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**ALUMNI  
IN ACTION**



A General Electric manufacturing manager nicknamed "the Reverend" and an energetic associate and worker of the Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions (FBHM) are one in the same, Cedar-

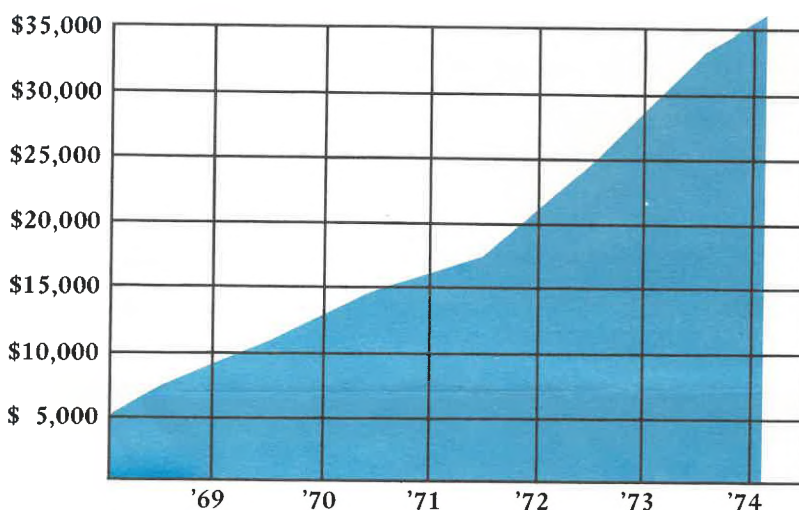
ville Business Administration and Bible graduate, Ronald Baker, '69.

Immediately following his graduation from Cedarville, Ron entered the Manufacturing Management program of G.E. His acceptance into the program brought him, his wife Carol, and sons Stephen and Michael, four six-month rotating assignments leading them to four areas of the country. Although the Cedarville graduate was occupied with on-the-job training for his new position and with night school taking courses related to manufacturing, he and his wife continued their activity with FBHM in Cincinnati, Ohio; Burlington, Vermont; Schenectady, New York, and upon returning to Cincinnati.

As a career, Ron works with G.E., but he has another area of life that is a major priority. Although he is active in business, he has an intense interest in church planting. The influence of parents in many cases helps to motivate individuals, and Ron feels that his parents played a major role in stimulating this interest. The son of a minister, Rev. Rollie Baker, he recalls the primary interest of his parents as that of being church builders. While at Cedarville, Ron and Carol were active in this ministry while Ron served as a student pastor. In 1970, due to the sudden death of his father, Ron ably filled the pulpit in his father's church for a six-month period during his

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**Record Surpassed In Record Time**



**Involved alumni have broken last year's giving record of \$32,757.38 in just a little more than half the fiscal year. Total alumni giving, which includes the special Alumni Annex project, stands at \$36,195.43 as of January 31, 1974. Thank you, Involved Alumni. Just think what could be done with total participation.**

**Alumnus Digs the Ancients**

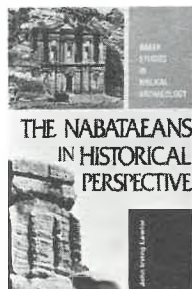
Getting his start in archaeology at Grace Theological Seminary, John Lawlor, '63, an assistant professor at Baptist Bible College in Clark Summit, Pennsylvania, recently completed a book about his findings. The book is entitled **The Nabataeans In Historical Perspective** published by Baker Book House.

The initial interest for archaeology began as John worked under the influence of Dr. John Davis and Dr.

Herbert Bass of Grace Seminary. The interest culminated in a semester trip to Jordan in 1967 to pursue further study. While there, John was involved in research projects at various sites, including surveying, photographing, and report writing.

**The Nabataeans In Historical Perspective** began as a Master's thesis and was recently expanded into book form. This group of people who lived from about 700 B.C. to A.D. 100 in Petra, a city literally carved out of sandstone mountains, provides a unique bridge between the Old and New Testament periods. Their continual contact with the nation Israel offers a further historical dimension to the study of the Jewish people.

Professor Lawlor is anticipating a trip with an Andrews University archaeological team this summer to the Holy Land for further archaeological work.





