen complications, to fill my Sunday engagements including, also, the Annual Conference sessions. As a matter of fact, I am able to report that the one week of rest has done wonders for me in giving me increased vitality and, altogether, enabling me to serve more effectively.

I desire to take this opportunity to thank one and all for the prayers that were offered and for the kindly consideration which has been shown. May God richly bless you and yours is the prayer of your Bishop.

Fred L. Dennis

Evangelical Theological Seminary Commencement 1953

Naperville, Illinois

Forty-four young ministers in the Seminary Class of 1953 were granted the degree, Bachelor of Divinity, at the Commencement, May 4, by the Evangelical Theological Seminary with eight hundred people present in the First Evangelical United Brethren Church, Naperville, Illinois. This is the largest class in the history of the institution which has an enrollment this year of 154 students.

The Commencement speaker, Dean Walter G. Muelder, Ph. D., of Boston University School of Theology, gave the Commencement address on the theme "THE NATURE OF THE CHRISTIAN HOPE." The address pointed out the basic Christian affirmation of belief in God manifest in Jesus Christ as the only sure foundation for hope. The hopeless 'hopes' on insecure foundations represented by materialistic communism, unrealistic utopias, and blind confidence in militarism and anachronistic nationalism were compared to the Christian hope built upon the solid foundations found in the ultimate nature of the Living God and His purpose for the human race in history. A plea was made for a real revival of the intellectual and spiritual content of the evangelical good news and a re-discovery of the meaning of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, God active in history here and now. The message benefited by the study given the theme by the advisory committee of the World Council of Churches preparing for the third Assembly to be held in Evanston, Ill., in the summer of 1954 of which committee Dean Muelder is a member.

The speaker conducted a forum in the Alumni meeting at 3:00 p. m. attended by a large and representative group of Seminary graduates, students and friends, at the Grace Church, Naperville, Illinois. After a presentation of the subject "CHRISTIANITY AS A PRINCIPLE OF COMMUNITY" the group participated in discussion with Dean Muelder concerning the implications of the thesis that community breaks down when communication between men and groups of men disintegrates and that the function of the Christian church is to provide the only basic and adequate ground for community in shared assumptions and convictions about the nature of the Ultimate Reality, God our Father, known to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. The practical meanings of such communication which permits creative community to be actualized were confronted.

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Camp St. Marys

Camp St. Marys is the conference grounds owned, developed, and operated by the Ohio-Sandusky Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. The summertime activities of the Conference center here and the invitation to share in them is extended to all who appreciate and who would benefit from such a program. All activities of the Camp are conducted in compliance with the best religious tradition of our church in order that the influence of the Camp be completely Christian in every aspect.

The grounds include 80 acres located on the southeast shore of lovely Lake St. Marys. Most of the land has been beautifully landscaped and beautified to make a most delightful retreat in the midst of an environment definitely Christian.

The program which includes the camps, special days, conventions, Sunday evening services, and conferences is designed to promote the interests of the Church and of the Kingdom in an atmosphere of quiet beauty and reverence which is Camp St. Marys.

Living facilities which are available include cabins, dormitories, roomettes and accommodations in the recently completed 48 room hotel. All are strictly modern throughout including hot and cold water, heat, showers and toilet. Three dining rooms are located on the grounds. Recreation facilities in these delightful surroundings include tennis, volley ball, shuffle board, baseball, swimming, fishing, boating, etc. Further information concerning the camp and its program, as well as reservations for accommodations may be secured by writing to Dr. V. H. Allman, Camp St. Marys, St. Marys, Ohio.

SUMMER CAMP CALENDAR

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strumental music in the church program with special emphasis to instrumental accompanying.

JUNE 28 (St. Marys Pilgrimage Day)

To conclude the activities of this significant day we welcome the chorus from the local Goodyear Rubber Company. They will present a service of sacred and semi-classical choral music. The chorus is composed of men who are employees of the local plant. They are an exceedingly popular singing group and have earned an enviable reputation for their interesting interpretations of numbers especially adapted for male chorus. Mr. J. E. Cattarin directs the men.

JUNE 28-JULY 4

Junior Youth Camp (Bowling Green, Fremont, Toledo, Lima, St. Marys, Findlay, and Bryan Groups)
Miss Heler White, Director

JULY 5-11

Indiana Conference Childrens Camp
Mrs. L. G. D. Wertz, Director

JULY 12

The Sunday School Orchestra of 1st Church, Marion, will present the service this evening. This is one of the oldest continuing Sunday School orchestras in the conference. Today it numbers twenty-four members and plays a large part in the program of the local Sunday School as well as other church activities. Mr. Miff Gilmore is the director of the group. Rev. John Searle, Jr., will be guest soloist with the orchestra.

JULY 12-18

Intermediate Youth Camp (Junior High) (Bowling Green, Toledo, Fremont, Lima, St. Marys, Findlay, and Bryan Groups)

Rev. Kenneth Stover, Director

JULY 19

This evening the Drama Guild of Toledo bring to us their presentation of the religious drama, "The Rock." The interesting character-growth of Peter, the Apostle, is the theme of this production and is especially well done by this group of semi-professional actors who are most understanding and completely reverent in their treatment of religious subjects. Over a period of more than 18 years, Mr. A. J. Mattoon has directed the group in their specialized presentation of religious drama. During this period they have accumulated an impressive quantity of equipment, settings and lightings which enhance the acting of a most talented caste of players.

JULY 19-25

Intermediate Youth Camp (Junior High) (Fostoria, Bucyrus, Van Wert, Napoleon, Sandusky, Willard, and Marion Groups)

Rev. Howard McCracken, Director

JULY 26-AUGUST 1

Junior Youth Camp (Fostoria, Bucyrus, Van Wert, Napoleon, Sandusky, Willard and Marion Groups)
Miss Helen White, Director

JULY 26

The Ministers Chorus of the Ohio-Sandusky Conference have been scheduled (tentatively) for the service this evening. The chorus is made up entirely of ministers of our conference under the direction of Rev. C. D. Osborn, pastor of Findlay, St. Pauls Church.

AUGUST 2-8

Apostolic Church Camp

AUGUST 9

This evening we welcome the Apostolic Church group who will present a service of worship following the tradition of their group.

AUGUST 12-16

Annual Conference

A New Bell Rings In The Mountains

The response to Christian stewardship expressed itself in a unique fashion within one of the Edgerton Trinity members a few weeks ago.

Mr. Paul Keppeler was reading his Telescope-Messenger one evening and read of a particular need at the Mill Creek Center branch of the Red Bird Mission, Kentucky. It seems that they had recently constructed their new church building but were in urgent need of a bell with which to call the community to worship. The thought quickly flashed across Mr. Keppeler's mind as he schemed, "Why couldn't I send them the bell that has been lying around the farm; the one that we took from the abandoned country church when we purchased it for material use." So, immediately he wrote the mission and made his offer. Of course, they were eager to receive and thanked him for the offer. On March 27, 1953, Mr. Keppeler crated this heavy object and hauled the 840 pound bell to the freight station where he shipped it to the Mill Creek church.