# SOUNDING BOARD



DEAR ALUMNUS,

It doesn't seem possible that another year has begun. 1974—that makes three years since I graduated. The time certainly flies! So much has happened—getting settled in a new job, a new church, and new surroundings. It's easy to become involved in making a career after college that I'm afraid I haven't been very appreciative of many things along the way.

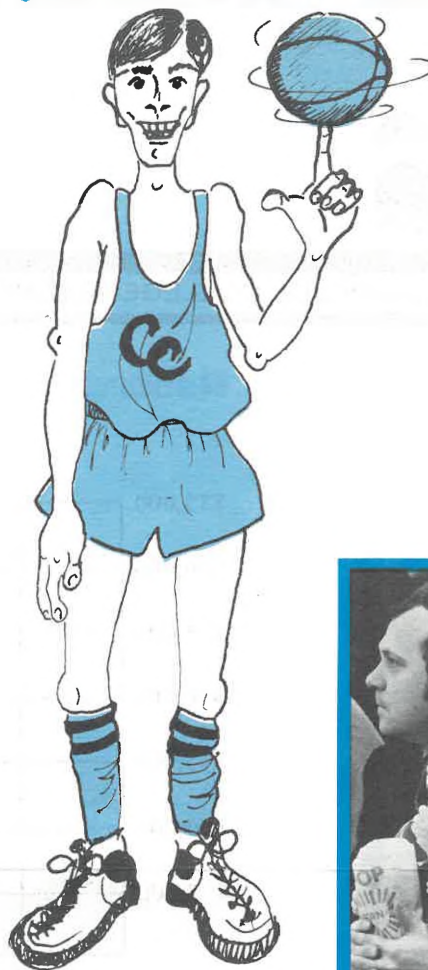
I received my alumni questionnaire from Cedarville last month and it caused me to reflect again on the friendships, the memories, and the scores of lessons the Lord had to teach me there. These experiences seem to be saying—"What have I done for Cedarville and the students who follow me there?"

How can I become involved? Naturally, now with the Alumni Science Center Goal, my money is important. However, more than this is the involvement I can experience in my own church and community as I promote Cedarville College through contacts with prospective students and parents. Now a new and exciting avenue of involvement is being opened as area alumni chapters are being initiated across the country. All of us have the chance to become active in these areas on our own as well as with the help and guidance of the Alumni Office.

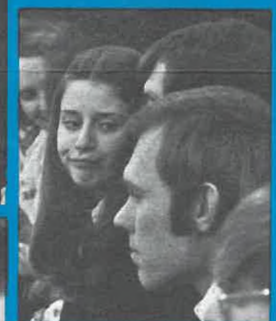
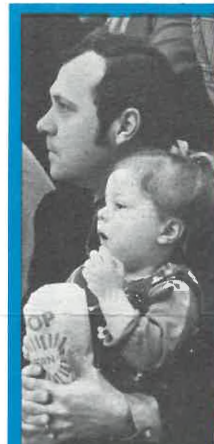
It's been three years for me—how about you? Let's work together to make 1974 a year of new beginnings, new goals, and most of all of new involvement.

Connie Busho, Secretary  
Alumni Association

# Alumni Back the Jackets



Love That  
Popcorn



"Really  
Ref!"

"The  
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lineup"



## from the editor's desk

It was very encouraging to receive the many kind words about *Aviso* from those who returned the recent Alumni Questionnaire relative to accreditation.

Many excellent ideas for articles and features were included, and we want to assure each contributor that his ideas are being thoughtfully considered. Some of these ideas have been "in the works" and appear in this issue of *Aviso*. In future issues we hope to incorporate many of your suggestions.

One of the most frequent comments received was "why don't you publish *Aviso* more often?" The answer to

that question is twofold—time and money. Hopefully as the Association grows and the annual giving continues to increase, more budget money and man-hours can be devoted to this end. *Aviso* is in the growing stages, so please be patient.

Please remember to keep the Alumni Office informed of your current address. *Aviso* and the College Bulletin are mailed 3rd class, Bulk Rate, and are not usually forwarded. This is the reason many who received the questionnaire (mailed 1st class) mentioned they were not receiving *Aviso*.