A letter of thanks and assurances of the arrival of the bell was received by Mr. Keppeler. It arrived on April 9th. The church was in the midst of a revival effort, so when the bell arrived they erected it temporarily so that it could be in service for that very evening.

Rev. David E. Weinzierl

PERSECUTION WILL COME

The better a preacher lives and the truer to God he is, the more fearlessly he preaches the Gospel, and the more unselfishly he lives, the more he will be hated and persecuted by the world. The preacher against whom no one ever says anything bad is not God's preacher. It is not a sign that a man isn't a Christian because he has trouble. It is one of the signs that a man is a Christian. The selfish unregenerated, unconverted world is always condemned by the lives of unselfish consecrated Christian People. The world does not wish to be condemned. Therefore, all who live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.—Fellowship News.

News from the Churches

TOLEDO OAKDALE DEDICATES MEMORIAL CHIMES

On Sunday, May 24, at 10:30 A. M. a service of high interest to Toledo Oakdale Church and community was held. Memorial Tower Chimes and a complete sound system was installed in the building, including the basement. The cost was \$1100.00.

These chimes were dedicated to the memory of: Mrs. Hila Bargahiser, Mr. Clifford Snyder, Mrs. Frieda Wharff, Mrs. Sadie Baehar, Mrs. Mary Creps, Mrs. Jennie McCrory and Mrs. Charity Kirkman.

The names were presented by Mr. Adam Poffenbaugh, Mrs. Alice Schafer, Mrs. Velma Crawford, Mr. Harold Schman, Mr. Herman Pitzen, Mr. John Watts and Mrs. Bertha Zedro. The president of the board of trustees, Mr. Wm. Hackman, received the Memorial Plaque with appropriate words and placed it in position on the sanctuary wall.

The chimes are played at 6 P. M. each day.

The church has been insulated and a kitchen restaurant range installed at a total cost of \$660.00. Rev. D. F. Emrick is the pastor.

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MOTHER-DAUGHTER PARTY AT MARION SALEM

A Mother-Daughter Party was held with fifty-three present at the Womans Society World Service meeting held at the Rural Marion Salem Evangelical United Brethren Church on Tuesday night, May 12.

Mrs. Russell Gillson gave a history of the Society since its beginning and was assisted by two charter members of the local church here, Mrs. Mary Sergent who told of the first meeting held in 1911 and Mrs. Mary Tittelbaugh who spoke of the second meeting at which time she joined. Mrs. Sarah Tittelbaugh of Marion, gave a very interesting talk of the beginnings of the Mission Band at which time she then was leader.

Mrs. Eunice Klinefelter was program chairman and leader. The program included: Prelude, Mrs. A. E. Clark; "Welcome" by Miss Vera Bratton, President; Devotionals, "The Mother Hannah" by Miss Clara Klinefelter; Recitation, Yvonne Hord; Vocal Solo by Miss Gloria Hoffman accompanied by Mrs. Gillson; The History given by Mrs. Gillson was entitled "We Remember Our Heritage."

A vocal trio was given by Marilyn Howser, Delorus Hough and Gwen Fields accompanied by Mrs. Gillson at piano.

Roll call in the business session conducted by the president was answered by introducing your guests.

Following the program in the sanctuary the members accompanied by their guests went to the basement where refreshments were served.

Refreshment committee consisted of Mrs.

Harold Miller, Mrs. Louis Chappell and Mrs. C. W. McChesney.

Clara Klinefelter, Reporter

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COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR AT GIBSONBURG CHURCH

A concert by the North Central College Concert Choir was one of the highlights of the spring program of Trinity Church in Gibsonburg. Professor George E. Luntz directed the group in its presentation of an evening of music before a large and appreciative audience.

On Pentecost Sunday 17 new members were welcomed into the fellowship of Trinity Church. Most of the group had been enrolled in a course of study on the teachings of the Evangelical United Brethren Church conducted by the pastor, Rev. Herbert Maurer.

Seven young people of the church, 1953 High School graduates, received New Testaments from the congregation on May 31. At this service also Trinity's Book of Golden Memories containing fitting memorial tributes to many former members and friends was read by Mrs. C. S. Stilson. This was followed by a challenging talk by Monroe Willison, Sunday School Superintendent, on Trinity's need of either a parish house or an enlarged church basement.

H. M. Maurer, Pastor

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VAN WERT: CALVARY

Our high school graduates were honored with a banquet served by the Gleaners Class of which the parents are members, on Wednesday, May 6th. Then on Sunday, May 24th, which is Baccalaureate Sunday in our city, the service of recognition was held honoring them and the eighth grade graduates. The seniors were presented a testament with their names engraved upon them, by their teacher of the Sunday School, Mrs. Clifford Bell, in behalf of the Sunday School.

The annual Mother - Daughter banquet was held May 13th, served by the men of the Church. A gift was presented by Grace Gribler to Mrs. Shock, who had been a member of W. S. W. S. for a longer period of time than anyone else present. A gift was also presented to Mrs. Robert Green as the newest member of the society. Mrs. Bode from New Knoxville, O., was the speaker for the evening.

Because of the 10 month conference year, all organizations and offices of the Church are being filled this month, closing our books as of June 30th. With all new officers taking their office July 1st.

Walter Marks

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WREN CHURCH OBSERVES STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY

The Wren Church Board of Christian Education, under the direction of the Youth Director Mrs. Daniel Jones, observed Student Recognition Day, May 31st, by honoring five high school graduates with gifts of Christian Worker's New Testament, and by honoring one high school sophomore, David Roop, who placed first in the district's his-

tory tests and tenth in the state, with a gift of Mountain Trailways for Youth, a daily devotional book.

The Board of Christian Education has also set aside \$25.00 for young people who wish to go to Camp St. Marys this summer. There is a maximum of \$7.50 for each person.

The Student Aid offering, the first of its kind to be taken, amounted to \$13.00.

Don Martin, Pastor

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ROCKFORD W. S. W. S. SPONSORS MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET

The annual E. U. B. Mother - Daughter banquet, sponsored by the Women's Society of World Service, was given at the church Friday evening, May 15, with 169 present.

Mrs. Wilma Ralston led the group in singing a welcome. Mrs. Merle Snyder was pleasantly surprised when her seven daughters came from the study and lined up to win her an orchid for having the most daughters present. The speaker, Mrs. Karl Dilbone, was welcomed and presented an orchid corsage. Others receiving recognition and rose corsages were: Mrs. Molter, the oldest mother; Mrs. Lucille Bayles, the youngest grandmother; and Cindy Deitsch, the youngest daughter.

Seventeen of the men and boys of the Brotherhood served a delicious meal of meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, succotash, vegetable salad, and chocolate cake. The men cleared the tables and washed the dishes which was very much appreciated.

Mrs. DeVota Graham played the organ as the group gathered to the main auditorium for the program. Mildred Ransbottom presided and she, Opal Huffman, Mary Beerbower and Florence Stover were attired in old-fashioned costumes—through the courtesy of Mrs. Bess Smith and Mrs. Molter. Our theme for the evening was "Our Christian Heritage."

The speaker, Mrs. Karl Dilbone, was introduced. She was born in Czechoslovakia, but is now living in Van Wert. Margie, as her friends call her, gave a wonderful address. She told her life story and inspired her audience to a deeper consecration to God and a greater appreciation of America.

There's A Saying . . .

A lot of Christians are like wheelbarrows—not good unless pushed.
Some are like canoes—they need to be paddled.
Some are like kites—if you don't keep a string on them, they fly away.
Some are like footballs—you can't tell which way they will bounce next.
Some are like balloons—full of wind and ready to blow up.
Some are like trailers—they have to be pulled.
Some are like neon lights—they keep going on and off.
Some are like a good watch—open face, pure gold, quietly busy and full of good works.

Languages Spoken In Palestine

AT THE TIME OF JESUS OF NAZARETH

by Javan R. Corl

I. Latin

Palestine in the time of Jesus was characterized by a fusion of culture and social patterns. This always results in a degree of language fusion. Socially and linguistically the country was quite heterogeneous in the days of our Lord. The linguistic influences of the invasion of Alexander the Great was still keenly felt. The intervention of the Romans in 63 B. C. was to have a marked effect on both the social life of the people and the language which they spoke.

A clue to the languages used in Palestine in the time of Christ is found in St. John 19:20. Here the writer is describing the inscription placed on the cross of Christ. He says "it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin." Although the degree to which each of these languages was used in Palestine varied greatly, in general, the languages used by the bulk of the populace of the land consisted of these three. (When the word "Hebrew" is used in verse twenty, the writer probably means "Aramaic," which was the language of most of the common Jews. Fuller consideration will be given to this matter in the second article of this series.)

With the intervention of the Romans in 63 B. C., Latin was first introduced to the inhabitants of Palestine to any appreciable extent. Its use, however, was very limited. Even with Roman soldiers in Palestine some fifty-five to sixty years before the advent of Christ, the language had not gained much of a foothold. Latin in Palestine was the language of the Roman dwellers in the cities and the garrisons, the publicans, the soldiers and the tax collectors. It was not the language of the masses by any means.

Except for its use in the names of a few coins and some military terms, Latin did not enter into the current speech of Palestine, nor did it in any eastern province, until the last days of the empire. One of the uses of Latin was in the publishing of official decrees, in accordance with a precedent set by Julius Caesar. But this was never done, apparently, without an accompanying translation into Greek in the eastern provinces, and in Palestine, a translation into Aramaic.

In his book, *The Times of Christ*, L. A. Muirhead cites this example of the use of Latin from Josephus:

As parallels to John xix. 20, may be mentioned from Josephus (*Antiq. xiv. 10.2*) the decree in favour of the appointment of Hyrcanus II as Jewish high priest, which Julius Caesar ordered the Sidonians to have inscribed on a brazen tablet in Latin and Greek, and the legend on the inner wall of the court of the Gentiles in the temple, forbidding further passage of foreigners, which was partly in Latin and partly in

Greek (*Wars. v. 5.2; vi. 2. 4*).*

Edmond Stapfer says that Latin remained a despised tongue in the mind of the Jews, and that they did not speak it.** It is his belief that the centurion and the four soldiers who were charged with the execution of Jesus were possibly the only ones to understand the Latin part of the inscription on the cross.

It is improbable that Jesus ever discoursed in Latin, for undoubtedly he, too, shared the common opinion toward the language. However, Alfred Edersheim feels that it is possible that Jesus understood Latin.***

Even as the presence of American soldiers in Germany and Japan is not supplanting German and Japanese, so likewise the presence of Roman occupational forces never made Latin the dominate language of the Palestinian masses at any time.

In the next article consideration will be given to the use of Hebrew and Aramaic.

*L. A. Muirhead, *The Times of Christ* (Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark), p. 53.

**Edmond Stapfer, *Palestine in the Time of Christ*, trans. Annie Harwood Holmden (New York: A. C. Armstrong and Son), p. 132ff.

TMT—Tools for Mission Teachers

If a teacher is going to teach, he must have something with which to teach. Imagine what it would be like to go to school where there were no desks or blackboards or books, or maybe even no real school building! It would be very hard to learn. Mission teachers all over the world need materials badly. In some places they need books in the language of people learning to read through the Laubach methods—people to whom printed words have until now been unfathomable mysteries! Everywhere they need paper and chalk and pencils and books. When people are ready to learn, they will take whatever is taught them. Christianity will bless the lives of those who are taught in Christian schools. Education guided by Christian principles will prevent the growth of tyranny and injustice. We must make the Christian way of life the most-lived, fastest growing way of life on the face of the earth. This is our way of doing something about world peace and brotherhood and of helping to realize God's Kingdom on Earth.

See page nine of the *World Service Fund* pamphlet for promotional ideas. Your Youth Fellowship or Sunday School class can provide Tools for Mission Teachers. Money is to be sent to the YF treasurer by June 30.

It is when an adverse criticism is true that it hurts—and that is when it also helps.

Unless you form the habit of doing what you know to be right you will often find yourself unable to know what to do.

Recreation and Leisure

Whenever there is a need, wherever there is a problem, God is concerned. God knows that we have need of recreation and relaxation. He made us. Our lives are as an open book to him. Our well-being is his deepest desire.

When we become tired, when the toils of the day have left us depressed, when the adversary of the soul has hammered at our faith, when God's creation in the clay of our souls has been undone, it is time for re-creation.

To be made new is the purpose of recreation. Our leisure moments should be used for the revitalization of our souls. If we have no leisure, we must take time for recreation. The growth of our souls depends on this.

There are many channels through which springs of new life may flow. Devotion, reading, music, nature, sports, are all animate waters. Devotion quickens us. Reading inspires us. Music exhilarates us. Nature prompts us. Sports rouse us.

Devotion is of primary importance; time set aside for Bible study, praise, and petition. It is in this that our souls are made keen. We are made sensitive as God intended us to be. The shells of our hearts are broken. We are in tune with this complex creation—through devotion.

Reading is a means of recreation. Impressions of importance, which have faded, are called to memory. New growth of intellect is introduced. Narrowmindedness is repelled. Our Youth Fellowships have lists of books which will help us in developing our potential. Let's make use of them. It would please God.

Music is an artesian well flowing from the river of God's omniscience. It refreshes wearied bodies. It soothes strained nerves. It centers wandering minds. It cheers saddened hearts. It deepens shallow souls. Music is a ministry all its own.

Nature is an expression of God. It is a sermon in judgment, in stability, in strength, in patience, in perseverance, in peace, in love. It we study, we gain much from nature.

Sports are recreation common to all of us. They build strong bodies. They furnish a release for stifled emotions. They teach co-operation. These are all necessary to the abundant life.

Recreation matters. It is not a sideline, but an inside track. If we neglect it, we know it, those about us know it, and God knows it. Are we re-created daily?

WHY IS THIS THUS?

You may call a woman a kitten, but you must not call her a cat.

You may call her a mouse, but you must not call her a rat.

You may call her a chicken, but you must not call her a hen.