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# CAMPUS COMMENTARY

## The Word and the World – Perspective Affects Student Thought

With the confidence of an evangelist, Mr. Cornelius VanTilt entered the subway and spotted an open seat next to a rather business-looking individual. After exchanging greetings, Mr. VanTilt casually asked, "I was wondering, are you one of us?"

Continuing the conversation, he said, "If you have not been chosen by God before the foundation of the earth, you will not understand anything I'm about to say. Do you know that you are under the wrath of God?"

"Heh buddy, you don't look so good yourself," an insulted Mr. Vanly answered.

"Do you realize that there is a God who has a plan and purpose for your life?"

"I don't need God," Mr. Vanly replied.

"Obviously you are not one of us," Mr. VanTilt answered. "If you had been one of us, I would have told you of the atoning work of Christ and how this could be the biggest moment in your life. But since you are not, I don't need to tell you."

Getting off at his stop, Mr. VanTilt turned and said, "Have a nice eternity."

What type of evangelistic effort is this? What are the implications of opening a Christo-centric conversation in such a manner? These questions and many others were the topic of discussion at the January meeting of a growing campus group, Timalathians, the philosophy club.

### *The foundation must be built from a Christian world—life view.*

At the very root of the purpose of Cedarville College is the objective to undergird the student in the fundamentals of the Christian faith and to stimulate him to evaluate knowledge

in the light of Scriptural truth. To encourage the student to develop his perspective of a Christian world and life view in terms of his academic discipline and future is the ultimate goal of Cedarville. In recent years, the administrators and faculty, stirred by such Christian educators as Francis Schaeffer, Cornelius VanTil, and Frank Gaebelien, have expanded course curriculum and extra-curricular activities as a means of pursuing and eventually achieving this ideal.

The concept of philosophy tends to frighten some, and the thought of students delving into mind-expanding discussion, whether in or outside class, could invite skepticism. Healthy outlets for the intellectual energy of students are requirements on a Christian campus, and two such outlets stand as example within the Cedarville College community.

Now into its second full year as a curriculum option is the Interdisciplinary Studies program. The I.D.S. program is designed to combine depth of knowledge in a particular field with a specific study of the inter-relationships found in the liberal arts. All is founded on a Christian world and life view.

Timalathians, through discussions on such books as **By What Standard**, by John Rousas Rushdoony, and **Set Forth Your Case**, by Clark Pinnock, has opened new avenues of thought for the students involved. The objective of both is to stimulate the integration of knowledge with Biblical truth and to aid involved students in developing their own Christian world and life view; the end of both is to produce vibrant Christian witnesses.

"What does one mean by a Christian world and life view? What are the ramifications of living within the perspective of a limited or non-existent

Christian world and life view? How do we fit our education processes into the structure of a Christian philosophy of education? How can I learn to integrate my discipline with a Christian viewpoint and to critically evaluate ideas and concepts that enter into my circle of influence?" With the help of faculty, these questions are edging a variety of students toward their own development of a Christian world and life view.

### *"To have a Christian mind . . . there must be particular content."*

For Mr. James Grier, Professor of Philosophy, Timalathians advisor and I.D.S. committee member, a rich comprehension of one's own Christian world and life view is essential for spiritual depth. Mr. Grier feels that a Christian world and life view is more than a "theoretical construct." "It is a way of thinking; it is the way the mind operates and the total perspective by which the mind functions."

With a depth of understanding and expression, Mr. Grier voiced the need for mature Christian thinking patterns. To have a Christian mind, and to function with a Christian mind, there must be particular content. The Christian must be absorbed in that content. For Mr. Grier, that content is the "special revelation as it has been incipitured in the Bible." That is where the foundation lies for a Christian world and life view and from whence it grows and more clearly defines itself.

The challenging philosophy professor believes that a Christian world and life view starts with a deepening comprehension of the Being of God. When one seeks to comprehend all that God is, he then has a perspective on life that will positively affect his view of himself and his world. The key to an understanding of God., Mr. Grier firmly relates, is revelation. "We are dependent on the inscripturated revelation for our God-concept." When we have dealt seriously with the view of "God as Creator and God as Redeemer, that knowledge will touch every facet of human life." It is from these starting points that a Christian world and life view will emerge.