You may call her a duck, but you must not call her a goose.

You may call her a vision, but you must not call her a sight.—Exchange.

NCC Alumni Meet At Toledo Zion

The fourth annual organized meeting of NCC Alumni met on May 22 at the Zion E. U. B. church in Toledo, Ohio.

Rev. Harry Shadle led us in opening prayer. Twenty alumni, friends, and future students enjoyed the delicious dinner.

Following the group singing led by Rev. Wendell Freshley, a short business meeting was held. The newly elected president is Rev. Leonard Toepfer, Helena, Ohio, and the Sec.-Treas. is Miss Ruth Maurer of Gibsonburg.

Our guest speaker, Dr. Harold Eigenbrodt from NCC brought us up-to-date on new facilities added to the college, the beginning of the new library, and new faculty members. He also told of the many advantages offered at NCC for future students; and answered questions from the group.

The meeting was adjourned with the singing of the Alma Mater.

Very truly yours,
Marna Schneider, Secretary

Bits of Wisdom

By Dr. J. H. Patterson
Toledo, Ohio

"You can make more friends in two months by being interested in other folks, than you can in two years by trying to get others interested in you."

Dale Carnegie.

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"It is the quick thinker who becomes a leader. He who hesitates, is bossed."

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Who ne'er has suffered,
he has lived but half.
Who never failed,
he never strove or sought.

Who never wept
is stranger to a laugh.
And he, who never doubted
—never thought."

Rev. Goode.

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Do unto others as though you were the others.

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"Rome was not built in a day." John Haywood.

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Money talks. It says "Good by" to so many preachers.

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The easiest person to deceive is ones self.
Our eyes are placed in front because it is more important to look ahead than to look back.

ARE YOU A TAG-ALONG?

The reason that so many people drink, says Allied Youth, is that they are "tag-alongs." Everybody's doin' it so they are doing it, too. Just born "Yes" men and women.

But have you noticed that what "everybody's doin'" is generally wrong. The folks who make it the rule of life to do right are still in a minority.

Observation School

An innovation in the program of the Bible Conference this year will be the inclusion of an "Observation School" which will be under the direction of Mrs. Neva Witthune Corl. The school will be divided into three sections to care for the kindergarten, primary and junior children with two specially trained teachers in charge of each group. Teachers of children, children's directors and superintendents of local churches are invited to observe the teaching, which will as nearly as is possible, be carried on in ideal situations. Following each session there will be a seminar period where all the observers will discuss the preceding period from the standpoint of methods, procedure and lesson content. The program has been arranged so that those who share in it will not be missing messages of vital interest to them in the Bible Conference program.

The "Observation School" has come to be a most effective means of "Teaching Teachers" who are interested in doing the best work possible in the children's departments of the church school. It is the only means by which teachers can actually see how it can and should be done and gives the opportunity for seeing for themselves the best educational methods in practice. Those who attend the Bible Conference both ministers and laymen, are urged to bring their families in order that the school may be as large as possible. Teachers and children's workers should plan especially to be present that they might take advantage of the opportunity of the "Observation School."

FIVE INVESTED LIVES

A business man in Wales spoke to his office boy about his soul, and from that word a work began which won his entire office force to Christ.

A merchant in England determined that no day should pass without his speaking to someone about Christ; in one year he had led scores to the Master.

An invalid Christian woman in Australia, for thirty years unable to put her foot to the floor by means of her pen and prayer led forty people to Christ in a single year.

A Christian gentleman spoke to his servant while they were walking together; the boy became a Christian and later a minister of the gospel.

A Sunday school teacher took one of her class of boys for a walk on Sunday afternoon when the session of the school was over; she told him of her concern that he should become a Christian, and had the joy of seeing him take his stand for Christ.—Selected.

Anyone can find fault. It is the person who can find and apply a remedy that humanity is looking for.

The most dangerous falsehood is one which embodies a few grains of truth to make it pass current.

Viewing Audio-Visuals

This is the very first word from your new director of Audio-Visuals for Ohio Sandusky Conference, so greetings to every reader of this paper. I realize the great responsibility which is mine as this is a rapidly growing field. I feel safe in saying that every church and Sunday school in our Conference has available to them a slide-film projector or a motion picture machine or a record player. Our great task is to make available to them materials that will assist their teachers, class leaders or pastors in doing a better job for Christ and His Church. Therefore we make known to them slides, filmstrips, and movies that present the best in Evangelism, Stewardship, Christian Education, Worship, and Missions. Many churches are building their own libraries of visual aids, but we can help churches large and small to have many more audio-visuals available at a cost they can afford. There are so many new things out now and they are better than first attempts were so you will be thrilled with their use.

Our hope is to have available a complete catalogue which will let you know what is in the library and to what uses you can put it to in your program.

Has your church made use of the wonderful "LEAV kit" in the training of your teachers and officers? This Leadership Education Audio Visual kit has ten filmstrips with records, available for a rental fee of 50c.

Our Consignment Film "More For Peace" is being used every Sunday, so we have had our time extended to August 1st. Make your date early for this Denominational Stewardship film available to our Conference members only on a free-will offering basis, with a \$15 maximum—the local church may keep the surplus for their own audio-visual treasury.

New items this month: "Everyone Likes to Eat" Filmstrip, 20 frames, black and white. Produced by Christian Rural Overseas Program for use in children's groups, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and Adults. 25c service charge.

"The Life of Christ" by Jacques Borosin 82 frames in color, in two parts (1) Birth to Transfiguration. (2) From Transfiguration to the Great Commission. Script for children and one for adults. The rental on this one is \$1.00 per part.

As you plan for Daily Vacation Bible School, we have the slide films "Planning and Conducting the D. V. B. 25c; "Some Learning Experiences" 25c and "It Can Happen In Summer" 25c rental. We have over 50 Filmstrips in our library so write your needs to: Rev. Leonard C. Toepfer, Secretary of Audio-Visual Library, P. O. Box 7, Helena, Ohio.

Among the things that don't work is electing an indifferent church member to office for the purpose of getting him interested.