"For a Christian to know himself, he must know God and His revelation. Self-knowledge, world knowledge, and God knowledge are not three disjunctive knowledges, but they are all integrally bound together. To think Christianly, one must think in terms of the world as a revelation of God, of man as a revelation of God and all knowledge as a revelation of God." It is with this breadth of understanding (See Students thoughts – Page 6)

## ALUMNI SOLD ON CEDARVILLE

To believe in the purpose of an institution. To see a place where one can contribute. To be willing to take the step of commitment. These three factors have prompted several alumni of Cedarville College to return to their Alma Mater as members of the College faculty.

With a variety of faculty openings for this fall in the areas of business, Bible, music education and language, as well as staff position vacancies in carpentry and maintenance, it proves interesting to talk with those alumni who have returned. The big question—WHY?

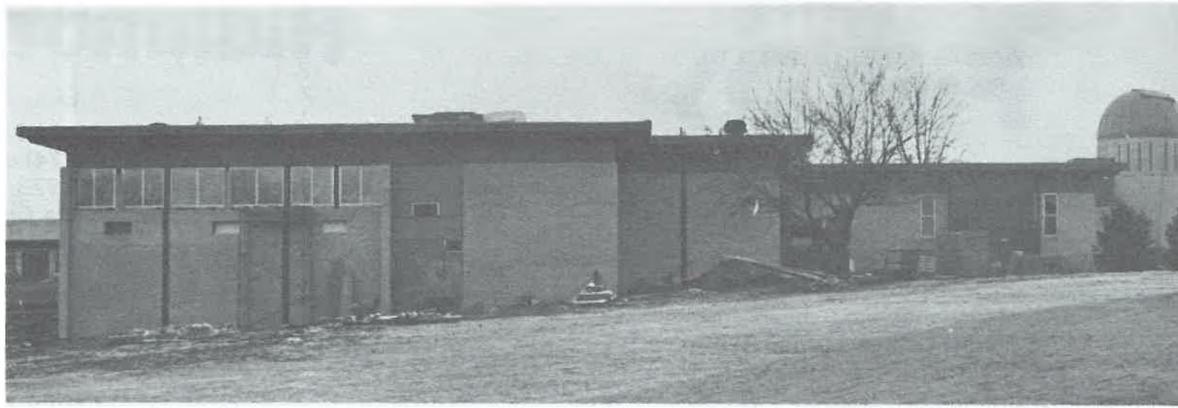
While here as a student, Mr. James Seaman ('68), Assistant Professor of Marketing and Management, saw a need for more marketing and manage-

ment courses in the business program. The number one priority in the Christian business education program for Mr. Seaman is an adequate and well-balanced program. The real challenge is to have the opportunity to be part of the education processes that focus on the maturity of good Christian business personnel that will be of influence in the world which they enter. That is why Mr. Seaman came.

Both Mr. Seaman, who has completed all work for the Ph.D. except the dissertation, and Mr. William Riter ('64), Department Chairman, are looking for the addition of an individual qualified in the area of quantitative analysis to complete the business program at Cedarville.

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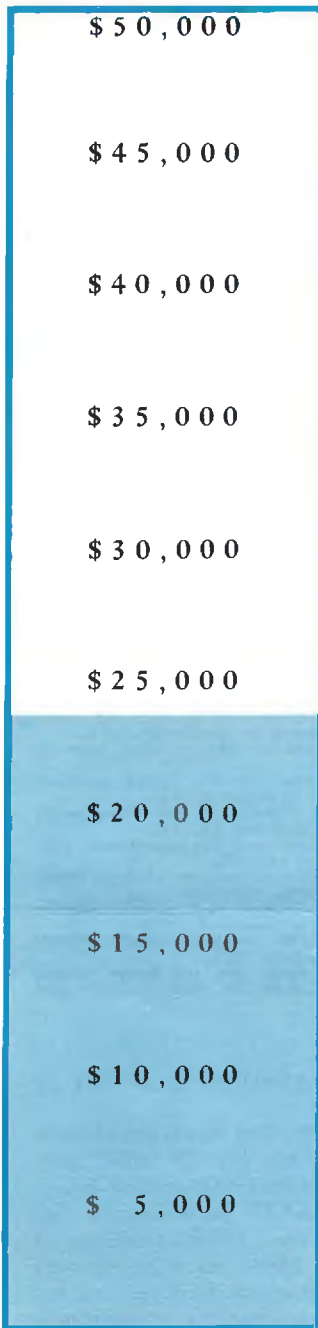
# Alumni Annex

## Progress Report:

Two wings of the new Science Center are already in active use. Students of physical science and chemistry are profiting from the new facilities. The new Science Center has already been used in accomplishing an effective research project in which a student recently synthesized a new chemical which will quicken the development of other new compounds of importance. With near completion of the Alumni Annex, biology students will have the same modern facilities as enjoyed by the students of other disciplines.

Current giving for this project stands at \$18,551.09.

Your commitment to this special alumni project to finish the biology wing of the new building will enable you to share in the provision of areas for enthusiastic research students, as well as sharing with other Alumni participants in a justifiable feeling of accomplishment when visiting our campus and touring the facility that bears our name — The Alumni Annex.



### Alumni faculty — continued from page 3

To see students come to Cedarville as freshmen, to watch them grow spiritually and intellectually is one of the major benefits felt by Mr. James Phipps ('68), Chairman of the Speech Department. "I am firmly committed to the principles of Christian higher education," he related. Knowing that he had the background in speech to help build a department and believing in the purpose of the College, Mr. Phipps took the step of commitment in 1970. Completing his fourth year at Cedarville, he has also been able to finish all but the dissertation for his Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Public Address from The Ohio State University.

Dr. Merlin Ager ('60), Chairman of

the Education Department, also thought of returning to Cedarville while still a student. While completing graduate work in Wisconsin, he worked as a teacher and guidance counselor. Throughout those experiences he felt that this was not the place where he was to spend the rest of his life. Why did he choose Cedarville over other possibilities? "The cause of Christ is much more important." Dr. Ager senses that he is using his interests to develop the potential of Christian higher education and the personnel that are needed in education.

Smallness, the accessibility, and the cooperative and compassionate people to work with brought Dr. Maryalyce

Jeremiah ('65) back to Cedarville College. "I saw a chance to do what I wanted to do and to be a part of a growing department. Dr. Jeremiah, who is Assistant Professor of Physical Education, completed all her work for the Ph.D. in Physical Education from The Ohio State University while teaching at Cedarville. All the benefits, "all the things that made me come are why I am here," she concluded.

Sensitive to the needs of the College in their specific areas, and understanding the influence Christian education can have in our world today brought these alumni back to Cedarville. They are five of a total of fifteen who have returned in the last several years.

## 50's

**Dean K. Langford ('56)** and his wife Statia, former missionaries to Liberia under Baptist Mid-Missions, report a special blessing. They have assumed the responsibility of providing a home and college education for a Liberian Christian girl whom Statia helped to deliver while on the mission field.

## 60's

**Mervin Ziegler ('65)** has received his Ph.D. from the University of Florida and is teaching speech at Grace College in September, 1974.

**Robert W. Pereira ('69)** is engaged to Kathy Falknor, and they have planned a June, 1974, wedding.

**James E. Miller ('68)** is the senior clerk at General Motors Truck and Coach in Pontiac, Michigan.

## 70's

**Jonathan Smith ('72)** married Diane Smith in June, 1973.

**Ron Edwards ('70)** has been called to be the Christian Education Director at the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Lorain, Ohio, his wife, **Margaret (Muirhead) ('70)** is teaching at the new Elyria Christian Academy.

**Tim Bosworth ('71)** and his wife **Rita (DeAtley) ('71)** are teaching at Maranatha Christian School in Columbus, Ohio. Tim is teaching 5th grade and coaching basketball, and Rita is teaching junior high English.

## Ron Baker — continued from page 1

fourth management training assignment in Schenectady, New York. In each new location, he has been an integral part of the beginnings of several home Bible studies. A Bible study held in their home during 1971 culminated in the initiation of the Sycamore Baptist Church of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the calling of a missionary pastor, Rev. Prebble Cobb, in November, 1972.