Conference Treasurer's Report

For the Month of May 1953

(Month ending June 6th)

W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

Helena	59	59	531	75	67
Lindsey	130	130	1170	72.43	224
Old Fort	100	400	1200		140
Riley Center	13	13	117	*22	*24
Woodville	160	160	1440	181	*227

BENEVOLENCES

	Monthly Budget	Paid May	Paid 9 Mo.	Haven Hubbard Home Paid May	Sunday School Avg. Att. May	Morning Worship Avg. Att. May
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NORTHERN DISTRICT:

BOWLING GREEN GROUP:

Belmore	\$70	\$100	\$550	\$	128	67
Center	25	25	225		20	20
Bethel-Townwood Ct.:						
Bethel	23	23	207	8	49	48
Townwood	21	20	180	5	23	21
Bowling Green	250	250	2250		361	*364
Custar	20	20	180		47	*52
West Hope	42	42	378		63	58
Deshler	60	60	540		103	123
Oakdale	90	90	810		119	98
Hoytville	100	70	630		*141	*95
Luckey	50	50	450	35.81	92	107
North Baltimore	100	100	900		194	109
Portage	35		420			
Mt. Zion	60		480			
South Liberty	50		295			
Mt. Hermon	17		136			
Tontogany	17		150		52	26
Webster	30	30	276		50	37
Cloverdale	25	25	219		52	49

BRYAN GROUP:

Bridgewater	45	45	405		*129	97
Bryan	160	160	1440		222	212
Defiance, First	160	200	1213		160	142
Defiance Ct.:						
Mt. Calvary	33	33	297	27	56	48
Rural Chapel	17	17	153	8	24	29
Edgerton	20		200	13.75	78	78
Hicksville	165	165	1485		*201	199
Montpelier	160	160	1440		193	163
Salem	5					
West Unity	19	19	171	16.64	36	30
Ebenezer	19	19	152		60	62
Williams Center Ct.:						
Center	20	10	90		57	48
Logan	10	10	100		51	39
Mt. Olive	20	10	80		31	47

FOSTORIA GROUP:

Bascom	65	78	598		97	*102
Bettsville Ct.:						
Salem	36	36	324	13	77	43
Trinity	45	45	405	19.35	115	107
Bloomdale	70	70	630		154	90
Pleasant View	45	45	405		60	57
Fostoria, Bethel	58	116	522	40	106	90
Fostoria, First	280	280	2520		333	324
Kansas	10	20	90			
Canaan	40	40	343			
Rising Sun	45	44.25	397.82		*113	*71
West Independence	75	150	750		211	205

FREMONT GROUP:

Burgoon	100	100	900		153	150
Fremont, Memorial	100	100	900		*123	*157
Fremont, Trinity	183	183	1781	80.23	251	230
Gibsonburg	64	64	640	13.36	*149	*105
Green Springs	56	133.74	646.07			

NAPOLEON GROUP:

Ai	40	14	125		48	30
Lebanon	10	10	90	10	24	20
Mt. Pleasant	40	40	360		52	50
Delta	56	56	504		90	99
Zion	60	60	540		119	107
Liberty Center	35	35	315		98	90
Malinta	30	30	270		63	70
McClure	100	82	805		131	64
Monclova	18		108			
Wilkins	14		86			
Napoleon	83	64	779	43.01	156	93
Wauseon, First	40		240		65	57
Wauseon Ct.: Beulah	20	20	180		63	60
North Dover	50	57.84	450		78	78
Whitehouse	59	59	531	37	137	112

SANDUSKY GROUP:

Bellevue	138		1237.50	45.75	279	215
Flat Rock	74		592	10.25		
Kelley's Island	26		100			
LaCarne	17	17	153		30	35
Locust Point	17	17	153		30	32
Mt. Carmel	100	100	800		125	127
Port Clinton	80	80	720		90	87
Sandusky, Columbus Ave.	22	22	198		92	*63
Sandusky, Salem	68	68	748		67	79

TOLEDO GROUP:

Elliston	73		125			
Millbury	25		299		125	105
Rocky Ridge	13		135		25	30
Moline	55	41.25	416.70		120	100
Perrysburg	65	130.84	588.78	53.64	125	*143
Toledo, Calvary	145	145	1305	120	256	235
Toledo, Colburn	160	160	1440		121	120
Toledo, East Broadway	190	380	1710		184	266
Toledo, First	250	200	1800		160	145
Toledo, Oakdale	170	170	1530		371	305
Toledo, Point Place	75	75	675		172	100
Toledo, Salem	60	60	540		109	*145
Toledo, Somerset	170		1360			
Toledo, Upton	250	250	2250		377	290
Toledo, Zion	158	158.34	1425.01	80.25	209	141
Walbridge	12	12	108		50	39
Hayes	10	10	90		62	46

SOUTHERN DISTRICT:

BUCYRUS GROUP:

Bellville Ct.: Pleasant Grove	14				39	39
Pleasant Hill	22	6	54		20	20
Trinity	29		320.72	34.14	89	85
Brokensword: Emmanuel	21		189			
Lykens	41	140	420	2.84		
Pleasant Home	18		165.78			
Bucyrus Ct.: Harmony	30	31	310	22	52	54
Zion	30	31	310	22	63	60
Bucyrus, First	125	250	1250		*181	148
Bucyrus, Grace	125	125	1250	79.59	*214	188
Galion	80	80	720		181	156
Johnsville	97	97	873	46	151	142
Lykens Olive Branch	22	20	193		33	36
Mt. Zion	90	180	810		122	*115
New Winchester	35	20.85	190.24		39	39
Climax	10	10	70		19	19
North Robinson	60	81	476.30		*65	*72
Liberty Chapel	33	31	188		*64	*72
Oceola	60	35	397		76	66

Smithville	50	50	450	73	73
Mt. Zion	21	17.31	203.20	45	46
Sycamore	75	22	549	102	64
Upper Sandusky	128	276	1380	*297	*259
Belle Vernon	11		132	29.28	38
Salem	30	60	300	56.54	56
Williamsport	40	40	360	102	104

FINDLAY DISTRICT:

Bairdstown	21		168	65	40
Benton Ridge, Calvary	60	60	600	37	*129
Benton Ridge Ct.: Pleasant Hill	35		110	*59	*66
Trinity	40	27	325	64	59
Bluffton Ct.: Bethesda	14		121.50	23	*24
Liberty Chapel	17	75	155	*46	42
Olive Branch	30	45	165	*39	*40
Carey	91	91	914	49.65	215
Findlay, Bethlehem	90	90	900	130	125
Findlay East Ct.: Ark	30	30	270	39	38
Mt. Zion	45	23	207	67	60
Findlay, First	312	312	2808	377	454
Findlay, St. Paul's	223	223	2007	385	294
Findlay South Ct.: Salem ..	25		70	35	30
Pleasant Grove	25	5	50	41	41
Findlay West Ct.: Zion	25	30	95	*65	45
Powell Memorial	42	42	378	*77	*77
Findlay, West Park	28	27.50	192.50	68	40
Salem	13		111	29	29
Leipsic	50	40	355	97	*100
Forest Grove	20	10	90	19	20
Kieferville	20	9	81	47	43
Mt. Cory, Zion	40	40	360	50	97
Pleasant View	50	150	400	88	87
Rawson	100		200	126	102
Van Buren	100		500	137	97
Vanlue	50	50	450	75	75
Vanlue Ct.: St. Paul	20	19	175	63	63
Union	30	30	270	40	40
Wharton Ct.: Beech Grove ..	25	11	99	28	28
Big Oak	42	42	378	89	89

LIMA GROUP:

Blue Lick	25	25	225	*54	*57
Columbus Grove	150	150	1350	*170	*152
Cridersville	25	25	225	61	30
Kemp	25	20	153	40	41
Delphos	75	75	675	*151	*129
Dunkirk	65	65	585	73	83
Walnut Grove	100	100	900	175	179
Elida	100		450	154	151
Lakeview	45	45	295.05	75	50
Lima, First	231	462	2079	295	225
Lima, High St.	205	205	1845	*304	*340
Marion, Ridge	22		198		
Santa Fe	45	16	206	42	42
Vaughnsville	75	75	675		

MARION GROUP:

Cardington Ct.: Center	50		400	112	111
Fairview	22	15	135	28	30
Hepburn	15	15	120	12	12
Hopewell	16	16	128	12	15
Otterbein	30	30	240	38	38
Marion, Calvary	195	195	1755	108.70	342
Marion, First	100	100	900	218	159
Marion, Greenwood	92	92	828	48.50	*230
Marion, Oakland	148	148	1332	45.25	281
Marion, Salem	27		216		165
Peoria	7	7	63	32	18
Mt. Zion	4		28		
Broadway				24	17
West Mansfield	12	12	108	16	16
York	50	50	450	56	57

ST MARYS GROUP:

Celina, Bethany	153	153	1377	253	226
Celina Ct.: Hope	44	44	396	25.69	55
Mt. Carmel	22	44	220		*85
Celina, Mt. Zion	45	135	540		119
Celina, Bethel	15	15	135		24
Celina, Old Town	16		128		
Ft. Recovery, Bethel	18		144	25	
Olive Branch	22	22	198		
Pasco	40	40	400	*75	*75
Sidney	90	90	810		111
St. Marys	90	90	810	1	125
Wapakoneta	48	48	432	39.74	93

VAN WERT GROUP:

Continental	50	172	237	56	81
Mt. Zion	40		160	48	46
Wisterman	20		160	26	27
Grover Hill Ct.: Blue Creek	30		149	29	29
Middle Creek	35	35	315	48	48
Mt. Zion	25	25	225	61	60
Mt. Pleasant &)	80	60	540	129	123
Harmony)		10	90	25	25
Oakwood	60	40	480		
Oakwood Ct.: Centenary	25	25	250	67	65
Prairie Chapel	25	25	250	67	64
Ohio City Ct.: Bethel	25	25	225	55	46
Mt. Zion	10	15	105	28	19
Rockford	200	200	1800	277	246
Van Wert, Calvary	105	105	945	165	153
Van Wert, Trinity	143	143	1287	208	211
Van Wert, North: Grand Victory	44	44	396	85	68
Union Center	25	25	225	76	76
Van Wert, South: Wood Chapel	25	25	225	*65	*59
St. Peter's	12	12	108	6	*22
Willshire, Union	35	35	350	101	95
Wren	65	65	510	90	91

WILLARD GROUP:

Attica	20	20	180	83	67
Attica Ct.: Richmond	50		385		
Union Pisgah	40		362		
Biddle	15	15	135	27	27
Bloomville	40		360		
Harmony	40		209		
Leesville	45		405	65	68
Republic	30	30	270	42	65
Pietist				115	110
Shelby	231	231	2079	238	200
South Reed	22	22	198	35	25
Tiffin	75	75	675	47.44	226
Tiro	90	90	810	121	135
Willard	285	285	2850	300	350

Totals \$14,206.92 1,580.83
\$125,571.64

* Denotes a 5% increase over last year's attendance.

Specials: Support of Missionaries: Lindsey church, \$1000.00 for Miss Florence Walter; Upper Sandusky, Trinity, \$450.00 for Miriam Faust; Woodville, \$175 for Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Ayres; Marion, Calvary, \$50.00 each for Rev. James Hough and Rev. Paul Temple; Vanlue Ct., St. Paul, \$10.00 for Rev. Nellwyn Brookhart; Celina Ct.:Mt. Carmel \$50 for clinic equipment, Yokohama, and \$34.06 for Sierra Leone Missions; Hope church, \$75.14 for repair mission residences in Yokohama; Attica, Federated church, 012.00 for Foreign Missions. Bowling Green church, \$50.00 for the North Dover church; and Fostoria, First, \$23.00 for Sandusky, Columbus Ave. Church.

SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT

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Professor E. F. George, B. D., M. A., D. D., who has served on the Faculty for thirty nine years and Mrs. George were honored at the Commencement Dinner held at 5:30 p. m. in the First Church parlors with 280 guests in attendance and the Reverend Harry H. Kalas as toastmaster. Richard Tholin, '52, presented on behalf of the Alumni association to Dr. George an electric clock, and to Mrs. George a large bouquet of roses. In the Commencement exercises the Reverend Wilmert H. Wolf, B. A., S. T. M., trustee from Illinois, representing the Board of Trustees by their appointment, presented the resolution of the Board recognizing Dr. George's service to the Seminary during his long and fruitful career as professor since 1914, announced officially his retirement in keeping with the constitutional provisions of the Seminary, his appointment as Professor Emeritus of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis, his placement on pension basis September 1, 1953, and presented on behalf of the Board of Trustees a cash gift of \$100.00 as a token of appreciation. The Reverend Willard A. Giese, Past President of the Alumni Association, presented a bound volume containing more than three hundred letters from former students and friends in the United States and Canada, Africa and Japan. The Student Body in the Thursday Chapel previous to Commencement had paid their respects to their teacher in addresses given by Kenneth Mitchell of the Junior Class, William J. Schmidt of the Middler Class and Donald Gruber of the Senior Class and presented a pen and pencil set to Dr. George in expression of love and affection. The Baccalaureate sermon at the Grace Church on Sunday, May 3, was preached by Dr. George on the subject: "The Memory That Challenges," using with great effectiveness the text "Remember Jesus Christ, Risen from the dead . . . as preached in my gospel." (2 Timothy 2:8.)

The John M. Baitinger Memorial was established by the gift of \$50,000.00 to the Seminary by the Evangelical Hospital and Deaconess Home, Ramsey County, St. Paul, Minnesota, the check for this amount being presented by Mr. J. C. Zehnder and Mrs. Elise Baitinger to President H. R. Heininger who dedicated it beneath the Cross of Christ for the purposes of the JOHN M. BAITINGER MEMORIAL READING ROOM in the Seminary wing of the College and Seminary Library to be constructed this summer. A brochure announcing this appropriate memorial giving the picture of this earnest preacher of the Gospel, evangelist, and hospital superintendent and his biography, together with the names of the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Hospital and Deaconess Home which is no longer operative, has been published and is available for those interested.

Mr. Charles Attig presented \$675.00 secured by student body action for the Roland W. Trapp memorial lectureship fund. Mr. Owen E. Miller, '53, was reported to

have been named by the Pulpit magazine in the Seminarian Preacher of the Year contest carried forward by this journal on preaching in cooperation with the Chicago Sunday Evening Club as the author of one of the best ten sermons chosen from those submitted by Seminary students from all the theological seminaries of the country as meriting "honorable mention" in this contest. Mr. William J. Schmidt, Middler from Seymour, Wisconsin, and a graduate of North Central College, was named the Hartmann Scholar for 1953-54 in recognition of merit as a student. The scholarship pays \$750.00 per annum.