A recent promotion, unexpected for at least two more years, has placed additional responsibilities upon the Cedarville Alumnus, both on the job and in his church obligations. As Manager of Inventory and Production of Commercial Products Support, Ron is involved in supporting the Aircraft Engine Spare Parts Business for the CF6 Engine used in the DC-10 and Boeing 747. Occasionally, this responsibility requires work on both Saturday and Sunday. Sundays for the Baker family begins at 6:00 a.m. as Ron leaves for work, returns home in time for Sunday School and church, and returns to work following the service. The importance of his church attendance is as vital to him as the picture of work con-

**David Bradford ('72)** and **Cheryl Huff ('74)** were married on December 22, 1973.

**Linda Chute ('72)** is teaching English at the Rockland-Camden High School in Camden, Maine.

**Dennis Huddleston ('70)** has been promoted to Work Standards Engineer, Delco Moraine Division of General Motors.

**Carole A. Kies ('73)** is living in New Philadelphia, Ohio, and teaching second grade at the Indian Hills Christian School.

**Judy Baker Colyer ('72)** is teaching kindergarten, 4th grade science, and shorthand at the Central Baptist School in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## BIRTHS

Stephen Charles to **Chuck ('71)** and **Carol (Jenista) Rowe** on December 8, 1973.

Theresa Lynne to **Tim ('72)** and **Pam (Dutial) ('69NG) Stryker** on November 21, 1973.

Todd Edward to **Frank ('68)** and **Barb (Lepine) ('70) Jenista** on December 18, 1973.

Carlyn Brook to **David ('69)** and **Susan (Adams) ('71NG) Gregory** on January 13, 1974.

William John and Stephen Paul to **Dave and Sonya (Gordey) ('69) Glenning** on October 31, 1973.

Stefanie Nicol to **Theodore ('66)** and **Carol Jager** on September 1, 1973.

Rebecca Leah to **Charles ('67)** and **Carolyn (Burcham) ('68NG) Wilkins** on December 6, 1973.

Jennifer Jo to **Terry ('73NG)** and **Jacki (Barracrough) ('74NG) McNeil** on December 26, 1973.

Nathema Hajer to **Sami and Roxanne (Butler) ('69) Kanani** on December 24, 1973.

Amy Jo to **Buddy ('73)** and **Linda (Newberry) ('74NG) McNiece** on January 22, 1974.

Debra Lyn to **Don ('65NG)** and **Dorothy (Lightly) ('65NG) Davidson** on October 9, 1973.

Angela Lyn to **Bob ('70)** and **Vicki (Palmer) ('72NG) Rehkopf** on September 29, 1973.

Timothy Edward to **Norm ('64)** and **Evelyn (Thoms) ('64) Nicklas** on October 31, 1973, in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

**Connie Barto ('67)**, African Challenge, Ghana, relates that plans have been drawn up for a building to allow more space for their Sunday School. New choir members have been added which is encouraging. She is anticipating coming home in June.

**Sami and Roxanne (Butler) ('69) Kanani**, working with the Arabs in Detroit under Evangelical Baptist Missions, report that the Lord has brought them a new family through seeing their church sign. The daughter, a Muslim, came to know Christ several months ago by reading the Bible and comparing it with the Koran.

**Patsy King ('57)**, Baptist Mid-Missions, Central African Republic, reports that their building for the wives of the Bangassou Bible School students is nearing completion as a result of the money sent by a women's group in Indiana.

**Ruth McIntyre ('69)** serving in Liberia under Sudan Interior Mission has been teaching Sunday School in Fiana, about 10 miles from the ELWA campus. She also announced her engagement and forthcoming marriage to Lance Dager.

**Don ('63)** and **Carol (Brown) ('63) Middleton**, Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions, Gibsonia, Pa., are rejoicing that God has been speaking to those for whom they have been praying, and some seem very close to making decisions.

**DeElda ('60)** and **Nancy (Cope) ('57) Payton**, ABWE, Philippines, report an 8-day evangelistic meeting with the men's quartet from Doane Baptist Bible Institute of Illoilo at the Maasin Fundamental Baptist Church.