Mr. Harold E. Utzinger received his degree with his classmates in spite of back injuries sustained in the Seminary Chapel Choir bus accident in Kansas on April 11. However, he was in attendance on an ambulance cot. His father, the Reverend Earl J. Utzinger of the Minnesota Conference, read the scripture lesson and the Reverend C. D. Osborn Findlay, Ohio, father of the president of the Class of 1953, Mr. Neel Osborn, offered the prayer. The Seminary Chapel Choir, directed by Professor Gordon Farndell, Mus. M., A. A. G. A., A. R. C. O. Choirmaster, brought the Commencement music. David Bailey of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and a senior, sang as a solo "The Lord is My Light and My Salvation" at the Commencement Banquet where John Davis led the singing and Irwin Plumer of the graduating class accompanied.

The Alumni Association in annual meeting adopted a new constitution which had been prepared during the year by a special committee and studied prior to this session by the members. The officers chosen for 1953-54 are: The Reverend Paul Washburn, '38, President; The Reverend Wendell Freshley, '44, First Vice President; The Reverend Floyd Bosshardt, '28, Second Vice President; The Reverend Louis Bloede, '53, Third Vice President; Dr. E. F. George, '16, Secretary; Dr. E. D. Riebel, '20, Treasurer. Dr. W. C. Harr, retiring Secretary-Treasurer of the Alumni Association who has served for ten years, has given continuity to this organization which is appreciated.

HE DWELLS IN OUR HEARTS

The Holy Spirit is a Person. The Scriptures make this plain beyond a question to any one who candidly goes to the Scriptures to find out what they really teach. Theoretically, most of us believe this, but do we in our real thought of Him treat Him as a Person? Do we regard him as indeed as real a Person as Jesus Christ, as loving, as strong, as worthy of our confidence and love, and surrender as He is? The Holy Spirit came into this world to be to the disciples and to us what Jesus Christ had been to them during the days of His personal championship with them. Is He that to us? Do we walk in conscious fellowship with him? Yes, and better than that, He dwells in our hearts and is ready to fill them and take complete possession of our lives.—R. A. Torrey.

CONFERENCE VISITATION

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Training of Group Leaders of Evangelism. (Perhaps two day sessions)

Second Step—(Set-up meeting) Led by Group Leaders of Evangelism in Groups) One session, sometime the week of Sept. 21-25.

Third Step—Training of Local Pastors, layman and guest leaders by the Group Leaders of Evangelism. (Entire Conference will be divided into two groups, half of these men will carry on program as host pastor and other men will serve as guest ministers. One group will carry out the training project in October, the other in November. Assignments will be made about Annual Conference time.)

(1) Monday, Oct. 19 (Evening), introductions, explanation of Plan, demonstration of Self-analysis Plan of Church and Sunday School. Pastors and laymen of local churches and guest leaders meet as a mass group at a point in group area as selected by Group Leader of Evangelism.

(2) Tuesday, Oct. 20 (Evening) Meeting of local S. S. and Church Councils to set up final plans for and doing an analysis similar to the one demonstrated the night before. Guest leader will conduct this analysis.

(3) Wednesday, Oct. 21, (Evening) Meeting of same councils to make final plans for visiting and improvement of Church and Sunday School program in light of summary of analysis.

(4) Thursday, Oct. 22, (Evening) Trial Visitations by selected teams and selected prospects.

(5) Sunday, Oct. 25, Report of findings and sermon by guest minister. (a) Observe Sunday School in morning; (b) Preach in morning, if possible; (c) Preach in evening on some phase of the analysis and meaning of Lay participation; (The Second half of the churches will observe the same schedule, but will conduct their program on November 9, 10, 11, 12 and 15)

Fourth Step—Continuation of Friendly Visitation: (a) First group, during November, December, January and February. (b) Second group, during December, January and February. (c) At conclusion of each of above periods have a sort of check up meeting and plan for further visitation and a Preaching Mission.

Fifth Step—During March and April, if possible plan for a Preaching Program of Evangelism.

Ministers are further urged to familiarize themselves with the materials which are available, charts, films, packets, etc. which are to be used in the project. At the Bible Conference plans will be further amplified (June 23-28). Your prayers are earnestly sought in behalf of the planners and the plan. Win for Christ.

Prejudice cannot see the things that are because it is always looking for things that aren't.

Treating facts by ignoring them removes no difficulties.

Primary Sunday School

Attendance pins have been given to:

John Wendt, 3 months; Debra Johnson, 1 year; Merrill Kane, 9 months; Doris Dunkle, 2 years, 3 months; Nancy Stewart, 2 years, 3 months; Richard Papenfuss, 9 months; Linda Hendrickson, 9 months; Mrs. Virginia Hendrickson, 3 months; Leslie Matthews, 9 months; Daniel Gustafson, 9 months; James Babcock, 2 years; Mrs. Baker, 7 years; Ashley Wilson, 1 year, 3 months.

We have had no serious illness among the children this month and our attendance has been on the average of 86 a Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Scherer has been teaching Joan Kerr's class during the month of May and we want to thank her for helping us out. Our prayers are with Joan that she will soon be well and able to come back.

The children have been bringing in flowers for our altar and we are very glad for them. During this month we have been talking of things that speak to us of God and flowers are the most important to them it seems.

We, who work in the Primary Department have been made very happy in the interest shown by so many in the church in helping to improve the looks of the Parish House. The walls have been painted in the colors chosen by the teachers, the drapes were washed and put up on new rods, and a lot of work we just can't begin to tell about. We do want to say "Thanks" to each and everyone that helped. The children were very happy and it brought a lot of smiles when we told them about our clean house. We know they are proud of it too.

Some of our chairs have needed repairs for a long time and Mr. Rey has been kind enough to do the job. Thanks, Mr. Rey, we appreciate what you have done.

Frances Dotson,
Secy. Primary Dept.

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saying in part that they are to be nurtured in God's love and brought into the church for teaching and guidance.

Four Friendship Girls with Mrs. Withrow at the piano, sang "Mockingbird Hill" and "The Nickel Song."

Mrs. E. J. Melchert of Perrysburg was our guest speaker. She spoke on "The Personality of Flowers." She said our faces show our character and personality. God placed us all in the Garden of Life. Possibly some of us aren't blooming so nicely and God must be disappointed. She used the flannel-graph in the talk speaking of the tulip, narcissus and jonquil, the spring flowers; the poppy, snapdragon, lily of the valley, gladiolus, Shasta daisy, purple iris, lilac, a weed, zinnias, sweet peas, morning glory, violet, chrysanthemum, lily, geranium, rose and the forget-me-not.

We, as women were used in comparison

to the flowers. Each congregation has women who resemble each of these. Mrs. Melchert was enjoyed again at Upton as she had been the Mother and Daughter banquet speaker.

It was a very warm evening so our refreshments of iced tea and many many kinds of lovely cookies were enjoyed. The hostesses were Mrs. Madge Snyder, Mrs. Bertia Stanley, Mrs. Joyce Stock, Mrs. Alverda Stock and Mrs. Miriam Taylor.

—H.C., Reporter
(Finch-hitting for E. N.)

New Members

On Sunday, June 7th, we observed Holy Communion in Upton Church. An overflow crowd was present and participated in the services.

Members were also received into Church fellowship. They were:

Joseph Belinske, 1436 Champlain St.
Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Floyd, 3402 Algonquin, Ki.9983.