**Ray ('59)** and **Jan (Van Horn) ('66) Reiner**, Baptist Mid-Missions, Brazil, report that the Lord has saved the most popular and scholastically intelligent student of the Roman Catholic High School here. He is being criticized; thus, he has some hard decisions to make regarding his stand for Christ.

**John ('68)** and **Faye Rueck**, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Austria, are operating two teacher training classes per week to train Good News Club teachers and Sunday School workers. All their work is now done in the German language.

**Gordon ('55)** and **Alice Wimer**, Baptist Mid-Missions, report that now that the Chad is closed, there are several possibilities of missionary service which have opened up. Please pray for wisdom and direction.

sistency that he wishes to portray to his employees.

As a Christian, Ron is aware of how his actions reflect his Christian perspective. The matter of business ethics is one area in which he wishes to display his life-view. Often because of his managerial status he is sometimes thrown into situations that test his social ethics. Sometimes, he commented, he is referred to as an odd-ball; however, he would wonder about his testimony if there were no comments.

On the career level, Ron has experienced rapid promotion. In the eyes of his employees who once referred to him as "the Deacon," he also has been promoted. To them, their manager, "the Reverend," does lead a different life-style. Their "Reverend" exemplifies a Christian who has learned the very important life principle of implementing successfully his Christian outlook into the world of business. Only the Lord knows what future career goals will be achieved. Perhaps the proper perspective is best expressed in Colossians 3:23, 24, "Whatever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men . . . for ye serve the Lord Christ."

## Student thought — continued from page 3

ing that a philosophy of Christian education can mature.

Discussion, ideals, and stated goals of the Christian life perspective will lead hopefully to the end of practical application and the absorption of all theoretical concepts into a concrete and meaningful life pattern. The challenge of developing one's own foundational base has activated many students. Dan Steere, a junior history and I.D.S. major, feels that since the regenerate mind and the unregenerate mind have the same laws of thinking, he must understand more fully his own foundation of Biblical truth in order to present the claims of the Gospel. The I.D.S. program, the attitude of many faculty members, and his participation in Timalathians has got him started.

*Students sense a need to communicate Biblical truth in an intellectual framework.*

For senior Barb Cooper, a Bible major and registered nurse headed for missionary service, the opportunity to be included in Timalathians has triggered new concepts. "Curiosity" motivated her to become a part of the group. That curiosity may eventually lead her to a richer understanding of the total of Christian living.

Junior I.D.S. major, Allan Dunn feels that God holds a Christian re-

sponsible for his intellectual abilities. He has realized the responsibilities and privileges before him of seeking to come to a fuller understanding of what salvation is, who God is, how He works, and learning to communicate these operative truths to another individual.

In looking to those students who have involved themselves seriously in the formulation of a Christian world and life view, Mr. Grier sees an exciting and rewarding future. If a student has learned "to integrate truth and to function in a vocation as a God-given vocation in which he pursues God's truth, he is able to live, to work, and to think to the glory of God." His whole life is committed. Every aspect, his vocation, his home, and his interpersonal relationships can be involved in his pursuit of spiritual depth and the glorification of God.

## Alumnotes — continued from page 3

**Laura Jones ('72)** is teaching first grade at Central Baptist School in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Jim Rickard ('71)** accepted the position of Business Manager at Los Angeles Baptist College in Newhall, California. He assumed his duties in this capacity in January, 1974.

**Don Fleming ('72)** and **Gretchen**

## Trustees Enact Proposals

During their quarterly business meeting held on January 4th and 5th, the Cedarville College Board of Trustees enacted several proposals that will affect the College operation and program next academic year.

According to the Administrative Committee Bulletin, it was decided that costs to students for the 1974-75 academic year must increase. The increases are necessary due to the rise in operational costs affected by the energy crisis and inflation. Another major reason for the rise in college costs is due to the fact that the salaries of the faculty, staff, and students are not keeping pace with the increase of taxes and the cost of living.

With the increase in student enrollment this past fall, the question of residence expansion was discussed. Plans for the addition of two dormitories are expected to be launched this spring.

## Deaths

**Schlechty ('73NG)** were married on June 17, 1972. Don is working for Robertson Heating Supply, and Gretchen is a secretary at Mount Union College.

## Deaths

**Elaine Jordon ('63)** went home to be with the Lord on January 2, 1974.



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