Mr. Chas. Grover, 2011 Marlowe,
Ki.3251.

Miss Janice Jackson, 2145 Loxley,
La.9691.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Novak, 4531 Hanford, La.3513.

Mrs. Mae Payette, 1489 Berdan, Ki.7396.
Miss Eileen Perrin, 2044½ Maplewood,
Ad.4956.

We are most happy for this new group of folks who have expressed their wish to become a part of our Church. We hope that they shall soon become acquainted and happy in their new church home.

—H. C.

UPTON MEMBERSHIP

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McCarthy, Ki. 6539
3919 Doty

Robert
Irene, Mrs.

McConnell, Ki. 0883
3931 Rushland

Robert
Ruth, Mrs.

McCormick,
5445 Alger
Sylvania, Ohio
George

McCullough, Ki. 6473
1747 Mansfield Rd

Lloyd
Leona, Mrs.
Shelva Jean

McDole, La. 8260
4855 Monroe

Cloyce
Edna, Mrs.

McDole, Ki. 7449
4867 Monroe

Donald
McFarland
2046 Talbot
Raymond C.
Phyllis, Mrs.

McGinnis
Roger

McGuire, La. 0627
1731 Balkan

Kenneth (Service)

McKay, Jo. 4996
2234 No. Reynolds Rd.

Janis
Sherry

McShane, La. 4458
2013 Mansfield Rd.

Edson
Mabel, Mrs.
Marilyn

Mehan, Ki. 6981
1832 Marne Ave.

John
Libbie, Mrs.

Mehan, La. 8287
5923 Donnelly

Gordon
Shirley, Mrs.

Metheney,
Route 1, Sylvania, Ohio
J. Wilson
Mildred, Mrs.

Meyers, Ki. 1147
1831 Georgia Ave.
Gladys, Mrs.
Bonnie

Miley, La. 4248
1725 Mansfield Rd.

Frank
Thelma, Mrs.
James

Miller, Em. 0088
1814-½ Locust, Apt. A
Ada, Mrs.

Miller, Ma. 1488
3548 Bluff
George
Mrs.

Miller, Jo. 4987
4127 Dorchester
Virgil
Mrs.

Mohler, La. 2564
4433 Luann

John
Edith, Mrs.

Moore, Ki. 7884
3402 Bellevue

Paul
Jane, Mrs.

Moorhead, La. 5764
3715 Alameda

Herschel
Mrs.

Morton, La. 7253
3228 Northwood

C. M.
Emma, Mrs.

Moseley, Jo. 5371
5235 Kellogg

Joel
Ruth, Mrs.

Myers,
7128 Dorr Street

Dale
Mrs.
Karen

Myers,
5314 Dorr Street
Selma

Myers, 1823 Talbot Street Irene, Mrs.	La. 7433	Patterson, 1064 W. Woodruff Thomas	La. 2515	Rey, 1746 Duncan Edw. J. Zoe, Mrs.	Ki. 2422
Nelson, 3816 Bellevue Norman Eva, Mrs.	Ki. 9142	Pegorsch, 1837 Bigelow Clyde Mrs.	Ki. 9646	Rhoades, 1815 Joffre Stanley Mrs. Janet	Jo. 1803
Nichols, Chas. Eugene		Peters, 5525 Grey Dr., Sylvania, Ohio	Lu. 22567	Rice, 5029 Selma Violet, Mrs. Harry, Jr. Richard	La. 8490
Nichols, 1952 Talbot Street Richard Louise, Mrs.	La. 4559	Phelps, 2043 Putnam Doris, Mrs.	La. 4797	Rice, 273 No. Main St., Bowling Green, Ohio John Olga, Mrs.	
Nyitray, 7057 Elmwood Avenue Paul Mary Ann, Mrs.		Planten, 1845 Loxley Rd. Theo. Virginia, Mrs.	Ki. 8065	Rickheim, 1451 Hagley Rd. Walter Lois, Mrs.	Ki. 0221
Ogle, 3660 Sherbrooke Robert Mary, Mrs.	Ki. 2933	Polick, 1947 Barrows Mabel, Mrs.	La. 3556	Ridge, 1619 Palmwood Anna, Mrs.	Ga. 9322
Ohls, 4840 Hannaford Ralph Gwendolyn, Mrs.	La. 7572	Poucher, 1762 Bigelow Herbert Hazel, Mrs.	La. 3888	Riendeau, 1732 Loxley Rd. Edw. Pearl, Mrs. Renée Carol	La. 5580
Oliphant, 4115 Hearthstone Max Lena, Mrs.	Ki. 5306	Powless, James Powless, 3832 Alameda Dr. Tom Ruth, Mrs.	La. 8064	Rigby, 3516 Jackman Rd. Chas. S. Bernice, Mrs.	Ki. 31453
Osgood, Temperance, Michigan Graydon Ida, Mrs.		Ralston, 1759 Marlow Anna, Mrs.	Ki. 2081	Rigby, 3524 Jackman Rd. Harold Helen, Mrs.	Ki. 3018
Ostrander, 1844 Talbot Arthur Fern, Mrs.	Ki. 6482	Ransom, 116 Dunn, Holland, Ohio Edward Doris, Mrs.	Lu. 73223	Riggs, 2029 Berdan Avenue Garland G. Marie, Mrs. Jacqueline	La. 0469
Ostrander, 547 S. Center, Adrian, Michigan Laura, Mrs.		Ransom, 1636 Freeman Elizabeth, Mrs.	Em. 6106	Riggs, 115 Russell, Rudley Park, Pa. Lois, Mrs.	
Oswalt, Florida Butler, J. Nada		Ransom, 1751 Georgia Harold Dorothy, Mrs.	Ki. 1352	Robison, 4021 Rohr Dr. Floyd Grace, Mrs.	La. 3184
Ovens, 653 Waybridge Durell	Ki. 5338	Rathke, 4737 Sadalia Herman Mary, Mrs.	Lu. 25332	Rodd, 2113 Rudd Rd. Carl Agnes, Mrs.	La. 3250
Ovens, 3740 Upton Avenue Luella, Mrs. Lorraine	La. 9922	Reading, 2632 Ivy Place John Gwendolyn, Mrs. Barbara	La. 1406	Rode, 2417 Ida Drive Alice, Mrs. Beverly Roberta	Ki. 5973
Palluck, Texas Ruth		Ream, 1957 1/2 Giant Street Amelia, Mrs.	Ki. 0804	Rodenhauser, 2641 Northwood George Pearl, Mrs.	La. 5754
Papenfuss, 5019 Ancil Fred Alice, Mrs.	Jo. 3271	Reighard, 1937 Mansfield Nancy	Ki. 8283	Rogers, 1928 Freeman Henry G. Irene, Mrs.	Ad. 7683
Papenfuss, 1828 Detroit Ave. Robert		Remdt, 3708 Upton Avenue Hazel, Mrs.	La. 7022	Roscoe, 3832 Upton Avenue Searle Rose, Mrs.	Ki. 1906
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Pease, Lucille					

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